

Women Of the West QUILTERS

<http://www.wowquiltguild.com>

October 2013

OCTOBER PROGRAM Monday, October 28th, 2013 @ 7 p.m.

DEBBIE BOWLES of Maple Island Quilts will be our speaker. "It Doesn't Always Have to Match" will be the topic for the evening. We'll be looking at what contrast, color, intensity and fabric choice can do for your design and sharing some tips for great looking multi fabric quilts.

President's Column



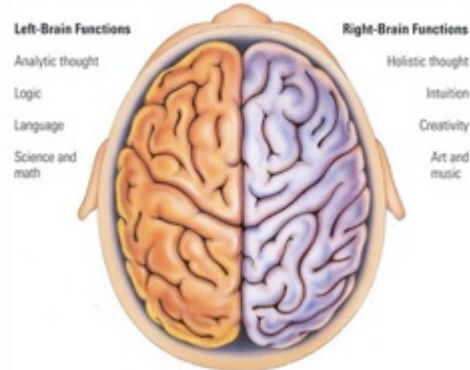
Dear Quilters,

I have my calendar filled in to help with the WOW Quilt Show on Friday, October 11 and to volunteer on Saturday, October 12. I'm looking forward to it! I hope your calendar is "X'd" out for one or both days as well – and that you're planning the drop off and/or pick up of your entered quilts on that day. Given our fabulous fall weather, it should be a record turnout for our show. I have discovered that when one is at a quilt show, one forgets all about the government shutdown and all the other nasty things happening in the world! Quilt shows are wonderful therapy!

You may have heard quilting referred to as therapy – cheaper than a shrink, better than a drink – and others. Well, there is a very good reason for those humorous analogies. Quilting is a top pyramid endeavor. That is Maslow's fourth and fifth levels in his hierarchy of needs. The need for achievement, respect by others & creativity located in the Esteem and Self Actualization stages of existence. It's where our basic needs have been met and we have the luxury of pursuing some of our higher needs.

Well Maslow is only part of the quilting story. There's that pesky left brain, right brain thing going on as well. The left-brain is reading and processing the size and number of pieces to be cut, the order in which they will be sewn, while considering the direction of the fabric motif and how the sections will be assembled. These are left-brain step-by-step, processing functions. All the while our right brain is planning and picturing the outcome, the color and value placement and the execution of the principles of design that will make our final quilt sing and dance for us! Both sides of the brain are engaged and we become totally absorbed in our quilting.

**EXPERIENCE =
USABILITY/ANALYTIC + DESIGN/CREATIVE**



Well, so much for the human biology lesson, now back to your regularly scheduled stash busting, paper piecing, coffee and chocolate filled program!

Happy Quilting,
Lori Allison, President





**OCTOBER GUEST
SPEAKER: DEBBIE
BOWLES**

Debbie came to quilt making via a lifetime of garment and craft sewing. Debbie's approach to design, quilt making and teaching draws on her experiences as an elementary school teacher, Cub Scout Den Mom and

Jr. Hi church volunteer work as she leads each quilter to have fun while creating something that pleases them and is uniquely their own.

Through her pattern company, Maple Island Quilts and her books, *Cutting Curves from Straight Pieces* and *Dancing Quilts from Straight Pieces* (published by American Quilter's Society) and *Quilts for the Dorm*, Debbie offers achievable, slightly non-traditional projects with enormous design possibilities for all skill levels. She calls her style controlled inventive.

Debbie teaches regularly at shops, guilds and events held throughout the US and internationally. She has appeared twice on Home & Garden TV-Simply Quilts (#622, 749), on PBS- M'Liss's World of Quilts and Lifetime Real Women, American Quilter and most recently on the long running PBS show, Sewing with Nancy.

The Maple Island Quilts pattern line has 40 + titles and is sold globally through the wholesale market to shops and the retail market at the web site, www.mapleislandquilts.com

Debbie's quilts have been used in consumer and industry magazine advertisements and articles for many fabric companies. Her quilts travel worldwide to quilt shops. She frequently lectures for major fabric companies at industry shows. Debbie had a quilt traveling with the first Alzheimer's Art Quilt Initiative. She was nominated for the 2010 Teacher of the Year from the International Association of Professional Quilters.

Elaine Franks, Vice President

WOW 2013 Quilt Show

Title: "Pieces of Our Lives" Consistent title and reusable signage.

Venue: Plymouth Creek Center, 14800 34th Ave. No., Plymouth, MN

Date: October 12th, 2013, October 11th we will set up.

Quilt Categories: Applique, Pieced, Best use of stars, Art/Contemporary - 1st \$75, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$25

Raffle Quilt: Postcards and tickets are available. Please see Brenda Dunlavy.

Distribution of proceeds: Meals on Wheels, Damascus Way and Quilts of Valor.

Featured Speakers:

10:30 Sue Heinz of Kismet Quilting "My Friend Elmer"

12:15 Quilts of Valor Representative (Guild Charity)

12:30 Mickey Ellis Surface Design Demonstration

1:00 Meals on Wheels Representative (Guild Charity)

1:15 Damascus Way Representative (Guild Charity)

2:00 Gudrun Gisladdottir "My Journey"

Boutique: Distinctive Boutique and Silent Auction items

Special Exhibits: WOW Challenge and Workshops,

Stars Across America (for information contact Janna Laumann (763) 416-0158), Where in the World We Donate, children's quilts and Community Service.

Volunteers: Contact Patty Morris at (701) 226-3137.

Quilt Registration: **On-line registration is located on the WOW web site:**

www.wowquiltguild.com/QuiltShow. Once you hit the submit button it will take you to the home page. You will receive a confirmation of your registration via email within 24 hrs. There is also available for those of you that prefer mail-in registration to download the mail-in form.

Quilt Drop Off – Make It Sew & Four Seasons Oct 10th 4pm – 7pm, then till' noon on Friday before at Plymouth Community Center. Pick up time 6pm after the show

We are in a very good position and it has been a joy working with the Quilt Show Committee.

Thanks, Patti Marvin/ Julie Harstad

JANUARY SPEAKER & WORKSHOP

We have booked Susan Cleveland of Pieces Be With You for our January meeting, I would like to know if any are interested in taking a class from her on that day. Please reply to me at esfranks101@gmail.com. I will also have a sign up sheet at our meeting.

Thanks Elaine Franks. Vice President

Block of The Month

The block of the month for October is the "Pinwheel Star" block, finished size 12". Worksheet is attached to this newsletter. There will be a few paper copies available at the October meeting for January – November blocks.

Linda Waterman, Block of Month



B.O.M. club - September's block

PRESIDENT'S BLOCK

Lori Allison has chosen a string-pieced block as her President's block. She will have handouts at the upcoming meetings with a strip of a black and white stripe for the center and a sheet of paper with a line for strip piecing, to size the block and specify number of strips. One side of the block will have light-colored prints (spots, dots, rings or circular prints) and the opposite side will have dark-toned prints – also spots, dots, rings or circular prints. You can drop off your finished blocks with **Angela Coleman** at the guild meetings.



Small Groups

Maple Grove Senior Quilters meets at **Maple Grove Community Center**, 12951 Weaver Lake Rd., Maple Grove, 1st & 3rd Wed. each month, 9am – 2pm.

Guild Meeting Notes for September 23, 2013

- Lori opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- There were 6 guests and 2 new members.
- Our guest speaker was Celine Perkins of Perkins Dry Goods. She brought her wonderful trunk show, patterns, and some interesting templates (flying geese, bane of my existence!)



Celine Perkins of Perkins Dry Goods

- Elaine announced a change in December's meeting agenda – A quilt tying event, plus music, and goodies to eat!

- Retreat was fun and productive and had 23 quilters in attendance.

- Birthday Club was \$71.50 WOW!!!!!!

- Quilt Show & Raffle Quilt committee members gave a quick update an email was sent out earlier this week. Also there was a reminder that they needed art easels for the quilt show.

- Show & Share had 27 projects.

- Meeting adjourned.

Angela Coleman, Secretary

Board & Committee Members for 2014

Elected Positions

President – Shawn Taylor

Vice President-

Secretary –

Treasurer – Nancy Erbst

Volunteer Positions

Activities Coordinator – Mickey Ellis

Birthday Club – Gail Bronner

Block of the Month – Mickey Ellis (Designing Women)

Challenge Quilt – Mary Gunness, & Dean Davis
Community Service – Maple Grove Sr. Quilters
Membership –
Newsletter Editor -
Assistant Editor -
Resolution Quilts –
Retreat Coordinator – Nancy Erbst, Linda Lyndholm,
Mary Inmna-Frobes
Small Group - Carole Olson
Sunshine & Shadow –
Web Mistress – LuAnn Sing

Monthly Program Schedule September – Dec. 2013

October – Debbie Bowles of Maple Island Designs
November – Susan Fetter Ward “Common Bias Quilting”. Workshop scheduled for Saturday prior at Four Seasons Quilt Shop.
December – Christmas meeting – Hand-tied quilts and treats.

Community Events

Quilt Auction – School Sisters of Norte Dame –Sat., Oct 26th, 2013 11 am – 12:30 pm review, and 1pm auction. Quilt donation deadline Friday, Sept. 13, 2013. For more info. 507-389-4231 or missionadv@ssndcp.org

Original Sewing Quilt Expo, Minneapolis, MN – Nov. 7-9th, 2013 – Minneapolis Marriott Northwest 10am – 6pm Thurs. & Fri., 10am – 5:30pm Sat. Daily Admission. \$10. More info. www.sewingexpo.com

SAMPLES OF CELINE PERKINS' TRUNK SHOW



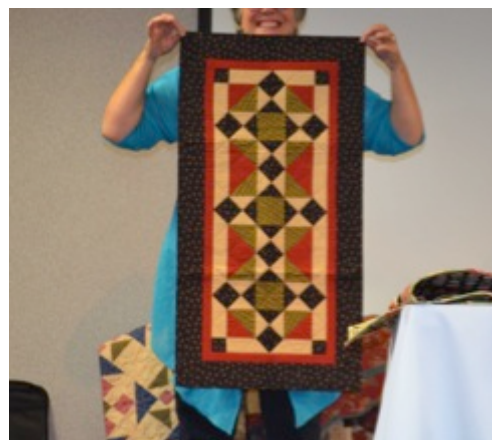
Another of Celine's vintage finds. I need to go shopping with her!



One of Celine's versatile patterns.



Most all of Celine's quilt patterns have directions for different sizes.

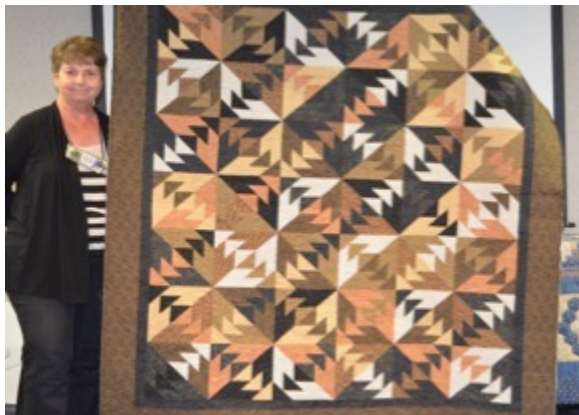


Another of sample of Celine's versatile designs that Renelle is modeling!



A vintage “flimsy” that Celine finds inspiring. Me Too!!

Show & Share Sampler



Dean Davis with a wedding quilt



Sharon Dudzick's appliqued & pieced quilt



Donna Champion with "Star Bright" quilt



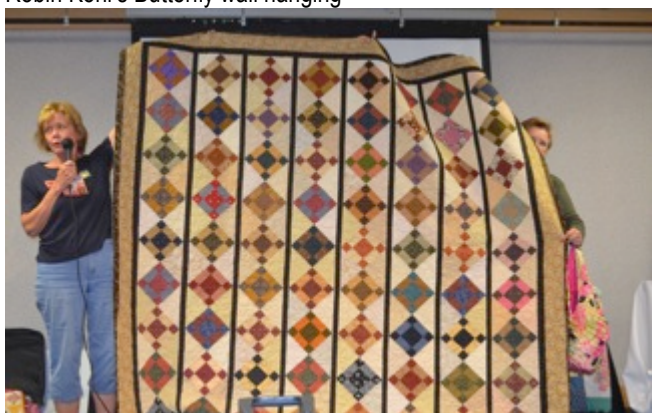
Dawn Bryant's president's block quilt



Robin Kohl's Butterfly wall hanging



Elaine Franks with "Bursting Buds" quilt



Carol Olson's block swap quilt.



Nussy Merchant's bargello quilt

Rate this:

Pinwheel Star

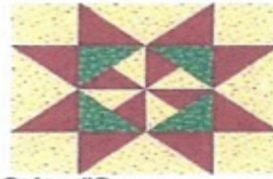
Pinwheel Star

Size: 12" Finished
Advanced Beginner Level

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS
1/4" seam allowance included in measurements

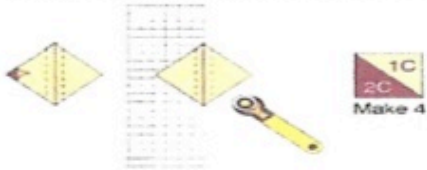
Background ... Color #1
... 1A - Cut 4 squares 3 1/2"
... 1B - Cut 4 rectangles 3 1/2" x 6 1/2"
... 1C - Cut 2 squares 3"
Red ... Color #2
... 2A - Cut 8 squares 3 1/2"
... 2C - Cut 2 squares 3"

Green ... Color #3
... 3A - Cut 2 squares 3 7/8"
... sub cut diagonally once to make 4 half square triangles

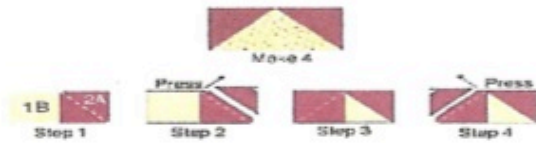


ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

Pieced Square: On wrong side of lightest fabric, draw diagonal line with the marking tool of your choice. Sew 1/4" seam on each side of marked line; cut apart on marked line. Press open to make pieced squares

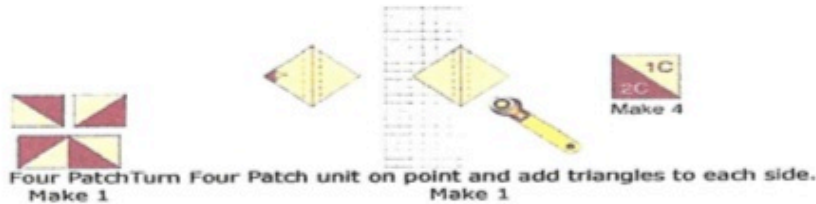


Flying Geese Unit: Layer square and rectangle. Sew directly on top of drawn line. Cut away excess fabric 1/4" from seamline. Press seam allowance. Repeat for other end of rectangle.



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ASSEMBLING SUB UNITS



BLOCK ASSEMBLY



ALTERNATE PATRIOTIC COLORS



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✓ OCTOBER CHECKLIST:

- Block of the month
- Your Nametag
- Birthday Club Donations
- Show and Share
- Community Service projects or donations.
- Boutique 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

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