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President's Message

Hello Everyone,

First, I want to say thank you to all of you for your participation in our May meeting. The conversation was very productive with lots of great feedback and suggestions to help make our guild the best it can be.

As a recap of some of the topics we discussed for those that could not be with us:

- ❖ Welcome Committee for New Members – Ann Forseth and Margie will be heading up this committee. If you are interested in being part of this committee, please see Ann.
- ❖ Non-Judged Quilt Show – After a very good discussion about what judges cost the guild for a show, it was suggested that we look at one judge rather than two. The board will research the cost of one judge as well as what it takes for someone to become a certified judge. **We need a show chair for the next show as soon as possible.**
- ❖ Facebook Updates – Pat Pollock has volunteered to take over our Facebook page management
- ❖ Class Attendance – This topic brought many viable suggestions on what we can do to continue to offer classes and reduce cost to our program budget as well. Our Program Directors, Peg and Nancy, will work on bringing two national level speakers to the guild each year and fill the remainder of the year with a variety of other speakers, teachers and fun events.
- ❖ Guild Name Change – For the next two months we will be gathering feedback from guild members on both sides of this topic. Both Pro's and Con's will be collected, then presented at the July meeting. As soon as I have confirmed who will be leading each side, I will send out an email to everyone and how best to get your ideas, opinions, etc., to that two-member team. Once both sides have presented the information they have collected, a ballot vote will be taken to determine if we as a guild wish to move forward with the name change process. This vote is only to determine Yes or No to move forward with the process. It is important that all guild members vote on this topic as this involves all guild members. If you will not be attending the July meeting, please let me know and I will make sure you have a ballot to vote prior to the July meeting. All votes will be held till that time.

Thank you for all of your ideas, suggestions and volunteering to help with committees. Together we can achieve great things as a guild.

Thanks to Sherry Fox for working on our guild challenges, as well as Melissa Kincannon for designing our newest one. I'm looking forward to working inside the box for a change. If you have interest in designing a challenge for 2020, please let me know. The feedback we've received on the challenges has been very positive. If you would like to see other challenges, mysteries, exchanges, please let me know. We'll do our best to keep the fun coming.

I will not be at our June meeting; Deb Luebke, guild Vice President, will oversee the meeting. Happy Summer and keep on quilting.

Debra

Quilt Guild Meeting Notes

Meetings are held at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Thurs. of each month, except Dec., at First United Methodist Church, corner of Drew and Franklin in Appleton. If after school activities for Appleton schools are cancelled, our guild meeting is also cancelled.

The left door will be open; all doors will lock at 7:30 PM. If you'll be late, have a friend watch for your arrival to let you in.

For Sale: Fabric Remnants

Ten kitchen-size trash bags full of silks, velvets, viscose, rayon, etc., knit fabric and cotton fabric samples from the 1970's, and skeins of silk ribbon. A few crazy quilt and silk ribbon books; specialty needle, silk denier thread and patterns.

Priced to sell! Call or text Pat Hammeke at (920) 213-0533.

Membership News – Lynn Keller & Toni Reh

Welcome to our new member **Pat VonHaden**; we are currently 125 members strong!

Happy belated May birthdays to **Loretta Heller, Pat Jawort, Sharon Prah, Linda Verboomen** and **Karen Wisniewski**. Sorry we missed you last month!

Happy June Birthdays to: **Kathy Beyer, Kathy Bold, Ginger Dean, Jan Ebben, Alice Erdman, Jennifer George, Betty Schaefer,** and **June Vandenberg!**

Sympathy cards have been sent to **Diane Lowery** on the loss of her daughter and to **Deb Luebke** on the loss of husband.

Library News – Linda Beiter, Pat Jawort, Debra McDowall and Cordi Van Linn

New books for May were ten different issues of Block Quilting magazine from Missouri Star Quilt Company.

Thanks to those who returned books last month. Folks with books overdue are:

- From February: **Jennifer George** (2 books)
- From March: **Barb Bassing** (3 books); **Dianne Coonen** (2 books); **Mary Jadin** (2 books); **Deb Luebke** (1 book); **Barb Peichl** (3 books); **Jean Wadley** (3 books)

The library gladly accepts donations of used quilting books. Newer ones go into the library; the rest will be sold. Money from book sales goes into funding the library so, if you have books you no longer want, please consider donating to the guild library.

Sunshine Quilts – Pat Kailhofer



New Block: 12-1/2" Good-Bye Snow(ball) Block in red and white.

Cut two 6-1/2" white squares and two 6-1/2" red squares; cut eight 2-1/2" red squares for the corners of the white squares and eight 2-1/2" white squares for the corners of the red squares. Put together in a "snowball" format. There will be a sample at the meeting.

Veterans Quilts - Kris Van Eyck and Linda Pujo

We currently have three tops ready for quilters; please contact us if you can machine quilt a top for a veteran. **SAVE THE DATE FOR VETS' QUILTS WORKDAY AUGUST 8.** Details next month.

Even if you did not sign up to get background squares for Linda Webster's mystery quilt, please feel free to join in and make some blocks. Just use your own creams or whites for the backgrounds.

Step 1 Directions:

Cut three 3-7/8" squares from red fabric and three 3-7/8" squares from white fabric; draw a diagonal line on the back of the white squares. Put one red and one white square right sides together (RST) and sew 1/4" away on each side of drawn line. Cut on diagonal and press toward red. The six triangle blocks should measure 3-1/2" square. Set aside until Step 2.

If you wish to make an entire quilt, cut forty-eight 3-7/8" squares of both red and white fabric. Mark, sew and cut as above to yield ninety-six 3-1/2" squares.

DNQG Challenge Notes

Sign-up for the next challenge – MODERN STRIPS - will be available at the June meeting. Registration is \$5 and you'll receive a printed copy of the rules. The deadline is September.

Upcoming DNQG Programs – JoAnn Nemitz

Class fee for DNQG members is \$30 and \$40 for non-members. Contact JoAnn Nemitz to register.

Thurs., June 13: Mary Hertel of "Made by Marney" will present a trunk show.

Fri., June 14: Mary's class begins at 9:00 AM and is limited to 15 people. Learn to paper piece a simple and combination block.

Thurs., July 11: Sue Kostroski from Nancy's Notions will present "Sew What's New", a demonstration of new, helpful and handy quilting products, notions and trends. This will be a fun, entertaining, fast-paced presentation . . . with door prizes!

Fri., July 12: Beginning at 9:00 AM, Sue will instruct serger quilting techniques at K&K Sew and Vac in Darboy. A "Fast and Fabulous Flatlock" lap or crib quilt top can be made in just four hours with decorative threads and the serger flatlock stitch. Finishing and binding are simply done with the serger, as well. If you don't have a serger but would like

to attend this class, four sergers will be available for use by those who need them. Class size is limited to 8 people and the cost is \$30 plus your choice of materials. **Contact Sue Kostroski at suekostroski@yahoo.com to register and obtain the class supply list.**

Thurs., Aug. 8: Beth Ferrier of Applewood Farm Publications, home of her fun and easy books on piecing, applique and all things quilted, will talk about Pieces of a Quilters Life.

Fri., Aug. 9: Beth will teach hand applique by machine with a charming Forget-Me-Nots 18" square wall hanging. 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Thurs., Sept. 12: Susan Purney Mark, artist, teacher and designer, will speak on "Textiles of Faith". Check her out at www.SusanPM.com.

Fri., Sept. 13: Surface design workshop with Susan Purney Mark.

Thurs., Oct. 10: Rhonda Horvath will lecture on the History of RagSpun with examples of how to enhance old pictures, pillar candles and towels.

Sat., Oct. 12: Rhonda will conduct a four-hour workshop on Flower Pockets beginning at 9:00 AM.

Thurs., Nov. 14: Holiday Dinner

Other Quilt-Related Events

On-Going: Open sewing and quilting at The Thompson Center on Lourdes each Friday at 9:00 AM. The cost is \$2; bring your own sewing machine and projects. More info at jcraanen@saint-bernadatte.org or at (920) 939-3088.

July 25: Lakeside Quilters' 2019 EAA Quilt Show, 8-4 at Oshkosh Seniors' Center North, 234 Campbell Road, Oshkosh. Details at www.Oshkoshquilters.org. Lynn Mozingo, PR Coordinator, (920) 428-6947.

Guild Directory

Most of our members have professions, side jobs and talents that are way outside the realm of quilting. These include framing, tailoring, calligraphy, cake-decorating, card-making and **so much more!** Consider being included in this directory so we can begin to network and get to know each other better. Please fill out the form included in this newsletter and give it to Sherry Fox.

Minutes from DNQG Meeting 5/9/19 - Carolyn Wenzel, Secretary

Debra McIntire opened meeting at 7 p.m.

PROGRAM Kris VanEyck presented a very informative and descriptive overview of Quilts of Valor. QoV follows strict guidelines as to size and material and are presented to veterans who request them. Last year DNQG presented 19 QoV. "Non directed quilts" in patriotic colors are shared with many veterans. All sizes accepted. Both kinds needed and always appreciated.

SUNSHINE This committee needs several more helpers to carry out their mission. This includes
...accepting quilts and donations at Guild meetings
...keep an accurate count of donations and provide receipt when needed
...assist Marcie in getting donations to recipients and recording their direction
...represent this committee at monthly board meetings as a voting member
...find/define agencies, shelters, etc. that are in need of donations and invite them to our Guild meeting for a brief presentation on what their needs are and how we can help.

SUNSHINE is an important part of our mission statement. Please consider joining this group!

Quilt Challenge - "2 crayon colors" 29 amazing entries. Winners:

1st - Deb Luebke

2nd - Deb McIntire

3rd - Barb Harkins

4th - Tuulikki Murremaki

5th - Pat Pollock

6th - Wendy Shreve

OPEN FORUM DISCUSSION. The following are thoughts, suggestions and comments shared by members present.

WELCOME COMMITTEE

...everyone encouraged to reach out

...a folder is presented to every new member

...have a "profile book" available to members with list of skills, hobbies, talents etc.

...show of hands indicated an Interest to proceed with this idea
...need more input/photos etc. from guild on Facebook. Pat Pollack volunteered

NON JUDGED QUILT SHOW

... judged limited to 1 entry/CATEGORY
...non JUDGED unlimited
...why do we need a judge...do we need 2 judges
...Quilt Folk magazine has article on 'point system judging'
...pro and con comments from judges are appreciated
...get a judge for 2020 show to be a guest speaker

CLASS ATTENDANCE

...not all classes filled...still have to pay
...teachers unhappy when classes not filled
...dates of classes problem for employed members (small show of hands)
...programs offered to fulfill our mission
...need more workdays and open "sews"
...use some of our members for classes/speakers
...If you have ideas to share for programs...talk to Nancy Salzwedel or Peggy Hawley
...another bus trip. Last one went over well
...build better relationships with quilt shops

QUILT SHOW NAME

...suggested Appleton Quilt Show Appleton Guild
...Update with current trends
...change is good, although emotional
...glad this was on agenda
...suggestion made to have 2 people to present pros/cons of name change
...President Deb McIntire to select the "2" people. Secret ballot vote. NO backdoor phone calling
...This is to decide whether to move forward...or not for a name change...(not what the name is) then go from there

CHALLENGE

Melissa Kincannon presented the next quilt challenge, "MODERN STRIPS". \$5 to enter; rules and outline available. Deadline to sign up is end of August. Entries due at September meeting.

Show and tell. SUNSHINE donation 14 quilts (ytd 22), QoV 0 (1), cases 8 (40), pillows 4 (8)

9:15 adjourned. Next board meeting 5.22.19; Next Guild meeting 6.13.19

2019 Darting Needles Quilt Guild Board Members & Chairpersons

President:	Debra McIntire
Vice President:	Deb Luebke
Secretary:	Carolyn Wenzel
Treasurer:	Barb Harkins
2019 Programs:	Joanne Nemetz
2020 Programs:	Peggy Hawley Nancy Salzwedel
Historian/Corres. Sect'y.	Toni Reh
Sunshine Quilts:	Pat Kailhofer
Library:	Debra McDowall Linda Beiter Pat Jawort Cordi Van Linn
Membership:	Lynn Keller Toni Reh
Newsletter:	Sherry Fox

DNQG Long Arm Quilters' Directory

Wendy Fuller (920) 217-7047	Pat Hammeke (920) 735-0552	Tina Kahler (920) 716-1646
Jennifer George (920) 636-0981	Sue Huettl (920) 419-0950	Mary Volkman (920) 851-6550

Support Our Local Quilt Shops!

Fox Cities Quilt Co., 1400 W College Ave. (920) 939-3989
Going To Pieces Quilt Co., 1017 W. Northland Ave. (920) 882-6430
Julie's Sewing Center, 1230 W. College Ave. (920) 734-8262
KK Sew & Vac, N9654 County Highway N (920) 830-0667
Primitive Gatherings, 850 Racine St. (920) 722-7233
Sew N' Sew, 1881 N. Silver Spring Dr. (920) 830-9372

Information for DNQG Directory

All information will be published and is, therefore, optional.

Name _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Occupation: _____

Hobbies, Other Interests: _____

Attach business card, if desired.