



East Iowa Heirloom Quilters

President's Corner



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HELLO QUILTERS!

Happy Summer!! I am trying to decide if I should weed the garden or sew that project; should I weed or sew—instead I read a book!

So that means that the idea of catching up on those “have tos” will wait another day! But it's summer and I needed to relax, right? Right! I am looking forward to adding texture to my quilting and finding out more about using wool with with Dawn Hesse this month.

Did you enjoy the “tea party? I did and so did my hat. (Sorry if you missed it!)

Remember the name-tag police will fine you \$.25 if you forget to wear your name tag. And have you started on your “Phd” (projects half-done)? I have! We'll have to share ideas at the meeting.

Keep on sewin'!

Fat Quarter Lottery

AM Winners:

Suzanne Mullins
Sandy
Lynn Stansberry

PM Winners:



Meet A Member

Elayne Gasset

Where to begin – I’ve been called “diverse, strange, A.D.D.” all my life – but I, of course, call me “normal”, even though I am a “Gemini”!. One grandson politely calls me “unique”. I was born in Illinois to a proud mom and dad with a five-year-old daughter. Moving around a lot was part of the family dynamic. My Dad worked for Gulf Oil and we moved on average every two years. I’ve lived from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada to Houston, Texas – pretty much in a straight line with stops along the way in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. I started school in Calgary and graduated high school in Houston having attended 9 schools along the way. Then went to 3 colleges in 3 years – didn’t graduate, but took the Civil Service Exam for Secretaries and got a job offer to work at NASA just outside of Houston. Met my kids Dad, married him and we moved to Cedar Rapids. We had 2 children, and moved to Grand Rapids, Michigan, and then back to Cedar Rapids. Then I moved to Dallas where my folks lived. I moved back to Cedar Rapids in 2000. THEN I moved to Daventryport to manage the JoAnn Fabrics there, fell in love and moved to Jacksonville – fell out of love and moved back to Shellsburg, and seven years ago moved in to a lovely Townhome at Garnett Place Retirement Community. I’ve lived here longer than I’ve ever lived in one spot anywhere. I plan to stay here!

My jobs have been just as diverse. First job was as a clerk in a Department Store in Houston, also worked temporary secretarial positions (during summers while in college) before getting the job at NASA. After marrying and moving to Cedar Rapids, I worked at Collins as Research Dept. Head Secretary. BUT I’m most proud of starting a “Typesetting” company where I had the first “photo-typesetting” equipment in Cedar Rapids. I sold the business to Russell’s Guides, who published “The Official Bus Guide”. My function was to convert the bus schedules from metal type to “computer” generated type and train the personnel. HUGE challenge. Absolutely loved it! In 1954 my Mom bought a Singer Sewing machine. I was nine! I made all my clothes from that point on. Also made drapes, cushions, dance costumes, an ET costume with no pattern – but my first quilt was for my son’s college graduation. His quilt was queen size with a huge Pegasus (all done in velour’s) in the middle. It was lovely, and he still has it! Biggest learning curve was discovering that it’s pert-nere impossible to make a 38” Lone Star without interfacing! I should mention that my “go-to” machine is the same 1954 Singer I started on at age nine!!! When I moved from Shellsburg to Cedar Rapids I joined the Guild, bought my Nolting longarm in 2004 and added an Intelliquilter Computer to it last year.



You’ve probably heard me say that it is a shame that I had to be 72 before I found what I really wanted to do in life now you know why. I’m immensely proud of my three years on the Executive Staff of Quilts of Valor®. Even tho I resigned the National position, I have no plans to change my role with Freedom Stitchers as a QOV Group Leader. It is the most rewarding “job” I’ve ever had. The picture above was taken while awarding Quilts of Valor at the Vietnam Wall in 2015.

My son, his wife and 2 kids live in Bettendorf. My daughter has moved to Cedar Rapids and her two grown sons (one with wife, one with wife-to-be) live in Shellsburg. My Great Grandchild (3 mo.) lives in Shellsburg with her Mom and Dad. My main companions are my two cats [Nuisance (because he is) and Hezit (because he’s an it)]. I’ll be sewing as long as I have eyesight and dancing as long as I can walk. When things get really bad, I’ll go back to all the stuff I taught myself along the way (knitting, crocheting, tatting, weaving – and if that doesn’t work, there is always leading the Ding-a-Lings at Garnett Place! (along with sudoku puzzles and jigsaw puzzles!).

Life is really wonderful!!

SOS : Sharing Our Skills



Recently SOS was given some misinformation, and showed up to a Habitat For Humanity home dedication with a quilt for a SIX year old girl, when she was actually SIXTEEN! Given the opportunity, she stated her favorite color was purple or pink or black, and then said she would be happy with whatever we had to give her! WHOA! What a gracious thing for anyone to say, let alone a sixteen year old!

Then there was the girl who was helped out by Grateful Grannies, a group who helps out kiddos who attend Jefferson High School, and related schools. The girl was thrilled to receive the bundle of bedding she was given, as she had never had a bed of her own before! WHOA! SOS supplied the quilt to go along with sheets, pillow, etc. Imagine....being thrilled to receive items that most of us take for granted!

Along that line, you wonderful people donated in June: 7 finished quilts, 7 quilt tops, 10 pillowcases, fabric, and got 15 quilts tied, a number of which were quite large! All will go to good homes.

Our next work day will be July 18 at the KNIGHTS Of COLUMBUS, 1620 E Ave NE, where we will sew and tie quilts from 9:00 to about 3:30. Come for all or any part of the day... all of your efforts are truly appreciated. Our world famous potluck lunch is just icing on the cake, pun intended! If you have never tied a quilt before, we will have you up to speed in seconds!

Again, thanks so much for all you do so as to help out those in need.

Mary Burgess, Diane Eimen and Suzanne Mullins



QOV: Quilts of Valor



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to FREEDOM STITCHERS of IOWA!!!

Hi everyone! So exciting ... July marks the beginning of our FOURTH YEAR!!!

What an honor and privilege to be able to say that. Please let me give you some numbers:

1. Number of members = +115!
2. Number of quilts started = 507!
3. Number of Veterans who have received a Quilt of Valor® from us = +350!
4. Number of Group & Private Presentations = too many to count!

NONE of this would have been possible without the help of ALL of you! I am humbled and overwhelmed! THANK YOU so VERY MUCH!!!!

Another number to give you, also The list of Veterans on our list to award keeps growing, currently it is about 80. I believe about 50 of those will be happening in the next three to four months! Our task is just beginning.

Our next Group Presentation will be August 26 - more news about that next month! I have a new "project" available soon! The 2019 QOV Block Drive is starting. QOV publishes a pattern, requests individual blocks to be made and given to Group Leaders or sent in to National QOV. All these blocks help everyone make more quilts! You can make one block or ten or a hundred! The pattern that I will provide is really easy (looks tough) but is really simple to do. I will probably even make some "One Square Kits" that will be \$2 each - OR you can pick up the pattern and make some out of your own scraps. I will try to have them at next Guild Meeting, but if not July, then they will be available at August Guild. Please remember that I have Quilt Top kits for \$35-\$45 and Pillowcase Kits for \$5 ANYTIME!

If you would like to learn more about what Freedom Stitchers does and how we get it done, you are welcome to stop by on the 4th Thursday every month. We have an Open House (come and go) day from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with everything QOV happening! Members of QOV/Freedom Stitchers (\$5/year) have access to fabric at VERY affordable prices for the making of QOV's. Contact any Freedom Stitchers member (or me) for more information (and all the "straight skinny"!)

AGAIN, let me say a most sincere THANK YOU to all for your support.

See you soon!

Elayne 319-551-4492

2018 Fat Quarter Lottery Fabrics

July	music (e.g., notes, scales, instruments) music (e.g., notes, scales, instruments)
August	solids
September	Floral
October -	batik
November	metallic/shiny

EIHQ Quilt Show HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS Hawkeye Downs

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Judge Cindy Erickson



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I Finished My

P. H. D

What is a PHD?

A PHD is a project that you have started, sewn at least one seam, and put away for a month, a year, or several years.

What is not a PHD?

It is not a kit, a group of fabrics that you intend to do something with, or a project that you work on nearly continuously from start to finish.

Rules:

1. The unfinished project you are working on must be your own.
2. Once the project is finished, including label, and shown during Show and Tell, you will receive a button to wear to show you now have finished your P.H.D. Your name will go into a drawing for a prize.
3. Successive PHDs, once finished and shown during Show and Tell, will earn you an attachment to put on your button. Your name will again go into the drawing.
4. There is no limit to the number of P.H.D.s you can earn.
5. The drawing will take place at the July guild meeting in 2019. Number of winners is yet to be determined.
6. Karen and Jodi will have the final say if there are questions or discrepancies!
7. This contest will be run on the honor system!



EIHQ Fall Retreat

SEW COZY

Cost: \$115 for commuters

\$190 Overnight with a roommate

\$225 Single Room

Come join us October 5-7 for the *Sew Cozy* retreat . Whatever the weather, we will be quilting together all weekend with our guild sisters. Prairiewoods staff prepares all meals and is able to work with you on dietary restrictions. We eat and sew in one building and sleep in another (if you choose to spend the night). Most of the sleeping rooms have 2 twin beds and share a bath with one other room. There are a limited number of single rooms and first floor rooms as well.

Our quilt shop vendor will be *Helio's Quilt Shop*. They'll be setting up shop for convenient shopping all weekend!

There will be a snack table available if you'd like to bring something to share.

Mary and Sheryl will be doing a few simple demos, which are optional to participate in.

A form is on the next page of this newsletter to be post-marked no earlier than August 31st.

For questions, please contact: Sheryl Morgan 319-377-0680
Smorgan53@gmail.com

Mary VanDevender 319-361-7620 jimmaryv@mchsi.com

“SEW COZY” FALL RETREAT

EIHQ Fall 2018 Registration Form
October 5-7, 2018
Prairiewoods, Hiawatha, IA

Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Landline Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____
Email: _____
Member? (Y/N) _____ First Time at EIHQ Retreat? (Y/N) _____

Emergency contact information (name, relationship, phone #): _____

Do you have any food allergies? (Y/N) If yes, please list: _____

Cost of Retreat (please select one option):

I would like to commute from home (\$115) _____

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

I would like to stay overnight in a Single Room (\$225) _____

If applicable, name of roommate (or we can assign you one):

If applicable, do you need a first floor room? _____

Would you like to schedule a massage during the retreat (\$65 per hour) Y/N: _____

(You will pay the massage therapist directly at the time of service.)

A maximum of 36 EIHQ Guild members may attend the retreat. Attendance will be reserved on a first-come-first-served basis. Applications beyond 36 will be put on a waiting list in the order in which they are received. If the maximum number of attendees is not met by Guild members, non-members will be given the opportunity to attend.

Limitations of liability: Neither Prairiewoods nor EIHQ will be responsible for any personal loss, damage, or physical injury.

Signature: _____

Please mail your check (payable to EIHQ) and completed registration form to:

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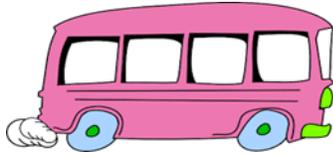
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ACTIVITIES

News and Information



UPCOMING WEEKEND RETREATS AT PRAIRIEWOODS

October 5-7, 2018

Retreat leaders are Cheryl Morgan and Mary VanDevender

April 5-7, 2019

Erin Lauer is a leader; one more leader is needed

If you would like to co-lead the April, 2019 Retreat, please contact Pamela Seeman (plseeman@gmail.com)

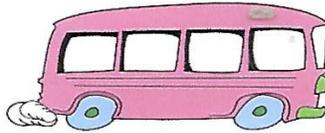
MADISON ROAD TRIP 2018

Reserve The Date!

We will be traveling via bus to the 2018 Madison Quilt Expo on Friday, September 7. The price for the trip will be \$45 for each EIHO Guild member. Price includes Exposition entrance fee, bus fare, and bus driver's tip. The bus accommodates 47 adventuresome travelers. Registration for the trip begins in May; the registration form is in this newsletter and will also be available from Pamela Seeman at the Guild meetings.



EIHQ SEPTEMBER 7, 2018 BUS TRIP TO MADISON EXPO



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Any medical conditions or physical limitations we need to be aware of:

Limitations of liability:

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Refunds:

A full refund will be made if the Activities coordinator is notified 30 (thirty) days prior to the actual date of the trip. After thirty (30) days, a full refund will be made only if the participant finds a replacement or if the coordinator can fill the space from a waiting list. No partial refunds will apply.

Gas price waiver:

Due to volatility of gas prices, please note that Windstar Lines, Inc. has a fuel surcharge policy which could impact the participant's cost of the bus ride.

The bus can accommodate 47 happy travelers. Seats will be reserved on a first-come-first-served basis.

Applications beyond the first 47 will be put on a waiting list in the order in which they are received.

Signature: _____

Completed registration form with \$45 (check, payable to EIHQ, or cash) should be mailed to, or given personally to Pamela Seeman no later than **July 31, 2018**.

Pamela Seeman
247 Barrington Ct, Marion, IA 52302
cell phone: 319-360-4004
plseeman@gmail.com

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

A great way to get involved and perhaps learn some new techniques is to participate in the block of the month activity. At the morning and evening monthly meetings there will be a new block of the month kit to purchase for \$1.00. Complete the block and bring it to the next guild meeting. Your name will be entered in a raffle to win blocks made by the other member participants. If you win, you will have enough blocks to make a quilt!

Mary VanDevender and Jan Felthous are the morning block of the month coordinators; Karen Bullard and Kelly Buller are the evening coordinators.

FAT QUARTER LOTTERY

Another great way to get involved and add to your stash (yes, we all need to add to our stash) is to participate in the monthly morning and evening fat quarter lottery. Bring one or several fat quarters (quilt shop quality fabric) that pertain to the monthly theme and your name will be entered to win a stack of fat quarters. The more you bring, the more chances you have to win!

Lorry Evans is the morning lottery coordinator; Dawn Batie is the evening coordinator.



2018 PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

Jan 22 – Garage Sale (open to public)

Feb 26 – Trisha Franklin

Mar 26 – Susan Cleveland

Apr 23 – Janet Pittman

May 29 (Tue) – Valli Shiller

June 25 – Tea, Sew-in and Hat contest

July 23 – Dawn Heese

Aug 27 – Sharon Sanford

Sept 24 – Jackie Holcum

Oct 22 – Dinner and Live Auction

Nov 26 – Meals on Wheels

2018 Workshop Schedule

All workshops from 1-4 pm unless noted

July 23 – Dawn Heese
Wool on Cotton

August 27– Sharon Sanford
Stars Over Lake Minocqua

July 23, 2018

Dawn Heese

Workshop: Wool on Cotton Applique

1:00 to 4:00 pm; \$25

www.linenclosetdesigns.com

Author and fabric designer, Dawn Heese, will show you how to add texture to your projects by mixing wool and cotton applique. Learn everything you need to know about thread, needles and stitch options. A kit will be available for \$46. It includes the fabric for the quilt center, borders and binding, hand dyed wool and matching thread. If you wish to order a kit, please let Kathy know by mid-July.



August 27, 2018

Sharon Sandford

Workshop: Stars Over Lake Minocqua

1:00 to 4:00 pm; \$15

Sharon has won many ribbons at EIHQ quilt shows. Sharon will be teaching a magical technique using charm packs or layer cakes. Pattern by Patricia Hellenbrand from Village Creek quilt shop in Lodi, Wisconsin, in booklet "Slice of Home" Creek Side Stitches. She has given permission for this class to be taught provided that each participant has his/her own copy of the booklet, which is available at Connie's Quilt Shop. There are patterns for 5 throw-size quilts in the booklet, including this one, and instructions will be given to modify the "Stars over...." pattern for charm packs. Choice of two sizes, using Layer Cake or 10" squares, or using Charm Pack or 5" squares. Additional supplies can be found on the guild's website, www.eihguild.com.



September 22 and September 24, 2018
Jackie Holcum, Certified Judy Niemeyer Instructor
Workshop: Saturday, September 22 (Cactus Flower)**
Workshop: Monday, September 24 (Hoffman Crackers)

Saturday, Sept 22 (All-Day Workshop) –“Cactus Flower” Size: 17” x 51.” This eye-catching table runner is sure to impress when you entertain guests. The popular Cactus Flower block uses Quiltworx (AKA Judy Niemeyer) foundation piecing methods and is the perfect introduction to curved piecing. With enough foundation papers in the pattern for three table runners, you can also make one as a gift for a special friend. Experience level: Confident Beginner and up. Full day workshop.



Monday, Sept 24 (Half-Day Workshop) - "Hoffman Crackers"
Size: 30” x 48.” This upbeat and festive quilt is a perfect introduction to Quiltworx (AKA Judy Niemeyer) foundation piecing methods. Using 10” squares, cutting is extremely fast and efficient which gets you piecing in minimal time. Join Jackie for this enjoyable 3-hour workshop. Experience level: Everyone.

****Workshop at American Legion, Marion**

2018 EIHQ GUILD WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Program Chair: Kathy Robbie (319) 481-7361 kkrobbie@netins.net
Program Planning Chair: Deb Thomas (319) 389-2873 debra53thomas@gmail.com

Your Name _____ Date Rec'd _____
 Phone # _____ Check # _____
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TEACHER	DATE	DAY	WORKSHOP	COST	TOTAL
Table Rental	January 22	Monday	Clean your sewing room	\$15/table	
Trisha Frankland	February 26	Monday	Tons of Triangles with Trish	\$20.00	
Susan Cleveland	March 26	Monday	Precision and Panache	\$30.00	
Janet Pittman	April 23	Monday	Machine Applique, Beyond the Basics. Kit available for \$10.	\$30.00	
Valli Shiller	May 29	Tuesday	Fearless Free Motion Quilting	\$30.00	
Valli Shiller	May 30	Wednesday Full Day	Ruler Quilting on your Domestic Machine**	\$45.00	
Dawn Heese	July 23	Monday	Wool on Cotton Applique	\$25.00	
Sharon Sandford	August 27	Monday	Stars Over Lake Minocqua	\$15.00	
Jackie Holcum	September 22	Saturday Full Day	Cactus Flower **	\$45.00	
Jackie Holcum	September 24	Monday	Crackers	\$30.00	

** workshops will be held at Cedar Hills Community Church, 6455 E Avenue NW, Cedar Rapids

SAVE \$5 if you take both half day and full day workshops (applies to Jackie Holcum and Valli Shiller)

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 2017 Programs and Workshops.

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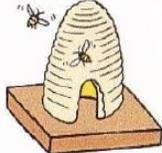
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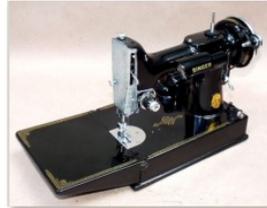
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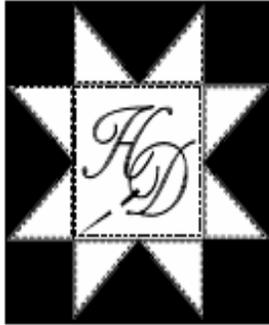
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