

# THE SCRAPBAG RAG

## THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BLUE VALLEY QUILT GUILD

FEBRUARY 2019 ISSUE

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### NATIONAL QUILT DAY

March 16, 2019  
9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.  
International Quilt Study Center and Museum  
Lincoln, Nebraska

#### THREADS ACROSS NEBRASKA

October 11 & 12, 2019  
Exposition Bldg.  
Buffalo County Fairgrounds  
Kearney, Nebraska

### 2019 PROGRAMS

**February 18** — Slide presentation on the life of quilter and former BVQG member Jan Stehlik

**March 18** — Lora Rocke from Lincoln

**April 15** — Pat Kuhns; miniature doll beds and doll quilts

**May 20** — Button Maze (Group mixer)

**June 17** — Round Robbin; scrap quilting techniques

**July 15** — Phyllis Higgle; modern quilts trunk show

**August 19** — T-shirt quilt show and tell. Discussion of the solutions to making this type of quilt without pulling your hair out

**September 16** — Trunk show by Kristine Morrow

**October 21** — "Potluck Quilts" quilt program with food themed quilts

**November 18** — bring three favorite quilting notions. After small group discussion favorite notions will be presented to the group. Introduction of new members from the last year

### FROM THE PRESIDENT. . .

Dear Quilters,

Is it Spring yet??? After this last weekend, I'm getting anxious for some warmer weather. Oh well, I don't think Ole' Man Winter is through with us yet!

With this cold weather returning we can use our time inside quilting, right? I keep thinking of all the projects I want to get done before outside work takes me away from it all. There just doesn't seem to be enough hours in the day or enough "snow days"! That's teacher talk for not having to report to work because of inclement weather!

Holidays were a rush as usual and not getting to see all of my family getting together was difficult. But there are more holidays to look forward to. Have you made your sweetie something for Valentine's Day? I keep looking at all the cute projects, but once again, where's the time?

I hope this finds you all warm and enjoying some quilting time. It's been a while since we've been able to gather together! Becky and I look forward to our next meeting, Monday, February 18th at the Civic Center. Please join us and bring a "friend" too!

Until then,  
Happy Quilting!

Diane

**FEBRUARY PROGRAM:** Jan Stehlik's daughter, Bonnie, requested that if anyone had projects that they did with Jan or any of Jan's quilt things to bring them to the February meeting along with any stories or memories they have of Jan. Bonnie will be bringing some of her mother's sewing things for the guild members.

### NOVEMBER PROGRAM

New Members and their Talents



## MEETING MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT

### NOVEMBER 19, 2018

The November 19, 2018 meeting of the BVQG was called to order by President Becky Wallroff with 29 members and 1 guest present. Our guest, Pat Schmidt of Malcom became the 9th person to join our guild in 2018! New members: Sandi Robertson, Kathy Bongers, Jeanette Richardson, Diane Rousek, Kris Boelter, and Judy Hostetler were interviewed by Linda Riesberg and they showed their quilts as our program. They cited, "getting new ideas, camaraderie, and making new friends as reasons for joining the guild. Most of them came because someone had invited them.

We celebrated the November and December birthdays of Shirley, Schluckebier, Joan Varner, Joann Schildt, Roxanne O'Hare, Linda Riesberg, Carol Issac, Judy Polacek, and Marilyn Varner. They shared a favorite holiday memory.

Judy Hostetler won the door prize, a journal.

It was moved, seconded, and carried to have Becky Wallroff and Diane Swartzlander as co-presidents. They were installed by Gretchen Gebhardt. Lana Meyer will serve as vice president.

The minutes and treasurer's report were approved as published in the newsletter. Other business and announcements were:

- According to a letter from the State Fair organizers, the sponsorship for prizes at the state fair is discontinued. Money for the prizes will be raised in another way as, "the time resources needed to maintain this program exceed what we can provide."
- Jeanette Richardson thanked all who helped with Quilts of Valor. Eleven quilts were given away on Veterans Day at the National Guard Museum with many family and friends present. Another ceremony is planned for that time next year.
- Linda Riesberg suggested we make publicity bookmarks for

our guild which will be given away at quilt shops, the fair, and other events. Carol Curran agreed to draft them.

- Becky thanked Carol Curran for editing the newsletter and for putting the directory together. It will be distributed at our Febr. Meeting.
- Linda Riesberg announced the program for our next meeting on Febr. 18, 2019. Jan Stehlik's daughter, Bonnie Wagner will do a program on the work of her mother as quilter, author, speaker, and quilt judge. When Jan was in better health she was

a BVQG member. If you have anything that Jan made please bring it to show that evening.

- Thank you to Beth Peterson and Lori Duffek for providing our snack. Cindy Milligan and Lana Meyer will be treating us next time.

The meeting was adjourned and Show and Share began.

Gretchen Gebhardt  
BVQG Secretary

#### BLUE VALLEY DECEMBER, 2018 JAN AND FEBRUARY 2019 FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount in Checking account	1780.42
Dues	350.00
<b>Total in checking account</b>	<b>2130.42</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Marilyn Varner copies Nov 2018	6.00
US Post office box yearly rent	62.00
Friends of Seward Library G Hildenbrand	17.94
NE 2018 taxes	71.66
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>157.60</b>
Ending checkbook Balance 10/31/2018	1972.82
Petty Cash	20.00
Saving account @Cattle Bank	2017.04
Interest added	.94
<b>TOTAL BALANCE</b>	<b>4010.80</b>

*"A mistake is just an opportunity to be creative."*

## FYI . . .

**WHAT'S NEW AT SEWARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY?**

Submitted by Gretchen Gebhardt

The following books, all with 2018 copyrights, are available for checkout at Seward Memorial Library. If you don't have a library card, you can use these books in the library or look for them in your own library. The quotes below are taken directly from the books.

String Frenzy by Bonnie K. Hunter (Given to the library by BVQG in honor of Gladys Hildebrand)

Strips, Strings and Scrappy Things! 12 More Quilt Projects

"There is magic in the piecing. Every scrap is full of memories of the project from which it came—every color, texture, and bit of contrast. They might not look like much on their own, these humble little pieces, but together they are a symphony of beauty, each scrap a spot on the timeline of your life as a quilter."

Teeny-Tiny Quilts by Donna Lynn Thomas

Piece tiny quilts with accuracy

- Small, smaller, smallest! Sew mini quilts in many sizes, with block sizes from 1 1/8" to 6"
- Projects in all fabrics and styles to appeal to everyone
- Great tips and techniques for any quilter looking to piece more accurately!

"The upside to making small quilts, and not just the tiniest ones, is that when you return to your bigger blocks, they seem like dinosaurs. They practically put themselves together because you have mastered precision skills at a smaller scale."

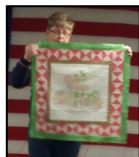
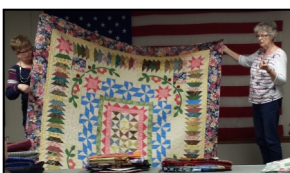
Mini-Charm Quilts compiled by Lissa Alexander (A gift of Nebraska State Quilt Guild)

18 Clever Projects for 2 1/2" squares

"Get ready to be charmed in many "mini" ways! Start with one, two, or three packs of 2 1/2" mini-charm squares; then choose a project from 18 celebrated Moda designers, including Lisa Bongean, Jen Kingwell, Jo Morton, Laurie Simpson, and Me and My Sister Designs. And let the mini-making begin!"

Projects include a pincushion, a runner, doll-quilt and pillow sets, and a multitude of small quilts. Mini-charms pack a mighty punch—and these fun patterns work like a charm!"

## NOV. SHOW AND SHARE



"Quilters come with strings attached."



**BVQG  
MEMBERS**

**JANUARY AND**

**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Kathy Bongers — Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>

Kriss Moulds — Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>

Lori Duffek — Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>

Cindy Milligan — Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>

Corky Malmberg — Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>

Mona Kunasek — Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>

Diane Rousek — Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>

**NEWSLETTER ARTICLE SUBMISSION  
DEADLINES: FOR 2019**

Because the newsletter is for your use, the following are the deadline dates for news/info submission.

March 6  
April 3  
May 8  
June 5  
July 3  
August 7  
September 4  
October 9  
November 6

**NEW MEMBERS**

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Birthday: March 17



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### **BVQG BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**PRESIDENT:** Diane Swartz-  
lander/Becky Wallroff

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mann-Nelson

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Beins

**COUNTY FAIR LIAISON:** Susan Min-  
chow

**NEWSLETTER:** Carol Curran

**WEBMASTER:** Becky Wallroff

### **REMEMBER TO BRING:**

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Show and Share

A Friend: 1+1 Guest  
Challenge



General meeting is held the third Monday of each month, except December and January, 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!