



# Women Of the West QUILTERS

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MAY 2016

## MAY PROGRAM

Monday, May 23, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m., at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church  
SPEAKER: Kate Eelkema – Finishing School for Your Quilt

### President's Column

#### To the Wonderful Ladies of WOW,

Happy, happy Mothers' Day! If your mom is still alive, hug her once for me. If you have lost your mom, find a lady at church, where you work, who is alone, maybe her family lives out of state and adopt her. Just giving someone a card will make her day. I always gave my mom and Grandmas a corsage. They wore them so proudly.

Karen, Steve and I had a super good time in Paducah. The quilts were unbelievable! We saw George at the museum—someone touched on of his quilts again! If you have never been to a national quilt show, put it on your list. Karen and I came back ready to take on the challenge quilt. Please sign up ladies. Try something new. Challenge yourself, your skills and your brain.

Get your gardens planted but do not forget to give yourself some time to create.

The first three day summer weekend is coming—Memorial Day. Please remember those who fought for our country to keep us free. Thank a veteran, police officer or highway patrol person for keeping us safe.

Drive carefully. Have a super month.

*Shawn Taylor, President*

### May 23<sup>rd</sup> - Lecture Kate Eelkema, Finishing School for Your Quilt

NQA Certified Judge Kate Eelkema has many interests, but her two passions are quilting and children's literature. After raising four daughters she enjoyed a career as an elementary media specialist, sharing great literature with hundreds of students every week. Since retiring she has been busy reading to her grandchildren, updating the library at the elementary school she attended as a child, planning studio tours for the Minnesota Quilters Guild, giving lectures on judging to area guilds, judging quilt shows, and trying to get a little quilting done.

#### Lecture:

You have taken a quilt project class, or followed a pattern in a book or magazine, and you have a quilt top completed - now what? How do you turn that quilt top into a completed quilt? What about the borders, batting, backing, basting, and binding? What should you know if you are going to enter your quilt into a show or competition? Join NQA Certified Judge Kate Eelkema as she shares great tips and hints for the quilt finishing process: information that can greatly improve the quality of - and your satisfaction with - the finished quilting project.



**The Quilts of Valor** group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at the Blue Bamboo quilt shop in Plymouth 10am-3pm.

We supply the fabric and the friendship and even have kits ready if you would like to take one home to work on. Come check us out! Next meeting is June 11th – hope to see you there!

**English Paper Piecing Small Group** meets at the Lunds in Plymouth on Hwy 55 and Vicksburg Lane.

All are welcome from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, the second Friday of the month. The next meeting is June 10<sup>th</sup>

**June 27<sup>th</sup> - Workshop and Lecture**  
**Ann Petersen,**  
**obsessivequilter.weebly.com**



Ann Peterson is an award winning quilter with 80 ribbons and counting. The winner of Regional and National Shows. She has 6 Craftsy classes. Her work has appeared in books and many magazines. Come to her workshop and learn more

about paper piecing.

**Workshop - Mini Licorice Star Garden - Paper Piecing in the Round**

This is a simplified version of Licorice Star Garden, which won a 1st Place in Houston World of Beauty Quilt Show. In this class you will learn paper piecing in the round and setting completed circles into a background.



**Lecture - History of An Obsessive Quilter**  
This talk and trunk show is about how I started to quilt and eventually became the quilter I am today. Trunk show includes items from my earliest class to my most recent show quilts

**There is still room to sign up**

**Angela's Activities Continue**

We now have 16 quilters signed up for the 5 UFOs challenge. April saw a lower level of participation in the small projects challenge.

I'm excited about **May's small project challenge: pincushion exchange.**

The pincushions can be a any style, color, shape or size. **June's small challenge project is a small bag exchange, tote or zipper style, any color or style.**

We also have one more exciting addition to our activities list. **For the month of September,** we will have a Make and Take session, along with the fall table runner or table topper challenge. Remember, that the September challenge will have a viewer's choice award. The picture below shows samples of the September



Make and Take projects: a yo yo bookmark, a wooden spool ornament and a finger

pincushion. Supplies you will need to bring: (3) 5" squares of fabric in your color choice, needle, thread, and scissors. All other supplies will be provided. As always, Keep calm and press to the dark side"

*Angela Coleman, Activities Chair*

**2016 WOW Quilt Challenge**

**Art to Fabric** - This quilt challenge asks the quilter/artist to select an artist or art style for inspiration and create a quilt from a particular picture, the style, color, shape, line, form, repetition, etc. Please don't create a literal copy but use for inspiration only as this must be an original design. Copyright laws do apply to this challenge.

We will have a section by the entry door where you can pay the \$5 entry fee and get your registration sheet. ***You don't have to know what you are doing yet. You just need to pay the \$5 to get the registration sheet. This way we can plan for how many are entering, etc.***

**Any questions please contact:** Robin Kohls ([robinkohls@hotmail.com](mailto:robinkohls@hotmail.com)) or Gail Bronner ([gbbonner@comcast.net](mailto:gbbonner@comcast.net))

**August 22<sup>nd</sup> - Workshop and Lecture**

**Cynthia England -**  
[www.englanddesign.com](http://www.englanddesign.com)

**Workshop - Small Landscape Class**

**Lecture - "Creating a Pictorial Quilt"**



**MULTI FAMILY GARAGE SALE**

**May 19 - 21, 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM**

**5417 Xylon Ave. N., New Hope**

Antiques, wood rocking chair, Dept 56,

**12 bins of quilt shop quilting fabric,**

new and used women's clothing,

household items, rubber stamps, scrapbook paper,

and hand tools.

WOW members may shop on Tuesday or

Wednesday by phoning ahead,

763-208-1567. Carole Olson



**April Show and Share**



← Karen Anderson shows fabric patriotic wreath

Lynda Guisinger – Stash Box Quilt made for her son. Material from MN Shop Hop ↓



April Speaker - Carol Taylor shows latest work with silk organza



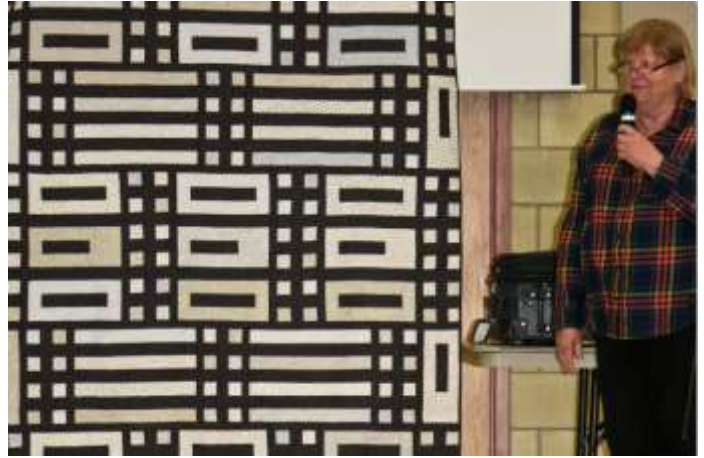
Connie Keustein shares embroidery and applique medallion quilt.



Sharon Peterson - 1/2 Jelly Roll Quilt



Cheryl Vessels – Wall Hanging Bears / Eagles



Rita Ranfranz – Pattern called Achoo made with Downton Abby fabric.



Linda Baule – Magic Flying Carpet – made from panels.



Suzanne Nelson Mobile Camper Table Cloth



## July 25<sup>th</sup> Picnic Mtg

The July Picnic is coming soon and we are planning a few games already for this day.

As a heads up, one of the games will include bringing Charm Squares (5") in the colors of red, white and blue. So if you are watching TV and need something to do you can cut some of those. I'm thinking about 10-20 will be a good number.

I will have the sign up list for the picnic food in May at the meeting.

*Robin Kohls, Vice President*

### ✓ MAY CHECKLIST:

- Your Name tag
- Birthday Club Donations
- Secret Sister Surprises
- Show and Share items
- Free books, magazines and fabric
- Your donation/service quilt

# Women Of the West

## QUILTERS

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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 monthly on the 4th Monday, at 7 p.m. at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5005 Northwest Blvd, in Plymouth. If there is a conflict with a holiday, or other changes in schedule, they will be noted in the newsletter and on our website which can be found here:

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