

**Old Capitol Quilters Guild**  
**Guild Meeting – January 12, 2026**  
**Zoom Meeting - 7 pm**

President Joleen Green called the zoom session to order at 7 p.m.

Sarah Ruiz from Houston, Texas, joined the group on Zoom, sharing her early and more recent quilting projects. Sarah is an aerospace engineer by profession, most recently working for NASA. She shared her love of quilting as well as interest in designing quilt patterns.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

Announcements:

- 1) Sarah Harris will be assisting the Johnson County 4-H Club, Clover Buds, this year. They will be meeting on January 18 from 2 -4 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Building. So far nine club members have expressed interest in participating. They will have a choice of two sewing projects – making PJ pants or cargo shorts. Sarah is looking for several more guild members to assist the group.
- 2) A Sew Day is scheduled for Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the Coralville Public Library (lower level). There will be kits and other projects available to work on that day.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Technology: Joleen thanked the committee for coordinating this evening's Zoom session.

Treasurer: Laura Hopkins recapped the vote for increasing the monthly fee to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. Board members voted to increase the fee to \$125 per month.

Secretary, Finance, History, and Small Group Committees had no reports.

Newsletter: Deadline for February newsletter is January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Library: There will be no library offerings next month due to the Sew Day.

Membership: There are currently 121 members in OCQG.

Retreat: There is one opening left for the February 13-15 retreat. The fall retreat will be October 2-4. Prairie Woods is increasing the cost of their food service. The committee is looking into other options and how this may impact the retreat fee. Possibilities include ordering in food, dining out, or bringing/cooking food at Prairie Woods.

Service Committee: Sherrie Adkison reported that 1) Seven quilts were donated between November and January. 2) Fifteen quilts are awaiting long-arming. 3) Dance Marathon requested a Hawkeye quilt for their event. Sherry recently completed one and will donate it on behalf of the guild. 4) Ronald McDonald House is seeking young adult and adult-sized quilts. Clarification is needed re desired sizes as well as where the quilts are going since the guild is already donating to UIHC Stead Family Hospital. Sherrie will get clarification and report back.

Program: Next month's meeting is February 9<sup>th</sup>. It will be a Sew Day so there will be no business meeting. More information about Sew Day will be available on the website. The March meeting will be taught by Joleen Green on her "Quick Tie" method. She requested that members bring perle cotton thread, scissors and thimble as the guild members will utilize her method on red, white and blue quilts to be used for the VA donations later this year.

Closing Announcements: 1) Show and Tell contributions will be available for viewing on the website. 2) Members wishing to purchase Sarah Ruiz's patterns may do so using the 20% discount code OLDCAP for a limited time. 3) The link for Sarah's UFO sheet will be sent out via email.

Connie Brinton made a motion to adjourn; Carole Knutson seconded this motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Lathrop  
Secretary