

KEEPSAKE QUILTERS GUILD



SCRAPS FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Peggee Frost

We are heading into such a wonderful season of thankfulness, giving and sharing, and new beginnings.

This month I choose to be thankful for all the things I have been blessed with. Family, friends, a house over my head to keep us warm, and food in my tummy. I include in that blessing our Guild and all the members who share a common love for quilting and each other. I have met the most wonderful people here and I am really enjoying being your President.

We are also in the giving and sharing season as Christmas and other celebrations are near. Every year at the November meeting, we pass the hat to donate to Bethlehem Lutheran Church. They let us meet monthly, free of charge, every year. They often use these monies to purchase items for their Christmas baskets. This collection will happen at the beginning of the November meeting. In addition to this donation, our Quilts to Share group donates quilts to Bethlehem's Christmas baskets for those in need. Please come early to the meeting and check in the sanctuary of the church to see their beautiful, donated quilts. This is part of how we give back as a Guild.

January starts a year of new beginnings and hope for better times in the world and in our lives. One of the things to look forward to this year is that it is a Quilt Show year. We will be in a new location and possibly in a new month. April Schriever has graciously volunteered to be our Quilt Show Chairperson. Please step up to help her in this coming year to make this another successful show.

Bless you all and have a happy holiday season!

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The next KQ Newsletter deadline is: January 8, 2024. 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, November 20
9:00 am Workshop
7:00 pm Meeting

QUILTS TO SHARE UPDATE

By Janet O'Neil



HOSPITALITY & VOLUNTEERS

By Mary Mumm & Janet Drake

For our November meeting, the ladder volunteers will be Lisa White and Mary Lorber. Treat volunteers are Laura Sniffin and Linda Vognsen. Thanks, ladies!

PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

By Peggee Frost

My President's Challenge for the Keepsake Quilters Guild for 2023-2024 is called "BLOCKS TO SHARE". I am urging you to make three different blocks throughout the year that are either 12.5 inches unfinished or 11 inches unfinished. The three block patterns that will be used are as follows: the Woven Ribbon Block, the Amish Block, and the Rainbow Flower Block. They can be made in any color including seasonal prints. Please work on these blocks during the year and turn them in to me at our monthly meetings.

Some of you do not have a lot of scraps and have asked if you could send yardage instead. So, an alternative to block construction would be to donate 3 yards for a backing.

We will then be constructing quilts with these blocks at the May 2024 workshop. When the tops are finished, they will be donated to Quilts To Share. The sample patterns of the blocks will be available at our meeting or can be found on our website at: keepsakequiltersguildcv.org/challenges.html.

MEMBERSHIP

By Sheryl McGovern

Keepsake Quilters currently has 68 members. Forty-five members attended the October Guild meeting, along with three guests. No new members this month, but new members will pay only \$15 starting in January (half year dues), so invite a friend!

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

Peggee Frost and Sheryl McGovern were Keepsake Quilter's representatives at the Cedar Valley Arboretum's Fall Festival on Crafters Sunday on October 8th. In addition to displaying quilts, wall hangings, and table runners loaned by members, we provided a craft for children. Many children stopped by to glue fabric squares provided by Quilts to Share onto cardstock, creating a little quilt wall hanging. Some children wanted to make two, and one parent even joined in.

COLLECTION FOR BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

Did you know that Bethlehem Lutheran Church let's us meet in their fellowship hall without a charge? This is an amazing blessing to our Guild. To show our appreciation, at each November evening meeting, we take up a collection to give to the church. They then use these funds to purchase gifts for their Christmas ministry families. So be sure to tuck your gift into your purse for the November meeting. Aren't able to attend on November 20th? Drop your gift with one of the Board members at the October meeting or mail it to Keepsake Quilters, PO Box 1043, Cedar Falls.

November 26th

Kay Leeper

December 16th

Ardelle Brown

January 1

Kyra Bradley

December 5th

Sheryl McGovern

December 18th

Laura Richter

January 2nd

Jan Wortinger

December 6th

Aleta Anderson

December 31st

Kathie Greenwood
Sandy Simpson

January 12th

Chris Lorenz

December 7th

Laurel Northey

December 11th

Deb Reuter

December 14th

Sue Carver

December 15th

Dode Westendorf



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.

November 20, 2023

Workshop: November's workshop is Janet Drake's Poise Table Runner. It is a raw edge applique project. The cost for members is \$10 and supplies include:

- 4 - 12" squares of background fabric
- 12 additional pieces of fabric for the poises cut in the following:
 - 4 - 11" squares
 - 4 - 10" squares
 - 4 - 8" squares
 - 4 - 4" squares for the flower center
- 1/2 yard fabric for the border

Program: Our November evening program will also feature Janet Drake called "Quilts and Color: Community Quilt Show of Unhappy Quilts". This program requires audience participation! Attendees are encouraged to bring a quilt they have made in the past but find themselves disappointed with the final result. The goal is to facilitate discussion and share great tips for a learning experience for all.

January 15, 2024

Workshop: In January, we are fortunate to have another member led a workshop called Trash Can Treasures Quilt. Chris Lorenz will lead the group to create fun blocks that can be combined to make multiple sized quilts. Be sure to pick up the supply list when signing up or visit the Keepsake Quilters website.

Program: January's evening program should be a lot of fun and enlightening! A group activity "Love It or Hate It" where members are asked to bring a quilting notion/tool they absolutely love and one that they wish they had never wasted their money on. Ideally, we will not only learn what we are missing out on, what to keep from buying but maybe even learn something about a notion we bought and didn't know how to properly use it! This is a group activity for all...beginner to expert... we can't wait to see what you love/hate!

February 19, 2024

Workshop: Our daytime workshop in February will be an OPEN SEW day featuring Quilts to Share. You can work on your own project or help the QTS team cut, prep, assemble, etc.

Program: Julie Letvin from Me and My Stitches joins us for our February evening program called "No! I don't want a sewing machine!" Julie will share her quilting journey through stories and her trunk show which includes her quilts and tiny paper-pieced quilt jewelry!

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 November 6, 2023

The November Board meeting of the Keepsake Quilters Guild was held at Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls, IA. It was called to order by President Peggee Frost at 5:35 pm.

Present: Peggee Frost, Holly Boerhave, Liz Wehrmacher, Deb Reuter, Peggy Belton, April Schriever, and Laurel Northey.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the October 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 reviewed the enrollment forms for the Element 3 Medicare Advantage Reimbursement Program and after getting the final documents, we voted to not participate in the program as it will not benefit our membership or Guild. We discussed possible locations for the next Quilt Show. Peggee will look into a few more suggestions. We discussed that we will be passing the hat at the November meeting and the money collected will be donated to the church.

Programs: Our November workshop will be led by Jan Drake on "Raw Edge Applique". In the evening, Jan will give a presentation, "Color". There is no December meeting or workshop. In January, Chris Lorenz will lead a workshop on Trash Can Quilts and our evening program will be a Love it or Hate it by the Guild membership. Our February workshop will be an open sew but we will be layering quilts for Quilts to Share. Our evening speaker will be Julie Letvin from Me and My Stitches.

Membership: We currently have 68 members. In October, we had 45 members in attendance.

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

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m. The next Board meeting will be held at 5:30 pm on Monday, January 8, 2024 at Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Respectfully submitted: Deb Reuter, Secretary

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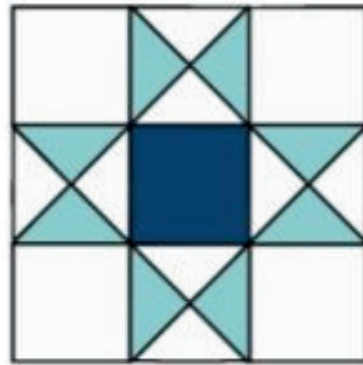
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