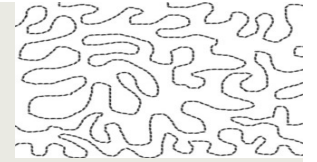


EVENING STAR QUILTERS GUILD - THE STITCH LINE



FEBRUARY, 2019 - VOLUME 2

A Note From the ESQG President

Welcome to February...the cold, snowy month in winter where we all still look towards love and comfort as the month revolves around Valentine's Day - hugs and kisses, candy and flowers, dinner and a movie.

Have you ever noticed how food seems to be the driving force behind everything we do? Celebrating a birth? Bring food. Celebrating a graduation? Have a party, bring food! Getting married? Most definitely, have food! Someone passes away...people bring food. Our lives seem to revolve around food no matter the circumstances. I have seen people refuse to attend an event if there is no food or if they do not like the food being served. Yet, we continue to bake, cook, and arrange meetings around food. Then there are the people who get creative with food and start making fountains, and bouquets, and little critters, and adorable characters. (Didn't our mothers tell us to NOT play with our food?)

As quilters, I feel we tend to think along the same lines...having a baby? Make a quilt. Graduating? Make a quilt. Getting married? Make a quilt. Someone passed away? Make a memory quilt.

If it's not fancy enough, embellish it! Add ribbons, and lace, and buttons, and bows, and little trinkets from our lives...make it beautiful!

The common ground? Comfort. Pure and simple comfort. Human contact. The desire to be loved and needed...and comforted.

So during this cold and snowy month of February, surround yourself with those you love. Find comfort in your warm cozy home, snuggled under your favorite quilt, reading your favorite book, or watching your favorite movie, eating your favorite snack. Find your comfort zone and enjoy.

But just remember, we are having a meeting on Tuesday! So bring quilts and food! See you Tuesday!!

Cynthia A. Smith
President, ESQG

REMEMBER

THINGS TO BRING TO THE FEBRUARY MEETING:

UFO #8
Quilts of Valor - Red Log Cabin blocks
Payments for upcoming workshops
Completed Mystery Quilt top
"Home is Where the Heart Is" Show & Tell
Hospitality goodies
Good manners and smiles

"Home is Where the Heart Is" for Show & Tell

This month's theme for Show & Tell is *Home is Where the Heart Is*. During this month of love and comfort, let's see those quilts centered around our homes and the people we love. Hearts and flowers, candy kisses, and the warmth of a cozy home inspire many quilts. What have you created for those you love?



What Makes a Quilter Tick?

Our February meeting, on **Tuesday, February 12th**, welcomes David Sirota with his humorous lecture on “What Makes a Quilter Tick?” – a humorous look in the mirror. David began quilting in the 1990's when he decided to make kitchen curtains for himself, and found Alex Anderson's Simply Quilts program on television and became hooked on quilting. David offers a fun-filled, interactive look at quilters and our little quirks, passions, and obsessions. Don't bring your own mirrors. I think you'll find a kindred spirit in the person on either side of you at this meeting. Bring your hankies, there will be tears of laughter before the night is through. Pray for good weather!

Quilts of Valor Blocks Needed

Theresa was able to lay out two quilt tops using the blocks made by members this year. In order to complete the third quilt top, she needs 14 additional red and white log cabin blocks. Anyone who still has some red and white fabrics, please put together some blocks for Theresa and bring them to the February meeting. The quilt top is absolutely stunning again this year! Thank you to everyone who has supported our project!

UFO Challenge # 8 is Great!

Item # 8 in your list of UFO's is due at the February 12th meeting. If it's already completed, you can turn in your # 8 and skate! If you haven't started it yet, it may look more like infinity right now, but we all know you can get 'er done! Let's celebrate with # 8!!

Our Promise to Family Promise of Warren County

Family Promise of Warren County is our charity of choice for this year's Quilt Show project. Bonnie Eamigh will chair the committee and is planning to run a Tricky Tray/Chinese Auction again this year as a means for raising funds. All members are asked to make "smallish" items to donate to the tricky tray, such as placemats (sets of 4), potholders, microwave bowls, baby quilts, lap quilts, wall hangings, table runners, wine bags, purses, aprons, etc. If you have any questions, please see Bonnie Eamigh.

Crazy Patch Border Workshop

Sharon Rehrig will lead our April workshop on **Saturday, April 13th, from 9 am to 3 pm**, at St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ. Sharon will be teaching us how to make a Crazy Patch Border, which you can use to beautifully complete any scrap quilt. We heard some whispers at the Mystery Quilt workshop that ladies were interested in adding the Crazy Patch Border to their scrappy mystery quilt. This sounds so awesome!! Member fee for this workshop is \$15. Please make your checks payable to "Sharon Rehrig," (**NOT** ESQG). See Irene Compton to sign up for this workshop at the February meeting.

Machine Applique - the Leanna Way

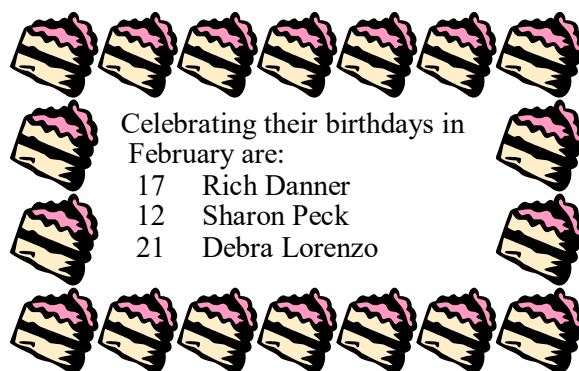
The **Saturday, May 18th**, workshop has been changed to Leanna's Machine Applique workshop. This will be held at St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ from **9 am to 3 pm** and will include lunch. The fee for this workshop is \$15 for members plus \$20 for the kit supplied by Leanna. Please sign up with Irene Compton if you are interested in attending this workshop.

Souper Board Meeting!!

The Board's dinner meeting was held at Cindy Smith's house Tuesday, January 15th. Six members attended and enjoyed soup and salad, along with muffins (thank you, Sue DeCamp!).

Upcoming programs, ideas for next year's charity projects and workshops were all discussed.

The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5th at 6:30 pm at Cindy Smith's house. All are welcome to attend.



Celebrating their birthdays in February are:

17	Rich Danner
12	Sharon Peck
21	Debra Lorenzo

Paper Piecing With or Without Paper

Unfortunately, our March speaker will be "without"...*The Quilt Block* had to back out of their lecture for the March meeting, but we are looking for someone else to fill in. Sue DeCamp will still hold her workshop for Paper Piecing Without Paper. This is a great project for using up scraps. You will need: 108 - 2" x 5 1/2" rectangles of dark fabrics and 108 - 2" x 5 1/2" rectangles of light to medium fabrics. Avoid neutrals in both groups and put all your dark rectangles in a bag marked *Dark Fabric* and all your light rectangles in a bag marked *Light Fabric*. You will also need 24" of both a light neutral and a dark neutral for your background fabrics. Further cutting directions can be picked up at the February meeting. In addition to regular sewing supplies, please bring a 6" x 12" ruler, highlighter, 1/4" ruler (optional), and a glue stick. There is no charge for this workshop. It will be held **Saturday, March 16th**, at St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ from **9 am to 3 pm**. Please see Irene Compton to sign up!

Eleanor Levie Arrives in Style!

Project Runway will be the theme for the **May Guild meeting**.

Eleanor Levie was born and raised in Baltimore, MD but currently lives with her husband in Philadelphia, PA. She has authored, edited, and produced numerous books and magazines featuring quilts and various other crafts. Eleanor is said to be more "Crazy Quilt" than "Baltimore Album" in her eccentric yet inspirational quilted items, and will delight us with her own wearable art and share tidbits of no-sew and quick-sew techniques she uses creating her many designs.

Member participation enhances her show, so please plan to join us in May for frivolity, fun, and fabulous entertainment!



Paper Roses in the Springtime...

Our April meeting has a surprise guest speaker and will include a workshop, but all supplies will be supplied by the guild. Please plan to attend and see what the excited whispers are all about!

Mystery Solved!

What a great day of sewing we had on Groundhog's Day! 14 members gathered to solve the mystery for 2019's Scrap Happy quilt and additional members were on hand to iron and "un-sew" throughout the day. Several teams chose to make Quilts of Valor using the red, white, and blue theme for these quilts full of stars. All of them are beautiful, and most of the participants were able to complete the body of the quilt during the event. Lunch was wonderful! A special thank you to Marlene Marlowe and Leanna McCutcheon for hosting the event and providing the soup and salad, and Audrey Planer for ironing and "un-sewing" and providing the sandwiches. To top it all off, the groundhog did not see his shadow and therefore promises an early spring!!

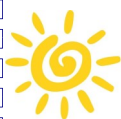


2019 Raffle Quilt Rolls On!

A dozen members showed up Saturday, January 12th at the church to start sewing the 2019 Raffle Quilt. The blue and yellow fabrics are just beautiful in the fun and fancy quilt which combines the ideas of bargello and the Irish chain in a gorgeous setting. Over 50 blocks were created during the workshop and the committee is now sizing the blocks in order to assemble the top. Stay tuned for further updates and workshops to complete our annual quilt.



Sunshine Please!



Our hearts go out to Peggy Chiniewicz for the death of her grandmother, and Joanne Davie for the death of her mother-in-law. If you see Peggy or Joanne, give them big hugs. The loss of a loved one is so difficult to bear.

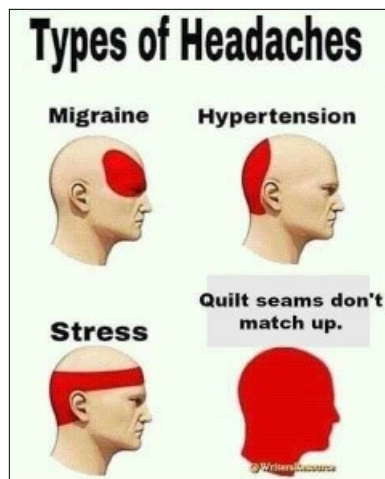
Get well wishes go out to Jayne Bodolsky following her surgery last month. Hopefully she's already up and around again!

Keep Becky Calzola in your thoughts for good spirits as she deals with some minor health issues over the next few weeks.

As always, we continue to keep Judy and Bob Zeitler in our prayers for continued improvements to Bob's skin conditions. He's finally able to get soft hugs now, so that's good news!!

Goods for the Goodie Table

David Sirota will be our guest speaker at the February meeting, so please consider bringing in some goodies from your heart. February is known for heart-shaped everything - cookies, candy, cakes, whatever. Bring some "sweets for the sweets" and goods for the goodie table! Thank you to everyone who contributes to our waistlines!! Always appreciated...



**Evening Star Quilters Guild
Calendar of Events
2018-2019 Guild Year**

Date	Event	Place	Contact Person/Phone/Time
February 12, 2019	Regular Meeting - "What makes a Quilter Tick" by David Sirota	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
March 12, 2019	Regular Meeting - English Paper Piecing by Quilt Block	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
Saturday March 16, 2019	Paper Piecing without Paper workshop	St Johns in Hope	
April 9, 2019	Regular Meeting/Surprise Speaker	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
Saturday April 13, 2019	Crazy Patch Border Workshop	St Johns in Hope	
May 14, 2019	Regular Meeting - "Project Runway" by Eleanor Levie	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
Saturday May 18, 2019	Machine Applique workshop and Walker bags		
June 11, 2019	Regular Meeting - Elections and Ice Cream Social	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
July/August	Warren County Fair	Harmony Fair Grounds	
September 7 & 8, 2019	Victorian Days		
October 19-20, 2019	Quilt show	Belvidere High School	

**AQS Quilt Week, Lancaster
2nd weekend in March**

Lancaster County Convention Center,
3 E. Vint St., Lancaster, PA 17602
Hours: Wed - Fri 9-6, Sat 9-4

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April 26 & 27, 2019

10 am to 5 pm both days

Admission \$10

QOV, Guild Challenge, Raffle Baskets

Featured artist: Victoria Findlay Wolfe

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