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Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM, Luana Savings

Bank, Luana, IA-Program: Mini projects. We will be doing demos on mini projects in small groups. If you have a quick, clever tip or technique you would like to share, please bring it along. (same program afternoon and evening). (See page 6 for details and a supply list!)

Hostesses for the March Afternoon Guild Meeting: Margie DeBower and Nancy Limberg

Potluck Committee for the March Evening Guild Meeting: Reva Prestemon (chair), Virginia Johnson, Jan Jacobson, Nancy Donlon, Bonita Ralph and Linda Johnson

Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM, Luana Savings

Bank, Luana, IA – Program: Garage Sale! You certainly didn't think that the snow would prevent our garage sale, did you? All guild members are invited to set up a table and sell their unwanted quilt-related items at the meetings. If you are interested in a table, just be there to help set up a table and your display by 1:30 for the afternoon meeting and 6:30 for the evening meeting. There is no charge for setting up a table. Each member will collect her own money and be responsible for set up and tear down.

Tuesday, April 2, 2013, 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM, Luana Savings Bank,

Luana, IA - Program: Jo Kramer will be joining us to present a lecture and trunk show of her quilts. Jo loves scrappy. Check out Jo on her website and blog at <http://www.joscountryjunction.com> (same program afternoon and evening).

Hostesses for the April Afternoon Guild Meeting: Joan Moody and Patsy Larkin

Potluck Committee for the April Evening Guild Meeting: Tisha Sanberg (chair), Carloyn Scott, Donna Lincoln, Alice Hageman, Anna Houdek, Marilyn Brummel, and Marie Brummel

Wednesday, April 3, 2013 Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Workshop "Crumb Along With Me" presented by Jo Kramer. More details inside this newsletter and on the web site.



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Notes from Arlene:

The weather in February has been crazy. We are definitely having an interesting winter. At the Feb. meeting we were going to vote on whether or not we are moving forward with the quilt show. The board has agreed that the membership needs to decide this, but after the last board meeting, the board recommends that the guild continue with the show. That does not mean that you have to agree; it is just a recommendation and we need everyone to participate.

This still is something that each of you needs to consider: Why do we want to have a quilt show? Is it for the income or for a way of showing and promoting quilts in our area. There may be other reasons but these are the two I have heard different people talk about.

The other thing that Barb Davidson, I and the board have been talking about is do we want/need to look at other locations for the quilt show. So we are going to start looking at different locations and investigate the fees for these locations. The Decorah Middle School building is a beautiful site and has a wonderful amount of room, but the parking is not very good at that location. So if you know of a building that you think might be large enough for us to rent for the show, we would love to hear about it.

Now on to fun things. I hope you have had time to work in your sewing area this month. With the wind, snow, rain and ice it has been a good time to stay home and work on a project or two. I have a quilt top almost put together, but then a couple other things I am involved with got in the way of finishing it

-Arlene

Don't forget to visit the NEIQG web site at neiqq.com - you'll be glad that you did!

Guild Survey Results

Thank you to all who participated! We appreciate your ideas and input. It is helpful for the board and especially helpful for the program committee. Julie Rotach and Grace Sorenson

**Would you participate in a quilt bus trip? Yes 87.5%*

**What sites would you be interested in for a bus trip?*

AQS-2 day to Des Moines as 1st choice: 34.4%; as 2nd choice: 18.8%; as 3rd choice: 9.4% (62.6%)

Madison-1 day WPT as 1st choice: 31.3%; as 2nd choice: 37.5%; as 3rd choice: 18.8% (87.6%)

**What are your preferences for program topics or workshops? Charm pack, jelly roll, layer cake projects: 57.1% Traditional blocks or patterns: 48.6%*

Non-traditional quilt projects, i.e. purses, totes, etc.: 48.6% Quilt borders, pieced borders: 45.7%

**What time of day and length of workshops do you like?*

All day-6 hrs. - 44.4%; morning-3 hrs. - 41.7%; afternoon-3 hrs. - 36.1%

**Which days would you prefer for workshops? Sat. 44.1%*

**Would you like to see fall retreat be at a set date for each year? Yes—74.3%*

**How satisfied are you with our present retreat location?*

Very satisfied: 42.4%; satisfied: 24.2%; (66.6%)

**Would you like additional retreats during the year at other sites with open sewing and no set program? Yes - 83.9%*

And 10 - will be shared at a guild meeting.



Treasurer's Report, Linda Cook

Balance 2/12/2013		\$11,199.90
Expenses:		
	Postage-Newsletter (Edna Haskovec)	\$15.75
	Lunch Supplies (Grace Sorenson)	\$8.40
	Screenprints, Inc. (quilt labels)	\$45.48
	JaDecc's (printing)	\$7.49
	Treas. Allamakee Co. (trailer license)	\$30.50
	Waukon Bank (check blanks)	\$14.46
	Sarah Iverson (program and gift cert.)	\$105.00
	Treasurer, State of Iowa (sales tax)	\$177.00
	Total Expenses	\$404.08
Income:		
	Interest	\$5.12
	Membership Dues	\$75.00
	Advertising	\$20.00
	Sale of koozies	\$15.00
	Total income	\$115.12
2/12/13	Balance	\$11,199.90
Respectfully Submitted, Linda Cook		



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NORTHEAST IOWA QUILT GUILD REGULAR MEETING

Date January 8, 2013

Luana Savings Bank

The regular meeting of the Northeast Iowa Quilters was called to order by President Arlene; she began by thanking our food committee for our tasty soup meal and welcoming members and guests. There were 35 members registered at the afternoon meeting and 33 in the evening with one guest.

- The secretary's and treasurer's reports may be viewed on-line and in the newsletter.
- We have one new book -- Quilts of Praise - donated by a member and available for checkout in our library. Please remember to use our books for your projects and winter reading material. Let them help inspire your next quilting experience.
- Please remember to send all show-chair reports to Barb Davidson when you have them completed and brought up to date.
- Anyone having computer access please do the survey provided on-line with our questions and ideas for our continued guild activities. Let's all help keep our guild active and successful. It is a wonderful opportunity to share and learn from guests as well as from some very talented members in our own ranks.
- The Black and White challenge is available for us all to participate in and the Program Committee is organizing some very nice prizes to be earned by you all. Please join in the fun with a project of your choice.
- Next month is Garage Sale month. Please bring any items you wish to sell and remember anyone bringing items is responsible for her own table and any money collecting required. Let's all share those items we may not be using including ufo's, books, material or special sewing gadgets you may no longer be using. The building will be open so you can set up and the sale will be planned to start about one half hour or more before the meeting scheduled starting times.
- There is to be a sweatshirt make-over class in Feb. at The Pickett Fence in Prairie with four different scheduled class times to choose from. The dates are Feb 15 or 16 and the class times are 9-1 and 2-6 each day. Contact Lou Ann at The Pickett Fence to register or sign up at the next meeting. A list of required supplies will be provided to you. The cost includes pattern and instructions on the day you choose to attend.
- Remember the Nominating Committee will be formed in Feb. and March for our May officer elections. Let's join the ranks of officers to keep our guild going!! Be on the committee or be an officer; we all need to help to keep our organization functioning for another round.

The meeting was closed and our guest Sarah Everson from The Blue Heron Knittery in Decorah presented a short program on the new yarns and new knitting trends. There are sure some unique yarns available for use out there. Our members shared their items for show and tell. The night ended with some shopping time at the knitting table.

.Respectfully submitted,
Joan Weymiller, Secretary



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NEW ALBIN QUILT SHOW

I am thinking about the library quilt show in New Albin in October. It is so exciting to be able to show what talent we have in this area!! This is just to let people think about what they may want to share up here in the corner of Iowa. We are going to try to get 200 quilted items again this year and help from NEIQG is so appreciated.

Thanks, Lisa Fruechte

NEIQG Board Meeting Jan. 18, 2013 Luana Savings Bank, 5:00 pm

*Present: Arlene Klatt, Reva Prestemon, Mary Schroeder, Beth Trausch, Jane Meyer, Linda Cook, Julie Rotach, Grace Sorenson, Candace Arp, Barb Davidson, Pam Ransom.

*Secretary's minutes sent via email reviewed and accepted. Treasurer's report as of end of Dec. \$11,419 with several bills to be paid.

Old Business

1. Library books long overdue. Mary Schroeder, librarian, will try calling those members about the books.
2. Show plans. Mary Schroeder moved and Julie Rotach seconded to recommend to the membership that we continue to have a quilt show. Unanimously carried. It is the consensus of the board that the guild dispense with prizes for ribbon winners at the show. At the Feb. meeting Barb Davidson, show chair, will get a raffle quilt committee started. At that meeting the members will need to decide on making 1 or 2 tops. Also a committee to investigate locations for the show will be created (parking seems to be a large problem at present site).

New Business

1. Budget for the upcoming two years was discussed.
2. Nominating committee for May election of officers will be started in Feb.

Chairperson reports

1. Digitizing of historian's books is underway by Candace Arp.
2. Discussion of combining duties of Afternoon Chair and Vice-President.

Feb. 15 deadline for next newsletter

Notes taken by Julie Rotach

Programs for March Afternoon and Evening Mini-Demos

I have been asked to provide the March afternoon and evening programs for guild. I will be doing a class on felt/wool penny rugs and candle mats. If you wish to participate in this class please bring

Embroidery thread of various colors

Scissors

Embroidery needle

Thimble

Straight pins or applique pins if you have them.

I will furnish the felt needed for the project, so if anyone would like to do the class, please let me know either at guild or call 563-535-7672 or email sorenson2@acegroup.cc.

If you have any felt projects that you would like to bring to display, please do so.

Pam Ransom will be helping with the class.

Grace Sorenson.



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“Crumb Along With Me” Workshop

Wednesday, April 3, 2013, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA, Workshop “Crumb Along With Me” presented by Jo Kramer. Lunch is on your own.

Supply list is super simple – Bring a bin of your scraps, throw in some orphan blocks if you have them, your sewing machine and normal sewing supplies and that is it!

April 3, 2013, 9 AM to 4 PM Lunch on your own. Cost - \$25.00

or

April 3, 2013, 6 PM to 9 PM, dinner on your own before coming to class. Cost \$15.00

Sign up at the March meeting or send a check for your registration to

Jane Meyer,
864 Shining Dr,
Waukon, IA 52172.

Deadline for registrations is March 26, 2013.



Since I have a little room, I am including a blurb from our Hoffman Hall in PdC.

2013 Quilt the Day Away

If you are looking for a nice chance to quilt and make some friends, think about the quilting retreat at Hoffman Hall in PdC. It will be held March 22-23. Contact Randi Kluesner at 563-873-3839 for information and registration.

Marge



2013 NEIQG Challenge

“It’s Black and White and One More Color”

This challenge is going to be a quick, easy challenge. We decided it was time to make things a little simpler.

The rules:

1. You can make ANYTHING!!! It can be any size quilt or wall hanging, a bag, an apron, cover a sofa, etc..... It is your project, your idea.
2. The main body of the project must “read” black and white and one other color. We are allowing you to really stretch the black and white; maybe throw in a little dark gray or brown, light gray or beige. Then you add one more color. We aren’t saying one fabric; we are saying one color. For example, if it is red you may use a red/orange a red that leans toward a purple or blue in addition to clear reds.
3. Now on to embellishments. They can be anything and any COLOR. We aren’t restricting them to your “other color.” Embellishments mean, added appliqué, beads, thread painting, quilting thread, couching, etc.....
4. That is it for the rules. Now because this is a simple challenge we are going to have a deadline of the May 2013 meeting. Think in the amount of time you have as you may not want to do a king sized quilt or cover a three piece sectional.
5. There will be guild “viewer’s choice” judging at both the afternoon and evening meetings in May. The project MUST BE COMPLETED, including binding in order to be eligible for judging and prizes. We aren’t going to allow you to add to your UFO’s.

Questions? Ask either Barb Raisbeck or Jane Meyer. We can answer them.

Complaints? We don’t accept any. We are using Bonnie Hunter’s first rule, “No Whining!”

Enjoy the challenge; don’t think it too hard and we are excited to see what you come up with at the May 2013 meeting.

The Program Committee

Looking for something fun to do?

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