

EVENING STAR QUILTERS GUILD - THE STITCH LINE

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A new event is being held in Warren County – “ParkFest”

ParkFest is being co-hosted by Warren County Parks Foundation and the county's Morris Canal Committee, and will be held on **Saturday, June 10**, from **11 am - 6 pm** at Bread Lock Park (2627 Route 57, in Stewartsville)

The goal is to bring together diverse interest groups from across the county and the region to meet together in a beautiful park. We have planned for 'jazz in the park' with live jazz combos, art displays, classic cars and more.

ESQG will be displaying their 2017 Raffle Quilt and will be selling raffle tickets at this event. If you're interested in spending some time there, contact Irene Compton, irncompton@aol.com, and plan on bringing some handwork.



About Bread Lock Park

A premiere site along the historic Morris Canal Greenway, Lock 7 West became known as “Bread Lock” because the store at the end of the lock sold goods to boatmen passing through back in the mid-19th century, including homemade bread and pies. While still buried, the remains of the lock itself speak to the historical significance of this site as part of the larger Morris Canal Greenway.

In use from the 1820s to the 1920s, the historic Morris Canal stretched 102 miles from the Delaware River along Phillipsburg to the Hudson River along Jersey City. Overcoming a height elevation of 914 feet using 23 locks and 23 inclined planes, the canal became known as the “Mountain Climbing Canal” and was a major engineering feat of its day. Today, a short section of the canal

has been cleared and offers a lovely walk where you can see the prism that once held water and towpath traveled by mules pulling the boats along. Visitors can also enjoy the nature and exercise trails around the perimeter of the park, as well as the Historic Learning Center.

Step of the Month

Carol Smith has requested that if you've pieced the Step of the Month quilt top please bring it to the June Guild meeting on June 13. Everyone who brings their top will be entered into a drawing for \$25.

Mystery Quilt

It's not too late to bring in your mystery quilt for show and tell. We'd all love to see how yours turned out!

2017 WARREN COUNTY FARMER'S FAIR

THEME: "Celebrating the Fabric of Life"

DATES: Saturday, July 29, through Saturday, August 5, 2017, from 12 noon to 9 pm

This year we are celebrating the 80th anniversary of the Warren County Farmer's Fair. We are also celebrating the 20th year of the Traditional Arts Building where our local Guilds and artists showcase their prize quilts and handcrafted goods. To highlight the celebrations, the Evening Star Quilter's Guild and Tapestry Fiber Arts Group are co-sponsoring a Sun-Bonnet Sue Open Block Challenge. Rich Danner is creating and chairing this challenge. Prizes will be awarded! (Details at esqg.com or pick up a flyer at the May Guild meeting.)

To enter your quilt(s), go to the esqg.com home page and complete a Quilt Entry Form for each entry. Please submit your entry form either online, at the June meeting or by emailing the form to kathleen.b.daniels@comcast.net. The deadline for entries is Friday, July 21, 2017. Rich Danner is preparing the layout of the Quilt Show for the fair.

A list of volunteers working our booth is also on the home page to view and will be updated once a month. You may sign up for work at the June meeting or contact Kathy Daniels before June 30. As a volunteer, you will receive a free pass to enter the fairgrounds and a free parking pass with close access to the Traditional Arts Building. Work space is provided for machines and hand-work.

The Guild Boutique at the fair is open to all ESQG members. See Irene Compton to sign up and participate. Please use the color coded tags provided to identify and price your inventory. ESQG collects ten percent of each sale.

Our building set-up will begin at 9 am on Friday, July 28, in the Traditional Arts Building. We will rent a scaffolding to hang quilts. (We need men! Please bring them with you!) Entry quilts will be accepted at 10 am on Friday. Boutique items are accepted at 11 am on Friday. This allows us time to clean and rearrange the building and to set up the tables and hang the muslins. Sign up for set-up at the June meeting.

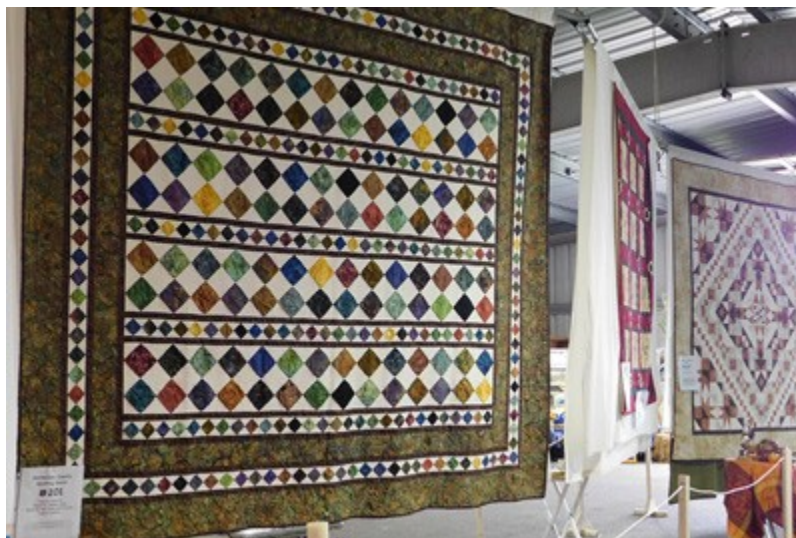
Take-down is Saturday, July 5, at 9 pm - not earlier! If you have a quilt entry or boutique items, be in the building by 9 pm or make arrangements for someone to take your quilts and inventory home for you.

DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE AT THE JUNE MEETING:

Quilt Entry Forms, Volunteer Sign-up Sheets, Boutique Instructions & Sign Up and Sun-Bonnet Sue Open Block Challenge instructions.

The Traditional Arts building will be a "feature attraction" this year with a good deal of publicity before and during fair week. We hope you decide to spend some time at the fair again this year, showcase your prizequilts, sell chances for our 2017 Raffle Quilt and promote the talents of our Evening Star Quilter's Guild.

Rosemary McGuinness and Kathy Daniels
WCFF Co-Chairpersons



QOV BOM: DOUBLE FOUR PATCH DUE AT YOUR JULY MEETING

A simple block for summer stitching!

Red: (2) 4 ½" squares

White: (4) 2 ½" squares

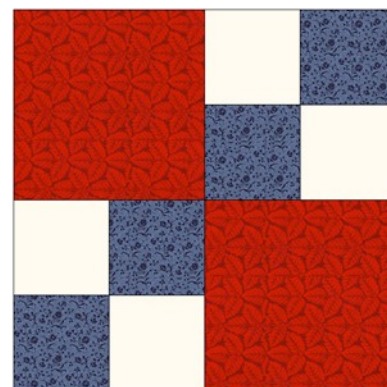
Blue: (4) 2 ½" squares

Using ¼" seams, stitch each white to a blue, press seams toward blue. Stitch two blue/white units together to form a four patch unit, spin seams to eliminate bulk.

Layout out four-patch units with red squares, being sure to keep them in position indicated in diagram above.

Stitch units together, spin seams. **BLOCK WILL MEASURE 8 ½"**

TIP: spinning seams



Quilt of Valor Blocks

Dear Quilting friends,

We completed the *Rail Fence* quilt and it is ready to be bound. I am working to complete the applique' on the *Indian Hatchet* quilt and the borders on the *Road to Oklahoma* quilt.

The Pocono Mountain Quilt Guild's Charity work group put the blocks together for all three of these quilts, cut fabric for more *Next Door Neighbor* blocks, and tested the instructions for the next three BOM's.

Irene Compton of the Evening Star Guild and Mary Dickison of the Pocono Mountain Guild both contributed backing fabric.

Thanks for all your contributions!

Laura Lyman

QOV BOM Coordinator

2017 Program Calendar

June 13	Guild/Business Meeting - Board Elections - last 2016-17 meeting
September 12	Guild/Business Meeting - first 2017-18 meeting
November	Guild Meeting & Speaker: Gyleen Fitzgerald - <i>The Art of Color Blending</i>
November	Workshop: Trash to Treasure Pineapples

Mark your
calendar!

Sun-Bonnet Sue / Overall Sam Challenge

Calling All Quilters, Embroiderers and Needle Artists:

To celebrate the 80th Anniversary of the Warren County Farmer's Fair, the Evening Star Quilter's Guild and the Tapestry Fiber Arts Group of Warren County, New Jersey, are co-sponsoring a Free Style Sun-Bonnet Sue Open Block Challenge. This challenge will consist of a 10.5 inch square block featuring Sun-Bonnet Sue (or Overall Sam for any Man Quilter so inclined).

The block can be designed in the traditional appliqué format, or in red-work, embroidered, be-dazzled, beaded, wool felted, chenille, or in any combination of techniques. Be creative!

Each block must be a 10.5 inch square on a neutral background with Sun-Bonnet Sue as the main feature. Please sign your block. An historical record of all participants will be included.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three block entries.

Our goal is to have as many blocks as possible in order to piece a quilt during the Fair. The quilt will then be archived locally.

Please send all completed blocks to the Challenge Coordinator:

Rich Danner
434 US Highway 46
Great Meadows, NJ 07838

Questions for Rich regarding the challenge can be sent to splendorofsolomon@gmail.com or by phone at 850-619-0227.

Thanks and Happy Sewing to All!

Piece and Goodness,

Man Quilter Rich



Thank you to Irene Compton's brother, **David Carlson**, for his donations to our Guild: printing of show pamphlets, extra colored flyers for show and fabric for the 2017 raffle quilt.

And for his donations to the Café at the Quilt Show: coffee, tea, all paper goods, cutlery, material for three batches of vegetarian chili, mustard, ketchup, salt/pepper, sugar and sugar substitutes.

ESQG Fundraiser in support of



Dear Evening Star Members,

The charity that was chosen by the Guild this year is “Haven of Hope for Kids,” located in the town of Hope, NJ. Since its inception in 2005, “Haven of Hope” has been hosting cost-free vacations for families with children who have life threatening illnesses. To date, they have hosted more than 250 families in their cottage that is located in the heart of historic Hope.

The cottage is fully furnished and can accommodate 8 people for a 6 day stay. Families arrive on Wednesday and are greeted by the summer co-coordinator who will accompany them throughout their week’s stay. During this time they will visit two area working farms, enjoy a day at Land of Make-Believe and swimming at the Belvidere Pool. Fishing is also available.

Upon their arrival on Wednesday, they are provided funds to purchase a week’s worth of food at the Acme. Pizza is provided the family their first evening in the cottage. A home-cooked meal is provided by a volunteer on Friday evening, and a BBQ is held on Saturday by a local sponsor.

A shuttle service is provided Monday for those that do not have a car.

“Haven of Hope” is funded by individual donations and grants. There is no government subsidy. There are no costs incurred by the family.

With this very important purpose in mind, we are determined to make this the most successful charitable fundraise ever. Our goal this year is to seek handmade items from members in the following areas:

- Seasonal Octagons
- Sets of Lace Christmas Ornaments
- Baby Quilts
- Lap Quilts
- Sets of Placemats (4)
- Small Wall Hangings
- Table Runners
- Wool Art

We look forward to working with our members and appreciate all that you do for the Guild and this event.

Thank you,

Audrey Planer and
Rosemary McGuinness

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Jane Merkel is organizing a trip to the **Paducah Quilt Show** and has asked us to share this info: The trip is **September 11 - 17, 2017**. Cost is approximately \$1,200. This is not firm and she's waiting on hotel and bus costs. For more information, contact Jane at sjanemerkel@rcn.com or call her at 610-797-7935.

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WEB:**

HTTP://

ESQG.COM/

