



Cable Car Quilters Guild

Dubuque, IA



*Meets every 3rd Monday of each month (except December) at
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in the Fellowship Hall (lower level). • 1755 Delhi St. Starts at 7pm.*

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Prose from your President

Happy Quilting! Bert Walker

Too Hot to Be Quilting?

As I write this prose, we are STILL under that severe heat advisory. Maybe (hopefully) by the time this newsletter comes out, the heat wave will have broken . . . Wishful thinking? I washed my car two days ago and it actually rained this morning! Maybe it will cool down just a bit, too.

I'm sure the LAST thing on anybody's mind right now is reflecting on how nice it would be to snuggle under a big fat fluffy quilt, all fresh and warm from the dryer. Even the thought of making a quilt this time of year must turn most people off. We all get teased now and then about taking perfectly good fabric, cutting it all up into bits, just to sew it all back together again. To a non-quilter, working on a warm winter quilt while it's 90+ degrees outside must seem insane!

But—this is also when some of the best projects can be accomplished. During a normal summer, I would spend the majority of my days outside, playing in the garden. And on the very laziest of days, I would still be outside, rocking in the most comfortable patio chair, reading a good book, watching the hummers, and counting how many water lilies are blooming in the gold fish pond. But not this summer. I have spent most of my time inside working on more quilts.

Too hot you say? Not really. My sewing room is downstairs at our house, and it's always at least 10 degrees cooler down there than it is on the main floor. My sewing counter keeps everything off my lap so my lap stays nice and cool. Even back when I did hand quilting, I did it on a standing frame and the quilt was kept up high and off my lap. Now when I machine quilt, it is on the roller bars and not on my lap. Plus I usually have a fan going in that room - just to stir the air. But I can't do that when sewing - it blows the pieces all around! Bindings? No problem there, either. The almost-finished quilt is kept on the sewing counter again, and not on my lap.

So in my opinion, no, it is not too hot to be quilting right now. I have to admit, however, I am not working on anything with those warming fall colors of orange, golds or reds. Cool blues, light yellows and soft greens - my summer colors - are the colors I will always choose. But if it starts getting too warm even for that, I'm ready to pull out my crystal snowflakes, sparkling icicles and winter white fabrics and start thinking about all the Christmas quilts I want to do!

Guild Meeting is Monday—August 20

Barb Brockett

Magic stockings voting, quilt tops, surprise activity.

Reminders ✓

- ✓ **Swap Club (19)**
6 inch squares of Fruits or Vegetables fabric
- ✓ **Retreat payment**
- ✓ **Mystery quilt tops** are due (they do not have to be quilted)
- ✓ **Stockings for troop families**
- ✓ **Money** for voting for your favorites
- ✓ **Deposit or full payment** for the September workshop
- ✓ **Stitches of Love** yarn and fabric donation info on p5
- ✓ **Quilts of Valor**—blocks/fabric donations



June, 2012 CCQG Board Minutes

Submitted by Mary Nauman, Secretary

Roberta Walker, Jackie Goodrich, Jean Rieniets, Janaan Gottschalk, Barb Brockett, Julie Breitsprecker, Mary Nauman, Karen Demaree, Elaine Mitchell, Barb Mills.

The meeting was called to order by the President Roberta Walker with five members present. Minutes were approved. The Treasurer's report was given by Karen Demaree in the absence of Elaine Mitchell. The report was discussed and approved.

Membership policy change for renewals—All Membership—New policy change for renewals. All Membership dues are \$20 starting with 2013, regardless of when you join. If we have a paid speaker, all guests will have to pay \$5. A guest can come to the meetings 3 times without joining.

Newsletter—Janaan reported they mailed out 37 this month.

Quilt Show—no report

Fundraising—will keep selling calendars

Old Business—Nominating committee consists of Barb Mills, Jackie Goodrich, Barb Brockett, Pauline Maloney, Whitney Moss. Positions needed to be filled are: Pres., Vice Pres., Program, Membership, and Fundraising.

New Business—Karen Demaree moved that all activities paid in advance be non refundable. It was seconded by Jackie Goodrich. This means, for example, any money paid for retreats, bus trips, workshops, etc. If you cannot attend, your place can be sold to someone else in order to get your money back.

The meeting was adjourned.

Board meeting—Monday Aug. 27th - 6:30 pm at the church . . . All are welcome to attend.

Contributed by Joan Tully

A message for Quilt Guilds from Mark Lipinski about the non-profit Quilt Alliance (*I had to condense this—Barb*)

I urge you to log in and take a look at all the Alliance has to offer to you and your guild. I know you'll be pleasantly surprised!

Would you please, take a few minutes to fill out a Quilt Alliance survey for us? After the survey questions, you will find some exciting announcements about what is happening with the Alliance this year. And as an incentive, all guilds who respond with completed surveys will be entered to win a prize basket of items donated by me and my fellow Alliance board members.

Thanks, in advance, for taking the time to get involved! Can you please complete the survey as soon as possible but no later than September 1, 2012.

Here's the link to the survey: <http://survey.constant-contact.com/survey/a07e661zxogh4uazlfd/start>

Retreat Dates and Info

Kathy Dulzo

Sept 28-30 2012 March 1-3 2013 Sept 27-29 2013

We will be collecting money for the September 28-30 retreat during the July and August meetings. The cost is still \$130.00.

If Kathy is not there Peg O. will be collecting.

Treasurer Report

Elaine Mitchell

June 2012

Beginning Balance	\$3691.51
Income	\$3,170.18
Expenses	\$2523.19
Ending Balance	\$4,338.50
CD's	\$11,204.69

July Membership

Jackie Goodrich

Off on vacation

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2014 Quilt Show Update

Barb Mills

Mark your calendars! The 2014 CCQG quilt show will be held on Friday, May 9, and Saturday, May 10, of 2014 in the Grand Ballroom of the Dubuque County Fairgrounds! See you there!



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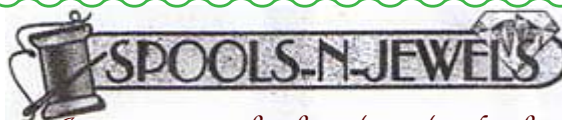
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Programs with Barb Brockett

Well, August is here and that means we are winding down on summer and young people, parents, and teachers are all gearing up for the start of school. We had a great “school” session last month with our mini workshops. It was once again a great success, lots of good feedback. In fact I have already gotten my first suggestion for a class for next year. Thank you to all who taught and Bert who took on directing traffic so I could teach too.

For our gathering this month, we have a lot of things to bring. Can I suggest a list on the refrigerator, bathroom mirror, front door, or sewing machine? The mystery quilt tops are due (they do not have to be quilted), stockings for troop families, Money for voting for your favorites, Deposit or full payment for the September workshop, and that is just the list for me. I am sure there are other committees that have things for you to bring also.

For more clarification, the voting money for the stockings will go to the Support For Families Of Deployed Troops less whatever it costs to mail the stockings. The three stockings that collect the most \$\$\$ will be declared winners with a small token of achievement. Bring your coins and bills and we will get them all counted by the end of the evening. Last year we collected 80+ stockings and \$170+. Let's see if we can beat that. I think our winning stockings were all about \$30 each.

The workshop on September 18, is with Colleen Curry. She will be teaching “*Beginning Faces For Quilters*.” It will be a drawing class in the basics and how to use steps in drawing faces for using on quilts. In High School, my art teacher told me I didn't have the skills to be a fashion designer, so I went into Home Ec. Ed. instead. I regret listening to him to this day, so I am looking forward to this class. Our time is 9–3 on Tuesday the 18th, in the choir room here at the church. The fee is \$40., but I need at least half of that by this month's meeting to hold your place before we open it up to non- members. I have a supply list with the sign-up sheet, no sewing supplies needed.

Community Service Projects

with Pauline Maloney

On July 20, 2012 we held another successful workshop at NICC (Town Clock Tower). The quilt “*posse*” worked on creating dramatic two colored zigzag quilts along with scrappy Disappearing Nine Patch quilts. If you can't make the workshops please continue to keep producing pillowcases, dresses/shorts, doll quilts and children's quilts at home to turn in at our guild meetings. We will give the Domestic Abuse Program all the quilts after our November guild meeting. The doll quilts will go to the Salvation Army and dresses/ shorts will travel to Haiti.

Next workshop will be held on Friday, August 31, in room 014 at NICC (town Clock Tower) from 8 am to 3 pm.

I won't be at the August Guild meeting so please hold onto your Community Service Projects until either the workshop on the 31st or the September Guild meeting.

Swap Club

Ruth Lyons

Please bring 19 six-inch squares of Fruits or Vegetables fabric in a plastic bag with your name written on it.

Please use Good-Quality 100% cotton fabric that is pre-washed and pressed. If you miss a meeting, please send your squares with a friend if possible. All squares for the session must be turned in on or before the November meeting.

Here are the friric to bring:

September: Dogs or cats

October: Leaves

November: Christmas



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Stitch N Sew Cottage—Annual Labor Day Sale September 3 9AM-2PM. Visit us during Kalona Fall Festival September 28-29. We have expanded our wide backings with more colors to choose from. New winter and childrens flannels as well as other holiday collections.

JoQuilter Fabrics—Come to Bellevue and enjoy the Fishtival, Saturday, August 18th & Sunday the 19th. There will be a water ski show on the south riverbank at 4:00 pm Saturday. And a fish boil on Saturday night. JoQuilter Fabrics will be open 11:00 to 5:00 on both Saturday & Sunday.

The Cotton Cabin—Watch your mail for more information on the cotton cabin anniversary sale August 29 through September 1 St. visit our website for details www.cottoncabinquilts.com

The Quiltmaker's Shoppe—It's time for the 12th Annual Shop-to-Shop Hop! Visit The Quiltmaker's Shoppe, Merry's Stitchins, Connie's Quilt Shop, The Cottage Rose, Quilter's Quarters, Heritage Designs and Fern Hill for a great summer shopping experience. Every shop has a notion discounted and have developed a free pattern for you. See you August 9-12. See thequiltmakershoppe.com for complete details.

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Vintage Threads—Join us for our Back to School Sale Aug. 22-25. 25% OFF fabric on the bolt along with many other specials. Watch for details on our upcoming Bus Hop - Oct. 19 & 20.

Hidden Quilts—“Basic Paper Piecing” Sat. August 18 from 9:00 to 3:00. An intermediate class, “Keep Right On Paper Piecing” is August 14 & 21 from 5:30 to 8:30. I can take only a couple more for each class. Both classes are \$30.00 each.



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Jane Petersen

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Would you please help out by donating supplies, such as fabric and yarn, which meet comfort criteria?

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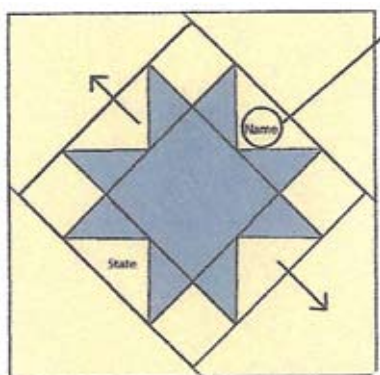
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Quilts of Valor

Cyndy Billmeyer

Any blocks that you may have finished or fabric that you would like to donate—please bring to the meeting. If you still need the pattern email Barb and she can send you the block. I bet it is on the web site also. Make as many blocks as you like.



Fundraising

Karen Demaree

Calendars

Get your 2013–2014 Original Quilts Calendars while they last. They feature quilts made by your fellow guild members and at \$20 (that's only \$10 a year) they will make great gifts for your friends and relatives.

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Mission Statement

The Cable Car Quilters Guild is organized to promote quilting and related fiber arts. The guild will conduct educational programs in the techniques and design of making both heirloom and modern quilts. The guild will, from time to time, make charitable quilts for distribution to individuals and organizations.

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