



The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet in person and via Zoom on July 5, 2023, at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm at the Luana State Savings Bank in Luana, Iowa. A Zoom link will be sent out closer to the date of the meeting. Trash to Cash and info from area counties regarding their fairs. Trash to Cash. Bring your unloved quilting supplies that someone else might love - buy what you see for what you wish. All proceeds go toward the 2024 Show. **Note we will sew on the raffle quilt between the afternoon and evening meeting.**

The Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild will meet in person and via Zoom on August 1, 2023, at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm at the Luana Savings Bank, Luana, Iowa. A Zoom link will be sent out closer to the date of the meeting.



Kiester, MN resident Wendy Nickel is known as a retired high school teacher, a Master Gardener, a county fair judge, and a person that not only likes to sew but to create. The quilting started in 1976 for Nickel when she signed up for a mini course offered by Mankato State University. The course teacher used repurpose clothing to create her quilts and so did Nickel. "Where it all began" is the title of Wendy Nickel's first quilt. Forty seven years have passed and the quilts vary in size, shape and creativity. Nickel considers herself a sewist, someone who creates sewn works of art which can include quilts, clothing, and other textiles. "I enjoy contesting," says Nickel. Over the years she has competed in a variety of contests. "The Contest Years" quilt is a collection of aprons and other textiles Nickel collected during that time period. Out of the ordinary makes Nickel's creations different. Adding dimension to quilts is one way and the fascination with hats as fascinators is another. Nickel's work has appeared at the Textile Center in Minneapolis, Carnegie Art Exhibit in Mankato, Red Rock Art Center in Fairmont, Albert Lea Art Center as well as local county fairs and the Minnesota State Fair. Wendy Nickel was featured quilter in 2021 for the Blue Earth Quilt Expo.

There will be a workshop on Wed September 6th all day with Sandi Irish from Irish Chain. 9-4. Member class fee -\$15.00; Non-member class fee - \$40.00.

Students must purchase templates which include another pattern for \$24 and there is a runner pattern which includes both versions for \$9. Roxie some kits but you can also select your own fabric or work from stash. Some kits will be available. Roxie will have more info at the next two guild meetings.

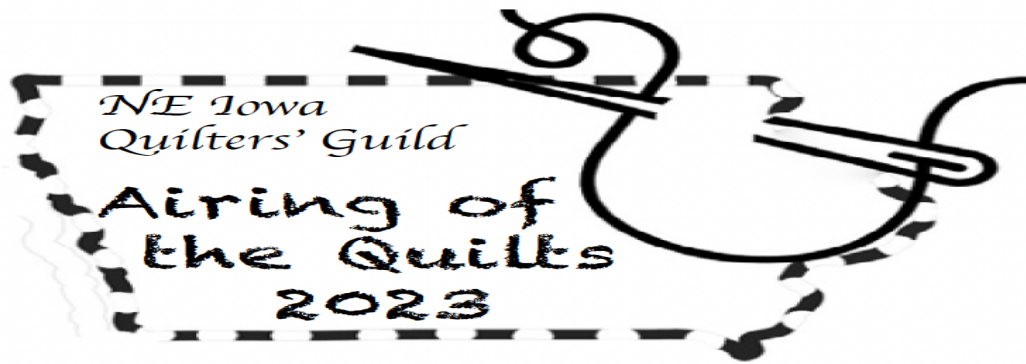
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"Since I've always preferred to create my own designs or adapt traditional quilts to my own style, starting a pattern company was a natural step to take and I began The Irish Chain Pattern Company in 2003. I've done a couple of lines of fabric with lank Quilting Fabrics. My patterns include the 'Quilted Jewel Series' which uses a set of templates that I designed to cut 60 degree angles and avoid 'Y' seams and a line of more traditional style patterns. There are now 19 patterns in the series." See inside for more on Sandi.



Don't forget to look at our website www.neiqg.com

Don't miss the Madison Great WI Quilt Show September 8th. Cost/other info available at our meetings.



July 6 (Rain Date: Aug. 3)
 3pm to 7pm
 Decorah, Iowa

Drive by and see quilts being aired on porches around town. Home owners are invited to air their quilts on front porches during those hours.

Maps of 20+ homes where you will definitely see quilts are available. Find them at your local quilt shop or at <http://www.neiqg.com> or the Northeast Iowa Quilt Guild Facebook page.

Sandi Irish continued... I started sewing as a young girl. Like most of us, doll clothes were the first things I made. I always say "Barbie wasn't well dressed but at least she wasn't naked!" I credit my mom for never stifling our creativity; it seemed that any fabric scrap was fair game. Art and home-ec classes rounded out my sewing/designing education and after high school, garment sewing was what I did most. I've made wedding gowns (including my own), costumes and my business before quilt designing was making aerobic wear. I was known as The Leotard Lady. I've now been quilting for over 30 years (how'd I get this old?) and teaching and working in quilt shops for 20 of those years. I have been blessed with the opportunity to design quilts for a few fabric companies including Blank Quilting, Timeless Treasures and several magazines. Other projects have included raffle quilt for guilds that I belong to as well as commissioned works for various corporations. I consider myself very blessed to have a career where I can "take pleasure in all my toil" (Ecclesiastes 3:13), to be able to teach others and to share the talents God has given me.

Quilt Show Quarterly News!!!

Hello everyone –

Not a whole lot new going on with the quilt show. We have kits for the raffle quilt that you can pick up or that we can mail out. On Tuesday, June 6 th we had a sewing day; thank you to all that helped that day, and we were able to get 20 blocks completed. We are planning on having another sewing day (date to be determined) to get the blocks finished, the quilt laid out, and the top sewn. So as of right now we are on schedule for getting the quilt done.

We have also reserved the Community Building on the Winneshiek County Fairgrounds for the 3rd weekend in October of 2024. With the success of the last show, we decided to have it at the same venue and on the same weekend. Fingers crossed that we have the same turn out as before.

If anyone has any questions go ahead and give one of us a call and we will get the answer for you.

Happy Quilting –

Jen Hertrampf – 515-291-2739 Sue Schulz – 563-608-6374

		NEIQG Treasurer's Report 6/2/23 Respectfully submitted by Roberta Hass, Treasurer	
		<i>Balance Forward</i>	\$10,626.44
Income		Dues	\$300.00
		Interest	\$2.92
		Spring Retreat	\$500.00

		Workshops	\$270.00	
		Returned Check (member present)	\$150.00	
		Reimbursement Sign Brackets	\$48.13	
		Total Income	1271.05	
Expenses		Programs/Workshops		\$889.00
		Donations		\$300.00
		Network		\$35.00
		Zoom License		\$101.72
		EWALU (Spring Retreat)		1300.00
		Deposit Winn.Fair		\$300.00
		Raffle Quilt		\$43.94
		Sign Brackets		\$48.13
		Total Expenses		\$3017.79
6/2/2023		Ending Balance		\$108889.70
		Total Membership 71		

From the President...

Hello Fellow Guild Members!

I am honored to be your new President. I have really been a part of this guild since I was 9 years old, when my mom, Lois Matter, was president. I went to a meeting with her. Helen Perkins was presenting...How to make a Trip around the World Quilt. Guess what - That was my very first quilt that I made for 4-H. We put it on the quilt frame in our basement and had many people come and quilt on it. Both of my grandmothers, my Aunt Linda Johnson, my 4-H leader Donna Ashbacher, and so many others came and put their handy work into it. Such great memories!

As President, I would like to challenge the quilt guild to really look toward a charity that they would like to donate quilts to. I just completed one at the quilt retreat that will be donated to Camp Ewalu in Strawberry Point for their annual Quilt auction. If everyone could make one lap quilt, what a difference we can make.

Again I look forward to working with all of you and getting to know you a bit more.

Happy Quilting!
Lynette Matter-Rose

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NEIQG Board Meeting Minutes 5/2/23

Board Meeting - The Northeast Iowa Quilters' Guild Board met on May 2, 2023, at The Luana Savings Bank and via Zoom at 5:30 pm. Board members present: President Ila Benzing, Treasurer Roberta Hass, Secretary Martha Bartenhagen, Carol Maki, Historian, Program Nancy Sojka, Program Mike Ellingsen, Quilt Show Chair Marty Berda, Quilt Show Chair Jen Hertrampf, Technical Support Arlene Klatt

Secretary's minutes - The April guild minutes were emailed to the board members. Bert Hass made a motion to approve the minutes, Marty Berda seconded; motion passed.

Treasurer's report - The May Treasurer's report will be presented at the guild evening meeting.

Old business: The Slate of officers for election will be president, Lynette Rose; Historian, Candace Arp; program, Carolyn Clark; Roberta Hass, treasurer, Marge Johnson, newsletter, and Sue Schulz, Show Chair.

Quilt Show Raffle Quilt: The committee met on Monday and created kits to sew into blocks. Members may take kits tonight, complete them, do not press, and return them on the sew day on June 6th.

Quilt Show: Quilt Show Chair Jen Hertrampf has reserved the Winneshiek County Fairgrounds in the Community building to hold the quilt show for the 3rd weekend in October. Wire stands for quilt show signs- There was a miscommunication; we will be reimbursed for stands.

New business The board will meet after the June guild meeting. President Ila Benzing requested the board members write up their job descriptions for the June meeting.

Program: Nancy Sojka will complete the guild brochure and Bert Hass will print the brochures.

Fall and Spring quilt retreats- Arlene Klatt will put a survey on Facebook to check members views.

Madison bus trip- Lynette Rose and Melodye Protsman will work on plans.

Vice President Melodye Protsman would like the members to use up the quilt batt (Hobbs) she is storing. It was suggested that our next guild challenge could use it or use it for charity quilts.

President Ila Benzing announced the menu for the June guild meeting to be a salad bar. The board will provide the lettuce and cups. Members will bring items that they would like on or accompany a lettuce salad. Carol Maki will provide lemonade, Marty Berda will provide coffee, and Ila Benzing will bring iced tea.

Jen Hertrampf moved the meeting be adjourned; Marty Berda seconded; Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Bartenhagen, secretary

NEIQG Business Minutes 5/2/2023

The NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild met on May 2, 2023, in person at The Luana Savings Bank and via Zoom at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Approximately 29 people attended in person and 7 via Zoom in the afternoon and 12 people attended in person and 4 via Zoom in the evening.

Mike Ellingsen introduced the night's program of Robin Reilly talking about her projects using Laura Heine-style fused techniques and displaying various applique projects with many beautiful, colorful collages. Robin taught a workshop on Wednesday on how to create your own masterpiece.

President Ila Benzing opened the meeting with a welcome to members, new members, and guests.

Last month's minutes will be emailed to members. Treasurer Bert Hass reported to the guild of the April beginning balance of \$9,882.86. Bert had payments of the Network meeting, EWALU Camp Retreat, Fair Deposit for Quilt Show, fabric for the raffle quilt; income of the spring retreat fees, member dues, and interest; for a final balance of \$8,909.70. Mike Ellingsen moved the report be approved; Jarret Johnson seconded; report approved. Bert has forms for guild membership so you may get registered any time.

Old Business Bert Hass announced that 310 pillow cases have been completed. All members are encouraged to continue making pillowcases and bring them to the June guild meeting. Bert has kits available to be sewn into charity pillowcases and knows we can get to 400 completed pillowcases.

Quilt Show Chair Jen Hertrampf has kits to make blocks for the raffle quilt and will be hosting a sew day at 1:00 on June 6th at the Luana Bank. Please bring dark thread to sew the blocks with and do not press the block.

New Business Next Program - Tuesday, June 6th at 6:30 in the Community Room at Luana Bank & via Zoom -

Roxy & Jess will share their trip to Thailand.

President Ila Benzing announced the menu for the June guild meeting at 6:30 to be a salad bar. The board will provide the lettuce and beverages and cups. Members will bring items that they would like on or to accompany a lettuce salad. Please bring your own serving utensils, dinner ware, and your own personal eating utensils.

-Mike Ellingsen reminded the members that the NEIQG 40th Anniversary challenge - choose your inspiration or quilt pattern from page 40 of any book or magazine. These may be any item, construction, method, size, etc. and will be revealed at the June meeting.

-The Slate of officers for election will be president, Lynette Rose; Historian, Candace Arp; program, Carolyn Clark; Quilt Show Chair Sue Schultz; remaining in office, Roberta Hass, treasurer and Marge Johnson, newsletter. Thank you for your service.

-The committee of Melodye Protsman, Marie Freerking and Ila Benzing reviewed our bylaws in March and made recommendations. The board approved these recommendations and the membership will vote on them at our June meeting. Words in { } are to be deleted and words in [] are to be added. The changes are found in Article I sections 2,3&5; Article II sections 3,8&10; Article III section 1, Article V section 4. If you have questions, please ask a board member. More specific descriptions of offices are found in our handbook.

-Bert Hass made a suggestion that the mission of charity be added to the handbook mission statement.

-Ila Benzing attended the Network via Zoom on April 22nd in Mt. Vernon. She had packets of our guild information mailed to

Network organizers. Arlene Klatt announced that you may see a recording of the meeting on East Iowa Network Facebook page by answering a few questions.

-Show & Tell was held; it was posted on our group's Facebook page.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was given by Jen Hertrampf and seconded by Linda Monroe; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Bartenhagen, secretary

NEIQG Business Minutes 6/6/2023

The NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild met on June 6, 2023. in person at The Luana Savings Bank and via Zoom at 7:00 pm for their Annual meeting. Approximately 25 people attended in person and 6 via Zoom.

Members gathered at 6:30 pm to partake of a salad bar. The board provided the lettuce and beverages; members provided accompanying salads and fixings.

Roxie introduced the night's program of Roxie & Jess from Red-Roxy Quilt Co. with a power point presentation of their BERNINA Factory Company trip to Thailand in January 2023. They showed Bangkok and many very interesting facts, pictures, and videos from their experiences. They had a table of souvenirs on display.

President Ila Benzing opened the meeting with a welcome to members, new members, and guests. May guild minutes were emailed to members. Jen Hertrampf made a motion to approve the May guild minutes, Sue Schulz seconded; motion passed.

Treasurer Bert Hass reported to the guild of the May beginning balance of \$8,909.70. Bert had payments of the May program/workshop, sign racks, room for the quilt show at the Fairgrounds; income of the workshop payments/fees, member dues, reimbursement for sign racks, and interest; for a final balance of \$8,889.70. Nancy Sojka moved the report be approved; Marie Freerking seconded; report approved.

Old Business Quilt Show Chair Jen Hertrampf reported that members completed 20 of the 30 blocks for the raffle quilt at today's 1:00 session. Eight to ten people were there to sew on the raffle quilt blocks. She will announce when the next sewing day will be scheduled.

-Bert Hass announced that 337 pillow cases have been completed. All members are encouraged to continue making pillowcases and bring them to the next guild meeting. Bert has kits available to be sewn into charity pillowcases and knows we can get to 400 completed pillowcases.

New Business Program- Roxanne Schnitzler announced that the July guild meeting will be July 5th at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. A Trash to Cash event will be held with all proceeds going to the Guild. Bring any quilt related items, such as fabric, notions, tools, patterns, etc. to donate and make room in your sewing area. Roxy will also share the upcoming county fair activities in northeast Iowa.

-July 6th from 3 pm to 7 pm will be the Decorah Airing of the Quilts. Drive by and see quilts being aired on porches around town. Home owners are invited to air their quilts on front porches during those hours. Maps of 20+ homes where you will definitely see quilts are available. Find them at your local quilt shop or at <http://www.neiqg.com> or the NorthEast Iowa Quilters' Guild Facebook page. If you would like to be included on the map, please let Roxie know. Rain Date is August 3rd.

-Our Seed Savers Challenge will be displayed at the Minnesota Quilters state show - Thurs-Fri- Sat, June 15-16-17 in St. Cloud, MN.

Announcement of 2023-2024 programs - August guild Program: Embellishments to use by Wendy Nichols September guild program: Irish Chain Trunk Show, with workshop on Wednesday with Sandi Irish from Irish Chain. 9-4

-Roxanne Schnitzler revealed the 2023-2024 Challenge: The Shady Character Challenge - choose your own single color, use tints, shades, to make any pattern, any item. Have fun! The challenge is due May 2024.

-The fall retreat is at Farmer's Daughter on October 27th-29th. Melody Protsman is in charge.

-The Slate of officers for election are President Lynette Rose; Historian Candace Arp; program Carolyn Clark; Quilt Show Chair Sue Schultz; remaining in office, Roberta Hass, treasurer and Marge Johnson, newsletter. Thank you for your service. Arlene Klatt made a motion to approve the slate of officers, Sue Lynch seconded; motion passed.

-The committee of Melodye Protsman, Marie Freerking, and Ila Benzing reviewed our bylaws in March and made recommendations. The board approved these recommendations and Sue Schultz made a motion to approve the changes, Bert Hass seconded; motion passed.

-Ila Benzing had members that participated in the NEIQG 40th Anniversary challenge discuss their inspiration or quilt pattern from page 40 of any book or magazine and then reveal the resulting project.

-Martha Bartenhagen presented 2 door prizes from Quiltfolk. They are also offering the guild a custom coupon code for guild members to use on their website for 15% discount off the total amount of your order through June 30. The code is: GUILD26

-Lynette Rose wanted guild members to know that her 16-year-old son, Kipling, is battling cancer. He will most likely do radiation and Chemo at the same time and have surgery in July or August. The family thanks you for all your prayers and support.

-Show & Tell was held; it was posted on our group's Facebook page.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was given by Sue Lynch and seconded by Sue Schultz; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Martha Bartenhagen, secretary

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