

Herring Run Quilters Guild
Saturday, January 11, 2025
Norwell, MA.

President: The meeting was called to order by Jennifer Brown, President, at 9:30.

Happy New Years everyone.

Attendance: 64 Members. Attendance was light due to the weather / snow.

New Location Search Update: The team has been looking into new locations. We have a pretty good list of requirements. They are making calls and visits. At the next meeting they will be prepared to give a report. A local church is interested in purchasing this property.

Job Descriptions: Anne Marie is coordinating the effort to update job descriptions. They are due by February 1st.

Nominating Committee: As required, the Vice President will be pulling this committee together. The term of the current President ends in May.

Treasurer: No update. Cheryl is here if anyone needs a check.

Secretary: No update.

Membership: There are currently 138 members. Two new members were in attendance today. We have figured out the email distribution list. If you are not receiving the emails check you junk mail or let Maribeth know.

Programs Update:

- Today - Inaugural program of Quilters' Stories. Four guild members to share fun and interesting stories. Presenters include Edith Neil, Cathy deVeer, Holly Carpenter and Charlene Shultz.
- February – We will have a Comfort Quilt open sew at Jenn Cannizzaro's studio in Rockland right after the regular meeting. Jenn has a sign-up sheet if you are able to attend. We are looking for about 20 people. Eight sewing machines will be available to use. There will be an area for trimming and pressing and the long arm will be available. Kits have been cut. The studio is located on the 1st floor of 379 Liberty Street, Rockland. The guild has had

a long tradition of giving away quilts to local organizations. If you have a favorite organization that would appreciate receiving quilts let us know.

- March – Tina Craig will be hosting a foundation piecing class to make either a table runner or wall hanging. Two designs, butterfly and tulip, will be available. The cost is \$31. Enrollment ends at the next meeting. Only four people have signed up so we may have to cancel the workshop.
- April – Pat Delaney will be teaching a turned edge machine applique technique that looks like hand work. The cost is \$27. This class is full.
- May – Amy Friend will show you how to create a quilt using different size blocks. Bring your orphan and extra blocks. You will not need a sewing machine for this class. You will work on the layout during the class and do the sewing at home. The cost is \$32.
- Mystery Quilt – Instruction #5 and #5A will be going out next week. You will also receive one page showing the placement of blocks. Marie is adding colors to the directions as two of the colors are very close and you may not be able to tell the difference. The big reveal will be in May.

Block of the Month: Next month we will be celebrating Valentine's Day. You will be able to find the instructions on the website. Five blocks were turned in today. The winner of today's blocks was Jean Silva.

Raffle Basket: Today's basket includes three yards of fabric accompanied by a three-yard quilt book. There is also a snowman wall hanging kit which was donated by Jenn Cannizzaro. There is a book of 100 blocks and of course chocolate. Today's raffle was won by Mary Merritt.

Historian: No update.

Quilt Museum: The museum will be closed until January 14th. There are a few new programs scheduled. They will be open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 to 4.

Hospitality: Thanks to everyone for bringing goodies today.

Newsletter: The next newsletter should be out in February. January 26th is the deadline for submissions. Send information to Kristen Anderson.

Library: No update.

Getaway: The next getaway will be Sunday, April 27, 2025 to Wednesday April 30th at the Holiday Inn Express in Sturbridge. It is full. Five rooms have been added to the reservation block. The deadline to reserve your room is March 13th so if you haven't already done so, you should make your reservation. Contact Denise Fitzgerald if you need to find a roommate.

New Business:

- Susan Riley has donated a lot of quilting supplies. Thanks to Martha Cook, Lynne Anastos and Jennifer Brown for bringing the donations to the meeting. Help yourself. Susan has also made significant fabric donations to the comfort quilts. If you want to drive to Hingham there will be shelving units and fabric on her front porch.
- Thanks to everyone who donated quilts to the National Guard. 52 quilts along with 8 pillowcases were donated. The next deployment will be in May.

Show and tell started at 9:55. The business portion of the meeting ended at 10:30 after which everyone enjoyed the Quilters' Stories as mentioned above.

Submitted by,

Lisa Monroe