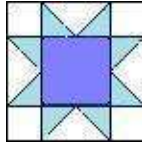


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Note from the President

I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer. You know me, no rest for the weary; it is time to get back at it and after you read this newsletter you will see that we have a fun packed year for you. Our committee heads attended a meeting in August and they have been working very hard planning and getting ready for our September meeting. Get those sewing machine oiled because they are going to need to be in tip top shape to keep up this year!

See you in just a few weeks.

Your president again for one more year,
Sharon Kubich

Financial Report

Beginning balance May 13, 2008 - \$8170.36

Ending balance June 9, 2008 - \$7559.64

If you are unable to attend meetings, you can now access the financial report from our web site. 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

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| Barbara | Contini | 9/6 |
| Margaret | Grande | 9/6 |
| Ann K | Webster | 9/7 |
| Barbara | Seppa | 9/11 |
| Carol | Smith | 9/14 |
| Fran | Visicaro | 9/19 |
| Maryellen | Krivanek | 9/22 |
| Carolyn | Smith | 9/26 |
| Lelane | Hoose | 9/30 |

List of Committees

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| APQ Workshop | 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 |

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| Mystery Quilt | Lucy Kise |
| New Member Liaison | Patty Kristoff |
| Newsletter | Sharon Kubich |
| Programs/Workshops | Rosemarie Greg and Solvai Sanchez |
| Raffle Quilt | Margaret Grande and Fran Visicaro |
| Row Quilts | Margaret Grande |
| Saturday Stitchers | Patty Kristoff |
| Sunshine Girl | Sharon Roehrig |
| Victorian Days | Sharon Kubich |
| Warren County Fair | Sharon Kubich |
| Ways and Means | 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.

We held a committee meeting on August 12, 2008 at 6:30pm in Belvidere. Thanks goes to Rosemarie Greg. We needed a place to meet and she was able to secure a room at her mother's retirement village. There was representation from most of the committees. We discussed what each committee was planning. Help and suggestions were offered. Trust me: it is going to be a great year. Tons of opportunities to sew!

Block of the Month

Congratulations to Bonnie Eamigh for winning the pastel blocks at the June meeting.

Carol Marks and Marlene Marlowe have an exciting BOM in store for us this year. The colors are going to be pink, chocolate, and tan. Each block will be a different star.

In with this newsletter you will find a pattern for the September block and a piece of the background fabric to create your first block.

At the September meeting the committee will be selling one yard of background fabric for \$5.00 (the guild is picking up the additional cost of the fabric). Each month you will receive a star pattern either via US mail or on our web site. Every month the colors stay the same: pink, chocolate, and your tan background fabric.

Now here is where it gets tricky: for every block you hand in you will receive a ticket. You put your name on the ticket or tickets and put them in a sealed can. One block one ticket, 3 blocks three tickets. At each meeting Marlene and Carol will be taking home 12 of the blocks collected that night. Any blocks over the 12 you will have a chance to win and take home with you that night.

Now I know you are wondering what Marlene and Carol are doing with all those blocks they are collecting each month. They will be organizing the blocks to best create quilt tops. Then at the June meeting everyone that has tickets in the sealed can will be in the drawing to win a complete kit for a quilt top. How many blocks they collect during the year determines how many quilt kits they have to offer. It could potentially be as many as 12 kits. When I say complete that means twelve blocks and the border fabric.

If you plan on participating bring your money so you can purchase your background fabric. If you can't make the meeting, just let Marlene or Carol know and they will see to it that you get your fabric before the October meeting.

Nice job ladies!

Challenge

As always our challenge entries in June were fabulous. Congratulations to all who entered.

Winners:

Spring – Fran Visicaro

Winter – Theresa Schoonover

Fall - Deb Dockendorf

Summer – Margaret Grande

Susan Duryea has chosen a theme for this coming guild year. It is going to be:

“Around the World”

Rules:

1. Use your imagination!
2. Any size quilt or other quilted object.
3. Must be finished.
4. Provide a short description of your finished project to be displayed with it.
5. Deadline - June 2009 meeting.
6. Please - have fun with this!

Charity Quilts

Once again the generosity our guild members have shown to our chosen charities is overwhelming. There were twelve quilts handed in at the June meeting which puts us at well over 20 quilts donated to the Quilts of Valor for the 2007/08 guild year..

The 2008/09 Charity Quilt Committee has chosen the Children's Home of Easton as the recipient of our charity quilts this year. The committee is setting their sights high, desiring to donate a quilt to every child who lives at the home for Christmas. There are 16 girls and 39 boys presently living at the home. The children range from ages 9 to 18.

The committee spent an enjoyable morning in July putting 35 quilt kits together. They had so much fun sorting through the fabrics and hope that they assembled kits that you will enjoy creating. Each quilt contains approximately 8.5 yards of fabric for the front and back. You are welcome to use the suggested pattern or choose your own pattern. A variety of quilt designs will make the quilts unique for those receiving them for Christmas. Sharon has informed us that the boys love sports. Many play basketball and football. As always, girls are girls and they just love being girls.

The Guild is well on its way towards their goal. Many of you have already started; the committee knows of 32 quilts that are underway. They are so thankful for the enthusiastic response to this project! If you are creating a quilt from your own stash, please contact Debra Dockendorf at (noahsark1983@verizon.net) so that the committee knows how many quilts they can expect.

Kits are available. You can pick up a kit at our September meeting or arrange to get a kit beforehand 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.

Rosemarie Greg has created wonderful labels for our quilts. The committee would like to thank her for her efforts. If you have started a quilt, you can pick up a label from the Charity Committee at the September meeting.

Thank you so much for your help,
Nancy Murphy
Pam Willever
Debra Dockendorf

Directory of members

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 your cell number, please send it to Sharon at your earliest convenience to sharon.kubich@eds.com or call her at (908) 859-1629.

Hospitality

Please take a minute at the September meeting to fill in the volunteer list which will cover the entire guild year. That seemed to work well last year, so Sharon Roehrig and Trina Hobbie decided to use that same format again this year. Krissy Hobbie is also planning on keeping the pounds on us all by providing us with tasty baked goods when she can. Sharon, Trina, and Krissy will provide food for the September meeting. If anyone can bring a beverage, please let Sharon know (908-454-5804).

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@esqq.com to have it posted on the web site.

Programs and Workshops

Calendar Year 2008 – 2009

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| September | Welcome Back Meeting |
| October | George and Virginia Siciliano This Guy Must Be Nuts” – a truck show presentation. Humorous look at all of George’s quilts – Virginia teaches hand quilting and her stitches are a treat for the eye. Cost \$350.00 plus mileage |
| November | Jeannie Campbell Fabric Treatments – this lecture demonstrates fun things to do with fabric before you put it into your quilt. After the lecture, guild members can try their hand at these techniques. Cost \$200.00 plus mileage |
| December | 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 | TBA |
| 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, 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”

We will resume meetings after our September meeting for the “2009 Quilt Show”.

The quilt show will be held on October 23, 24 and 25, 2009 at the Belvidere High School.
The committees that still need chairwomen are: **Displays, Door Prizes and Vendors.**

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

It is vital to the success of the quilt show that a representative from each committee attends the quilt show meetings.

Please remember all quilt show meetings are open to all guild members.

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.

The speaker this year is Anna Faustino. She will lecture on "Simply Stunning Woven Quilts".

There will be vendors, demonstrations, block of the year, and more.

This year the Show & Tell is limited to Community Projects.

The cost is \$35 per person. Please note on your check if you prefer Beef, Chicken, or Fish. Reservations must be made shortly after our September guild meeting, so anyone wishing to attend must pay on or before September 9th. Advance payments can be sent to Cindy Smith, 27 Belcher Rd, Blairstown NJ 07825. Cindy will have the pattern for the Block-of-the-Year available at the September meeting.

Raffle Quilt

Thank you to Azie, who did a beautiful job with the quilting and thank you to Irene Compton for adding the binding. Thank you to Cindy Smith and Theresa for picking the perfect fabric and organizing the completion of the quilt top. Thank you Theresa for once again holding a sewing day at your house. And thanks to many of you for your hard work in getting the quilt ready for the Warren County Fair. Speaking of the fair, we sold \$1,325.00 worth of tickets. Like I said many times, it would be easy to sell tickets on such a beautiful quilt. Let's hope we sell half that many tickets at Victorian Days.

You will be receiving your tickets to sell at the September meeting.

Believe it or not, we already need to think ahead to our next raffle quilt!!

Margaret Grande and Fran Visicaro have a plan!
First off our raffle quilt has a name this year; it is

“A Walk in time”

Word has it that it is a combination of pieced blocks and appliqué. They are planning on a workshop for all of us to participate in. It looks like a winner to me! This quilt will be the one we will be selling tickets for at the quilt show. I am praying they do not ask me to appliqué!

Ricky Tims

Ricky Tims will be coming to Frederick, MD on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 30 to May 2. Along with Ricky will be Alex Anderson and Libby Lehman.

This sounds like a very exciting three days and I (Sharon Kubich) would like to offer this trip to our guild members. I have been in contact with Ricky's administrative assistant in regards to us offering a trip to our guild.

There is a ton of information available regarding this weekend. Sharon will have the information available at our meetings. If you think you are at all interested please see Sharon right away. This is not going to be an easy trip to plan, but I think it is going to be well worth the effort. In the meantime visit Ricky Tims website <http://www.rickytims.com/> .

Watch for more information on this trip.

Row Quilts

Below is a list of the Brave and Bold ladies that will be creating beautiful Row Quilts this year:

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| Group #1 | Rosemarie – Sewing | Group #2 | Cindy - Civil war |
| | Sharon Roehrig – Cats | | Marlene - Halloween |
| | Theresa - Blocks | | Karen Anderson - Spring |
| | Barb Cosimano - Garden | | Margaret - Patriotic |
| | Ruth Skirbst – Baskets | | Debra - Feminine lady things |
| | Carol Smith - Sports | | Fran V. - Butterflies and Bows |
| | | | Lucy - Looking out my window |

Ladies bring your box to our September meeting. Included in your box should be a pad with instructions/information you would like the next person that gets your box to know. Your finished row, fabric and any other items that you would like built into your quilt. Margaret will have a list available for each box explaining who you should pass your box on to each month. If you need some ideas, log on to your computer and Google quilt blocks. There is a ton of ideas available.

Ladies have fun with this; we can not wait to see the finished project.

Saturday Stitchers

Patty has agreed to offer these fun filled Saturdays to us again next year. She will have a schedule for us in September.

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.

This summer cards have been sent to:

Barbara Seppa-illness

Buddy Freund-from Belvidere High School-thank you for help all year and for the air conditioned room in June

Krissy Hobbie-thank you for all the baked goods-all year!

Irene Compton-sympathy

Theme Night at a Meeting

If there is a theme you have a passion for, please give some thought to organizing a theme night for our guild members. This night would be along the same line as the Victorian Tea that we did last year.

Ways and Means

Ways and Means - congratulations to May Dudding, Joanne Davie and Margaret Grande, who were our winners in June.

Carol Smith will be “switching it up” a little this year, she will explain at the September meeting. I can tell you that there will be some really nice quilt shops involved. Bring your dollars with you to the September meeting and all to follow.

Warren County Fair

Thank you to all of you that helped to make the fair a huge success. A special thank you to all the guild members who got the job done and the show hung. The quilts were huge perfectly and the building looked great. We had more people go through our building than ever before. A special thanks to Audrey Planer and her helpers for the great display of vintage aprons.

Winners of the “**Viewer’s Choice**” awards were
Cheryl Palent from the Hunterdon County Quilter’s for her New York Beauty
Our own

Carol Marks won both 2nd and 3rd place with her Vermont Sunset and Log Cabin.

Victorian Days in Belvidere

Victorian Days will be held September 6th and 7th. Jane Schreffler and Barbara Contini offered to take the lead for Victorian Days. On Saturday we will be selling our guild quilt raffle tickets from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and on Sunday from 11:30 am to 5:00 pm. The work schedule looks good and you can find it on our website. Please stop by our booth and offer a break to the ladies who are working. This is our second biggest opportunities to sell raffle tickets, so let’s make the best of it.

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.

The Hunterdon County Quilters

Invite us to attend the lecture's they are offering their guild members this coming year. There is a \$5.00 fee to attend. We have reciprocated the offer and asked if they would like to attend our lectures.

Readington Reformed Church
124 Readington Road
Readington, NJ 08870

Meetings start at 9:30am

October 17, 2008

"A Quilted Journey around the World" lecture

Linda Poole

November 21, 2008

"Indonesian Batiks: Lecture and Paint Stick Workshop

Trish Hodge

April 17th, 2009

"Japanese Textiles" Lecture and Folded Kimono Workshop

Susan Faeder

May 15, 2009

"Hawaiian Quilting"

Karen Dever

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