# Pine Needlers' Quilt Group - Business Meeting, Apr 3, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President, Brenda Clark, at 10:00am with 26 members in attendance.

Pastor Schmeltz offered up a prayer in response to prayer requests made from the group.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Karen Kramer and seconded by Renie Arrigo to accept the minutes and was approved by the membership.

**Correspondence**: A very nice thank you card from Barb Birdsell was shared.

**Treasurer's Report**: The report was emailed to the group by Lesley Buechel and there were no questions. Our ending balance was \$7,485.69.

# **Standing Committees/Old Business**

**Military Quilts:** There are 33 completed quilts. Edna prepared kits for pinwheel blocks for members to take home and return by the May Meeting.

**Community Quilts**: There are now 25 completed quilts.

**Project Linus:** The project leaders/members are getting ready for their yard sale coming up in May. Judy has been invited to join HOCRN on April 12th to talk about Project Linus and the Pine Needlers.

**Retreats**: For April's retreats we have 13 signed up for Tuesday the 4th and another 7 for Wednesday the 5th. A reminder that your payment is due at the business meeting. We will scan and upload the sign-up sheets to the website so it will be easier to check on which dates you have signed up for.

#### **Education:**

**Folded Star Pot Holder** by Lesley Buechel, April 17th from 9am to 12:30. Please meet with Lesley after the meeting for some prep instructions.

**String Quilting in Red White and Blue** by Marilyn Giblin, May 17 from 9am to 3:30pm. Bring a sack lunch.

**EPP** by Naneen Boyce. Signups for June 5th and 7th are being taken by Karen Kramer - \$50 each.

The Pine Needlers will be hosting an **English Tea with the Piecemakers** on June 6th with a trunk show by Naneen Boyce. Judy will chair a committee to plan the event. Trudy Janes, Karla Desrosiers, Karen Kramer and Deb Bradford have volunteers to be on the committee.

**Quilt Show:** Karen reported that all required Chairperson positions have been filled.

**Quilt Show Challenge:** Judy shared information on our group challenge, which will be quilted post cards with the theme "Greetings from Arizona". Fabric and card stock is now available.

**UFO/PHD**: Seven members shared their 'show and tell' in progress or completion of their UFO challenge. Marilyn Giblin won the drawing for this month's prize. #12 was picked for the May UFO to be worked on. Since there are only 11 on the list, this is guilter's choice.

**Monthly Challenge:** The May challenge which will be Pot Holders with Tea Pots/Cups. These will then serve as door prizes/favors for our get together with the Piecemakers in June. Judy has patterns for an appliqué design available and Marilyn has a paper piecing pattern for a tea cup.

## **New Business**

**Card Tricks Quilt Show** - August 10-11, 2023 from 9am to 3pm. This is a judged show and entry forms and info will be announced when available.

**Nominating Committee** - will meet Wed. April 19th. Still looking for a President and Secretary. It's hoped that we will present a slate of candidates for voting at the May Meeting and new board will take over in June.

**Show and Tell** followed the presentation of Door Prizes, with many thanks to those generous ladies who contributed. Contributing prizes for next month will be Lesley Buechel, Andi Williams and Kathy Adair.

### **Member Interviews:**

Marsha Berlo was born in San Francisco but soon moved to Oakland due to her father's employment. This was followed by Tucson, Nogales, Miami, AZ, Safford, Tucson and ended up in Kingman. Marsha moved 25 times and attended 11 schools in 12 years. After she married her first husband they moved to North Dakota, then Nogales, and back to Minot, North Dakota. Marsha started Nursing School after her 4 children were born. After a divorce, she accepted a nursing job in Las Vegas when her daughter was a senior in high school. She met her current husband, Bill, in Las Vegas through the dating company, Great Expectations. They moved back to Bismark, ND before retiring to Tucson. They originally planned to summer in Oregon but decided that was too far to drive and settled on Overgaard instead. Marsha only began quilting when Ida Olson-Horning introduced her to the craft.

**Deb Bradford** was born and raised in Durango, CO where she graduated high school. She met her husband while in college and they have been married for 50 years. She originally wanted to learn computers but found that she hated them. Deb changed her major to Civil Engineering, got pregnant again and changed to teaching. Deb and Dick lived in Phoenix for 45 years and have four children. She taught school at Highland High School in Gilbert, AZ. They bought a place in Bison Ranch next door to Gail Brandon who introduced her to the Pine Needlers.

We look forward to learning more about members Renie Arrigo and Trudy Janes next month.

Our next business meeting will be Monday, May 1st, 2023. Snacks at 9:00am and the meeting will begin at 9:30am.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45am pm following a motion by Karen Kramer and seconded by Karla Desrosiers.

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Giblin, Secretary