

# Women Of the West

## QUILTERS

<http://www.wowquiltguild.com>

MARCH 2016

### MARCH PROGRAM

Monday, March 28, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m., at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

SPEAKER: Pam Dindorff, Aardvark Quilts

### President's Column

Dearest Ladies,

It looks like we're going to have an early spring! I sure hope so. The older I get, the longer winters seem.

This month we celebrate St Patrick's Day and Easter. Our thoughts turn to pots of gold, rainbows, wearing green to Easter lilies, little girls in pretty new dresses, forgetting the dead ground, dark nights to fresh green and longer daylight and new beginnings.

As we rejoice in our coming spring, send a club member a card. It can be a silly St Patrick's Day card, an encouragement card or a beautiful Easter card. Tell that member how you appreciate their talent or faithfulness to you at the club or what a wonderful friend they are. You could sign your name or just make someone's day. You will be amazed how blessed you will be!

I love hearing your stories. I am very touched when you share with me. Women of the West are the most giving people I have ever met! I am so proud to be your President.

Thank you for all you do. Happy St Patrick's Day. Happy, Happy Easter. God bless you all.

I am blessed,  
*Shawn Taylor, President*

### March 28<sup>th</sup> Lecture

**Aardvark Quilts – Pam Dindorff**

<http://www.aardvarkquilts.com/>

While I come from a long line of sewers, I haven't been able to identify any quilters in my family tree. So I'm going to claim my husband's great aunt



who created the most beautiful full sized crazy quilt covered with an impressive array of embroidery as family.

When I'm not in my studio, I hang out with my husband, Pat, and our children, Sydney, Egan, and Elias in central Minnesota.

Pamela Goecke Dinndorf's original patterns are inspired by vintage quilts updated with today's fabrics and simple methods to appeal to both the traditional quilter as well as the newcomer to the quilting arts. Aardvark quilt patterns are unique in their exploitation of color and squeezing every ounce of magic from each of the glorious fabrics. Pam's designs have been featured in Quiltmania, Quilt, Quilty, and Simple Quilts magazines and Kaffe Fassett's Quilt Romance book. Look for her first book, **COLORIFIC**, elaborating on the secrets to successful fabric selection.

**There is still space open!!!!**

**April 25th - Workshop and Lecture**

**Carol Taylor website:**

**<http://www.caroltaylorquilts.com>**

Internationally known, award-winning quilt artist, Carol Taylor, approaches her quilt making with intensity and a seemingly boundless energy.

Vibrant colors, striking contrasts, use of value, as well as heavy machine quilting and embroidery distinguish Carol's quilts. She has created over 500 quilts since she began quilting in 1993. She also serves on the SAQA (Studio Art Quilt Associates) board of directors.



## **Sensuous Lines and Curves Workshop**

Do you love the look of those really skinny lines and curves, but don't know how to make them? Now is your chance to learn. Carol shares the secrets of piecing them, and you can make those practice blocks into a lovely wall quilt (41 x 36) full of those "sensuous lines and curves"!

You'll be thrilled with the resulting small quilt, which you can do in any 4-5 basic colors you like. Check Carol's website ([www.caroltaylorquilts.com](http://www.caroltaylorquilts.com)) to see how many quilts Carol has made using these same techniques in her Linear Series, and then come make your very own version.

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## **WOW Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes**

Greeting by president

- Robin announced speaker is Tracy Trevathan who dyes wool, silk thread and fabric. Now Tracy mostly does wool appliqué She did a wool dyeing demo.
- Renelle talked about Textile Center-\$100. Guild membership will give individual membership discount. We get to publish our class list at the Textile Center newsletter.
- Gail –discussed challenge- outside judge for our quilt challenge Challenge is do a quilt inspired by art
- Angela-small project challenge or exchange- tonight was mug rugs. Next month a 18" quilt for NIC our community service
- Birthday club: \$33.00, Facebook likes 230
- Members – 1 new and 3 guests, 54 in attendance

## **March Fun Activity and More!**

Angela's Fun Activities continue: The stress free challenges are due at the monthly meeting. There will be prizes, exchanges and even a community project.



**March** - 18" Mini quilt, completed, to donate to community services for NICU. This challenge will be documented as a service project to help with obtaining our grant monies for the 2017 quilt show. Juried with a prize for the winner.

**April** - 12 1/2" block, unfinished size, in a basket, flower or butterfly design, pieced or applique, pastel colors with white. Drawing for blocks.

**May** - pin cushion exchange, any size or design.  
Full list of activities in the February Newsletter

The 5 UFOs Completion Challenge continues, with prizes for those who finish all five UFOs by December meeting. I will have index cards for your use at February's meeting. They need to be returned by the March meeting. Small Project Challenge projects are exempt from the UFO Challenge.

*Angela Coleman, Activities Coordinator*

## Member Spotlight: Sharon Peterson



**Where were you born and where do you live now?**

Born in Longmont, Colorado. Live in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**How long have you been quilting?** 2002

**Who taught you to quilt?**  
First class was from Pat

Cox at Glad Creations.

**How many quilts would you guess you've completed?** 200

**What is your favorite quilting technique or style?** Scrap Quilts

**Have you ever won an award for one or more of your quilts?** Hennepin County Fair and Minnesota State Fair

**How many UFO's will you admit to?** 10 of my own and 20 from Family (Great Aunt, Grandmothers, Second Cousin, Mom), 20 UFO's that people have given me. Finishing UFO's are fun!

**What do your family members think/say about your quilting?** Nuts! I have started a list to help the family to know how to dispose of Quilting supplies, fabric and sewing machines. Don't sell my Featherweight for \$50.00!

**What other activities do you enjoy when you're not quilting?**

Gardening, Volunteering, Reading, Cooking



Feb. Member Spotlight – Jennifer Rose showing quilts

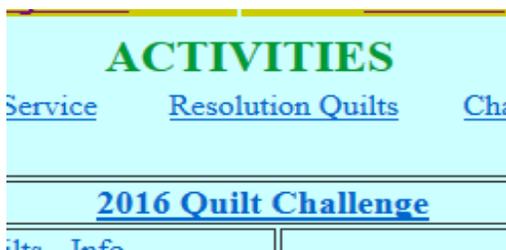


### On the Web Site:

<http://wowquiltguild.com/activities.htm>

**2016 WOW Quilt Challenge** has been posted.

This quilt challenge asks the quilter/artist to select an artist or art style for inspiration and create



a quilt from a particular picture, the style, color, shape, line, form, repetition, etc. Please don't create a literal copy but use for inspiration only as this must be an original design. Copyright laws do apply to this challenge. Bring your \$5.00 entry fee to the meeting to get the application from Robin or Gail. The web site has the size requirements and judging criteria. Quilts will be due by July or later. The quilts will be judged by an outside judge.

Any questions please contact:

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Gail Bronner ([gbbonner@comcast.net](mailto:gbbonner@comcast.net))

## WOW announces

# Guild Membership with the Textile Center

Women of the West Quilters is excited to announce their membership with the Textile Center. The Textile Center's mission to honor textile traditions and promote excellence and innovation in fiber arts, seemed like a logical union for our two groups. Our guild membership to the Textile Center provides us with the following benefits:

- Event/meeting listings in the "Textiles on the Town" e-newsletter that goes out bi-weekly to more than 4,000 recipients. (great way to promote our speaker presentations & workshops)
- A link to our website or Facebook page on the Textile Center website's member resource page.
- **Discounted individual membership rates for our guild members.**
- Special member-only rental rates of up to a 50% discount and priority scheduling for use of the Textile Center's professional-grade dye lab, and classroom/meeting space.
- Distribution of bulk marketing materials at the Textile Center. (perfect for promoting our next quilt show)

We hope you are able to take advantage of these amazing benefits provided by our new relationship with the Textile Center where a diverse mix of people come together to create, learn, share, explore and be inspired by fiber art. The Textile Center is located at 3000 University Ave, SE, Suite 100, Minneapolis, MN 55414. Phone: 612-436-0464.

### ✓ MARCH CHECKLIST:

- Your Name tag
- Birthday Club Donations
- Secret Sister Surprises
- Show and Share items
- Free books, magazines and fabric
- Your donation/service quilt



## February Show and Share



Annette Balkenede – Baby Girl Fairies Quilt. Found fairy fabric in Beaver Bay Quilt Shop in Iowa.



Deane Gradous shows completed service quilt.



**The Quilts of Valor group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at the Blue Bamboo quilt shop in Plymouth 10am-3pm.**

**We'd love to have you join us to sew! We supply the fabric and the friendship and even have kits ready if you would like to take one home to work on. Come check us out! Next meeting is April 9<sup>th</sup> – hope to see you there!**

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The *Women of the West Quilt Guild* was organized in December of 1997 to encourage and support all levels of quilters. The guild offers education, programs, fellowship, communication and community service while providing a place to be among people that share the same interest of the art of quilting. Meetings are held monthly on the 4th Monday, at 7 p.m. at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5005 Northwest Blvd, in Plymouth. If there is a conflict with a holiday, or other changes in schedule, they will be noted in the newsletter and on our website which can be found here:

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