

Women Of the West

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JUNE 2013

JUNE PROGRAM Monday, May 24th, 2013 @ 7 p.m.

First ever Members Garage Sale!!! Please bring your fabric to sale or trade and shopping bags to carry it all back home. If there are any leftovers that you don't want to keep, community services will probably take it off your hands.

President's Column



Dear WOW Members:

Perhaps we don't sew as much in the summer, as there are so many other activities – outdoor activities – that divert our attention. But, I've noticed that our

quilt guild attendance increases in the summer as we are much more likely to get out of the house – for any reason. I love our seasons; I just wish our winters were a tad shorter. I also love our opportunity to come together with other quilters and friends for dinner and an inspiring quilt program. If you haven't found a dinner group, just ask around or be bold and start one of your own. The food at Robert's Restaurant is divine.

Our summer line-up promises to be lots of fun. In June, Elaine has planned a first-ever, member-led garage sale of quilt-related items. So, if you haven't already, call her and get your table reserved. And, yes we will also have our regular business meeting along with Show & Share at the June meeting. So bring those quilts and projects that you finished over the winter to show us. Show & Share really is one of the best parts of the meetings. I know that I always enjoy showing my quilt creations AND derive pleasure in seeing what everyone else has created as well.

Just this week a friend called me to ask my opinion about sewing machines and sewing room furnishings. Well, you know that I had an opinion! I love, love, love a machine with a dual feed, but more importantly, I love a sewing room set-up that allows me to have a workspace on the side. I learned a lot of this from our local favorite sewing machine and sewing spaces expert (and July 's

presenter), John Giordano, who is also a very entertaining speaker. In August, we will host a local star in the long arm quilting business, Sophie Collier. She creates long arm patterns, teaches long arm quilting, and designs classes and finishes ribbon-winning quilts. She'll expand our horizons, no doubt.

It is only a few months until our fall quilt show, so I hope that you are thinking about your quilt entries and your boutique donations.

Happy Quilting,

Lori Allison, President



Just a reminder, in June we will have a member garage sale, you can still sign up for a table or half a table. Remember it has to be quilt-related. The tables should be set up by 6 P.M. and then once you set up, you should cover it with something. We will have our business meeting and then the sale will start.

If you haven't signed up just let me know at esfranks101@gmail.com.

Elaine Franks, Vice President

2013 - Round Robin Medallion Quilt

The first round of the Round Robin Medallion Quilt Group was distributed at the May meeting. The First Round: The first border should be symmetrical on all four sides. It should include rectangles or squares. Feel free to use the fabric that was included with the original medallion or to add some complementary fabric of your choice. Once the first border is completed, place your finished work in its bag and return it to the June WOW guild meeting to exchange it for another bag.

Second Round: Add a border to at least 2 sides of the work you received. This border should include triangles. Once completed, place the finished work in its bag and return it to the **July WOW guild meeting** to exchange it for another bag.

Third Round: The third border does not need to be symmetrical in shape, color, or style. It can be plain, pieced, embroidered, or appliquéd, etc. Once completed, place the finished work in its bag and return it to the **August WOW guild meeting.**

Final Step: After a piece has traveled through 3 rounds; its rotation will be complete. At that time, it will be shared at the August WOW guild meeting and then returned to you. We would love to see your medallion quilt after it has been quilted. If you are interested in entering your quilt in the WOW Fall Quilt show, please contact the WOW Quilt Committee. Important: This is a "blind" round robin. Please do not share what you are doing with any other guild member so that the final quilt top will be a surprise for the participants. The skill levels and interests of the participants will vary so this is a wonderful opportunity for you to use "orphan" fabrics and to try new techniques. You may also choose to donate the top or completed quilt to the guild's Community Outreach group.

Questions

If you have any questions please contact Renelle Kunau at 612-968-2262 or wkunau@comcast.net.

Quilt Show/ Raffle Quilt -

The first of the year has many members actively working All Committee chairs are filled.

<u>Title</u>: "Pieces of Our Lives" Consistent title and reusable signage.

Venue: Plymouth Creek Center

<u>Date</u>: October 12th, 2013, October 11th we will set up. <u>Quilt Categories</u>: Applique, Pieced, Best use of stars,

Art/Contemporary - 1st \$75, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$25 Raffle Quilt: Postcards and tickets will begin to be distributed at the May meeting. <u>Distribution of proceeds</u>: Meals on Wheels, Damascus

Way and Quilts of Valor.

<u>Speakers:</u> **Gudrun Gisladoottir** and a representive for 'Quilts of Valor'.

Boutique: Donations are coming in

<u>Special Exhibits</u>: WOW Challenge and Workshops, Hide and Seek Stars, Where in the World we donate, children's quilts

Lapel pins: for volunteers 75 to 100

Volunteers: Not yet

Quilt Registration: Pick up forms in June.

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

Thanks. Patti Marrin/ Julie Harstad



Close up of the raffle quilt for this year.

Quilt Show Boutique

Wonderful, amazing, super! Thank you for all the projects for the boutique. It was great last month that I had to make two trips to the car after club. Keep them coming. Thank you again.

Shawn Taylor, Brenda Dunlavy

Block of The Month

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

Linda Waterman, Block of Month



B. O. M. Club

Small Groups

"Make It Modern" meets at Make It Sew, 600 Market St., Ste. 110, Chanhassen, MN, 3rd Tues. each month, 6:30 – 8:30pm. Cost - \$7.00.

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 May 20, 2013

- Lori opened the meeting and welcomed the four guests.
- -Elaine mentioned the sign up sheet for continuing workshops and the sign up sheet for table reservations for the garage sale.
- -Elaine then introduced our guest speaker Heidi Haageson, author of "The Tenney Quilt".
- -Heidi shared how the "Tenney" quilt came into her possession and how her obsession to find out about the signatures and people behind the names on the quilt led her to the history of the "smallest town" in the USA. From its incorporation thru its demise. An interesting fact was that the quilt was made in order to raise funds to purchase a community center cook stove. Just all the interesting details of lost history of a community long gone.
- After break, Julie Harstad and Patti Marrin displayed the 2013 raffle quilt to a loud round of applause.
- Julie announced that the beneficiaries of raffle funds have changed to Meals on Wheels and Damascus Way. She also reminded us that quilt show registration will begin in June.
- Renelle spoke about the Round Robin Medallion project Details are on page 3 of this newsletter. Projects were exchanged between participants.
- Shawn Taylor introduced a new challenge quilt made with a "Strip" block. Directions below.
- A reminder was issued to pick up raffle quilt. Envelops with member names and one pack of 20 tickets are with the raffle quilt committee.

- Block of the Month was shown. June's block is Sawtooth Star. Worksheet in newsletter.
- Birthday club brought in \$89.00!!!
- Door prizes were handed out.
- Remember to stop by Secret Sister's table to pick up gifts.
- -Show & Share had ten projects.
- Meeting was adjourned.

Augela Coleman, Secretary



Heidi Haageson discussing the "Tenney" Quilt.



Close up of the "Tenney" Quilt

Shawn Taylor's "Strip" block pattern from May WOW meeting.

- Sew four 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ strips together to make a strata. Cut strata into blocks the same as your width of strata (8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ").
- Place two blocks right sides. Place blocks strips opposite of each other (one going vertical, the other going horizontal)
- Sew 1/4" all around block on outside edge.
- Cut block corner to corner twice. Then cut the two triangles. You should have four sections. Have fun mixing up blocks. Enjoy.

Monthly Program Schedule June - Dec. 2013

June – Member Garage Sale. See below **July** – John Giordano

August - Sophie Collier "Quilting the Quilt"

September – Celine Perkins of Perkins Dry Goods

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 – possibly snow dyeing fabric.

Community Events

June 15th – National Quilt in Public Day- a good chance to get together with quilting friends and storm the mall, coffee shop, library or park.

Quilts & Wines June 22, 2013 -10am - 5pm at Millner Heritage Vineyard & Winery, 3025 MN Hwy 15, Kimball, MN 55353 (320) 398-2081 sponsored by Gone to Pieces Quilt Shop & Millner Heritage Vineyard & Winery. Tickets \$10 in advance, \$12 day of event.

Headwaters Quilters Guild Quilt Show "Quilts of Lake Bemidji" – July 19th – 10am – 5pm and July 20th -10am – 4pm. Located at Evangelical Free Church, 115 Carr Lake Road SW, Bemdji, MN (218) 759-2310, admission \$3.00 for ages 12 and over.

Show & Share



Pat Twaits' hand colored fish quilt.



Gail Bronner's modern Christmas quilt



Carol Henderson's snowmen table runner



Cindy Stinson shared a crazy quilt she found.



Nancy Miller's strip quilt

Show & Share Cont.



Barb Vergin's embellished wall hanging.



Carol Olson's purple table runner.



A portrait wall hanging by Barb Vergin.

Sawtooth Star

Size: 12" Finished Beginner Level



Cutting Instructions:

Green

1-A ... 4 squares 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" 1-B ... 5 squares 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

1-C ... 4 rectangles 3 1/2" x 6 1/2"

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS Step 1. Flying Geese Unit

Draw a diagonal line on wrong side of Piece 2-A red squares. Layer Piece 2-A square and Piece 1-C green rectangle, right sides together. Sew on top of drawn line. Cut away excess fabric 1/4" from seamline. Press seam allowance. Repeat for other end of rectangle (Diagram I). Make 4.









Red



2-A ... 8 squares 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" 2-B ... 4 squares 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Diagram I

Step 2. Nine-patch unit

Using Diagram II as a guide, sew red (Piece 2-B) and green (Piece 1-B) $2\ 1/2$ " x $2\ 1/2$ " squares together to make nine-patch unit.

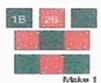


Diagram II

Step 3. Block Assembly

Using Diagram III as a guide, sew green 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" squares (Piece 1-A) to Flying Geese units and nine-patch unit together to make Sawtooth Star Block.

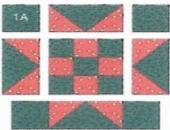


Diagram III

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QUILTERS

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✓JUNE 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

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