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Tuesday, September 2, 2014, 7:00 p.m. Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Evening Program: There is no afternoon meeting. **Please come early!** Sign-up for many things will begin at 6:00 p.m. Beat the crowd!

Get acquainted! The Program committee will be introducing the 2014-15 program, presenting the year's challenge project, and presenting quilt retreat information and registration.

Progress and needs of the October Quilt Show will be discussed.

Potluck Committee for the September Evening Guild Meeting: Julie Rotach (chair), Lois Matter, Lynette Matter, Marilyn Egeland, Joan Egeland, Candace Arp, and Joan Weymiller

September 25, 26 and 27 - Fall Guild Retreat

Thursday afternoon, evening and all-day Friday -Chris Kirsch- Gone to the Dark Side!

Thursday evening - ice cream social

Friday evening - Sandy Rethwisch - thread catchers and microwave bowls

Saturday - charity quilts, patriotic quilts, and Sue Lynch with Thrifty Quilts

Tuesday, October 7, 2014, 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. Luana Savings Bank, Luana, IA

Afternoon and Evening Program: Elizabeth Lorentzen will be discussing the use of color and barn quilts.

Afternoon Hostesses for October Guild Meeting: Grace Sorenson (chair), Jane Blumhagen, and Patsy Larkin

Lunch Committee for the October Evening Guild Meeting: Arlis Myhre (chair), Sue Lynch, Karen Darling, Melodye Protsman, and Jane Lamborn

Membership, Program and Show Forms are inside!

Calling all bakers...

If you haven't signed up yet to bring a pie to the quilt show, you need to do that at the September meeting. And if you are going to pay \$10.00 instead of bringing a pie, you need to have that paid by the September meeting. We are really short of pies so far, so we need everyone to sign up!



As always, take a look at our web site - neiqq.com- where you can find program information, meeting dates and times, recipes and more member photos.



We need your quilts!

The Quilt Show entry deadline is October 1. Entry forms and checks for judged quilts can be mailed to Julie Rotach, 1106 2nd St NW, Waukon, IA 52172. Emailed quilt history info is preferred. Send quilt histories to jmrotach@msn.com. Entry forms can be found on the NEIQG web site or included in this newsletter.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

WELCOME TO NEIQG 2014-15

I'm in a season of change and I don't like it! I don't mean "the change" which has also happened and was not a piece of cake. I mean losing a parent and coming close to losing the other. I know many of you have been through this. I don't feel ready to be the older, wiser generation in my family. But there it is and I can't change it, just change with it. There are similar change issues with my church. At least quilting never changes...where are my cardboard templates and dressmaker shears? I guess nothing stays set in concrete (even my driveway is showing wear). I hope we can embrace the change as the needs of our guild change. It's always more comfortable to stay the same, but sometimes it's just not possible.

I hope everyone enjoys the change of seasons...summer into fall. I hope it inspires you to finish one more item for our show in October. I hope it reminds you to sell those raffle tickets and sign up to work at our show.

Embrace the change!

Ila

Canister Raffle Information

Thank you to all of you have signed up to bring Canister Raffle items for the quilt show. You may bring them to the September meeting or the October meeting and give them to Joan Egeland. If you need time to finish them, you can also let her know if you will be bringing them at the time of quilt check-in on Friday night of show weekend. She would prefer to have them earlier though.

If you have not signed up to bring a Canister Raffle item, please consider it. There will have a sign-up sheet at the September meeting or you can email Joan Egeland (jegeland@acegroup.cc) and let her know you are making something and what it is so she can add you to the list. We would like to have a really good variety each day.

For those of you who may not be familiar with our quilt show, guild members donate quilt-related items to the show. On the day of the show, we number the items and display them. The canisters are also numbered to match the items. Show guests and members can buy tickets for chances to win the items. Purchasers will get the number of tickets they purchase and they can put them in the canister(s) that correspond(s) with the item(s) they want to win. At the end of Saturday and at the end of Sunday, we draw a name for each item from the corresponding canisters and the name we draw will win that particular item. We put out different items each of the two days of the show. We want to have about 25-30 items a day.

Quilt Show Turnings and Demos

Would you be willing to do a "show-and-tell" quilt turning or demonstrate a quilting technique at the quilt show? We are looking for individuals or groups who would be willing to share quilts from their collection or a group project. Or, you may bring a quilt to be shown during one of the all-member turnings. Just add a note on your entry form so we have an idea of how many items to expect. All-member turnings may include 1) Tree Themed 2) Quilts of Valor 3) Quilts for Sale depending on response. For more information, contact Candace Arp (darpcarp@hotmail.com or 563-382-5099)

QUILT SHOW UPDATE

The Quilt Show Committees are gearing up and getting into the final count down for the Quilt Show Oct 18 and 19. Our judge for the show is Kate Eelkema from the Minnesota area. Quilts need to be at the Good Shepherd church in Decorah on Oct 17th beginning arrival time 7:00 am and no later then 8:00 AM. In the past we have had prizes for those that have something judged; however, as no one took on making these requests, we do not have any basket/group of prizes to hand out later.

All non-judged items need to be at the Decorah Middle School around 6:00 pm on the 17th to be checked in. (Remember, you need to have your registration sheet filled out and turned in by OCT 1ST to Julie Rotach or your items will not be in the show.)

We hope to have as many members as possible bring their challenge projects from 2012-13 that Barb and Jane were in charge of and 2013-2014 challenge that Julie and Grace were in charge of. Please note if the items you are bringing in are part of a challenge so that we can hopefully group them together.

With the expense of having the Luther Wrestlers come and help set up at the show, Barb and I were wondering if any of you are members of a Church or Service group that would be willing to come and help set up the frames and hang the quilts on Friday and take down on Sunday. The Guild would then make a donation to that group as a thank you for the aid. The Decorah School system is trying to encourage students to do community service and the staff person at the school is going to announce/post our request with the students asked to contact Barb. We are hopeful that this will bring us some help, but as it is a game night we have some concerns too.

If you have been checking out and reading your guild handbook, you are aware that you are expected to sell at least one packet of tickets for the raffle quilt and if you sell more that would be wonderful and greatly appreciated. Another member obligation is to work at the quilt show both when we put up the show items and take down plus fill in at least one shift doing many of the jobs that need to be done at the show. Please contact Ruth Ann Hunter about bringing a pie; she would like to know what flavor and it is preferable that the pie be brought in either Friday night or Saturday morning.

In past years we have tried to add cards to each quilt with information about your quilt. Things like why you made the item or if it was made for some special event. These have been forms before. Instead of that if you can e-mail this information in to Julie Rotach or my self it can then be cut and pasted into the form saving a lot of typing.

At the end of the show on the 19th we need members to help with take down and then to pick up your displayed items. **REMEMBER MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT THE WORK!**

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Treasurer's Report, Marie Freerking

Balance 4/15/14			\$9,463.75
Expenses:			
4/29/14	Maud Bentley - reimburse 100 show pins	\$370.00	
5/06/14	Ila Benzing - show publicity - posters and bookmarks	\$34.71	
5/27/14	Julie Rotach - challenge prizes	\$53.40	
5/27/14	Grace Sorenson - challenge prizes	\$71.42	
5/27/14	Beth Trautsch - lunch supplies	\$95.10	
6/17/14	Grace Sorenson - reimburse 2 nd QOV batting	\$66.00	
6/19/14	Julie Rotach - reimb. mag. subs New Albin library June	\$49.92	
6/26/14	Ruth Ann Hunter - lunch supplies	\$26.45	
7/01/14	Montauk Historic Site - Donation for July program	\$100.00	
	Total Expenses	\$867.00	\$8596.75
Income:			
5/07/14	Raffle Tickets 166, pins 185, pies 10	\$361.00	
6/26/14	Raffle Tickets 57, pins 15	\$72.00	
6/30/14	Raffle Tickets 25	\$25.00	
7/28/14	Raffle Tickets, NF, PdC, FMQS 425	\$425.00	
	Interest - April, May, June & July	\$8.15	
	Total Income	\$ 891.15	
	Balance		\$ 9,487.90
8/05/14	Total Balance		\$9,487.90
Respectfully Submitted, Marie Freerking			

Raffle Ticket and Money Collection

As raffle ticket chair, I would like you to please remember to sell your tickets and turn the money and stubs in to me at your earliest convenience; before the quilt show weekend would be preferable. Some have taken extra packets and if you are unable to sell those, please return them so we can use them during the show. Thank you, Marie



PROGRAM NOTES...

September is almost upon us and I can truly say I am not ready for it. I hope everyone will be able to make our kick-off joint meeting on the second of September. It will be so great seeing all my favourite quilters. I hope you will enjoy the year ahead. I would still like to find people willing to demonstrate one of their unusual rulers and I would love to learn different methods to make labels – so if you can help out or know someone who could, please let Lori Heitman or me know.

So I hope everyone will have their retreat registration ready for the September meeting. I will need to get a head count soon to make sure we have enough food so we don't go hungry. I have never heard of a quilt event where we have gone away starving!! Chris Kirsch is excited about coming and sharing her knowledge, laughter, love of quilting and adventure with us at retreat. The supply list will be available when registration is made. She will be teaching a 3-hour workshop on Beyond Meandering (A free motion quilting class that focuses on ENJOYING the quilting process). She taught this before and we had great reviews. Thursday evening she will do a trunk show of "Gone to the Dark Side." This is all about nostalgia and going back to the 70's. So if you have an outfit or picture of the "Good Old Days" bring it with you. We are inviting the Spring Grove, Mabel and New Albin quilters to join us for the lecture and have an ice cream social.

Friday will be a workshop called "Parallelisms." I invite you to look up Chris' blog site and check it out. <http://chrisquilts.net/blog> This will be a day involving cutting, fusing and creating. She says to bring a sense of adventure; a love of fabric and color, your imagination, plus... My description of the class would not do it justice. It will give you a new technique and eye for creating something unusual. Again the supply list will be handed out at registration.

Friday night we will have thread catchers and microwave bowls to make if you choose. Of course at any time you are welcome to work on your own projects, eat, sleep, knit, read or eat some more. For those who have not been before you only need to bring your personal hygiene supplies, bedding, towels and a snack, your own sewing supplies for projects you are going to work on and if you are taking the classes whatever is on Chris' supply lists. We will have the supplies for the thread catchers and microwave bowls.

Directions to Camp Winnebago

From Waukon, go north out of Waukon on Hwy 76 to Eitzen, MN. Continue north on Hwy 76 for about three miles. Watch for the green street sign that reads Camp Winnebago Road (gravel). Turn right on Camp Winnebago road and follow for about two miles to the bottom of the hill. The road is narrow and curvy. At the bottom, the camp gate is one the left.

From Decorah through Spring Grove, MN, go north out of Decorah travelling on locust road to Hwy 44 (east) and go through Spring grove MN. About seven miles east of Spring Grove, turn right (south) onto Hwy 76. Follow Hwy 76 four miles to Camp Winnebago road. Turn left (east) and follow Camp Winnebago Road to the camp entrance which is on the left.

Other things that will be discussed at the September meeting will be the program for the rest of the year, challenges, embroidery club, and Thrifty Quilter. I'm probably forgetting something but if you want to find out what it is you'll have to come to the meeting in September. Hope to see you!!!

-Marylou

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NEIQG Regular Meeting
July 1, 2014 Montauk Mansion
Clermont, Iowa

- Candace welcomed all members present and thanked our lunch committee.
 - August meeting will include ice cream and toppings.
 - Please bring purses and bags for show and tell to the August meeting
 - There will be sewing in the afternoon for the Show ribbons for the Quilt Show in October. Please sign up for your chosen work place during the show, and register the pie you would like to make. Candace asked if anyone would like to have a turning of quilts they would like to offer for sale during the show. The auction quilt is currently at The Pickett Fence in Prairie.
 - Marie has raffle tickets for anyone needing them.
 - Please let Mary Lou, Arlene or Barb know if you are willing to sell raffle ticket sales at Nordic Fest.
 - Red Roxi will be sponsoring Quilts of Valor sewing; if anyone is interested, this project it is to be on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.
 - Montauk presented a show and tell of antique quilts currently not on display in the Mansion. We were presented with a block pattern used in one of the quilts we viewed. The quilt was made by Anna Appelman Larrabee. the wife of Governor William Larrabee.
 - The meeting was adjourned and members were treated to a tour of the Larrabee Mansion.
- Respectfully Submitted by Joan Weymiller-Secretary.

If anyone took notes in June for the Cow quilt presentation, please submit them to the newsletter.

Interested in learning some new embroidery stitches, refreshing some old ones, or just hanging out with others who love hand work?

Class will start at 5:00 this time only (September meeting) For more information contact Sharon Schmiedel (robertsharon@iimonmail.com)

Supplies for the first class:

- Wool or felt (background) 6" squares or larger or cotton fabric backed with a very light weight interfacing
- Large eyed needles both sharp and dull (chenille #18 or #24 are good ones; yarn needle works good for the dull one)
- Perle cotton #3, #5 and or #8
- Embroidery floss
- Scissors
- Book with embroidery stitches if you have one



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LUANA SAVINGS BANK COMMUNITY
ROOM
NEIQG BOARD MEETING
August 5, 2014

- Ila called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
- Subjects discussed at last meeting were reviewed.
- Bylaws will be reviewed in 2015. Current bylaws may be reviewed online.
- The possibility of not having a scheduled meeting in January and February will be addressed. These meetings will be replaced by having sewing days for charity purposes. These changes will be voted on in May of 2015. The projects being chosen for our work days will be placed in the newsletter prior to the meeting dates.
- Lori Heitman made a motion to renew the membership folders; the motion was seconded by Linda Johnson; the motion carried. Lori will buy folders and have labels to attach to them for a membership folder to present to new members the folders will contain bylaws - handbook-member list and a name tag. Arlene Klatt will be printing the items to place into the folders. Board members will assemble these at a future date.
- NEIQG brochures will be printed to have at ticket sales when we are selling the raffle quilt tickets and promoting our fall quilt show. They will be available at our meetings to share with our visitors and possible future members also. Let a board member know if you would like some to share with a friend or neighbor.
- Melody Protsman has been chosen to be our official E-Mail representative to forward items determined by the board to be sent out for our club members in the future.
- Motion was made by Linda Johnson; seconded by Julie Rotach to purchase batting for our Charity Quilt work. Motion carried.
- Lori gave a review of the programs proposed for the next year. Remember to share any ideas you would be interested in having a program on. The program committees are interested in sharing your ideas too. Our next year is looking to be very interesting with loads of fun being scheduled for our involvement.
- After much discussion , the library issue has been tabled for a future date to be addressed after the quilt show in the fall.
- Our next Guild Board Meeting will be on September 16, 2014, at the Luana Bank Community Room.
- REMEMBER our quilt retreat is set for September 25-26-27 at Camp Winnebago north of Eitzen, Minnesota.

The quilt show will be right behind this great retreat. Hope to see you all at the next evening meeting. Come early to join the fun; there are loads of things to pack into our September renewal plans. Our Program committee has great ideas to share with you.

-The motion was made by Arlene and Second by Marie, to adjourn the meeting; motion carried.

The meeting closed at 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by Joan Weymiller-Secretary.

August 5, 2014

Luana Savings Bank Community Room
NEIQG Regular Afternoon Meeting

- Candace Arp called our afternoon meeting to order; 39 members signed in with 4 members registering August birthdays. Our Lunch Committee was thanked.
- Fall retreat and the Quilt show plans were discussed. Please remember to let Ruth Ann Hunter know if you are planning on bringing a pie to the Quilt Show in October, also what flavor it will be.
- The sign-up sheets for lunch committees and quilt show work sheets were pasted around for all to sign up for the committees of choice. Remember many hands make the NEIQG work for us all.
- The continued support of everyone helps to keep this organization going and sharing our knowledge and friendship keeps us together.
- Ila thanked everyone for the good wishes sent her way and gave an update on her mother's progress. She has surprised her caretakers and improved greatly.
- Our program was presented by Marilyn Egeland; she shared a pattern for her 8 X 10 zipper carry all with those present and donated a purse as a door prize gift.
- Marie has raffle tickets for anyone wishing to obtain more for sale.
- Our meeting was adjourned and followed by a sewing session to construct Show Ribbon Tops. Ten members spent an enjoyable afternoon sewing together.

Respectfully
Submitted by
Joan Weymiller-
Secretary.

