



Women Of the West

QUILTERS

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OCTOBER 2016

OCTOBER PROGRAM

Monday, October 24, 2016 @ Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Speaker: Vicki Pignatelli, Nurturing Your Creative Spirit

President's Column

It has started. Have you noticed? The maples on the boulevard in front of my house are already turning the most magnificent shades of orange, red and crimson. It's like someone took a torch to the branches and lit them all on fire! I love the fall, it's my favorite season, what will all the beautiful colored leaves, the cool fresh air and bright blue skies; it just doesn't get any better than Fall in Minnesota.

There's something about the cooler weather that makes me want to hunker down in my sewing room with my fabric, my thread and my machine and get to work on that quilt project I have been putting off all summer. It must be time to get to get to work on that Judy Neimeyer quilt I've been thinking about for so long.

I hope you get the chance to work on some of those projects you've been putting off all summer. You know, it's never too early to get started on that quilt for the next WOW Quilt show. Even though the show is a year away, we all know how fast 12 months can go by.

Please join me in thanking Terri Good and Janna Laumann for volunteering as the 2017 Quilt -Show Co-Chair persons. I'm sure they will do an amazing job. I'm already looking forward to next year's show!

See you in October.

Renelle Kunau, President

May your bobbin always be full.

October 24th – Workshop and Lecture
Vicki Pignatelli -
www.vikkipignatelli.com

Lecture - “Nurturing Your Creative Spirit: Personal Traits That Inspire Great Quilts”

Deeply influenced by her husband's bout with cancer and his recovery in 1993, most of Vikki's artwork now focuses on the themes of healing, spirituality, hope, and inspiration. In her writings and teaching, Vikki's focus is to inspire, nurture and develop the artistry and self-confidence within each quilter.



Workshop - Crazy About Curves: The Basics

All skill levels
Workshop - This class is for students who want a general overview of Vikki's construction technique.

In this class students will quickly master the basic concepts of Vikki's flexible, “no rules”, “no fear” Crazy About Curves technique using a small, simple teaching pattern (complimentary).



WOW Spotlight Member Angela Coleman



Where were you born and where do you live now?

I was born in Twin Falls, ID and I live outside of Rogers, MN now.

Approximately how long have you been a member of WOW? I have been a member for 5 years.

How long have you been quilting? I have been quilting on and off for 16 years.

What's the biggest change that has happened since you started quilting? Me! I've been willing to use orange and purple in quilts.

What's the most unusual place you have ever quilted? I've hand pieced blocks sitting in an office building lounge waiting for my husband.

What's your favorite quilt store? It would have to be The City Quilter in NYC. It's not the largest, but just being on vacation and being there in NYC, made it so special.

What's the furthest place you've ever shopped for quilting fabric? NYC.

What is your favorite quilting websites?

My favorite websites are:
crazymomquilts.blogspot.com, run by Amanda Jean Nyberg, co-author of Sunday Morning Quilts, and Quiltville, run by Bonnie Hunter.

What is your favorite thing to wear while quilting? My red reading glasses, I can't see the hole to thread my machine without them!

How many UFOs will you admit to? I have approximately 22 quilting projects and about that many other sewing projects as well.

What do your family members think/say about your quilting? Some are appreciative, while others feel I should spend my time making something more useful, like clothes.

Angela's Activities

October - needle book exchange, any design or color.

November - hot pot holders exchange, pieced or appliqué, any color.

How are your 5 UFOs doing? The UFO Completion Challenge is due by the November meeting, with prizes for those who finish all five UFOs. Have an awesome day and keep calm and quilt on.

Angela Coleman, Activities Coordinator

WOW Guild /Meeting Notes for Sept.

Here is a list of who we have for committees for 2017 and positions still needed:

- President:
- Vice President:
- Secretary:
- Treasurer: Brenda Dunlavy
- Community Service: Nancy Miller and Maple Grove Quilters
- Retreat Coordinator: Dawn Bryant and group
- Small Groups: Carole Olson
- Membership: Sonja Folven and Judy Mages
- Sunshine & Shadows:
- Secret Sister: Marcey Fahrenholtz
- Activities Coordinator:
- Web Mistress:
- Newsletter:
- Birthday Club:
- Social Media:

We had 39 members with 2 guests who joined as members. Birthday Club received \$54.00

Community Service made quite a few catheter bags. They are going to Methodist Hospital. The women at the Retreat made quite a few walker bags to give away also.



Please consider taking on a position with the guild. Perhaps ask a friend to share the role with you to have some fun.



What is Birthday Club and why do we do it?

Birthday Club was designed as a **FUN** and easy way for our guild to raise additional revenue each month and help keep our monthly dues down. At the guild meeting during your birthday month; guild members bring an item to the meeting that they would like to donate. It can be a fat quarter from your stash or anything else you would like to donate. Chocolate is always a huge hit. Members purchase "raffle" tickets for a **quarter** (25¢), and use the tickets to bid on the items that are for sale each month.

In the past, when our room rental was only \$50 - \$75 a night, the revenue generated by Birthday Club was usually enough to cover the room rental for our guild meetings. Unfortunately, the rental rate for our monthly meetings is now \$90 per meeting.

Let's Revive Birthday Club. All we need to do is **remember to bring an item to donate to the guild meeting the month of your Birthday.** It can be a fat quarter, a piece of chocolate, or anything else you wish to donate that is quilting related. Also, please know that you can bring your donations any time. We aren't picky! If you want to donate something every month, we will gladly accept your donations. Let's bring back the **FUN** of Birthday Club. It's always so exciting when you win that perfect fat quarter or yummy piece of chocolate that you were bidding on. And, the added benefit to the guild is that we can use the proceeds from Birthday Club each month to offset the expenses for our room rental, which in turn, helps us keep our annual dues to a minimum!

Happy Birthday Everyone!

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.

Newsletter Update

Brenda Hansen will be resigning as Newsletter Editor after this publication. I'd like to Thank Brenda for all her hard work and the wonderful job she has done this year. Thanks for keeping us all on track Brenda.

Don't worry, Lisa Olson has agreed to fill-in as the Newsletter Editor for the rest of 2017. A big Thank you to Lisa, for graciously offering to take over as Newsletter Editor for the balance of 2017.

If you get a chance, please thank both Brenda and Lisa for their time and dedication to WOW. Without them we would not have a newsletter each month!

Thanks Ladies!!!



WOW Quilt Show 2017 – Teri Good and Janna

Laumann have volunteered to Co-Chair the Quilt Show committee next year.

Also, Shawn Taylor, Karen Gallagher, Sue Haug, Brenda

Dunlavy, Jan Blackstad are the ladies in our group working on the raffle quilt and perhaps a few more. There are many volunteer opportunities.

Together, **WOW** will have another terrific show. *Thank you, Renelle*

The Quilts of Valor group will be at **Blue Bamboo Quilt Shop in Plymouth, MN the Second Saturday of the month from 10am - 3:30 pm (or whatever people can come for).**

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!

✓OCTOBER CHECKLIST:

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

Attention: All Small Quilt Groups

We would like to compile a list of all the Small Groups that are part of Women of the West. Once we have compiled the list we will publish it in the newsletter and post it on the website so that everyone is aware of all the small groups that are available within our guild.

If you have a small group or are interested in starting a small group; please email Renelle at wkunau@comcast.net and let her know about your small group. Please include the following information:

- Name of your group
- Focus of the group (ie: english paper piecing, art quilts, contemporary quilts, modern quilts etc.)
- When do you meet? and Where?
- How many members do you have?
- Are you open to new members or are you full?
- Please include any other information that you feene l is pertinent to your group.

Thank you for your time; we look forward to hearing from you!

September Show and Share

Cindy Stenson shows her Kitty Collage from a Laura Hein's pattern.



Diane Salls shows her pinwheel table runner.



Gail Bonner shows her Rainbow quilt – she made this when she broke her arm.



Lynda Guisinger shows her 5 yard quilt that she worked on at the September Retreat.

September Social: Make and Take



Dawn Bryant shows her Bali Stars quilt



Good Times had by All!



The ladies that attended the September Quilt retreat show off the challenge quilt results. Different fabrics and block layout.



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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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