

# NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild

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**Tuesday, September 1st– Kick Off Another Year of Stitching Together! Luana Bank – 6:30 pm - no afternoon meeting:** Come join us for a lunch prior to the start of our new year. Memberships will be collected, Signup for the bus to Quilt Expo and the Fall Retreat at Camp Winnebago. Programs for the year will be shared during the meeting. Samples of the retreat will be shown.

**Potluck Committee for the September Evening Guild Meeting:** Ruth Ann Hunter (Chair), Jayne Shimek, Elaine Kipp, Julie Rotach, Lori Heitman, and Jane Blumhagen  
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**Sept 1, Thrifty Quilter Workshops, 10:00 - 5:30 pm, Luana Bank:** Thrifty Quilter Workday! Over 100 blocks have been collected this past year. Come help us put these blocks into quilt tops for a Quilt of Valor presentation to be held at our November meeting. Bring your machines and sewing supplies. You may want to bring your own sandwich for lunch.

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**Sept 11 NEIQG is sponsoring a bus to Quilt Expo in Madison, WI.** Hawkeye Stages will pick-up riders in Decorah (old Walmart lot) at 6 am, Waukon (Shopko) at 6:30 and Prairie du Chien (McDonald's) at 7. Riders can get breakfast to go if you want. Bus will arrive about 9:30 and leave at 4:30. The bus will stop at Culver's in Dodgeville for supper. Cost of the bus is \$50. Tickets will be handed out on the bus. \$7 per ticket will be collected on the bus.

Seats are available; contact Sue Lynch (608) 306-0924 or sulynch09@ gmail.com for more info.

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**September 24-27 Fall Retreat at Camp Winnebago:** Come and join us. Details and registration form in the newsletter or will be posted on the website.

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**September 30 -October 3, Des Moines Area Quilt Show, Spring Grove Quilt Show Oct 2-3, New Albin Library Quilt Show Oct 9-11:** More info inside the newsletter.

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**Tuesday, October 6th– 2:00 and 7 pm - Luana Bank - Quilt Appraisals/Vintage Quilts:** Ellie Molstad from Holmen, WI, is a newly-certified quilt appraiser. She will be joining us for an interesting talk about your vintage quilts. We invite you to bring in a quilt that you would like to know more about. Between the meetings Ellie will be doing quilt appraisals. Let Sue Lynch know if you have a quilt to be appraised and reserve your time. There is a charge for this service.

**Afternoon Hostesses for October Guild Meeting:** Beth Landas (Chair), Barbara Davidson, and Leslie Sand.

**Evening Hostesses for October Guild Meeting:** Arlis Myhre (chair), Karen Darling, Melody Protsman, Susie Blake, and Judy Schild.



**Northeast Iowa Quilters' Guild  
Houston County Barn Quilt Tour  
Caledonia, MN  
Afternoon, July 7, 2015**

We met the St. Luke's UCC in Eitzen, MN, to caravan to Caledonia to start our day. Our first stop was The Pine Cone Place where we energized ourselves with homemade muffins, coffee, and juice. The owner of the shop gave us a little history about how barn quilts got started in Houston County. Then it was off to the races! We "circled" the county, dipped back down in Iowa, picked up some gas, headed back into Minnesota, and viewed approximately 20 quilts. We had a short garden tour outside of town before we stopped at the Farmhouse for lunch. After a relaxing meal it was off to Dairy Queen for sundaes and then a little shopping downtown. 15 of us had a very enjoyable day.

Submitted by Lori Heitman, for Joan Weymiller, Secretary

**DRAWINGS!!!!**



Sue Lynch will be drawing for the lucky winners of the June (sawtooth star w/ four-patch center), July (nova), and August (cornerstone) Thrifty Quilter blocks.

We will also be drawing for the winner of the serger!

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**The Blue Spoon Scoop**

Summer is coming to a close and fall is just around the corner. Really? Our temperatures have been in the high 80's - low 90's with humidity that will make you wilt in less than a minute. I'm thinking that summer is just starting! I have only canned two batches of green beans, my cucumbers are just starting, my tomatoes are still pretty green, my peppers never did take off, and wild turkeys ate my zucchini plants. So much for gardening unless we get the rain they have been predicting for this week. Well, sometimes you have to "just go with the flow!"

With my large yard, garden, and flower beds, I rarely take up a needle or start the sewing machine during the summer months. With September fast approaching, my thoughts move from gardening into the sewing/quilting mood. We will be a busy guild with our new year starting soon - bus trip to Madison, retreat at Camp Winnebago, workshops, and monthly meetings with interesting presenters. I enjoy our gatherings and appreciate the knowledge that is shared with me by so many accomplished quilters. But it is not just the learning I enjoy; it's the fellowship and getting to know each other and all the "fun" we have. That's what I look forward to the most!

What? My husband says the sweet corn is ready! I guess I have more gardening to do before I start sewing. Well, you know the old saying - I'm going to "just go with the flow." See you September 1<sup>st</sup>!

-Lori Heitman, President

NEIQG Treasurer's Report  
Respectfully Submitted by Marie Freerking

04/11/15	<b>Balance</b>		<b>\$11,337.10</b>
	<b>Income</b>		
	Interest - April, May, June, July		8.00
05/20/15	Bus trip & admits 1540; serger raffle 6; QOV member 5		1,559.00
	Total	1,559.00	12,896.10
	<b>Expenses</b>		
04/14/15	Friends of IPT		200.00
05/05/15	QOV Foundation-group membership + 1 member		35.00
05/05/15	IMQA - quilt show admin & parking		290.00
05/08/15	Camp Winnebago-retreat deposit		100.00
05/15/15	Quilted Memories - charity quilt batting		107.00
05/20/15	Sue Lynch - charity QOV fabric & misc bus trip		144.88
06/02/15	Arlene Klatt - reimb web fee 2 yrs		9.95
06/02/15	Rose Schutte & Kathryn Russi - June program		75.00
06/19/15	Forest Mills Quilt Shop - raffle quilt fabrics (top)		147.99
06/19/15	Arlene Klatt - baggies for raffle quilt & prog comm		8.56
07/06/15	Marie Freerking-reimb copies & postage		16.07
08/11/15	Sue Lynch - Thrifty Quilter 6 mo x \$15 ea		90.00
08/11/15	Lori Heitman - mileage to network		100.00
08/11/15	Sharon Schmeidel - embroidery 3 mo x \$15 ea		45.00
08/12/15	A&J Petersburg Agency - 1 year liability insurance		266.00
	Total		1,635.45
08/12/15	Balance		\$11,260.65

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**NEIQG Minutes from August 4, 2015, afternoon meeting 2:00 pm**

Members met in the morning and after the meeting to sew on raffle quilt blocks.

Members shared favorite “Macgyver” tips and tools and Julie Rotach showed how to make a fringe scarf from a T-shirt and how to make a hexagon block without English paper piecing.

Ice cream sundaes were enjoyed along with 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary cake from Beth Trausch.

Announcement of upcoming quilt shows: Oelwein on Aug. 15 & 16—open entry show; Spring Grove show Oct. 2 & 3 with a program on documentation on Fri. and Julie Wurzer from Patchabilities on Sat. at 1:30, non-members can enter for display or to sell quilts; New Albin Library show in Oct.

Raffle quilt block kits were available from Arlene to complete for Sept.

Reminder: the Sept. meeting is only an evening meeting. Additional food committee members would be helpful for the lunch committee at the Sept. meeting, please contact Ruth Ann Hunter. Membership and retreat forms will be in the upcoming newsletter. Retreat is the last weekend in Sept. starting Thurs. afternoon through Sun. afternoon Sept. 24-27.

QOV sewing group in Winneshiek County received a grant from the Winneshiek County Foundation for fabric and supplies. Show and Tell followed.

Respectfully submitted by Julie Rotach

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**Northeast Iowa Quilters' Guild Board Meeting  
August 11, 2015**

Board members met at 6:00 p.m. at the Luana Savings Bank community room. Eleven members were present.

-Raffle Quilt - Arlene Klatt stated all the blocks are out to sew so she has planned a work day to put it together. That will be on Saturday, August 29th at 10:00 a.m. at Moonlight Stitching in West Union. Deb is allowing us to use her facility at no cost to the guild. Thank you Deb!

-Thrifty Quilter/Quilts of Valor - Sue Lynch has scheduled a work day to put together the blocks from the Thrifty Quilter for Quilts of Valor. That will be held Tuesday, September 1st starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Luana Savings Bank community room.

-Program - Sue Lynch shared plans with the board for the program for the upcoming year. This included the bus trip to Madison, retreat at Camp Winnebago, certified appraiser and scheduled workshop during the cold months.

-Insurance - We currently carry insurance for the quilt show only, but discussion was held regarding having insurance year round. Some facilities, such as Camp Winnebago, now require that your group have your own insurance. Marie Freerking and Julie Rotach both obtained bids. Motion by Arlene Klatt and seconded by Melodye Protsman to accept the bid from A & J Petersburg Insurance for one year at the cost of \$266.00. 10-yes; 1-no. Motion passed.

-Email notification - To insure that everyone receives emails about meetings and upcoming events planned, notice must be given to Melodye Protsman Thursday night before. That will give her the weekend to get notifications sent out.

-Financial Audit - The books need to be audited before they are turned over to the new treasurer. Lori Heitman and Mary Lou Cotton will take care of that before the September meeting. Present balance - \$11,526.65.

-Library - Mary Schroeder and Julie Rotach went through our totes of library books and we now have 2 totes each ¾ full. They will approach area libraries to see if they would like any and then a book sale will be held. We have two metal carts for which sealed bids will be accepted and sold to the highest bidder.

-New Officers - Discussion was held and information was exchanged from old officers to our new ones. A big Thank You to everyone who has served her office and helped make our guild successful.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Lori Heitman, acting secretary for Joan Weymiller

## Area Quilt Shows ...

### \*Spring Grove, MN

Friday, October 2 • Noon - 5 p.m.

Quilt Documentation Demo • 1 p.m.

Vendors on site - Quilt Boutique items for Sale

Demonstrations throughout the day by vendors and guild members

Saturday, October 3 • 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Speaker Julie Wurzer of Patch Abilities • 1:30 p.m.

Trunk Show

Vendors on site - Quilt Boutique items for Sale

Demonstrations throughout the day by vendors and guild members

### \*New Albin Public Library Quilt Show

October 9, 10, 11

Friday 4-7

Saturday 10-5

Sunday 12-4

New Albin Community Center

137 Railroad Ave SW

New Albin IA 52160

Contact Lisa at 563-544-4325 with questions or to display a quilt.

Admission \$5 Donation

### \*Des Moines Area Quilt Show

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Sept 30-Oct 3

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### Quilts of Valor Info...

Do you have a special veteran to whom you want to gift a quilt of valor? Plans are underway for a presentation for the November meeting. We will have some quilts available and are looking for names of veterans who served during a war or combat era. You may also bring your own quilt and family and friends who are vets. Please let Sue Lynch know. We would like a count.

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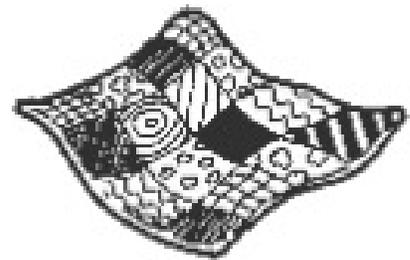
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