

KEEPSAKE QUILTERS GUILD



SCRAPS FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Peggee Frost

Welcome to September! Hopefully, the weather will cool a little and we can start enjoying the fall season.

We had a wonderful turnout at the August meeting and enjoyed Don Dixson very much. His quilts were so inspiring, and it was so nice of him to share some of his creations with fellow Guild members. One of our members also noticed how many people stayed after the meeting to chat with other members. That is so fun to see. Hopefully, that will continue.

We are almost a year away from our next Quilt Show. We will need someone to head up the organization of the Show soon. Reservations need to be made and rentals of both the bars and curtains to hang the quilts upon. The person heading the Show will have many volunteers to help her organize everything that needs to be done. Please think hard about volunteering for this position. It will be rewarding when you see the quilts all hanging and ready for the Show to open!

Now that President-Elect has been filled, that brings us to The Program Chair position to be filled. This is your chance to have programs and workshops that you yourself would enjoy. It is really not hard to find people to do programs and workshops. They are plentiful out there and have a wide variety of topics to share. It is also a good way to meet the members who come to the workshops. There is a lot of laughing and fun at the workshops so please consider stepping up into this position.

Have a wonderful fall season!

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The next KQ Newsletter deadline is: October 6, 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

Keepsake Quilters Guild
PO Box 1043
Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613

Meeting Location:
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
4000 Hudson Road
Cedar Falls

Next Meeting Date:
Monday, September 18
9:00 am Workshop
7:00 pm Meeting

QUILTS TO SHARE UPDATE

By Janet O'Neil

As you know, Quilts to Share will be moving and changing in a couple of years. So I have decided that I should be looking at how to make the changes easier. Therefore, I am setting out several position openings. I will be training apprentices and their helpers for each of these job openings:

1. Scrap management - This job requires you to set up a crew to press, cut, and sort cut pieces to make them ready for kit assembly. You will also be assembling these kits. Patterns will be provided with the amount of each size of fabric listed. Border fabrics will need to be cut & and labelled. Binding will also be cut, sewn, and pressed to be included in the kits.
2. "Back" At It group - This job requires you and your crew to make backs for the quilt tops that are already made and to cut the batting for said tops. When your job is finished, the quilts will be ready to go to the longarm quilters. If a Guild member would like to quilt on their home machine or sit-down quilting machine, you and your crew will be responsible for layering the quilts.
3. Bookkeeper - This job requires you to collect monies from the name tag drawing and magazine sales at the monthly Guild meeting, sign checks to pay for batting, thread, etc. as well as make deposits and reconcile the books. You will book and coordinate with the KQ Treasurer.
4. Sales - You and your crew will be in charge of making items for the Quilt Shows, manning the tables, set-up and tear down of same. You will also be in charge of the Quilt Auctions when we have them, getting an auctioneer, setting up the items to auction, soliciting items to sell, and keeping the auction paddles and sales forms. For the auction and Quilt Show, you will coordinate with the bookkeeper.
5. Contact person or persons that will be in touch with Bethlehem Lutheran, ascertaining how many quilts will be needed for their Christmas baskets. Pillowcases will be also available for this as long as our current supply lasts. You will be asked to store these quilts so they are available.
6. Head Longarm Quilter - Your crew will be charged with quilting the quilts both for Cedar Valley Hospice - nap size - and twin sized quilts for the Cedar Valley Hospice Home. These larger quilts are seasonal quilts. Scrappy twin quilts and larger nap quilts are to be used for the Christmas baskets at BLC. You will be in charge of training new quilters and general maintenance on any quilting machine. See #8 job description about Christmas baskets.
7. Binder - This position may be changed - If nap-sized quilts are NOT to have binding stitched down by hand, you will be in charge of getting quilts trimmed, bound, labeled, and donated to CV Hospice or other approved charity. Twin quilts will be bound by machine to finish. If hand binding is still done, you are to take quilts for hand binding to the Guild meetings.
8. Christmas quilt Coordinator with Bethlehem Lutheran Christmas Baskets - You will need to coordinate with the Longarm Quilters for any scrappy twin quilts or large nap quilts they have made. You will be responsible for housing Christmas quilts and pillowcases. You will contact the church for the contact person so you may ascertain how many quilts are needed. In the past,

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we have given a pillowcase for each member of the family (for example, 16 families means 16 quilts but will mean more than 16 pillowcases depending on how many children and parents are in the family.)

9. Overseer - You will be in charge of notifying Crazy to Quilt about batting needs - or you may get a sales tax permit and purchase your batting direct from Quilters Dream Batting. We use the poly select 80/20. Info on the batting used will be provided. You will need to coordinate with your department heads for their needs and coordinate the volunteer hours and submit the volunteer forms to Cedar Valley Hospice office at the end of each month. You will need to keep records on the quilts finished by size, amount on hand, where they been delivered, etc.

I know this looks like a lot to think about. Since QTS has been housed in private homes before, the jobs were mostly done by the hostess and/or QTS workers. We are now entering a time for the job to be split into smaller segments and having everybody help. I will be making myself available for the next 2 years to train/help you in your new positions. Let me know if you are interested and can help this important mission!

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.

ARBORETUM FALL FESTIVAL By Sheryl McGovern

Our Guild will once again host a table at the Cedar Valley Arboretum Fall Festival on Sunday, October 8 from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. There will be a signup sheet for helpers at the next Guild meetings. Also, please consider lending touchable quilting samples for this event. We will provide a simple youth "takeaway" craft this year, too. Theme is "Autumn in the Arboretum." If you'd like to help and will not be at the meeting, please contact Sheryl McGovern at cheryl.mcgovern@gmail.com.

HOSPITALITY & VOLUNTEERS By Mary Mumm & Janet Drake

For our September meeting, the ladder volunteers will be Jan Hoodjen and Becky Diani. Treat volunteers are Chris Lorenz and Sheryl Powell. Thanks, ladies!



Happy Birthday

September 19th

Peggy Belton

PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

By Peggy Belton & Sally Payton

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.

September's workshop (9/18) brings Iowa instructor, Doris Deutmeyer, from Fabrications by Doris, for an opportunity to create some more beautiful fabric art! Doris will bring kits for those that sign up to make a Fused Raw Edge Applique Landscape piece that can be finished as a quilt or wrapped over a framed canvas. Participants can choose from Autumn Chickadee or Winter Cardinal when they sign up. This workshop will be a 5 hour day packed with fun and learning. Fee is \$85 (includes the kit). Kit orders must be placed by 9/1 so sign up at the August meeting to not miss this fun workshop!

Doris will join us that same evening for a presentation titled "Photo to Fabric" which should also be very informative and inspiring!

In October, we have Barb Eikmeier from Lansing, KS joining us to teach us her sashing technique(s) to make interesting quilts. At this workshop, you will use blocks from your own stash or perhaps use panel blocks or novelty fabric squares (at least 8"). You'll learn to make various sashings, get to try them on your blocks, and learn from other classmates as well. Barb is also going to demo Marti Michel's Sashing Star Ruler. While you may only work on one sashing in class, you'll go home with instructions for making all seven options! Workshop Fee \$60. The evening meeting will continue the theme of sashings with Barb's presentation.

We'll finish out the fall with a member lead workshop from Janet Drake. It will be on raw edge applique and features a flower motif. In the evening, she will lead us on a journey with Color. Come learn how to confidently pair colors for your next quilting project!

Would you like to register for a workshop or have a question about a workshop or program? Please contact our Program Co-Chairs: Peggy Belton & Sally Payton at the Guild's email: cvkeepsakequiltersguild@gmail.com



Keepsake Quilters Guild Board Meeting August 28, 2023

The September Board meeting of the Keepsake Quilters Guild was held at Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls, IA on Monday, August 28, 2023. It was called to order by President Peggee Frost at 5:32 p.m.

Present: Peggee Frost, Holly Boerhave, Liz Wehrmacher, Deb Reuter, Sally Payton, Peggy Belton, Cheryl McGovern, and Laurel Northey.

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

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

Old Business: We are still looking for a program chair. The photo membership directory has been emailed to the members. We discussed the members with a CFU email who are having issues receiving the directory. We discussed the craft we will use at the Cedar Valley Arboretum Craft Fair in October. We decided to try the Element 3 Medicare Advantage Reimbursement Program for a year.

New Business: The National Cattle Congress contacted us about encouraging our membership to enter quilts in their Domestic Arts Show. We will look into this for next year.

Programs: The September workshop will be by Doris Deutmeyer - Birches Chickadee/Cardinal Fabrication and in the evening, Doris will present "Photo to Fabric". Our October workshop will be "It's All in the Sashing" by Barb Eikmeier and in the evening Barb will give a presentation called "It's All in the Sashing". November will bring us a workshop by Jan Drake on "Raw Edge Applique" and Jan will give a presentation, "Color", in the evening.

Newsletter: The deadline for the September newsletter is Friday, September 1, 2023.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m. The next Board meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023 at Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Respectfully submitted: Deb Reuter, Secretary

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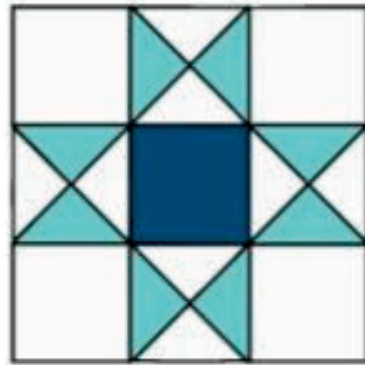
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