

# The Scrapbag Rag

The Official Newsletter of the Blue Valley Quilt Guild

February 2013 Issue

## February Meeting

It's time to make plans to attend our Play Night Guild Meeting, Monday, February 18th at 7:00 at the Seward Civic Center. In this month of LOVE, besides the important people in your lives, we know how much you also love quilts, quilting, fabric, embellishments and lots of other fun things. We've put together an exciting but relaxed evening of cool demonstrations and fun prizes. Don't miss it. The weather forecast looks good...see you there!

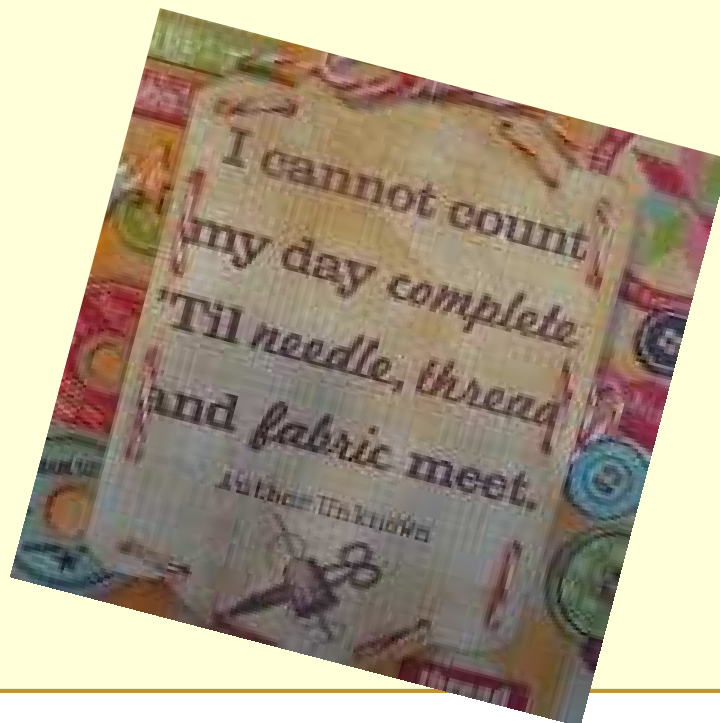
## Free Sew Day

Here we go again, with our mini retreat... our second free sew day will be at the Seward Civic Center on Saturday February 23rd from 9-4. We'll meet in the West Fireplace Room. It's a large, sunny, comfortable place to meet with friends. There are plenty of tables and chairs. Bring your machine & tools, or some hand work and curl up on the couch for an hour or the whole day. Our other Sew Days this year are scheduled for

September 28,  
and November 23.

March 23,  
October 26,

Come quilt with us!



**February refreshments will be provided by  
Kristine Larson & Joann Neeley**

Longtime member, Opal Bowmaster, will celebrate her 93rd birthday on Feb. 21 - her address is Martha House, 425 S. 47th St., Lincoln, NE 68510. She would welcome your cards and letters.

**Reminder: If you are working on any service quilts they can be brought to meetings and turned in to Becky Wallroff at any time! Keep them coming everybody and thanks to those who have already donated quilts for special causes!**

**Do you have items to sell or a service to offer? Think our members may be interested?**

**Classified or Monthly Section Ads in the newsletter are available!**

Classified Ads are .10 per word with a \$2.00 minimum and must be quilt or member related.

Monthly Ad Sizes/Rates: 1/8 page \$10.00, 1/4 pg \$16.00, 1/2 page vertical or horizontal \$30.00,  
full page \$60.00

**(pssst...you can also just make an announcement at the guild meeting...it's free!)**

**Coffee with Kriss & Roxann**

Join BVQG member and Certified National Quilting Instructor, Kriss Moulds of Seward and shop owner, Roxann O'Hare at The Udder Store, 636 Seward Street, each Thursday from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm for quilt talk, questions and answers, and friendly discourse surrounded by beautiful fabrics, books, patterns, notions and experience. Chat, learn and sip coffee steeped in inspiration.

What a great way to spend a Thursday morning!



Blue Valley Quilters  
Treasurer Report  
January, 2012

Beginning Checkbook Balance 11/30/12 \$2,651.57

**INCOME:**

Dues	180.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<u>180.00</u>

**EXPENS-**

Jones Insurance Agency (Insurance Premium	225.00
Nov Program - Roxann O'Hare )	50.00
Marilyn Varner--Newsletter copies	19.40
NE Dept of Revenue Sales Tax 2012	36.64

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<u>331.04</u>
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Ending Checkbook Balance 12/31/12	2,500.53
Petty Cash	20.00
Savings Account @ Cattle Bank	2,005.41
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>\$4,525.94</b></u>

*Jean Jones, BVQ Treasurer*

Something to think  
about...A quilt show in  
2014

We'll discuss at our  
next meeting and con-  
sider our options for  
an affordable venue.





# PROGRAMS.. 2013



Here is the list of program committees and current program submissions for 2013.

**Jan:** Gretchen Gebhardt, Mona Kunasek, Kristine Larson, Pat Parrott, Glenda Walinder

Quilts with a Story

**Feb:** Play Night

**Mar:** Bernie Fiala, Kandy Krieser, Kaye McCloy, Janalee Petsch, Liz Thanel, Roxann O'Hare

When You're Green, You're Growing by Rebecka Schafter

**Apr:** Katy Coleman, Carol Isaac, Maralee Meyer, Barbara Pike, Jan Stehlik

Introduction to Quilt Appraising by Barbara Pike

**May:** Connie Doehring, Kerri Meyer, Kim Piitz, Diane Swartzlander

Wearable Art by Janice Lippincott

**Jun:** Lori Duffek, Jean Jones, Patsy Mellen, Connie Phillips, Teresa TeSelle, Judy Polacek

Bed Turning by the committee

**Jul 4<sup>th</sup>:** Vicki Jorgensen, Bonnie McMann, Marilyn Varner

"Quilting—Funnier than you Realize" by Laura Franchini from Wisner

**Jul:** Christina Chapman, Susan Minchow, Kelsey Pope, Ellen Singleton

Trunk Show by Bonnie Haith

**Aug:** Gloria Bell, Phyllis Hronik, Arlene Moritz, Becky Riesinger, Shelley Schulte

Trunk Show by Bernice Jeffries

**Sep:** Lois Hodde, Kriss Moulds, Joanne Neeley, Linda Riesberg, Shirley Schluckebier

Multi-Generational Quilting

**Oct:** Lillian Beckler, Jeanie Hecker, Elaine Nielsen, Lorraine Ritchie, Joan Schildt (also potluck dinner)

Trunk Show by Deb Girard

**Nov:** , Marian Fosler, Mary Robbins, Ardith Roebke, Rita Rumery, Rosie Westerhoff

Notions demo by Nancy Fleecs

**\*Nominating:** Dorothy Heidemann-Nelson, Sheila Beins, Julie Owens, Jean Algya, Becky Wallroff **DONE**

Each committee is to designate a contact person who will communicate with the board about your program. In your group you can discuss possibilities for a program for your designated month. If you wish to hire a speaker, the monthly budget is \$100 (excepting the 4th of July speaker who usually is paid about \$300). If you have an idea for a speaker that will cost more than \$100, contact the board for approval. Guild members who present programs will be paid \$50 per group. Once you have your speaker contacted please have them fill out a contract and return the completed contract to treasurer Jean Jones.

\*The nominating committee are the members who put together a slate of officers for the 2013 guild year

# What's coming up in Nebraska's quilting world?

## International Quilt Study Center and Museum Events

### Open Sew At the International Quilt Study Center& Museum

Feb 23 10:30-2:00 = Quilters are invited to spend a few hours sewing at the Museum. We provide the space and free admission for the day. In return, Museum visitors will have the benefit of observing quiltmaking activities first-hand.

### First Friday FREE Admission 4:30-7 PM

**When** Fri, March 1, 4:30pm - 7:00pm

**Where** International Quilt Study Center & Museum

**Description** Join us for free admission from 4:30-7 p.m. on First Friday. This month, we are excited to welcome the Upstairs Blues Band. The group of teenage blues musicians formed in 2009 and have performed at festivals and made TV and radio appearances. For more information about the group, visit <http://www.upstairsblues.com>.

### National Quilting Day March 16th 10:00-3:00 more information coming later

**Standing Activities: Free with admission**

**Tuesday - Saturday:** Guided tour of Exhibitions, 11:00 AM

**Saturday:** Guided tour of Exhibitions, 1:00 PM

**Hours:** Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Sunday 1:00- 4:00 PM

**Closed Mondays and University Holidays**

**Regular admission:**

Members FREE

Adult \$6

Student (with school ID) \$3

Child (5-18 years of age) \$3

Child (4 and under) FREE

Family (up to 2 adults and their children or grandchildren) \$12

UNL Student (with UNL ID) FREE

UNL Faculty/Staff (with UNL ID) FREE

For more information please visit [www.quiltstudy.org](http://www.quiltstudy.org) or call (402) 472-6549.

## More info for Quilters

### Online Quilt Database

**Nebraska History Museum, 15th & P Streets, Lincoln, NE** The Nebraska State Historical Society's collection of over 400 Nebraska quilts are now searchable and available for viewing on the web [online database](#). Just type "quilt" into the search box to see all the items or enter more specific terms depending on your needs

## Happy Birthday BVQG Members

"The more you praise and celebrate your life, the more there is in life to celebrate."

Oprah Winfrey

### February Member Birthdays

Mona Kunasek, Feb 1

Kim Piitz, Feb 7

Marian Fosler, Feb 17

Joanne Neeley, Feb 28



### GARAGE SALE

Just a reminder that our Guild will have a table at the February Quilter's/Crafter's Garage Sale at the Isles Reception Hall in Havelock Feb 24, 10-4. Last year we made more than \$600 and it was our only fund raiser for the year. Take some time to go through your sewing/crafting rooms and consider if there are things you no longer use that someone else might like...fabrics, notions, magazines, books, patterns, tools, paints, dyes and even finished quilts.

**Bring your items already priced to the February meeting.** Also, please consider taking some time to help sit at the table. We had lots of fun last year!

**Challenge Quilt information is going to be given out this month, rather than March.**

**Are you ready???**

## January Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2013

Blue Valley Quilt Guild Meeting

President Jeanie Hecker welcomed members and guests Laurie Groesser and Linda Kolterman. January birthday celebrants Julie Owens, Lori Duffek and Barb Pike had to answer, "Did you make a New Year's resolution?" They enjoyed a fresh supply of fat quarters to choose from thanks to Roxann O'Hare.

Followed a program of "Every Quilt Has a Story" presented by the January program committee as well as all members sharing special stories of quilts they own.

Refreshments were provided by Barb Pike and Liz Thalen.

Following a chatty break, Kandy Krieser whistled the guild to order for Jeanie.

The minutes and Treasurer's report for November were approved as printed.

Connie Doehring won the door prize.

Guild members showed off their scarves and socks that had been dyed at the November meeting. It was beautiful!

Our sympathies go out to the family of Jane Graff. Many guild members as well as the Seward County community will miss her. We also heard the news of the death of DeElda Hershberger's husband. Our sympathies are extended to her family.

Members learned that long-time member Opal Baumaster has moved to Tabitha Green House, and will be turning 93 on February 21.

Jeanie teased us with another Name That Quilter game. This time it went more than one clue, but she almost had us tricked with Quilter Jean Jones.

### New Business

Jeanie brought to the group the idea of a tour of ACCU-CUT sometime in the fall. This will be discussed further in the spring.

### Old Business

Linda Riesberg asked the guild if a Bus Trip should be held this year. Many members discussed the positive atmosphere the many Bus Trips have given our guild. Linda mentioned a trip south-Pawnee City, Holton Ks, but each shop is rather small. Discussion changed to the Nebraska State Quilt Guild annual meeting to be held in Seward July 25-28. Linda is also the chairman of the vendor's mall. She mentioned many vendors we can enjoy in our hometown. Discussion continued and finally through a show of hands, it was decided the BVQG will not have a bus trip in 2013 but would encourage members to sign up for the NSQG convention and vendor's mall. Sign up will be available at a future meeting.

### Announcements

All are invited to come for the Sat. Jan. 26 Free Sew Day at the Civic Center 9-4. Other dates that have been reserved are: Feb. 23, Mar. 23, Sep.28, Oct. 26 and Nov. 23.

Special subscription deals from Fons and Porter are available through our guild. Ask Jeanie for details.

Guild member Joanne Neeley has opened Weedy Creek Yarn in The Udder Store. She would love to have everyone visit.

The Havelock Quilters and Crafters garage sale is Feb. 24. Please bring items to sell to the Feb. meeting. Have them priced. Visit the garage sale and help our guild! A very fine profit was made last year.

National Quilters Day at the International Quilt Center and Museum is Saturday, March 16 from 9-4. Speakers, demonstrations and displays will be held all day.

Cabin Fever Fix shop hop is Jan 31-Feb 2. Shops include Hastings, Grand Island, Aurora, York and Northern Kansas.

Jeanie reminded members that the February meeting is Play Night. Details are in the February newsletter.

The meeting adjourned.

Becky Reisinger, secretary

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### BVQG Board of Directors

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County Fair Liaison: Susan Minchow  
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Remember to bring:

Nametag  
Garage Sale Items  
Show and Tell  
Completed Service Quilts

General meeting is held the third Monday of each month, excepting December, at the Seward Civic Center (lower level) at 7:00 PM. Board Meeting is held the first Monday of every month or as decided by board. Any member may attend. Contact any board member for time, date, location. Any interested quilt maker or quilt lover is encouraged to attend a meeting as our guest!

