

Note from the President

I would like to personally thank the members who have already stepped up and volunteered to hold an office or organize a committee for our 2009/2010 guild year. Like I said in the last newsletter, it makes the transition just that much smoother. Below is a list of the areas we will be looking to fill. Remember, if there is something you would like the guild to offer to our members please see me. Change is a good thing; it is what keeps us from becoming stagnated and falling into a rut.

President Vice President Challenge Hospitality New Member Liaison Victorian Days Warren County Fair

This list does not include things like Bus Trips, Mystery Quilt, Saturday Stitchers, etc. They are events planned by members because the members themselves choose to plan the event. You are welcome to offer whatever quilting event you like to our members.

Block of the Month

There were not enough blocks handed in at the April meeting; therefore there was not a drawing. May is the last month to make blocks for the BOM. Let's make our blocks and support the gathering of blocks for the full quilt kits to be won in June.

A big thank you to Rosemarie Greg, she has volunteered to organize our BOM for the 2009/2010 guild year.

Challenge

"Around the World"

June is coming. Are you going to be ready?

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>

Financial Report

Beginning balance March 9, 2009 - \$8443.07 Ending balance April 13, 2009 - \$6951.75 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

Carol	Marks	5/10
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Darlene	Kerr	5/21
Azie	Kohn	5/22

Hospitality

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

For May those who signed up are as follows: for food: Rosemary McGuiness and Cindy Smith and for beverages: Nancy Murphy and Patty Kristoff. Thank you all!

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.

Newsletter

Our newsletter will be written by Deb Dockendorf for the 2009/2010 guild year. I would like to thank Deb for stepping up to help out with the newsletter. I know she will put her own spin on it and it will be an even better read for all!

Nominating Committee

Thank you to Sharon Roehrig, Molly Menges and Marina Luszka for volunteering to be our nominating committee. Expect a phone call from one of them in the near future. Don't wait for that phone call! If you are willing to help your guild by taking an office, or if you would like to suggest someone for office, please call one of the committee members now! The positions still open for the 2009/2010 guild year are President and Vice President. Please consider holding an office and take some time to speak with the members holding these offices now to get an idea of what is expected of you.

Pat Knoechel June 19, 2009 St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ.

We are looking for donations from guild members to make up Door Prize baskets for this event. Please see Marlene Marlowe with your donations. We are also in need of quilts or quilted items made using QIAD patterns.

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).

Tickets are free to members and \$5.00 to non guild members. Tickets will be available at the May meeting through Audrey Planer.

Programs and Workshops

Calendar Year 2008 – 2009

Trish Chambers, **The Legend of Freedom Quilts and the Underground Railroad** presentation was just wonderful. I hope we can bring Trish back again to do one of her other lectures. Good job Rosemarie!!

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"

Sharon Kubich went over the email she had sent out regarding all of the sub-committees and the work that has been done this far at the monthly meetings. It is important that every member of the guild be aware of the progress and the work being done for the show. No one is exempt; everyone will need to be a part of the workings in order for this to be a well attended and well organized quilt show.

The next meeting will be held on May 26th ^{at} Belvidere High School library at 6:30 PM

It is vital that all chairwomen attend these meetings or send a member 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, Aug. 25, and Sept. 29. The July and August meetings will be held at Briarwood Senior Housing in Belvidere. All others will be at Belvidere High School library.

Quilter's Heritage Celebration Lancaster Quilt Show - Bus Trip

Huge, huge success. Sharon has received many compliments on our bus trip. There were 50 attendees, 28 of whom attended from other quilt guilds. It looks like we might need to do it again next year!

Raffle Quilt

Our quilt is hanging at At Piece Quiltery in Easton, PA. Stop in to see it and tell the owner, Marsha, thanks for helping us out.

Hand all ticket stubs and money in to Lelane Hoose as soon as possible. If you can not sell your tickets, please get them back to Lelane as soon as possible. Lelane can be reached at (610) 258-0527 or jhoose@rcn.com.

"A Walk in Time"

The center square of the raffle quilt is done. The brick road is put together and ready to be added. Flowers, pine cones and other beautiful flowers are in the making. Margaret promises when she needs our help she will reach out to us. July is coming fast, but once again Margaret and Fran assure us we will be ready to sell raffle tickets at the Warren County Fair.

Solvai Sanchez has offered to organize the raffle quilt for our 2009/2010 guild year. She has chosen a pattern and has a plan in place for the quilt to be created. Thank you, Solvai.

Row Quilts

The last group of 7 ladies participating in the row quilts received their boxes back at the April meeting. They were just as beautiful as the last group. Now they have until June to put the rows together and bring them to the meeting for us to see. Good job ladies!

Saturday Stitchers

Our next Saturday Stitchers is May 16th 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.

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 will continue to bring us sunshine during our 2009/2010 guild year. Thanks Sharon

Jane Scheffler has offered to hold a Quilter's Yard Sale at her house.

Jane lives right behind the 209 Flea Market which makes her house a perfect location for a yard sale. You can sell what ever you like; it does not have to be just quilting and sewing items. You will keep the money earned. Jane just thought it would be fun for us to get together on a Saturday in June and sell some junk (treasures). If you would like to participate contact Jane at 908-475-2098.

Victorian Days

September 12th and 13th

We still need a few guild members to help out with Victorian Days, but we do have a few members signed up. If you are interested see Sharon Kubich. We will be selling raffle tickets for our guild quilt. Consider spending some time outside in the center of beautiful Belvidere, NJ. A sign up sheet is available at the meetings.

Warren County Fair The theme for 2009 is American West! July 26 – August 1

Sharon Kubich will head up the fair this year. This is a fun week and the fair really depends on us. The quilt display in the Traditional Arts building would not be the same without us.

Some members have signed up to work. There are still some holes in the schedule but we have two months yet to fill it in. The sign up sheet will be at all our meetings going forward. It is imperative that the entire schedule is filled by June or we will need to back out of the fair.

Please keep in mind that we will be selling tickets for our new raffle quilt at the Fair and Victorian Days. These events are the first time anyone sees our new quilt and it is the most opportune time to sell tickets.

Ways and Means

Peggy Schendel won a \$20.00 gift certificate to the Pocono Sew and Vac, Audrey Planer's granddaughter Olivia won \$16.00 (beginner's luck) and Molly Menges won a beautiful Fourth of July wall hanging donated by Irene Compton. Congratulations to all.

Thank you to Irene Compton who has volunteered to organize Ways and Means for our next guild year.

Web Site

If you see that something is missing on our site, please contact myself or Bill Roehrig immediately. Bill can be contacted at webmaster@esqg.com or 908-454-5804. I am sure by now you know how to reach me.

Quilt Show Advertisements

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

Camp Men-O-Lan will be holding their 19th Annual Summerfest and Benefit Auction. Friday, May 22 and Saturday May 23, 2009. For more information call 267-772-1217

Milford Valley Quilter's Guild Quilt Show July 11 – 12, 2009 Best Western Inn at Hunts Landing 120 Route 6 and 209 Matamoras, PA 18336 (I-84 Exit 53)

Keystone Quilters of Quakertown Quilt Show October 16th and 17th, 2009 Quakertown Christian School 50 E. Paletown Road Quakertown, PA

Longarm Machine Quilting Azie 'n Jackie

Custom – Traditional Bedspreads 29 Alden Street, Milford, NJ 908 709-9700 - 908 996-3062 www.aziesquilting.com

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