



East Iowa Heirloom Quilters

Cedar Rapids, Iowa

EIHQ was organized in October 1980, for the purpose of promoting the art of quilt making & related projects, and conducting educational programs on the design & technique of making heirloom & modern quilts.

President's Corner

November 2015

Dear Guild Members,

What a wonderful fall we are having. As I look outside and enjoy the colors all I can think of is beautiful quilts. I told my husband as we were driving to Des Moines a couple of weeks ago we are truly blessed with the beauty in Iowa this time of year. A guild member once said if you are having trouble putting colors together, just look outside. She is right. So I hope you are all inspired to work on a favorite project. Maybe it is something for you, your family or even the show. But once the weather cools down I love this time to be creative, and stay in to sew.

November the board and I will be kicking off with our first challenge. Please be ready to join us and have fun with it. We will explain at the meeting and have examples. The first hint is, it has something to do with a Strip. Come to the meeting and find out the rest.

I am looking forward to our speaker Ilene Bartos. The sample she gave us for the workshop is very beautiful and perfect colors for this time of year. I know we will see beautiful quilts come out of this class.

I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas. This is a very busy time of year for us all. I hope you get to spend it with family and friends. Take time out for yourself and enjoy the little things that make you smile.

Stitch with Care,
Sue



CALENDAR

- November 10 Quiltin' Bees, 5:00pm
Marion Public Library, Marion
- November 16 New Board Dinner, 6:00pm
- November 16 Art Quilters Meeting, 10:00am
Marion Public Library, Marion
- November 18 SOS, 9:00am-3:30pm
Guaranty Bank, Fairfax
- November 23 Guild Meeting, 9:00am & 6:30pm
American Legion, Marion
- November 26 **Thanksgiving**
- December 16 SOS, 9:00am-3:30pm
Guaranty Bank, Fairfax
- No Guild Meeting in December**
- January 25, 2016 Guild Meeting, 9:00am & 6:30pm
American Legion, Marion

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GUILD NEWS

FAT QUARTER LOTTERY

If you wish to participate in the fat quarter lottery, bring a fat quarter (quilt shop quality fabric) to either the morning or evening meeting.

At the morning meeting, look for Lorry Evans; at the evening meeting, look for either Debbie Wordehoff or Kristie Matson.

For every fat quarter you bring (bring as many as you wish), your name will be put in a drawing for a chance to win a stack of fat quarters.

If you have any questions, please call Jackie Mason at jacalynmason@yahoo.com

FAT QUARTER LOTTERY THEMES FOR 2016

January - Kona Solids
 February - Animal Prints
 March - Civil War
 April - 30's
 May - Batiks
 June - Flowers
 July - Patriotic
 August - Geometric Prints
 September - Leaves
 November - Christmas



The 2015 Quilt Show CDs

are now available for purchase at the November guild meeting!

Thank you Linda Sutherland for all your hard work compiling these CDs for us to enjoy!

Cards! Cards! Cards!

Do you have family birthdays coming up? Anniversaries? Maybe you'd like to simply say "Hello!" to an old friend.

We have a lovely selection of handmade greeting cards available for purchase at the November guild meeting. Get yours before they're gone!

OCTOBER SHOW & TELL

Michelle Chadima	Baby BQ4 Noah's Ark
Karen Stone	Patchabilities
	Thanksgiving
Pat Turner	Brick and Mortar SOS Quilt
Karen Jones	2 Leymoynne Star quilts
Kelli Wolf	Row by Row
Georgiana Diester	String bag
Don Dixson	Fabric Art
Janice Berridge	Sewing 1836 pistol and powder horn

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Membership is now at 206 members! We will continue to renew memberships at the November meeting, so stop by the membership table to sign up for your 2015-2016 Membership. Diana Fairchild will collect dues at the Membership Table, or you may mail checks payable to:

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SHARING OUR SKILLS (SOS)

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Home for the Holidays. What does that mean for you? How about helping others by making a pair of house blocks, or a quilt, for those who are less fortunate, to use in their new home! The pair of identical house blocks, unfinished at 6.5 inches, finished at 6 inches, will be put together in the " I Spy" type of setting, to go to little ones settling into their new homes. This month we have presented quilts to each member of 2 different families, when they received the keys of their new homes, obtained by working with Habitat with Humanity. The people we have helped in this way have been more than thrilled and humbled to receive their quilts. We try to give each child in these families a twin sized quilt; other organizations we work with have also requested twin sized (or larger) quilts.

One of the organizations we work with has also requested doll quilts, to be given out on an ongoing basis. What size? Consider the doll. When you have time, reach back, and picture the kind of quilt you would have wanted for your doll.....and pass that on to HACAP's younger clients.

Finished a quilt lately? Or not so lately! Have any binding left over? We are busy using all the **BITS** and **BOBS** of your leftover bindings that you all have put in our **BLUE BUCKET**. We will be taking any and all your leftover bindings on an ongoing basis....we keep finding more and more patterns that lend themselves to these strips.

We will meet in both November and December at the Guaranty Bank, Highway 151, Fairfax, Iowa, on November 18, and December 16, to partake of our always-outstanding potluck lunches, as well as working on quilts for those we strive to help. You can cut, sew and/or tie quilts the day away, or any part, thereof; we begin at 9:30, and go to about 3:30. We recently provided a quilt to a recent refugee from Africa, who had nothing to cover up with in his bed. We are supplying quilts to these refugees through the Cedar Rapids School District. When I heard how thrilled he was, it brought tears to my eyes. Who better to receive your works of labor and love?

Thank you all for what you have done and will do for SOS, and those we seek to help, by providing them with quilts.

Mary Burgess, Diane Eimen and Suzanne Mullins



Image courtesy of Cluck, Cluck Sew

QUILT SIZES		
	WIDTH	LENGTH
CRIB	36-45	45-54
LAP	54-60	68-76
TWIN	56-64	84-100
FULL	70-80	84-100
QUEEN	76-84	90-104
KING	90-100	90-104

Image courtesy of The Sassy Quilter

EIHQ Spring Retreat

February 26-28, 2016

Hosted by Diana North and Jackie Mason

If you are looking for sewing time in a relaxed and fun environment, this retreat is for YOU!

The retreat begins at 9:00am on Friday and ends at 2:00pm on Sunday. On Saturday night, we will be doing a "show and tell" of projects we are working on at the retreat.



For those of you who have not attended a retreat at Prairiewoods, it is located in a beautiful, wooded setting. We sew and eat in one building, and overnights will sleep in a separate dorm building. Prairiewoods' staff wonderfully prepares all meals, and each dorm room has two twin beds, with a shared bath between two rooms.

We will be again offering the "commuter" option for up to 10 people who opt not to stay overnight. This option is available on a first come, first served basis for 10 registrants (5 rooms) only. Registrants' retreat status will be confirmed by email approximately two weeks after the January 15 mailing date. Non-members are welcome, but spots will go to EIHQ members first. There will be a waiting list if the retreat is full.

For questions, please contact:

Diana North (319) 310-3388; dinorth55@gmail.com

Jackie Mason (319) 213-7612; jacalynmason@yahoo.com

It will be a great weekend; please come and join us!

EIHQ Spring 2016 Retreat Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City,State,Zip:_____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Non-member: _____

Name for nametag _____

Roommate preference (or we can assign one) _____

Need a first floor room? (circle) YES or NO; First time at an EIHQ retreat? YES or NO

Food allergies: _____

Will you be staying overnight? YES or NO

Would you like to schedule a massage? YES or NO (a one hour massage for \$55.00) *You will pay the massage therapist directly the day of your massage.*

The cost for retreaters who wish to commute is \$100. Quilters who want the full retreat experience can stay in the guesthouse for \$175.00 (double occupancy); \$200 (single occupancy). **Please state your preference and mail your check for either \$100* or \$175* or \$200* on or after January 15 to:**

Diana North

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QUILT SHOW NEWS

Threads of Time

May 11-14, 2016
Classes & Judging Begin May 9

YOUR QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE:

Marcia Hinrichs
Jodie Shelledy
Kathy Robbie
Diana Fairchild
Deb Murphy



We have a judge! Her name is Doris Goins. If you would like to know more about her, check out her website www.dorisgoins.com. Keep working on your quilts...or start working on your quilts for the show. I'm looking forward to having a wonderful show.

Jodi Shelledy

Time for your Challenge Quilt Info!!

Your challenge is a little different this time. The President's Challenge and the Chair Challenge will be combined and made in **ONE** quilt.

Sue Halley is the in-coming President and is presenting the President challenge for you. Her challenge for you is to use the color **YELLOW** somewhere in your quilt.
Deb Murphy is presenting the Chairman's Challenge.
Her challenge is for you to use **HALF SQUARE TRIANGLES** in your quilt.

Okay...easy, right??

The real challenge - We would like to see you get creative and use your own layout. Half square triangles can be laid out in many ways. Try something new! Your own design! Just remember to add yellow somewhere. No pressure. Have fun. At this time we haven't put any restrictions on size.

Let the fun begin!!
Sue and Deb





I am coordinating the quilt show volunteers for both EIHQ and MQS. Pam Hutchison has agreed to assist me. Volunteers will be needed Monday, May 9 for set up and judging. The exhibits and classes run from Wednesday, May 11 thru Saturday, May 14. Mark your calendars! Volunteer needs will be similar to the needs of the past several years. Volunteer sign-ups begin in January or February--watch for details!

Marcia Hinrichs

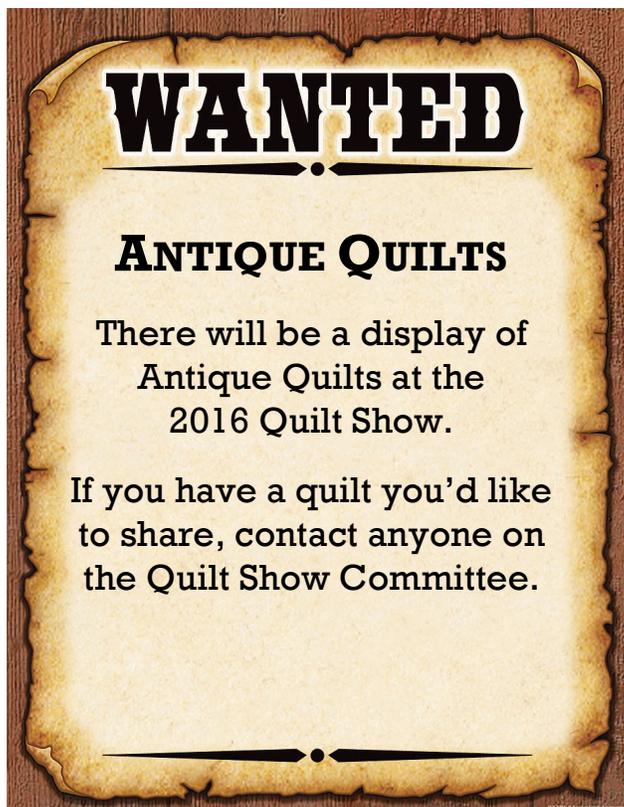
Quilts for Sale & Boutique!

In the 2016 quilt show Quilts for Sale and the Boutique will be combined – we are currently looking for a chair or co-chairs for this position....we can provide plenty of help but are seeking someone to head this money making event....

Are you working on your quilts for the show? Keep your scraps for boutique items and quilts for sale.... As you go about your holiday errands keep an eye out for items for the baskets...thank you Kathy Robbie, entries chair.

2016 EIHQ RAFFLE QUILT

The Raffle quilt for the MQS and EIHQ show is at the quilter's. We will have tickets available at the January meeting for members to pick up. If you are not going to be available at the meetings in January and February, please let Diana Fairchild know at dsfairchild@yahoo.com to make arrangements to receive your tickets. Remember this is one of the best ways we can raise money for the guild.



Quilt of Valor Booth?

YES -- I wish to confirm the rumors ... I will be "woman-ing" the QOV Booth at our MQS/EIHQ Quilt Show in May. All of you will have an opportunity to participate (details to come!). This is a very proud and humbling assignment for us. Your ideas will be greatly appreciated ... but ... surprise, surprise, I have a few of my own!!

Stay tuned! More to come!

Elayne

Monday, November 23 Meeting Presentation

Welcome Ilene Bartos

Website: www.ilenebartos.com

9 am Lecture: Maple Leaf Quilts

6:30 pm Lecture: Borders, Sashings, and More



Ilene has been working with fiber arts and quilting for almost twenty years, designing both traditional and art quilts. Her works have hung in galleries and shows and won various awards and ribbons. She enjoys being a speaker for guilds and sharing her quilts through trunk shows. Her first book "*Maple Leaf Quilts*" through Martingale Publishing was released in March 2008. The book highlights innovative ways to use the traditional Maple Leaf block and shows nine techniques for making points. Her second book "*Spectacular Rectangles*" came out in 2010.

Monday, November 23, Workshop (12:30-4:30 pm)

Note: This is a 4-hour Workshop

Ilene Bartos - \$40.00 Plus Supplies



Autumn Paths teaches the following techniques: Color Theory, How to Sew Braids, Partial Seaming, and Flat Fold Piping. This project can be done in a wide variety of color schemes - so pick your favorite focus fabric and have fun. All cutting is done prior to class. \$12 pattern required.

2015 EIHQ GUILD WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Program Chair: Jackie Mason (319) 213-7612 jacalynmason@yahoo.com
Program Co-Chair: Jan Felthous (920) 988-1339 jfelthous@wi.rr.com

Your Name _____ Date Rec'd _____
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TEACHER	DATE	DAY	WORKSHOP	COST	TOTAL
Gudrun Erla	March 23	Monday	Quilt As You Go (<i>Fast & Furious Home</i> book required) Can be purchased from Gudrun	\$40	
Deanne Eisenman	April 27	Monday	Wool applique project (pattern required*)	\$30	
Wendy Read	May 26	Tuesday	Art Quilt Embellishing	\$30	
Bonnie Hunter	July 28	Tuesday	WORKSHOP FULL/WAITLIST Contact Jackie Mason to be put on WL	\$100	
Cathy Busch	August 24	Monday	Brave New World (pre-sewing required)	\$30	
Missie Carpenter	September 28	Monday	English Paper Piecing (hand) (kit fee of \$5 required*)	\$40	
Ilene Bartos	November 23	Monday	Autumn Leaves (pattern required*) (pre-cutting required)	\$40	

***Payable at class time.**

1. Registrations paid for at the time of registration are placed on the PAID/CONFIRMED list.
2. Registrations not accompanied by payment are NOT CONFIRMED and are put on a waiting list subject to available space at the time of payment. Once payment is received, if space is still available, class registration is confirmed. No one will be considered registered for a class until payment is received.
3. At 10 days prior to the class, all vacancies become available to non-guild members at an additional fee.
4. Payment is refundable if cancelled at least two weeks prior to the day of the workshop.
5. One check may be made out to EIHQ for all workshops chosen.
6. Workshop fee does not include supplies. Supply lists are available on the EIHQ website, www.eihqguild.com, under 2015 Programs and Workshops.

Complete and mail this form to: Jackie Mason, 2736 Cornerstone Court SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403



Looking for Retreat Leaders

Interested in hosting a retreat? If so, contact Jackie Mason at jacalynmason@yahoo.com. Below are the dates for upcoming retreats.

February 26-28, 2016

September 23-25, 2016

March 31-April 2, 2017

September 22-24, 2017

LIBRARY CORNER

For each guild meeting, I bring about thirty books from our collection. Books may be checked out for a month. We have an extensive collection of quilt books that will challenge and inspire you for a *looong* time. We also have some quilt-related novels for those times when you need a little entertainment. There is a list of available titles on the web site (updates coming).

If you are looking for a special title, call ahead and I will bring it to the meeting. How's that for service?!

Stop by my table and say hello!

~Karen Bronkhorst



Do you have an idea....?

If you have ideas/suggestions for guild activities, please send them to Jackie Mason at jacalynmason@yahoo.com.



Quilters (Musical)

by: Molly Newman and Barbara Damashek

Performances: February 18, 19, 20, & 21- 2016

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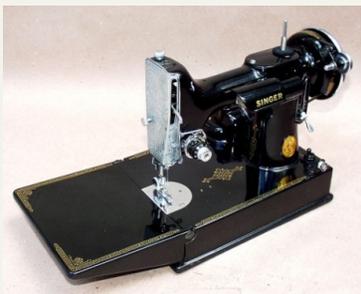
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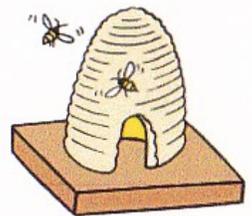


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