

St. Cloud Heritage Quilters

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Sandy Anderson

Next Meeting: May 3, 2018

Love of Christ Lutheran Church 1971 Pine Cone Road S. St. Cloud, MN 56303

<u>Click here</u> for directions 7:00 P.M



President
Sandy Anderson
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See the Quilt Guild calendar on page 6.

As I write this, the snow is still falling, and Old Man Winter doesn't want to go away. Hopefully, April snow will bring May flowers.

Thanks to members who brought their beautiful quilts to show and the holders and folders who helped show them. The quilts are such an inspiration and we all go home with new ideas to make more.

A special thanks to Deb from Anna Marie's Alliance for sharing her information about their program. It was enlightening and since our program guest speaker was a no-show, it was nice that Deb had more time to talk to us about what the shelter does. Quilts for Anna Marie's should be twin size for boys, girls and women. The quilts go with them when they leave the shelter. What a great gift for children and women to begin a new life. It's a wonderful service and twin size quilts would be appreciated at Anna Marie's.

We had such a wonderful turnout for April, and I know it was because Janelle Johnson from the Old Creamery was going to present a trunk show. It was an unfortunate miscommunication between the Old Creamery and our guild. I didn't call Janelle to remind her that our meeting was April 5, because I thought Terri called her with a reminder, plus the fact that we didn't have an after-hours phone number to call Janelle. I know we were all disappointed and nobody felt more terrible than Janelle, Terri and I, which brings us to a call for volunteers.

I know we all have busy lives, but I would hate to see the Guild fall apart because members won't volunteer. Terri Bahn has graciously continued to volunteer with SCHQ helping any way she can. She is an asset because she arrives early to Love of Christ Church from the Baxter/Brainerd area to arrange chairs, tables, and greet the speaker for our meetings. This is one of the duties of the program chair. We are asking for two people to volunteer to do programs. Yes, that would be a program chair and program co-chair. Between Terri

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and me, we already have about 6 months of 2019 planned. It's not difficult to do, especially when two people are doing it. Marie Zaczkowski is working on a by-laws change so the program chair does not move into the president's position the following year. There are people who are comfortable with speaking to a group and people who know how to find good programs, but not both. Please volunteer.

We are also in need of a president and co-president for 2019. Again, two people can do this. I am willing to do the job in 2019 and train the co-president, but only if I have a co-president who will do it in 2020 with their co-president. The president's job is to write a newsletter article each month and run the board meeting the same evening as the SCHQ meeting (You don't have to know parliamentary procedures because there is lots of help and understanding.), and chair the monthly SCHQ Guild meeting. That's two days of work. (newsletter and meetings). Please volunteer.

President's Challenge: I hope everyone is working on the President's challenge. The challenge is to use your orphan blocks to make a quilt. Someone has made a bag from her orphan blocks, and I think that's a terrific way to use them also.

Contact Sandy Anderson northwoodsandy@gmail.com

PROGRAMS

Sandy Anderson

Margo Krager, Fabric Historian, will be speaking at our May 3rd guild meeting. She has a website (www.reproductionfabrics.com), plus a storefront located in Northfield, MN, specializing in reproduction fabrics of time periods 1775-1950. The store is open to the public, Wednesday thru Saturday. Margo has a Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Technology from Michigan State University. She worked in that field for 15 years and switched her needles to be a fabric retailer. She went on to do graduate studies in History at Montana State University and the Quilt Studies Program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She has been doing this since 1984 and has 20 years of experience researching historic cotton printed and yarn-dyed fabrics used in quilts and garments. She is an expert on dating fabrics. Margo has volunteered to date fabric in your old quilts that have been handed down from family. Her expertise is "dating fabrics", not valuing them. Feel free to bring your old fabric or family heirloom quilt to have them dated.

Contact: Sandy Anderson: northwoodsandy@gmail.com or

Terri Bahn: terri.bahn@gmail.com

SERVICE PROJECTS- 2018

Elaine Randall, Sandi Abraham & Helen Manion

Deb Schroeder from Anna Marie's shelter spoke at our April meeting, explaining the history and mission of Anna Marie's. She emphasized the need for twin size quilts for women, boys, and girls. In May, the speaker will be Cheryl Peters-Lewis from Clara's House/Recovery Plus, who will speak about her organization and the need for twin size quilts for boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 18. The suggested size for a twin quilt is approximately 70" X 90".

To date, we have received the following: 201 bags for Coborn's cancer center, 10 playmats for Tummy Time at Stearns Co. Health, 4 placemats and 2 wall hangings for Eagle's Nest, and 1 twin size quilt (girl) for Anna Marie's.

A big thank you to everyone who has donated a quilt or other item so far!! Your generosity is appreciated.

Anna Marie's Alliance will be highlighted in April. Anna Marie's is a women's shelter that needs twin-size quilts for boys, girls, and women. These are often taken with them when a family leaves the shelter.

Clara's House/Recovery Plus will be the organizations highlighted in May. Twin-size quilts are needed for children ages 12-18 from Clara's House, who stay at Recovery Plus for 6-8 weeks. They can take these quilts with them and are often the first quilt they have owned.

Pockets of Hope is a program where children entering foster care are given backpacks with comfort items, including a blanket of some sort. This will be the organization we will focus on for June/July, and the need is for toddler quilts.

The project highlighted in August is Coborn's Cancer Center patient bags. These are bags given to cancer patients with a variety of personal and comfort items. Dates for cutting and sewing the bags will be announced later.

In September/October we will focus on Eagle's Nest, a home for Veterans located in Sauk Centre (www.eagleshealingnest.com). Twin-size bed quilts (60×80 or 65×85) are needed. Veterans may take the quilt with them when they leave. Pillowcases that match the quilts are welcomed, as well as seasonal wall hangings, and every-day and seasonal table runners (24" square or 4' long).

Projects for November and December include Quilts of Valor, and twin and full size are needed. More information will be upcoming. Email Elaine Randall at erandall98@midco.net for more information. Other organizations may be added around the holidays.

The above list of projects should give members an idea of what they might like to work on throughout the year, if you choose to participate. All of the above projects can be worked on and completed at any time during 2018 and brought to any of the guild meetings.

Contact: Elaine Randall: erandall98@midco.net; Sandi Abraham: sandiloua213@gmail.com and Helen Manion: hmanion@yahoo.com

KUDOS...

A Special Thank you to the holders and folders at the April meeting

SMALL GROUPS/SPECIAL EVENTS

Karen Cyson

It's time to plan small group activities for next year. Really. At the May guild meeting there will be a survey for you to complete regarding your interests for 2019. Block-of-the-Month? Mystery Quilt? New club? Other ideas? Please take the time to fill out the survey so we can find activities you'll enjoy. Otherwise we'll be doing only things I want to do, which is fine by me, but wouldn't you rather be doing what you'd like to do? PLEASE fill out the survey at the May meeting. Thank You!

Scrap Exterminators continues with another new scrap quilt pattern for members each month. Whittle down your scrap pile and make fabulous quilts designed by Cheri Merritt and Nathan Carter. Patterns will be available at monthly guild meetings for registered members. Anyone new to the guild (new member after 1/1/18) can register for \$10 and receive each monthly pattern and patterns from the previous months.

Featherweight Group - This group does fun projects throughout the year. To be part of this group, you must own and bring a Featherweight sewing machine. Julie Johnson is the facilitator. They meet the second Thursday of the month at 9:30 am at Messiah Lutheran Church in Sartell, MN. Contact Julie (jjfarm65@gmail.com) to be added to the email list for meeting notices.

Undercolor Club – This group meets the last Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm at Dunn Bros. Coffee Shop in the Coborn's on Cooper Ave. S. This group works with the "Color Play" book. Make a small project or bring fabrics to illustrate the color combination. Contact Marlyn Anderson pyromarquilter@gmail.com

Contact Karen Cyson karencyson@aol.com

MEMBERSHIP

Marlys Eikmeier

As of April 1, 2018, there were 129 current paid members.

Contact Marlys Eikmeier eikma@hotmail.com

SUNSHINE

Pat Gerchy

If you know a guild member in need of a little sunshine, please call me (Pat's phone number can be found on the mailing page attached with this newsletter) and if no answer leave a message or email me.

Contact Pat Gerchy patgerchy@charter.net

SCHQ BOARD MINUTES

Marie Zaczkowski

Board Meeting Minutes - April 5, 2018

Members present: Sandy Anderson (President), Marie Zaczkowski (Secretary), Karen Cyson (Small Groups), Terri Bahn (Past President), Ann Hiltner (Co-Treasurer), Alice Sue Becker (Library and Special Events), Elaine Randall (Service Projects), Lois Rieffer (Newsletter Editor), Marlys Eikmeier

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Sandy Anderson. Minutes of the March 1st meeting were approved.

BOARD REPORTS:

President (Sandy Anderson): Sandy stated that the position of Program Chair is still open for 2018. Terri Bahn is assisting in scheduling future programs.

The positions for Quilt Show Chair for 2019 and Historian are also still open.

Special Events (Karen Cyson): Karen stated that registrations for the wool applique workshop presented by Darlene Smith of One Wing Wool are below the number needed for the class. Sign-ups will continue at the April meeting.

Treasurer (Ann Hiltner): The guild's 2017 taxes have been prepared. Account balances are: Guild checking \$7390.22; Quilt Show checking \$188.50; CD \$20,000; Savings \$4590.26. Income for March - \$404.80; Expenses for March - \$840.75.

Service Projects (Elaine Randall): A representative from Anna Marie's Shelter will speak at the meeting tonight about the agency and their needs. Quilts for this agency are one of the 2018 guild service projects. Coborn's Cancer Center bags and small quilts for Stearns County Public Health have been donated to the respective organizations. Another sewing day has been set up for April 20th to make the tote bags for the Coborn's Cancer Center.

Special Events (Alice Sue Becker): Alice Sue is hosting a social event for guild members she is calling "Sip, Sew and Swap". It will be held at her home on April 24th from 6:30 – 9 p.m.

Librarian (Alice Sue Becker): Alice Sue announced that she will be culling unused books from the library.

Newsletter (Lois Rieffer): Lois would like to have all newsletter articles by April 12th.

Membership, Sunshine, Website, Meeting Coordinator: No reports.

New Business: Marie Zaczkowski will begin work on revising the guild's bylaws which were last updated in 1994. There was discussion on which of the board positions should be elective and which should be appointive. There was also discussion about adding a requirement for a nominating committee to develop the slate of officers for future elections and eliminating the requirement that the Program Chair moves into the President position the next year. Marie will write up proposed changes and present them to the board for further discussion at the May board meeting.

Adjournment: A motion was approved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Submitted by Marie Zaczkowski marie.zaczkowski@gmail.com

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mary Ann Smith

St. Cloud Heritage Quilters has three accounts. Following are the balances in each account as of March 31, 2018.

Checking \$7,390.22 Savings \$4,590.26 Show Checking \$188.50 CD: \$20,000.00

Contact Mary Ann Smith masmith442@aol.com

ST. CLOUD HERITAGE QUILT GUILD CALENDAR

Remember to bring your 2018 membership card and wear your name tag at the meetings. Bring your show and tell items, birthday fabric/gift, \$ for birthday fabric/gift, finished service projects and any library books that need to be returned.

2018

- May 3 -- Board Meeting, 6:00; Guild Meeting, 7:00 **Margo Krager** of Reproduction Fabrics, Northfield, MN Reproduction Fabrics 1775-1950
- June 7 -- Board Meeting, 6:00; Guild Meeting, 7:00 **Eunice Hill** 2004 Quilter of the Year Trunk Show
- July 5 -- Board Meeting, 6:00; Guild Meeting, 7:00 **Our Own Quilts Show** A show of Member's Quilts
- Aug 2 -- Board Meeting, 6:00; Guild Meeting, 7:00 **Treasure and Fabric Garage Sale**
- Sept 6 -- Board Meeting, 6:00; Guild Meeting, 7:00 **Chris Hoover of Whirligig Designs** Trunk Show
- Oct 4 -- Board Meeting, 6:00; Guild Meeting, 7:00 Quilts of Valor Presentation and SCHQ Birthday Celebration
- Nov 1 -- Board Meeting, 6:00; Guild Meeting, 7:00
- Dec 6 -- Board Meeting, 6:00; Guild Meeting, 7:00 **Holiday Pot Luck** with Games and Prizes

NEWSLETTER Lois Rieffer

Anyone is welcome to put an article in the newsletter. The deadline for receipt of articles to appear in the June 2018 newsletter is **May 11th**. The guild also accepts ads. Contact me for advertising rates and requirements.

Articles and ads should be sent to me at lmbrief@gmail.com.

Quilt Display Opportunity

As a way to promote local artists and crafts people, the St. Cloud location of the Great River Regional Library will be hosting a yearlong rotating quilt display. The display will be located on the second floor of the St. Cloud location on the South side of the building. Each month one quilter will be selected to display a full to queen size quilt. Only one quilt will be displayed per month and the months will be selected by a first come first serve basis. All quilt themes must be appropriate for all audiences and the library does have the right to not display quilts they deem offensive to others.

Any interested quilter will be asked to submit contact info and must sign a waiver form before the quilt will be displayed. If you have any other questions please feel free to send a reply email or inquire in person at the second floor reference desk of the St. Cloud location.

Contact: Becky Pflueger, Library Associate

rebeccap@grrl.lib.mn.us



Minnesota Quilters 2018 Annual Show and Conference June 14 - 16, 2018 St. Cloud, MN

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At the River's Edge Convention Center in beautiful St. Cloud, MN.

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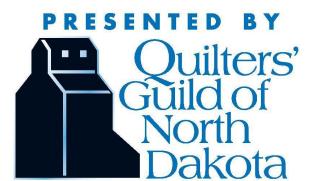


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