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# Presidential Prose - Karen Demaree

It is quilt show season and I hope you can visit at least one of the big shows as well as the local ones. The Quilt Expo in Madison is Sept. 10-12 at the Alliant Center. Not only can you visit the vendors and view the quilts that were juried in, you can also see special exhibits in the back hallway. There's even a place near the lecture rooms to sit and sew on the *Quilts to Give*. If you go for more than one day, sign up for some lectures or hands-on classes.

The AQS show in Des Moines has many exhibit quilts, a show by the local guild, classes, and many vendors. The CCQG has a bus going to the Des Moines show, so call Joan Oberfoell today.

Take advantage of these shows to get inspired to create something for our own CCQG show. Without quilts, it's only a merchant mall. Plan on entering at least one quilt. (If you are giving your quilt as a Christmas gift, ask if you can "borrow it back" for the show.)

# Guild meets on Monday, September 21, 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.

# September Program

Barb Brockett

### Mini-Workshops

#### Reminders:

Swap Club: Bring 15 (6-inch) squares

of a purple batik fabric

Stitches of Love: Bring fabric/yarn

donations and batting scraps
WEAR YOUR NAME TAG.

What	Date	Time	Location
Community Service Projects	Thurs, Sept 17	CANCELLED	Shalom (3 <sup>rd</sup> floor) 1001 Davis St, Dubuque IA 9am-3pm
Quilt Show meeting	Mon, Sept 21	6:00pm	Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Room 205
CCQG monthly meeting	Mon, Sept 21	7:00pm	Holy Trinity Lutheran Church – Fellowship Hall
QOVF Sew Days	Sat, Sept 26	10am-3pm	Breezy Ridge Quilters, 18836 Breezy Ridge, DBQ (lunch provided)
	·		RSVP Cyndy Billmeyer 563-590-2923 or cyndyb0244@hotmail.com
CCQG Board meeting	Mon, Sept 28	6:30pm	Holy Trinity Lutheran Church - church basement



The Aug 24 CCQG board meeting was cancelled for lack of a quorum. The next board meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Sept 28 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

#### Treasurer's Report

Linda Scofield



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#### **Community Service Projects**

Peggy Weber & Karen Demaree





Due to the paving of the entrance area to Shalom, we are going to have to cancel September's charity sewing day. We originally did not have a sewing day scheduled in October, but we have the option to sew on Thursday, Oct. 1 or 8. I will discuss these October dates with members and let you know what is decided.

We are in desperate need of completed quilts. We have numerous tops sewn together but need people to quilt them. I estimate that we have about 20 completed quilts so far this year. (From my 2014 records, we donated 89 quilts of various sizes to local charities last year.) Please let me know if you can help out in this matter. These quilts are greatly welcomed by these groups. I do appreciate all that you have contributed with your time, talents, and "treasures." Thank you! Peggy



September's program is our mini-workshops. I think we have some great presenters ready for this month including: care and feeding basics for your sewing machine, binding odd shapes, and several small project ideas. In October we have a guest speaker and a Tuesday workshop. I will have more info on that for you at the September meeting.

Membership

Paula Wade



The August meeting was very well attended. Thank you to all who donated/bid in the silent auction or hauled in items for the garage sale. Many of us went home with new treasures and a bigger stash! Thank you also to those who brought show and tell items. It is so fun to share and be inspired by the talent and skill within our guild. Great job everyone!

**Fundraising** 

Kathy Abba



Thanks to all who donated to the silent auction. Your guild appreciates your efforts!!

Swap Club

Lynn Johnson



For September, please bring 12 PURPLE BATIK 6" squares in a large zip lock bag with your name written on it. They should be good quality 100% cotton, smoke free quilt fabric that is pre washed and pressed. If you miss a meeting, please send your squares with a friend if possible. Or call me to drop them off ahead of time at my home. Thanks, Lynn 563-845-7110 or cjohnson516@mchsi.com

Oct - Green Batik Nov - Yellow Batik

**Bus Trips** 

Joan Oberfoell



CORRECTION: The cell phone number that appeared in Joan's August (newsletter) Bus Trip report was wrong. Joan's cell phone number is 563-580-1859.

The Cable Car Quilters Guild will be sponsoring a bus trip to the AQS Quilt Show at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines, IA, on Friday October 2. This trip is open to the public. Bus departs from Dubuque's Walmart at 6 AM with a pick up in Cascade at 6:30 AM, and returns to Dubuque about 7:30 PM. You will be dropped off at the main Brief rest stops Tanger Mall, entrance. Williamsburg, IA. Cost is \$40.00. Admission tickets are available at the door. Reservations are due by September 10 and we need 35 in order to go. Write your check to Cable Car Quilters Guild and mail it to Joan Oberfoell, 17665 Gondola Drive, Dubuque, IA 52001. There will be lots of quilts as the Des Moines Area Ouilters have their show at the same time in the same building. If you have questions, please contact Joan Oberfoell C 563-580-1859 joberfoell@msn.com

Retreat Dates

Barb Brockett & Bonnie Heiberger





Our retreat dates are Sept 18-20. We have 13 signed-up, so there is still A LITTLE TIME! I am taking the final paperwork up to the Mounds on the morning of the 3rd, then it will be too late. So, give me a call right away if you are interested. \$150.00 for a regular room or \$71.00 for the commuter rate. (Note: The commuter rate does not include a room to sleep in or breakfast.)

My husband, Mark, and I will be there at 9:00am to set up. If you arrive before set up is done, or 10:00 you will be expected to help arrange tables, tape paper bags, and help get the room ready. Mark will stay until 11 or 12 to help people unload their cars. He will be back after Sunday's noon meal to help load back up. We must have the room emptied and cleaned by 3:00. Please remember there is no

noon meal on Friday so we will once again order the snack tray. I will set out a donation basket so the guild doesn't end up paying the \$30-40. On Saturday, we will have a gift exchange (an optional activity); bring something sewing-related you have lying around your house. No Pirate I promise. Dawn Woodhouse's name was drawn, by my husband, to receive the Spring retreat Signature quilt (another optional activity). See you at Sinsinawa!!!!!

**QOV** Quilts of Valor

Cyndy Billmeyer (IA)



QOV Sew In: **Sept 26, 2015** from 10am - 3pm @ 18836 Breezy Ridge. Everyone welcome. Please RSVP, 563-590-2923, or cyndyb0244@hotmail.com

Paducah was a long trip, but worthwhile. 139 people from 30 states attended the two-day whirlwind conference. Thanks to Marilyn Rothenberger (awesome driver), Joan Oberfoell, and Stephany Schwartz for making our trip fun.

"To Honor and Comfort", the QOVF® exhibit at the National Quilt Museum in Paducah, opened with full ceremony, bagpipes, and awarding 3 Veterans. We got to view the exhibit of many awesome quilts; I hope that you get the chance to go to Paducah and see it. The exhibit will run until Veteran's day, when these 30 or so QOVs will be awarded to local veterans.

Our next sew in is Saturday, Sept. 26th. Everyone is welcome to come and sew, eat and chat. You do not need to be a QOV member to join us in the fun.

Looking forward: I'm working on a Fall award ceremony in October. Draping the Carnegie Stout library rotunda will be the morning of October 26th; formal award ceremony at the library honoring 12 or more on Sunday, Nov. 8th; and an award ceremony honoring 34 Veterans, at Bethany Home on Veteran's Day, Nov. 11th. If anyone is working on a QOV®, or wants to sew a top before October, please let me know. Your help and support are greatly appreciated.

#### Ouilt Show 2016

Carol Coyle



The next Quilt Show meeting will be held on Sept 21 at 6:00 pm at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, room 205

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Barb Manders, Jane Petersen, Barb Scoggin







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#### Stitches of Love

#### Jane Petersen

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.

### Sept 10 - Sewing Machine Day

Sewing Machine Day celebrates a very important invention ---- the sewing machine. The first sewing machines were made in France in the 1830s. It wasn't until 1846 that they were patented in the U.S. What a great invention. Prior to its creation, clothes items were sewn together by hand...stitch by stitch.

There remains some mystery around the origin of Sewing Machine Day. Almost all documentation on the internet suggests that June 13th is the date for Sewing Machine Day. But, we found no information why this date was selected. We did find an occasional reference to September 10th as the day

for this holiday. And, this is the date that the sewing machine was patented. We also found a single reference to "New Sewing Machine Day" on March 1st. If you sew, you have two days to celebrate Sewing Machine Day.....lucky you!

So, how can you celebrate Sewing Machine Day? Sew a new guilt pattern. If you have always wanted to learn a new quilting technique, now is the time to start learning. Have a sewing party – invite friends to teach you new patterns or exchange your sewing creations with them.

#### Katrina 10 Years Ago

**Barb Manders** 



The recent news coverage about Katrina's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary has me thinking back to how our guild got involved making children's quilts for New Orleans. It all started out with getting permission to use our Guild's name for what I was planning to do. I had an aunt, Aunt Bera, who lived in New Orleans, and her home became our mailing address. Then we started making quilts to tie and we called this project *Children Helping Children*.

At the time, two of my grandchildren attended Table Mound elementary school (Dubuque IA) and they told their teachers about our project. Their teachers each invited us to come for an afternoon. We spent one afternoon tying quilts with the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students and another afternoon with the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students. The students made cards to include with their quilts. Volunteer "grandmas" helped sew binding on the quilts. My daughter-in-law packed the finished quilts and cards into two huge boxes and mailed them off to my aunt. A third box was filled and mailed by a close

friend. By the way, those two grandchildren are now in high school in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

Somehow the *Des Moines Register* newspaper heard about us and called for an interview. WOW! How neat was that!

Then off to Emmaus College we went. A granddaughter was able to get us a room with lots of tables and Emmaus students were invited to drop in and tie quilts during their free time. That granddaughter is now married and has two children.

We gave a call out for more quilts and our guild just ran away with it. Our guild members donated many quilts to be tied along with additional fabric and batting. My family made some quilts at my home and also bought and donated fabric and batting. All postage was donated by family and friends.

Aunt Bera and her friends gave our quilts to people they thought would love them, hoping the quilts would give the people "a better day". Over the years, my aunt shared many wonderful stories with me about our gift of childrens' quilts. Aunt Bera passed away last year at the age of niney-two.

I can't remember the exact number of quilts we made and donated, but I do know that it was close to 100. And to think that it all started with the *Children Helping Children project.....* or should I say 'Hurricane Katrina'.









# SHOP TALK

**Barb's Sewing Room:** I am now back to regular hours and that means I am open until 3pm on Saturdays. *Main Street Quilters*, an open (small group) sewing and quilting bee, will resume on the 4th Tuesday of each month from 1 - 3:00, which for September falls on the 22nd. We only ask for \$2 each for the jar, half of which will go toward treats.

I have a new addition in the Sewing Room. Sunny 24 has arrived and is proudly sitting in her designated spot. If this makes no sense to you, let me explain. Sunny is my long arm sit down quilter. Come and visit her. After I feel like Sunny and I have become good friends, I will allow my quilting friends to lease time with her to get their own quilts finished up faster. Give me another month, okay!

**Phat 1/4s:** September is . . . The Farmer's Wife 1930s Sampler Quilt Block of the Month. Laurie Aaron Hird (the author) will be joining us for our first meeting. For additional information watch for the Phat 1/4's enewsletter, check our website (phatquarters.info), phone (815-776-0034) or stop in (315 S. Main Street, Galena).

Also **September 10 - 14** is *Save and Sew Time* with 25% off Bernina presser feet and special pricing on the B215 Simply Red Edition. The B215 Simply Red is priced at \$699.00 (normally \$999.00) with 11 stitches, needle up/down and a built-in needle threader.

**Stitch N Sew Cottage:** Stitch N Sew Cottage has so much to offer this month, not to mention all the new fabric that has been inventoried. We are set with fall and Christmas fabric in flannel or cotton, as well as a good supply of wide backing, minky, panels and a wide variety of new materials. We invite you to come on **Labor Day** to take advantage of our sale. Save 10%-50% off on fabric as well as other items.

**September 12:** Stephanie Brandenburg will be at our shop from 9-5 with her fabric line, trunk show patterns and demos. Come join us for a day with Stephanie.

**September 25:** FREE Sew In Day. Bring your machine and project and sew with fellow quilters. Also, take advantage of visiting the Kalona Fall Festival on Friday-Saturday, Sept 25-26. Check out the many activities, quilt gallery, and food at the Historical Village.

**The Quilting Tree:** The Quilting Tree has gotten lots of new fabric in for you to see. The Christmas fabric this year is beautiful, and the Jim Shore winter fabric will be here in October. Row by Row is coming to an end soon, so be sure to stop in and get your kit or your free pattern. Our row is on facebook so be sure to check it out! Hope to see you soon.

*The Quiltmaker's Shoppe:* We're "Back to Quilting" here at The Quiltmaker's Shoppe. Our September special is 20% all sewing notions. Need a new rotary cutter, blades, pins or scissors? Now is the time to stock up on your back-to-quilting supplies!

Don't forget our Sew-In Retreat, **Sept 19**. Let us do the cooking and you sew to your heart's content. (We've even been known to help unsew!) Come see Gudrun Erla of GE Designs. She'll present a trunk show, lecture and workshop on Saturday, **October 3**. Join us for the morning lecture, the afternoon workshop or better yet—both! Registration is needed by September 11 so call in today.

The bus is leaving for an all inclusive quilt shop tour to shops in Iowa, Nebraska and Missouri. Get on board for a fun weekend with your friends or your new friends-to-be, **October 17 & 18.** Register soon and you could be eligible to win one of three \$50 bills. See our website for complete details or give me a call, 563-927-8017. Happy quilting, Kathy



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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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