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The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on November 2, 2021, via zoom and in person at the Luana Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa, at 2:00 pm and 7 pm. Zoom links will be sent out closer to the date of the meeting. Those attending personally are asked to socially distance and wear masks. Please remember that you will need to provide your own lunch and beverage if







(This is Election Day, and members are reminded to vote before they attend!) Mother and daughter team, Roxanne Schnitzler and Jess Rediske, will tell about their quilt shop - Red-Roxy in Decorah - and also share new trends in fabric, tools, and notions. Members will also show recently completed projects in the always inspiring show-and-tell. For more information, please contact Mike Ellingsen at 507.602.0322, Nancy Sojka at 563.419.1828, or check out the NEIQG home page (www.neiqg.com) and the NEIQG Facebook page (NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild).

The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on December 7, 2021, via zoom and in person at the Luana Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa, at 2:00 and 7:00 pm. Zoom links will be sent out closer to the date of the meeting. Those attending personally are asked to



socially distance and wear masks. Please remember that you will need to provide your own lunch and beverage if desired due to Covid 19 restrictions. Come and have some Christmas fun! Veteran quilter Vivian Benjegerdes of Postville will lead a Make and Take project for both meetings. Vivian will bring all of the supplies you need to make Yo-Yos into Christmas ornaments of various designs. Bring needles and scissors and a little Christmas Spirit!

Check us out at https://neiqg.com Membership forms can be found online at neiqg.com

There will be no refreshments provided at upcoming meetings due to Covid 19 concerns. We will revisit this decision in a few months and keep you all posted. So for the foreseeable future, feel free to bring your own snack, supper and/or drink. And, of course, you are able to tune in from home and enjoy a seven-course meal if you wish!

Remember to check us out on Facebook and on our website Neigg.com. Stop in and see what our members have been sewing up during the pandemic. It's a great way to keep in touch and get some inspiration.

	NEIQG Treasurer's Report 10/20/2021 Respectfully submitted by Roberta Hass, Treasurer		
	Balance Forward		\$6197.00
Income	Misc.	\$237.53	
	Total Income		\$237.53
Expenses	program	\$533.68	
	Misc.	\$54.56	
	Total Expenses		\$588.24
10/20/2021	Ending Balance		\$5847.05

Quilt Show Update

We have not yet determined a date or location for the 2022 quilt show. The board is still reviewing our options. However, you can get started on your Canister Raffle pieces, complete those UFOs, and challenge quilts. Marty will let you know as soon as the board selects the location and date. Keep on quilting.

Marty Berda and Jen Hertramph, Show Co-Chairs

-Seed Savers Challenge Mike has been in touch with you - several times - about getting your inspiration photo chosen. So far we have 24 participating and 4 declines - fantastic! But that leaves 37 of you who haven't responded. Sadness. Remember - this



only has to be as stressful as you make it - we just want as many members participating as possible! And the project is only 18" x 24". Please, please, please? Please do let Mike know if you are or are not planning to participate. It just makes his job a little easier.

From the President...

Today (October 20) may be one of our last summer days of this fall, and I suppose until next summer. I love fall but summer - it's never long enough. My mom's birthday was October 22 and she said that the weather always turned warm again for her celebration. She loved fall and Halloween! My point is that we need to enjoy whatever season of the year of our lives that we're in. I hope that this newsletter finds you in a great season enjoying lots of quilting time! By the time you read this another fall retreat will have happened at the Farmer's Daughter Quilt Retreat Center in Oelwein. I'm looking forward to the show and tell of projects completed (or started) over the weekend. It's fun to sew and share ideas together along with some food and drink.

I'm so happy to see our membership growing past 60. The virus has made it challenging for us to stay in touch. I thank our officers and members who have worked so hard to accommodate

everyone with programs and workshops while keeping everyone as safe as possible. Mike and Nancy are using Zoom to bring us presenters from further away and will continue with Zoom programs during the winter months when we can't always travel. Thanks for being so creative in your approach to meetings.

Enough talk..time to quilt...and play with my granddaughters.

Ila



NEIQG Business Minutes

October 5, 2021

The Northeast Iowa Quilters' Guild met on October 5, 2021, via Zoom and at the Luana Bank at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. President Ila Benzing opened the meeting with welcomes to all. The last month's minutes were emailed to members. Bert Hass reported to the guild a September beginning balance of \$6,006.83. She paid the September program and had a final balance of \$5,847.05. According to the membership list we are now at 70 members.

Old Business: Marty Berda reported on the trailer inventory with Arlene Klatt and Jen Hertrampf. Marty reported on the quilt show at the Opera House in Fayette on September 11th. They had about 25 people attend to see 88 quilts in the general display, a bed turning of about 24 quilts, and about half the quilts displayed were by former or non-members of the guild. Some quilts were over 100 years old.

Program- Mike Ellingsen announced all program information is in the brochure emailed to members. The program files are available on the NEIQG website for download.

New Business: Ila Benzing read the charity quilt list from day and evening groups and Show & Tell was held.

Program Minutes: The October program was Jan Shaffer on helpful ideas and a quilter's responsibility (2 handouts) to prepare your quilt for the long arm quilting machine and operator. She gave a short workshop and handout on various ways to make half square triangles between the

meetings for a \$5 attendance fee. Jan also showed some quilts she quilted and discussed her choices and decisions on the quilting designs.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Bartenhagen, secretary

NEIQG Business Minutes

September 7, 2021

The Northeast Iowa Quilters' Guild met on September 7, 2021, via Zoom and at the Luana Bank at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. President Ila Benzing opened the meeting with welcomes to all. Nancy Sjoka made a motion to accept to minutes, Sue Lynch seconded, minutes approved. Bert Hass reported to the guild an August beginning balance of \$6,197.00. She had 62 memberships paid, paid the April program, and a final balance of \$6,006.83. Marie Freerking made a motion to accept to report, Mary Lou Cotton seconded, motion passed.

Old Business: Program- Nancy Sjoka showed the new NEIQG.com yard signs. The October program will be Jen Schaffer presenting on long arm quilting tips. She will give a short workshop on ways to make half square triangles between the meetings for a \$5 attendance fee. Contact Mike Ellingsen with your Seed Saver Challenge choice. Bert said she had 18 members and 5 non members registered for the guild retreat in October at Farmer's Daughters Quilt Fabric Store in Oelwein. It will be October 22-24 and you will work on your individual project. She still has room for more to attend. Marty Berda had information on the Art & Quilt show at the Opera House in Fayette on September 11th. You can help set up on Friday, September 10th from 1-5 and/or help at the show on Saturday 12-5. A bed turning is planned for 2 pm. Pat Baumler of Lima Church will also have the Lima Leaf Quilt on display and selling raffle tickets. Watermelon will be served at noon.

New Business: The trailer inventory will begin with cooler weather by Arlene Klatt, MartyBerda, and Jen Hertrampf. County Fair Results: Sue Lynch exhibited, received many ribbons and Jane Lamborn's grandkids did and are also exhibiting at the Iowa State Fair. The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show will be a virtual event this year Quiltshow.com. Show & Tell was held.

NEIQG Program Minutes The programs at 2:00 and 7:00 were by Marin Hanson from Decorah, IA for the International Quilt Museum, at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln NE. Marin is the Curator of International Collections and explained the "Uncover the World". She showed and talked about quilted items around the world such as art and clothing.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Bartenhagen, secretary

I discovered a great source for free fall quilting patterns while I was cruising the internet and wanted to share it with all of you. I think I'm going to try this acorn potholder for sure. Isn't it darling? Marge

https://www.quiltfabrication.com/2019/10/free-fall-quilt-patterns.html

Board Meeting - 9-28-21 @ 7:00 Via Zoom

Board members present Pres. Ila Benzing, VP Melodye Protsman, Treas. Bert Hass, Sec. Martha Bartenhagen, Hist. Carol Maki, Prog. Nancy Sojka, Show Ch. MartyBerda, Show Ch. Jen HertrampfSecretary's minutes - Secretary's minutes were approved. Treasurer's report - Treasurer's report were approved.

Old business: Airing Out the Quilts - Marty reported on the Fayette quilt show, while it was a nice venue, was not well attended; approximately 24 people signed in to see about 88 quilts. About half the quilts were shown from former or non members of the guild. One quilt was 120 years old and in good shape. They had 24 quilts to show on the bed turning and took in about \$27 in donations. Committee report on inventory of quilt show equipment and supplies went well, despite having to use crawling and flashlights. Some items are stored elsewhere but will be added to the inventory list. The new yard signs will be stored elsewhere, but will be included on the guild's inventory list. A second copy will be included in the President's files.

2022 quilt show site report- Marty and Jen have researched other venues to hold the NEIQG Quilt Show. The looked at the new building on the Winneshiek County fairgrounds in Decorah and Clayton County fair grounds at National. Marty feels the MFL Mar Mac school is still the best site and will talk with the school to get a date that is suitable. Marty reports that we will need approximately \$1000 before the NE IA Quilt Shown for publicity, rental of tables, buying food supplies, etc.

Committee reports - budget - Bert Hass reported that the budget is a number to aim for but may have to be flexible with committees. Holding Zoom for program presenters has helped keep Program Committee expenses down.

New business: Review and revise by-laws - beginning date of program year and annual meeting. The Officer lists need to be updated in our printed materials. The beginning date of the program year will be in June and annual meeting will be held in May. The board will look at the Handbook and review at their next board meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Bartenhagen, secretary

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