

THE SCRAPBAG RAG

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BLUE VALLEY QUILT GUILD

NOVEMBER 2017 ISSUE

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEW DAYS

November 11

ART MARKET

November 17 & 18

Quilt House
1523 N. 33rd St.
Lincoln, Nebraska

QUILTNEBRASKA 2018

July 26-29, 2018

Hotel RL
72nd and Grover
Omaha, Nebraska

THREADS ACROSS NEBRASKA

October 12 & 13, 2018

October 11 & 12, 2019

Exposition Bldg., Buffalo
County Fairgrounds,
Kearney, Nebraska

FROM THE PRESIDENT. . .

It's been 7 years since I've held the office of President...also coming off the glow of a successful quilt show, at that time. As we look at this month of Thanksgiving, I'd like to thank everyone who helped with the Deep Roots, High Hopes Quilt Show. Sheila and I enjoyed taking on the job as co-chairs and were very proud of the final product we all produced together! I took away so much inspiration from seeing those 400 quilts spanning 150 years...but even more joy and inspiration from having the opportunity to work with my quilting sisters, as we presented all that beauty. I hope you are proud, as well.

As we continue to a new quilt year, we are still in need of a Vice President. If you've held the job before, maybe it's time to consider it again. If not, why not give it a try. There are so many fellow quilters here to help you be successful.

See you Thanksgiving week,
Becky Wallroff



MEETING MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT

OCTOBER 16, 2017

Following a wonderful and very filling pot luck dinner, the meeting was called to order by Katy Coleman. 35 members and 4 guests, Jeanette Richardson, Kathy Bongers, Beth Peterson, Cheryl Gerdes.

October birthdays were recognized with the question of "What was your favorite Halloween costume?" and a fat quarter.

And I didn't write down who won the door prizes. But congratulations, you know who you are.

Lynn Koelzer from Wood River provided the program of beautiful quilts. Minutes of secretary and treasurer's report were approved as written in the newsletter.

Sesquicentennial show, October 20-22, is this week. Pick up your quilts after 4 on Sunday.

Dorothy N-H shared the changes in next year's State Fair rules. Each exhibitor is only allowed 3 entries and Best in County will be judged with the rest not as a separate category. Katy thanked everyone for serving during her reign of presidency this year and handed the baton to Becky Wallroff.

Next meeting, November 20. Lori Duffek and Laurie Rouse will serve refreshments and Diane Harris will provide the program.

Adjourn? M/S/P

Respectfully Submitted, Laurie Rouse

Blue Valley Quilters	
Treasurer's Report	
October 2017	
Beginning Checkbook Balance	\$984.58
Income:	
Pins	
Dues	\$525.00
Quilt Raffle	
Bus Trip Registration	
UFO Fees	
Total Income	<u>\$525.00</u>
Expenses:	
Copies & Postage	\$11.60
Library Subscription/Quiltmaker	
Challenge Prizes	
State Fair Prizes	\$50.00
Speaker Fees	\$172.20
Website Maintenance	
Total Expenses	\$233.80
Ending Checkbook Balance 10/31/2017	\$1,275.78
Petty Cash	<u>\$20.00</u>
Savings Account @Cattle Bank	\$2,014.97
Interest income	\$0.00
Total Balance	<u>\$3,310.75</u>

"Blankets wrap you in warmth, quilts wrap you in love."

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Birthday: Joan Varner — November 6



**BVQG
MEMBERS**

**NOVEMBER AND
DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- Laurie Rouse — Nov. 3rd
- Joan Varner — Nov. 6th
- Roxann O’Hare — Nov. 16th
- Carol Isaac — Nov. 27th
- Shirley Schluckebier
— Nov. 28th
- Judy Frerichs — Dec. 2nd
- Joan Schildt — Dec. 3rd
- Bonnie McMann — Dec. 4th
- Linda Riesberg — Dec. 14th
- Judy Polacek — Dec. 23rd
- Susan Minchow — Dec. 25th
- Marilyn Varner — Dec. 30th



**REFRESHMENT
HOSTESSES**

NOVEMBER: Lori Duffek and
Laurie Rouse

2017 PROGRAMS

NOVEMBER — Diane Harris Lec-
ture/Jingle Bells Trunk Show

“Any day spent quilting is a good day.”

FYI . . .

FROM JAN SITTLER, NEBRASKA STATE FAIR QUILT SUPERINTENDENT:

Plans for State Fair Quilt Show, 2018

If you visited the 2017 State Fair Quilt Show, you noticed that once again it was a really big show – many talented exhibitors (over 300), many beautiful quilts (667), many admiring fair visitors and a few complaints: “Because of the overlapping of large quilts, we can’t see enough of them.” Our plans are to encourage more exhibitors and more visitors but we are also addressing the display problems.

So, starting with the 2018 NSF, we are making the following changes:

1. The maximum number of entries will be three per exhibitor (previously it was five per exhibitor).
2. The “Best in County” class is changing from a competition to a recognition event. Quilts that were awarded the top honors at their respective county fairs will be entered, received and judged during the same time period and in the same classes as the other quilt entries and will count as one of the three maximum entries per exhibitor. After judging is completed and all the quilts are hung, the Best in County quilts will be recognized with
 - signage recognizing them as the top county winner of their county fair and
 - with a distinctive ribbon award

Based on historical data, we anticipate these two changes will reduce the number of quilts from nearly 700 to a little over 500, the approximate design capacity of the room.

The room will still look very full but we will be able to see more of the quilts, something very important to exhibitors and fair visitors. Best in County quilts (and all the other quilts) will be judged by a nationally certified judge and receive an individual critique. The lower numbers will also bring the processes of receiving, judging, hanging and release to a more manageable level.

2018 Award Sponsorship

Early in January letters will be going out to last year's sponsors and potential sponsors of cash awards gift certificates and special ribbons. If your guild or small group has a new contact person, let me know that person's name, address, email and phone number so that we can contact the right person. If you have any special requests regarding awards, let me know. And thanks again for your continued support for this wonderful show.

Jan Sittler

NSF Quilt Show Superintendent

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“A day patched with quilting seldom unravels.”

OCTOBER SPEAKER LYNN KOELZER



OCTOBER QUILT SHOW – SPECTACULAR



“When life throws you scraps, make a quilt!”

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Show and Share

A Friend: 1+1 Guest
Challenge

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General meeting is held the third Monday of each month, excepting December, at the Seward Civic Center (lower level) at 7:00 PM. Board Meeting is held the first Monday of every month or as decided by board. Any member may attend. Contact any board member for time, date, location. Any interested quilt maker or quilt lover is encouraged to attend a meeting as our guest!