

The Stitch Line

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Evening Star Quilter's Guild

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Note from the President

From what I hear all went well without me at the November meeting. Please accept my apologies for not being there. I have heard from many members they really enjoyed Betty Pillsbury. I also heard from Betty. She told me what a nice time she had and what a wonderful ladies I have in my guild. I thanked her and said: I already knew that, but it is nice to hear.

I understand there was a ton of free fabric to hand out. If after the meeting you started to think, "I wished I had taken such and such fabric", not to worry. I will bring the remaining fabric to a meeting after the holidays. After that, we will donate it to the Critter Lady, mentioned once again at the end of this newsletter.

Do not forget our Christmas Celebration in December. Food assignments are listed in the hospitality section of the newsletter. We are also doing a gift exchange with a limit of \$15.00 per gift. Remember your placemats for the homebound again this year. The board has some fun things planned as well as a surprise workshop given by Mrs. Santa. The evening will be full of fun with some of the regular meeting items still included. I hope to see you there. And don't forget to wear loose fitting clothes so you have room to eat!

Financial Report

Beginning Balance Oct 6, 2007 was \$8906.54

Ending Balance Nov 11, 2007 is \$11018.12

If you are not able to attend meetings and would like to see a more detailed financial report than that presented in the newsletter, please contact Cindy Smith at 908-362-8598 or cascpa@nac.net.

Guests and New Members

As guests at the November meeting, we had the mother-daughter team of Peggy and Lori Mellors as well as Jill Bruckart. I hope they liked what they saw and come back to join us again.

Happy Birthday

Kimberly Clark 12/02

Nellie Reinhart 12/12

- Winter Weather

Board Members

President - Sharon Kubich
V-President – Judy Zeitler
Secretary – Irene Compton
Treasurer – Cindy Smith
Historian-Theresa Schoonover

Meeting information

Evening Star Quilt Guild

809 Oxford Street
Belvidere, NJ

Belvidere High School
Cafeteria

Second Tuesday of the
Month

Doors open at 6:30,
Meetings start promptly at
7:00!

List of Committees

APQ Workshop – Sharon Kubich and Sharon Rehrig

BOM – Margaret Grande and Debbie Symonds

Challenge – Cindy Smith, Susan Duryea and Theresa Schoonover

Charity Quilts – Rosemarie Greg, Judy Tharp, Solvai Sanchez, Trudy Frey,
Susan Duryea, Peggy Schaedel, Miriam Dilts

Fat Quarter Exchange – Carolyn Smith, Alberta Bellis, Judy Tharp,
Denise Willever

Hospitality – Sharon Roehrig, Trina Hobbie, Joanne Davie

I Spy Exchange – Kimberly Clark

Mystery Quilt – Lucy Kise

New Member Liaison – Patty Kristoff

Newsletter – Sharon Kubich, Sharon Rehrig

Programs/Workshops – Judy Zeitler

Raffle Quilt – Theresa Schoonover

Saturday Stitchers – Patty Kristoff

Sunshine Girl – Sharon Roehrig

Victorian Days – Sharon Kubich

Victorian Tea – Fran Visicaro, Carol Smith and Marlene Marlow

Warren County Fair – Sharon Kubich

Ways and Means – Tammy Grover

Thank you, ladies, for serving on these committees.

Block of the Month

Congratulations to Irene Compton for winning both sets of blocks at the November meeting. I think Irene should buy Lottery Tickets!

Remember: make whichever block you chose from the packet. Just be sure to use the correct fabric theme from the list below.

December - Holiday Floral and ow/ow

January - Novelties and w/w

February- Batik and ow/ow

March - Civil War and ow/ow

April- Polka Dot and w/w

May - Floral and w/w

June- Pastels and w/w

Bus Trip to Lancaster Quilt Show

Tell every quilter you know! The Evening Star Quilter's Guild is running a bus trip to the **Quilters' Heritage Celebration** in **Lancaster, Saturday, March 29, 2008**. Price includes bus, ticket to the quilt show and dinner at Plain and Fancy Farms. **COST: \$65.00 per person**

We have a 54 passenger bus. We want to fill the bus. The more the merrier! With the price of gas these days, this is a steal!

Challenge

The theme for this year's challenge is The Four Seasons. If you choose to participate in the challenge, the fee is \$2.50 which covers cost of the fabric. The committee will be asking you to reach into a bag and draw out a fat quarter. Each fat quarter represents one of the four seasons: fall, winter, spring and summer. Whatever fat quarter you choose, you need to use it in your challenge. There is no size limit. The only rules are: You must use a recognizable piece from the fat quarter you selected, the season must be recognizable, and it must be quilted using three layers. Bring your finished project in a brown paper bag to the June meeting. Have a label on the back, which needs to be covered. Four first prizes will be awarded, one for each season. It is not too late to draw your fat quarter from the bag. I have to say that this sounds very interesting.

Charity Quilts

As previously announced, the charity quilts this year will be donated to our military veterans. The committee has decided on the "3-6-9" pattern and is asking guild members to donate 2 dark, 1 medium and 1 light fat quarters which are used in the pattern. The committee will be collecting the fat quarters at the December and January meetings and will put together packets to be handed out in February. Please help this worthy cause by donating. Please think out of the box and do not use only red, white and blue fabrics. Any color combinations are welcomed. Please, only 100% good quality cotton fabrics are desired.

Directory of members

Thank you to Judy Zeitler for developing a phone directory of guild members. The directories were put in your mailbox at the November meeting. Also, thank you to Doug and Irene Compton for printing them for us. Doug Compton has become an unofficial member of our guild and a valuable volunteer.

Please take a minute to review the directory and send any corrections to Sharon Kubich at Sharon.kubich@eds.com or phone 908-859-1629

Fat Quarter Exchange

November theme is **Novelties and w/w**

The fat quarter exchange coincides with the BOM.

Hospitality

The Christmas party is next month and the hospitality committee is asking us to follow these guidelines for your covered dish contribution. **The alphabet has been divided into 3 parts; use your last name to determine which covered dish you are to bring. A-G is entree or main course; H-Q is appetizer; R-Z is dessert.** Of course, this is not carved in stone. If you want to bring something different than what you were assigned, switch with another member. Thank you for your co-operation in advance.

Newsletter Information Contact Us

If you would like to have something published in the newsletter send it to

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If you receive a call on your cell phone, please be courteous of others and step outside or in the hall.

Please remember to sign in and WEAR YOUR NAMETAG.

I SPY

Some members forgot to bring to the November meeting their **I SPY** fabric for the exchange. There are about 6 spaces open. You have until the Monday, December 10, (the night before our December meeting) to get your fabric to Kimberly Clark if you want to participate. Please let her know, there are 6 spots still open if you would like to join in contact Kimberly at tcandkc1@verizon.net or call her (908) 387-8445. You would need **thirty five** 6 ½ inch squares. These squares may consist of the same or different fabrics to be exchanged. There are still directions available for a Snowball Quilt, a perfect pattern to use for an **I SPY** quilt.

Mystery Quilt

Our **Mysterious Date** has been set **February 16, 2008** at St. John's Methodist Church, Hope, NJ. We will start to solve the mystery at 9:00am and the cost to each member is still a mystery. Lucy will let us know soon. If you would like to participate, sign up with Lucy Kise.

Newsletter

This is your newsletter. If there is something you want published, please let Sharon Kubich know. Deadline for November newsletter is November 16.

Programs and Workshops

December - Holiday Gathering, surprise demo, short business meeting, placemat donation and food followed by more food.

January - George and Virginia Siciliano: "This Guy Must Be Nuts"
George designs and makes the most fascinating paper pieced projects you have ever laid your eyes on. You haven't seen miniatures until you've seen these!

February - Game night & Valentine exchange "Make, Bake, and Create" (back up date for George if it snows in January)

March - Mary Anne Ciccottelli will lecture on **Folded Hexagon** and the following **Saturday March 15th** she will be doing a workshop for us entitled **Color Wheel Magic**. See Judy Zeitler for the signup sheet and price information.

April - Victorian Tea

May - Bonnie Turner Lecture "Things Remembered" a lecture on how to preserve all those memories.

June - End of Year Bash & Challenge Quilt

Quilt Show 2007

Thank you very much to the members of the Quilt Show Committee and to all of the members that helped with the show. It would not have been the success it was without all the help involved.

At the November meeting Margaret Grande and Vicky Stankevicz were recognized for doing a great job as co-chairman of the quilt show. They each received a \$50.00 gift certificate from At Piece Quiltery and flowers.

Margaret and Vicky had asked members to send them as list of the good and could be better things they saw at the Quilt Show. For those of you who took the time to send them your thoughts, thank you. You will find the compiled list in your mailbox at the December meeting. Also after the holidays and things settle down we will be organizing a committee to start getting ready for 2009. WOW, it will be here before you know it.

Raffle Quilt

Well, where has 2007 gone? It is time to draw the winning raffle ticket at the December meeting. Thank you to all of you who worked on the quilt and sold tickets. Return all money and stubs to Lelane Hoose as soon as you arrive at the December meeting.

It is time to start on the raffle quilt for 2008. Theresa Schoonover has chosen the Pineapple Pattern using paper piecing and will be filling us in on all the details after the holidays.

Once again, a big thank you to Theresa for organizing our raffle quilt project.

Saturday Stitches

Patty Kristoff will be offering "Saturday Stitcher" events, **February 2, and April 5th, 2008**, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm at the St. John's Methodist Church, Hope, NJ. Bring your own project to work on.

The cost is \$15.00 per person which covers the cost of coffee/tea and bagels for breakfast and sandwiches for lunch. What a deal!

Sign up to attend at our meetings or by calling Patty at 908-637-4122.

Thank you to Patty for organizing these Saturday Stitcher events for the guild. Patty welcomes non-guild members to attend. This is one way we get new members for the guild.

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, so she can send a card.

Victorian Tea

Fran Visicaro has been loosing sleep over our Victorian Day Tea. She is very excited. Carol Smith and Marlene Marlow (aka: Marilyn Monroe) will be working with Fran and they have decided on April to hold the tea. The ladies are organizing a pin cushion exchange. Get those creative juices flowing and create a pincushion to exchange during the April meeting. I would also suggest you start working on your fancy hat and dress now. If hats and fancy dresses is not your thing, please consider bringing a special tea cup and maybe some scones or tea sandwiches. Whatever you decide, we are looking forward to an enjoyable evening. If you have any questions, call Fran Visicaro at (570)897-5558: Fran answers the phone quicker than email.

Ways and Means

Denise Willever and Lucy Kise were our November winners for Ways and Means. Congratulations to both!

Warren County Fair & Victorian Days

Sharon Kubich, Marilyn Barnes and Lucy Kise attended a meeting for the fair on October 23rd. The dates for the fair are **July 27 - August 2, 2008**. There is a possibility that the guilds participating for the whole week will be given \$250.00 each. The fair committee is still working on it, but it looks pretty good. Sharon asked to have the walls in the building power washed and to have some items removed from the building to give us more room and help to improve the appearance. The fair committee agrees with Sharon that this should be done and they will take care of it for next year. The fair will be supplying the ribbons again. **America the Beautiful** is going to be the theme, so get working on those red, white and blue quilts or what ever comes to your mind to fit the theme. The fair committee is also looking for ideas that would bring more viewers in to see the quilts. For example: a treasurer hunt, demos, etc. If you have any thoughts or ideas, please let Sharon Kubich know and she will pass them on.

Web Site

It is with a heavy heart that I tell you Lisa Intili will no longer be our web master. Lisa has resigned as web master and from the guild this year. Like many of us, her personal life has become more challenging and there are just not enough hours in a day.

Lisa is the originator of our web site and has kept us well informed of guild business.

I am happy to announce we have a new web master, his name is Bill Roehrig and yes he belongs to our guild member Angel Sharon. After giving it much consideration Bill has agreed to be our web master. Going forward you will be seeing some exciting changes to our web site. If there is something you would like to post on the web site send it to me and I will see that Bill gets it. Let's keep things going through me for now and maybe going forward that can change.

Thank you again to Lisa for many years of service. She will be missed.

www.esqg.com is where you can find all the information you need about our guild. Take a minute and check it out. Look for newsletters, BOM, coming events and lots more. For now, if there is something you would like posted or would like to share with our members, send it to Sharon Kubich and I will get it posted.

Remembering Patty Burke

Theresa Schoonover and Cindy Smith met with Patty Burke's family a few weeks ago. Patty's family gave them several kits of completed Block of the Month blocks that Patty had won. Theresa and Cindy will be raffling off only one set of blocks a month at our meetings beginning in January. They think there is enough blocks to take us into June. Chances will be \$1 and they can be purchased thru either Theresa or Cindy. Direct donations are welcome anytime if you do not wish to win the "kits".

All of the money collected will be donated to the ARC of Lehigh

County in Patty's name.

Donate your Fabric to "Critter Quilts"

Priscilla Harvey is part of a group call "Critter Quilts". Needs donations of cotton fabrics. They make quilts for animals for shelters in both NJ and PA. If you have fabric that you would like to donate, call Priscilla 610-250-5658. She will be happy to pick it up.

New Jersey Quilt Show

The Quilt Fest of New Jersey IV

February 28 –March 2, 2008

Garden State Exhibit Center

Somerset, NJ

Pre-registration for workshops and lectures will be available *soon*.

Vendor Fair at North Warren Regional HS

December 8th from 10am to 2pm

Cindy Smith will have a table at the craft fair; she is looking for ladies who want to sell some quilted or handcrafted items. You do not have to work the fair with Cindy she will sell your items for you, but are more than welcome to if you like. You will need to get your items to Cindy prior to December 8th which is before our December meeting. Cindy will return unsold items and give you your proceeds at the December meeting.

We Have Come A Long Way Baby!

Sharon Roehrig sent this to me; I just had to include it in the newsletter.

This article was on a hint page from a Singer Sewing Machine Manual from 1949.

"Prepare yourself mentally for sewing. Think about what you are going to do...never approach sewing with a sigh or lackadaisically. Good results are difficult when indifference predominates. Never try to sew with a sink full of dirty dishes or beds unmade. When there are urgent housekeeping chores, do these first so your mind is free to enjoy your sewing.

When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible. Put on a clean dress. Keep a little bag full of French chalk near your machine to dust your fingers at intervals. Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on. If you are constantly fearful that a visitor will drop in or your husband will come home and you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing as you should."


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Winter Weather

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