



Women Of the West QUILTERS

<http://www.wowquiltguild.com>

January 2014

JANUARY PROGRAM Monday, January 27th, 2013 @ 7 p.m.

The guest speaker is Susan Cleveland. She will conduct a workshop the 27th @ 10am at the Medina Entertainment Center. See details below.

President's Column

The first of the year is a time to look ahead and start fresh. As we age we appreciate how quickly time passes. Let us all do a couple of wonderful things this year. What is on your bucket list? Do you want to go to Paducah Quilt Show in April, Houston Quilt Festival, or the De Moines Quilt Show? Maybe you want to enter your quilt in a show or at the Minnesota State Fair. Or have you always thought of teaching someone else to quilt?

Would you like to get some of your friends together and go on a retreat?

Do yourself and me a favor this year. Be good to yourself and do at least one of those things on your bucket list. Then come and share with our group. It will be an interesting year. The best thing you can do for yourself this year is to keep your "I love yous" up to date. You will not be sorry.

I am truly looking forward to working and getting to know all of you better. Please feel free to contact me about anything this year. I am here to serve you.

Happy New Year.

I am sew blessed,

Shawn Taylor, President

January Speaker: Susan Cleveland

Susan is a quilting designer, author and teacher. Her quilts are loosely based on traditional patterns and showcase precision piecing, thread embellishment, and details. Students enjoy her upbeat attitude, well-written instructions and one-on-one attention included in every workshop. Her quilts have received many awards in international-level competitions since 1997. She was named 2010 Minnesota Quilter of the year. Susan lives on 70 acres in southeastern Minnesota with her husband, 2

dogs, and a cat. Her two incredibly smart, talented children are in college.

We will be having a workshop with Susan Cleveland on January 27th starting at 10 A.M. at the Medina Entertainment Center. We still have one spot open. For those who need information on what to bring go to Susan's site www.PiecesBeWithYou.com/classes scroll down to look at the Happy Daisy list.

Looking forward to a fun day for all.

Elaine Franks, Vice President

Guild Meeting, December 9th, 2013 at Medina Entertainment Center

- Elaine Franks, VP, opened the meeting.

- A vote will need to be taken for increasing the memberships dues as a result of the increase in the room rental fee from \$75 per month to \$100 per month.

-Karen Anderson needs another individual to participate and share the responsibilities in the membership committee.

-Mickey Ellis and members of the Designing Women small group presented the Block of the Month for 2014. The theme will be "Across the States" in brights or Americana. Plus there will be a lottery competition "The Battle of the Blocks". More details to follow.

-Ugly fat quarter exchange was held.

- Secret Sister reveal and Resolution Quilts will have to be held January meeting.

-Show & Share

- Also Elaine announced there is going to be a member trunk show in March. Please see her for more details or to sign up.

-There were two visitors.

- Quilt tying and treats.

- 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 – Karen Anderson, ?

Newsletter Editor - Lisa Olson

Resolution Quilts –

Retreat Coordinator – Nancy Erbst, Linda Lyndholm, Mary

Inman-Forbes

Secret Sister -

Small Group - Carole Olson

Sunshine & Shadow –

Web Mistress – LuAnn Sing

WOW – 2014 BATTLE OF THE BLOCKS

Block of the Month for 2014 features a “battle” as described in the table below. Each participant chooses which “battle” they want to make and bring up to 3 blocks to the monthly WOW meeting. There will be 2 winners each month along with some other chances for prizes. We hope you participate in the fun. Your name goes in the drawing for each block you bring up to 3 blocks total. Designing Women Small Group - Carole, Diane, Marcey, Mickey, Norma, Rita, & Sandy.

January – starting our journey on the East Cost with Massachusetts block at:

<http://www.bellaonline.com/articles/art10205.asp>.

You will have 1 half square triangle piece left – bring it for the drawing, as they will work for parts of a border. Make 1 to 2 block of your choice of: Bright Blue & Red or Americana Blue & Red.



Samples of January 2014 B. O. M.

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.

December 2013 Quilt Tying



Sue Nelson with a new member.



Carole Olson, Mickey Ellis working on a quilt.



Linda Waterman, Brenda Dunlavy and Mary Havisto doing some tying.

Guest Speakers for 2014 (so far)

January - Susan Cleveland

February - Suzi Paron - Barn Quilts and the American Quilt Trail Movement

March - ?

April - Karla - Cherrywood Fabric - trunk show and will discuss the dying process they use to create their unique line of fabric

May - Jean Carlton - former Quilt Appraiser - trunk show of her antique quilts

July - Erica Plank of Unseen Hands - mainly embroidery

SHOW & SHARE

My apologies in advance for not having everyone's names under their picture, my Show & Share notebook disappeared in the a black hole, my sewing room, my car, or a trash can on accident.... Sigh. Angela



A very nice, large quilt done in muted greens, burgundy, blue and yellow.



Brenda Dunlavy with a wallet made in oil cloth.



Carol Henderson with two table runners.



Some mittens made from family member's Pendleton wool shirts.



Linda Waterman with a table runner made with blocks of exotic handwork.



Linda Waterman with a 'wine theme' table runner.

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✓ JANUARY CHECKLIST:

- Block of the month
- Your Nametag
- Birthday Club Donations
- Show and Share
- 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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