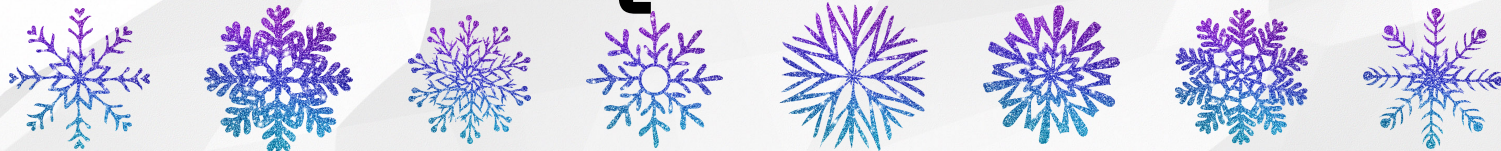


KEEPSAKE QUILTERS GUILD



SCRAPS FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Peggee Frost

Happy New Year! The last year seems to have flown by, but we are now lucky to have a new year of sharing our talents and our love of quilting with each other.

We are in the second half of this Guild year, and I am excited about the programs coming up in the next few months. I am ready to learn and be inspired by the teachers and all of you in this Guild. We have an amazing group of talented women to learn from here in the Guild and the comradery is wonderful.

As I noted in the November newsletter, this is a quilt show year. Soon April will send a clipboard around at the meeting for volunteers to help make this a successful quilt show. Please search your heart and see what area of the show that you feel you can make the most impact. We will need committee heads and people to make each committee shine. Also start thinking of a quilt or other items that you may want to enter in the show. Maybe it's a project that isn't quite finished and you will need to get moving to make sure it is completed in time! I can't wait to see all the beautiful entries.

Please make the new year a year of friendship by meeting new people at Guild meetings. Reach out and introduce yourself to someone you see there but haven't met or maybe you've talked with them but don't know their name. Some might not know anyone in our Guild but joined to share our love of quilting. We need to make all welcome. I know I can definitely do better.

Have a great January!

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The next KQ Newsletter deadline is: February 9, 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, January 15
9:00 am Workshop
7:00 pm Meeting

QUILTS TO SHARE UPDATE

By Janet O'Neil

Thanks, everybody for a great and busy 2023. We sent out over 150 quilts and are hoping to do more this new year.

We are meeting for the new year on January 22nd. We will be meeting weather permitting through January and into February. Even though we haven't had enough snow to worry about, I do expect this to change!

Happy New Year everyone.

MEMBERSHIP

By Sheryl McGovern

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

HOSPITALITY & VOLUNTEERS

By Mary Mumm & Janet Drake

For our January meeting, the ladder volunteers will be Sheryl McGovern and Kris Frank. Treat volunteers are Sandy Waters and Marilyn Page. Thanks, ladies!



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.

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

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!

March 16th & 18th, 2024

Workshop, March 16th: March switches things up on us a bit! To honor National Quilting Day, our group will do an OPEN SEW workshop at the Western Home at Windridge Retirement Community, 5311 Hyacinth Dr, Cedar Falls, on **Saturday, March 16th**, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. This will be an opportunity for us to quilt, have fellowship, and allow folks to watch and learn (and maybe for a few of the residents to quilt with us)! Bring a project to work on for the morning, then enjoy a Western Home box lunch at noon (cost \$12). Bring an item for show and tell at 1:00 pm (all residents will be invited), and continue working. Materials will be available to make a heart for the "I Found a Quilted Heart" program. Tables, chairs, irons, boards, and cutting mats provided.

Program, March 18th: For our evening program on our regular meeting night, **March 18th**, Jen Gasper will talk to us about the All Iowa Shop Hop! If you've never participated in a Shop Hop you might suddenly find yourself inspired to do so!

Keepsake Quilters Guild Board Meeting January 8, 2024

The January Board meeting of the Keepsake Quilters Guild was held via Zoom on Monday, January 8, 2024, because of inclement weather. It was called to order by President Peggie Frost at 5:30 pm.

Present: Peggie Frost, Holly Boerhave, Liz Wehrmacher, Sheryl McGovern, April Schriever, Laurel Northey, and Laura Richter

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

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

Old Business: A question has been presented to Janet O'Neill in regard to the square footage of her basement that is used for Quilts to Share to get an idea of how much space is needed when looking for a new space.

Programs: 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. Our March 16th workshop will be a quilting day at Windridge, on the Western Home campus in Cedar Falls from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. At our regularly scheduled Monday evening (3/18), our program will be presented by Jen Gasper with the All-Iowa Shop Hop.

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

Newsletter: The deadline for the January newsletter is Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at noon.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:06 pm. The next Board meeting will be held at 5:30 pm on Monday, February 5, 2024 at Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Respectfully submitted: Holly Boerhave, President-Elect, filling in for Deb Reuter

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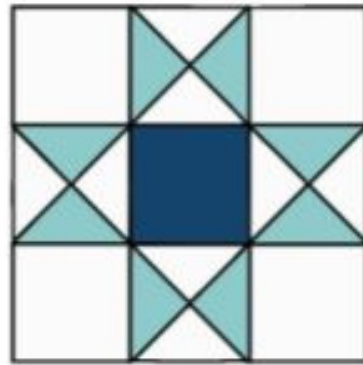
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