

Keepsake Quilters Guild

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Scraps from the KQ President

by Terri Mowery

A few months ago, I ran into an old friend at a craft show. She told me about a quilt top she had bought at Goodwill years ago. She had given it to two other friends to finish and they had never done it. It just happened to be made of cat fabric so, of course, I said I would take a look at it. She brought it back the next day and it was a Lone Star quilt. Just the star, no setting triangles or corner squares. My first thought was no way! My second thought was, she is a friend, it's cat fabric and she is more of a crazy cat lady than I am. So, I told her I would give it a try.

I had no idea how to finish this quilt, so I did what we all do nowadays and googled it. I found all kinds of information on Lone Star quilts. After a lot of research, I was ready to make an attempt. I am proud to say I can now sew a y-seam and I only had to rip out one seam. Whoever made the Lone Star did a good job of piecing it, which helped a lot and now it's a completed quilt! This has given me the incentive to work on another of my unfinished workshop projects from October 2018. That was "Singular Star Lone Star" quilt by Judy Martin and taught by Chris Hulin. I hope you are all working on your unfinished workshop quilts.

Believe it or not, we are almost to the end of our Guild year. Nominations are now open for Golden Thimble for "service above and beyond average" and Golden Needle for "excellence in workmanship". Anyone who has won these awards in the last 5 years will not be eligible. Previous winners are listed in the membership book. Nomination forms will be available at the general meeting and will be due by the April meeting. Please fill them out and return to any board member.

We also need to fill board positions for next year. If you are interested in being on the board, please let Peggee Frost know.

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The next KQ Newsletter deadline is: March 10, 2023 Submissions received after this date will be considered for the next newsletter.

Please email your submission to April Schriever, editor, at april.schriever@VLScrusaders.org

Quilts to Share will resume on March 1st

with Janet O'Neil

Quilts to Share is an opportunity for Keepsake Quilters to give back to our community through lovingly made items. Stop in to work with others on Quilts to Share projects—you are welcome for all or part of the day. Sewing machines and all supplies are ready to go so no need to prepare any supplies or drag your machine around. Just come but please plan to bring a sack lunch if you will be staying to work past the lunch hour.

If you are unable to join us on Quilts to Share work days and would like a kit to work on, fabric to launder, or quilts to quilt on your own, just give Janet a call at 319-266-9476. Her home is located at 4803 Cedar Heights Drive, Cedar Falls.

You know you are a quilter when you pet fabric.

Tips & Tricks of the Trade

Staple an index card to the inside of your sewing machine user's manual to record the dates when the sewing machine is cleaned and oiled and has its needle changed. You'll no longer have to guess as to how long it has been between cleanings. This is especially helpful if you have more than one machine.

Have a tip or trick to share? Email it to April Schriever, newsletter editor, at april.schriever@VLScrusaders.org.

Happy Birthday

Join us in wishing the following members a very happy birthday!

<u>February 19th</u> Ginny Poppen

<u>February 25th</u> Janice Bellinger Liz Wehrmacher

March 8th

Jennifer Logan-Lorenz

Hospitality & Volunteers

By Janet Drake & Mary Mumm

For our February meeting, the ladder volunteers will be Becky Swinton and Deb Reuter. Treat volunteers are Liz Wehrmacher and Sheryl McGovern.

Member Care

By Linda Vognsen

Know of a fellow member who could use a pick-me-up by way of a get well, sympathy, or thinking of you card? Let us know by contacting Linda Vognsen at 319-268-1582.

Membership

By Sheryl McGovern

Thirty members, two who are new, and one guest joined us for our January meeting. At the time of the Board meeting, 74 members are a part of our Guild.

Welcome to our Newest Members

By Sheryl McGovern

As space allows in our monthly newsletter, we'll share a little bit about those that have joined the Guild in the last quarter. Please seek them out at the next meeting or workshop and make them feel welcome!

Kathie Greenwood: Kathie began quilting about five years ago, persuaded by a friend. She loves country colors, particularly Civil War reproduction fabrics. She loves the log cabin pattern.

Jan Hoodjer: Jan's favorite color is red, and she likes piecing scrappy quilts. She's been quilting for about five years now, she stopped dating and bought a sewing machine instead. She will retire in March 2026. Her other passions are staying independent, and water exercise. She is relearning to play the piano this year.

Audrey Stefan: Audrey's favorite color is blue, and she enjoys piecing. She got into quilting because friends and coworkers quilted, and she has been quilting since 2013.

Programs & Workshops

By Peggee Frost & Donna Winter

All workshops are held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. unless noted otherwise. You may begin setting up at 8:30 am on the morning of class. Programs are held in conjunction with the evening meeting of the Guild at 7:00 p.m.

Would you like to register for workshop or have a question about a workshop or program?
Please contact our Program Co-Chairs:
Peggee Frost & Donna Winter at the Guild's email:
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February 20, 2023

Workshop: Come make the fun Schlep Bag – a great carry-all bag. It will be perfect for bringing your projects to share at monthly meetings. The workshop will be lead by KQ member, Sue Plagge, and cost is \$10.

Program: It's sure to be an entertaining evening with the Cedar River Readers!



March 20, 2023

Workshop: Member Aleta Anderson will be guiding us through the Folded Log Cabin technique. Purchase of the book "Folded Log Cabin Quilts" by Sarah Kaufman will be needed for the class. You can find the book on Amazon, Alibris or Abe Books.

Aleta is encouraging some advance prep of the fabric you will be using.

This class has reached the participation limit and is closed.

Program: Jane Banz of Heritage Quilts in Amana will be telling us about the Quilt Amana show coming up in April and sharing her Trunk Show.



April 17, 2023

Workshop: Cindy Hansch Kaufman will be walking us through the steps to make the Granny Square Quilt pattern. Cost is \$40 and includes the cost of the pattern.

Program: Cindy Hansch Kaufman, owner of the Family Quilt Shop in Fort Dodge, has authored a few quilt books including "Don't Toss the Leftovers". She will be sharing her Trunk Show with us.

Keepsake Quilters Guild Board Meeting February 2023

The February meeting of the Keepsake Quilters Guild was held at Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls, IA on Monday, February 6, 2023. It was called to order by President Terri Mowery at 5:31 p.m.

Present: Terri Mowery, Liz Wehrmacher, Deb Reuter, Donna Winter, Peggee Frost, Sheryl McGovern, Laura Richter, April Schriever and Peggy Belton.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the January board meeting were emailed to board members and approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was presented and filed for audit.

New Business: Liz Wehrmacher volunteered to check with Ardelle Brown about updating our government filings. We discussed possible program and workshop ideas. It is time to start looking for board members for the upcoming year. Positions needed filled are President Elect, Program Chair Elect and Membership Elect. Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. It is also time to start thinking of nominations for Golden Needle and Golden Thimble.

Programs: The February workshop will be "The Schlep Bag" with Sue Plagge and our evening program will be the Cedar River Readers. Our March workshop is "Folded Log Cabin" by Aleta Anderson and has 17 members signed up. The evening program will be a trunk show by Jane Bazyn from Heritage Design. In April, our workshop will be given by Cindy Hansch Kaufman entitled "Granny Square" and Cindy will do a trunk show for our evening program.

Membership: We had 30 members and 1 guest attending the January meeting. We had 2 new members join.

Newsletter: The deadline for the February newsletter is Friday, February 10, 2023.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m. The next Board meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 6, 2023 at Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Respectfully submitted: Deb Reuter, Secretary

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