

The Loose Threads Quilters Guild Newsletter

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November Minutes

Wednesday October 3, 2012

The Meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by President Lenore Clarke. TreasurerF Linda Hamel, gave the Treasurer's report. Our guests included Bonnie Strickland and Lil Evans.

New Business: Donna, the church secretary, asked if the nursery children could parade in their Halloween costumes for us at our basting meeting, October 31, 2012. The guild okayed the proposal.

Our Raffle quilt was displayed at the Spring City Rotary Club. A presentation was made and tickets were sold.

Block-of-the-month: Debby O'Keefe, Judy Peters and Kristi Burtch gave instructions and showed the next block-of-the-month using 3" strips from last years fabric exchange. Any 3" strips may be used.

Charity Quilts: Jean Sullivan gave a report on charity items on hand. The guild was asked to donate new and slightly used books to be donated to Children's Hospital on or before the Christmas Brunch. We were also asked to donate new socks for the Lakota Indians.

Note: This project has been canceled.

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 Phillion
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

Field Trips: There is an exhibit of Rosie Mudder's quilts being shown at the Frederick Retirement Home until October 31, 2012.

Fabric Exchange: Participants will be exchanging 3" batik strips starting November. Orange is the November color.

Challenge Quilts: Two complimentary quilts. Due December 5th at our Holiday Brunch.

Submit the 2 entries pinned to a piece of muslin. Prizes will be based on Viewer's Choice (3) and Judges Choice.

Tea: Linda Garthe passed out committee sign-up sheets. The list will be finalized by Friday.

Program Committee: Judy Snook asked if anyone knew the location of a black notebook containing program ideas. Give any program suggestions to Linda Glass and Judy Snook. Judy discussed an anniversary spool block quilt. This involves exchanging blocks with those participating. Blocks will be made at the October 17th workshop. Instructions will be supplied.

Raffle Quilt: Wendy Cole asked members to bring in ideas for our next Raffle Quilt. Volunteer if you would like to help this committee.

Library: Jo Quaglia showed new Memory Quilt Books. She asked if the guild would be interested in adding specialty rulers to the library. Library will accept donated rulers.

Speakers: Laurie Kelly asked if the guild would be agreeable to switch the November dates for the business/workshop meetings. On the first meeting in November Joyce Hughes will be giving a presentation on Art Quilts and Handbags with a workshop afterward on thread painting. The business meeting will be the second meeting in November.

Sunshine: Geri Dullis is feeling better. She thanks all of us for the cards and good wishes.

Misc:

A list of names, addresses, phone numbers, etc. of members was circulated among members to be checked for accuracy and initialed.

Debby O'Keefe took a vote on whether to buy a rotary cutter sharpener. The vote was negative.

Debby O'Keefe reminded us of the Downingtown Library Fund Raiser. Tickets are \$15.00. Kristi Burtch showed her two examples of quilts.

Bonnie Hunter will be in our area 10-08-12 to 10-10-12.

Business Meeting Raffle: Won by Kathie Travis and name tag drawing won by Kim Jacobs.

Meeting concluded 11:30 A.M. followed by show and tell.

Secretary

Marie Traxler

Fabric Exchange 2012-2013

At each month's first meeting, you will need to bring (7) 3 inch batik strips in that month's color. They need to be in a baggie marked with your group number and your name. They may be given to Joanne Cantwell, Takako Pike, or Bonnie Swartzentruber

GROUP 1	GROUP 2	COLOR OF THE MONTH
Linda Garthe	Kathie Travis	Nov. - orange
Carolyn Thompson	Bonnie Strickland	Dec. - gold
Linda Hamel	Rosemary Geisler	Jan.- lt blue
Joanne Cantwell	Lil Evans	Feb. - red
Judy Snook	Donna Mathias	Mar. - green
Gayle Hammond	Takako Pike	Apr. - purple
Bonnie Swartzentruber	Mary Lou Boryta	May - pink
		June - yellow
		July - turquoise
		Aug. - brown
		Sept. dk blue

Secret Pal Themes

In each of your monthly packages, include a brief note about yourself pertaining to the theme. For example...September - In Middle School I attended a school that had no walls between classes (true for me)!

November: Animals

December: Your choice, but include a note revealing your identity!

Quilter wanted . . .

An active Mom in the Kimberton area is looking for a quilter who might be interested in earning a few dollars for fabric by sewing two T-shirt quilts for her sons. One is a student at Villanova, the other at Penn State, and they accumulated lots of t-shirts during their years in OJR sports and other community activities. If interested, please see Joanne Cantwell or contact her at JMCCRC@yahoo.com.

Destination Shopping

Quilt Shop Reviews by Kristi Burtch

Exuma, Bahamas - In Georgetown by the Straw Market is a shop called Androsia which sells hand stamped " batik" fabric. The fabrics are vibrant colors with simple designs. I love purchasing fabrics from places I have been and have planned which quilt my Exuma fabric will go in. Each fabric needed washed several times to stop the bleeding.

Hospitality

	November 7	November 21
Snack	Linda Garthe	Wendy Cole
Snack	Kathy Neiman	Linda Glass
Fruit or Veg	Judy Shafer	Jean Atwood
Cold Drink	Linda Hamel	Susan Glaser

Fulton Design Studio Workshop

Event: "Valley Lake" Landscape Quilt Workshop

Location: 751 E. Lancaster Avenue, Downingtown, PA
19335

Date: Saturday, December 1, 2012; 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Fee: \$65 per student

Materials: \$40 per student, includes pre-cut 100% cotton batik fabrics for the top. Binding, batting and backing are not included.

Contact: Jan and Gary Fulton 610-594-6171

November Birthdays

- 18 Jeanne Nalbandian
- 19 Joan Markowitz
- 21 Elizabeth Snead
- 21 Terri Salindong
- 27 Wendy Cole

Challenge

Are you finished? Have you started? Deadline for completing challenge quilts is the Holiday Brunch!!

MORE DIRECTIONS AND SUPPLIES FOR OUR ANNIVERSARY SPOOL QUILT

If you have not made the thread portion of the block, please look on the website for complete instructions. Once your thread sections are complete, here are some tips for putting the spool blocks together:

Some people like Eleanor Burns and Deb Tucker like to make blocks oversized and then cut them to the proper size. Kathy Travis made a great suggestion for our thread blocks.

Cut the background pieces $1 \frac{3}{4}$ " x $4 \frac{1}{2}$ "

Brown spool pieces 6 " x $1 \frac{3}{4}$ "

Small squares $1 \frac{3}{4}$ " x $1 \frac{3}{4}$ "

Sew the block together

Using the 3 x 4 (finished) size of the threads as a guide, cut your block down to the $5 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $6 \frac{1}{2}$ " block size.

Just to clarify, you will be making at least 32 identical SIGNED spools. In January the 32 + finished spool blocks and 32+ plain blocks will be submitted to Judy at the business meeting. At the 3rd Wednesday meeting in January, you will receive 32+ different spool blocks and plain blocks. (These 32 blocks include one of yours that you submitted.)

October 2012

Upcoming Area Events

November 2012

2-5 Fall Fabric Frenzy Shop Hop

10 shops are participating

www.chestercountyquilting.com

4 Quilt Auction for Lutheran Camping Corporation

Biglerville, PA

(717) 677-8211

11 Hexagonal Quilt Workshop

Learn English paper piecing with Ivonne Fitzsimmons

at the Ebenezer Maxwell Mansion. \$45.00 fee

includes kit.

(215) 438-1861

Now through December 15

101 Quilts

This group show features exquisite quilts that merge elements of color, line and form with artistry and message.

African American Heritage Museum

661 Jackson Rd.

Newtonville, NJ 08346

609-704-5495

www.aahmsnj.org

9,10,11 Lebanon Quilter's Guild 5th Annual

Exhibition of Quilts

Admission \$5.00

Lebanon Expo Center 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA

<http://www.lebexpo.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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