

President's Message

By Diana Engelbrecht

Quilts of Valor was born out of the 911 tragedy. Catherine Robert's son, Nate was deployed to Afghanistan. When he came home, she could see the demons of war had a strong hold. As he sat there Catherine wrapped a quilt around Nate and she could see the demons of war lose their power. The quilt brought healing to her son, so she thought quilts could help others also. It started out that the quilts were all delivered to the hospitals. The local chapter sent theirs to the hospitals in Germany. Eventually they were given to all veterans who were affected by war. Then it changed to any honorably discharged veteran and now those still serving can receive one.

Terry Austin took the reins of the local chapter of Quilts of Valor in 2012. QOV is a separate group that MVQG helps support through

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April Program

Owner and operator of Almost Heaven Designs in Colorado, Rita Lynn is an accomplished quilting instructor who teaches classes at the International Quilt Show in Houston and online with the National Quilting Circle. She has authored the only book on Texture Magic, a popular fabric manipulation product. Emphasizing the integration of



fiber arts with quilting, Rita's specialty is designing 3-dimensional floral quilts.

Rita will present two different trunk show/lectures for our Guild meetings in April — "Follow the Path, Even if You Feel Lost," in the afternoon and "Quick Techniques for Art Quilts" in the evening. She will also teach two classes during her time with our Guild, including the class that "sold out" in Houston, "Crazy Quilt Vessel," and a class based on a design especial-

ly created for our Guild, "3-Deminsion Garden Variety." Space is still available in both classes. Contact Karla Miley to register.

April Calendar

◆ Quilt Get Away

April 5: 8 am-9 pm

April 6: 8 am-9 pm

April 7: noon-5 pm

Deere Wiman Carriage House, 817 11th Avenue Moline, IL

◆ Guild Meeting

April 2: 1 pm & 7 pm

First Congregational Church, 2201 7th Avenue, Moline, IL

◆ Quilts of Valor

April 3: 9 am-2 pm First Baptist Church Moline 1901 -29th St Moline, IL

◆ Play Day Fiber Arts

April 9: 9 am-11 am Fiber Artists Studio, 601 Brady St. #21, Davenport, IA

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◆ Fiber Arts Group

April 9: 1 pm-3 pm Davenport Public Library Fair-

mount Branch, 3000 N. Fairmount St., Davenport, IA

◆ Board Meeting

April 9: 6-8:30 pm

Butterworth House, Green Room 1105 8th St., Moline, IL

◆ Quillows QTees

April 10: 9 am-2 pm

Masonic Center Davenport, 511 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Davenport IA.

◆ Charity April 11:

8:30 am-3 pm Deere Wiman Carriage House, 817 11th Ave., Moline, IL

◆ Davenport Library

Sit n Sew April 26: 9:30 am-3:30 pm SCRA room at Davenport Public Library Fairmount Avenue, Davenport IA

◆ Doll Quilts April 16:

8:30 am—2 pm, Deere Wiman Carriage House, Moline, IL

◆ Quilt Queens

April 18: 9 am-3 pm St. Mark Lutheran Church, 2363 W. 3rd St., Davenport, IA

◆ PinPals April 23:

9 am-3 pm Butterworth Education Center, 1108 8th St., Moline, IL

◆ Quilt Queens

April 25: 9am-3 pm Davenport Public Library Eastern Avenue, Davenport, IA

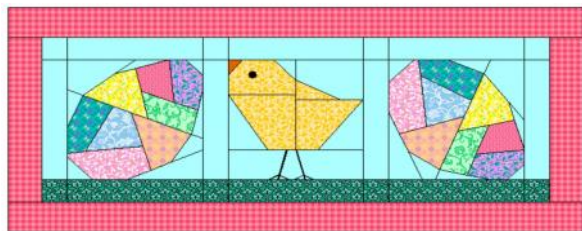
INCLEMENT WEATHER ALERT:

Remember to check Facebook and E-mail blast for cancellation of meetings due to inclement weather. Or call the member in charge of the event. Be safe!!

Presidents Message continued

volunteers and donations. Terry must follow the National Quilts of Valor rules. Terry has 60 volunteers locally. If you would like to help, the preferred quilt size is 60x80 inches. You can piece a top at home and give it to Terry to have quilted, bound, and labeled. Or talk to Terry to see where she may need help, possibly someone to bind or sew on labels. Donations of fabric enough for quilt backs in reds, whites, and blues or money to be used toward fabric or batting is always welcome, too.

The local chapter presents approximately 150 quilts to veterans in the May and November ceremonies each year. They present approximately an additional 100 in private ceremonies to those unable to be at the May/November ceremonies. Nationally there have been over 213,000 quilts awarded. Since 2012, 1100 quilts have been awarded locally. The Quilts of Valor Spring Presentation will be May 5.



The bus trip to the Milwaukee Bead and Button Show is not happening. If you are interested, someone may be driving up. Please call Dawn Seaman @ 563-659-9983.

Doohickey Drawing

An Americanism dating from 1910-1915, a doohickey is a gadget; a dingus; a thingumabob; a nifty quilting tool that a quilter may want, has never heard of, or is too expensive to purchase.

Each month a new Doohickey is offered to our membership. It may be a new "cool" tool or it may be something tried and true; expensive or not so much. Tickets are \$1.00 and monthly prizes are determined by the number of tickets sold the previous month. The winning ticket will be drawn at the end of the evening meeting.

The April doohickey drawing will be a 17x17 Felted Wool Pressing mat.

Our Mission:

Organized in 1983 to educate and encourage members in the quilting arts; to encourage high standards in color, design, and construction of the quilted medium, and to stimulate interest in quilting in the community.

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The Mississippi Valley Quilters Guild is a non-profit organization open to anyone interested in quilts or quilting. Monthly meetings are 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the First Congregational Church, 2201 7th Avenue, Moline, Illinois. Guests are welcome. A \$5 fee is charged to guests at meetings with featured speakers. \$35 yearly dues are renewable in September.

To change your address contact Debbie Schladt at (309) 786-4387.

Find us online at:

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Newsletter submissions:

Contributions to the Newsletter are welcome. Articles and ads are due no later than the second Friday of each month and can be submitted to Diane Schloemer at Schloemer.di.5@mchsi.com. All contributions must be accompanied by the name and phone number of the author.

Advertising rates

Prepay 5 issues and get the 6th issue free
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* 1/3 page \$15.00 * 1/2 page \$ 25.00

Name Tag Drawing Winners

Afternoon: Linda Kleiber, Jill Smalley, Elaine Giesecke, Mary Roberts, Carol Baldry, Sandy Bender, Cindy Hoste, Nancy Jacobsen, Connie Jurgs, Vicke Hamilton

Evening: Kathie Secor, Kathy Higgins, Lydia Hoelle

Correction to the Directory

Karla Miley no longer has a land line, use her cell phone 309-738-5227

Butterworth Education Center should be 309-743-2700

Programs

Karla Miley - (309) 738-5227 or karlamiley@hotmail.com

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Sunday March 31 (9 to 3) – "Crazy Quilt Vessel: In this class, Rita will teach us how to make a 4-sided crazy quilt fabric vessel. FYI, Rita taught multiple sections of this class at the Houston International Quilt Show and even so, there was a waiting list! The **Kit** fee is \$30.00; it includes all the fabric, pattern, stabilizer and a mixture of embellishments that you'll need to complete your project. **Supply list:** sewing machine with foot to do satin stitch. Two spools of white thread and 2 extra bobbins, scissors, (additional) fabric and paper, glue stick, any embellishments you may want to add besides what's in the kit: beads, tiny jewelry pieces, ribbon, pieces of rick rack, buttons, tiny flowers, etc..



Monday, April 1 (9 to 3) - "3-Dimensional Garden Variety": Rita will be creating a custom design that uses the Monet-style background from her "Monet in Yellow" pattern and expands the design by incorporating more than a dozen dimensional floral designs. The kit \$25 will include all the materials for make all the flowers: fusible backing, and some embellishments. **Supply list:** 20" x 20" white cotton fabric (quilt top), batting and backing, rotary cutter, cutting mat, scissors: fabric and paper, applique sheet or freezer paper, glue stick, pins, sewing needle and white thread, Hot glue/gun.



Space is still available in both classes – contact Karla Miley (309-738-5227)

May 7: Demo Day – Guild members will be demonstrating 10 different techniques or projects during the program hour. You will have an opportunity to circulate, sampling all of them or selecting a few on which to concentrate. A list of the demonstrations will be published in the May newsletter.

Programs continued:

Heads-up for June 4: California quilter, Sandy Turner, is a National Quilt Association Certified Teacher who was selected as the NQA Certified Teacher of the year in 2004. Her quilting niche is combining pictorial fabrics – for example, large prints, landscape prints, or floral prints – with traditional quilt patterns. In addition to her presentations at our Guild meetings, Sandy will teach two classes – Birds in the Air (Note: a Sunday class for those of you who have a traditional work week) and Attic Window from a Different Perspective (on the Monday prior to the June Guild meeting). Sign up for Sandy’s classes are now available.



Sunday, June 2: Birds in the Air

Design, design, design. . . This workshop emphasizes the use of pictorial fabric in the construction of “Birds in the Air” blocks. The design possibilities are endless and such fun. Sewing machines required.



Monday, June 3: Attic Windows from a Different Perspective



Sandy’s new templates makes this wall hanging easy to cut and piece. The class covers the cutting of your landscape fabric, construction of the window sills and ledge, along with fabric value and fabric placement which will best showcase your landscape fabric. Class fee: \$35, template fee \$35.



Mediacom customers have not been receiving the e-blast. Please call someone if you have questions about cancellations.

Nominating Committee Volunteers

Our Quilt Guild has so many talented and committed members. Eleven of these members serve on the Board of Directors and their tenure began when they answered yes to a simple question asked by a member of the Nominating Committee: “Will you become a member of the Board of Directors?”

At the March meeting, we had 4 wonderful women volunteer to run for the nominating committee. They are Dawn Thompson, Jan Carpenter, Sharon Marony, and Kathy Secor. We will vote for two at the April 2 meeting. The nominating committee will then be made up of the one with the most votes being the chairman, the one with the second most votes and the past president. Thank you ladies for volunteering.



Farm Fiber Fun 2019

Save the dates: May 16-21, 2019

A time to get together with others and learn new fiber techniques. Especially anything messy such as dyeing fabrics with many techniques, mono printing with gelli plates or glass base, stamping, etc. Also things such as felting, tatting, sculpting features for fiber figures, wool, and weaving.

Those who have coffee cans please bring to the April meeting. The schedule, workshop descriptions supply lists information on how FFF works and map is on the MVQG.org website under fiber arts.

Pictures are from 2018 Farm Fiber Fun



The Guild's "Work Shops" have been changed to

Skill Builder Workshop

May 18, 2019—FLOATING TILES

Here's your chance to use those scraps! This is a photo of a beautiful quilt that Jane Darin calls "Floating Tiles". Jane will teach us how to make this beauty on May 18th at a Skill Builder Workshop. Beginners welcome. You can do this.

The class fee is only \$15.00.

Full information and sign-up is available in the "L" during Guild meetings or call Hope Schroeder, Skill Builder Chair at 563 505-0191 for information about any of the Skill Builder Workshops.



Date to be announced —UMBRELLAS

Gloria Kloos will teach a class on making your own umbrella. More information in future newsletters.



2019 MVQG Challenge



The theme for the 2019 MVQG Challenge is Wine and Chocolate. There is a \$1.00 entry fee per challenge. Quilts must be no larger than 144 inches in circumference. You may use both wine and chocolate or either one. Bring your challenge to the September meeting. They will be displayed and voted on at the meeting that night. Top three vote getters will win gift certificates to Heartland Cottons in DeWitt, Iowa.

Now sit back, close your eyes and imagine your favorite cool glass of wine and decadent chocolate. What comes to mind? Maybe it's the colors or the actual objects. Maybe it's a place or a feeling. That's your quilt! Now create!

Dawn Seaman bsea@iowatelecom.net



Charity Committee received a generous donation of five groups of five half yard pieces of unique, fun and high quality Halloween fabric. These fabrics were purchased from Keepsake Quilting. There will be a silent auction for these fabrics at our meetings on June 4th. These prints are so charming you will be spellbound and unable to resist.




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Quilts of Valor

Well we finally were able to meet for QOV sew-in-day in March. We were all in need of sew time together. However, the winter must have been good to us, the numbers that came in today are: 17 tops received, 6 more completed quilts and 98 more quilts went to the binders. So THANK you to all!!!

Our May 2019 award ceremony numbers are as follows: 87 names on the list, 65 are done and on my shelf, 22 are being made by some of you for your vets. I have contacted all of you and you have told me you were on point getting them done. So if you are having an issue getting them done and may need help, please let me know. We will!

Our November 2019 award ceremony has 87 names on that list as well. So onward and upward!

I also have 17 quilts ready for private deliveries. That are waiting for their scheduled appointments to get delivered.

So you all amaze me.

So from a humble and grateful heart,
Terry Austin QC QOV 309-797-8584

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BLOCK TO RAFFLE

The block to raffle is "broken dishes". Each kit is \$1.00 & includes background for two squares. Will continue to sell kits at April meeting. Please turn in all blocks by May meeting & then the winners of the blocks will get them at June meeting.

Thanks Vicki Hamilton



Regular and Ongoing Sit-n-Sews

Pin Pal Quilters

Faye Kunz (563)323-3593

Diana Engelbrecht (563)285-4348

This group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Butterworth Education Center, 701 12th Avenue, Moline, IL. We work on our own projects so you must bring everything you will need. Any guild member is welcome. Bring your sewing machine or handwork. Beaders and others interested in embellishing with beads are welcome to come work on their projects during this time also. Large tables are available to baste and mark quilts.

2019 Schedule:

April 23 Carriage

May 28

July 23

September 24

November 19

June 25

August 27

October 22

Charity Quilts

Paula Hardi

(309) 797-3986

Valerie Schissel

(309) 4241602

Charity Quilts Day is held the second Thursday of the month, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Deere-Wiman Carriage House, 817 11th Ave., Moline, IL unless otherwise noted in the calendar.

2019 Schedule:

April 11

May 9

July 11-Ed. Center

September 12

November 14



June 13

August 8

October 10

December 12

Quilt Queens

Marlis Beechamp

(309) 797-6267

Bev Hoy 563-391-8685

This Sit-n-Sew group meets every third Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Mark Lutheran Church, 2363 W. 3rd Street, Davenport. Coffee, irons, and boards are provided. Just bring your lunch and enjoy the day! The group also meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Eastern Avenue Library.

Contact Judy Nelson (563) 359-3253 with questions regarding meetings at the Eastern Avenue Library.

Davenport Library Sit-n' Sew

Sharon Maroney (615) 483-2430

Meets in the SCRA/Large room at the Davenport Library on Fairmont Street.. Please come and bring a friend. Everyone is welcome. Bring your own project to work on. Call Sharon Maroney, (615) 483-2430, if you

Friday, April 26 9am-3:30 pm

Friday, May 17 9am-3:30 pm

Doll Quilts

Margaret Paulos—(563) 323-5745

Doll Quilts are small quilts made by members and given to local school children. Come to doll quilt workday, 3rd Tuesdays of the month at the Deere Wiman Carriage House 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

2019 Schedule:

April 16

May 21

July—No Meeting

September 17

November 19

June 18

August 20

October 15

Quillow QTees

Janet Zahrt (563) 332-7365

Second Wednesday of every month make a quillow for a cancer patient. We meet at Davenport Masonic Center, 511 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Davenport on the second Wednesday of the month 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

2019 Schedule:

April 10

May 15 (3rd Wednesday)

July 10

September 11

November 13

June 12

August 14

October 9

December 11

Quilt Get Away

Gloria Kloos (309) 762-9616

Bev Hoy (563) 391-8685

If you have projects to finish—Quilt Getaway is the place for you and open to all guild members. We meet at the Deere Wiman Carriage House, 817 11th Ave., Moline, unless otherwise noted, from 8am-9pm on Fridays and Saturdays and Noon to 5 pm on Sundays. Stay all day or leave your things and come and go as you like. Microwave and refrigerator are available. You may want to bring a light and an extension cord.

2019 Schedule:

Friday, April 5 8am—9pm

Saturday, April 6 8am-9pm

Sunday, April 7 12-5pm

Friday, May 3

Saturday, May 4

Friday, June 21

Saturday, June 22

Sunday, June 23

Friday, July 26

Saturday, July 27

Sunday, July 28

Regular and Ongoing Sit-n-Sews

•Quilt Get Away

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2019 Schedule continued:

Friday, August 16
Saturday, August 17
Sunday, August 18

Friday, September 6
Saturday, September 7
Sunday, September 8

Friday, October 4
Saturday, October 5
Sunday, October 6

Friday, November 1
Saturday, November 2
Sunday, November 3

Friday, December 6
Saturday, December 7
Saturday, December 8

•Quilts of Valor

Terry Austin (309) 797-8584

Make quilts to honor our veterans. Meets on the first Wednesday of the month, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at First Baptist Church, 1901 29th St., Moline, IL.

•Fiber Arts Play Day Colleen Curry (563) 285-1305 or (563) 340-4453 cocu@csteldridge.com

9:00-11 a.m. Fiber Artists Studio, 601 Brady St. #21, Davenport, IA. This is a mini workshop on a new technique. Sign up is required. Just give Colleen a call.

The Fiber Arts Group will only cancel a meeting for weather if the Davenport Schools cancel school on that meeting day.

2019 Schedule:

April 9 Penny Pearcy, Ribbon flowers for Mother's Day.'

May 14 Carlene Higbee, 'Straw and Tyvek beads.'

June 11 Cyndy Simmons, 'Locker latch hooking.'

July TBA

August Gail Ethier, 'Color Theory'

September 10 Colleen Curry, Making home-made brushes and marking on fabric and paper

October 8 Diana Engelbrecht, 'Using dyed and painted fabric differently.'

November 12 Sally Stewart, 'Embroidery and beads

•Fiber Arts Meeting

1-3 p.m. Davenport Public Library Fairmount Branch, 3000 N. Fairmount St., Davenport, IA,: demos, information, and show and tell.

2019 Schedule:

April 9 Kimberly Darling, 'Using a triangular loom.'

May 14 Chris Clark, 'Mounting a fiber art piece.' 5 things in a box challenge due.

June 11 Gail Ethier. 'General knowledge about beads.' Choose a word challenge and interpret in a fiber medium, due in September.

August 13 Sally Stewart, 'How to make a gelli roll vessel.'

September 10 Chris Clark, 'Getting your art printed on Spoonflower.' Interpret a word challenge due.

October 8 Ingid Bogdanowietz, 'Finger weaving.' Altered book cover challenge. Due in December.

November 12 Lori Miller, 'Framing your work gallery style.'

December 8 An exchange and door prizes-altered book cover challenge due.

• Doodle Day

1-3 pm 3rd Tuesday of the month Davenport Public Library 3000 N. Fairmount St., Davenport IA: Doodling is a great way to design and train your hand and brain for free motion quilting.

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