The Stitch Line

October, 2008



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

Note from the President

The holiday season is approaching fast; Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here before you know it. Remember we voted to donate placemats to the homebound for both holidays.

Please bring your placemats to both the November and December meeting.

Financial Report

Beginning balance Sept.9, 2008 - \$6832.49 Ending balance Oct. 13, 2008 - \$7321.46

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

Happy Birthday to the following members

Audrey	Planer	11/7
Theresa	Schoonover	11/17
Vicky	Stankevicz	11/22

List of Committees

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

Challenge Susan Duryea

Charity Quilts Nancy Murphy, Pam Willever and Deb Dockendorf

Hospitality Sharon Roehrig and Trina Hobbie

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

Programs/Workshops Rosemarie Greg and Solvai Sanchez
Raffle Quilt Margaret Grande and Fran Visicaro

Row Quilts
Saturday Stitchers
Sunshine Girl
Victorian Days
Warren County Fair
Ways and Means

Margaret Grande
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.

Block of the Month

Congratulations to Elvera Waskiewicz for winning the blocks at the October meeting.

November is one of the special months where we are asked to put Turquoise in the block.

This year's colors are pink, chocolate, and tan. Each block is a different star.

Patterns are posted to the website. Those of you who have your newsletter mailed will receive your pattern with your newsletter.

Background fabric is still available at \$5.00 a yard.

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

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.

Kits are still available at our meetings or by contacting Nancy Murphy (nanmurph@optonline.net) or Debra Dockendorf (noahsark1983@verizon.net).

The finished quilts are due by the December meeting; however, you are welcome to turn them in earlier.

Directory of members

We have 68 paid members at this time. Membership directories will be printed after the October meeting and handed out at the November meeting. If you did not pay your dues by the end of the October meeting your name will not be appear in the directory. An up to date directory will be 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 Sharon any changes you may have to your information. It would be nice to have cell phone numbers listed. If you do not mind sharing you cell number, please send it to Sharon at your earliest convenience to sharon.kubich@eds.com or call her at (908) 859-1629.

Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting

If you would like to renew or order a new subscription of the Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting magazine at a guild rate of \$15.00 for the year, see Sharon Kubich. This offer expires December 31, 2008. Your checks should be made payable to ESQG.

Holiday Party

At the October 7th board meeting it was voted to do a covered dish at the December meeting. The hospitality committee will be organizing that part of the evening. After some discussion regarding a program it was decided that it is nice to have a night to just spend time with members of the guild. Therefore there will not be a speaker or entertainment at the Dec. meeting.

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

Please bring your *Preemie Blankets and Christmas Placemats* to the December meeting.

Marlene Marlowe is going to assemble a basket to raffle off at the party. If you would like to donate something to put in it, please bring it to the November meeting. It can be a new item or something you thought you had to have and then realized maybe you really didn't need it.

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 October 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.

For November, our refreshment people will be the following: Food-Sue DeCamp, Susan Duryea, and Solvai Sanchez. Beverages-May Dudding and Rosemarie Gregg.

Mystery Quilt

Mark your calendar: Lucy Kise will be holding our Mystery Quilt workshop on February 7, 2009 at the St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ. Sign up at our meetings.

Programs and Workshops

Calendar Year 2008 – 2009

George and Virginia Siciliano were our guest speakers at the October meeting. Let this be a lesson to those of you who had to miss our meeting: you missed the best presentation in a very long time. George titles his lecture "This Guy Must Be Nuts" and, honestly, he has to have a few screws loose. If you were at the meeting you have to agree with me that no one does what he does with fabric! The man can put 103 pieces of fabric in one 2 inch square. I am not kidding; you had to have seen these quilts. In my opinion having George and Virginia was a very good spend of guild money. Fran Visicaro was laughing so hard I thought she was going to bust a gut or worse.

Thank you to Judy Zeitler and Carol Marks for hosting George and Virginia at their (Judy's house) house.

There are To-Do's for the November meeting, see below:

Lecture for November 11th Jeannie Campbell – Fabric Treatments

We are going to have fun at this meeting. Jeannie will demonstrate ways to make your fabric look different. We will try some of her methods at the meeting.

Below are some things you may want to bring to the meeting:

For making Broomstick Fabric:

Fat quarter of fabric (wet, wrung out and in a zip lock bag)

Four rubber bands – the thicker ones are better

For Painting:

Fat quarter plain white fabric (prewashed and pressed)

Rubber stamps: foam, or chunkier rubber stamps

Programs for the Rest of the Year

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

Trish Chambers April

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

guirky. Cost \$350.00

Closing Meeting and Challenge June

> Ouilt Show 2009 "Harvest of Quilts"

Quilt show meetings have been scheduled for October 28, November 25, no meeting in December and then beginning in January, the last Tuesday of the month until our show in October 2009. All of the meetings will be held at the Belvidere High School library at 6:30 PM unless you hear from me.

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

All of the committees now have chairwomen responsible for them.

If there is a committee you would like to work on, feel free to offer your assistance to the chairwoman or get in touch with Sharon Kubich.

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

The Mountain Laurel Quilter's Guild presents its 13th Annual Quilter's Day Out Sunday November 9, 2008

Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort from 10am -4pm.

Barbara Contini and Minerva Kennedy will not be able to attend. If you would like to purchase their tickets please contact them directly or contact Sharon Kubich and she will get the tickets for you.

The speaker this year is Anna Faustino. She will lecture on "Simply Stunning Woven Quilts". Our reservations have been made. Thank you to Cindy and Theresa for organizing this for us again this year.

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.

Cindy Smith and Theresa Schoonover tried to sell raffle tickets at Art Across the River on Sunday, Sept. 28th but the rain washed them out. Thanks for the effort anyway girls!

Margaret Grande and Fran Visicaro reported that the sidewalk blocks were completed and returned by our members and that the sidewalk is done, but that was the easy part. Now the real work begins. "A Walk in Time" is the name of our raffle quilt and by the sounds of the work ahead. "time" maybe just what Fran and Margaret need!

Ricky Tims

Our guild is now considered a "large group" at the Ricky Tims seminars. We have 12 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.

Flyers 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

No more peeking! Boxes are to remain shut. The suspense is going to kill us all.

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. 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 katznquiltz@earthlink.net. Sharon has volunteered to continue spreading sunshine during our 2008/09 guild year.

Tag Sale

Start cleaning out that sewing room, studio or corner of the basement. We are going to have a tag sale at our March meeting.

Here is how it works: Members bring in sewing and quilting items they would like to sell. The member marks the item with a For Sale price and we fellow members purchase it. Members keep all the profit from their sales. This year we will be inviting other guilds to come and shop at our tag sale.

Ways and Means

Congratulations to Rosemarie Greg who won a \$20.00 gift certificate to the Pocono Sew and Vac. Congratulations to Marlene Marlowe who went home \$15.50 richer.

Newsletter

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

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.

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