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# Ames Quilt Guild

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## Newsletter

**Submissions**—due the  
10th of each month;  
email to  
[kathyglatz1@gmail.com](mailto:kathyglatz1@gmail.com)

## Meet Ames Quilt Guild's Hospitality Chairperson

My sewing career started with hand embroidery when I was around ten years old making countless dish towels and pillowcases. Then I progressed to my first quilt which was an embroidered full-size top which I hand quilted myself. From there I started working with fabrics and made several Grandmother's Flower Garden quilts. Obviously, my favorite thing is hand sewing so I always have both a pieced quilt and a counted cross stitch project going on at the same time. I love being a part of the Quilt Guild and seeing everyone's completed projects each month. I have yet to participate in 'Show and Tell' but maybe, just maybe this will be the year.



**Barb Holst**

## President's Corner

Living in Iowa can be a challenge. Weatherwise, those of you who have lived here longer than I have, can confirm that. I was watching the weather programs and every forecast all day on Thursday, February 24, in the hopes that it would allow us to have our monthly meeting, my first as President of Ames Quilt Guild. Sadly, when it looked as though the snow would not let up, I cancelled the meeting. Thank you for understanding. In future, when weather is in doubt,



1. check your emails, Facebook™, and AQG webpage frequently for updates.
2. never depart for an AQG meeting without contacting me first. I so appreciate those who texted, called, or emailed me to check the meeting status

I look forward to seeing you at our March 28 meeting. Happy Quilting!

## UFO Challenge update.

The UFO challenge is on! In January Betty announced the UFO challenge. Because the February meeting was cancelled due to weather, please bring your UFOs to the **March 24th** meeting in the brown paper bag that was provided to you. If you did not pick up a brown paper bag, but would like to participate, bring your UFO anyway - bags will be provided. Those who are joining in the fun will draw a bag and complete the UFO. The project that you complete does not have to be what was originally intended by the donor. It can be made into whatever you like, you may add whatever fabric you wish and may use whatever part of the UFO that you receive, for the new project. Bring your finished project to the **May 2022** meeting for Show 'Tell. Have fun with it! Be creative, it does not have to be a quilted item; a bag or cube perhaps or even a garment!

## Monthly Meetings

Held the 4th Thursday  
of each Month at the  
First United Methodist  
Church, Ames

**6:30pm**



First United Methodist  
Church recently informed  
us that masks are still  
recommended for all at all  
times, for those vaccinated  
or unvaccinated when  
using their building.

No snacks will be  
provided.

**Officers & Committee Chairs Meeting  
Rescheduled to March 24**

At 5:30 pm, before the March 24, monthly Ames Quilt Guild (AQG) meeting, President, **Phyllis Schrag** requests officers and committee chairs meet in the fellowship hall of First United Methodist Church. The purpose of this brief meeting is to determine a payment scale for AQG members and local guest speakers who do not have a set fee for services rendered. Input from all AQG members is welcome. Those suggestions as well as other questions or concerns for this agenda should be emailed to Phyllis at least 1 week before the March 24 meeting.



**March 24**  
**Ames Quilt Guild Meeting**  
**“Geese in Motion”**  
**Using 2 1/2-inch strips and**  
**background fabric.**  
**Betty Baker, presenter**

**Fidget Quilt Sew-In**

Friday, April 8th  
9am-4pm

Stone Brooke Clubhouse (3816 Fletcher Blvd)

Feel free to come all day or for part of the day; lunch will be on your own. Sewers will sew quilt bases and sew fidgets on bases. There will also be tasks for non-sewers. So that we can plan and provide a list of what to bring, please **sign up by April 1**. To sign up, contact Char Hulsebus at [chulsebus@gmail.com](mailto:chulsebus@gmail.com).

Can't come but still want to participate or want to work ahead of the day? Here are some suggestions on what you might do:

- Donations are always welcome: heavy plastic netting from cuties or other fruits, jean pockets, batting, crocheted small squares or caterpillars; purchased fidgets (i.e., from Dollar Tree—bath mitts, ponytail holders, small socks or mittens)
- Sew quilt tops from fabric scraps, leftover quilt blocks, fabrics with varied textures; appropriate sizes are anywhere from that of a placemat (14"X18") to that of a small activity mat, (24"X24")
- Sew quilt bases (the quilt top and backing fabric with batting in-between); sizes listed above

Questions? Contact **Char Hulsebus** at [chulsebus@gmail.com](mailto:chulsebus@gmail.com).

**Invite a Guest  
to April 28  
AQG Meeting**

In an effort to increase interest in our guild, the April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Ames Quilt Guild (AQG) will be a guest night. All members are encouraged to bring a quilting friend or two to this meeting.

Block Builders, a quilting interest group in the Iowa State University Women's Club (ISUWC), will be presenting a Trunk Show as the April program. Additionally, members and guests will have a chance to shop for quilting fabric at this meeting. Block Builders recently received two carloads of fabric, most of which was still on the bolt. That fabric is quilt shop quality cotton fabric in a variety of yards, colors, and patterns. As a part of the April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting, Block Builders will be vending some of that fabric to AQG members and their guests. All this high-quality fabric is pre-measured in flat-folds and marked at a suggested donation of \$5.00 per yard. This meeting is a great opportunity to purchase fabric for future projects. All proceeds from the sale will benefit the ISUWC scholarship fund.

Block Builders is not able to process credit cards but will gladly accept cash or checks. Make checks payable to ISUWC. April 28 promises to be great fun and any purchases are considered a donation to a worthy cause.

## Meet Betty Baker AQG Programs



My name is Betty Baker. I was born in Des Moines, but grew up in Southern California until we came to Iowa when I was in high school. I am married, my husband is Richard (Baker is what everyone calls him, myself included) and we have been together 49 years. We have five grown children and ten grandchildren. We live on a small acreage outside of Story City and have a cabin (summer place) located in NW Minnesota. My career prior to retirement was a registered nurse in the operating room (22 years) and I was the program chair and professor for the Surgical Technology

Program at Des Moines Area Community College Urban Campus (12 years). Now I am a full-time bum and enjoy every single day and some days I don't really accomplish anything, but there is always another day! Program at Des Moines Area Community College Urban Campus (12 years). Now I am a full-time bum and enjoy every single day and some days I don't really accomplish anything, but there is always another day! I have been sewing since I was in 5th grade. I started sewing doll clothes by hand. I used to make all of my clothes when I was younger because I could not find clothes that would fit me (I was very, very skinny then; I out grew that). My mother used to make all of our clothes and we would spend hours under her sewing machine. I began quilting in high school for a girlfriend, a farmer girl/boy appliqué baby quilt with blue gingham fabric. I have been quilting ever since. My favorite quilts are scrap quilts, because of all the different colors of fabric. Most of the quilts I make now are given away to family, friends or donated to charity. Fabric is like chocolate candy to me; I love them both! Walking into a quilt store makes me feel happy, and I can feel myself relax!

I have joined a few quilt groups in Iowa and Minnesota and have found it to enrich my life in so many ways, with friends all across the U.S. We have many talented quilters in Ames Quilt Guild. I have enjoyed learning new techniques and making new friends with our members.

## Ames Quilt Guild Thursday, April 28, 2022

### *GUEST NIGHT*

First United Methodist Church  
516 Kellogg

**Trunk Show &  
\$5.00 per yard  
Fabric Sale!**

Trunk Show by  
Block Builders  
Members  
an interest  
group in  
ISUWC

Doors open at  
5:30 pm.  
Meeting at 7 pm.  
All purchases go  
for ISUWC  
Scholarships

# Wanted:

one or more persons  
to serve as the  
Ames Quilt Guild Programs Person  
or Committee.

Betty Baker, our current chairperson, has ideas she is willing to share. This is an important position and/or committee. Please consider volunteering and perhaps get one or more of your AQG friends to join you.

Programs are very important to our meetings. Without a program, our meetings would be far less interesting.