

# WOMEN OF THE WEST

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## QUILTERS

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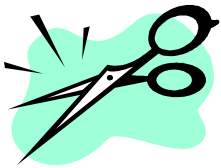
### Member Trunk Show

It is a custom of WOW to have an annual member trunk show. This year we will be favored with the quilts of **Lynn Lovett, Lisa Gerber, Pat Cedar, Dean Davis, Mary Hess & Jane Larson**. Besides volunteering their time to our organization, these members have all produced an array of quilts and quilt styles that they will share with us. Bring a friend with whom you'd like to share the talent within our group!

**Monday, April 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.**

### Community Service Quilts

Many quilt tops were picked up by members willing to quilt them and many others were taken by members to be bound. There were many kits cut at the February cutting party for very attractive community service quilts that are still waiting to be pieced.



#### Cutting Session

The Community Service cutting session this month will be at Four Season Quilt Shop, 4172 Lancaster Lane, Plymouth on

April 12 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. All are welcome. Bring a ruler, rotary cutter and mat. Any questions, call Pat at 763-553-0851.

Should members wish to donate fabric to the community service quilting effort, RED fabric is needed for many designs.

### Resolution Quilts

Gentle reminder to keep up the good work.

Sharyn Resvick

### Lost – WOW Historian Book

Did anyone pick up the WOW Historian book at the March WOW meeting? I forgot it there, and it was in a brown paper grocery bag with handles. If someone has it, please ask them to call me at 763-494-0473 and let me know.

Barb Vergin, Activity Chair

### Don't Practice It; Just Do It

Good advice from our March speaker, Nancy Kazlauckas, author of "Thread Calligraphy."

Nancy delighted the March meeting attendees with her beautiful quilts and clever, inspirational



"The Trout, the whole trout and nothing but the trout, so help the cod"

calligraphy words and poems. She illustrated how to use calligraphy writing to personalize items and to embellish quilts. Sometimes the words were the focus of the quilt and in others, they were an embellishment – like inspirational words in the border of a beautiful bargello. Nancy's humor is evident in her quilts and her talk.

*Upcoming Program....*

**Marilyn Bujalski – Cross Stitch Quilting**  
*Monday, May 19 (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday due to Mem Day)*

## From Our President.....



If April showers bring May flowers then what does April snow bring? More quilting time I suppose. Like almost everyone I am sick and tired of snow. Once it goes away I will find my time filled with

other passions like traveling, heading to the lakes for a run or a walk, meeting friends for dinner al fresco, hitting the driving range, and, yes, laying in the sun by the pool. But when things get too crazy I head back to my machine to center myself.

One of the biggest reasons I love quilting is because it requires me to really focus on what I'm doing. I can't listen to books on tape like some quilters I know. I just can't focus on two things at once after I have left the office. If I'm thinking about work, life, or anything other than the piecing, I screw it up. And I hate unpicking my work. Unpicking, unsewing, anti-sewing, whatever you call it, I hate it. So when I sit down at my machine I know that I need to put all my thought and focus into what I am doing. Knowing this causes me to only give myself a few minutes at quilting if I can't focus I have to put it down.



Otherwise I just get frustrated. Luckily with summer coming (I hope) I'll have some other options for my unfocused minutes. But when I need to center myself and regroup, I know I'll find myself at my machine for few hours of quiet time. Hopefully it will be warm when I find myself there though.

*Quilt On..... Jen Cogelow, President*

### Membership News

We now have 164 members, with 93 in attendance at the March meeting. We had two new members: Francie Glickman and Teri Olson and three guests: Liz Martin, Casey Nelson and Jan Schulz.

*Liz Kroger, Membership*

## Board Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2008

**Members present:** Jen Cogelow, President  
Barb Carlson-Vergin, Activity Chair, Joyce Johnson, Membership, Secretary

### President

The by-laws change was voted on successfully; President, Treasurer, and/or Vice President may sign checks.

### Treasurer

Chris could not attend. No news to report.

### Activity Chair

Barb reported:

Gigi Hickey will be the 2009 Quilt Show chair, and also will be the WOW Historian for 2008. Mary Havisto will be the Small Quilt Challenge chair, and will present the Challenge criteria at the March meeting.

### Vice President

Carole could not attend, provided Barb with this information – there is no April program scheduled so far. Possibilities discussed:

10 members to show 10 quilts, or similar format  
Boiled wool work

Red work

Correction to February board minutes: no Mystery Quilt for 2008, this will be held in 2009.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

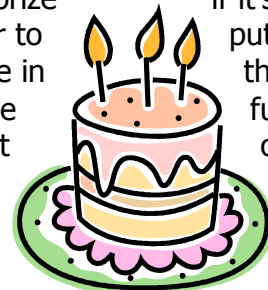
Respectfully submitted, Joyce Johnson, Secretary

The next **Board Meeting** will be on Monday, April 21, 2008 at the community room of the Maple Grove Byerlys, at 7:00 p.m.



## Birthday Club

Did you see the awesome birthday club prizes at the March meeting? Don't forget to bring a birthday club prize and remember to and your name in meeting. These defray the cost room rental.



if it's your birthday put in a quarter the bags at the funds help to of the meeting

Elaine Franks

## WOW Minutes March 24, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m. by Jen Cogelow. New members and guests were welcomed.

Membership voted and accepted amendment to Article IV in the bylaws regarding check signing. New language states, "Only the Treasurer, President and/or Vice President may sign checks. Two signatures are required if the check is more than \$50.00 for any non-budgeted item." This change allows the Vice President to sign checks. In the past only the Treasurer and President could sign checks.

Mary Havisto and Carole Henderson explained our 2008 challenge. Due at August 2008 meeting, maximum size 18" x 22". The challenge is to define a circle by fabric choice or shape.

Lori Allsion showed a raffle quilt—Proceeds will go to Northcentral Maltese Rescue [www.malteserescue.homestead.com](http://www.malteserescue.homestead.com)

Community service showed quilts turned in. Most will go to the Ronald McDonald House. Carole Olson introduced our speaker Nancy Kazlauckas. She showed several of her quilts using thread calligraphy. All calligraphy done on a home sewing machine.

Door prizes awarded

Block of the month won by Jan LaSalle/Connie O'Dell won the FQ

BD Club

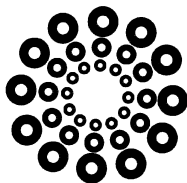
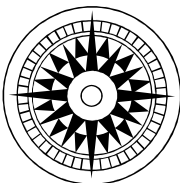
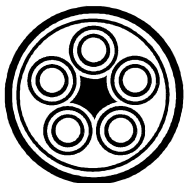
Show and Share.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Nancy Benolkin, Secretary

## 2008 Quilt Challenge – Circles!

Committee members Mary Havisto and Carol Henderson announced the quilt challenge for this non-show year. It is to be approximately 18x22" in size and to represent circles – either in design, shape or fabric. Viewers Choice Awards will go to 1) Best use of shape, 2) Most Creative, and 3) Overall Favorite. Challenge will be at the August WOW meeting.



## From the Editor

I am a bit of a computer geek and I like to peruse my favorite subject – quilting – on the Internet. I've found some interesting blogs, and started some of my own, but this month I found something really fun.

While perusing other quilt guild's websites and reading their newsletters, I found two guilds that publish pictures of ALL their show and tell quilts by month!

[www.kpgg.com](http://www.kpgg.com) and

[www.tbqguild.com](http://www.tbqguild.com). I enjoyed

viewing their quilts, seeing their challenge quilts and mystery quilts, etc., but Ladies, the quilts shown by our WOW guildmembers stack up pretty well, and maybe – if volunteers for photography and recording names were to come forward – and there's room on our website.....whadiyathink?



## Quilt of Dreams Garden Party

If you know anyone who would like to come down and spend the afternoon, learn a little

about gardening, and look at the Hancock Children's quilts for silent auction we would welcome them. The Quilt of Dreams Garden Party is at

**International Market Square on April 13**

**from 1:00 to 4:00 at a charge of \$25.00.**

D'Amico is catering and the gardening talk will be done by Teri Knight, a Master Gardener, with a live auction of a Queen and Full sized quilts. It is usually a fun afternoon. Note: We apologize if your newsletter didn't reach you in time for this announcement. The webversion will reach most.



***Remember The Day  
Forget The Day's Troubles***

Nancy Kazlauckas

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### ✓ April Checklist

- Block of the Month
- Community Service Donations
- Your Nametag
- Secret Sister surprises
- Birthday Club
- Show & 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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