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The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on March 5, 2019, at the Luana Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa. The afternoon group will meet at at 2:00 pm and the evening group will meet at 7:00 pm. (Refreshments at 6:30)

Afternoon Hostesses for March Guild Meeting: Leslie Sand and Vera Christensen-
Evening Hostesses for March Guild Meeting: Linda Monroe and Pat Butikofer
 Our own Rose Schutte and Katheryn Russi will be showing us some of their more recent quilts ...after the book quilts!

March 8-10: Please be reminded that we have Moonlight Studio and Retreat reserved for March 8, 9, and 10. So far only two people have expressed interested. Deb at Moonlight Stitching she needs at least 5 people for the retreat. The cost is \$125.00 and tax for total of \$138.50 This looks to be a fun weekend to sew with all our friends. Please see Lynette for information or to reserve a spot.

The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on April 2, 2019, at the Luana Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa. The afternoon group will meet at at 2:00 pm and the evening group will meet at 7:00 pm.(Refreshments at 6:30)

FAT QUARTER BINGO! Bring a fat quarter to play bingo. Also, bring along a quilt that has memories associated with it and share it during the program.

Afternoon Hostesses for April Guild Meeting: Donna Ashacher and Nancy Limberg
Evening Hostesses for April: Sue Lynch and Carolyn Clark

The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on May 7, 2019, at the Luana Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa, at 6:30 pm for their spring fling potluck and annual meeting.

Members A-L are asked to bring a dish to share. Election of officers and the 2018-19 Seasons Challenge finished projects will be on display for members to vote on for prizes in several categories. **EVENING MEETING ONLY!!!** We are excited about our bus trip coming up in May. Wow, the bus filled up fast. I Lynette has a waiting list, in case of any cancellations.

As always, take a look at our web site - neiqq.com- where you can find program information, meeting dates and times, recipes and more member photos.



The Blue Spoon Scoop

Brrrrrrrr.....Old Man Winter has certainly arrived and we received 12 inches of snow this time around. I just realized that I didn't know if the groundhog saw his shadow or not. Since I'm not going to a job now, I don't get out a lot to talk to others, and I guess I did not watch TV to hear that news.

I sure have had lots of quality hours in front of my sewing machine though. One church graduate quilt done and working on the other one for this spring.

We had a very productive board meeting. Please make sure to read the minutes. We had a good discussion on some changes that will be discussed and voted on at our annual meeting in May (evening meeting only in May).

Election of officers will take place as well. Thanks to those who have volunteered to continue with their positions. As I write this article we are still in need of 1-2 people for program and 1st year co-chair for the 2020 quilt show. Please consider sharing your talents with us.

I hope the weather will be cooperative for our March meeting. Until then - - -

Happy Sewing!
Lori Heitman, President



In case you haven't gotten around to finishing the Challenge...

Remember to finish your seasonal challenge for the May meeting.

Any size! Any design! Just feature the season you drew!

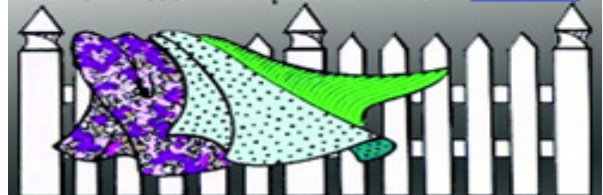
Good luck to all! I hope everyone is working on their challenge quilt for our May meeting. I still have to start mine, but I have some ideas. -Mary



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NEIQG Treasurer's Report
Respectfully submitted by Leslie Sand

December 31, 2018

Aug 27, 2018 Balance Forward \$6514.42

Income

Dues	\$1345.00
Interest	\$6.47
show admission	\$1181.00
misc show income (canister raffle, books, vendor fee, etc)	\$1693.00
lunch income	\$1380.00
raffle ticket sales	\$1934.00
Bus trip Madison	\$1698.00
Nov Retreat 2018	\$2340.00
Bank credit on deposit addition mistake	\$10.00
Total Income	\$11,587.52

Expenses

general misc	\$2.41
new check charge/deposit slips	\$23.93
1 mailing of newsletter postage	\$60.00
WARCO bus/Madison	\$1,260.00
Program	\$350.00
Show expenses	\$2664.15
Nov retreat	\$2211.98
Total Expenses	\$6,572.47

Dec 31, 2018 Ending Balance \$11389.47



Important Info For Your Consideration...
Officer Nominees -
Treasurer: Leslie Sand
President: Lori Heitman
Historian: Carol Maki
Newsletter: Marge Johnson
Program (2):
Show Co-Chair:

NEIQG Board Meeting – February 13, 2019

- President Lori Heitman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Luana Tap. Present: Lori Heitman, Melodye Protsman, Carol Maki, Ila Benzing, Martha Bartenhagen, Marty Berda, and Mary Schroeder. Absent: Lynette Matter, Dorothy Wendel, Julie Rotach, Leslie Sand, Marge Johnson, and Roberta Hass.
 - Minutes were looked over. They had been approved by email.
 - The treasurer's report was looked over. Move to approve by Marty, 2nd Ila. Carried.
 - The board will recommend changing the start of our program year to run June 1 to May 31. We will be voting at our May meeting to consider this change.
 - We have 74 members. We will be checking on past due dues.
 - Marty and Cindy Berns have been working on the pre-application for a grant to purchase an enclosed trailer to keep our show equipment. It is due April 2nd
 - Since the board was unable to meet because of weather, Lori with the approval of the board, sent an email out looking for new officers. Lori and Joan Weymiller called the seven who don't have email. Leslie, Marge, Carol, and Lori have consented to stay in the office they are now serving. We need 2 new program people and one for show chair.
 - After discussion regarding officer positions the board will recommend that the 2 incoming program people chair the afternoon meeting and eliminate afternoon chair position. We will voting at the May meeting on this.
 - Marty went over the final report on the quilt show. Holding the quilt show at the Monona school appears to have been very profitable. We went over the quilt show time line and updated. Marty will make an updated time line for the show.
 - The board recommends to give the Iowa Quilt Museum at Winterset \$100. They are requesting support from Iowa quilt guilds. We will be voting at the May meeting on this.
 - Next board meeting will be at the Luana Tap April 9th at 6:00 p.m.
- Melodye moved to adjourn, Marty 2nd . Carried

Mary Schroeder - acting secretary

Eight tips for storing your quilts safely From Quilting 101.com

Tip #1 – Keep your quilt dry.

Tip #2 – Wrap your quilt in a cotton sheet. Never store your quilt in a plastic box or plastic wrap as these are non-breathable and will cause moisture to build up.

Tip #3 – Avoid extremes of temperature. Although it may be convenient, it is never a good idea to store your quilts in the attic or cellar as extremes in temperature can be very damaging to a quilt.

Tip #4 – Watch out for bugs and mice! When choosing a place to store your quilts, think about how accessible that place might be for small bugs, mice and insects. Garages, attics and sheds are popular havens for rodents and insects and should be avoided at all costs. Cardboard boxes should also be avoided as it is not unknown for mice to chew through the cardboard and harvest fibres from the quilt inside to build their nests!

Tip #5 – Keep your quilt in the dark. Sunlight can be very damaging to a quilt, by breaking down the fibres and fading the colors. Direct sunlight should be avoided at all costs. Be particularly careful when drying your quilt out on a line after washing it. Even the light from fluorescent lighting can be damaging to a quilt over time.

Tip #6 – Roll your quilts. Keep your quilt unfolded. It is best to try and avoid folding your quilt for long periods of time unless you must.

Tip #7 – Use acid-free paper. If you must fold your quilts to store them, you should always place some crumpled acid-free tissue paper in the folds to pad it out and minimise creasing.

Tip #8 – Keep your quilt away from wood. Be careful where you leave your quilts! Unfinished wood, such as the type often found inside wooden drawers or chests, often contains acids that can damage fabric. If you must store your quilts in these places make sure you line them carefully with acid-free paper before putting the quilt down.

Quilt Show Quarterly

Marty Berda Show Co-chair

Nineteen months and counting to the next quilt show. I'm still finishing up a few loose ends from the last show. The quilt tags are finally done and will be given out at the March meeting.

However, it's never too early to start preparations for the next show. So, here is the first thing to consider; a Raffle Quilt Committee needs to be formed. The committee gets to choose the colors, fabrics, and design of

the raffle quilt. They also oversee its construction and setup summer sew-days for membership to work on it. Our raffle quilts show the depth of the talent in our guild. Please, consider sharing your expertise. Contact me at marty@mcbia.com or 563-426-5771 if you are interested in working on that committee.

In May a Show Co-chair will be elected and soon after we will be asking members to be committee chairs for the show. I will provide a list of committee chair positions available and their job descriptions in the next newsletter. Thank you to the members who have already volunteered to be committee chairs for the 2020 show.

We did very well financially at Monona and as of this writing plan to hold our next biannual quilt show there. More details about the 2020 show will be coming in the next newsletter.

Easy Meal For Quilt-filled Days Creamy Celery Beef Stroganoff

2 pounds beef stew meat, cut into 1-inch cubes
1 can (10-3/4 ounces) cream of celery soup, undiluted
1 can (10-3/4 ounces) cream of mushroom soup, undiluted
1 medium onion, chopped
1 jar (6 ounces) sliced mushrooms or 1 can, drained
1 envelope onion soup mix
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1 cup sour cream
Hot cooked noodles

Directions

1. In a 3-qt. slow cooker, combine the first seven ingredients. Cover and cook on low for 8 hours or until beef is tender. Stir in sour cream. Serve with noodles.

And just keep quilting while supper cooks!

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