

Women Of the West

QUILTERS

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June 2011

June Program: Lori Allison

“Using the Elements & Principles of Design to Make Your Quilts Sparkle & Sing”

Monday, June 27, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.

President's Column

Thank you to Julie Harstad for a wonderful, exciting May program. We truly had an evening full of quilts, stories, laughter, and excitement.

Happy quilting and summer!

Mickey

Ugliest Quilt Contest

Do you have a quilt that didn't turn out exactly as you envisioned? Or now you look at it and ask yourself "What was I thinking?" Bring it to the June meeting for some light hearted fun and enter it into our Ugliest Quilt Contest. Maybe your ugly will be someone else's "I love it!" or we will laugh so hard, there are tears!

Awards include:

- Valueless Award (least color value)
- Humps and Lumps Award
- Pointless Award (challenges with piecing or applique)
- At Least It's Quilted Award (challenges with quilting)
- MVE Award--Most Valiant Effort

WOW Quilt Survivor – West Metro

Four members volunteered to start our 1st WOW Quilt Survivor activity. Each was given directions for what to do and bring to the June meeting. Each month we will continue the journey with a new set of directions & opportunities for members to participate. Come and join the fun. Remember--"It is the journey, not the destination."



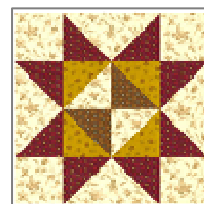
May speaker Julie Harstad & other guild members shared examples of the many reasons we create quilts throughout our lifetime.

Mystery Quilt

The final clue for the mystery quilt will be at the June meeting. The quilts will be shown at the August meeting. Hope all of you have enjoyed this mystery. If you need any of the first 5 clues they are posted on our web site.

Elaine Franks

Block of the Month



The block for June is the Ohio Star (Variable Star) with all its tiny little half square triangles! Have fun; it will make a sparkling little quilt for some lucky winner!

Wendie Fedie was the lucky winner of 22 Single Irish Chain blocks in May.

Lori Allison



Quilt Show News . . .

We on the Quilt Show Committee are planning on hanging all of your beautiful quilts, whether they be your first, or your most recent. Please plan to enter a quilt in this year's show. We have generous prizes for "Viewer's Choice" awards!!! Mary Havisto has graciously agreed to again make the ribbons for our Viewer's Choice selections. The ribbons that were made by Mary for our last show were exceptional.

WOW will be donating our Raffle Quilt proceeds to the following three cancer charities:

- Gilda's Club (gildasclubtwincities.org)
- Susan G. Komen for the Cure (komen.org)
- Voices of Hope (circleinthefield.org)

Knowing where the monies will be donated is a great plus for selling raffle tickets. All your help is so greatly appreciated. Many, many thanks--we need to all work together for the benefit of all.

Remember to look for our Raffle Quilt at the MQ Show this month. It has been entered and accepted into the Judged Category. Congratulations, once again, and thank you to Mona Harmann and Sue Haug for their beautiful piecing.

Dean Davis, Quilt Show Chair

Quilt Raffle Tickets

Good news: Members have turned in \$409 in ticket sales, and Karen Gallagher alone sold 149 tickets. Will you out-sell her? Remember, for every ten tickets you sell your name goes in a drawing for a \$50 gift certificate to the quilt shop of your choice.

Bad news: 26 members have not picked up their tickets. Those tickets and additional tickets can be mailed at your request.

Isn't the bookmark spectacular? (designed by Dawn Bryant.) We have an unlimited supply of them. Please carry one in your purse and be prepared to give to any friend or family with interest in our show.

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WOW Quilt Show Boutique Workdays

Mark your calendar for the workdays, scheduled for July



23 from 12:30-5:00 and August 13, from 9:00 – 5:00. We will be at the Four Seasons Upstairs Retreat Room. Come for an hour or come for the entire time. Plans include making items from felted wool, card making, and holiday items. It will be a time to take a break and enjoy meeting with friends to make some fun items for the WOW Quilt Show Boutique. Details of what to bring will be available at the June WOW meeting and on the web site.

At the May meeting Sharyn Resvick displayed a beautiful appliqued quilt she had made.

WOW Guild Meeting Minutes - May 23, 2011

President Mickey Ellis welcomed everyone to the guild meeting. Members were reminded that the guild newsletter is available on the WOW website on the 10th of each month. Shirley Bonacci, membership chair, reported that we had 13 guests and 5 returning members.

Julie Harstad presented an expressive program using a series of her own (and member) quilts, highlighting how quilts are used throughout our lives: in celebration, to commemorate milestones, as gifts, items made for (and with) our children, through group exchanges, for comfort, as art, for everyday use, and sometimes just for fun! Other members who shared items included: Carole Olson, Lisa Olson, Mickey Ellis, Sharyn Resvick, and Wendy Fedie. The progression of quilts from earliest works to more recent quilts was truly inspiring.

Dean Davis gave an update on the three speakers who will be presenting for the October 15th quilt show: Marilyn Foreman from St. Paul in the morning, two women from Gathering Friends in Bird Island as luncheon speakers, and Marilyn Bujalski in the afternoon.
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Dean proposed three beneficiaries for our raffle ticket sales dollars, in honor of the guild members who have both survived and lost their battles with cancer: Susan G. Komen, Gilda's Club, and Circle in the Field from Hastings. With some discussion about how each of these groups support people with different kinds of cancer and their families, the guild voted approval of these three recipients. Carole Olson, raffle ticket co-chair, asked members to consider emailing their friends about the quilt show and direct them to the WOW website to see the raffle quilt picture. She also asked all members to distribute the raffle ticket postcards, and to let her know of other quilt groups where we could display the raffle quilt and sell tickets. Shawn Taylor showed the quilt show boutique items that were brought in.

Mary Havisto, Community Service, announced that 14 baby memory quilts each have been sent to Methodist and North Memorial hospitals. She received a request from one hospital for 3' X 5' quilts to be used in transporting patients. Becky Plusa reported that \$14.50 was received for the single Birthday Club bag, which was won by Lynda Guisinger.

The next board meeting will be held on June 20th @ Wayzata Library from 6:30-8PM. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Dietrich-Blocker, Co-Secretary

WOW Board Meeting Minutes May 16, 2011, Wayzata Library

Board Members present: Mickey Ellis, Julie Harstad, Wendy Fedie and Ruth Ann Mohs, Donna Champion; absent were Lisa Olson, Shirley Bonaccoci, Lisa Dietrich-Blocker and LuAnn Sing.

Presidents' Activity Report

Mickey E. will be starting a Quilt Survivor, West Metro challenge at the next Guild meeting. Mickey has asked Medina to go back to the former layout for the meeting room.

Mickey E. distributed some ListServ information that she found, but the discussion was tabled until LuAnn is back. There have been 2 Quilt Show boutique workdays scheduled, July 23rd and August 13th.

Treasurer Report

Wendy F. reported April income of \$45.50 for birthday club. April Checking Balance \$11,697.71, April Savings balance \$10,816.94.

(WOW Board Meeting Minutes, continued from column 1)
Review of the books has not been completed by all who volunteered. Elaine Franks is done but Beth Miller was not. Mickey will talk to Beth.

Program Report

The May 7th *Make It Sew* workshop on "Vivacious Curvy Quilts" was cancelled. No one signed up for it. There was no money lost because of the way arrangements were made.

Anna Vandemark has been scheduled for a workshop in October and to speak at the October meeting. There was discussion as to whether this was a good time to have the workshop. October is very busy, Quilt Show, Retreat and the workshop might be too much. Julie will look into rescheduling Anna. June Guild meeting will be presented by Lori Allison and there will be an "UGLY" quilt show and tell.

Secretary Report

Other than a few edits by Mickey E., the March April 18th minutes were approved by all (no response to the emailed minutes is considered consent /approval). The co-secretaries will keep a copy of all minutes on file for the fiscal year.

Membership Report

Donna Champion is joining the membership team and was welcomed to her first board meeting. Printed Membership roster will be available at the May meeting. Membership numbers are down.

Public Relations Report

Julie H. has completed the Welcome letter and was asked to get it printed for distribution to new members

WOW By-Laws Review

Review was started on the By-Laws. Made it thru a few of them and will be resumed at the next meeting. It may take a few meetings to get thru the review. The meeting was adjourned at 8PM.

Next Board Meeting

June 20, 2011, 6:30-8:00PM @ Wayzata Library, 620 Rice St., Wayzata, MN 55391

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Ann Mohs, Activity Chair

COMING IN JULY.....

Ann Zemke, author of "They Named Me Marjorie" (Orphan Train) and Diane EntriKin with their new book "Every Barn Tells a Story"

PLUS members will share

"Summer Weight Quilts" (Tops Only)

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✓ JUNE CHECKLIST:

- Your Ugly Quilts!
- Boutique Donations
- Block of the Month
- Community Service Donations
- Secret Sisters Surprises
- Your Nametag
- Birthday Club Donations
- Show and Share

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 the 4th Monday monthly at 7 p.m. at the Medina Entertainment Center. If there is a conflict with a holiday, another night will be scheduled. The Medina Entertainment Center is on Highway 55 in Medina.

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