

NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild

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Editor

Tuesday, September 6th, 7:00 pm, Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Evening Program: Welcome Back! There will be no afternoon meeting this month. Let's welcome new members and reconnect with old friends. Plan to hear all that the Program Committee has planned for the coming year. There may be a few seats left for sign-up for the bus trip to AQS in Des Moines. You will be able to sign up for the Fall Retreat scheduled for October, and you will be able to hear about a Row Robin project that will also start in October.

Lunch Committee for the September Evening Guild Meeting: Julie Rotach (chair), Cindy Shogren, Janice Shogren, Mary Schroeder, Jane Lamborn, Maud Bentley, Carolyn Clark, Cheryl Mulder, and Jayne Shimek.

Thursday, September 29-30th: Pack your bags; get ready to hop on the bus! The bus for the trip to the AQS in Des Moines, IA, will load in Prairie du Chien at 5:00 am and then proceed to the other pick-up points.

Saturday, October 1st: The fall Network meeting will be held. This is a meeting where area guilds get together to share information. Look inside for more information.

Tuesday, October 4th, 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm, Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Program: Mary Wemark and Melissa Foley
2:00 pm Wool Rugs, Rug Hooking and Wool Appliqué -Please bring your fabric or wool rugs, wool projects and Jo Morton pattern projects for show-and-tell.
7:00 pm "Our Journey with Jo Morton" includes a trunk show and tales.

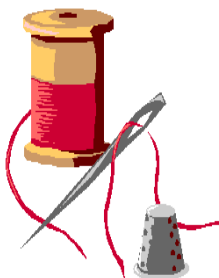
Lunch Committee for the October Evening Guild Meeting: Marty Berda (chair), Marilyn Larson, Lyn Lysne, Bonnie Rincken, Lori Heitman, and Joan Weymiller.

October 20-22, 2011, Fall Retreat at Camp Winnebago in Eitzen, MN:

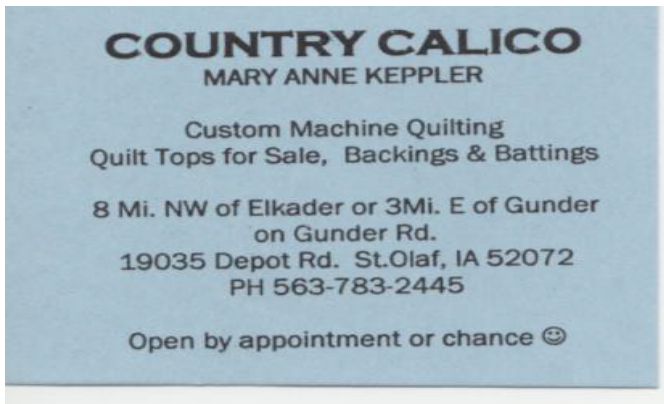
This is a great chance to get away and have some fun with other quilters - no cooking, no cleaning - just classes, sewing and conversation! Who could ask for more? Look inside the newsletter for a sign-up form and for detailed information about the classes that are being offered!

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

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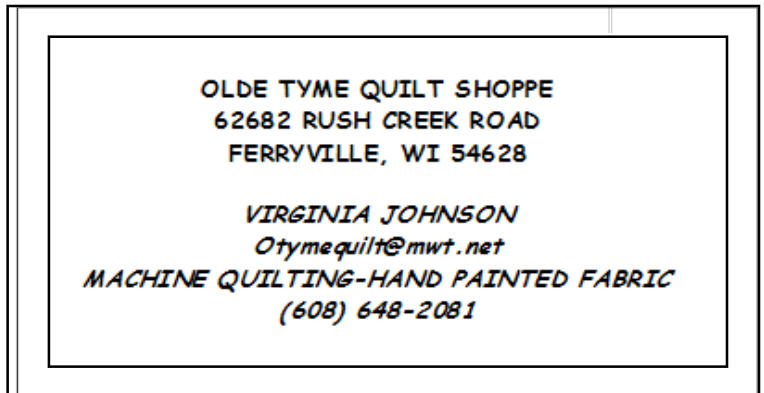
Welcome Back September 6, 2011

It is always exciting to be starting a new year at Guild. It is a time to recruit and welcome new members and to connect with returning friends.

The Program Committee feels they have planned exciting programs and activities. At the September meeting, come and hear what is on the agenda for the entire year. We are having three workshops at the Fall Retreat, and during the rest of the year we will be seeing excellent demonstrations in the afternoons and hearing expert speakers in the evenings; plus we will be having additional workshops, retreats, and activities all year long. We put the garage sale back on the February 2012 agenda and added some sewing events for donation quilts next summer.

There will be a monthly group project for each of you to participate in while honing your quilting and piecing techniques and skills.

All of you will receive a bookmark with program dates and information at the September meeting. So invite a friend as a new member and we'll see you on the 6th! -The Program Committee



Sept. & Oct. Notes from Arlene:

Hope everyone has been having a wonderful summer even with the heat we have dealt with this year. I know the heat has meant that my flower beds are a mess. I did not get out and do a lot to them in the cool of June, and July was just too hot to do much outside.

We have had some wonderful afternoon summer meetings this year. I enjoyed Candace Arp's garden and the fun program. Then Karen Kulper's sewing machine collection and all the other sewing notions were fun to look at.

The Farmer's Wife group has been a fun group to be part of also. As the group members are slowly finishing off tops and bringing them to show-and-tell, it has kept me moving forward on mine. It is slow going as I have decided to hand piece this top just to see if that is something I would like to do more of or not.

The program committee has been busy getting the final touches on the bus trip to Des Moines and working out the plans for the year. So I hope you can find time to do this or some of the other fun events planned for the upcoming year.

If you have any pictures from show-and-tell or other guild events and would like to share them with everyone, I would love to put them on the guild web site. <http://neiqg.com>
See you all in September,

Arlene





Three Workshops at Fall Retreat

Working (Slightly) out of the Box
Thursday – 9:30 am
Mary Kay Winke

Plan for a new way to cut and piece an older block design. You will start with 8” squares of fabric but end up with a larger finished block. Class members, who desire, will have an option to participate in a fabric exchange. A ballot at the September meeting will determine what fabrics will be exchanged (selection will include 30’s, red and blue, batiks, civil war, or primary brights). In the afternoon, students will be discussing design options on how the finished blocks could be arranged. If you have other blocks that you would like assistance with in a lay-out design, you are encouraged to bring them for the group to discuss.

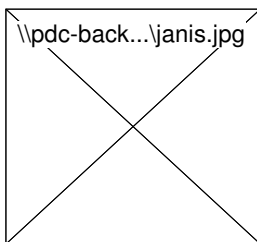
Supplies: Standard sewing supplies plus fabric as determined at September meeting.

Garden Gems – Machine Appliqué and Embellishing
Friday – 9:00 am
Janet Pittman
www.gardentrellisdesign.com



Janet, from West Des Moines, Iowa, is a designer, author, and award winning quilter with many quilts published in quilt magazines. In addition to individual quilt patterns, Janet authored the book *Appliqué, the Basics and Beyond*. An avid gardener, she takes inspiration from her own garden. In this workshop, we will be using one of the Garden Gems flowers as a pattern to explore machine appliqué using paper-backed fusible web and basic machine utility stitches to add embellishment to the design. A short course in hand beading will finish the day.

Supplies: Standard sewing supplies and those listed on the Garden Gems Wall Hanging pattern. Fabric selection will be dependent upon which of the three flowers chosen. An appliqué or open-toe foot for your sewing machine can be helpful. A small kit with beading materials will be available for purchase for those wanting to try beading. The Garden Gems pattern (\$8) is required for all those taking the workshop.



Quilts from Vintage Linens
Saturday – 9:00 am
Janice Mineart

Do you have some older linens and embroidery pieces that are stained or that have holes? You will learn how you can re-purpose those items and turn them into charming quilts to treasure. In the morning you will focus on embroidered items that can be cut into 6” squares. Trading with friends is encouraged. Bring 1.5” strips of vintage or reproduction fabrics to frame the blocks. The second part of this workshop will focus on a quilt as you go method to make a block from vintage edging, laces, and doilies. View samples at the Guild meeting. Janice does have items you may purchase if you don’t have your own.

Supplies: Standard sewing supplies. You will receive a supply list when you sign up for the workshop.

Fall Quilt Retreat - October 20 - 22, 2011 Camp Winnebago, Eitzen, Minnesota

Thursday at 9:30 am – Working (slightly) Out of the Box – MaryKay Winke

Friday 9:00 am – Garden Gems – Janet Pittman

Saturday 9:00 am - Quilts from Vintage Linens – Janice Mineart

(See class descriptions on page 3)

Cost: As listed on the registration

Again this year, we have reserved the main facility at Camp Winnebago near Eitzen, MN. This is a beautiful, clean, spacious building with a large community room that has many windows and great lighting. There is a large kitchen where meals are prepared for us by Linda Sires, who cooks and caters for large get-togethers.

Thursday: Morning coffee, fruit and rolls will be provided by the Program Committee, with lunch at noon and supper around 5:30

Friday: Breakfast at 8 am, lunch at noon, and supper around 5:30

Saturday: Brunch at 11:00 am

There will be a table for munchies if you bring your favorites to share. In the afternoon, about 4:30, we may have wine or beer for sampling. You may use the refrigerators on site to store your cold beverages. Coffee will be available and there is a microwave to make other hot beverages.

The lower level is equipped with beds and large bathroom/shower areas. Each bedroom contains three or four beds (no bunk beds). There are pillows and a quilt on each bed. We recommend your favorite jammies and bedding of your choice. There is an elevator to the basement if stairs are a problem for you. Outside there are beautiful trails for hiking. The camp was built for and is maintained for the handicapped, so things are all accessible.

We will need some additional volunteers from Guild members, but we hope to set up four each of ironing stations, cutting stations, and design walls.

Directions to Camp Winnebago:

From Waukon: Go north out of Waukon on Hwy 76 to Eitzen, MN. Continue north on Hwy 76 for approximately three miles. Watch for the green street sign that reads Camp Winnebago Road (gravel road). We will mark that street sign with flags or balloons. Turn right on Camp Winnebago Road and follow for about two miles to the bottom of the hill. The road is narrow and curvy. At the bottom, the camp gate is on the left.

From Decorah, through Spring Grove, MN: Go north out of Decorah traveling on Locust Road to Hwy 44 (east) and go through Spring Grove, MN. About seven miles east of Spring Grove, turn right (south) onto Hwy 76. Follow Hwy 76 four miles to Camp Winnebago Road. Turn left (east) and follow the Camp Winnebago Road to the camp entrance, which is on the left.

We hope you will join us at this FALL RETREAT for a great get-away with friends, food and fellowship.

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Ready to Hit the Road

It will be an early morning start, but we are headed to Des Moines for the AQS show on September 29th. Final details about what and where to load the bus will be distributed at the September Guild meeting. Information will be mailed to those not in attendance.

Sue has lots of surprises planned for the trip. So if you do not want to miss out, call or email Sue or Carolyn to join us. There are seats on the bus and motel rooms still available.

Sue Lynch – 608-306-0924
sulynch09@gmail.com

Carolyn Vogel – 563-568-4316
cdvogel@wildblue.net

Local Quilters Hooking in October! October 4, 2011

Mary Wemark and Melissa Foley will join us for our October meetings. In the afternoon, we will focus on wool projects with a demonstration on rug **hooking**.

These two ladies are from Ridgeway and Cresco and have been involved with quilting and wool projects for many years. They, along with Charlie, taught all the Little Women classes at Pine Needles when it was in Cresco. They were able to learn from Jo Morton herself.

During the evening meeting, they will share with us that Little Women journey. Be prepared for a trunk show and some good stories.

The row robin will start meeting in October, 6:00-6:15, before the evening meeting, this should allow for some of the working members of the guild to attend. Marilyn may be sharing this with the afternoon group as well.

ROW ROBIN! This is a project we have gotten from Cathy Busch from Waverly. Thank you, Cathy!! The information is for our guild use only. This project is meant as a skill builder for beginning as well as more experienced quilters to sharpen their piecing skills. It will be replacing the challenges we have had in the past. Each month a new technique will be shared, examples shown and a handout will be distributed. This is a great way to use those scraps! When you complete the directions for each month the center should measure 36x54. Of course you may add to this if you so desire to have a larger quilt. More information to be shared at the September meeting. Sign up so we will have copies for all who are interested.

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Treasurer's Report, Mary Lou Cotton

Balance 4/19/2011			\$5,824.70
Expenses:			
	May Program	\$95.00	
	June Program	\$25.00	
	Web Site Update	\$144.88	
	Postage	\$39.04	
	Lunch Supplies	\$61.14	
	Batting, Charity	\$96.57	
	Program Supplies	\$43.34	
	Total Expenses	\$504.97	\$5319.73
Income:			
	Interest March.	\$2.89	
	Interest April	\$2.64	
	Interest May	\$2.43	
	Interest June	\$2.77	
	Interest July	\$1.17	
	Dues	\$40.00	
	Bus Trip	\$330.00	
	Total Income	\$ 381.90	\$5701.63
	Balance		\$5701.63
	FRAMES Beginning Balance	\$785.00	
	Donations	\$90.00	
	Used	\$1747.34	
	Total Frames Balance	\$(-872.00)	
7/31/11	Ending Balance		\$5701.63

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Lou Cotton



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HELP REQUESTED!!!!

Even though we can not fulfill all of your requests, it is helpful to the Program Committee to have an idea of what types of programs and workshops you would like to see at our Guild.

Included with this newsletter is a survey. The information you provide will help with programming, retreats and workshops for the 2012 – 2013 year. Since many of the questions allow for your comments, we are including it with the newsletter to give you time to consider your thoughts and answers.

As a little enticement, we will draw for a door prize from all the surveys returned. Thanks in advance for your help.



SPECIAL PEOPLE

The local quilt shops are extremely supportive of this Guild. It is because of their generosity that we have prizes for our meetings.

As you shop at these locations, be sure to make a special effort to thank these owners.

Forest Mills – Postville
One Block Over – West Union
Quilter's Garden – Cresco
Material Magic – New Hampton
Quilter's Window – New Hampton
Country Stitchin' – Waukon
Pine Needles – Decorah
Pickett Fence – Prairie du Chien
Country Calico – St. Olaf
Quilter's Quarters - Independence

Truffle Recipe from Roberta Hass....

Bottom layer cubed up brownies (prepared)
Next layer on instant vanilla pudding (prepared)
After that, add a layer of cubed angel food cake (prepared)
Then add a layer of instant chocolate pudding (prepared)
Then layer on strawberry pie filling
Top with Cool Whip (to taste) and garnish with sliced strawberries.

This can be done with other fruits.
The best part is that you will have one very large truffle or enough left over to make more of the same.
Looks pretty in a glass bowl!

Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild - Program Committee Survey – September 2011
Complete and bring to September meeting. We will draw for a prize from the returned surveys.

Indicate your **first** choice for fall retreat format-

- Three days of workshops
- Two days of workshops, one day of free sewing
- One day of workshop, two days of free sewing
- Three days of free sewing

Comments: _____

Indicate your **first** choice for a three day retreat-

- Thursday – Saturday
- Friday – Sunday
- Other _____

Indicate your **first choice** for a two day retreat –

- Friday – Saturday
- Saturday – Sunday

Indicate if you would/would not like a mystery quilt project at retreat. Circle your choice.

Comments: _____

Indicate if you would/would not be interested in workshops covering basic quilting skills.

Suggestions of persons who could teach basic skills **workshops**:

What other type of **workshops** would you attend (piecing, appliqué, artsy, mystery)? Circle your choices.

Comments: _____

Suggestion of persons _____

For Guild **programs**, what quilting skills would you like to learn or improve (piecing, appliqué, settings, bindings, quilting, etc) _____

Suggestions of persons _____

Would you be willing to host the Guild during one of the summer months for the “Garden” meeting?

Your name or a suggestion: _____

Suggestions for Guild **group project or challenge** (row by row, BOM, etc.):

Indicate your first choice for a ONE day bus trip

- Madison Quilt show September 2012
- Shop Hop of quilt shops
- Sun Prairie quilt show – March 2013
- Plattville Quilt Expo – June 2013

Other suggestions: _____

List your favorite charity for donation quilts _____

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Member #: _____	Retreat: \$ _____
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Do not cut this form apart. Leave blank if you are not attending retreat.

Fall Retreat
October 20 – 22, 2011
Camp Winnebago, Eitzen, Minnesota

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Fees:

Three Days – Two Nights – Six Meals	\$100.	_____
Daily* Circle Day(s) Thursday Friday Saturday	\$ 40. each day	_____
*Daily (Indicate if staying overnight) – Thursday Friday		
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Pittman Workshop (maximum 22)	\$ 30.	_____
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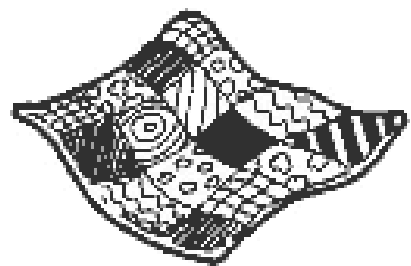
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