



Missoula Quilters Guild Newsletter

October, 2024

- We're sending love and hugs to **Audrey Nichols** because her mother-in-law, **Hiroko Nichols** passed away on Thursday, October 4th. Hiroko, age 91, was a long-time Guild member. No services are planned, per Hiroko's wishes.

- If you wear something Halloween themed to the Guild meeting, you'll get an extra raffle ticket at the door!

- Our October program will be presented by **Paola Jo Sederquist of Sederquilts**. (see attachment.)

- The vote for the annual budget will take place at the October meeting, per our bylaws. The discussion shouldn't take as long as last month. I know the September meeting had a "business" feel to it, as all September meetings do.

- **Heidi Bakula** and **Kathy Klinge** will give an update on their research for the Holiday Party dinner plans. Thank you, Kathy and Heidi for your work on this. Their update will be part of the budget discussion.
- The ETC tables will be set up in the lobby to sign-up for the **Kristin Laura** classes on November 14th and 15th, and **Charisma Horton** classes on April 10th, 11th and 12th.
- **Nancy Terwilliger-Grube** has added a new category to the UFO challenges. If you have an unfinished quilt top that you would like to donate to one of our charity groups, you may show it at Show and Tell, and tell Nancy it's a UFO. The person who has donated the most quilt tops to one of our charity groups can win a \$25 gift certificate. This new challenge will start in January.
- **Kathy Klinge** would like to announce that March 27, 2025 will be the date for the next Stitches in the Dark gathering. Mark your calendars!
- Thank you to **Jackie Reimers, Jean Thorstenson, Judy Goudette-Hastings, Lonnie DeVoe, Nina Cramer, Leona Hastings, Katerina Hall, Sue Dale** and **Kathy Klinge** who volunteered to bring treats this month.

- Charity Group Chair Report: **Debbie Tomell** reports that **Montana Quilts of Valor** creates quilts to award to veterans and active-duty service members as a way to say “Thank you for your service.” The group meets weekly on Mondays 10-2 at Atonement Lutheran Church. They have patterns, kits and fabrics and sewing machines to create quilts. Their annual membership enrollment is coming up, membership is only \$10. Stop by their table at break; they have kits ready to sew.
- Check the website for information about our Quilt Challenges. **Karen Winther’s** annual “Sustainability in Quilting” challenge and the “2024-25 Library Challenge” are under Latest News on the front page. Thanks to our librarians, **Louise Rhode** and **Vickie Christie** for creating this challenge.
- We need a second person to co-chair the Quilt Show with Suzanne Sterrett. Please contact Joni (406-546-2375) or Suzanne (406-214-2441) if you are interested. Suzanne will have sign-up sheets for committee chairs at the meeting AND she will announce the THEME for the next show!
- Please remember to pay your \$25 dues. If you have not renewed by the end of November, your name will (sadly) be removed from the membership list.
- The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 3rd at 5:30 at Panera. If anyone is curious about what happens at the board meetings, you are welcome to come and listen. We will take comments at the end of the meeting.
- See attachments for the October Program, ETC committee announcements, Guild programs and ETC events (3 pages – scroll down) and the September treasurer’s report.

I’m looking forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday, October 9th at 6:30 at Revive Church, 2811 Latimer Street.

Joní Stormo,

President

