

Women Of the West

QUILTERS

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SEPTEMBER 2012

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Sharon Schamber, the champion competition quilter in the US. She will also be conducting a workshop on this day at Four Seasons Quilt Shop in Brooklyn Park.
Wednesday, September 26th, 2012 @ 7 p.m.

President's Column

Happy September Women of the West Quilters!

As the season slowly changes to fall, open your windows, dust off your sewing machines, and pull out that pattern that has been waiting for the cooler weather to arrive. Fall is my favorite season. I usually head out at least once or twice with my camera to snap some shots of the steam rising off Normandale Lake early in the morning, or the sun burning off the mist in the football field near my home. Many projects await me in my basement studio this fall. It is now a matter of which inspires me to start!

I can hardly wait for Sharon Schamber. I feel like a kid in the candy store. I will see all of you that signed up for classes on Wednesday during the day at Four Seasons Quilt Shop. I will be on hand to be Sharon's class helper, and bring her to our meeting that night. I have learned many wonderful techniques from her DVD's and You Tube videos.

I hope you enjoyed Kari Carr's visit last month. I found her delightful and am excited to make the snowflake projects that I bought a pattern for.

We had one entry for the raffle quilt pattern: Julie Harstad has created a beautiful pattern for our show next year. We will have the big reveal in October.

I have been so blessed to have this year as your president and see and learn from everyone in our group. I approach the end of the year with some sadness that it will soon be time to pass the hat so to speak, and put on the next one as Raffle Quilt Chair for the 2013 show. Please consider volunteering your time and talents with the guild for our next year. There are many jobs to be done, and friends to make along the way.

You may reach me at pres.womenofthewest@gmail.com

Yours in Stitches and Giggles,
Patti Mannin, President

September Program - September 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.



Sharon Schamber will be the featured speaker at the WOW meeting. Sharon is the #1 competition quilter in the U.S. Her quilts customarily win Best of Show at major quilt shows around the country. To learn more about Sharon, please visit www.sharonschamber.com.

Piece-lique Workshop

Space is available for the Wednesday, Sept 26th, 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Four Seasons Quilt Shop class, taught by Sharon Schamber. Class fee is \$55 plus \$15 hand-out fee to the teacher (\$70 total). Click here to see the class details and supply list:

<http://www.sharonschamber.com/v/P.%20Humming-Bird-Supply-Cover-S.pdf>

Lori Allison, Vice President

Quilt Retreat October 2012

The quilt retreat for October 26 - 28 is fast approaching. We have 24 confirmed attendees with 2 more questionable. We still have room if anyone is interested in joining us at Green Lake in Spicer, MN. The estimated cost is \$130 per person and all meals are included. It is always a great time. Please consider joining us for a weekend getaway of quilting, relaxation. If interested, please contact Mary Inman-Forbes at 763-559-0703 or email mary.inman-forbes@blackbox-vs.com. All information packets regarding the retreat will be sent to attendees shortly.

Thank you.

Mary Inman-Forbes, Retreat Coordinator

Block of the Month

Carole Henderson won the (8) "Improved 4-Patch" blocks last month. This month, the pattern is the house pattern in homespun fabrics. See the website or your booklet for the instructions. We also still have booklets available for purchase - just see me at a meeting.

Dawn Bryant/Carol Henderson

New Small Group: Make It Modern: A Contemporary Quilt Group

- Do bright and bold colors make your heart sing?
- Do you consider yourself a contemporary/art quilter?
- Do you appreciate modern quilt designs?
- Do you want to learn some new techniques?

You are invited to attend the first meeting of a new quilt group. The group will meet at Make It Sew the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30-8:00pm starting on September 18, 2012. Bring on of your project(s) to show and be prepared to meet new friends. Cost is \$7.00. Address: Make It Sew 600 Market St., Ste. 110, Chanhassen.

No August Board Meeting, No September Board Meeting; August Guild Meeting Notes:

- Patti Marrin, President, welcomed everyone and had the new members stand for a special welcome. She also reminded everyone to check out the Secret Sister and Community Service areas.

- Lori Allison, Vice President, introduced our evening speaker "recycled Home-Ec teacher" Kari Carr from Fergus Falls and New Leaf Stiches. Kari led us through the phases of her business that began in 2003. She is a book author, pattern designer and a notion developer (Clearly Perfect Angles) not only in the states but also

around the world. You can check out her website WWW.newleafstiches.com.

- Patti thanked everyone that participated in the Smile Network by making bags for the children.
- Membership reported 5 new members and one guest.
- Newsletter had nothing to report.
- Raffle Quilt has had one entry so far. Entries are due by the September meeting.
- Resolutions quilts agreed to meet in a specific area of the room.
- Carol Henderson won the Blocks-of-the month.
- Lori reminded us about the Sharon Schamber workshop on September 26th from 10am to 4:30pm. The project is a Hummingbird Piece-lique with a cost of \$70 held at Four Seasons Quilt Shop. So far we only have 4 people signed up Be sure to email her if you are interested and send a check made out WOW for the amount. She will give it until September 1st before she opens it to the public. This is an amazing class offered by a true fabric artist.
- Lori also reminded us that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday, September 26th, at Medina Bowl instead of our regular Monday but at our regular time.
- Birthday bags brought in \$65.75
- Door Prizes were given out.
- Activities Chair, Mickey Ellis, mentioned a new group called Make It Modern. See this newsletter for more details.
- Julie Harstad, quilt show co-chair, talked about the WOW Quilt Show for next year. Since it is grant writing time, any information anyone had concerning places our guild gives both locally and nationally, such as Smile Network, community Services and so on, should be sent to her at Julie@harstads.biz.
- Mary Inman Forbes reported on the Quilt Retreat that they still have openings with a current cost of \$130.
- Meeting ended with Show N Share.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Morris, Co-Secretary

Kari Carr's Trunk Show



Kari Carr with "Cedar Baskets"

Show & Share Gallery



Pat Twaits' "Tumbling Blocks" made with border fabrics.



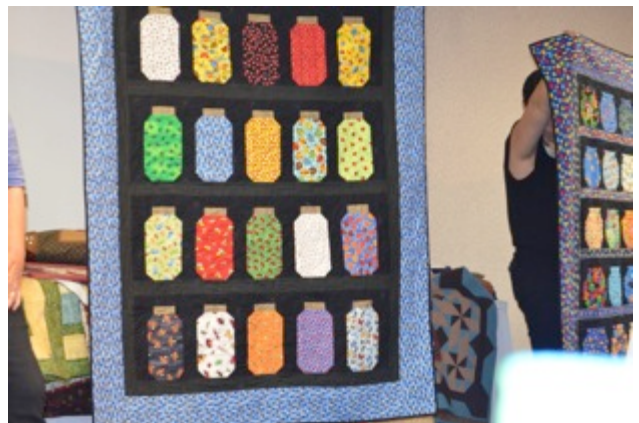
Kari's "Breezy" pattern



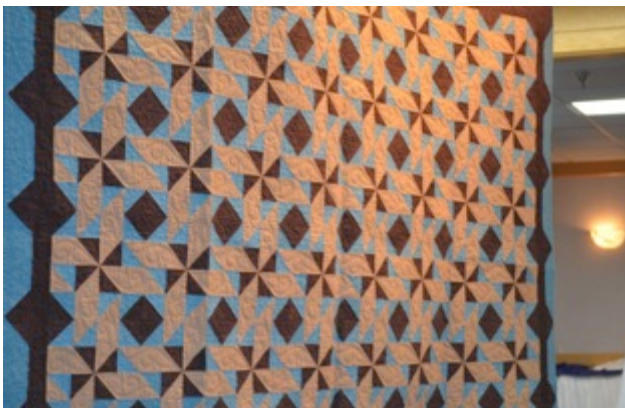
Janna Laumann with a quilt made of 30's fabrics.



Lori displaying Kari's autumn theme pillow cover.



Dean Davis' "Bug Jars" & a peek at "Fish Bowls"



Kari's pattern called "Desert Sky"



Suzanne Nelson with a butterfly applique quilt.

Show & Share Cont.



Edith Lejonvarn's modern quilt in fall colors.



Sharon Peterson's strip quilt with an "Obama" patriotic theme.



Shawn Taylor's quilt in a new fabric line.



Sonja Folven with a small moose wall hanging.



Jean Dovenberg's pink and brights HST quilt.

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✓ September CHECKLIST:

- Block of the month
- Your Nametag
- Birthday Club Donations
- Show and Share
- Community Service projects or donations
- Free books, magazine and fabric to share

The *Women of the West Quilt Guild* was organized in December of 1997 to encourage and support all levels of quilters. The guild offers education, programs, fellowship, communication and community service while providing a place to be among people that share the same interest of the art of quilting. Meetings are held the 4th Monday monthly at 7 p.m. at the Medina Entertainment Center. If there is a conflict with a holiday, another night will be scheduled. The Medina Entertainment Center is on Highway 55 in Medina.

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