



Please look at the sites listed for meetings as we are moving meetings around in an attempt to accommodate all members of the guild.

**The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet in person and zia Zoom on April 1, 2025, at 2 and 7:00 pm, at Decorah First United Methodist Church, 302 W. Broadway St., Decorah.** Our own Nancy Sojka will do the program on Handkerchief Quilting. A mini-workshop will be held between meetings. A Zoom link will be sent out closer to the date of the meeting. ***(THIS MEETING SITE IS CHANGE FROM THE LAST NEWSLETTER!)***

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• Handkerchief Quilting Workshop: April 1, 2025, between meetings

This workshop invites you to reimagine those family keepsakes or second-hand finds as a new kind of art. We will look at your collection of handkerchiefs, doilies, linens, photos, and other textiles with new eyes. We will determine your tolerance for cutting up heirlooms. We will discuss how many quilted pieces you want to end up with and how they will be used. We will "audition" backgrounds and arrangements.

You will need to bring your collection of textiles. Bring multiple possible background fabrics and enhancements (buttons, zippers, photos, etc). I (Nancy) will bring my sewing machine and cutting mat and rotary cutter, extra muslin for possible backgrounds, fusible interfacing, and iron. I assume that you will take your pieces home to sew after the workshop.

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**The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet in person on May 6, 2025, at 6:00 pm only and zia Zoom, at the Decorah First United Methodist Church, 302 W. Broadway, Decorah.**

The potluck will start at 6 with the meeting to follow at 7 p.m. This will be our annual meeting and reveal of the I'm a Basket Case challenge quilts. Membership with A-C last names bring hot dishes, main dishes, or sandwiches; last names G-K provide desserts; last names of R-S please provide salads. Please bring your own plates, silverware and cups/glasses. The board members will provide the beverages. A Zoom link will be sent out closer to the meeting date.

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**The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet in person and via Zoom on June 3, 2025, at 2 and 7:00 pm, at Robey Memorial Library, 401 1st Ave. NW, Waukon.** The program will include the garage sale, upcoming 2025-26 program information and more. A Zoom link will be sent out closer to the date of the meeting.

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		NEIQG Treasurer's Report Jan/Feb/March 2025 Respectfully submitted by Roberta Hass, Treasurer		
	12/3	Balance Forward		\$13645.15
Income	11/30	Interest	\$1.30	
	1/31	Interest	\$1.15	
		Total Income	\$2.45	
Expenses	12/4	Trailer tags		\$31.00
	12/31	EWALU (retreat)		\$300.00
	2/4	Iowa Department of Revenue		\$22.40
	2/8	Arlene Klatt (Zoom license)		\$159.90
	3/1	Iowa PBS		\$100
	3/1	Wisconsin PBS		\$100
	3/1	Iowa Quilt Museum		\$100
		Total Expenses	\$813.30	
3/1/2025		Ending Balance		\$12935.48
		Total Membership	66	

#### Items from Bert (Treasurer)

The Gambling Report has been sent in.

We now have a business code.

State tax was paid. (Mary Lou gave me some tips.)

Federal tax report is in.

March donations have been sent.

#### NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Happy Spring Fellow Quilters!

I absolutely love the spring, liking the weather, seeing the flowers start to pop out of the ground and seeing the robins in the yard. Marley, my basset hound, doesn't like them in her yard, but she will just get over it. LOL!

I want to remind you all of our Annual Meeting at

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"Batiks, wildlife & Civil War our specialties"

our May meeting. We will be electing officers. We are still in need of a Program person. Please consider helping out the guild. The officer team has agreed to help out whoever takes on this task. Remember, many hands make light work!

Lastly, it is not too soon to think of the county fairs coming up. I highly encourage you to enter your quilts into the open classes for the fairs. Show off your beautiful work.

Hope you all have a great spring and remember there is always time to quilt.

Take care and happy quilting, Lynette

**Spring Greetings from the Quilt Show 2026 Co-Chairs -** Although we realize that our next guild quilt show is off in the distance, our prep work has begun. To that end, one of our early tasks is determining a pattern for this next quilt. So to get the ball rolling we are asking for some ideas from the guild members. Hopefully in the next week or so, you'll receive a survey document to share your thoughts about a possible pattern, color options, etc. if you have an inspirational picture, feel free to take a screenshot or photo with your camera and forward it to one of us.

Finally if you are willing to help with the quilt process consider one of the following ways -

- Be a member of the Quilt Team
- Final pattern determination
- Fabric selection
- Cutting
- Packing piecing packets
- Piecing/sewing days facilitation
- Assembly/sewing days facilitation
- Etc.

We are eagerly anticipating your input.

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### **NEIQG Summary Minutes -January 2025**

The Northeast Iowa Quilters' Guild held a zoom presentation only meeting on January 7th, 2025, at 7:00 pm with approximately 19 people attending. Director Melody Reels of the Iowa Quilt Museum led an exploration of some of the quilts currently on display: "Iowa Quilts!" curated by Piece Works Quilt Shop of Winterset in honor of Velma Van Scoy. Piece Works invited quilt shops in Iowa to submit quilts for this exhibit that best represented their shops. Melody Reels showed each quilt, read a little about it, and showed the details of the piece. The Robert Van Scoy family is sponsoring this exhibit and the museum also has a selection of Velma's quilts on display. The museum has links to see more of the quilts, other virtual tours, and Melody Reels holds a Live Facebook event on Thursdays at 9 am that showcases more quilts. The exhibit will be displayed in Winterset through April 20, 2025. In the museum's foyer, the Clear Lake Quilters' Guild is displaying their current raffle quilt and selling tickets. The Iowa Quilt Museum does not have its own quilt collection but curates quilt exhibits of other artists or collections 4 times a year. The Quilt Museum will have its show on June 4th and 7th, 2025, with the Airing of the quilts around town on the 7th. You may see the museum's hours on its website along with up-coming exhibits, virtual tours, and you can donate online at the Museum's website: [www.iowaquiltmuseum.org](http://www.iowaquiltmuseum.org)

#### **NEIQG upcoming events:**

- January 25th – Quilt of Valor Sewing Day- held at Luana Savings Bank, 100 Harvest Drive, Luana - 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. One option for the day is to work on a QOV; you may bring one you have in progress or Sue Lynch will have a project for anyone that wants to bring a machine and work. If you prefer, you can also bring any other sewing project.
- Next Guild Meeting: February 4th – Zoom only with Iowa Quilt Museum with Director Melody Reels at 7 pm.
- February 20th - Charity Quilt Sewing Day held at Luana Savings Bank, 100 Harvest Drive, Luana - 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. You may bring any of your other sewing projects.

The NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild meets on the first Tuesday of each month with 2 and 7 pm meeting times. Locations will be announced monthly.

Respectfully submitted,  
Martha Bartenhagen, Secretary

### **NEIQG Summary Minutes February 2025**

The Northeast Iowa Quilters' Guild held a zoom presentation only meeting on February 7th, 2025 at 7:00 pm with approximately 19 people attending. Director Melody Reels of the Iowa Quilt Museum led an exploration of the history of the museum building and detailed some of the events currently planned for the coming year. Melody

admitted that she doesn't quilt, yet. The museum has links to see more of the quilt exhibits, other virtual tours, and Melody Reels holds a Live Facebook event on Thursdays at 9 am that showcases more quilts. The current exhibit will be displayed in Winterset through April 20, 2025. The website has details for the upcoming exhibits and various events for the Winterset community. In the museum's foyer, the Clear Lake Quilters' Guild is displaying their current raffle quilt and selling tickets. As a current member, NEIQG is able to display our next raffle quilt for 2026 and the museum will sell tickets for us. The Iowa Quilt Museum does not have its own quilt collection, but curates quilt exhibits of other artists or collections 4 times a year. The Quilt Museum will have its show on June 4th and 7th, 2025, with the Airing of the quilts around town on the 7th with a Quilt of Valor display. The Iowa Quilt Museum will be celebrating their 10th year soon. You may see the museums hours on its website along with up-coming exhibits, virtual tours, and online donations at the Museum's website: [www.iowaquiltmuseum.org](http://www.iowaquiltmuseum.org)

NEIQG upcoming events:

- February 22nd - Charity Quilt Sewing Day at held at Luana Savings Bank, 100 Harvest Drive, Luana - 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Options for the day is to work on a QOV or any other charity or personal sewing project.
- Next Guild Meeting: "Let's Hop Across Iowa" with Koleene Herlocker, All Iowa Shop Hop - March 1st – 2 pm and 7 pm in person and Zoom virtual meetings at a location to be determined. Please check our guild website and Facebook page closer to the date for details.
- April 1st Workshop with Nancy Sojka on using handkerchiefs. The workshop will be held between the two meetings; sign up on the website.
- Spring Retreat at Stone Center EWALU: April 4th- 6th (the 3rd is available, too \$150 ) \$100. We have 14 people currently signed up.
- April 22- 26, Bus Trip to Paducah, KY for the Paducah Quilt Festival; sign up on the website.
- Airing of the Quilts July 10th in Decorah

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Respectfully submitted,

Martha Bartenhagen, Secretary

## **NEIQG Board Meeting Minutes February 2025**

Board Meeting on 2-6-2025 @ 6:00 in person at Center Street Bar & Grill in Monona, Iowa. Board members present: President Lynette Rose, Vice-President Melodye Protsman, Treasurer Roberta Hass, Secretary Martha Bartenhagen, Newsletter Editor Marge Johnson, Quilt Show Chairs Jen Hertrampf and Sue Schulz, Program Chair Carolyn Clark, Historian Candace Arp, Tech Support Arlene Klatt

Secretary's report – Marge Johnson made a motion to approve the last board meeting minutes, Sue Schulz seconded; motion passed.

Treasurer's report - Roberta Hass presented to the board the January & February report. The December beginning balance was \$13,645.15 with expenses on the trailer tags, EWALU Spring retreat deposit, taxes paid; income of account interest with an February ending balance of \$13,295.38 Jen Hertrampf made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, Sue Schulz seconded; motion passed.

Old Business: Locations for the guild's upcoming meetings were discussed. May's 2025 annual meeting will be held in Decorah. The June and July meetings will be in Waukon, and August through October meetings will be Decorah. November and December at Luana Bank in Luana. January and February 2026 meetings will be Zoom only. March through May meetings will be at Bethel Presbyterian Church in West Union. Jen Hertrampf made the motion to set these locations, Sue Schulz seconded; motion passed More details are on the guild's website.

- Renewing of the guild's Zoom license was discussed; cost of \$159. Bert Hass made a motion to renew the license, Sue Schulz seconded; motion passed
- Candace Arp brought up discussion of having the guild's/Historian's information put into digital form. The board discussed various formats and proposed more research and discussion for an efficient and safe site.
- Marge Johnson announced the next newsletter deadline would be for March 15th.

New Business- Lynette Matter-Rose asked the board members to help contact guild members to fill positions on the board for next year. The positions needed are Program and Treasurer. These positions could be filled by two people working as a team.

- Our Annual meeting is: May 6th, 2025. Annual Potluck Meeting - only one guild meeting that day and the meal will start at 6:00 pm. The guild business/Annual meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. Membership with A-C last names( 11 ) bring hot dishes, main dishes, or sandwiches; last names G-K (15 ) provide desserts, last names of R-S (10 ) please provide salads. Please bring your own plates, silverware and cups/glasses. The board members will provide the beverages.

- The guild challenge: "I'm a basket case!" will be presented at the May 2025 guild meeting. Any item with a basket theme; a basket, basket blocks, fabric with baskets images. The item's longest side may only be up to 72". You will be sent a zoom link closer to the meeting date.
- Our Next Guild Meeting: March 1st "Let's Hop Across Iowa" with Koleene Herlocker, All Iowa Shop Hop - March 1st – 2 pm and 7 pm in person and Zoom virtual meetings at a location to be determined.
- Our Guild Quilt Show is scheduled for October 10th -11th, 2026. Quilt Chair Sue Schulz is open to volunteers for the raffle quilt committee and for submitted ideas for the raffle quilt. She is not looking for a pattern with 1/2 square triangles or batiks. Submit ideas to her at [schulzpsy@yahoo.com](mailto:schulzpsy@yahoo.com)

Jen Hertrampf made the motion to adjourn, Sue Schulz seconded, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Bartenhagen, secretary

For May 2026 Plans: 2026 Annual Potluck Meeting - only one guild meeting that day and the meal will start at 6:00 pm. The guild business/Annual meeting will begin at 7:00 pm.

Membership with D-F last names will provide desserts; last names L-P please provide salads, last names of T-Y bring hot dishes, main dishes, or sandwiches. Please bring your own plates, silverware and cups/glasses. The board members will provide the beverages.

### **NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild March 4, 2025 Minutes**

The NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild canceled in person meetings for the 4th due to unpredictable weather. A Zoom meeting was done instead at 7:00 pm with our program presenter coming to us via Zoom. Koleen Herlocker, marketing person that works with The All Iowa Shop Hop was our presenter along with Maddie. They shared the value of the event that gets all of us into the brick and mortar shops. They discussed the pros and cons of online and in person shopping. The Magazine is a big part of the Hop. It gives the best maps, hours, and free patterns. Prizes of T-shirts and the Shop Hop magazines were awarded to some of our members. 23 members attended the meeting.

- Secretary minutes were approved with Mike making the motion and Bert seconding.
- Treasurer's report was also approved with Arlene making the motion and Sue seconding. The report stated that we started in December with a balance of \$13645.15. Trailer tags, EWALU deposit, Zoom License, and donations to Iowa PBS, Wisconsin PBS, and the Iowa Quilt Museum were paid. The Gambling Report was filed with the state. State Tax has been paid. Federal Tax Report has been filed. Ending balance is \$12935.48.
- Show Chair Sue has information that will be in the newsletter.
- We have a person for show co-chair, treasurer, and vice president. We are still looking for someone to assist with the program.
- The Seed Savers Challenge is going to be in the Branson Quilt show. Mike is taking the quilts to Branson and Nancy S. is bringing them back.

Dates for the future:

- ☐ April 1 Meeting and program with Nancy Sojka with a workshop on handkerchiefs between the meeting. Meeting at the Methodist Church in Decorah.
- ☐ April 3-6 EWALU retreat Look for more from Lynette for details for those that signed up.
- ☐ April 22nd Paducah Trip Look for more from Lynette for details if you are on the trip.
- ☐ May 6 6pm Annual Meeting at the Methodist Church in Decorah. There will be details in the newsletter for who is bringing what for the potluck.
- ☐ Remember your basket challenge this year.
- ☐ May 16-17 Cedar Rapids Guild is having a quilt show. Check FB for details.
- ☐ July 10 Airing of the Quilts in Decorah. More on that at a later date.

Julie made the motion to adjourn and Bert seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Hass

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