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# **Presidential Prose** – Karen Demaree

How do you look at quilts? Do you like a quilt because it's "your colors"? Or the opposite – you don't like it because it is in colors you aren't comfortable with. Do you look to see what blocks make up the pattern or do you see the secondary blocks that are formed when the original blocks are joined?

If you are joining the shop hops or visiting a quilt show, take along a pair of red glasses or a sheet of red transparent plastic. Look at the quilts, filtering out the color, so you just see value. Do those quilts still speak to you? Stand back and analyze why you like it. Would changing the blue to green make you like it better? Can you make it in a larger or smaller scale so it is more "you"? Do you really want a quilt "just like everyone else's? Be a critical thinker and learn from what others have done.

# Guild meets on Monday, June 15, 2015

Meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month (except December) at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, in the Fellowship Hall (lower level), 1755 Delhi Street, Dubuque IA, at 7:00 PM.

# June Program

Barb Brockett

Reminders:

Swap Club: Bring 15 (6-inch) squares of fabric that has stripesStitches of Love: Bring fabric/yarn donations and batting scrapsWEAR YOUR NAME TAG.

#### Community Service Iron Maiden Quiltathon

1) If you want to sew, bring your machine. There will be some kits ready to sew.

- 2) If you want to help pick fabrics for quilts, come ready to help press and cut them.
- 3) If you want to take a kit home to sew, help pick and cut, and then it's yours.

| What                       | Date           | Time     | Location   |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------|--|
| CCQG monthly meeting       | Mon, June 15   | 7:00pm   | Holy Trinity Lutheran Church – Fellowship Hall             |
| Community Service Projects | Thurs, June 18 | 9am-3pm  | Shalom (3 <sup>rd</sup> floor) 1001 Davis St, Dubuque IA   |
| QOVF Sew Day               | Sat, June 20   | 10am-3pm | Breezy Ridge Quilters, 18836 Breezy Ridge (lunch provided) |
|                            |                |          | RSVP to Cyndy Billmeyer @ 563-590-2923                     |
| New Member Welcome Meeting | Mon, June 22   | 6:00pm   | Holy Trinity Lutheran Church - church basement             |
| CCQG Board meeting         | Mon, June 22   | 6:30pm   | Holy Trinity Lutheran Church - church basement             |
| Quilt Show meeting         | Mon, July 20   | 6:00pm   | Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Room 205                     |

#### Mary Nauman

#### Minutes



The Cable Car Quilters Guild Board meeting was held Monday, May 28, 2015 at Barb Brockett's Sewing shop. President Karen Demaree called the meeting to order. *Present:* Karen Demaree, Jackie Goodrich, Paula Wade, Janaan Gottschalk, Barb Brockett, Carol Coyle, and Mary Nauman.

Secretary's report was read and approve. Treasurer's report was given by Karen Demaree (in the absence of the Treasurer).

<u>Quilt Show</u>: Carol Coyle reported on the Quilt show meeting. There was a lot of discussion on the quilt show. We do not have enough people to chair the different events. <u>Membership</u>: Jackie Goodrich is going to have a New Member Welcome meeting prior to the next board meeting - both will be held June 22, 2015. Invitations will be sent to the new members. <u>Program</u>: Barb reported on some things she is thinking about for next year. <u>Newsletter</u>: Janaan reported that everything is going fine with the newsletter.

Karen prepared a budget sheet to help explain how our budget works and to clarify what our \$20 dues is used for. It did not cover everything in the budget because this will be taken up later with everyone.

The next board meeting will be held at 6:30pm on June 22, 2015 at Holy Trinity church. The meeting was adjourned. Submitted by Secretary, Mary Nauman

# Treasurer's Report

Linda Scofield



| <u>APRIL - 2015</u> |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Beginning Balance   | \$4,035.55  |
| Income              | \$989.07    |
| Expenses            | \$152.17    |
| Ending Balance      | \$4,872.45  |
| CD's                | \$11,285.02 |

#### Library

Joyce Voss

Summary of the Library Book Sale held on May 18, 2015: 30 books were displayed; 24 books bid on and picked up; Profit \$40.50 Thanks again, ladies! Just a few more months left to give our library books new homes!

What's Coming Up



I understand that this month's program - *Iron Maiden Quiltathon* - has not gathered a lot of enthusiasm, but positive suggestions are always appreciated. We will probably not repeat this program. We will be making kits up for people to take home and work on in their own workspace. Not everyone can make it to the Thursday Community Service Projects work sessions at Shalom, but we would love for some of you that do to help the rest of us know about it.

I am taking sign ups for 1) the July workshop with Doug Leko, and 2) table reservations for the August Rummage sale. Don't forget to think about making a gift type item for our summer Christmas gift silent auction. You are free to place a minimum bid on your item if you don't want it to go for too low a price, considering the expense and the time you put into it. It will then be up to you to decide if you want to donate the minimum bid amount to the Guild or just take your item home as unsold. We have many activities offered each year. You are free to participate in as many or few of them as you are comfortable with. I hope everybody can find some part of the August program to be a partner in: buy or sell at the rummage sale, make a gift for the auction, and/or bid on items in the silent auction area.

### June Program

Karen Demaree



The program planner decided that June would be "community service project" month. Peggy Weber is unable to attend, so I am serving in her place. By vote of those attending the May meeting, here is the plan:

- 1) If you want to sew, bring your machine. There will be some kits ready to sew.
- 2) If you want to help pick fabrics for quilts, come ready to help press and cut them.
- 3) If you want to take a kit home to sew, help pick and cut, and then it's yours.

We will have several *GO*! *Cutters* so you can try die cutting. Patterns will be provided. There will also be rotary cutters, mats and rulers. If you are not enthused about this program, please remember that it was not the idea of Community Service Projects. But, serving the community is part of the mission of the guild.

# Membership

Paula Wade



The May meeting was attended by 59 members. No new members and no guests attended. Please remember to invite a friend, especially when we have a speaker. Even during the busy graduation & wedding months we can all be inspired. By all reports this was a fantastic speaker (Kudos Programs) and I'm sorry to have missed it myself. I did manage to spoil a new grandbaby and sew while in Australia. I fixed our son's machine for making children's costumes. He's not a quilter... yet

I am pleased to announce our three newest members that joined at the April meeting: Leona Laouras, Glenna Betties, and Melissa Radtke. Leona was invited to the guild by a current member. Glenna recently moved to Dubuque and was a member of a guild in her previous location. Melissa is a local quilter who brought show for us already. Way to go Ladies!!! Please take a moment at the upcoming meetings to welcome these newest members and get to know each other.

# Community Service Projects

Peggy Weber & Karen Demaree



The Shalom sewers have been busy sewing lots of quilts and putting together kits for even more quilts. Thank you to all who sew at Shalom and to all others who continue to donate finished items and other things from our "wish list." Everything you do/donate is greatly appreciated.

I hope you can join us for our next sewing day on Thursday, June 18 from 9-3 at Shalom. Come for an hour or stay for the whole day. Any time you can give is appreciated. Bring your lunch - refrigerator and microwave are available for our use. Our greatest need right now is for volunteers to quilt (machine, tie, hand) the tops we have already completed. We have numerous tops that have backing and batting sets ready. Please let me know if you can help us out with the quilting.

Our "wish" list continues to include: scrap batting (at least 3 1/2 inches wide), large pieces of fabric for backings, other size pieces of fabric for making quilts (kids fabrics are especially appreciated), ties for ditty bags and wheel chair totes, "hotel" toiletry items, and doll quilts for the Salvation Army.

Lynn Johnson



For the month of June, bring 15 (6-inch) squares that have STRIPES on the fabric to the guild meeting! Place your squares in a plastic bag with your name on it. Fabrics may be any color, but they should be **good quality 100% cotton smoke-free quilt fabric** that is prewashed and pressed. If you miss a meeting, if possible, please send your squares with a friend, or call me to drop them off ahead of time at my home.

The next Swap session begins in July and ends in Nov 2015. What is a Swap session? Each month you bring 6-inch squares of a specific design and/or color to the guild meeting. The number of these squares is determined by how many members sign up (usually 12 members). In exchange, you will receive 6-inch squares from other members. It's a great way to build up a variety of similar colors to use in your quilts! Sign up sheets will be available at the May and June meetings. Contact me if you have questions at 563-845-7110 or cjohnson516@mchsi.com

For this session, we will swap fabrics that are **batiks**. If you aren't familiar with them I will have some samples at the table over the next 2 months. They are so awesome to sew with! *July*: Red *Aug*: Blue *Sept*: Purple *Oct*: Green *Nov*: Yellow

Barb Brockett & Bonnie Heiberger

## Retreat Dates



The summer heat is slowly arriving. Are we already looking forward to fall? In July, I will begin taking signups for our September 18-20 retreat at Sinsinawa Mounds (WI) <u>Prices:</u> Commuter - \$61.00; Single room - \$151.00; Room with private bath - \$171.00; Large suite - \$181.00. A deposit of at least 1/2 is due at signup, with the balance due by the August meeting.

Quilty Sayings.... Love is the thread that binds us. May your sorrows be patched and your joys be quilted. May your bobbin always be full. Memories are stitched with love. Old quilters never die...they just go to pieces. Seamstresses never go crazy, they just stay on pins and needles. One quilting project, like one cookie, is never enough!

# Quilts of Valor

Cyndy Billmeyer (IA)



First, some exciting, breaking news: The new *Iowa Shop Hop* magazine is out. Get your copy at your favorite quilt store. Inside the front cover is a picture of Jim Wagner (Veterans Freedom Center), holding his QOV that Peg Reis quilted. Flip to the article about *Quilts of Valor* that starts on page 31. It's a small picture, but that is our own Stephany Schwartz modeling the quilt top she sewed, using Hearth and Home blocks donated by Elkader's Back Stitch quilt shop.

May has come and gone, and I have been as busy as "a one armed paper hanger", which is the way Peg O'Reilly usually likes to describe me. In early May, I was in Bellevue, honoring 2 WWII WAVES. These ladies were so funny. Thanks, Barb Manders, for a copy of the *Bellevue Herald-Leader*. I'll bring it to guild so you all can see their pictures and read their stories.

My stress level peaked May 31st, with the first QOV group ceremony of 2015. Eleven Korean and Vietnam Veterans were thanked and honored for their service. I usually ask them if they want me to mention their "numbers" (company, battalion, etc). The numbers roll off their tongues like they were there yesterday. Then, they usually begin talking about where they were and what conditions were like i.e. names and places like the DMZ, Heart Break Ridge (Korea), Cam Rahn Bay, Da Nang, Quy Nho'n, The Tet Offensive, the "Big Red One" (1st Infantry).

Agent Orange: One Vietnam vet told me that the government was spraying Agent Orange chemicals all over the jungles - the same jungles that they were marching through. He said he sat down under a tree, and the chemicals dripped off the branches and on to him. So now, many of our Vietnam veterans have various cancers. What we didn't know then haunts them now.

Hopefully our efforts to thank our Veterans with a quilt that they can wrap around themselves when the memories come will bring comfort during dark hours. This is one reason we sew.

As June begins, Marilyn & I are driving to Cedar Rapids on June 6th for our second group ceremony this year. Sixteen

# Quilt Show 2016

Carol Coyle



The 2016 Quilt Show will be held May 13 & 14, 2016 at the Dubuque County Fairgrounds. I hope everyone is looking at their patterns and fabric or working on a quilt or item to be entered in the 2016 show. We had our first meeting at 6pm on May 18, just before the guild meeting. It was decided to keep the name *Colors in Motion* for the show. Decisions were made on the hours of the show. Lecture, judge, and appraiser veterans from Korea, Vietnam, and Afghanistan are being honored at Cedar Valley Westside Memorial.

After that, the QOV sew-ins begin again, starting on June 20th. (Same format as in the past.) Please let me know if you're coming, so I have a chair for you.

So far this year, 23 QOVs have been awarded, 5 going to WWII Veterans. If you know of any Veteran who should be thanked for his/her service, please let me or any of the Breezy Ridge Quilters know so the Veteran can be honored. As we move from the darker memories that Memorial Day brings, and into the sunshine of June, I thank you all again for your help and support. This journey is much easier because of you.



Many guild members participated in the Easy Peasy QOV Challenge. Pictured above are several quilts that were displayed at the April 2015 guild meeting. *Photos* by Barb Scoggin: Collage by Sue Kahre-Stradford

suggestions and other ideas were discussed. If you have any ideas or suggestions for the Quilt Show let us know. The next meeting will be held at 6pm on July 20, one hour prior to the July guild meeting.

I'm in need of some committee chairs. Chairs are needed for the following committees: Treasurer, Hanging, Admissions, Judging and Raffle Baskets. If a person or a group is interested in being a chair for one of the committees (listed above), please contact me at <u>zipee@netins.net</u> or (563) 599-2708.

We are working on a detailed explanation of what each committee chairs duties are and will be sending them out as a mass email. If we all work together, it will make it fun and easy for another successful show. Thanks, Carol

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If you want to place an ad or advertise your quilt-related business in our CCQG Newsletter, contact Barb M for cost and details. Submit reports, pictures, and/or items for the monthly *CCQG Newsletter* to Jane. Deadline is the last day of each month.

(No Dec newsletter). If you change your email address, please let Jane know so you will continue to receive your newsletter and special announcements via email. Thank

Jane Petersen

you to Barb Scoggin for volunteering to proofread the newsletter each month.

Kim Schrader Fauth held two *ABCD Quilting* workshops on May 19, 2015. Several CCQG members participated in her workshops including:

 Jeanette Nodorft, Mary Nauman, Kim Fauth; (2) Kim Fauth; (3) Cindy Gerein;
Bert Walker; and (5) Jackie Goodrich, Judy Gaul, Barb Brockett, Patti Scheer (Photos by Bonnie Heiberger)

#### New Member Welcome Jackie Goodrich



A welcome meeting for new members will be held on Monday June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6 to 7pm in the Holy Trinity Lutheran church basement. This meeting is for new members and any member or guest that would like to know more about the guild. Board members will give a summary of their post before an open discussion. Light refreshments will be served. Join us to hear about all the great things going on! At the conclusion of the New Member Welcome meeting, board members are asked to stay for the 7 pm Board Meeting.

Joan Oberfoell

(3) Kim Schrader Fauth hel

Thank you to CCQG members for continuing to donate *Stitches of Love* fabric (18" x WOF), batting (3.5" x 16"), yarn, and finished hats to the monthly guild meetings. Please continue to make (or consider making) fabric, knit, or crochet (adult-sized) hats and kerchiefs for our tri-state chemo and radiation patients. Give all donations to Jane Petersen or Peggy Weber. Don't forget to fill out a donation form.

Stitches of Love

# Fundraising

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Kathy Abba



Sales of t-shirts and sweatshirts went really well at the last meeting. Thanks for the support. Pick up will be at the June meeting.

#### **Bus** Trips



I will share information about the Des Moines quilt show bus trip at the July meeting.

Ads/Newsletter Editor/Email Mailings Barb Manders, Jane Petersen, Barb Scoggin







**Barb's Sewing Room:** I will be closed for vacation from June 18-25 so I can take time to reconnect with my family. Summer hours have begun at the shop. I'm now closing at noon on Saturdays. I know that parking is crazy with the Farmers Market, but it is constantly changing. In July, I will be teaching a children's sewing class for ages 7-12. The class dates include July 7, 15, 21, and 28 (all Tuesdays) and the total cost is \$80. Most of the supplies for projects will be included, but each student will need to bring a machine and basic sewing supplies. If you have any questions, please call 563-564-0993.

*Phat Quarters:* Something old . . . Something New! Trade in and Trade Up June 4 - 15. Get up to \$500 off a new Bernina. Stop in and try the new Bernina 770 QE quilter edition with dual feed and the exclusive Bernina Stitch Regulator. Also, get 25% off an accessory. Mark your calendar for the *Tri-State Treasure Shop Hop* on July 16, 17 & 18.

*Stitch n' Sew Cottage:* This summer looks busy as usual but I am excited to share some of the new products and patterns from quilt market. I saw too many to bring them all back with me but I have patterns, notions, and new fabric on order from now till this winter. We will be celebrating Kalona Days June 20<sup>th</sup>. Visit us at the Ankeny Quilt show July 10-11.

*The Cotton Cabin Quilt Shop:* It's June and that means it's time for the *All Iowa Shop Hop.* This year the Iowa quilt shops are featuring a red, white, and blue fabric created specifically for the hop. Get a 6" red, white, or blue charm square from each shop across Iowa. You have the whole month to get your passport filled for a chance for prizes. We have the Shop Hop books, loaded with unique patterns, available at the Cotton Cabin. Stop by soon to see the new things from Market.

*The Quiltmaker's Shoppe:* We're excited for the start of the *All Iowa Shop Hop*. Stop in to see our projects; they're quick and easy! Plan now to join us for our Fall Bus Tour—this time we're heading west to Nebraska and south to Cameron, Missouri. The trip is all-inclusive and fun for everyone! Full details are on our website, thequiltmakershoppe.com

*Vintage Threads:* The *All Iowa Shop Hop* is in full swing for the full month of June. You can download your passport on line or stop in our shop and purchase the AISH magazine for just \$5. It's a great reference and lists all the shops participating in the hop along with 5 different quilt projects. We made a patriotic quilt which is posted on our web site under the "read more" AISH news. Kits are available.

















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#### **Mission Statement**

The Cable Car Quilters Guild is organized to promote quiltmaking 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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