

## upcoming program

The next guild meeting will be Tuesday, April 28, at 1 & 7 p.m. when we will welcome

### Nancy Kazlauckas

and her husband, Jim, from Sauk Centre, Minnesota. Nancy comes to us with a background in secondary education in clothing, textiles, and design. She gained her interest in calligraphy through her father's sign-making profession. Her lecture and one of her classes will be on the topic of Calligraphy with Thread. She uses a zig-zag stitch on a regular sewing machine. Her afternoon and evening presentations will be the same, but the quilts will be so lovely you might want to come to both sessions. If you want to learn more about Nancy and her classes, check out her Web site: [www.threadcalligraphy.com](http://www.threadcalligraphy.com).

Marge Pearson, Program Chair

Guild meetings are held at the West Des Moines United Methodist Church at 8th & Grand.

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## From the President



Anita Gogerty

Now that spring is here, it is time to enjoy spring activities. Hope you have had the opportunity to participate in the spring retreat and area shop hops. We also have several great quilting events coming up, including the International Quilt Festival in Chicago, April 17-19; the AQS Quilt Show & Contest in Paducah, April 22-25; and, closer to home, the Annual Kalona Quilt Show and Sale, April 23-25.

My quilt for the AQS President's Challenge is in the design stage. I have started collecting fabric from my stash, but I may need to buy more. I encourage you to make a "Vacation Memory" quilt too.

We have been having great show-and-tells at our guild meetings. Keep up the good work! An easy way to use up all those left-over blocks and small scraps is to make place mats. Keep them coming.

Hope to see you all at the next guild meeting.

Anita Gogerty, President

## Looking Ahead to May

Suzanne Swenson will be joining us in May. She will have two different presentations at our meetings, teach two different topics in her workshops, and offer quilt appraisals. Often, when I have a quilt judged, the number-one comment is "straight seams should be straight." In her Hang'Em Straight classes, Suzanne will be offering advice that will help us avoid this comment and score better with the judges. This three-hour class is offered twice: Wednesday afternoon and Wednesday evening. There will be no actual sewing at this class. I have also received judge's comments about cutting off points. In Thursday's class, "Stars all Around," we will learn how to get those perfect points which will also help us earn those ribbons. For this class, you will want your machine so you can practice perfection! Be sure to sign up for a workshop or an appraisal at the next guild meeting.

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DES MOINES AREA QUILTERS GUILD, INC.  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

MARCH 31, 2009

Beginning Balance (1/1/09) **\$29,382.81**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Proposed 2009</u>
<b>INCOME:</b>		
Challenge Income	0	300.00
Dues	10,550.00	15,000.00
Guest Fees	175.00	350.00
Interest Income	39.57	300.00
Library Income	20.00	200.00
Member Workshop Income	7,505.00	11,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	0	0
Newsletter Advertising	452.00	1,100.00
Quilt Show Income	0	13,200.00
Quilted Mile Donations	0	1,000.00
Retreat Income	<u>4,790.00</u>	<u>11,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$23,531.57</b>	<b>\$53,450.00</b>

**EXPENSES:**

AQS Challenge Expense	0	300.00
Community Service Expense	0	200.00
Fair Premiums	325.00	325.00
Guild Challenge Expense	0	300.00
Insurance	494.00	700.00
Library	0	400.00
Meeting Place	765.00	2,500.00
Member Maintenance	683.41	2,500.00
Programs & Workshops	3,930.18	18,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	0	100.00
Newcomers	100.00	500.00
Newsletter	1,751.74	9,500.00
Quilt Show Expense	679.02	9,875.00
Quilt Show – Hanging System	0	1,000.00
Quilt Show Future Expense	197.68	600.00
Retreat Expense	5,095.01	11,000.00
Website Expense	<u>75.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$14,096.04</b>	<b>\$58,150.00</b>

<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$9,435.53</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance as of 03/31/09</b>	<b>\$16,330.52</b>
<b>Money Market Balance as of 03/31/09</b>	<b>\$22,487.92</b>
<b>Total Cash on Hand</b>	<b>\$38,818.44</b>

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 You can download it from the front page!



## Special Group Meetings

### NEWCOMERS' MEETINGS

The next meeting for the Newcomers' Group will be at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, at the Urbandale Public Library. JoAnn Belling will present a program on Color and Fabric Selection for Quilts. All new members and lapsed members who have rejoined the guild are invited to attend. The Newcomers' Group regularly meets on the third Tuesday of the month.

**Liz Porter, Vice-President**

### 1800S QUILT STUDY GROUP

The 1800s Quilt Study Group always meets the FOURTH Thursday of the month at The Quilt Block at 6:30 p.m. Our next meeting will be April 23 and the study topic will be crazy quilts. Members should research that topic and bring their findings to the meeting. Visitors are always welcome too! Please note that meetings are an informal exchange of ideas and information – no formal presentations are expected, so please feel free to join us as we learn more about 19th-century quilt topics. For a list of future study topics, contact **Kimber Van Heukelom** at tkhook@msn.com or 515/993-4005.

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## Meeting Show-And-Tell



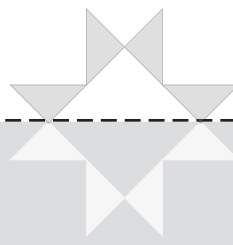
Mary Shotwell showed her appliqué quilt that will be going to the Machine Quilter's Showcase in Overland Park, Kansas, May 13-16. Mary's quilt was quilted by Deb Treusch.



Shawn McMMain started cutting triangles and just couldn't stop to make this colorful quilt.



Marge Pearson made quite a find when she bought a box of antique fabrics and found these antique Dresden Plate blocks. She can't wait to get this quilt dated and appraised by our May speaker, Suzanne Swenson.



# program calendar

### APRIL 28

Nancy Kazlauckas

1 p.m. & 7 p.m. *Calligraphy with Thread*

### MAY 26

Suzanne Swenson

1 p.m. *Women Quilting Through History*

7 p.m. *The Blue Ribbon Goes To...*

### JUNE 23

Terry Clothier Thompson and Nancy Hornback

1 p.m. *Green and Red Appliqué*

7 p.m. *Dating Fabric and Quilts*

### JULY 28

Connie Sue Haidle

1 p.m. & 7 p.m. *Back Basting Appliqué*

### AUGUST 25

CHARITY AUCTION

### SEPTEMBER 22

Ann Fahl

1 p.m. *Quilts for all Seasons*

7 p.m. *It's in the Details*

### OCTOBER 28-31

AQS/DMAQG Quilt show

### NOVEMBER 5-9

Fall Retreat

### DECEMBER

Christmas Tea & Annual Meeting



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## 2009 DMAQG Workshop Information



*Nancy Kazlauckas*

[www.threadcalligraphy.com](http://www.threadcalligraphy.com)

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29** – Nancy will add inspiration to your quilts by teaching machine calligraphy using a zigzag stitch. This technique can be done on the quilt top or while you are machine-quilting.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 30** – You have seen paintstiks in the stores and the results on others' quilts. Learn this fun technique to add sparkle to your projects.



*Suzanne K. Swenson*

[cherrybaskets@aol.com](mailto:cherrybaskets@aol.com)

**MONDAY, MAY 25** – This is an evening class that will help you finish your quilts. In her "Hang'em Straight" class, Suzanne will review the basics for setting blocks square, applying borders, and sewing bindings so your project/quilt hangs straight. No supplies needed.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 27** – "Stars All Around" is an all-day class that will teach precision-piecing techniques that will give you sharp points and straight seams.

**THURSDAY, MAY 28** – This is your chance to have your new or old quilts appraised so that your insurance is adequate. Appointments will be available.

**THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1-4 P.M.** – We may repeat the "Hang'em Straight" class Thursday afternoon.

*Terry Clothier Thompson*

[www.terrythompson.com](http://www.terrythompson.com)

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24** – Learn some tips on how to date fabric and quilts; Terry will come with a trunk full of dresses and quilts for you to learn from. You may also bring your quilts, quilt tops, or quilt blocks for her to date and use in class.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25** – Come and make a soldier quilt from Terry's book, Louisa May Alcott. An appliqué lesson will be optional.

*Connie Haidle*

[www.appleblossomquilts.com](http://www.appleblossomquilts.com)

**MONDAY, JULY 27 EVENING OR WEDNESDAY, JULY 29 MORNING** – Connie will be teaching you some interesting ways to appliqué using Glad Press'n Seal. She will also focus on skinny stems and split leaves in her back-basting appliqué.

*Ann Fahl*

[www.AnnFahl.com](http://www.AnnFahl.com)

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23** – Learn the fundamentals of good machine appliqué, how to get a beautiful satin stitch; use decorative thread; the importance of using a foundation; and pressing.

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24-25** – Stitch a Black-Eyed Susan wall hanging with a flowerpot full of blooms. Learn Ann's methods to make award-winning quilts including fusing, appliqué, and free-motion embroidery.



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# 2009 Des Moines Area Quilters Guild

## WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Program Chair: Marge Pearson, 515/996-9117, margequilts@wildBLUE.NET

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TEACHER	DATE	DAY	WORKSHOP	COST	TOTAL
Nancy Kazlauckas	Apr 29	Wed	Thread Calligraphy	\$45	<b>FULL</b>
	Apr 30	Thurs	Paintstiks	\$45	_____
Suzanne Swenson	May 25	Mon	Hang'em Straight (evening)	\$25	_____
	May 27	Wed	Stars All Around	\$45	_____
	May 28	Thurs	Appraisals by appointment	\$35	_____
	May 28	Thurs	Hang'em Straight (1 - 4 p.m.)	\$25	_____
Terry C. Thompson	Jun 24	Wed	Dating Fabric and Quilts	\$45	_____
	Jun 25	Thurs	Soldier Quilts	\$45	_____
Connie Sue Haidle	Jul 27	Mon	Back Basting Appliqué (evening)	\$20	_____
	Jul 29	Wed	Back Basting Appliqué (1/2 day)	\$20	_____
Ann Fahl	Sept 23	Wed	Free-Motion Thread Embroidery	\$45	_____
	Sept 24-25	Th-Fr	Black-eyed Susan, Appliqué & Embroidery	\$90	_____
				<b>TOTAL</b>	_____

1. By paying for the class at the time of registration, you are placed on the paid list.

2. One check may be made out to DMAQG for all workshops chosen.

3. Any class fees not paid at time of registration are due 60 days prior to the class.

4. At 59 days prior to the class, spaces become available to those on the waiting list.

5. At 30 days prior to the class, any vacancies become available to nonguild members at an additional \$10 fee.

6. Payment is refundable if cancelled at least 30 days prior to the day of the workshop.

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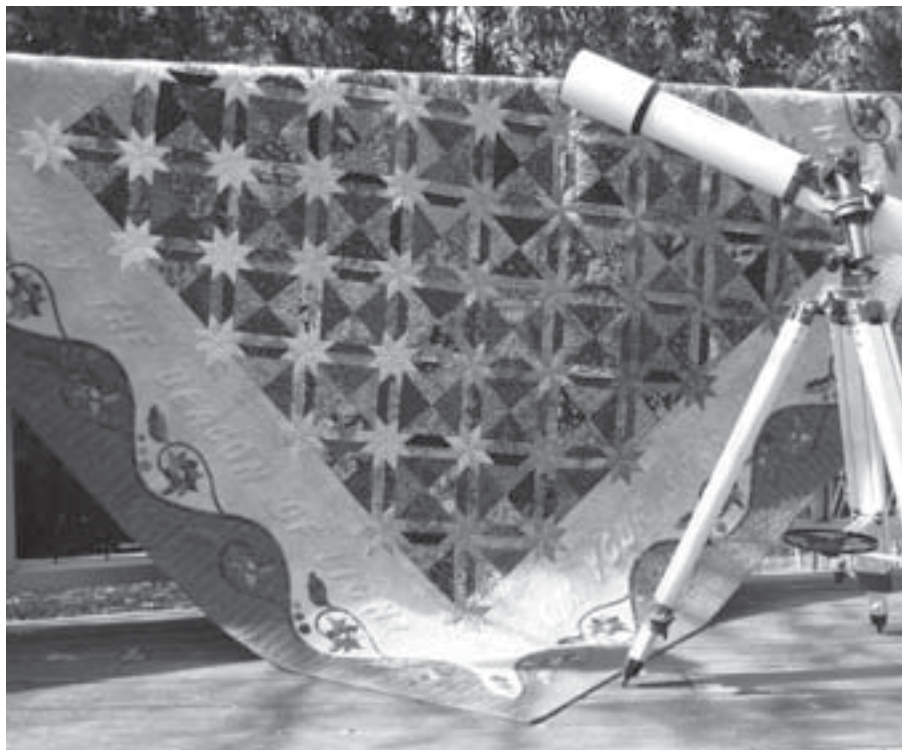
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## 2009 DMAQG RAFFLE QUILT: "BEACON OF LIGHT"



The raffle quilt for the 2009 DMAQG quilt show is finished and beautiful! The quilt, "Beacon of Light," is an original pieced and appliqué design by Mabeth Oxenrider. Mabeth led the effort to collect fabric and get the quilt made with a "crew" of helpers: Mary Booth, Gail Holz, Kathryn Leavell, Marilyn Parks, Diane Pilmer, and Linda Weber. The quilting was done by Deb Treusch. The phrase "Beacon of Light—May the beacon of light from your star light the path for many to follow" is quilted in the lighter blue inner border. Thank you Mabeth, Mary, Gail, Kathryn, Marilyn, Diane, Linda, Deb, and everyone who donated fabric for this beautiful quilt!

### *Community Service*

If you didn't get to retreat in March, you missed a great weekend of sewing, fun, and games. Lisa Flyr and Beth Hromyak did a fantastic job. Thanks to both of you.

Remember, the nine-patch blocks need to be turned in by the April meeting. I need 288 blocks for both quilts. See the February or March newsletter (available on the website) for complete instructions.

The workday to lay out and sew the blocks together will be Monday, May 18, at the Urbandale Library from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mark your calendars and come in the morning, afternoon, or evening whenever you can. The workday will give all interested members a chance to participate in making the fund-raising quilts for the Festival of Trees and Alzheimer's Walk raffles. Keep those nine-patch blocks coming.

Thank you for caring.

**Judy D'Iapico, Community Service**

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## THANKS TO PENNY HAREN!

Penny Haren joined us in March for two great lectures and three fabulous workshops. She shared a number of her tips, techniques, and fudge factors for making small-scale, intricate blocks. Even if you haven't mastered the scant quarter-inch seam allowance, you can successfully make complex blocks using her techniques. She shared mock-ups of numerous blocks that showed her innovative pieced-appliqué methods. And how about all those beautiful quilts! Be sure to watch for Penny's second book, "Penny Haren's Pieced Appliqué – More Blocks and Projects," due out in April or May from Landauer.



Penny Haren

### WANTED FABRIC FOR BACKS

MUST be at least 2 yards  
in length

New this year at the Iowa State Fair, the Fabric and Thread department will be hosting a charity-quilt project. This

new project is called "State Fair Sew-in for Kids." A room will be set up so people visiting the Fair can sew quilts for kids. Teachers from the Creative Vision Quilt Class will spearhead this project. Look for information in future issues about volunteering for this. Fair-goers participating will learn firsthand about quilts and quilt-making while creating something special for others less fortunate. The goal for the first year is 50 lap-size quilts.

The finished quilts will be distributed to two agencies: Angel Tree Camp; a summer camp for children of people in the prison system and the University of Iowa Children's Hospital, Iowa City, Iowa: comfort and cuddle quilts for patients

This is how you can help! As members you always have been so generous with your contributions to our fabric closet. What we need are yardages for the backs of these quilts. Please check through your fabric stash and see if you can donate appropriate baby, children, or teenaged fabrics for these backs. We know it will be so greatly appreciated by all the recipients.

Bring these to any guild meeting between now and July. I will have a laundry basket with a sign on it!

Thanks so MUCH!

Jill Reber, *Materials Coordinator*



Penny shares a mock-up showing here innovative pieced-appliqué technique for making complicated blocks.

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The Des Moines Area Quilters Guild is a non-profit organization that meets monthly to enhance members' knowledge and enjoyment of quilts and quilting. Most meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the West Des Moines United Methodist Church, 8th & Grand, in West Des Moines, Iowa. Afternoon meetings begin at 1:00 pm and Evening meetings begin at 7:00 pm. Yearly dues are \$30 for Adult Memberships and \$10 for Junior Memberships. Guests are always welcome. A \$5 lecture fee will be collected from Non-Guild attendees at meetings featuring a paid speaker.

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