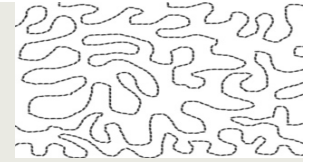


EVENING STAR QUILTERS GUILD - THE STITCH LINE



June, 2018 - Volume 6

A Note From the ESQG President

Greetings! and welcome to June! First of all, a big thank you to my fellow guild members for supporting me and my board members this year. I have enjoyed being president and have also enjoyed celebrating our 30th Anniversary with all of you. Without you, there would be nothing to celebrate! Our activities this year have been numerous and productive. We've enjoyed the 30's reproduction prints, Gyleen, a Victorian Stripper, Father John's Animal Shelter, our very own Kutztown Quilt project, and numerous activities and charitable endeavors. Thank you to all for being a part of our guild!

To celebrate, we will have an ice cream social at our June meeting, so bring your appetite for dessert! The guild will provide ice cream, toppings, and whipped cream as well as the bowls, spoons, and napkins. If anyone out there is willing to bring in extra ice creams scoops or wants to make brownies for sundaes, please feel free to chip in! Just remember, no nuts due to BHS regulations. It's a time of celebration, come and celebrate with us!!

A wise person once said, "Though we travel the world over to find happiness, we must carry it with us or we find it not." It is so true, isn't it? Isn't everything about our attitudes and being happy ourselves? If you approach each and every task with the right attitude and the right disposition, so many good things can happen. We proved it this year. I am so proud to be a part of Evening Star Quilters. Carry your happiness with you wherever you go this summer, whether you plan to visit far off lands, enjoy a weekend getaway, or just a 'stay-cation' at home. Enjoy life. You never know what will happen next!

Have a great summer! See you at the June meeting!!

Cynthia A Smith
President, ESQG

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THINGS TO BRING TO THE JUNE MEETING:

Pillowcases for the Veterans (Natalie)
30's Block of the Month quilt tops (Irene)
Row quilts for Group 2 (plus 1)
Show and Tell - Red, White, and Blue/Celebrations!
Bottled water, if it's a warm day
Ice Cream Scoops
Lot of Smiles, enthusiasm, and your sweet tooth!!

Show & Tell - Celebrations of Red, White, and Blue!

To honor our veterans and acknowledge our election of officers at the June meeting, please bring in your favorite red, white, and blue quilts! They can be quilts of valor, patriotic wall-hangings, stars and stripes, whatever you've created with our nation's colors. It's time to celebrate!!

Charities for Next Year??

Do you have a favorite local charity who could use our help? Please let us know! Theresa Schoonover will continue to coordinate next year's charity projects, so please talk to her or any board member if you have an organization dear to your heart.

Harvest of Quilts 2019

Belvidere High School has approved October 19-20, 2019 for our next guild quilt show. Please mark your calendars!

Row Quilts Dock!

The second group of row quilters will be displaying their rows at the June meeting. This group includes: Rich Danner, Fran Visicaro, Nancy Geiger, Jennifer Wolf, Carol Smith, Rosemarie Greg, Sue DeCamp, and Kim Clark. Hopefully, Margaret Grande from the first group will bring in her completed blocks since she was unable to attend the May meeting. The work produced and displayed last month was just amazing! We all look forward to seeing this next group of rows. Please take a few moments to view these items as they will be on display throughout the meeting.

Kutztown Quilt Deadline Approaching!

The deadline for the Kutztown quilt is June 19th. Theresa has the new schedule for hand-quilting at her home. Please contact her if you have some time to contribute. Thank you to everyone who has helped with this project!

2018 Raffle Quilt

The tickets for the 2018 raffle quilt are ready. If you find any local functions where we could sell tickets, please be sure to tell a board member, Karen Anderson, or Theresa Schoonover. In the right location, these tickets will sell themselves!

Pillowcases for the Veterans

The deadline for making pillowcases for the veterans has been extended to the June meeting. If you have any extra fabric, please take a few minutes to put together a pillowcase. We have received only 25 pillowcases so far and would like to have more to hand out, if possible. These men and women have given so much of their lives to keep us all safe. Please show them how much you appreciate them!

Warren County Fair

The Warren County Fair will be held Saturday, July 28th through Saturday, August 4th, 2018. Set-up for our quilt barn will be on Friday, July 27th. Volunteers are needed to help organize and hang quilts and/or set up boutique items on Friday, and greet fair-goers during the week of the fair. Irene is asking anyone interested in selling items in the boutique to please review and sign a contract as well as work in the boutique during the fair. Contracts and quilt registration forms are available on the guild website. Irene will also have paper copies at our June meeting. If your forms are complete, please turn them in at the June meeting. Rich Danner is in charge of quilt layout and set up on Friday. Irene will focus on the boutique area. Please plan to help wherever you can. Many hands make light work, and it's an enjoyable time at the fair!

Victorian Days Victory!!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! We're In! We've been accepted by the Belvidere Heritage group to be included in this year's Victorian Days celebration September 8 & 9, 2018 on the square in the center of Belvidere, NJ. Brush off your vests, put on your favorite flowered hat and join us for a fun-filled weekend of town criers, craft vendors, music, and local history! Our plan is to display quilts from the Victorian Era which includes those lovely Crazy Quilts and Broderie Perse quilts. If you have some to display, please include any related stories or the history of the quilt, and contact Cindy Smith. The displays will be under a tent and will be put up each morning, removed each evening, and will be heavily guarded daily. Our location within the square and other details will be revealed later this summer. Victorian fashion is required, but you can keep it as simple as a white blouse and dark slacks or skirt, add to it a shawl or flowered hat or a vest, and you're good to go! It's part of the fun. Please plan to join us in the park!

Speaking of History...

On Wednesday, May 16th, Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee held an open house from 3 to 7 pm at the Blairstown Municipal building on Route 94 in Blairstown. Jayne Bodolsky, Dixie Sutton, Rich Danner, and Cindy Smith were on hand to answer any quilt-related questions. Jayne was able to identify the approximate time period of most of the heirloom quilts the town displayed which seemed to be about the 1880's to 1890's based on the fabrics used. Well-known area names included the Kishpaughs, Labars, and Stoffels. A beautiful grandfather clock was displayed from the Bixler family, known for Bixler Jewelers in Easton, PA. Due to the recent power outages and the weather, attendance was minimal; but the display was worthy of the visit. Well done BHPC! Thank you to those who assisted as well as those of you who attended!

Artists Among Us - Part II

Irene lined up another group of artists within our guild for the May meeting. Jayne Bodolsky demonstrated her beautiful works using silk ribbon embroidery techniques, from pillow covers to slippers, table toppers to wall hangings. Glorious colors and beautiful hand-craftsmanship delighted the guild. Jayne passed around several of her pieces as well as a few books on stitches and techniques.

Nancy Geiger, one of our resident painters, displayed her artwork as she traveled through time sketching and painting local sceneries and landscapes. Nancy discovered her talent early in life by submitting and winning a sketching contest from the local newspaper. She has won awards at the state level and received well-deserved ooh's and aahh's from the guild.

Irene Compton entertained us with her renditions of Raggedy Ann and Andy as they developed over her adult life. Irene began making these beauties years ago as a fundraiser and has continued creating these whimsical characters ever since. She included large and small, witches, and patriots; quite the span of personalities. Irene was informative and her dolls delightful.

Block of the Month-30s Reproduction Prints-Unite!

Our celebration of 30's prints comes to an end at the June meeting. It has been a great year of participation in the Block of the Month program. Those of you who **made extra** blocks each month need to assemble your blocks into a quilt top. Those of you who **won** blocks during the year also need to assemble your winnings into a quilt top(s) by the June meeting. All of the tops will be displayed and voted on by the guild for Viewer's Choice. The top three winners will receive a free membership for the 2018-2019 guild year; a \$25 value!! Let's get together--yeah, yeah, yeah!

Election of Officers to be Held

Nominations were made at the May meeting for the officers and quilt show committee co-chairs for the guild year beginning August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019, including the quilt show in October 2019. The nominees are: President-Cindy Smith, Vice President-Irene Compton, Secretary-Carol Smith, Treasurer-Dixie Sutton and Sue DeCamp, Historian-Rich Danner, and Quilt Show Co-chairs- Sharon Kubich and Theresa Schoonover. Nominations were accepted. Elections will be held at the June meeting.

Quilts of Valor

Rich Danner and Judy Zeitler assembled their proto-type quilts of valor quilt top for the guild. Two teams will be assembling the other two tops based on a similar layout. Look for further directions this summer.

Pat Knoechel Night is June 8th

Pat Knoechel will return to our area Friday, June 8th at the Belvidere High School library. Pat's presentation "40 Fabulous Years with Eleanor" will begin at 7 pm. Admission is free to guild members, \$5 for guests. Please bring your friends! Pat always gives a delightful presentation and offers discounts on Eleanor Burns books and rulers throughout the evening. Articles and donations for door prizes can be turned in to Audrey Planer prior to the show. See you Friday night!

Missouri Star Quilt Workshops

During a recent visit to Missouri Star Quilt Co. in Hamilton, MO, Cindy Smith spoke with a few representatives of the company regarding workshop possibilities for our guild. Since the videos are available on YouTube, we are permitted to use those ideas to teach techniques and short cuts to our members provided we do not charge for it. If anyone is interested in "hosting" a Missouri Star workshop during our Stitching in Hope Saturdays this fall, please contact Cindy at your earliest convenience. We will need to coordinate with our charity projects, as well as with each other on which tutorials each host chooses.

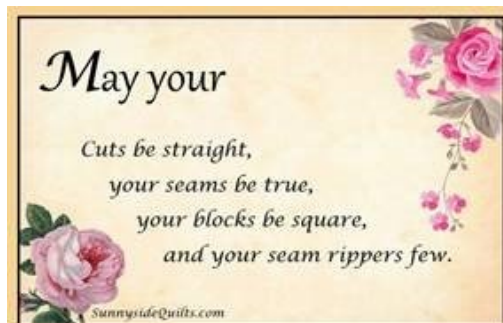
Your job as host would be to watch the video of your choice, work up samples, and be comfortable with the method enough to teach it to others. Most of her ideas are a slap to the forehead in the "why didn't I think of that?!" motion. Also, the host will need to provide a list of supplies required for the day and run the workshop. You are teaching a technique, so you are not required to complete a quilt top, but feel free to do so. Jenny offers downloads of her quilt tops, but if you decide to teach her pattern, please have members order it ahead of time.



The original "long-arm quilters."

Tin Lizzy for Sale (not the car)

Despite the historical meaning of a Tin Lizzie (the Ford Model T), this quilting machine has been well received among machine quilters for a number of years. Marie Meyer of Forked River, NJ, a friend of Sue DeCamp's, is asking \$3500 for her machine, but is willing to negotiate. The Lizzie has been updated with new sensors for the stitch regulator, ruler base, Falcon wood 12 foot frame with the table for pantographs and shorter poles if you don't want the larger set-up. It includes a built in bobbin winder and has only been used for personal use. Please contact Marie via messenger or her cell (973) 713-2647. Forked River is on US Route 9, just south of Toms River in Ocean County.





Pocono Mountain Quilters present Quilt Lover Bingo!

The PMQG will host Quilt Lover Bingo on Sunday, July 15, 2018 at the Moose Lodge, 705 Stokes Road in East Stroudsburg, PA. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Price includes admission and cards for every game. Additional cards, raffles, and food will be available. All prizes are quilts or quilted items. For tickets and information contact Shirley (610)703-6678 or Barb (610)393-9686. The doors open at 12 noon and the games begin at 1:30 pm. Tickets are limited and you must have a ticket to enter! Let the games begin!!



A Ray of Sunshine

Nancy Murphy continues with her battle and a card was sent to her and to Angie Lemasters, both recovering from illness and/or procedures. We learned of the death of former member Dot Rowe who passed away peacefully on April 25, 2018 at age 97. Godspeed Dorothy.

If you know of anyone in the guild needing a little sunshine, please contact Karen Alonge, our own little ray of sunshine, and she will see that big hugs are sent their way.



New Year - New Committees

Looking ahead to our next guild year, please consider taking the reins on one of our standing committees. Two that are open include Hospitality and Ways & Means. If there is a position you are interested in, feel free to contact the current committee chair to find out what it's all about.

Celebrating their birthdays in June are:

1	Sue DeCamp
13	Jennifer Wolf
15	Sharon Kubich
20	Kathleen Daniels
24	Marilyn Barnes
25	Nancy Murphy



The ROW QUILTS - Part I: top left - Karen Anderson's; bottom left - Cindy Smith's; top right - Marlene Marlowe's; middle - Theresa Schoonover's; bottom right - Kathleen Scala's.
The Big Reveal, Part II, will be happening at the June Guild meeting.

Please support our fellow members and neighboring guilds and enjoy a day out (without much travel) by attending one or all of the following:

Hello there ESQG -

I am writing to invite you to **ParkFest '18**. It will be held on **Saturday, June 9**, again at Bread Lock Park. We would be thrilled if your guild would be able to join us again. The set-up would be much the same as last year - "art in the barn." Having you folks there was wonderful and we sincerely hope that you could again be with us. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. I hope to hear from you soon.

Thanks very much and have a great day,

Liz
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A small group of members attended/participated last year in order to sell raffle tickets for our raffle quilt. If anyone is interested in organizing a table, demonstrate quilting, or selling tickets (if we have some by then) for the raffle quilt, please let one of the officers know. We can get you in touch with the event coordinator. This is a great time to let the community know who we are and what we do!

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