

The Loose Threads Quilters Guild Newsletter

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July Minutes

Wednesday, July 3, 2013

Linda Hamel, our Guild Treasurer, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Our guests included Betty Ann Dausen and Kathie Travis's granddaughter, Paige.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Hamel gave the treasurer's report. Interest on our checking account was our only income. No expenses this month.

Basting: Two quilts are on the list for basting on July 31, 2013.

Block of the Month: Judy Peters showed a sample quilt using strips. Debby O'Keefe reminded the guild that tickets are being given to those members who have started (1 ticket) or completed (3 tickets) the block/project of the month. A drawing will be held in September for prizes/gift certificates for participants.

Program Committee: Label Making is the subject of our July 17th meeting. A presentation will be made by Linda Hamel with samples. Please bring in your sample quilt labels, books and any ideas. A book to trace labels and iron on transfers will be available.

Retreats: Marylou Boryta stated everyone at the North Mountain Retreat had a great time. N. Mt. Retreat (June 20th-22nd) is full. Blue Lake Retreat (Sept. 30th-Oct. 3rd) is open. Gene Martin is restoring an old Inn for retreats. It will accommodate 16 people. Jo Quaglia said there is a retreat in Lebanon.

Committees

Babysitting: Jean Atwood
 Basting: Jeanne Nalbandian
 Block of the Month: Debby O'Keefe
 Challenge: Silvia Homa
 Charity Projects: Jill Cardamone
 Fabric Exchange: Bonnie Swartzentruber
 Field Trips: Cathy Nelson
 Meeting Raffle: Judy Shafer
 Historian: Melinda Novatnak
 Holiday Brunch: Pat Pillion
 Hospitality: Gayle Hammond
 Librarian: Jo Quaglia
 Newsletter: Amy Smith-Moniz
 Nominating: Joanne Cantwell
 Programs: Judy Snook
 Raffle Quilt Design: Wendy Cole
 Raffle Quilt Tickets: Marylou Boryta
 Retreats: Marylou Boryta
 Secret Pal: Toni Hughes
 Speakers: Laurie Kelly
 Sunshine: Jean Sullivan
 Tea: Linda Garth
 Tea Location: Bernetta Hughes
 Website: Lenore Clarke

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News from the Prez

My last column as Prez. Phew, the year certainly has zoomed by. Whoever thought retirement was a time to slow down didn't quite get it right! I feel I am doing more than ever!! I'm feeling a little pensive tonight, so bear with me. If you missed church this past weekend, I gotcha covered right here! 😊

I want to thank everyone for a great year in the Guild, and wish Rosemary and her new Board best of luck for the new year. Thank you to all who tried new things, developed new skills, raised their hands a little higher to participate in a guild project. In the Guild we are all equal; occupation, finances, marital status, political leanings, etc., don't matter. Our guild is aging which is a good thing, we have many experiences to share. It is also a sad thing, as we need to encourage younger members to join, so the guild won't eventually "die off!" Part of being in a large group of women, is that we all have many strengths and gifts to share. Some have the gift of teaching, or baking, or listening, or creating, or comforting. Women tend not to take time for themselves, but even as we rush around in our madness (and here my finger is firmly pointed at myself!!!), we need to stoke our inner fires to continue to be creative, to be able to love and nurture those in our care.

Thank you for helping to care for each other, and also allowing yourself to be cared for, in the circle of the Guild.

Happy Quilting,

Lenore

Fabric Exchange 2012-2013

August **Brown**

September **Dark Blue**

August Birthdays

7 Jane Russel

14 Geri Dulis

24 Kathleen Neiman

25 Pat Philion

September Speaker

We will be having Barbara Persing speak at the September meeting. She will be talking about "Listening to your Quilt," the title of her newest book. She will have numerous quilts to show and answer any questions we have regarding choosing quilting designs for your quilt. She will also have some of her books with her for sale.

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Hospitality: There are openings to sign up for food in all categories until the end of the year.

Challenge: Silvia Homa showed a sample spool block for the challenge. Extra attention should be given to the borders.

Fabric Exchange: Takako Pike showed a sample block and gave out instructions for the block using 3 inch strips.

Library: Jo Quaglia stated two new books, three donated books and a Sulky embroidery DVD have been added to the library.

Speakers: Laurie Kelly is working on a speaker for September.

Tea Committee: In September Bernie Hughes will be passing out sign- up sheets for committees for the Tea. There will also be jobs for those who cannot be present at the Tea. The Tea date is the second Saturday in March 2014.

Odds and Ends: Margie Allen announced the orphaned kittens have been adopted. Bonnie Swartzentruber asked us to work on pillow cases for kids. The target date is September.

Business Meeting Raffle: Won by Gayle Hammond

Name Tag Raffle: Not given this month.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 A.M., followed by show and tell.

Marie Traxler - Secretary

Wet & Wild: Contemporary Art Quilts from the Collection of John M. Walsh III at the Morris Museum

This collection features more than 25 spectacular quilts drawn from one of the country's preeminent private collections, all designed around the common theme of water. The quilts featured in the exhibit combine innovative methods of construction with nontraditional materials and techniques.

Please join us when the exhibition opens September 22-December 8, 2013.

Special related events include "Meet the Collector" on October 3, 6-8 pm as well as "Quilters and Friends with Margaret Cusack" November 9, 2-4pm.

August Block of the Month

Hi Loose Threads Quilt Guild:

I have to apologize but there is no Block of the Month for August. Debby and Judy asked me to do it this month - and I didn't! Well, I did get the top of the quilt done. I started to quilt it and hate what I did. So now I am removing the horrible quilting I started. I "hope" to have it done to show at the September meeting, along with the pattern. I am sorry for the inconvenience.

Kristi Burtch

Block of the Month Projects

The August block of the month is the final for the 3 inch strip patterns, and the final chance to complete any of the projects to win prizes. Bring your projects for the final show and tell in September when the drawing will take place.

Oops!

The following errors were made in the July newsletter:

Judy Snook's birthday is July 21

Page 3: "May minutes" should read "June minutes"

Hospitality

	August 7	August 14
Snack	Silvia	Kathie T
Snack	Donna M	Lil
Fruit/veggie	Lenore	--?--
Cold drink	Jane	Pat P

September 19-22, 2013

Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza XX
Greater Philadelphia Expo Center in Oaks, PA.

<http://quiltfest.com/activities.asp?id=4>

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Morris Museum

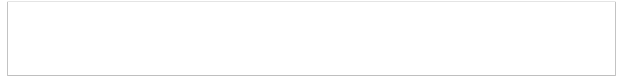
www.morrismuseum.org

October 26-27, 2013

Undercover Quilters, Quilts for All Seasons
Biennial Quilt Show,

Brookhaven Municipal Center, 2 Cambridge
Road, Brookhaven, PA, 19015, Sat 10-4, Sun
10-4

www.undercoverquilters.com



Our Guild meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month, with a special basting meeting on the fifth Wednesday. We meet at the First United Church of Christ, 145 Chestnut Street, Spring City, PA 19475. Babysitting is available if arranged in advance with Jean Atwood. Dues are \$15 per year and guests are always welcome.

Rosemary Geisler, has more membership information.

Our newsletters are now on-line. Check us out at our website

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