



# East Iowa Heirloom Quilters

## President's Corner

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Hello EIHQ Members,

I sure hope everyone is trying to stay cool while we have this heat wave. Here it is the last minute to finish bindings and get labels on quilts for State Fair. It is so hard to have the quilts draped over yourselves when it is so warm. Oh well, that will teach me not to wait until the last minute. I can only hope that it is cooler weather during the fair as I love to walk around and see it all. I hope to see many of our members quilts at the fair as well.

I have heard from many members that they had a wonderful time at the June Retreat Day. I was thrilled to see so many participate with the hand motions to the board's line dance. At times you just have to have a little fun! A big thank you to Kathy Robbie and Karen Bronkhorst for doing all the final touches. It was a fun day. Now I am looking forward to our speaker in July—Lynn Hagmeier with Kansas Troubles. That is one of my favorite lines of fabric.

Remember there is no morning meeting in July- only an evening one. Class is in the morning starting at 9:00.

Hope to see you there,

*Sue*



### AM Fat Quarter

#### Lottery Winners:

**Shirley Rinderknecht  
Lynn Stansberry  
Jan Feltes**

### PM Fat Quarter

#### Lottery Winners:

**Kelly Buller  
Lynn Stansberry**



## Meet A Member

The  
YoYos  
Small  
Group



## Jodi Shelledy

Jodi's hometown is New London, Iowa, and she currently lives in Lisbon. She attended New London Community Schools, St. Lukes School of Nursing and the University of Colorado Denver. She worked as a labor and delivery nurse at St. Lukes Hospital for four years and then in the office of Drs. Scholl, Shirk and Barker, which eventually merged with OB-Gyn Associates. She was a nurse practitioner for nearly thirty years.

Jodi grew up with mom, Vera, dad, Kenneth, two sisters, Dianne and Janet and one brother, Jim. Sister Janet quilts and considers Jodi her mentor, which Jodi finds ridiculous!

Jodi joined the EIHQ guild in 2003, but began sewing much earlier, at the age of eight. Her grandmother taught her how to sew using her stash of feed sacks on her featherweight machine, which Jodi now owns. She wishes she still had that stash of feedsacks! She always liked quilts, but never had a desire to make one herself until 2002, when she spotted a rag quilt that intrigued her. Her friend and quilting mentor, Judy Greco, helped her make that quilt, and Jodi never looked back!

Jodi's favorite thing about quilting is the whole process. Her least favorite chore is deciding on how to quilt it once the piecing is done. She professes to not being very creative. Jodi admits to making plenty of mistakes while quilting, but none so serious that she had to dump the whole project. Those of you who know her know she is a very positive person. She sees mistakes as opportunities for change, and sometimes big changes of plan.

Jodi has a son who owns his own business and lives in Kansas City with his partner, Brooke, and a daughter who lives in Lisbon with her partner, Chad. She has two adult granddaughters, Rachel and Callie.

Some of the most fun Jodi has is associated with quilting, and that is spending time with her small group, the YoYos. They go on retreats together, as well as meeting twice monthly as a "Sewing Sisterhood". She also enjoys reading.

### Jodi's Dip as shared at the June Day Retreat

**8 oz. cream cheese, softened**  
**1 c. sour cream**  
**1 package Ranch Dressing mix**

**Mix together and spread in a 9-inch pie plate. Top with chopped lettuce, tomato, bacon, cheese, chives, or whatever you wish. Enjoy with tortilla chips.**

# SOS : Sharing Our Skills



For all of you "Quilt MD's" , we thought we would pass some along some of the feedback we have received on our fidget quilts. Some of the observations include that we should think of the people receiving our fidget quilts as "toddlers, but stronger". As with toddlers, the patients can be prone to put things in their mouths, or try to rip things off the quilt. Accordingly, anything included on a fidget quilt should be securely attached and not sharp in nature. A good size for them are about 24" square and if backed with flannel, they are less likely to slip off their laps. The hospice/nursing homes we provide quilts to also have a need for lap sized quilts.

## SOS WEDNESDAY

JULY 19th  
9:30-3:30.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
1620 E Ave NE

Come help sew, tie and partake of an award winning potluck! Any amount of time is appreciated; you need not be able to stay the whole day! Never tied a quilt before? We can teach you in no time!

We have recently given out quilts, for the first time, to the Freedom Foundation, 609 Center Point Rd NE. This organization helps veterans, and is about to open a 6 bed shelter for veterans. We provided them with twin sized quilts and pillowcases for those beds, as well as some others who have a residence. They have a food pantry, provide lunch each Thursday for 25 to 60 people, as well as having computer access for the veterans, along with other services. We also recently provided quilts to Heritage Memory Care and ASAC, amongst others.

We will be working all day on our meeting day, [July 24th](#), as there is no morning meeting. We will begin at 9:30, and again will have quilts to tie or sew, depending on your preference, and any time you can spend helping out is appreciated. We thank you for all generous contributions of your time, fabric and expertise!

Mary Burgess, Diane Eimen and Suzanne Mullins

# QOV: Quilts of Valor

## Freedom Stitchers of Iowa



Hi everyone!!! What a huge couple of months we've had with Quilts of Valor®! With QOV Annual Conference and Freedom Festival "Voices of Hope Concert", a beautiful Presentation for 15 Honored Vets, behind us, we are definitely energized with the joy of Honoring our Vets!

I personally want to thank all of you who have made this growing endeavor such a wonderful success! Lots of you have donated quilts, pillow cases, fabric, along with support! It is truly humbling.

This month will mark the beginning of our third year. With two years now behind us, I can report that we are working on our 384<sup>th</sup> quilt, have awarded more than 200 Veterans with them!

When we started, I heard lots of you say: "Oh, Quilts of Valor has too many rules!" Hopefully you have learned that statement is not accurate. I only know of 4. (1) YES, we want quality fabric, (2) YES, we want a size of approximately 60x80 "ISH", (3) YES, the quilts must be machine quilted, and (4) YES, the finished quilt should not look like a flag. Those are the "rules". I have never understood the rumors.

Our list of registered recipients who are waiting for a quilt is growing faster than we can produce quilts. I am inviting any and all of you who need a "purpose" for your quilts to check out Quilts of Valor® and our Freedom Stitchers of Iowa group. Our goal is one of the most rewarding things I've ever done - to honor our Vets. We need folks who make quilt tops, and longarmers!

Freedom Stitchers will be meeting on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> this month. We will have an all-day Open House at my house. Please call (319-551-4492). Please join us. Please make a quilt for a Veteran. Any questions? Just ask a member of Freedom Stitchers of Iowa (or me). We'd love to have you. Come and see the joy that these simple quilts bring to our Vets. It is one way we can thank them for the freedoms we enjoy today.

See you soon!

*Elayne*



**ART QUILTS** display at Lowe Park Arts & Environment Center  
located at 4500 N. 10th Street, Marion

Art Connects Us - exhibit by Iowa Art Quilters  
Sat. July 1 - Fri. Aug. 25

Five of the exhibits feature challenges along with other individual pieces,  
some of which are for sale.

Three of our local guild members are members of this group which meet monthly  
in Grinnell.

There will be a **reception** held on Thursday, July 13 from 6:30-8:00 pm.

**Fat Quarter Lottery Fabrics**

July	Patriotic
August	Beach/Summer
Sept	Batiks
Nov	Christmas/Holiday

**PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS**

Below are upcoming programs and workshops. More information about this year's programs and workshops (along with supply lists) can be found on the guild's website, [eihguild.com](http://eihguild.com). To register for a workshop, complete the workshop registration form (in this newsletter and on the website) and turn it into Kathy Robbie at a guild meeting or mail it to her at the address on the form. Workshops are held at the American Legion from 1:00 to 4:00 unless noted. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Robbie, Program Chair, at 319-481-7361; [kkrobbie@netins.net](mailto:kkrobbie@netins.net). Thank you for your support.

**July 24, 2017 (no morning meeting)**  
**Lynne Hagmeier, Kansas Troubles**  
**[www.ktquilts.com](http://www.ktquilts.com)**  
**6:30 pm Lecture: Moda and Beyond**

Lynne began quilting more than 20 years ago after taking a class at her local quilt shop, The Quilting Bee in Salina, Kansas. Kansas Troubles Quilters was born the next

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year when she and two friends collaborated to make and sell small quilts at craft fairs. After a few years, Lynne and one of the other women decided to publish their original patterns and attended their first wholesale market. In 2000, Lynne took the next step and partnered with Moda Fabrics to design fabric collections based on her signature warm, country colors and nature-inspired motifs. For seven years, Lynne and her husband, Robert, shared their passion for quilting by hosting retreats at KTQ's home base in Bennington, Kansas. Now she's traveling to quilt shops and guilds teaching classes and sharing her quilts and their stories with quilters all over the country. Lynne has designed and written a series of six Quilter's Journal quilt patterns based on historical events, more than two dozen books and 75 patterns, and 30 fabric collections to date. Lynne is the author of Piecing the Past: Vintage Quilts Recreated by Kansas Troubles and Border Garden: Kansas Troubles Favorites Projects for Your Home.

**July 24, 2017**  
**Lynne Hagmeier**  
**Workshop: Cactus Stars/Rustic Stars**  
**5-hour workshop 9 am to 2 pm**  
**\$30 for class / 25 person maximum**

**Lynne has simplified the traditional Hunter's Star block with Kansas Trouble's Layered patchwork technique for easier piecing and more perfect results. Layer diamonds on triangles for simple square blocks. Kits are available. If you want to purchase a kit, you must let Kathy Robbie by June 26. Price of kit, book and ruler are included on the supply list on the guild's website, [www.eihqguild.com](http://www.eihqguild.com)**

**August 28, 2017**  
**Sheila Williams**  
**9:00 am and 6:30 pm**

I love quilting and especially making miniatures and small block quilts. In addition, I love making the same block over and over again. I know, crazy, huh? And the scrappier, the better. I have been quilting since 1999. Around that time, Jo Morton was a speaker at the guild. She agreed to spend the night with a guild member and that ended up being my mom. Of course, I loved all of her work but wasn't really into quilting yet. That didn't stop me from going over to my mom's for the opportunity to meet Jo. As it turned out, Jo gave both my mom and me a trunk show right there in my mom's living room. That was all I needed to learn to quilt. And honestly, what was I waiting on? Both my mom and my sister quilt. I had teachers right there at my disposal. Within the year, I was headed to Paducah, building my stash, and starting way more projects than I could possibly complete. I was hooked. I look forward to sharing my journey with you during the August meeting and with those of you who choose to take my class, "Miniatures and Small Block Quilts."

**August 28, 2017**  
**Sheila Williams**  
**Workshop: Pint Size Stars**  
**1:00-4:00 pm**  
**\$15 for class/20 person maximum**

This is a miniature workshop. Kits are available for \$15. Supply list is on the website, [www.eihguild.com](http://www.eihguild.com).

**September 25, 2017**  
**Scott Flanagan**  
**9:00 am and 6:30 pm**

Scott grew up in Longmont, CO. He comes from a family of crafters and woodworkers. His love of quilting started with his maternal grandmother. While growing up, he spent many hours helping her piece quilts for Lutheran World Relief, family and friends. In all, his quilting journey spans more than 20 years. Scott has made more than 300 quilts through the years, and his personal collection now contains about 150 of his favorites. Scott loves to make special quilts for family and friends, sometimes for no reason at all, but partly for the joy it brings, and to see the reaction when the quilt is received. In 2011, he started his own pattern design company, “*4th and Main Designs by Scott Alan Flanagan*”, and spends much of his free time designing quilt patterns exclusively for Country Traditions. Scott loves the endless possibilities available when designing patterns. Scott was recently featured in *Quiltmaker* magazine.

**September 25, 2017**  
**(12:30 pm to 4:00 pm)**  
**Scott Flanagan; \$30**  
**Workshop: Charming Christmas**

Scott Flanagan teaches his lovely Charming Christmas pattern. Turn those fun Christmas Charm Packs into a whimsical Christmas tree wall hanging; it's an easy project, makes a great gift. Supply list is on website, [www.eihguild.com](http://www.eihguild.com).



## 2017 EIHQ GUILD WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

**Program Chair:** Kathy Robbie (319) 481-7361 [kkrobbie@netins.net](mailto:kkrobbie@netins.net)  
**Program Planning Chair:**

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TEACHER	DATE	DAY	WORKSHOP	COST	TOTAL
Table Rental	January 23	Monday	Clean your sewing room & make some \$	\$15/table	
Cindy Salat	February 27	Monday	Fun With Free Motion Quilting	\$15	
Stephanie Soebbing	March 27	Monday	Wildflower Meadow	\$30	
Marilyn Lee	April 24	Monday	"Bits and Pieces": Beautiful Art Quilts From Your Scraps (12:30 to 4:30)	\$30	
Ami Simms	May 22	Monday	Freedom to Feather	\$30	
Ami Simms	May 23	<b>Tuesday</b>	Beautiful Basic Bindings for Beginners (all day workshop)	\$35	
Lynn Hagmeier	July 24	Monday	Cactus Stars/Rustic Stars (5 hour workshop). Time (tentative) 9:00-2:00 (includes 1 hour lunch)	\$30	
Sheila Williams	August 28	Monday	Miniature and Small Block Quilts Kit is \$15	\$15	
Scott Flanagan	September 25	Monday	Charming Christmas (12:30 to 4:00)	\$30	

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.

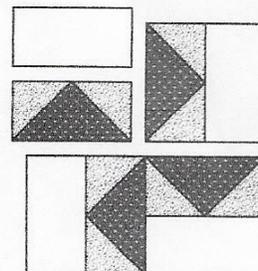
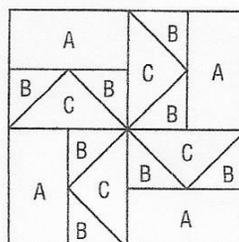
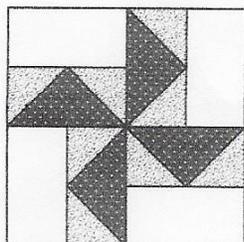
# President's Challenge Block of the Month

## Louisiana

4-Unit Grid

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FINISHED BLOCK SIZE

FOR 1 BLOCK:

		12"
Light	A: 4	3½" x 6½"
Medium	B: 4	3⅞"
Dark	C: 1	7¼"

There was no Block of the Month drawing in June to smaller-than-normal attendance at the Retreat Day.

**Less is More  
A Sew-Batical**

**September 22 - 24, 2017**

**EIHQ Fall 2017 Retreat**

**Prairiewoods, 120 E Boyson Rd, Hiawatha**

**Retreat Hosts:**

**Cindy Barrios & Debbie Wordehoff**

Please join us for a relaxing and fun weekend of sewing and spending time with 30 of your fellow quilters!

Our Quilt Shop vendor will be Connie's Quilt Shop from Marion. They will be setting up shop at Prairiewoods on Friday morning to enable retreaters to purchase items throughout the weekend!

There will be a snack table available if you would like to bring a snack to share during the retreat. There will be a free table if you want to give your fellow quilters a chance at stuff you no longer need.

We will have some demonstrations!

All of the above are optional activities for additional fun at retreat. The point of the retreat is to relax and have fun!

For any new people considering attending this retreat, Prairiewoods is a beautiful retreat center set on 70 acres of timber and fields, with walking paths and even a labyrinth! The Prairiewoods staff prepares all meals and is able to work with you if you have dietary restrictions. We eat and sew in one building and sleep in another building (if choosing to spend the night). Most of the sleeping rooms have 2 twin beds and a shared bath with one other room. There are a limited number of single rooms and first floor rooms as well.

Prices are \$115 for commuters, \$190 for overnight double rooms and \$225 for single rooms.

The registration form will be in the July Newsletter. Forms may not be postmarked before Tuesday, August 29. If we have more people sign up than we have room for, we will have a drawing and the rest will be put on the waiting list.

If you have questions, please contact:

Cindy Barrios  
Debbie Wordehoff

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**Less is More  
A Sew-Batical**

**September 22 - 24, 2017**

**EIHQ Fall 2017 Retreat Registration Form**

**\*\* Forms must be mailed and not postmarked before Tuesday, August 29, 2017**

**Participant Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Member? \_\_\_\_\_

Fist time at an EIHQ Retreat? \_\_\_\_\_

Please bring a Name Tag you already have.

Do you have any food allergies? Please list: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to schedule a massage during retreat? 1 hour \$65 \_\_\_\_\_  
(you will pay the massage therapist directly at the time of service)

**Cost of Retreat (please select one option):**

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2) I would like to stay overnight with a roommate (\$190) \_\_\_\_\_

3) I would like to stay overnight in a single room (\$225) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of roommate (or we can assign one ) \_\_\_\_\_

Need a first floor room ? \_\_\_\_\_

*Participants will be selected in the order received. Preference will be given to EIHQ members first. There will be a waiting list if more registrations are received than spots available.*

**Please mail your check (payable to EIHQ) and registration form on or after Aug 29, 2017 to:**

Debbie Wordehoff  
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Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

**For questions please contact:**

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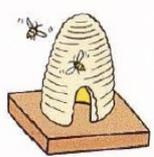
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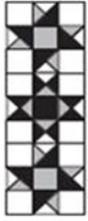
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