

## Note from the President

We have a lot going on in the next few months, so please read the newsletter carefully.

## Block of the Month

Congratulations to Audrey Planer and Judy Zeitler for winning February blocks. There are two blocks due in March.

Do a good deed: support your local Block of the Month!

# *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 <u>susan\_duryea@yahoo.com</u>

## **Clothing Sale**

If you want to order clothing or a bag, contact Judy Zeitler ASAP. She will be processing the orders in a week or so. We are hoping to have delivery at the March meeting. If you did not attend the meeting, you can view all of the information on our web site.

Any questions regarding the clothing sale should be directed to Judy at judyz@esqg.com or 610-438-1224.

## Financial Report

Beginning balance Jan. 13, 2009 - \$8594.82

Ending balance Feb. 9, 2009 - \$8292.07

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.

## Happy Birthday to the following members

Pat	Johnson	3/2
Solvai	Sanchez	3/4
Elvera	Waskiewicz	3/8
Susan	Duryea	3/19

### Hum-Dinger Alpacas

After Dennis and Kris spoke at our February meeting about their alpacas and the batting they are experimenting with, they invited us to attend a Shearing Day on May 24<sup>th</sup>. They would like us to bring a few quilts and spend some time with them as people come to see their alpacas being sheared. They offered a free batting to anyone who would like to participate. If you are interested contact Kris at info@humdingeralpacas.com or call her at 908-995-7313.

#### *Hospitality*

When choosing food items to bring to our meetings, please keep in mind that at least one of our members has a peanut allergy. If your contribution contains peanut products, please include a note saying so.

For March those who signed up are as follows: for food: Lucie Idler and Elvera Waskiewicz and for beverages: Barbara Seppa. As was announced at the last meeting, we are hoping to have extra people in March for our tag sale. With that in mind, if anyone else cares to bring a hospitality contribution it will be appreciated. Think things that keep well or can be frozen, since we really don't know if we will have non guild shoppers-but we hope so!

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.

## **Mystery Quilt**

The Mystery Quilt was solved on February 7, 2009 at the St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ. Once again Lucy Kise out did herself. It was a fun filled day. We had 26 members attend and all the quilts were fabulous!

Lucy has agreed to do a Mystery Quilt again next year. I suggest you sign up now; it is becoming so popular you just may not get in the class.

### Newsletter

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

### Pat Knoechel

Pat Knoechel will be back again on June 19, 2009 to do a lecture for our guild. This will take place at the St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ.

Pat will be talking about QIAD's new book entitled, "Day and Night." This features star patterns and comes with a ruler. The "Lover's Knot" book has been updated and Pat will feature those quilts as well. There are also new patterns called: How Charming (made from Charm Packs), Dessert Time (made from Layer Cakes and Jelly Rolls) and Fox and Geese (a Flying Geese Pattern).

We would like members to share their QIAD Quilts and wall hangings which will be on display downstairs. Also, Marlene will be putting together door prizes so please consider donating some items.

Tickets will be available from Audrey Planer in the near future.

### **Programs and Workshops**

Calendar Year 2008 – 2009

Rosemarie and Solvai are **NOT** able to attend the MAQGNet meeting to be held this April. We are looking for someone to take their place at the meeting. If you would like to attend this very interesting and informative meeting as a representative of our guild, please contact me as soon as possible.

- March Quilter's Tag Sale We will be inviting other guilds and quilters. Please invite your quilting friends and family
  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 by capturing the joys, tribulations and memories of family life, whether sentimental or comically quirky. Cost \$350.00
- June Closing Meeting and Challenge

## *Quilt Show 2009* "Harvest of Quilts"

The next meeting will be held on March 24th at Belvidere High School library at 6:30 PM

It is vital that all chairwomen attend these meetings or send a member of your committee to report for you.

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

Meeting schedule going forward is: May 26, July 28, and Sept. 29.

See the attached quilt show meeting update.

## Quilter's Heritage Celebration Lancaster Quilt Show - Bus Trip

At this time we have 29 people signed up for the bus trip to the Lancaster Quilt Show on Saturday April 4, 2009.

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, and if necessary will make a pick up at the Top Star Mobil in Hellertown, I-78 and Rte 412 at 7:35 AM. We will arrive at the show at approximately 9:00 AM.

Deadline for sign-up is March 1, 2009. Sign up as soon as possible. If we do not have enough participation to at least break even by that date, the trip will be canceled.

## Raffle Quilt

Lelane is looking for us to get our ticket stubs and money handed in as soon as possible. There is a small amount of tickets that have not been taken by members. If you need more tickets, please ask Lelane at (610) 258-0527 or jhoose@rcn.com. She will be happy to get them to you.

#### "A Walk in Time"

Margaret Grande and Fran Visicaro say they will let us know when they need our help. Keep those needles sharp. I am sure they will be calling on us soon.

## **Ricky Tims**

Our guild is considered a "large group" for the Ricky Tims seminars in Frederick, MD on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 30 to May 2. Anyone interested in attending can now register for the weekend of seminars at a rate of \$179.00.

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

Boxes are being exchanged, so I am guessing all is well.

### Saturday Stitchers

Our next Saturday Stitchers is March 21<sup>st</sup> at the St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ, 9:30am. Contact Patty Kristoff at (908) 637-4122 for more information and to sign up. If you'd like a beverage other than coffee or tea, please bring your own drink. Future dates are *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.

### Tag Sale

This is it: you better be packing up the patterns, fabric, notions, books, etc. that you are willing to part with. We have invited people outside the guild to attend. Please pass the word; the more the merrier.

Here's how it works: guild members bring in sewing and quilting items they would like to sell. Members mark each item with a price and someone purchases it. Members keep all profits from their sales.

As mentioned under Hospitality, if you have the time to bring an extra dessert, snack or drink we would really appreciate it. If we have any guests we want to be able to feed them.

### Victorian Days

Victorian Days will be held September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. We will be selling raffle tickets for our guild quilt. Please consider spending some time outside in the center of beautiful Belvidere NJ. A sign up sheet will be available at the next meeting.

#### Warren County Fair The theme for 2009 is American West! Try www.e-prairiegirls.com for all the western fabric you could ever want.

Mark your calendar. The fair runs from July 26-August 1. This is a fun, but long week. We need everyone to take a shift, enter quilts and help sell raffle quilt tickets. Look for a sign up sheet starting next month.

#### Ways and Means

Congratulations to Barbara Seppa who won a \$20.00 gift certificate to American Ribbon. Margaret Grande took home a whopping \$1.50 as the winner of the 50/50 and Jane Bodolsky won a really cute Valentine's pillow.

#### 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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#### **Quilt Show Advertisements**

Sharing the Quilts XXVI Saturday March 28, 2009 / 8am to 5 pm Willow Grove Presbyterian Church 1961 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains, NJ Admission \$6.00

The Charm Girl Quilters are presenting a quilt show on March 27-29, 2009. Pearl S. Buck International Historic Estate 520 Dublin Road Perkasie, PA Hours are 10am to 4pm Admission: \$5.00 www.pearlsbuck.org

Love Apple Quilters presents "Spring Into Quilting" March 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 The Enterprise Center 3331 Route 38 Mount Laurel, NJ 08054 Hours are 10am to 5pm on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 11am to 4pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> Admission \$8.00

Hot Needles, Cool Quilts 2009 April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Somerset County 4-H Center Bridgewater, NJ www.piecedtogetherquilters.org



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