



The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on October 4, 2022 , via Zoom and in person at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. at the Luana Savings Bank, Luana, Iowa. A Zoom link will be sent out closer to the date of the meeting. At this meeting we will discuss quilt show preparation.

The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will celebrate 40 years as a guild at our October 4th, 2022, meeting. Candace Arp will be coordinating a show & tell program to share guild history, memories from current and past members, and featuring quilts made from guild retreats, workshops.

October 15-16 NEIQG Quilt Show!!!! Razzle Dazzle Join us at the Winneshiek County Fairgrounds Community Building from 9-5 on Saturday and 9-4 on Sunday. Tell your friends and family!

Fall Quilt Retreat in Delwein at the Farmer's Daughters Quilt Retreat Center October 21-23. Contact Melody if you are interested (563-568-3075).

The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on November 1, 2022, In person at 6:00 pm at the Luther College Baker Commons in Decorah, Iowa. More information can be found inside of the newsletter. Candace Arp and Nancy Sjoka will be taking us "Through the Years with the NEIQG." Plus don't forget to sign up on the guild website and bring your check to the Oct meeting for \$15.00 for the meal on the 1st. Deadline to sign up is Oct 24th,

The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on December 6, 2022 , via Zoom and in person at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. at the Luana Savings Bank, Luana, Iowa. A Zoom link will be sent out closer to the date of the meeting. At this meeting we will see a presentation from the Quilter's Garden Shop in Cresco. Join us for some new and creative ideas.

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!

QUILT SHOW COMING UP - MARK YOUR SOCIAL CALENDARS AND SIGN UP TO HELP!

Forest Mills Quilt Shop
Open 10-6 Monday-Saturday
or by appointment

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Don't forget to look at our website www.neiqg.com

		NEIQG Treasurer's Report 7/22/2022 Respectfully submitted by Roberta Hass, Treasurer	
		<i>Balance Forward 7/22</i>	\$4547.47
Income		Dues	\$745.000
		Interest	\$.60
		Vendors for Show	\$75.00
		Raffle Tickets	\$675.00
		Garage Sale (July)	\$103.00
		Total income	\$1598.60
Expenses		Program	\$75.000
		Insurance	\$426.000
		Postage: Treasurer \$23.00 and Newsletter \$60.00	\$83.00
		Quilt Show Signs (N. Sojka)	321.00
		Total Expenses	\$905.004
8/25/2022		<i>Ending Balance</i>	<i>\$5040.87</i>
		<i>Total Paid Membership 54</i>	

From the President...

Fall is almost here and life is getting busier. By the time you read this we will have had our September meeting and the bus trip to the Great Wisconsin Quilt Show in Madison. I'll be waiting for a full report on the show as I'll be starting a trip that was postponed from April of 2020. My husband and I are taking a cruise to the Baltic Sea countries. Finland, Russia and Estonia have been eliminated from our itinerary due to the situation in Ukraine. Our itinerary still includes Sweden, Poland, Germany, Denmark and Norway. We're excited to explore more of the world. I'll be home in time to get ready for our October meetings and quilt show and to celebrate my mother-in-law's 90th birthday.

Marty and Jen will have more information about our quilt show elsewhere in this newsletter. Please read it carefully and plan to help as much as you can. This is our big fundraiser which supports the great programs we have during the 2 years between shows. Sell those raffle tickets, contribute to the canister raffle, display a quilt, provide for the lunch, donate magazines or patterns and work a shift or two. It's a great time to get to know other members better and chat with visitors to our show. Don't forget to spend some time and money with our vendors.

I'm still looking for members with quilts that represent some part of our 40 year history. It could be a raffle quilt, challenge quilt, workshop quilt or any other quilt from our past. Write a brief description of the quilt for us to read while we do a quilt turning. It's like show and tell at our meetings except that someone else will hold up your quilt and read your description. I'm looking forward to a trip down memory lane. Our more recent members and show visitors have probably never seen your older quilts. Share with all of us! If you have any questions please contact me.

I want to send healing thoughts and prayers to our members who have been struggling with health issues. We miss seeing you when your health keeps you home but we don't forget you. I hope this note finds you busy quilting and enjoying cooler weather!

I missed our annual meeting outdoors. Thanks to Melodye and the others who kept things running in my absence while I was attending my granddaughter's piano recital.

Keep quilting!

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Quilt Show News...

I just finished quilting a wall hanging that I registered for the show. This one took me a while to figure out because I needed inspiration. My original quilting plan did not satisfy me, so; I had to let it sit. Inspiration struck when I saw a pattern in a science magazine. Bear with me a moment. I was reading an article about the Large Hadron Collider in Europe. Smashed atoms give off interesting curved patterns as they break apart. Suddenly, I was inspired to quilt those curved patterns over my Maud's Challenge wall hanging - problem solved. What inspires you to quilt? Who inspires you?

Think about that as you get ready for the show. Each of us has unique abilities when it comes to quilting. Some of you have backgrounds in the arts, sewing, or science/math/engineering. Maybe you have always quilted or are new to the craft. The Razzle Dazzle Quilt Show gives us an opportunity to appreciate the range of talent that we have in the guild as well as marvel at the creative spark that led the quilter to choose that particular fabric or quilting pattern.

I am not always drawn to the most symmetrical or beautiful quilts. Don't get me wrong, I admire the skill necessary to produce them but the odd and edgy quilts speak to me. There are over 245 registered quilts for the show. There will be dozens of other ones displayed as charity quilts, canister raffle items, vendor displays, and bed turnings. That is a lot to look at in a short period of time. Plan to spend some time either before or after your work shift to enjoy the fruits of our labors. This is a great opportunity to really study a quilt and appreciate all of the inspiration and skill that went into it.

Here are some nuts and bolts for your planner.

- Frame set-up will be on Thursday October 13 from 1:00 P.M. -4:00 or until finished. A small crew is needed and already has been formed.
- Quilt check-in will be on Friday October 14 from 2:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M. We will begin hanging quilts sometime after 3:00 P.M. We will need the most help from 4:00 through 7:00 P.M. but feel free to come and help any time.
- You can bring your quilts, pie/bars, magazine/book sale items, canister raffle items any time on Friday October 14 from 2:00 P.M. through 6:00 P.M. Enlist the aid of a friend if you can't make this timeframe work.
- Our vendors will be setting up about the same time that we are hanging quilts. Please allow them the Handicap Parking spaces that are on the southwest side of the building. They need the concrete apron to use their carts and dollies for moving merchandise.
- Please be sure to be on time for your work shift. The work schedule is on the website. If you cannot make your shift please contact another member and switch places with them.
- We will strike the show after 4:00 P.M. on Sunday October 16. Keep in mind that we cannot release any quilts until we have completely put everything in its proper place. Jen and I will let Julie and Marge know when the quilts can be released.

A quilt show has a lot of moving parts and it takes all of us working in concert to put on a successful show. So, thank you in advance for all of your efforts prior and during the show.

Keep calm and keep quilting,

Marty and Jen

NEIQG Business Minutes

9/6/2022

The NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild met on September 6, 2022 at the Luana Savings Bank and via Zoom at 2:00 and 7:00 pm. Approximately 25 people attended in person and 8 via Zoom in the afternoon and 10 people attended in person and 4 via Zoom in the evening. President Ila Benzing opened the meeting with a welcome to guests and members. She reminded everyone to sign the registration page.

- Ila turned the meeting over to Program and Diane Thiese was introduced. Diane showed her quilts, discussed dying techniques, and demonstrated tools and how to dye wool different colors. Diane uses acid dye, 4 different colors (yellow, red, blue, and black) and citric acid or vinegar to set the dye. She uses different wool or applique patterns and she loves Valdani thread or pearl cotton thread. The tools you use cannot be used in food preparation again and she recommends wearing a mask, so you don't inhale the dye particles.

The minutes for August were emailed to members and Marty Berda made a motion to approve the minutes, Jen Hertrampf seconded; motion passed. Treasurer Bert Hass presented the September treasurer's report. Bert reported to the guild the August beginning balance of \$4,789.67. Bert had a payment for the August guild program, quilt show signs, and postage, and deposits of dues, raffle ticket sales, show vendor fee, and interest, for a final balance of \$5,040.87. Jarret Johnson moved the report to be approved; Marty Berda seconded; report approved.

Committee reports

Quilt Show report - The Guild's Show is called Razzle-Dazzle and will be held in Decorah on October 15th and 16th at the Community Building on the Winneshiek County FairGrounds. Quilt Show Chair Marty Berda requested members to help hang the quilts on Friday the 14th. Marty said the public came to the last show we had because a guild member invited them; so Talk Up the Show! Invite your friends and neighbors. Word of Mouth is our best advertisement. Hang up bookmarks and posters wherever you go. Keep selling raffle quilt tickets and making canister raffle items, and gather quilt related books and magazines. Canister raffle items can be given to Canister Chair Mary Schroeder. We are looking for simple items; such as a small wall hanging, a fabric bundle and pattern idea, table runner, etc., for the canister raffle.

Lunch - Chair Lynette Rose will have our famous loose meat sandwiches, hot dogs, fruit, chips, pies and bars with Pepsi products. Please sign up now with Lynette on what you are making for the kitchen (donate a pie, a 9x13 pan of bars, or a \$10 donation). Please email her what you are going to bring or call 563-380-1370, matterlynette@gmail.com Bring your food items to the show kitchen on October 14th or early October 15th am.

Quilt Show -Call or email Marty with any questions you may have. She announced the quilt frames will be erected on Thursday, quilts will be hung on Friday and taken down on Sunday. She has 8 vendors registered and the form for members to sign up to work at the Quilt show. You may also email Marty to sign up to work. memaberda1023@gmail.com She will post the form on our website when it is complete. If you need to change your time to work, you are responsible to contact another guild member to switch. Remember, if you want to be a quilt/white glove hostess during the show, you also need to sign up for another job, too.

Quilt Show Quilt - If you sell all your raffle tickets and you need more, contact Jen Hertrampf or Marie Freerking. The Razzle-Dazzle raffle quilt is available for display and tickets for sales at local events; contact Marty to get on the schedule. Marty Berda 563-426-5771

Quilt Show Registration - You were able to register your quilt online before September 9th. The deadline to register your quilts was September 10th. You are also encouraged to register for the bed turnings program. The various categories are: past raffle quilt, Mystery, row by row, round robin, challenge and others. Bed turnings quilts are related to our history and activities as a guild. These quilts will not be hung in the show. Register your quilt; such as Y2K, Signature, past Raffle Quilt, Mystery, Row by Row, Round Robin, Rose block of the month, etc., by September 24th by

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/110wYBN7_h5Te-

[S06X9lNs7w8R2gIKZPVe2dgsetDnWo/viewform?edit_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/110wYBN7_h5Te-S06X9lNs7w8R2gIKZPVe2dgsetDnWo/viewform?edit_requested=true)

If you have any questions about this, contact Ila Benzing ila.benzing@gmail.com

Charity Work - Bert Hass brought pillowcase kits to show the idea to celebrate our 40th year: make 400 pillow cases to be donated. She has kits put together for members to sew or choose their own fabric. You may use the hot dog pattern, or any pattern, and will also work on these individually, and at the February charity work day. Picket Fence, U of Iowa Children's Hospital, and various churches would be possible donation sites, after recording your projects to the guild (Your Name, how many pillowcases, where they are being donated) so Bert can keep a running total. The U of Iowa Children's Hospital requests the pillow cases be made from non/gender/neutral fabric prints.

Program - Mike Ellingsen announced the 40th Anniversary celebration - We will celebrate our 40th year at Baker's Common's on November 1st with a presentation and a meal cost \$15 at 6:00 pm. You will be able to register for the celebration on the following link. The deadline for making a reservation is Monday, October 24. <https://forms.gle/vYtYDR9QFV9Ar2ae6>

You can turn in your checks (made out to NEIQG) at our October meeting - or mail them to Roxanne Schnitzler at 3132 Scenic River Road, Decorah IA 52101. Please contact Roxy Schnitzler roxsews@gmail.com for any questions on your RSVP to attend the celebration. Please contact Candace Arp darpcarp@hotmail.com with past projects (Round Robins, past Raffle Quilt, Mystery, Row by Row, Rose block of the month, etc. Pictures of past events, projects, memories you have of an event or workshop) for the presentation she is putting together for the celebration. Roberta Hass made a motion to pay for the Luther College Venue (Baker's Common's) for the 40th Anniversary celebration, Mike Ellingsen seconded the motion; motion passed. Baker Commons is accessible - and we will work to coordinate rides for those who might not feel comfortable driving in the evening. For transportation, just contact Mike at mike.ellingsen.quilts@gmail.com.

40th Anniversary Challenge - Choose a magazine, turn to page 40, make your challenge from that inspiration. If you don't get inspiration from that magazine page, choose a different magazine, and turn to page 40. Repeat as needed. Your challenge project can be any item, any size, any method. Please also save the page that you used for your inspiration to be presented with the project at the June 2023 guild meeting and displayed at the October 2024 NEIQG quilt show.

Old Business:

Friday, September 9 - bus trip to Great Wisconsin Quilt Show in Madison Bus Trip - Ila Benzing is the contact for the Wisconsin Madison Quilt Show. It is \$45 to reserve your spot on the bus. This will include bus, quilt show ticket, and snacks. Pick up spots will be in Decorah (6:00 am), Waukon (6:30 am), and Prairie du Chein (7:00 am). Nancy Sojka will be on the bus trip for support. There are 3 seats still available and open to the public.

New business:

Melodye Prostsman announced the Fall Retreat will be October 21-23 at Farmer's Daughter Retreat Center in Oelwein for \$125. Attendees will work on their own individual projects. Melodye will have a sign-up sheet at the September guild meeting.

Show & Tell was held. President Ila Benzing adjourned the meeting. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Bartenhagen, secretary

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