



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

The Best Part

What part of quilting do you like the best? Do you always pick the fabric first and then match it to a great pattern? Or do you start with a great pattern and then collect the fabric it needs? Do you accumulate lots of great focus fabric, and give yourself plenty of time to bond with it, before it becomes the next great project? Or perhaps just seeing a wonderful block design will start your quest for the perfect fabrics to bring it to life.

What happens when you first cut into that wonderful fabric, and start to see just how great that block is going to look? This, too, can be one of the best parts of making a quilt. The block takes shape, and the piecing is absolutely perfect—wow, this is so much fun! Even cleaning up the snibbles doesn't bother you, as the blocks start stacking up.

Then comes the laying out of the blocks. Do you have all of them done already? Or did you have to take a break from your sewing and lay some out, just to see how this future quilt is going to look? Did you make the blocks all the same or did you prefer a scrappy mix? Either way, it's still fun to get a sneak peek as to what the quilt is going to look like, done up in your colors!

Does the quilt need to be bigger? Do you make more blocks, or just add cornerstones and sashing? Maybe it needs another border? Making some new decisions and subtle changes are maybe the best part, as you start sewing the rows together. The quilt is really taking shape—and it won't be long before it's ready to be quilted. So, you start thinking of how you want to quilt it. What design? What intensity? Are you challenging yourself to make those quilting stitches absolutely perfect? Yes, maybe quilting the quilt is the best part for you!

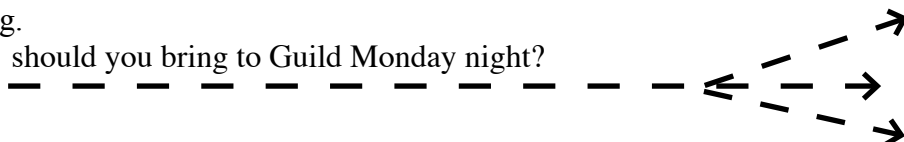
Almost done! For many folks, the very best part of making a quilt is doing the binding! This usually means the quilt is only hours away from being finished. And that is a very good thing! Those quiet hours spent stitching down the binding can also stimulate the brain. You might find yourself reflecting on what worked really well or what needs to be changed, as you anticipate your next project. But, as long as you have that needle out, why not add a hanging sleeve to this quilt? That way you can enter it into the quilt show. It might even win a ribbon! And that could truly become the very best part!

Guild Meeting is Monday—April 16

Barb Brockett

Welcome to official spring. As we are all busy preparing for our big show next month, I want to remind you we still have some great things for April. Debra Hennigar, Hobo Quilts, will share with us this month and an applique workshop on Tuesday April 17. Those that have signed up, please remember your money at guild meeting. \$25, for the class, plus \$20 for the supply kit if you ordered that. The class is from 9–3, you can bring a lunch or we can go over to the Cafe at Hartig.

What should you bring to Guild Monday night?



Reminders ✓

- ✓ **Swap Club (16)**
6-inch squares of zebra color fabric
- ✓ **Mystery square # 3**
- ✓ **1 gallon ziplock bags** of fabric scraps to donate to the boutique
- ✓ **Hobo Quilt Books** for autographing,
- ✓ **\$5 speaker fee** for non-members and guests.

Jan., 2012 CCQG Board Minutes

Submitted by Mary Nauman, Secretary

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

The meeting was called to order. The Secretary's report was read and approved

The Treasurer's report was given and discussed and approve.

Membership reported 5 guests. Jackie will have the completed roster for the April meeting.

Newsletter reported that the post office will not take staples anymore.

Janaan will fold and tape the news letters and that will save us 13 cents per-letter each mailing.

Quilt show is moving along smoothly.

Fund raising has reported that we have enough quilts for one year calender. We need Raffle baskets for the quilt show.

VP Jean Rieniets reported she would hold a newcomersmeeting after the Quilt Show

The 2014 Quilt Show was discussed. This will be our 35th year.

Pearl is the stone for that year so we should be thinking what we would like to do to make this year special.

We also discussed having some thank you cards made with the Cable Car logo on it. We talked about the cheapest way to do this. Mary Nauman will look into this.

7:30 meeting was adjourned.

Call **Would you rather quilt than do alterations?**

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Treasurer Report

Elaine Mitchell

February 2012

Beginning Balance	\$2790.19
Income	\$1366.11
Expenses	\$74.12
Ending Balance	\$4082.18
CD's	\$11,153.86

Retreat Dates and Info

Kathy Dulzo

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

February Membership

Jackie Goodrich

52 members and 5 guests attended the March meeting. Membership list will be available at the April meeting and the email group will get their file by email.

Get Involved, Make New Friends and Have Fun!!

Bus Trip

Joan Oberfoell



Cable Car Quilters is sponsoring a bus trip to the Minnesota Quilt Show at the Civic Center in Rochester Minnesota on Saturday June 16.

The bus will leave from the Dubuque Walmart at 6am with a possible pick up in Dyersville, IA at 6:30am.

Rest stop at McDonald's in Decorah.

Depart show at 3pm.

Rest stop at Culver's in Decorah.

Arrive back in Dubuque about 7:30pm.

Cost is \$ 35.00 per person bus only. Tickets at the door are \$10.00. Call 563- 588-4880 or e-mail jobberfoell@msn.com for reservations.

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What is coming up in the next few months? Lots of fun and inspiration!!!! May 19 & 20, our great Quilt Show. May 21 Guild meeting, with a "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Quilt Show" gag reel style. June 18, we will kick off our Magic Stocking campaign with a demo of this fabulous technique and a great way to help our military families. July 16, we will repeat our mini workshop demos, (still looking for a few more demonstrators). August 20 we should have completed stockings and Mystery quilt tops. So you can see, we will be busy all summer long. You don't want to miss a thing. But if you do miss a mystery instruction sheet, it is only an e-mail or phone call away. bjbsews@yahoo.com, 563-564-0993

Community Service Projects with Pauline Maloney

Community Service Projects had a very successful workshop March 30, 2012. We worked on the Disappearing Nine Patch using precut squares donated by Maureen McDermott. Theresa Kuntz showed us an easy and foolproof way to put the blocks together eliminating the need to match seams.

We will take a break from the workshops until after our quilt show coming up this May.

I'd like to thank our anonymous donor for her gift to purchase good quality fabric for our Community Service Projects. Only two provisions were asked and they were to buy bright and cheerful fabric and to purchase the fabric from our neighboring quilt shops to show support for them. We are all set to make some colorful great quilts this year.

The Domestic Abuse Shelter will be the recipient of the quilts we create this year. We will also continue to make Little Dresses and Shorts for either Haiti or Africa as well as pillow cases for those in need. If you aren't able to come to any of the workshops, please support us in any other way that you can.



Donna Cota, is a neonatal nurse at Mercy Hospital and has gone with the medical team from St. Anthony's (Dubuque) for several years. Photo and thank-you contributed by Peg Weber

Quilts Stolen on March 16 Contributed by Joan Tully

Internationally known quilt teacher, author and fabric designer, Karen Combs, has suffered a loss, her rental car was broken into and her teaching suitcase stolen.

Be on the lookout for these pieces, especially if you are in the New Braunfels, Texas area. You can see the images and read what happened on Karen's blog at <http://karencombs.wordpress.com/2012/03/18/quilts-stolen/> Pass on the word. We quilters need to stick together.

Swap Club

Ruth Lyon

This month please bring sixteen (16) six-inch squares of zebra fabric (black and white, stripe or print). As always, the fabrics may be prints or solids but the Color of the month should be prominent.

Here are the fabrics to bring in future months:

May: RAINBOW COLORS

June: SUMMER COLORS

Dear "All the Beautiful Seamstresses,"

Thank you for all your generous time, support, and materials for me, our medical team and mostly our Brothers and Sisters of Haiti. If only you could have seen their faces as we put on these dresses and shorts on them (and also that of their moms). Even though you haven't physically been there, your presence is very much there. God bless all of you and all your work.

Love, peace, and joy,

Donna

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Shop Talk

Spools N Jewels—Stop in and see us . . . you will be glad you did! We have lots of samples to see along with many gifts and new fabric. Be sure and check out our new hours before you come.

Stitch N Sew Cottage— See our new summer fabrics. Some great panels with birds as well as baby panels. New colors in wide backings. Discontinued stencils 40% off. Kalona Quilt Show & Sales April 27-28.

JoQuilter Fabrics—Come to Bellevue on Saturday, May 12th, for Bellevue's City Wide Garage Sale, 7:00 am to 2:00 pm. Then stop in to see what JoQuilter has her in "specials" section.

The Cotton Cabin—Thank you and congratulations to everyone that participated in the Shop Hop Challenge from 2011! Spring fabrics are in the shop with more expected every month throughout the Spring and Summer. The fun, cheerful colors are great for tablerunners, quilts and projects that need a pop of color. We have some great deals on scissors and notions throughout the month. Stop by to check out what's new. Watch for the release of our new website - coming soon at www.cottoncabinquilts.com!

The Quiltmaker's Shoppe—Happy Spring to All! We have new projects and kits galore for you to see. If you are looking for a quick gift table runner or a more challenging queen size quilt it's in the shop waiting for you! See you soon.

Phat Quarters—Every year Spring gets "taxing". We here at Phat 1/4's and Bernina think you need a break. Enjoy an additional 7% discount off our best prices on the Bernina of your choice. Stop into the store for details, but hurry! This offer ends April 17.

Vintage Threads—All Iowa Shop Hop 2012 will be held June 1-14 and the Tri-State Treasure Hunt Shop Hop will be July 12, 13, & 14. Mark your calendars!

Hidden Quilts— Sign up for our "Farmer's Wife Pony Club Sampler" block of the month club or our "Strip Club."

The Fabric Police *Kaye Wood*

There is a law that you cannot leave a state without buying fabric. Soon after it was mentioned at my seminar, I got a phone call from a man who said, "My wife was at your seminar and I understand there is a fabric law."

"Every quilter knows about this law," I said.

"Well, I'm a state trooper, and no one at the post knew about this law, but when we checked with our quilting wives, they all knew"



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2012 Quilt Show Update *Barb Mills*

One more month! It hardly seems possible that our quilt show is almost here, does it?! How are those quilts coming along? Have you got your registrations in yet? I know the infamous clipboards will be out in force at the next guild meeting, and I urge everyone to consider signing up for a job--or two! Not only do many hands make light work, but it is a great way to meet people and actually have a lot of fun!

Quilt Show Mini Quilt Silent Auction

Kim Lange and Peg O'Reilly

Just a reminder to bring your mini quilt to be raffled at the quilt show in May. This is always a popular part of the quilt show and also a good fundraiser. Peg O'Reilly and Kim Lange will be at the April meeting to take your mini quilt. If they are not yet completed or you cannot make the April meeting contact Peg or Kim and we can make arrangements to get them before the show. As a reminder please make sure they are about 24" or smaller and please put your name on the back of the quilt. People who purchase them always like knowing who made them.

Registration: *Sue Kahre-Stradford*

Registration deadlines for the 2012 Quilt Show are:
April 30, 2012 for online registrations;
May 7 for receipt of payment
Please contact Sue at sjkahre@hotmail.com
or 608-348-9026 if you have any questions.



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Help Needed

from the Judging Committee Cyndy Billmeyer, chair

HOLDERS and folders are needed for Thursday, May 17th judging. No one signed up to hold/fold for the afternoon shifts, 1–3 and 3–5. Also need 2 guild members to hold/fold from 8:30–10:30 and one from 10:30–12:30. I will pass the clipboard around again at the April meeting. If you can't make the meeting and want to help, please call me at 563-590-2923. **Please consider helping. It takes a guild to put on a quilt show.** Thank you

Ribbon Toppers

From the ribbon committee Cyndy Billmeyer, chair

Please return your finished toppers at the April guild meeting. There will be a box on the back table to collect them. If you can't make the meeting, please send your toppers with a friend, or call me at 563-590-2923 for pick up. Thank you for your help.

Appraisals & Reservations *Cyndy Billmeyer*

Carol Butzke, our NQA certified quilt appraiser, will be available to appraise quilts Friday, May 18th and Saturday, May 19th. A Sunday appraisal schedule will be added if needed.

Written appraisals are \$45 per quilt; oral appraisals are \$25 per quilt. Your quilt can be appraised either hung in the show, or as a carry in. I have begun taking reservations, and will pass a clipboard at the April meeting.

Please help spread the word to the community about the quilt appraisals. Encourage your non-member friends to get their quilt(s) appraised, either old or new. Check out our webpage for very compelling reasons to have a quilt appraised. To reserve an appraisal time, please contact me at 563-590-2923. The guild receives a \$5 return on each appraisal. Spread the word.



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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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