# NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild

March/April/May 2018

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# The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on March 6, 2018, at the Luana Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa. The afternoon group will meet at at 2:00 pm and the evening group will meet at 7:00 pm. (Refreshments at 6:30)

Mini-demonstrations on a variety of tips and techniques including hour glass ruler, stripology ruler, mitering corners, stretching techniques, online quilt sites and using a go cutter are among other ideas that will be presented by members. We will be doing a "roll call" to be answered by your favorite quilting related web site or blog. You may also shop the indoor garage sale of quilting related items offered for sale by interested members before the meetings. If you are selling items please bring your own change. We ask that you be ready to sell 30 minutes before the regular meeting time - 1:30 and 6:30.

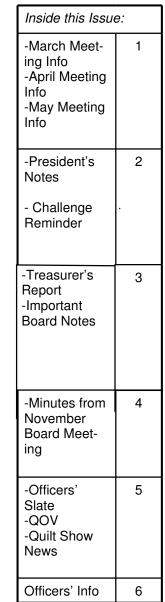
<u>Afternoon Hostesses for March Guild Meeting:</u> Rita Anderson and Wendy Gibbs <u>Evening Hostesses for March Guild Meeting:</u> Linda Monroe and Pat Butikofer

# The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on April 3, 2018, at the Luana Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa. The afternoon group will meet at at 2:00 pm and the evening group will meet at 7:00 pm.(Refreshments at 6:30)

Suzanne Unbehaun and Selma Bennett, pattern designers from Richland Center, Wisconsin, will present a trunk show of their traditional quilts as well as their collection of antique quilts. Their quilt patterns will be available for purchase. Suzanne and Selma have been quilting in southern Wisconsin for more than 35 years. Selma lives in a 120-year-old farm house that has been the perfect back drop for quilting. Quilting in some form or another is a daily occurrence for both ladies. Both shop girls have worked at "Country Sampler" in Spring Green, Wisconsin, for many years where they have the opportunity to meet and work with several wonderful people in the quilt world. You may visit their website at shopgirlquilts.com.

Afternoon Hostesses for April Guild Meeting: Cathy Evelsizer & Mary Lou Cotton Evening Hostesses for April Guild Meeting: Ruth Ann Hunter and Mary Glock

The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet on May 1, 2018, at the Luana Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa, at 6:30 pm for their spring fling potluck and annual meeting. Members M-Z are asked to bring a covered dish to share. Election of officers and 2018 quilt show work schedule sign-up will take place. The 2017-18 Charm Pack Challenge finished projects will be on display for members to vote on for prizes in several categories. EVENING MEETING ONLY!!!





# The Blue Spoon Scoop

Most of winter is behind us – hopefully! As I write this article the weather has warmed up, only for Mother Nature to deposit ice across our sidewalks, driveways, and roads. I got to work late this morning, but at least I got here. Four more weeks of winter – let's hope that that little critter was right when he saw his shadow.

The guild schedule is filling in, and that's what helps my winter go by quickly. We have another wonderful year of programs for the first half of 2018 and then there's the Quilt Show in October. The show will be taking place in Monona this year. Our expenses have been rising so the board decided to take a look at another "less expensive" venue. With everyone's help I know we will have another successful show.

I completed my first of two graduate quilts. I flew by the seat of my pants on this one, and it didn't turn out too badly. (That's what happens when you are too "thrifty" to buy the pattern.) Some of you that know the inside joke are smiling, if not laughing.

Mary Lou Sorum and myself were on the nominating committee for this year's election. Thanks to Mary Lou for helping out! We tried to talk to everyone, but ended up leaving some messages. Sorry if we did not get to talk to you directly. At the present we still have some office vacancies, but some more calling will probably occur after our board meeting. Please reconsider sharing your talents if we give you an-

other call!

Think Spring!

Lori – president



# **Challenge Reminder**

Remember to finish your charm pack challenge for the May meeting.

#### Rules are as follows:

- Each of the 21 fabrics must be easily identified on the front or outside of your project.
- Up to 5 fabrics can be added.
- More than 1 charm pack can be used. More packs may be available at the Oct. meeting.
- Project must be 3 layers and quilted.

The finished challenges will be voted on by the members at the May meeting.

Categories for voting are as follows:

- 1. Out of the box design
- 2. Most interesting/unusual color combination.
- 3. Best traditional design
- 4. Viewer's choice

#### Good luck to all!



### **NEIQG Treasurer's Report**

Respectfully submitted by Leslie Sand

# 8/1/2017 Balance Forward \$7,994.89

#### Income

Interest	\$8.91
Retreat/class	\$2,345.00
Bus Trip	\$1,600.00
Member dues	\$1,040.00
Challenge fabric	\$300.00
Advertising	\$200.00
QOV donation	\$500.00
Miscellaneous	\$71.61

Total Income \$6,065.52

### **Expenses**

Retreat/class	\$3,319.45
Bus trip	\$1,777.60
Challenge fabric	\$208.25
Meeting programs	\$834.00
Miscellaneous	\$66.63

Total Expenses \$6,205.93

2/20/2028 Ending Balance \$7,854.48



Important Info For Your Consideration...
The Board has recommended that the position of librarian be discontinued and the library deleted. They are also suggesting that the Vice-President and Publicity positions be combined. We will be voting on this at the March meeting.

# NEIQG Board Meeting Minutes November 27, 2017

President Lori Heitman called the meeting to order. Present: Lori Heitman, Leslie Sand, Carol Maki, Ila Benzing, Jane Lamborn, Mary Schroeder, Melodye Protsman, Marty Berda, and Martha Bartenhagen. Absent: Julie Rotach, Jayne Shimek, Linda Monroe, Marge Johnson, Lynette Matter.

Budget was reviewed. It was noted that batting purchases and income were not listed on the audit for QOV. QOV budget was \$645.00. \$505.00 was spent for supplies (fabric, labels, wide back, laundry supplies). Income was \$270 in donations from the silent auction item, \$204.89 batting. \$140.00 left in budget. Consensus was to change QOV budget item to Income \$600.00, expense \$500.00, net \$100.00 M/S/C - Ila, Marty moved to approve the budget with the changes.

Mary reported she applied for a Thrivent grant for \$250.00. She asked if the guild will pick up what she does not have money for if she orders one wide and one 96" roll of batting. Per group, as Jayne is VP and as such responsible for the batting, she should do that. M/S/C - Marty, Martha that QOV batting should stay with Sue Lynch, charity batting goes to the VP. Expenditure over \$100.00 must be approved by the board by email or at a meeting. M/S/C - Leslie, Jane to order two battings, one wide, one 96" to be paid for by the Thrivent Card. In the event the expense goes over the \$250.00 the board approves the extra expense.

Membership is now 71 paid members including officers. Nine have not re-upped. We will try to contact them.

Treasurer's report – Our balance shows \$7,392.07; bank has \$7,748.68, a difference of 358.05. Leslie is working on trying to find out why. Online banking was suggested by Leslie. After some discussion, M/S/C – Ila, Mary to to allow the treasurer to maintain online banking.

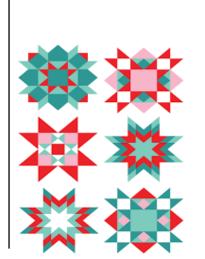
Leslie brought up the suggestion to re-do the guild brochure. She will tweak it and email it to Lori.

Quilt Show – Ila reported we have the MFL high school for \$25/day which does not include the janiage is waiting on a contract for that part. She will look into the bank or a church for the judging. Dis-

tor. She is waiting on a contract for that part. She will look into the bank or a church for the judging. Discussed taking the judge out to eat rather than providing lunch. Ballots are ready for naming the show and quilt and voting will be at the next guild meeting. Still need committee head for publicity, door prizes. We may need to reduce the number of committees. We need to check on getting the raffle license. Bids were received for quilting the raffle quilt, one from a member, one from a non-member. There was a discussion about possible presenters.

Elections were discussed. Lori will be on the committee to contact possible officers and will find another member to assist her.

Next meeting will be Thursday, February 22, 2018, at Gus & Tony's in Waukon at 6:00 p.m. M/S/C by Mary and Marty to adjourn.



Respectfully submitted, Melodye Protsman, Acting Secretary



# Quilt Show News 2018

Planning for the 2018 Quilt Show October Jewels is coming along nicely. All committee chairs are filled and the raffle quilt is being long-armed. We have a new venue this year; MFL Mar Mac at 700 South Page Street in Monona, Iowa. Increases in rental fees prompted us to explore new locations. MFL Mar Mac has much to offer as a new venue: less expensive rent, easy accessibility for the quilt frame trailer, two parking lots adjoining the gymnasium, easy access from Highway 18, and proximity to the Mississippi River and Prairie du Chien area visitors.

Show dates are the first weekend in October, the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Judging and show set up will occur on Friday October 5<sup>th</sup>. More information on Quilt Judging will be forth coming.

We have made several small but necessary changes to increase our profitability and to reduce the committee load. We will not have show pins or offer door prizes this year. We will still need your contributions for the Canister Raffle and the new Member Market. The Member Market will have canister raffle type items for direct sale to the public. So, visitors can buy quilt related items rather than take chances on winning an item. More details about the Member Market will be discussed at the regular April Meeting.

The work schedule sign-up sheets will be available at the March meeting. Details about lunch, raffle tickets, entries, name tags, and other show information will be available as soon as committee chairs have finished their plans.

You can contact either Martha Bartenhagen (<u>marthab@alpinecom.net</u>) or Marty Berda (<u>marty@mcbia.com</u>) for additional information.

#### **OFFICERS' SLATE**

Vice-President: Melodye Protsman

Secretary: Julie Rotach Librarian: Wendy Gibbs

Publicity:

Program: Roberta Hass

Afternoon Chair: Dorothy Wendel

# **Quilts of Valor**

Sewing dates in West Union are scheduled for the following Wednesdays from 10-4: March 14, April 25, May 16, and June 27.

Forest Mills Quilt Shop

Open 10-6 Monday-Saturday
or by appointment

650 Forest Mills Road
Postville, Iowa 52162
(County Road X16
between Waukon & Luana)

"Batiks, wildlife & Civil War our specialties"

There is a presentation planned with the Harpers Ferry American Legion on May 25. We could use some helpers with this.

We are starting to plan for a display of Quilts of Valor and Award Ceremony at the quilt show in October, just a heads up if you have made a special quilt and would like to have it displayed or awarded to a special someone. We will also be looking for names for the show awards.

QOV sewing dates at The Pickett Fence in Prairie du Chien are usually on the first Friday of every month from 10-4: March 2, April 13, May 4, June 1, July 6, Aug 3. **All are welcome! Sue Lynch** 

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Mission: The guild will be non-profit with the purpose of encouraging and promoting high standards in the practice and knowledge of quilting, conducting educational programs and providing for the interchange of information. All funds to be used for the objects set forth herein. **NEIQG Member** 

#### **ADVERTISING RATES**

Business Card (2 /X 3-1/2)	\$ 4.00
1/4 page (2 1/2 X 7) or (5 X 3 1/2)	\$ 8.00
1/3 Page	\$12.00
1/2 Page	\$15.00
Full Page	\$30.00

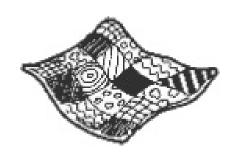
Classified Ads are .10 per word and must be quilt or member related.

Deadline dates are the **10th** of the month the newsletter is written. (Aug., Oct., Dec., Feb., April, June) All ads must be **prepaid.** Prepay for 5 ads and get the 6th free. Non-member cost is 2 times the above rates.

All ads must be Copy Ready.

Make checks payable to **NEIQG**.

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