

NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild

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 Marge Johnson,
 Editor

Tuesday, March 1st, 2:00 and 7:00 p.m., Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Afternoon and Evening Programs: Those attending afternoon meetings are reminded to bring show-and-tell items. March's spotlight for show-and-tell will feature projects that include hand embroidery. The afternoon and evening program will feature Leslie Mehmen's hand embroidery trunk show featuring some of her incredible work. Leslie is from Charles City.

Lunch Committee for the March Evening Guild Meeting: Marty Berda (chair), Linda Johnson, Martha Huinker, Jane Lamborn, Dianne Rissman, and Rita Anderson

March 1st, 12:30 p.m., Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Farmer's Wife Gathering: See inside for an update.

March 1st, 4:00-6:00 p.m., Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Leslie Mehmen will present her workshop on hand embroidery. Everyone who was on the workshop list or the wait list is welcome to attend her class. There may be room for one more because of a cancellation, so please email cdvogel@wildblue.net for confirmation.

Tuesday, April 5th, 2:00 p.m and 7:00 p.m., Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA:

Afternoon and Evening Programs: The program will remain as scheduled with Marilyn Foreman of Quilt Moments from St. Paul presenting her trunk show for both afternoon and evening meetings. Marilyn has enjoyed quilting as a hobby since 1996. Quilt Moments was formed at the end of 2006 after she designed a quilt for the Quilt Pink event for charity and received several requests about the availability of a pattern for her quilt called Kensington Kaleidoscope. She enjoys the challenge of making patterns that work with different fabric cuts including charm packs (5" squares), layer cakes (10" squares), jelly rolls (2-1/2" strips), fat quarters, or yardage.

Lunch Committee for the April Evening Guild Meeting: Karen Darling (chair), Arlis Myhre, Joan Weymiller, Melody Protsman, Susie Blake, and Cindy Spiker

April 5th, 12:30 p.m., Luana State Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Farmer's Wife Gathering: Watch for forthcoming e-mails with more details.

April 6th, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Luana State Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Marilyn Forman Workshop

The pattern Marilyn will be teaching is called Twilight Kaleidoscope and offers two sizes. (See inside for more information.)

Reminder: You can still purchase a copy of the show video from Linda Monroe!

The garage sale will be postponed--likely till next year. Those who have paid for a table will get a refund from Cheryl Mulder.

Barb Raisbeck would like any Ricky Tims' Seminar money by March 10th.

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Farmer's Wife Sampler Group

Hope you all were able to use your snow day(s) for sewing and not for moving snow. Even though we didn't have our meeting, let's try and stay on schedule. So here are some notes from Candace and me about the blocks assigned for February.

*Be sure your printer set-up says 100% and "No Scaling" before printing templates.

*If a block has a template for the same template in reverse, just cut the fabric folded double, to get an automatic reverse piece.

*Not all blocks have reverse templates, do NOT cut pieces on folded fabric.

*Basket Block #3 - you may cut the handle from paper backed fusible, or if you appliqu , it may be easier to piece the whole block and then open a small hole in the seam to stick in the bias strip handle.

*Block #82 could be paper pieced, OR use lots of starch and go slowly.

*Carolyn uses Thangles to make 1" finished half square triangles. Shorten your stitch length to make it easier to remove the paper.

*Wasn't block #108 a fun one to finish with this month?

Get ready for ALL those HST in March! I'm expecting better weather.

Carolyn Vogel

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

The Winter Witch has waved her magic wand and put a spell on much of the country. Hopefully, the word got out okay about the February meeting cancellation. That was not a day or evening to be out in the storm. I am so glad we can still have the program from February at our March meeting. I am looking forward to that.

I found a wonderful quilt shop in Panama City, FL, Quilting by the Bay, and was able to see and hear designer Judy Niemeyer. Exciting! Be sure to ask me about it.

Please consider serving as a guild officer and/or serving on the nomination committee (info. at our March meeting). Really none of the offices have large time or work commitments. It makes guild more interesting if you take an active role.

Before our March meeting the raffle quilt committee will have had February workshop days, and I am looking forward to hearing of their progress and upcoming workshops.

Since we are all "snowed in" for a while, there should be a lot of show and tell projects and UFOs to trade. See you at the March meetings!

-Julie

Where can I find? . . .

Share Your Resources

Do any of you have a web resource to share for the next newsletter? Let Julie or Marge know.

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Get On The Bus

The AQS quilt show in Des Moines is a premiere event. In addition to the AQS competition quilts, AQS special quilt exhibits, there will be the 400 quilts from the Des Moines Guild, plus plenty of classes, lectures, and vendors.

Arrangements have been for a bus to take us to this AQS show. We will leave on Thursday morning September 29th, stay overnight, and return on Friday September 30, 2011. Leave the highway and big city driving to someone else! The cost for this is \$40 per person for the bus only. If the bus has not filled by April, we will open it to the public in hopes of filling all the seats.

You are responsible for making your own room reservations. A block of rooms have been set aside at the Wildwood Lodge in Clive, Iowa, for Thursday night. A special rate of \$89 per night for two people for the "Northeast Iowa Quilters" was negotiated. The phone numbers are 515-222-9876 or 800-728-1223. Reservations must be made by August 29 to receive this group rate. The Lodge has a pool and serves a deluxe continental breakfast. There are also several eating establishment within walking distance for your Thursday evening meal.

AQS posts information about the show at their web site www.AmericanQuilter.com.

Information about admission fees, classes, exhibits, etc. available at the following web address: www.AmericanQuilter.com.



Marilyn Foreman's Kaleidoscope Workshop

Apr. 6 9 AM to 3:30 PM Lunch to be announced.

The pattern Marilyn will be teaching is called Twilight Kaleidoscope and offers two sizes. Go to www.quiltmoments.com. to see this and other patterns.

We will have patterns available at the March meeting for \$9.50 each. The supply list is on the pattern; you will need this plus the normal cutting and sewing supplies for a workshop.

Of course, there are many fabrics that will work well for a kaleidoscope quilt so choose your own or the fabric featured in the Twilight Kaleidoscope is available through Quilt Moments if you act quickly. The full kit is \$135 +\$10.50 shipping and the two main fabrics alone are \$75 + shipping.

We have learned that these kits and fabrics are also available at www.cottonclub.com. at a slightly higher cost.



Are you wondering about the next raffle quilt? Well, wonder no more.

The raffle quilt committee (Pam Ransom, Mary Schroeder, Mary Anne Keppler, Donna Ashbacher, and Joni Johnson) and some members have already been working hard to get the tops pieced so that we can vote, in March or April at the latest, on which top will be hand-quilted for the show raffle. The quilt is a generous queen and is a beautiful collection of batiks. It features star and chain blocks. It's not too late to get involved - all of that hand-quilting remains.



NORTHEAST IOWA QUILT GUILD

Date: January 4, 2011

Place: Luana Bank Community Room

The regular meeting of the NEIQG was called to order by President Julie Rotach. Guests and new members were introduced and the lunch committee thanked.

Secretary's Minutes/Treasurer's Reports: The minutes were approved as corrected and will be published in a newsletter. Bus trip line on financial report needs to be dropped. Balance on hand is over \$7000.

Chairperson Reports:

-Publicity/Historian: Please give any pictures of the past year to Historian Pam Ransom, especially any of the quilt show.

-Newsletter: Dead line for the next newsletter is February 10-15.

-Librarian: Video copies of the show program can be purchased from Linda Monroe.

-Program Chairs/Afternoon Chair: January 22 paper piecing workshop by Pam Kerndt information in the newsletter. February meeting is a trunk show; the afternoon class is full. Information about the bus trip to Des Moines in the fall of 2011 is in the newsletter. March is a garage sale and April is a trunk show.

Old Business:

-Quilt stands and related equipment storage, license and insurance are completed

-Quilt retreat at Camp Tahigwa is February 4-6. Contact Mary Lou Cotton if interested.

-March meeting is deadline to sign up and pay for the Ricky Timms workshop at Davenport, IA.

New Business:

-Guild board meeting will be January 11, at 6:00 p.m. at Amarillo's in Waukon. This was postponed because of weather and the meeting was January 18.

-Budget for the next two years will be finalized at the board meeting.

-Raffle quilt committee was formed and will meet on January 18 at Mary Anne Keppler's shop.

-Nominating committee will be formed in February for the May officer elections. A person will be appointed to complete the afternoon chair position for Candace for the 2011-2012 year, and this office will be up for election in May 2012 for a full two year term. Any person who is interested in filling this position should contact Julie Rotach.

Show and Tell: The afternoon group brought samples of machine quilting.

Program:

-Tips on how to prepare a quilt for long-arm quilting as well as show and tell of samples. Program presented by guild members with long arm machines.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kay Winke



Another Member Gets Recognition for Her Skills....

The 2010 *Kelly & Ruth Mundt Award for Other Media* goes to **Tisha Sandberg** of Bagley, Wisconsin, for her quilted fabric art *Season's End*. "I work with a wide variety of materials and have been interested in paper arts- printmaking, photography, handmade books, etc.- for many years. More recently, I've focused on quilting and ways of using ideas, materials, and techniques associated with paper arts for quilt art projects. Most of my projects are original designs, and I often work free-form...meaning I make it up as I go along." About her winning submission, Tisha writes "'Fallfire'...leaves once green, then the beautiful colors of autumn, and finally dry and burning, ready for winter. That was the inspiration for this spontaneously-created piece." Check out Tisha's work at Fallfire.org. Congratulations, Tisha!

Charity Opportunity-Royal Family Kids' Camp - Just a reminder!

In June, the first area Royal Family Kids' Camp will be held for abused/neglected kids who are in foster care. This is an international organization dedicated to giving children in need a positive, loving, Christian experience. It will include 32 children from ages 7-11 from Chickasaw, Bremer and Fayette counties, where there are approximately 450 children in foster homes. The camps provide an almost 1 to 1 ratio of counselors and staff to campers. All staff are fingerprinted and have background checks to allow them to be employed at the camp. It is the practice to give each child a blanket or quilt to keep when camp is over.

If any members are willing to make a quilt (about 50-55 x 60-65) to donate, please contact me by phone or email. I would be so pleased to pass them along. I would need to have them by the May meeting as the camp will be early in June. Thanks to anyone who feels they may help us help some kids.

Cheryl Mulder 563-237-6014 cjmulder@mchsi.com

SUPPLY LIST FOR EMBROIDERY CLASS

(I have included this again for your convenience.)

Embroidery hoop (she likes one smaller than 7")

Embroidery needles

Small scissors

2 Fat quarters of muslin

Basic colors embroidery thread

Clover Brand Tracing paper (to transfer design to the fabric)

UFO Challenge Lives On Despite the Weather...

Are you keeping track of the number of UFO's you have finished?

In March (because of February's bad weather) you will have the option of **trading** a UFO with another. If you choose to participate you will bring a UFO and all its parts in a large brown grocery sack--it will be your choice to put your name on it or not. **It must be one you are willing to part with.**

Each participant will be given a number and will take home the sack with that number on it.

You will remake, re-purpose, redesign, or otherwise finish the UFO you took.

In May we will have a show-and-tell of finished UFO's, and the finisher keeps the project.

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NORTHEAST IOWA QUILT GUILD

Date: January 18, 2011

Place: Amarillo's, Waukon, IA

The board meeting of NEIQG was called to order by Julia Rotach at 6:15. Supper was ordered and the meeting proceeded while we ate.

Secretary's Minutes /Treasurer's Report: Treasurer reported a balance of \$7051.05. Both will be published in the newsletter.

Chairperson Reports:

Newsletter: Deadline for the newsletter is February 10-15

Librarian: It was suggested that a library cart(s) be purchased for displaying the books. Cost will be examined.

Vice-President: Marty will furnish a spiral notebook and both the afternoon/evening membership will use this to sign in. This way will keep a running record of who is attending.

Old Business:

-Quilt stands, storage, insurance, and license are all done. Mary Kay Winke has a rider on their farm policy and the guild will pay \$17.50 (yearly) for \$5000 coverage.

-Budget presented by Mary Lou and finalized. Remember, this is just a suggested budget and for two years. It was noted as our income from both the raffle quilt and the show were less, workshops will need to be covered by a participation cost.

-Julie went through the handbook and noted some changes. Others were discussed; the new handbook will be ready for the fall meeting; Marge will do the editing. This discussion will be revisited at the next board meeting.

New Business:

-A report on the raffle quilt for the next quilt show was given by Pam Ransom. The committee is as follows: Mary Anne Keppler, Mary Schroeder, Pam Ransom, Donna Ashbacher, and Joni Johnson. Workshops will be formed later to complete the piecing; they will be at Mary Anne's shop. There will be two queen size quilts pieced and they will be both in batiks.

-Motion made by Marty Berda to authorize Mary Lou to send checks to both Iowa and Wisconsin Public TV as in past years. Seconded by Sue Lynch and passed.

-A member will be appointed to fill the afternoon chair position for the year 2011. This position will than be up for election in May of 2011. Anyone who is interested should contact Julie Rotach.

-Discussed the sound system.

-Voted to increase dues to \$20.00 to help defray the cost of the show.

-Discussed ideas to involve more membership participation.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Kay Winke



Treasurer's Report, Mary Lou Cotton

Balance 12/6/2010			\$7,351.57
Expenses:			
	Dec Program	\$40.00	
	Jan Program	\$150.00	
	Newsletter	\$17.98	
	Workshop	\$225.00	
	Postage	\$39.04	
	Donation WPT	\$50.00	
	Show Rent	\$25.00	
	Raffle Quilt Expense '12	\$222.92	
	Show Expense	\$53.50	
	Sales Tax	\$142.31	
	Total Expenses	\$965.75	\$6385.82
Income:			
	Interest Nov	\$ 4.43	
	Interest Dec	\$3.53	
	Interest Jan	\$3.10	
	Dues	\$30.00	
	Bus Trip	\$120.00	
	Advertising	\$20.00	
	Total Income	\$ 181.06	\$6,566.88
	Balance		\$6,566.88
	FRAMES Beginning Balance	\$785.00	
	Donations	\$90.00	
	Used	\$1747.34	
	Total Frames Balance	\$(-872.00)	
2/12/11	Total Balance		\$6,566.88

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Lou Cotton



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Deadline dates are the **10th** of the month the newsletter is written. (Aug., Oct., Dec., Feb., April, June)

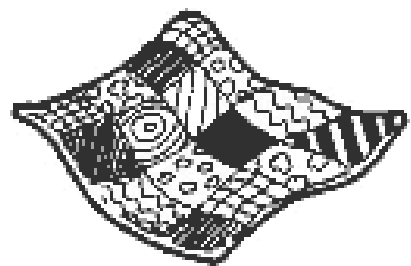
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