

EVENING STAR QUILTER'S GUILD

# The Stitch Line

Newsletter, November 2013 PO Box 253, Belvidere NJ 07823-0253

### The Evening Star Quilter's Guild Quilt Shows, Simply Magnificent

What a wonderful quilt show this year! I congratulate the committee for their preparation and hard work as well as the efforts of all members during the entire show weekend. It is a far cry from how our guild's first shows were presented. I believe the first quilt show was October, 1989. It was held at the White Township Municipal Building on Route 519 and 46.

First off, let me say there was NO preplanning. That means no chairperson and no committees. We did a few things in advance. First we set the date as the Sunday of Columbus Day weekend and requested a space to hold our show. Then we contacted Ritter Hardware in Belvidere and asked to borrow eight-foot ladders and long boards. Guild members were asked to bring quilts to the show location at 8 am on the designated day. We had no idea how many quilts we would have or the sizes or types. On show day we pitched in to place the step ladders with boards between, draping the quilts over the boards. We also draped quilts over the huge court counter, the chairs and doors.

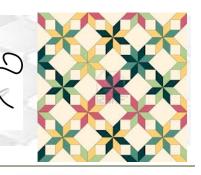
There was no cafe, refreshments, boutique, demonstrations and no admission fee. We placed our signs on Route 46 and Route 519 and hoped for the best. One year a bus traveling from New York City noticed our sign and stopped to attend the show. Sometimes visitors purchased items from the show and a woman loved a vest I was wearing and purchased it on the spot! Since we were associated with the National Quilt Association, guests always voted on our quilts and the ribbons were supplied by that organization.

The first organized show was 1993 at the Hope Grange hall in Hope, NJ. My father built the quilt racks, donating his time and the materials. As payment he requested a case of beer and we bought him two. This was the first time we asked members to complete a registration form for the quilt show layout. We may have charged admission and this was our first two-day show.

Our subsequent shows became more organized with members volunteering to help with displays, flowers, layout, voting and more. At this point, we decided to hold the show bi-annually. We borrowed easels from an organization at the Shippen Manor in Oxford and displayed quilted art work at the shows. ESQG member, Linda Re typed each label describing the art work including the medium, whether it was an original or a print, and the artist or owner. One gentleman visitor asked if we had a gallery set the show up for us and he was surprised to hear that all the art work was owned by members of the guild.

In 1995, our quilt show was held during Victorian Days in Belvidere. We were located in the basement of the old mill at the corner of Front and Hardwick Streets. The show then moved to the Mt. Bethel Fire Hall in 1997 and the Portland Fire Hall in 1999. It was here a cafe was offered by the Ladies Fire Auxiliary. Next we moved to the Pohatcong Township Elementary School (2001, 2003, 2005), Knowlton Township Elementary School (2007) and finally to our present location at the Belvidere High School (2009, 2011, 2013). It was during these later years we had committees meet in advance to present the simply magnificent show we hold today.

**By Sharon Rebrig** 





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Evening Star Quilter's Guild Share your pictures with us!

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Visit our website regularly for updated guild information, meeting minutes, current newsletters and guild events.

#### Mission Statement

Promote interest and knowledge in the art of quilt-making, promote appreciation of the art form, educate people in all aspects of quilting and engage in charitable projects through quilt-making. Evening Star Quilter's Guild

# Evening Star Quilter's Guild Calendar of Events 2013-2014

September 3, 2013	Board Meeting	3
September 7,8, 2013	Victorian Days	
September 10, 2013	Guild Meeting	Carousel Registration from 6:00-7:00
	-	Welcome Back Business Meeting
		Colossal Show & Tell
September 14, 2013	Stitching in Hope	Charity Purses, Placemats etc Marlene Marlowe
October 8, 2013	Guild Meeting	Carousel Registration from 6:00-7:00
	-	Dr. Bob's Thread Play (Time permitting)
October 25, 2013	Quilt Show Set-up	Set-up 3:30 to finish
October 26,27, 2013	Quilt Show	
November 9, 2013	Stitching in Hope	Charity placemats, etc. – Marlene Marlowe
November 12, 2013	Guild Meeting	Folded Ribbon Ornaments – Nancy Geiger
December 3, 2013	Board Meeting	
December 10, 2013	Guild Meeting	NO Business Meeting! Holiday Party!
December 14, 2013	Stitching in Hope	Holiday Items
January 11, 2014	Stitching in Hope	Bears of Love- Irene Compton
January 14, 2014	Guild Meeting	Game Night
February 1, 2014	Mystery Quilt	Marlene Marlowe
		Note- February 8, 2014 Snow Date
February 8, 2014	Stitching in Hope	
February 11, 2014	Guild Meeting	Playing with Yo-Yo's – Beth Wilson
March 4, 2014	Board Meeting	
March 8, 2014	Stitching in Hope	Charity placemats, etc.
March 11, 2014	Guild Meeting	Fuse it and Be Done – Barbara Campbell
April 8, 2014	Guild Meeting	Renowned Quilter & Fabric Designer-Michelle Scott
April 12, 2014	Stitching in Hope	
May 13, 2014	Guild Meeting	Quilt Artist-Sue Reno
June 3, 2014	Board Meeting	
June 10, 2014	Guild Meeting	End of Year Activities

<u>Guild meetings are held at:</u> Belvidere High School Cafeteria 806 Oxford Street Belvidere, NJ 07823-0253 **Doors open at 6:30 p.m.** 

Board meetings are held at Belvidere H.S. Library

"I wonder if the snow loves the trees and fields. It covers them up snug, you know, with a white quilt; and perhaps it says, 'Go to sleep, darlings, till the summer comes again."" Lewis Carroll



354 High St Hope, NJ 07844

Hours 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Workshops and Stitching in Hope are held at:

St. Johns UMC Church

Hope, NJ 07844

2013-2014 Committees Block of the Month: Fran Visicaro & Carol Smith Community Projects: Quilts of Love: Irene **Compton & Audrey Planer** Placemats & pillowcases: Marlene Marlowe Nominating: TBA **Publicity:** Newsletter-Kathy Daniels Membership-Mary Lou MacGregor New Members-Bonnie Eamigh **Quilt Show Chairperson:** Sharon Kubich Raffle Quilt: Coleen Groenendaal Licenses: Rosemarie Grea Tickets: Lelane Hoose Scholarship: TBA Sunshine/Hospitality: Lorraine Hare (Sunshine) Edie Ervey, Donna Koeniq & Mary Lou Nichols Ways and Means: Irene Compton **Guild Activity Chairpersons** Challenge: Cindy Smith Guild Trips: Sue DeCamp, Irene **Compton & Audrey Planer** 

Quilts of Love: Irene Compton Holiday Party: Audrey Planer Mystery Quilt: Marlene Marlowe Pat Knoechel Night: Jane Bodolsky & Audrey Planer Programs: Barbara Campbell Quilters Day Out: Peggy Chiniewicz Stitching in Hope: Bonnie Eamigh Victorian Days:

Jane Schreffler, Lorraine Cline, Min Kennedy & Barbara Contini Warren County Farmer's Fair: Kathy Daniels & Bern Yates

Just 7 months away! \*Challenge yourself. \*Dare to do something different. \*Expand your comfort zone. \*Complete your UFO.

#### ESQG COMMITTEE NEWS-NOVEMBER, 2013



Contact Lorraine Hare if you know a member needs healing thoughts and good wishes. Email: <u>sunshine@esqg.com</u> 570–801–6080

#### **Mystery Quilt**

Registration is full and closed. All participants should have their instructions to begin the project before the workshop on February 1, 2014. \*See Home Page on <u>esqg.com</u> for the fabric requirements. Marlene Marlowe





2013 Quilt Raffle

All 2013 raffle quilt tickets should be returned for the drawing by Tuesday, 12/10 even those not sold.

#### <u>Treasurer's Report</u> <u>November 2013</u>

Peggy Chiniewicz, Treasurer Beginning Balance: \$6,346.99 Deposits: \$1.525.00 Expenses: \$1,786.39 Ending Balance: \$6,085.60

HINT! Warren County Farmer's Fair

# Quilt Block of the Month

We are working on the second month of our Block of the Month. Packets were distributed at the November meeting and every member who brings a completed pumpkin block to the December holiday party will be entered to win all the blocks!

Fran Visicaro and Carol Smith, Block of the Month Committee

Thanksgiving Placemats Eighty-five placemats were presented to Kathy Mills with Meals on Wheels, Warren County. About 200 people receive meals through this program!

Twenty-five kits for our bears of love were distributed at the November guild meeting. The completed bears will be shared with EMT, law enforcement and fire fighters to distribute to children involved in traumatic situations. If you live outside the immediate area, contact your emergency officials and ask if they are interested in receiving our "bears of love".

> Irene Compton Quilts of Love Committee



## ESQG - Celebrate! Travel! Explore! Share!



**December Program** Holiday Christmas Party!

The ESQG holiday gathering will be held on December 10th with a catered event to include meat lasagna, cavatelli with broccoli, salad, bread and cake. There will be a salad with chicken available to those who are gluten intolerant. Instead of a gift exchange, members agreed to donate to several charities (to be determined at the gathering) and \$15 was the suggested donation amount.

Members do not have to supply anything for the party.

See you there!



#### DECEMBER

12/1: Mary Kazanchy 12/12: Nellie Rinehart 12/14: Carol Howell 12/16: Ronnie Santos 12/31: Nancy Geiger



Christmas Cards for Shipmates on the USS Harry S. Truman

If you would like to share Christmas greetings with soldiers deployed this holiday season, bring your completed cards to the December guild party. Your "salutations" may say, "Dear Soldier" or "Dear Sailor". The cards will be shared with the shipmates of

Lt. Patrick Leahey, HELSEACOMBATRON, Squadron Seven on the USS Harry S. Truman.



41st Annual Quilters Unlimited Show "True Blue" Chantilly, VA

An ESQG trip to Washington, DC is set for May 30 to June 1, 2014. The cost is \$375/double occupancy and includes the quilt show, a moonlight trolly tour to the monuments and various museums near the National Mall. Lodging is with Embassy Suites outside of DC and meals are not included in the price. A \$175 deposit is due no later than December 10. Click here for the show website: <u>www.quiltersunlimited.org</u>

> Audrey Planer, Guild Trip Chairperson

#### Newsletter Contents:

- ESQG quilt show history.
- 🕱 Calendar of events.
- Committee notes and reminders.
- \star Places to go, things to do.
- 袨 Photos, website reminders.





Bring an Object • Share Its Story



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November meeting minutes.
November treasurer's report available in January.
Quilting Community Links: community bulletin board, recipes and member postings.
Membership list &

ESOG Website

### Our November Guild Program Inspiration!

current event photos.



Guidelines for the ESQG Website Community Bulletin Board <u>http://www.esqg.com/</u> <u>links.shtml</u>

Our website community bulletin board is available for quilting related information; guild member business cards, retreat notices, local quilt shops and services and other quilting links. The submission of all community bulletin board content will be reviewed, edited and approved by the ESQG Board for our website presentation. Twas the night before Christmas, I'm glued to the tree. I'm wondering what Santa brought for me. Could it be fat quarters or a pattern or lace? Or a quilt kit, I said, with a smile on my face. And that's when I heard him, "Hi Santa," I said.

"You know...good girls should be in their beds." "I know I should Santa, and now I've been caught. But I was just so excited to see what you brought." "Well, let's take a look in this room where you work." He shook his head quickly, and left with a jerk. I heard him exclaim as he put it in gear. "You've got enough stuff, I'll see you next year!"

Thanks to Ann Marie Grunn for the Poem!







