

# Pine Needle Quilters

## Newsletter for April, 2004

**Officers:**

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**Mentors:** MaLea Flynn; Leah Giese; Aletha Mittelstaedt; Diana Napier; Karan Verhagen

**Regular Meeting:**

3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Riverview Town Hall

**Dues:** \$15/year, payable in June.

**Block of the Month for April:**  
 12-inch The Dandy Quilt

**Birthday Squares for April:**  
 Carol Bodart: blue, mauve  
 Marge Kasten: blue, green

**Birthday Block (10-inch) for April:**  
 Norene Piontek: burgundy, pink

**Special Activities:**

April 19 7:00 p.m. – regular meeting - Election of officers. Guest Speaker is Marie Bergsbaken from Cecil who will do a Trunk Show of her quilts.

May 3 3:30 p.m. – assorted projects

**At the March Meeting:**

Evelyn Kowalkowski won 23 Beacon Lights Variation BOM's. Diana Napier won the raffle of Fat Quarters. Demonstration of Paper Piecing given by Joan Hansen and Rita Shores.

**April Meeting:** Will have the raffle of fat quarters, BOM, and birthday club exchanges.

We will have a trunk show of quilts by Marie Bergsbaken from Cecil; one of her quilts was included in the Hoffman Challenge Tour.

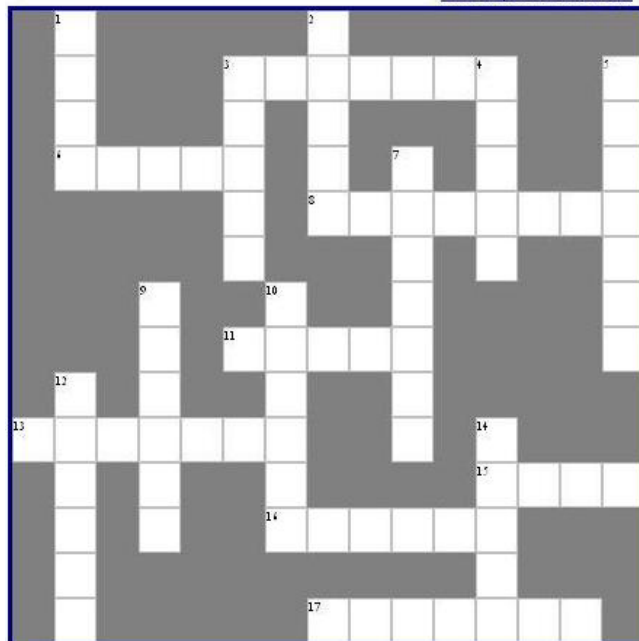
The main order of business will be the **election of officers.**

We also have a questionnaire for you to fill out; we want to learn what activities you would like to participate in. Which activities would you like to see again? Do you have a skill or project which you would like to demonstrate?

Several members have embroidery machines. We also will have a list on which you can tell us which embroidery machine you own (brand and model). Also which sewing machine you use a home, and which one you carry with you to sewing events. It would be good to know who has the same machine as you do so you could share knowledge.

**Quilting Terms**

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**Across**

- 3. Slugging at a ball
- 6. Push down
- 8. Precious thing passed down generations
- 11. Leader
- 13. Draw back
- 15. Heavy metal
- 16. \_\_\_\_\_ in a haystack
- 17. Blueprint

**Down**

- 1. Skirt worn in antebellum period
- 2. Stockpile
- 3. Moisten during roasting
- 4. Association
- 5. Protector of fingers
- 7. \_\_\_\_\_ corners
- 9. Textile
- 10. Fastener for shirts
- 12. Stitching
- 14. Part

**Block of the Month (BOM):** The directions for April's 12-inch **The Dandy Quilt** block were given to you at the March meeting. All fabrics used must be pre-washed! Sew the block and bring it to the April meeting. The name of each person who stitches and brings the BOM will be placed in a hat; the name drawn receives all blocks stitched that month. The BOM's will all be 12-inches finished, in case you would like to make a second BOM to keep for your self, or to give for charity quilts.

[If you missed the meeting you may log on to the Internet at [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com); go to the **Patterns**, select the "The Dandy Quilt" block and print out the instructions.] Or call me and I will email the directions to you as a PDF file.

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**Birthday Mini-Clubs:** These groups started in June and runs through May, 2004. Coordinator is Rita Shores. If you miss a meeting, you may mail your block or squares to Rita or to the person celebrating a birthday that month. You were given a list for the full year so that you may plan ahead. A reminder of birthdays for that month will be listed in the newsletter. Remember, all fabrics used must be pre-washed!

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**Raffle:** At each of our regular meetings we have a fat quarter raffle. Proceeds from this go to the Town of Riverview, for allowing us to use the building. They are not charging us, but we thought it would be a good gesture of our appreciation to offer them a donation. Tickets will be one dollar. As an **End of the Fiscal Year additional fund raiser**, we are also raffling a kit for a table runner.

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**Future Activities:** We will be starting a new BOM with the May meeting. We are using 2003 monthly project from Block Central. Rather than give away blocks, we will be making our own sampler quilt. I gave a 3-page introduction to each of you, via email or printed copy. Each month I will email you the block for the next month (or mail it to you with your newsletter). Choose a set of 4 coordinating fabrics.

| Color | A   | B   | C   | D |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|---|
| Yds.  | 2 ¼ | 1 ¾ | 1 ¼ | 2 |

Some months use only 2 or 3 colors, so if you have less than 2 yards for color A or D, you can substitute one of the other colors in that block.

If you don't want to make your own quilt, maybe you would like to contribute the blocks for Charity quilts.

**Exchanges:** I am suggesting that this year we try some Fat Quarter Exchanges. We will do them for a shorter number of months. I'll have some sign-up sheets at the April meeting. We would start these Exchange Groups in June. One group would have a theme for each month. The other group may request a specific line of Fats each month; examples would be Thimbleberry prints, Moda prints, batiks, etc. I am looking for suggestions, so send me a note or give me a call. These groups are optional!

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**Charity Quilts:** Joann Saffran offers information that the Tabor Lutheran Church quilting group gives their quilts to the following organizations: Bay Area Pregnancy Center (Marinette); Rainbow House Abuse (Marinette); Freedom House Homeless (Green Bay); Shawano Abuse Center; Nursing homes in Suring, Gillette & Oconto; NewCap (Oconto); and Visions Handicap (Stiles). These are places you can take baby blankets, lap robes or quilts.

Charity quilts given by members of our guild include:

- Fire for Charlie C (there's no way I can spell his name) quilt given in March
- Schmidt family quilt for fire- raffled off
- Donna Sperberg- fire, lost everything, got a quilt
- There are some raffle quilts that went for some cancer or illness victims.

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**Looking for:** I am looking for a quilt book entitled "Heartland Zoo Babies." If anyone has this book, please call Yvonne Mason (715) 276-3197.

Thank you,  
Deb Markusen

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**Moonlight Madness Sale** Friday, May 7th 5pm-10pm; Karen's Quilt Corner, 403 N. Brown Street, Rhinelander (715) 362-1944 Our guild is one which enjoys having fun. It would be fun to get some friends together and drive up to Rhinelander. We could get a few motel rooms and drive back the next morning. (Must bring the camera along!)

Every hour it gets later, the discount goes up! Come in your slippers and get a free gift. Come in you PJs and slippers, get an extra special gift. Sorry, punch cards will not be punched for sale. Excludes sewing machines.

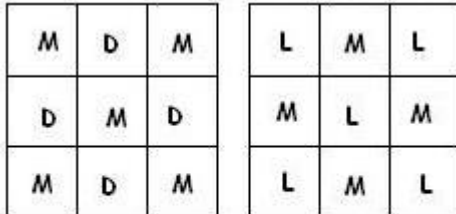
Discounts are:

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| 5 to 6 pm: | 10% off |
| 6 to 7 pm: | 15% off |
| 7 to 8 pm: | 20% off |
| 8 to 10 pm | 25% off |

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**Riverview Raffle Quilt:** The committee is asking for your help in making a quilt for this project. They ask that each member make 3 or 4 squares and bring to the April meeting. Create the 9-patches from 1½-inch squares of your scraps in country colors. Some squares should have dark and medium squares, and others should have medium and light squares. Please put the lightest fabrics in the corner squares (refer to diagram). The squares should measure 3½ inches unfinished.

Thank you



L = light, M = medium, D = dark  
Make two 9-patch squares of each.

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**From the President:**

As our first year as a group comes to an end, I remember it as one of the most wonderful years of my life. It was filled with new ideas, new friends, old friends, a huge amount of creativity, a lot of stress (some stress is good for you!), and way too much fun. I'm so glad that we took that first step and formed our quilting group. The work of the first year has set a really good foundation for the coming years. I would like to thank everyone for believing in

us, sharing your time and ideas, your patience and your inspirations.

I'm hoping you will share some of your quilting stories with other members through this newsletter. Sometimes it is easier to put a story onto paper than to stand up and tell it. This story is one that my mother, Kathy, shared with me.

There was an old lady that had been an "icon" in Wabeno for many years. She ran a small bar and a grocery store for years and as children we all bought our penny candy from her. She was quite the character and always fixed her hair just so, put on her makeup everyday and sported the nicest and prettiest clothes. She might have weighed all of eighty pounds!

One year my mother pieced a simple but pretty throw-sized quilt for this woman's birthday. She was very happy with it and thanked my Mom profusely.

A couple months ago this woman died and she was almost a hundred years old. Since then, my mother found out from her family that when they cleaned her house and made her bed, she made sure that little quilt was folded across the end of the bed. This was her "napping quilt" and she took her nap everyday under that quilt. In the last weeks of her life she was ill enough to have to be in a nursing home and that little quilt had to go with her. My Mom was genuinely surprised. She had no idea that her friend had been so fond of this little quilt and what a role it played in the last years of her life.

Sometimes we don't realize the power that the work of our hands can have and it is a good thing to be reminded of the effect of a single act.

Please have a happy and inspirational Spring!

Diana Napier

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**Calendar of Quilt Shows:**

**Green Bay ~ Evergreen Quilt Guild** will hold its 11th Biennial Quilt Festival, "Timeless Endeavors," **April 17 & 18** at Ashwaubenon High School, 2391 Ridge Road, Green Bay. Admission \$4. Saturday lectures: 1pm- Linda Halpin "Tools of the Trade"; 2:30pm Kay Sorensen" Queen of the Rainbow". [www.geocities.com/evergreenguild](http://www.geocities.com/evergreenguild)

**Quilts in Bloom Apr 24 & 25** at Nicolet High School, Glendale 10am – 5pm. More info at [www.northshorequiltersguild.org](http://www.northshorequiltersguild.org)

**West Bend May 1 & 2** at Washington County Fair Park 10am – 4pm. "It's a Stitch Quilt Guild" show called "Home Sweet Home" Admission \$4.

**Stars Over Greendale May 7 (9am-8pm) & May 8 (9am-4pm)** admission \$3; St Luke's Lutheran Church, 6705 Northway, Greendale

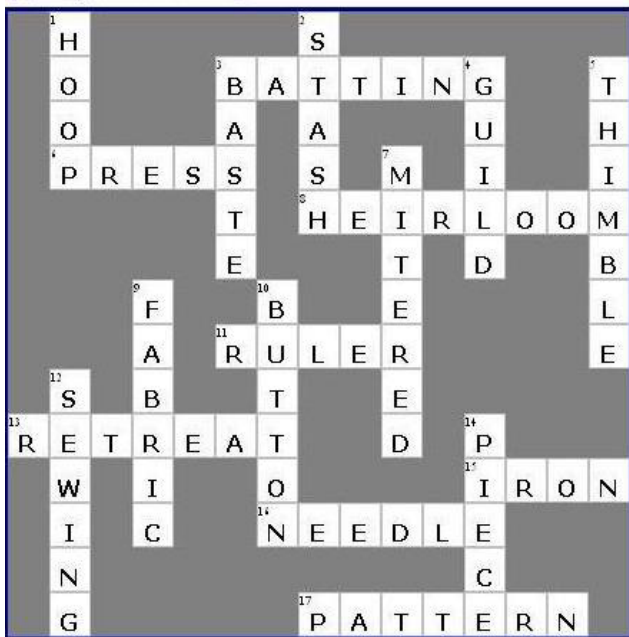
**Stone Mill Quilters Quilt Show Jun 6**, 10am – 4pm Old Armory, Whitewater. Admission \$2

**Crazy Quilters Guild 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Show, Jun 19 (9am – 4pm) & Jun 20 11am-4pm** Elkorn Area High School, 482 E. Geneva St, Elkorn Admission \$4. This is the guild to which **Joann Safran** belonged in the past; she enters a quilt in the show each year. <http://crazyquilterswi.tripod.com>

**Quilt Day on the Farm Sun 26 (10am-6pm) & Jun 27 (10am-5pm)** N50 W5050 Portland Road, Cedarburg. Admission \$3

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**Quilting Terms Answers**



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**Fabric Police:** Did you know that there was a law that you cannot leave a state without buying fabric? Well, Kaye Wood mentioned this "law" in one of her seminars and soon after, got a phone call from a man saying, "My wife was at your seminar and I understand there is a fabric law." "Every quilter knows about this law", said Kaye. "Well, I'm a State Trooper and no one at the post knew about this law, but we do now". (From Kaye Wood's new book, due out soon!)

**Kaye Wood's Definition of "Pointless":** You are a pointless person if one or more of the following is true: You don't like to match points, you don't care if your points match, you can't see well enough, your seam allowances wander, and it's ok with you, you would rather leave it than rip it out, and you can say with a straight face, "My quilt is an artistic expression. I worked so hard to get my points offset just a little".

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