

Quilt Chatter

From Our President...

Happy New Year!!!!

Of course, for me right now, it's really NOT the New Year yet because our newsletter items have to be turned in by December 20! (LOL) With the beginning of a new year, I always find myself looking back at the previous year, remembering the good and the bad, and telling myself that things will be different the coming year. And, honestly, in respect to the things that I do have control over (except diet and exercise), things do improve when I put them in writing, stick them on the frig door, and staple them to my planner! So here goes.....

2010 New Year's Goals/Resolutions:

1. Invite all members to come to my house for small group togetherness;
2. Encourage everyone to become involved with some aspect of the guild and contribute in some way (big or small);
3. Make quilt tops that do not need multiple colors of thread when quilting them;
4. Each month make either a silent auction item or work on a community quilt;
5. Completely stop my long-arm quilting machine when I want to watch something on television or talk to my husband;
6. Call either a family member or friend once a month and just visit!

Now, it's your turn to get a cup of tea, ponder over your past year and put in writing what YOU want to achieve in 2011!

I'm so looking forward to serving you as president this year!

Vickie

Mini-Group Get-Togethers!!!!!!!

Goal/Resolution #1: Invite all members to come to my house for small group togetherness!

Here's my plan.....I would like to have up to 10 people per slot. On most of the days, I'll have a group in the a.m., then one in the p.m. and we'll overlap our lunch time.

What will we do? Visit, sew, eat, laugh, maybe shed a tear or two!

Email me at Howardv@cape.k12.mo.us the date you would like to attend.

REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2010! You need to renew/join by the February meeting in order to have your name in the yearbook.

RHQG Meeting Minutes, December 2010

The River Heritage Quilt Guild met on December 13, 2010, at the Cape Girardeau Church of Christ for our Christmas Dinner meeting. We began at 6pm with a delicious meal and a fun time of fellowship. There were 43 members present with 2 guests that became new members.

Food was collected to be distributed at the St. Mary's Food Bank in Cape Girardeau.

After the meal, a brief meeting was held. President Madeline introduced our new president for 2011, Vickie Howard, who presented Madeline with an appreciation gift for her 2 year term of service to the Guild. A lovely purse was given with a monetary gift to our outgoing President. We congratulate Madeline for her dedication and her untiring service to our group.

The motion to approve the minutes for November was made by Elizabeth Brewer and seconded by Darla Snider. The minutes were approved.

Madeline read a thank you note from Lutheran Family Services for the over 100 comfort quilts that have been given to them by the Guild for this year. Comfort quilts were recently presented to Bill East and to Tammy White.

The December birthdays were recognized and presented with cupcakes and fat quarters. There were 5 present.

Prizes won this evening included: Priscilla Kirby, Mary Beth Parrish, Mary Green, Nelda Steffens, Judy Douglass, Madeline Gieselman, Martha Short, Elizabeth Brewer, Betty Meyer, Joan Meyer, Sandy Wilhelm, and Deanna Easley.

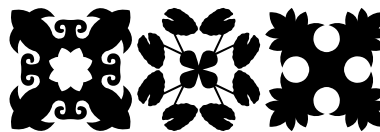
Also winning prizes:

Fat quarters: Mary Beth Parrish

Name tag: Clara Friese

Stash for Cash: Darla Snider (\$22.00)

Door prize: Elizabeth Brewer



Next month's meeting will return to the Cape Girardeau Library at 6:45 PM. Please bring basic sewing supplies to the meeting for participation in the program.

Committee Reports:

Linda Tansil announced the pillowcase class will be held here 1:00pm, Jan. 22 at the Church of Christ.

Pillowcases are to be given to three children's hospitals in St. Louis and our local Southeast Hospital.

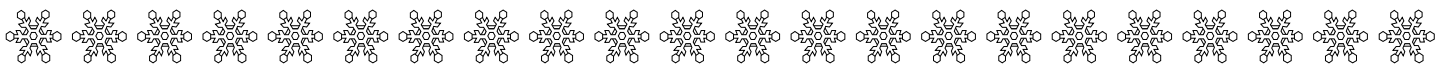
Vonda Slinkard will be our 2011 Retreat Chairman for the retreat in March.

Show and Tell:

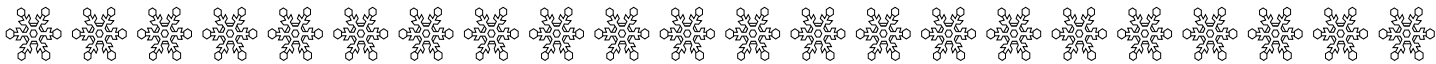
Vickie Howard, Nancy Pleimann, Chris Ludwig, Vonda Slinkard, and Carol Gallaher.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Gallaher, Secretary



Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart. ~ Elizabeth Andre (submitted by Vickie Howard)



Month Beginning Cash Balance	12,264.53			
Income		December	Year to Date	Budgeted
Stash for Cash (50/50)		22.00	299.50	300.00
Dues		464.00	1498.00	2000.00
Opportunity Quilt			1704.00	1500.00
Special Events			996.00	1320.00
Guild Retreat			5070.20	5500.00
Pin Sales		10.00	90.00	
T-Shirts			354.25	
Library			15.00	
Fons & Porter			0.00	180.00
Rental of Standards			50.00	200.00
Quilt Show		23.69	7165.48	8000.00
Misc			0.00	
Total Income		519.69	17242.43	19000.00
Expenses				
Programs		37.44	1798.29	2000.00
Membership		26.59	115.44	200.00
Historian			0.00	30.00
Hospitality		35.55	290.77	350.00
Newsletter/Yearbook		64.10	528.10	700.00
Opportunity Quilt			448.14	500.00
Special Events			1701.98	1700.00
Community Projects		74.67	85.39	150.00
Pattern of the Month			200.00	200.00
Administrative Expenses		25.00	203.19	300.00
Storage for Standards			360.00	360.00
P.O. Box			44.00	50.00
Fons & Porter			0.00	135.00
Guild Retreat		176.33	5230.59	6000.00
T-Shirts			349.19	
Board Retreat			200.00	200.00
Quilt Show (arena)		992.80	4151.58	6000.00
Misc. Expenses			156.69	125.00
Certificate of Deposit			0.00	
Total Expenses		1432.48	15,863.35	19000.00
Certificate of Deposit	5119.71			
Month Ending Cash Balance	11,351.74			
Balance	16,471.45			

RETREAT NEWS: Don't forget to mark your calendar for the retreat! The dates are March 9 (Wed) through March 12 (Sat)...we will all leave for home before 11:00 a.m. March 13 (Sun). Contact Vonda Slinkard or one of the housemothers if you want to go. A deposit of \$20.00 should be given to your housemother by the February meeting. We will be celebrating our 15th Birthday year at Retreat and special T-shirts will be available for purchase...orders (size, etc.) will be taken at the January and February meetings...more information about the T-shirts will be available a little later.

ODDS & ENDS is back in the original building at 95 Main Street (on 641) in Benton, Kentucky!!! Zella Rowe has graciously brought her wares to our retreat the past two years and now is back in her old building spot, although it has a different look. Zella writes: "I hope you can find time to visit and have a cup of coffee when you have your retreat this next year. Of course, you do not have to wait; if you want to come now I have some fantastic re-opening prices. ODDS & ENDS is open Tuesday - Friday 10-5 and Saturday 9-2 (278-527-2250).

Sweet Cheese Delights

modified from Jennifer Houck Spink at <http://www.mycrescentwow.com/home/?fbid=-yXsEdvewUO>

INGREDIENTS

- 2 packages (8 oz each) cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg yolk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cans (8 oz each) Pillsbury® refrigerated crescent dinner rolls
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- Powdered sugar

DIRECTIONS

1. In large bowl, beat cream cheese and sugar with electric mixer on medium speed until fluffy. Add egg yolk and vanilla; beat on low speed until blended.
2. Grease a 13 by 9 inch glass baking dish.
3. Unroll 1 can of dough and place in bottom of dish. Press the seams together to seal.
4. Spread with cream cheese mixture.
5. In a small bowl, mix pecans, brown sugar, and cinnamon. Sprinkle half the pecan mixture over the cream cheese layer.
6. Unroll the other can and lay it out carefully on top of the cheesy mixture. Press seams together (but don't worry if they don't stick together well on this layer).
7. Sprinkle remaining pecan mixture over top.
8. Pour the melted butter over the top (or spray with spray butter)

Quilt Shows and Other Area News

Find a quilt show: <http://quickquilts.com/shows/>

"River Quilts featuring The Everchanging River",

December 9, 2010 - March 7, 2011

National Quilt Museum, 215 Jefferson St., Paducah KY

Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. (central time)

Between April 1 - October 31, the museum is also open Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m.

The National Quilt Museum honors Paducah's river front with their new exhibit, "River Quilts featuring The Everchanging River." More than 30 quilters were asked the question, what is a river? They were then given a piece of river fabric along with the entrance and exit points. All their quilts are hung side-by-side to create a 49-foot river.

Twenty-two additional river-themed quilts by noted quilt artists, round out the exhibit.

Directions:

From I-24 EAST From the North: Take Exit 4 (Route 60), at end of exit ramp turn left. Continue on this road 4.5 miles, it will become one way (East Business Route 60). As you travel into downtown Paducah, The Executive Inn Hotel will be located on your left. Continue to Broadway and turn left. Travel one block to 3rd Street, turn left onto 3rd St. The entrance to the museum's parking lot will be one block on your right. NOTE: 3rd and 4th streets are one-way in opposite directions, and Broadway and Jefferson are one-way in opposite directions.

QUILTING TIPS

An alternative to hand basting: A great way to stabilize a quilt while doing decorative quilting is to first use water soluble thread to sew straight basting lines across the quilt surface. Use the water soluble thread for the top thread and in the bobbin. Then, once all the real quilting is done, all you need to do is wash the quilt and the stabilizing lines come out!"

- Annie in North Carolina

From <http://www.blockcentral.com/tips-basting.shtml>

2011 Officers

President—Vickie Howard

Vice President—Lynnore Meyer and Sally Miller

Secretary—Betty Meyer

Treasurer—Glenda Nations

Historian—Madeline Gieselman

2009 Committee Chairman (2011 DRAFT)

Audit—Barb Miller

Community Projects—Nancy East

Hospitality—Carol Gallaher

Membership—Nancy Pleimann

Yearbook—Sally Miller

Pattern of the Month—Joan Meyer and others

Quilt Show—Madeline Gieselman

Opportunity Quilt—Anastasia Gonzales and Merle Deneke

Newsletter/ Website—Linda Tansil

Publicity—Sally Miller

Special Events—Mary Green

January 2011

* indicates a birthday

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	NO Community Projects in January					1 Happy New Year
2 Nancy East Darlene Jackson	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Guild Meeting, 6:30 social time, 6:45 meeting time BACK AT LIBRARY	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Mary Peters	18 Michelle Bogenpohl	19	20 Monica Lewis	21	22 Pillowcase Making 1 to 3 pm
23 Martha Haertling ----- 30	24 Marg Suedekum ----- 31	25	26 Mary Alice Carlton	27	28	29

HAVE A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS?

If you change your email address, then you need to let Linda Tansil know..The easiest way to update your email address is to email Linda Tansil. You will not receive an email telling you the newsletter is ready unless she has your email address. If you get tired of your email address changing every time you change companies, you can get a free email address from yahoo.com, gmail.com, or lots of other places. The note in the box below is in every newsletter.

Upcoming Guild Activities....

Guild Meeting:

January 11

6:30 pm social time

6:45 pm meeting

Back at

Cape Public Library

The Guild Meeting will be cancelled if Cape Public Schools are cancelled due to winter weather.

Please send all information to be published in the newsletter by the 20th of the previous month to Linda Tansil or email newsletter@riverquilters.org . If your email address changes, send an email to let the newsletter editor know.

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