

PEAKS & PIECES

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE DELECTABLE
MOUNTAIN QUILTERS GUILD

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

President's Thoughts,

What a great kick-off to our new year! I look forward to every meeting, but especially after being off during the month of December, it was so good to see each one of you again.

I have to share with you that I'm off to a good start on my non-resolution resolution - to quilt more this year. I finished the baby quilt that I started at the fall retreat, and I'll be taking that with me to Minnesota next week to give to our new grandson, James Henry Hoy. I'm anxious to see mommy and daddy's faces when they open this gift, as they, too, enjoy sharing their artistic talents with others - Kayli is a photographer (when she's not a surgical nurse), and Mitchell makes beautiful knives and other items with wood (when he's not a machinist).

Have you started your mystery quilt for 2016 yet? I've picked out my fabric, and even have everything cut, but I haven't started sewing...yet. For me, this mystery quilt will also be a challenge, as I don't normally make anything larger than a lap quilt any more, so this is a LOT of little triangles to work with! I'm sure each of us can remember many of our other group projects over the years, some of which have caused one or another of us to question our ability to participate or meet the challenge. But I always look at the quilts from the mystery patterns or challenges I have participated in, and I smile and remember. These quilts have pushed me to places I never thought I could go, and for that I am truly grateful. As I am grateful for you and your gifts! See you at the meeting, Thursday, February 18th!

Hugs,

Terri Meeks

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NEXT BOARD MEETING

**Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2016
at 6:00 p.m.**

Scott Senior Center ~ Selbe
Apartments

NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

Thurs., Feb. 18, 2016
Community Center

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting starts at
6:30 p.m.

DELECTABLE MOUNTAIN QUILTERS GUILD

The DMQG membership meetings are held the third Thursday of every month at the Steamboat Springs Community Center. Doors open at 6:00 pm for early sign-ups and meetings start promptly at 6:30 pm. Individual Memberships are \$25/per year. Business Memberships are \$35/per year. Meetings are free for members, and non-members pay a \$3 guest fee.

DMQG Board Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at Selbe Apartments/Scott Center. Board meetings are open to all members.

2016 Board of Directors

President	Terri Meeks
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Quilt Shows:	Madeleine Vail
Senior Xmas Project Coordinator:	
Silent Auction Coordinator:	
Special Shows & Programs:	
Spring Retreat:	
Terry Hinde, Peggy Hoff and Sandy Berlet	
Tread of Pioneers Museum/	
XMAS Trees:	Peggy Hoff

DMQG reserves the right to select the articles and advertising that reflects the purpose of the Guild. Questions, articles and requests for permission to reprint information from the newsletter should be sent to the editor @ DMQG Editor, PO Box 770293, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477.

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Members

1 yr ¼ page \$100 or Business Card Size \$50
1-time ¼ page \$10 or Business Card Size \$5

Non-members

1 yr ¼ page \$120 or Business Card Size \$60
1-time ¼ page \$15 or Business Card Size \$6

GREETINGS FROM YOUR VICE PRESIDENT

Special thanks to Denice Knapp for her January program on "Let's Talk S.T.A.S.H." I hope all of you found some time to organize your fabrics and supplies since our last meeting. Her thoughts on how to approach buying fabric in a quilt shop with so many choices was particularly helpful to me as a new quilter when I visited a couple of shops in California last week.

For our program on February 18, we are delighted to have DMQG member Madeleine Vail conduct a hands-on presentation on choosing quilting designs for your quilt tops. Please bring pieced quilt tops that you have not yet quilted for discussion at the Thursday evening meeting. Madeleine plans to suggest ideas for quilting the tops on the spot--so this is a chance not to be missed! Madeleine will brainstorm some ideas and draw the general idea on paper for those who bring in their quilts. She will give the paper designs to those who bring quilt tops for their future reference. She will also demonstrate some quilting techniques on her machine at the Thursday meeting for some of the suggested designs. She will suggest designs that can be done by members on their home machines, so this is a great opportunity to get some ideas.

Unfortunately, due to scheduling conflicts, Madeleine will not be able to conduct a Saturday workshop so members will not need to prepare the 18-inch square quilt sandwiches that we mentioned at the January meeting.

In March, Maria Bidgood will deliver a presentation on baskets which will be a great way to use some of your stash scraps and get your sewing room even more organized for the coming year.

As follow-up to our January meeting, our new DMQG website is currently under construction and I'll provide an update at our February meeting.

Donine Schwartz, Vice President

PROGRAMS	WORKSHOPS
February 18th: Madeleine Vail will conduct a hands-on presentation on choosing quilting designs for your quilt tops.	
March 17th: Maria Bidgood - Making fabric baskets	
April 21st: Lyn Wunder - Program on Wool Needle Felting	
May 19th: Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum "1930's Hard Times, Great Quilts"	
June 16th: Jackie Grimaldi and Madeline Vail – will present a trunk show	
July 21st: Under discussion	
August 18th: Donine Schwartz – Design your own Fabric	August 20th: Donine Schwartz – Fabric Design Workshop. Selbe Senior Center from 9 AM to 4 PM
September 15th: Cathy Miller , the Singing Quilter	September 17th: Cathy Miller – Appliqué Workshop. Selbe Senior Center from 9 AM to 4 PM
October 20th: Silent Auction	
November 17th: Potluck, Officer Elections Bring your favorite dish to share at the Potluck.	

BULLETIN BOARD



Wishing you a very Happy February Birthday from your friends in the Delectable Mountain Quilters Guild:

Pam Lindahl - Feb. 1

Nancy Johnson - Feb. 6

Anna Beth Lockhart - Feb. 15

Victoria Smalley - Feb. 25

Jan Cook - Feb. 3

Margaret Bruellman - Feb. 11

Chris Hensen - Feb. 22

Thank you for the treats for February's meeting!

OPPORTUNITY QUILTS FOR 2016

Dear Guild Members,

I am the chair for the opportunity quilt in 2016 and I'd like your help in filling a few open slots. The most pressing need is for this coming February, but we also have June and July open as well.

Many thanks to those who have already volunteered. Please see the list below and reply to this email if you would like to help. You can also call or text if you prefer. Amy 970-846-7044.

Thanks!
Amy Pederson

February – Ruthann Mewborn	March – Marcia Spitelli
April – Donine Schwartz	May – Lyn Wunder
July - Open	June – Open
October – Peggy Hoff	August – Tamie Buskirk
	September – Tina Smith
	November – Madeleine Vail

2016 CLASSES FROM DENICE KNAPP!!

Mar 5 (Sat.) - "Double Pinwheels, Double Fun" (\$35)

Apr 2 (Sat.) - "Miniatures by Magic" (\$35)

I will have samples, supply lists (with workshop descriptions), and sign-up sheets at guild meetings and at Tuesday sewing. Call, email or text me at 763-458-5774 with any questions or to sign-up. I am going to advertise the March, & April workshops to the community so don't wait too long to sign up.



2016 MEMBERSHIPS

Don't forget to pay your 2016 Membership Dues by February 29th! Dues are \$25 this year. We'll take cash or check. Membership fees help to cover the cost of speakers, programs, and the cost of classes not covered by class fees, as well as other projects undertaken by the guild. Our Members are very important to the ongoing success of the Guild. Did you know we've been a Guild for 22 years? We could not have done it without members like you. Thanks!

The 2016 Membership Registration form is attached. Annual Membership Dues are \$25.00 – January 1 - December 31. After August 1st dues are \$10.00. Fees are waived for members over 80 years of age.

OCTOBER SILENT AUCTION

If you are in the cleaning and organizing mode, don't forget to set aside items for the silent auction in October!

DMQG 2016 SPRING RETREAT
Friday, May 13th – Sunday, May 15th, 2016
Hotel Colorado, Glenwood Springs, CO

Cost: \$47 per person Guild Member or \$57 per person Non-Guild Member
Plus the cost of your hotel room at the Hotel Colorado, in Glenwood Springs, CO
Double and single hotel rooms are \$99/night
Hotel reservations will be made through DMQG

Make your checks payable to DMQG
Mail registration form and payment to DMQG, Attn: Spring Retreat
P.O. Box 774383
Steamboat Springs, CO 80477-4383 or
give your completed form and payment to any
Spring Retreat Committee Member
Terry Hinde
Peggy Hoff
Sandy Berlet

We have a large meeting room reserved to accommodate all who want to attend.

Newsletter Submissions: All submissions for the newsletter are due on the 26th of the month prior to publication of the newsletter. If you are a board member who submits monthly articles, or if you want to use the newsletter for a one-time notice, it is important that you respect this deadline in order to get the newsletter completed timely. If you are traveling or otherwise engaged, please make arrangements to send your submission ahead of this deadline. Send submissions to cdhensen@aol.com in Word .doc, .docx, .xls or .xlsx formats.

Just a reminder, our email roster and all of the information in our directory is for the EXCLUSIVE purpose of communication of Guild information. It is NOT to be used for your personal advertising, regardless of how beneficial you may consider the information you send. We all get enough information about charities, special sales, etc, and nobody wants to add to that deluge through use of our Guild directory information.

FEATURES

Be sure to sign up to provide a Tip of the Month, Biography or Recipe of the Month for the newsletter! If it is more convenient for you prepare your tip, bio or recipe when it is convenient for you rather than waiting until the month that you signed up for - just email the article to cdhensen@aol.com in Microsoft Word format when you have it ready and I will put it in the newsletter for the month you picked. If you are sending the article close to the month that you picked, please send it to me by the 26th of the month prior to the month your article is to appear in the newsletter
(i.e. - If you have February's newsletter, please have your article to me by January 26)

Tip of the Month - February

Submitted by Cindy Doran

To make it easy to find the correct size sewing machine needle, stick your needles in a "tomato" pin cushion and label each section with the number of your needles – 60's, 70's and 80's. They will be easy to identify and easy to find.

Member Biography – No Biography for February

February's Recipe of the Month

Irish Soda Bread

Submitted by Jean Clougherty

Preheat the oven to 350.

Boil 3 T. water, stir in 1/2 c. dried currants, and set aside to cool. The currants will soak up almost all the water.

In a separate bowl, mix 2 c. white and/or whole wheat flour, 1/2 t. baking soda, 1-1/2 t. baking powder, and 1/2 t. salt. Cut in 4-6 T. butter with a food processor or pastry blender.

Beat 1 egg in a 2-cup liquid measuring cup. If you are using all whole wheat flour, add buttermilk up to the 1-1/3 cup line. If using all white flour, add a cup of buttermilk, so the total is about 1 c. plus 3 tablespoons. Stir to combine the buttermilk and egg and then add them to the dry ingredients. Stir until almost blended, then stir in the cooled currants.

This is traditionally baked in an 8" round pan with a bold cross cut into the top, but I like to bake it like drop biscuits (about 15), dropping the dough onto parchment paper on a cookie sheet.

Bake about 35 minutes or until nicely browned.

Delectable Mountain Quilters Guild General Membership Meeting January 21, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Terri Meeks at 6:30 pm. There were 29 members and no guests present.

Terri welcomed back all members and asked that this year, any members who have presentations to make come to the front of the room and address the audience so that everyone can hear.

Ruthann Mewborn made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2015 General Meeting as presented in the newsletter. Tina Look seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

Cheryl Spahr gave the Treasurer's Reports for November and December 2015. The ending balance for November's General Fund was \$2,779.24. The Christmas Fund was \$115.00. The Raffle Account balance was \$3,474.48. The ending balance for the General Fund for December was \$3,811.97. The Christmas Fund remained the same at \$115.00, and the Raffle Account balance was \$3,519.48.

Donine Schwartz gave the Vice-President's report. She started by recognizing Denise Knapp as the evening's presenter of "Let's Talk S.T.A.S.H." and Saturday's workshop. Donine announced that all the program slots for 2016 are filled. She then ran through the list of programs and workshops. For September's program on appliqué, Cathy Miller asked Donine if the guild preferred a program

on hand appliqué or machine appliqué. After a show of hands, it was determined that the program should be on machine appliqué.

Committee Reports

Peggy Hoff reporting on the Grant Program said that an art teacher from South Routt had asked for help in procuring a sewing machine for her classes. Guild member Bonnie Calhoun donated one of her machines to the teacher.

Tamie Buskirk reported that so far 25 people have renewed their memberships. Last year's members have until next month to renew. Tamie reminded those present that the new membership fee is \$25.

Ruthann Mewborn has chosen the Mystery Quilt and had copies of the first few steps with her. The cost of the instructions is \$.50.

In Chris Hensen's absence, Tamie Buskirk gave an overview of plans to improve the website. Chris is onboard with the plan to switch the site to GoDaddy, which will be more user-friendly and cheaper for the guild to operate. Tamie asked for ideas from members for the website. She also requested people sign up for the Tip of the Month and the Member Feature for the newsletter.

Amy Pedersen reminded those present that tickets for that night's Opportunity Quilt were still available at \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5. She also announced that all slots for donating something for the Opportunity Quilt are filled for 2016.

The Spring Retreat will be in Glenwood Springs from May 15 - 17. Terry Hinde is soliciting door prizes from those planning to attend the retreat. She provided registration forms for those who needed them.

There were no reports from the Hospitality, Morning Star, Publicity, Raffle Quilt, Fall Retreat, and Charity Project Committees.

New Business

Cheryl Spahr gave an overview of the budget for 2016. Membership will vote on the new budget next month. There was some discussion of continuing business ads in the newsletter. The ad size is the same as a business card.

Donine reported on an idea to submit a grant proposal to the Steamboat Springs Educational Fund. The proposal would have to outline a plan to fulfill a need not currently found in the schools. She is looking for people to join in a collaborative effort to identify such a need. Donine volunteered to write the actual proposal. It is not due until December.

Donine also outlined establishing two new tiers of membership to include youth and college students. The new tiers would offer free membership to those 18 and under and a reduced membership charge for college students aged 19-24. Peggy Hoff moved that the Guild entertain the creation of a youth membership (ages 18 and under) for no membership charge and that the Guild institute a college student rate (ages 19-24) for a fee to be determined by the membership. Irene Myers seconded. There was no further discussion, and the motion was passed.

Old Business

Terri Meeks announced that there was another place in the By Laws that needed to be changed to reflect the change in wording for dues increases. Sue Ellis moved that under Article VIII, Standing Rules, #1, "Dues for the Guild year shall be \$20.00 for members under the age of 80" shall be

replaced with "Dues for the Guild shall be an amount determined by the membership for members under the age of 80." Terri Hinde seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Member Announcements

Denise Knapp provided samples for her Piping Pizazz workshop. She also provided samples of work for her Scrap Happy: O My Stars workshop.

Following a short break for refreshments and the evening's program "Let's Talk S.T.A.S.H.", the meeting resumed.

Show and Tell, Opportunity Quilt

Cathy Gero, Terry Hinde, Peggy Hoff and Jean ?? shared the results of the Round Robin quilt challenge. In addition, Cathy Gero showed her scrappy quilt. Nancy Johnson shared her quilt from Peggy Hoff's class on string and striped. Peggy Hoff brought a quilt that she had made for her son years ago that needed repair. She talked about how she was able to make the repairs. Sharon Yannacone brought examples of some placemats and napkins that she is making. Doris Mayhan exhibited her retreat quilt.

The Opportunity Quilt, made by Amy Pedersen, was won by Barbara Swissler.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Swissler, Secretary

DMQG SPRING RETREAT
Friday, May 13 – Sunday, May 15, 2016
The Hotel Colorado, Glenwood Springs, CO

Name:	Mailing Address:
Home Phone:	Mobile Phone:
Work Phone:	Email Address:
Emergency Contact:	Medical Information:
Signature:	

ROOM COSTS AND RETREAT FEE ARE PAYABLE TO DMQG

	Arrival Date	Departure Date	Early Check-in (prior to 4:00 pm) Y/N	Request a refrigerator Y/N	Total # of nights	Nights x room rate = room fee
Double Queen Room @ \$99/ night. If you are sharing a room the room rate is \$49.50/ night/person						
Single Queen Room @ \$99/night						
Family room @ \$139: *see note						
Retreat fee						\$47.00
Total due						
Name of my roommate						
I would like an adjoining room with						

**Please pay one half of your Total Due by February 18, 2016 the second half is due by
April 5, 2016.**

Make checks payable to:
DMQG

Attention: Spring Retreat
P.O. Box 774383
Steamboat Springs, CO 80477
or

You may give your completed form and check to any
Spring Retreat Committee Member
Terry Hinde / Peggy Hoff / Sandy Berlet

We will take retreat registration forms until Tuesday, April 5, 2016

2016 DMQG WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

Materials Lists for all 2016 workshops will be posted on the website at www.dmqg.org. The lists can be printed from the site. Lists will also be available at monthly meetings.

Workshop Fees: See Workshop List Below

If you need to cancel your registration for any workshop 30 days notice is required for a full refund. If you cancel 15 days before the workshop you will be refunded half the workshop fee. There will be no refund for cancellations less than fifteen days before any workshop.

Name: _____

2016 DMQG Member: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Workshop Date	Time With 1 Hour Lunch Break	Workshop	Location	Workshop Fee
Saturday January 23	9 AM - 4 PM	Denice Knapp - "Piping Pizzazz!"	Selbe Apartments Scott Center	Members: \$35 Non-DMQG Members \$45
Saturday August 20	9 AM - 4 PM	Donine Schwartz – Fabric Design Workshop	Selbe Apartments Scott Center	Members \$35 Non-DMQG Members \$45
Saturday September 17	9AM - 4 PM	Cathy Miller – Appliqué Workshop.	Selbe Apartments Scott Center	Members \$35 Non-DMQG Members \$45
Saturday TBD	9 AM - 4 PM	TBD	Selbe Apartments Scott Center	Members \$10 Non-DMQG Members \$10
Saturday TBD	9 AM - 4 PM	TBD	Selbe Apartments Scott Center	Members: \$35 Non-DMQG Members \$45
Total Amount Enclosed:				\$

Send the above registration form with your check, payable to DMQG to:
Donine Schwartz, 42550 Fawn Way, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487
Call 970-879-6403 for more information.

DELECTABLE MOUNTAIN QUILTERS GUILD 2016

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2016 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

____ NEW MEMBER ____ RENEWAL

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP+4 _____

HOME PHONE: _____

MOBILE PHONE: _____

WORK PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

BIRTH MONTH _____ DAY _____

Annual Membership Dues are \$25.00 - January 1-December 31. After August 1st dues are \$10.00. Fees are waived for members over 80 years of age. Make check or money order payable to: DMQG. Mail it, along with this form to: DMQG-Membership, PO Box 774383, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477. Deadline to be included in Directory is the February Meeting (2/18/2016).

A member will not sell or give away the membership roster for personal gain. Membership in the Delectable Mountain Quilt Guild is not transferable or assignable.

Each member agrees, as a condition of membership, to release and waive any claim he or she has or may have against DMQG, its officers, employees, committee members or agents arising out of or related to the member's participation in activities of the Guild or arising out of any action taken by the Guild or its Board of Directors to discipline or expel any member or officer.

Signature _____ Date _____

DMQG has established a website at www.dmqq.org. The monthly newsletter will be available (by password only) by the 1st of each month. An email will be sent when the newsletter is available to view. If you do not have access to a computer, a newsletter will be mailed to you upon request.

Membership: \$_____ (\$25.00)

____ Cash ____ Check Ck# _____

Date Paid _____

____ I am 80 years of age, fees waived.

____ I do not have access to a computer; please mail my newsletter.

MEMBER INFORMATION

It takes many members, serving on the Board, chairing or serving on committees, to keep our Guild working. How would you like to help? I am willing to serve as a:
____ Committee Chair ____ Committee Member

Circle the area(s) below where you would be willing to volunteer your time.

- Block of the Month
- CQC Coordinator
- Fall Retreat
- Hospitality
- Membership
- Morning Star Coordinator
- Newsletter/Website
- Nominations
- Public Relations/Publicity
- Raffle Quilt
- Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales
- Senior Christmas Project
- Spring Retreat

Other: _____

I am interested in:

____ Presenting a program
____ Workshop Instructor

Suggestions for a program, lecture or workshop:

I am willing to:

____ Host an out-of-town speaker

____ Provide transportation for out-of-town speaker

Other
