# Stitching Sisters Quilt Guild









#### Encouraging the Art of Quilting . . .

The Stitching Sisters Quilt Guild was established in January 2004 in order to preserve and encourage the art of quilting and to promote the gathering of people with this common interest.

The Guild meets on the first and third Mondays of the month at the Chetek Community Center, 711 1<sup>st</sup> St., Chetek, WI. Special programs may be scheduled at specific times during the afternoon; the business meeting takes place at 5:30 p.m. after a light supper provided by members.

Annual dues are \$20 with the calendar year running from February 1 to the following January 31. New members may join throughout the year by paying full dues.

The Guild is governed by a seven-member board who are elected by the membership for a 1-year term. The Board gives regular financial reports to the membership, arranges for programs and events of interest to the members, and handles other business of the Guild on behalf of members.

#### Sound interesting?

Check out some of the activities that the Stitching Sisters Quilt Guild hosts during the year on the following page.



The Stitching Sisters Quilt Guild formed in January 2004 and originally met at Luther Bible Camp in Chetek.



Original Board Members (left to right): Rhonda Candler (Sunshine), Deanna Lear McGinnis (Secretary/Treasurer), Jane Martin (Co-President), Billie Linkletter (Co-President), and Linda Huber (Vice-President).



## Guest and In-House Lecturers

The Stitching Sisters Quilt Guild arranges for guest lecturers, or guild members themselves, to present information of interest to Quilt Guild members. This may take the form of demonstrations, hands-on learning sessions in various quilt designs and construction techniques, lectures, or trunk shows.

## Challenge Project / Liberty Fest

Each year Guild members may elect to participate in a Challenge Project that calls for exhibiting their creative talents. Each participant is given a fat quarter in the same fabric and must produce a piece using as much of the fabric as possible. Entries are displayed at the Guild's annual Liberty Fest Quilt Show, with winners declared by popular vote from those attending the show.





# Bed Turnings / Sew and Tell

Another popular activity of the Stitching Sisters Quilt Guild is a bed turning in which members bring quilts for others to view. These may be their own creations or "quilts with stories" they wish to share with others.

At the end of every Guild meeting, Sew and Tell is a time for members to share projects they have completed.

## Day Long Retreats / Bus Trips

At least once a year, the Community Center in Chetek becomes a Retreat Center as members bring those unfinished projects to work on in the pleasant company of friends from the Guild.

The Stitching Sisters Quilt Guild plans group bus trips to several large quilt shows within a day's journey. Past trips have included the Minnesota Quilt Show and the Madison, Wisconsin Quilt Show.



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