

Keepsake Quilters Guild

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Our next guild meeting is November 19. During the day **Julie Bohringer** will be teaching a class using the Patchabilities Patterns. Class fee is \$20 plus cost of pattern. Julie will have kits available for these quilts the day of the class if you don't have time to choose your own fabrics. The evening lecture will be "Patchabilities Unplugged".

End of the Rainbow Challenge

Is due at the November meeting. There is time to still do a small quilt. It is to be a finished quilt. I just finally got my quilt started. There will be 2 prizes of \$15.00 coupons given off one of the next 3 workshops which are:

Mini Double Wedding Ring, Strips and Curves & Pineapple Quilt.

Programs coming up !!!

January 21, 2008 is a **sit & sew day** from 9am to 3pm. Join us in the evening to make the popular **KONA BAGS**. The workshop will be taught by members. Sign up early so some special supplies may be purchased for the workshop. You must be signed up to participate. There will be a supply list at the September meeting.

February 18, 2008 please joins us for **Sit and Sew** from 9am to 3pm. The evening program will be a Rummage Sale by members who wish to participate. Only quilt related items are to be for sale. Sign up now and reserve a spot for \$5.00.

February 23, 2008 (**Saturday Workshop**) is **Mini Double Wedding Ring**. Ann Renee Lighter and Lori McKinley will teach this technique using your sewing machine and quite a bit of hand sewing. Class cost is \$35.00. **We must have 15 people signed up for this class or it will be cancelled.**

March 17, 2008 **Louisa L. Smith** will teach a workshop "Strips n Curves. Create wonderful and exciting quilts with a simple procedure of strip piecing and curve piecing. Explore the many design possibilities. Her evening program "The Wonderful Art of Stripping". She will share the many design possibilities from using this technique. Class cost is \$35.00. **16 students are needed to cover workshop cost.**

April 21, 2008 Shelly Burge will teach "Pineapple Quilts". Students will learn a quick and accurate "stitch and trim" method for making beautiful Pineapple blocks. Evening program "Toy Sewing Machines". The class cost is \$35.00

There is still space available in all of the above classes and workshops and we urge ALL of our members to support our guild and these nationally known artists by taking advantage of these opportunities. These are a great way to learn new tips and techniques from the presenters and from fellow members alike.

There are registration sheets below for February and March classes. Please use this to sign up for the class.

**February 23 class Miniature Double Wedding Ring
by Ann Renee Lighter and Lori McKinley.**

Name: _____

Phone # _____

Payment received by: _____

March 17 class Strips 'n Curves by Louisa Smith

Name: _____

Phone # _____

Payment received by: _____

Hospitality

Thanks to members who bring treats, make coffee and tea, and clean up after the meeting.

If you are on the committee come at 6:00pm so you can make coffee and other drinks. You need to stay and help clean up after the meeting.

Many thanks to Liz Wehrmacher, Jeni Moravec, and Mary Ellen Beckman.

New Members!

Please welcome our new member Cecilia Ruhlmann.

Quilts to Share

We have many of you to thank this month. We have had several nice fabric donations. One was an anonymous donation. Deb Rueter gave a nice fabric donation. Crazy to Quilt Quilt Shop donated 85 yards of fabric.

We also received the second \$250 gift from Thrivent for Lutherans in a few months. This group is very kind to us as they have given us nice large gifts such as this through the years. They thank us for showing care and concern for others in volunteerism.

Many thank you notes have come to us this month:

Dear Keepsake Quilters Guild:

On behalf of the Los Angeles VA GLA HCS patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your donation of "Quilts of Valor". Your thoughtfulness reflects the concern that you feel for our veterans and for the service they provided to all of us while in service to our country.

Without your support, we could not provide for the smaller niceties that make hospitalization more bearable. Your thoughtfulness also reflects the concern and compassion that our community feels for our veterans.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Marianne Davis MPH, MLS
Director

"Thanks you so much for the beautiful quilts you made for our veterans who have recently returned from Iraq.

Your address will be given to the recipient of this quilt. This will allow them to personally thank you when they are ready.

Thank you again for the truly amazing work you are doing.

Women Veterans Program
Erie, PA"

Dear Keepsake Quilters Guild,

I want to thank you for the lovely quilt you made for Hospice. Sara the social worker brought it to us. Jim has Parkinson's and was in the hospital for two weeks until today and has returned to Assisted Living in the Western Home. We have it on our sofa and he has used it while taking a nap. We love the fall colors and the many colors on the reverse side. You have brightened our weeks and appreciate all the time you put into it.

God Bless!

Jo and Jim Chandler.

“A note to thank each and every one of you for the beautiful quilt sewn with love in each stitch. It will become a family heirloom. Sorry about the writing – I fell and broke my right arm. Please accept this small donation (\$20) for supplies in your future endeavors.

Thank you with love,
Shirley Heiple”

All of the above notes show how truly important our quilts are to the people who receive them!

Keep up the good work!!!

Diane Donna Janet Linda P Linda V Sandie

Coming Attractions

1st and 4th Monday of the month – Quilt to Share – 3110 Alameda Street, Cedar Falls from 9 - ?. Bring a sack lunch and join us! We always have something to do and have a good time doing it!

KQ Guild Board Meeting – Tuesday, January 8 2008, 3pm at Crazy to Quilt

Cabin Fever Quilting Get-Away, February 1 & 2, Grout Museum of History & Science, 503 South St.

Snowden House, 306 Washington St. Time: Friday, February 1: 9:00am - 8:00pm / Saturday, February 2: 9:00am - 5:00pm Cost: Varies Registration: Thursday, November 1, 2007 - Friday, January 25, 2008. For more information go to www.groutmuseumdistrict.org.

Mothers Day Sew Fun Cruise – May 10 – 18, 2008. For more info go to www.roundbobbins.com for more info.

Below are recipes for two of the treats provided at October's Guild Meeting courtesy of Dorothy Wright

Peanut Butter Popcorn Crunch

12 cups popped popcorn	4 cups miniature pretzels
2/3 cup sugar	1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup light corn syrup	2/3 cup creamy peanut butter
1 tsp vanilla extract	4 cups chocolate-covered peanuts

In a large bowl, combine popcorn and pretzels; set aside. In a small saucepan, combine the sugar, honey and corn syrup. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for two minutes or until sugar is dissolved. Remove from heat. Stir in peanut butter and vanilla. Pour over popcorn mixture and toss to coat. Pour into two greased 15x10x1 pans. Bake uncovered at 250 degrees for one hour, stirring every 15 minutes. Cool for 10 minutes. Break into clusters; place in a large bowl. Add chocolate-covered peanuts; mix well. Cool completely. Makes about four quarts.

Rich Butterscotch Bars

10 oz pkg butterscotch chips	1 egg
1/2 c butter or margarine	1 tsp vanilla
2 c graham cracker crumbs	14 oz can sweetened condensed milk
8 oz cream cheese, softened	1 c chopped pecans

In large microwave-safe bowl, heat chips and butter on high 1 ½ to 2 minutes or until chips are melted, stirring every 30 seconds until smooth. Add cracker crumbs, set aside 2/3 cup of crumbs. Press remaining crumb mixture into greased 13x9 inch baking pan. In small mixing bowl, beat cream cheese until smooth. Add egg, vanilla and sweetened condensed milk; mix well. Stir in pecans. Pour over crust. Sprinkle with reserved crumb mixture. Bake in 325 degree oven 30 to 35 minutes or until toothpick inserted near center comes out clean. Cool on wire rack. Store in refrigerator.

Below is a condensed copy of a letter we received from Kimm Jones for The Creative Iron. We have submitted a response and accepted the offer of "goodie bags" for our members.

Keepsake Quilters,

We have started a new program for working with Quilt Guilds like yours. Our objective is to get new product into the hands of serious quilters who will then request that their local quilt shop carry the products, or if there is no local quilt shop, they can order directly from us on line. We want guilds to support their local quilt shops as much as possible!

We are currently making up "goodie bags" of cutaways from our laser cutting process for fusible appliqués along with an instruction sheet. We thought that these would be perfect to send to quilt guild members (at no cost to you) so they could "play" and learn more about how our fusible appliqués work.

The Creative Iron, making pre-cut fusible appliqués
info@creativeiron.com, www.stensource.com or 800-642-9293.
The Creative Iron is a division of StenSource Int'l, Inc., which manufactures all kinds of stencils.

Best Regards,

Kimm Jones

sales@stensource.com

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October 30, 2007 3:00 p.m.
Crazy to Quilt, Cedar Falls, Iowa

Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Cathy Busch, Becky Swinton, Janet O'Neil, Linda Card, Marcene Tack, Lucille Keeling, Carol Lindquist, Dorothy Goodenbour, Becky Winther

Absent: Dr. Judy Beckman, Diane Olson

Old Minutes: Reviewed and approved.

Old Business:

The proposed library policy was reviewed. The policy proposal will be returned to the library committee for further development and will be available for the board's review by the next board meeting.

The information for the Grout Getaway to be held February 1 and 2, 2008, will be linked to the event's website from our website should members want more details.

Cathy will order the business cards. When they arrive, members will be able to distribute them to potential members to invite them to our meetings.

Each department has been charged to develop a proposed budget for 2008/2009.

The signups and projected expenses for upcoming workshops were reviewed.

Treasurer's Report:

Report was reviewed and the projected expenses for upcoming workshops were reviewed. Janet related that our domain name was recently renewed for another year, but that JoAnn, the person who maintains our website, will be resigning from that duty in a year and that we will also need to update our website software at that time.

New Business:

The Challenge Quilt Contest for the November meeting was discussed.

Reminder that there will be no guild meeting or board meeting in December.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, January 8, 2008, 3:00 p.m., Crazy to Quilt.