

Women Of the West QUILTERS

<http://www.wowquiltguild.com>

November 2013

NOVEMBER PROGRAM Monday, November 25th, 2013 @ 7 p.m. Our speaker for November is Susan Fetter Ward. There will be a workshop on Saturday, November 23rd starting at 10am. Please contact Elaine Franks for information about the workshop.

President's Column



Dear Quilters;

I hoped you enjoyed the WOW Quilt Show as much as I did. It was a wonderful display of quilts and the products of the classes and activities that WOW has organized over the last two years. That was fun to see. I've attended A LOT of quilt shows this past year and I've noticed on thing this is consistent at each of them. When one is attending a quilt show, there is no government shut down, on devastating typhoons, and no bad weather outdoors. It's all about the quilts, the speakers and the great vendors to shop with.

I was sorry to miss Debbie Bowles' lecture in October. I think she is one of the most innovative quilt pattern designers out there. I understand she had you looking at blocks in different ways like a mind-bending exercise. While you were enjoying the Debbie Bowles lectures, I was at Houston Quilt Festival where I was able to answer the question: "How far will a person travel to attend a quilt show?" I met a woman with a slight British/Australian accent, so I asked here is she was from either of those places. She replied that she as from South Africa – and that she came to Houston FOR THE QUILT SHOW! So the answer is 'halfway around the world!'

I was pleased to learn that WOW has had some additional volunteers step forward for next year. Brenda Dunlavy will be our secretary, Lisa Olson will do our newsletter, and Renelle Kunau and Elaine Franks will coordinate programs for next year. We still need a membership chair or co-chair, as this is an important job

as well. I'm optimistic that someone or a group of quilters will step forward to greet us as we arrive for each meeting – and keep track of members and our dues.

Happy Quilting,
Lori Allison, President



Sample of Susan Fetter Ward's patterns

NOVEMBER GUEST SPEAKER: Susan Fetter Ward of Common Bias Quilting. Susan is a quilter, designer, and educator, who have worked within the world of quilting for 25 years. Susan's designs from Common Bias Quilting, allows quilters to easily and accurately stitch beautiful floating stars and charming woodland pines. Elongated triangles are transformed into easy to use squares and rectangles. Common Bias Quilting patterns provide a wide range of 6", 9" and 12" star designs, as well as a collection of pine tree variations.

Join Susan for an overview of these techniques, or

participate in the construction workshop that allows quilters the opportunity to create their own beautiful stars or northern pines. Quilters appreciate the nice sharp points produced using Susan's template guides, and easy to follow piecing diagrams. For a listing of available patterns from Common Bias Quilting visit www.commonbiasquilting.com. The workshop will be on the 23rd at Four Seasons. Please contact Elaine Franks for more information.



Another sample of Susan Fetter Ward's patterns
Elaine Franks, Vice President

Block of The Month

The block of the month for November is the "Signature Star" block, finished size 12". There will be a few paper copies available at the November meeting for January – December blocks.

Linda Waterman, Block of Month



B. O. M. for October

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.

2013 Quilt Show Winners

- 1st Place Applique – Sharon Dudziak
"In My Garden, at Last!"
- 2nd Place Applique – Bev Romfo
"Floral Dance Rhapsody"
- 3rd Place Applique - Renelle Kunau
"Classy Coneflowers"
- 1st Place Pieced – Jennifer Rose
"Harry Bookcase"
- 2nd Place – Pieced – Janet Anderson
"Space Crystal 2"
- 3rd Place Pieced – Sue Hauq
"Flamingo Christmas"
- 1st Place – Stars – Shawn Taylor
"Proud to be an American"
- 2nd Place – Stars – Dawn Thrift
"4th of July"
- 3rd Place – Stars – Karen Gallagher
"God's Blessing"
- 1st Place – Contemporary – Karen Gallagher
"Quiet Waters"
- 2nd Place – Contemporary – Shawn Taylor
"Glacier Star"
- 3rd Place – Contemporary – Renelle Kunau
"Spring Leaves"

Board Meeting October22, 2013

In attendance were Lori Allison, Elaine Franks, Renelle Kunau, and Diane Juul.

- Lori announced that Shawn Taylor would be leading the October guild meeting since she will be out of town.
- Mary mentioned the need for updated copies of the newsletter for the October meeting.

- Elaine mentioned the need to have several sets of sawhorses for the December meeting to support the quilt tying projects. Contact Elaine if you have a set to spare. She also mentioned that she is trying to line up musical entertainment for that evening.

- Several possible speakers were discussed for 2014

- Mary mentioned the need for a more streamline way of handling the dues, possibly a mail out that the members mail back to the committee. Also she mentioned the fact that we will need to recruit for the membership committee.

-Also mentioned was the problem that Birthday Club is having of quilters forgetting to put their names on gift bags.

- The meeting was adjourned with everyone having some task to accomplish.

Guild Meeting, October 28th, 2013 at Medina Entertainment Center

- Shawn Taylor, president for next year, opened meeting and greeted the new member and the one new guest.

- Patty Morris thanked all of the quilt show volunteers.

- Shawn reported that the boutique made \$1,955.00.

- Brenda Dunlavy reported that we had \$1,387.00 in raffle ticket sales.

- Also according to Janet Balej, treasurer, quilt show admissions were \$2,140.00 with 428 in attendance.

- Elaine Franks announced that there will be a workshop for November and one in January and she had sign up sheets for each workshop.

- Debbie Bowles gave her presentation "It doesn't have to match". Some new ways of looking at familiar patterns, such as changing color ways and cutting the blocks in half and rearranging them.

- After break, the Quilt show winners were announced and the quilters present with their prize winning quilts were shown.

- We received a thank you note from the Quilts of Valor Organization and Shawn Taylor read it.

- Block of the Month was shown.

- Community Service thanks everyone who participated this year.

- Birthday Club brought in \$32.50

- Show & Share had 11 projects.

- Meeting was adjourned.

Angela Coleman, Secretary

Board & Committee Members for 2014

Elected Positions

President – Shawn Taylor

Vice President- Elaine Franks & Renelle Kunau

Secretary – Brenda Dunlavy

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 - Lisa Olson

Resolution Quilts –

Retreat Coordinator – Nancy Erbst, Linda Lyndholm, Mary Inmna-Frobes

Small Group - Carole Olson

Sunshine & Shadow –

Web Mistress – LuAnn Sing

Monthly Program Schedule 2013

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

Craft & Bake Sale – Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church will hold its annual craft & bake sale on Saturday November 23rd for 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Large assortment of homemade candies, jams, jellies and sauces, lefse, baked goods, craft and quilted items. There will be homemade soups for lunch. You don't want to miss this sale. Address is 5005 Northwest Blvd., Plymouth, MN.

SAMPLES OF Debbie Bowles' Trunk Show



An example of cutting a panel to create a different effect



An example of using same pattern and different fabrics.



Carol Olson's rag quilt and little girl/doll apron set.



An example of using a focus fabric in all blocks for continuity.

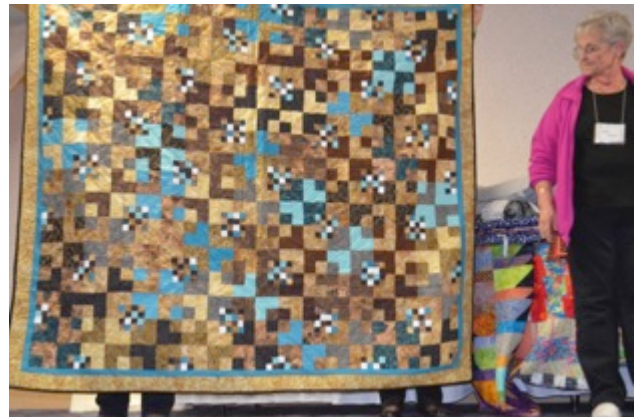


Robin Kuhls' "Forest Owls" quilt

Show & Share



Wendy Fedie "Dancing Quilt" from straight pieces



Lucy Joyce with "Soda Pop" quilt



Sharon Dudziak's "Curvy Quilt" form straight pieces



Suzanne Nelson's "Bargello Ribbon" quilt

Show & Share Continued



Suzanne Nelson's "Golden Rings & Stars" quilt



Karen Anderson's "Boxed In" quilt



Cheryl Vessels horse quilt



Karen Anderson's horses quilt

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✓ NOVEMBER 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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