The Stitch Line

November, 2008



Evening Star Quilter's Guild P.O. Box 253 Belvidere, NJ 07823

Note from the President



A Big Thank You

I would like to say thank you on behalf of the guild to Irene Compton. Irene gave the guild a cash donation from the sale of the Raggedy Ann and Andy quilt she sold at the Warren County Fair.

Thank you Irene!

Block of the Month

Congratulations to Irene Compton for winning the blocks at the November meeting.

The December block has Turquoise added to it.

Fabric colors are pink, chocolate, and tan. In some months turquoise is added. Each block is a different star. Patterns are posted to the website.

Background fabric is still available at \$5.00 a yard. It is never too late to participate.

Challenge

"Around the World"

Let's go "Around the World" through our quilts. Where have you been? What have you seen? Where will your dreams take you? Let your imagination soar.

Rules are posted on our website. For questions regarding this year's challenge contact Susan Duryea at 908-689-3252 or by email at susan duryea@yahoo.com

Directory of members

We have 71 paid members at this time. Membership directories were handed out at the November meeting. If you did not attend the meeting your directory is waiting for you in your mailbox.

The directory is posted on our web site and password protected. You are welcome to print it out at anytime.

Sharon Kubich will be keeping the directory of guild members up to date. Please send changes to sharon.kubich@eds.com or call her at (908) 859-1629.

Financial Report

Beginning balance Oct. 13, 2008 - \$7321.46 Ending balance Nov. 10, 2008 - \$8657.48

Monthly financial reports are on our website. If you have any questions regarding the financial report contact Cindy Smith at 908-362-8598 or casepa@nac.net.

Gadget Bag Workshop

Jane Markel has offered to teach a **Gadget Bag Workshop** for us on Jan. 10, 2009. The workshop will be held at Belvidere High School in the cafeteria. These bags are constructed of heavy netting and fabric. Jane has very graciously offered to do this workshop at no charge. Therefore the only cost to participants will be a small fee for supplies, which include the netting and zippers that Rosemarie will purchase for us. Rosemarie will have a sample bag and more information at the December meeting. Many of us saw these at the October retreat and they are really nice. If you would like to sign up please see Rosemarie Greg.

Happy Birthday to the following members

Kimberly	Clark	12/2
Mary Louise	Mitchell	12/10
Nellie	Rinehart	12/12

Holiday Party

There will not be a formal meeting in December. We will be relaxing and enjoying each other's company, which is something we do not get to do often enough. Check hospitality for a listing of what we would like you to bring.

The gift exchange is valued at \$15.00 if you would like to participate. Please bring a wrapped gift with a tag saying who the gift is from.

Quilts of Love, Preemie Blankets and Christmas Placemats are due at the December meeting. Look for lots of door prizes, and fun giveaways throughout the evening.

Hospitality

Thank you to everyone who brought baked goods and drinks to the November meeting. Please take a minute to fill in the volunteer list which will cover the entire guild year.

If you would like to share the recipe for the dessert you contributed to the food table at our meetings, email Bill Roehrig at webmaster@esqg.com to have it posted on the web site.

The December meeting is, of course, our holiday party and we will ALL be hostesses. You've heard of alphabet soup no doubt. Well, we're doing sort of an alphabet potluck for our party refreshments. Here are the assignments. They go by the first letter of your last name:

A-G please bring a dessert item

H-Q an entrée, please

R-Z we'd like an appetizer from you

The items can be hot or cold. If you bring a crockpot, don't forget an extension cord. Trina and I (Sharon R.) will provide the beverages.

Mystery Quilt

Mystery Quilt workshop will be held on February 7, 2009 at the St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ. Lucy Kise handed out the Fabric Requirements and Cutting directions Sign up at our meetings.

Newsletter

This is your newsletter. If there is something you want published, please let Sharon Kubich know.

Pat Knoechel

Pat Knoechel has agreed to come back in June to do a lecture for our guild. The date Pat has selected is June 19, 2009. We are very excited that Pat enjoyed our hospitality and has agreed to come again.

Cross your fingers: Rosemarie is in contact with the Belvidere High School to reserve the auditorium. As you know graduations are in June. Let's hope that Global Warming works in our favor and graduation is not going to be on June 19th. If you have any suggestions for a venue that might work as a back-up please see Audrey Planer.

Programs and Workshops

Calendar Year 2008 – 2009

Please give your feedback on our speakers to Rosemarie Greg. Rosemarie and Solvai will be attending the MAQGNet meeting in the near future and they are asked our opinions.

December Holiday / Christmas Party

January Barbara Burke

Drunkards Path – demonstration and trunk show. Cost \$200.00 plus mileage

February Kris Ensminger and Dennis Hite

They own an Alpaca farm and will lecture and demonstrate on batting. No charge

March Quilters' Tag Sale, we will be inviting other guilds and quilters. Please invite your quilting

friends and family as well.

April Trish Chambers

The Legend of Freedom Quilts and the Underground Railroad – the presentation discusses the

history, legends and personal stories that make up the rich heritage associated with the

Underground Railroad. Cost \$300.00 plus mileage

May Eleanor Levie

Not for Mother's Day Only – quilts by famous or award winning quilters that celebrate women, capturing the joys, tribulations and memories of family life, whether sentimental or comically

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quirky. Cost \$350.00

Quilts of Love (QOL)

Although we are close to having a quilt for every child that lives at the Children's Home of Easton for Christmas, we are not there yet. Time is running out. Please hand in your quilts at the December meeting.

Quilt Show 2009 "Harvest of Quilts"

The next Quilt Show meeting will be held on November 25. We will meet every other month until we're closer to show time. Then we'll meet once a month. Our schedule is: January 27, March 24, May 26, July 28, and Sept. 29. These dates are all the last Tuesday of the month. All of the meetings will be held at the Belvidere High School library at 6:30 PM except for the summer ones which will be at Briarwood Senior Center in Belvidere. These dates are posted on the website.

If for some reason we can not hold these meeting at the high school, I will communicate to you where they will be held. We have two other locations available to us, but Briarwood Senior Center in Belvidere would be our first choice.

I realize November 25th is really close to Thanksgiving, but it is very important that we decide on some things regarding the vendors. We need to get our information out as soon as possible. Please do your best to attend the meeting in November and then it is full steam ahead in January.

It is vital that each chairwoman attend these meetings or send a member of her committee to report for her.

Please remember all quilt show meetings are open to all guild members and it is recommended that members attend if at all possible.

Quilter's Heritage Celebration Lancaster Quilt Show Bus Trip

We will be running a bus to the Lancaster Quilt Show on Saturday April 4, 2009. In order for us to keep the cost down we will need 40 paid attendees to run the trip.

The cost of the trip will be \$65.00 for members and \$68.50 for non guild members. Included in the price is the bus, ticket to the show, dinner at Plain and Fancy and driver tip.

The bus will be leaving the Phillipsburg High School at 7:00 am, making a pick up at the Top Star Mobil in Hellertown, I-78 and Rte 412 at 7:35 am, and arriving at the show approximately 9:00 am.

Deadline for sign-up is March 1, 2009. If we do not have our numbers by March 1st the trip will be canceled.

Raffle Quilt

If you have already sold the 18 tickets you were given, and I hope you have, please see Lelane Hoose for more tickets to sell.

"A Walk in Time"

Margaret Grande and Fran Visicaro are ready to start on the 3D flowers that will be placed on the raffle quilt. They were very happy and surprised at the show of hands to work on the flowers. They will be making up flower kits for us. If you would like a kit please email 2margg@comcast.net or call Margaret at (908) 689-2108. Margaret will also be offering a demo for those that can make it on a Wednesday during the day at St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ. That date to be announced.

Due to the overwhelming show of hands by members interested in learning to make 3D flowers, Margaret has graciously offered to organize a workshop for us in the near future.

Ricky Tims

Our guild is now considered a "large group" at the Ricky Tims seminars. We have 13 members going to Frederick, MD on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 30 to May 2. Anyone wishing to go can now register for the weekend of seminars at \$179.00.

Along with Ricky will be Alex Anderson and Libby Lehman.

Fliers can be found on the information table at our meetings. All the information regarding the weekend is posted on our website. Members registering will be responsible for securing their own hotels. We will be organizing car pooling when the time is closer.

This seminar is known to sell out fast so if you are planning on attending send your registration in as soon as possible. For more information visit http://www.rickytims.com/

Row Quilts

From the talk at the guild meetings the ladies are having a good time with this project. Remember, no peeking!

Saturday Stitchers

Our first Saturday Stitchers is November 22 at the St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ. See Patty Kristoff for more information and to sign up. Please bring whatever you'd like to drink. Future dates are March 21, April 18 and May 16.

Sunshine

Sharon Roehrig needs your help. If you know of a member that needs a little sunshine from the guild, please inform Sharon at 908-454-5804 or katznguiltz@earthlink.net.

Tag Sale

Fliers were handed out at Quilter's Day Out inviting other guilds to attend and shop at our Tag Sale. We will be doing some advertising to other quilters and guilds as well. Please invite anyone you know who might be interested.

Here is how it works: Guild members bring in sewing and quilting items they would like to sell. The member marks the item with a For Sale price and someone purchases it. Members keep all the profit from their sales.

Ways and Means

Congratulations to Sue DeCamp who won a \$20.00 gift certificate to At Piece Quiltery. Congratulations to Rosemary McGuinness, who won the 50/50.

Web Site

If there is something you would like posted to our web site feel free to contact Bill Roehrig at webmaster@esqg.com or 908-454-5804.

List of Committees

Rosemarie Greg and Sharon Kubich APQ Workshop Carol Marks and Marlene Marlowe BOM

Challenge Susan Durvea Charity Quilts Nancy Murphy, Pam Willever and Deb Dockendorf

Hospitality Sharon Roehrig and Trina Hobbie

Mystery Quilt Lucy Kise
New Member Liaison Patty Kristoff
Newsletter Sharon Kubich

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Patty Kristoff
Sharon Roehrig
Sharon Kubich
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Carol Smith

Feel free to make suggestions for things you would like the guild to offer. We want to keep the guild interesting and exciting for all of you. All of your ideas are welcome and will be seriously considered.

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