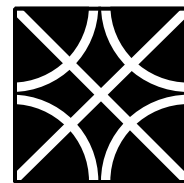


The Postage Stamp

January 2005



Carol's Candor

It's December 26th, the gifts are under the tree, ready to find a permanent spot in the house. We can start to think about kicking up our feet someday soon and taking a breather. I've never been as behind as I was this year. I was out on Christmas Eve, finding the last minute gifts for my husband, then up till 2:30 wrapping! He is so hard to buy for!! I about "bonked" him over the head a few days before Christmas when he stated that he thought he'd go out to Lowe's and buy a bird feeder!! I had already looked at some and was trying to figure out which one to get!! I gave him some nagging reason that I thought he could wait until we got back from our trip so the feeders wouldn't go empty. He reluctantly decided to wait. Whew!!

We are leaving tomorrow after picking up my son at the airport to do one of our famous marathon drives!! This time, it's to Louisiana to see the grandkids! We will get to see them open their Christmas gifts from us for the first time ever!! We'll get a late start since Kevin's plane isn't scheduled to get in until 3:20 in the afternoon. So.....I'm hoping to get organized enough to take a little project with me since we'll spend a good 4 days in the van!!! We'll stay there for one day and then turn around and come home!!

I had a good time at our Holiday Party earlier this month. I've received many positive comments

about it and would like to thank the committee of Jan B, Lu-Ann B, Sue M, and Terry C for all their help in planning and setting up. I also would like to thank Sandy F for her gracious help in setting up. She arrived early and just pitched in helping anywhere needed, thanks Sandy!!

It was great that we had such a good turnout! I hope it was a good start to lots of joyous celebrations of the Holidays!

On January 13th, we will be having a UFO night plus an Open Forum Advice Night. (I could use a month of UFO nights!!) If you are having any problems with a project, bring it, surely there will be someone that will be able to give some advice on how to fix it. If you feel like bringing your machine, remember to bring an extension cord to reach an outlet. I'm looking forward to this one in hopes that I can get a little farther with ANY of my projects!!

Any of you have any New Year's Resolutions yet?? I'm planning on getting my sewing room cleaned out and organized so that I can actually get in there and sew more!! (I figure if I publicly admit this – that I'll be more apt to actually do it!!) We'll see if I have any progress by the meeting!! Until then, I'll organize and you guys can...

Keep on stitching! Carol

Next Meeting
January 13, 2005
6:30 pm

*Mountaineer Mall
Community Room*

Program:
*UFO Night plus
Open Forum
Advice Night.
Please bring
"problem" quilts &
quilting questions
for the group.*

Hostesses:
*Judy C
Lou D
Charlene L*

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**

1/22 Thomasene E
1/23 Sue H
1/26 Terry C



CRQG December Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance		2,837.18
Income		
Interest	0.14	
Reimbursement of cash for quilt show raffle	100.00	
Quilt Show Raffle	542.00	
Monthly Mini	71.00	
No Name Tag	0.25	
Membership (1 - replacement check)	15.00	728.39
Expenses		
Room Rental-December meeting	25.00	
U.S. Post Office-mail raffle quilt	5.25	
Jan B-paper products	39.48	
Terry C-reimbursement Quilt Show incentive	23.66	
Susuan C- November newsletter	51.53	
Scott's Run Settlement House - donation	50.00	194.92
Ending Balance		3,370.65

Some of us got fun presents over the holidays!

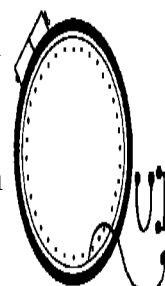
I received an Ott-lite, a compact steam iron for "travelling" opportunities, a quilting case on wheels, a new cutter, mat and ruler, and a gift certificate for the Sew Inn!

--Judy C

My kids were near Boston early in December and found a nearby Quilt Shop where they bought a lovely stack of Fat Quarters for me! And my sister-in-law bought me a book on Hawaiian Applique while vacationing in Hawaii.

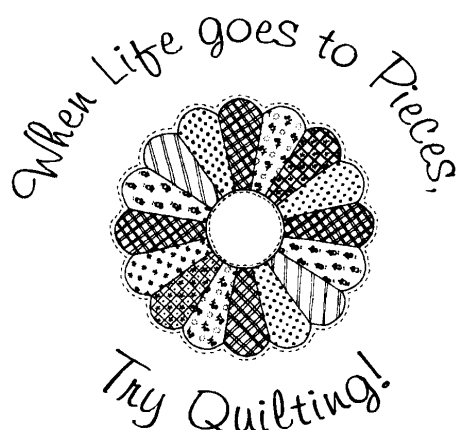
--Terry C

December Minutes - Following years of tradition, the only business of the Christmas meeting was fun, food and fellowship. We did briefly pass a motion to give fifty dollars to Scotts Run Settlement House but we quickly reverted to the important business of eating. The decorations were lovely, the food was exceptional and the entertainment was a cause for delight and laughter. In the immortal holiday words of Tiny Tim, "God bless us every one." There were 48 present. Jan B



QUILTING EACH DAY...

KEEPS THE DOCTOR AWAY!



New Mailing Address!

Susan B

Program Preview

We have some great programs lined up for this winter! Here's what's coming up...

February - we'll have another night of mini-demos. This time it will be all about applique. We will have 5 stations set up where some of our talented quilters will demonstrate different applique techniques. Terry C will demo Machine Applique and the following hand techniques will be shared: Susan C - Mylar, Jane F - Freezer Paper, Carolyn G - Basting, and Linda J - Needleturn.

March - we will have our annual Auction. Did you make a resolution to organize your sewing room and get rid of UFO's, old fabrics and other items you don't use anymore? Start setting them aside now and bring them for a fun auction!

From: "Aynex Mercado"
aynex@aynex.com>
Date: 2004/12/06 Mon AM
Subject: Call for entries:
LowerTown Quilt Walk

The LowerTown Arts District Quilt Walk is a juried exhibition of art quilts that will be held in Paducah, Kentucky, one of the fastest growing arts district in the country - also known as Quilt City, USA.

The exhibit will coincide with the 2005 American Quilters Society Quilt Show & Contest. Art quilts selected will be on exhibit in the

LowerTown artists' galleries. Maps to all the galleries will be available for visitors at each venue. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Our jurors for this exhibit are world-renowned quilt artist Caryl Bryer Fallert, who has won multiple awards at the American Quilters Society Show & Contest in Paducah; Judy Schwender, Curator of Collections at the Museum of the American Quilter's Society; and LowerTown fiber artist Freda Fairchild.

Art quilts with any subject matter, style, materials and

techniques may be entered. The maximum size is 40" in any dimension; there is no minimum size. ALL QUILTS MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. The entry fee is \$25 for up to three works, and \$5 for each additional work. Slides, photographs or digital images on CD or sent by email will be accepted. International entries accepted. The gallery displaying the quilt will take a 40% commission on all work sold. For more information about this opportunity visit our website at: quiltwalk.bluefrogdesigns.com/

Here's a program from Quilts & Other Comforts. If many of us spend money there it might be worth signing up. Read and see what you think.

Guild Rebate Program

Your guild can earn valuable rebates by participating in our new Guild Rebate Program. Register your authorized guild or club with Quilts & Other Comforts and immediately begin earning a rebate equal to 10% of each and every dollar that your members spend through our catalog, Internet site www.quiltsonline.com or store.

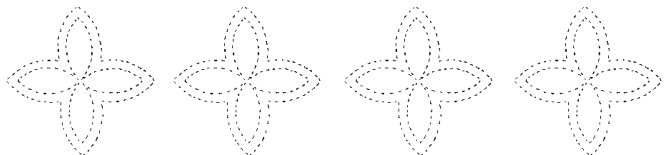
1. Your guild registration will be in effect for one year.
2. Your guild will be assigned a registration number that guild members must use when they purchase products. This will assure that the guild is properly credited for their members' purchases.
3. Quilts & Other Comforts will issue quarterly statements to your guild advising you of your earned rebate to-date. You may use your earned credit quarterly, or save to use for major purchases at the end of your registered year. Use your earned credits to shop for your guild from our vast array of products in our catalog, Internet site, or store.

Quilts & Other Comforts will be happy to send our catalog with your guild registration number directly to your members. Or, if you prefer we will send bulk copies to your guild to distribute. **BONUS:** When your guild reaches \$1,000 in purchases for the year we will send your guild a quilt display stand with carrying case absolutely FREE. This is a value of over \$188.00. Our display stand is wonderful for shows, photos, or classes. (See page 52 of our current catalog or go on-line and enter item 105713 to read all about this great stand.)

BONUS: When your guild reaches \$5,000 in purchases for the year we will send your guild 100 yards of fabric absolutely FREE. Imagine the wonderful charity, challenge or group quilts your guild will be able to make with 100 YARDS of FREE fabric.

Who will our new officers be for next year?

Come to the meeting to see who the Nominating Committee will nominate. The slate of officers will be presented at our January meeting and elections will take place in February.



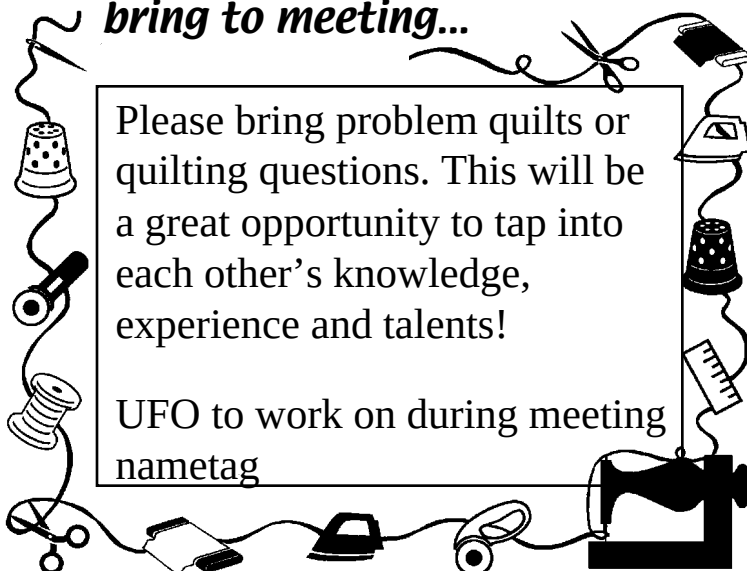
Check us out online!

www.geocities.com/countryroadsquiltguild/

bring to meeting...

Please bring problem quilts or quilting questions. This will be a great opportunity to tap into each other's knowledge, experience and talents!

UFO to work on during meeting
nametag



Upcoming Quilt Shows - Mark your calendar!

Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival - NEW LOCATION! Hampton, VA
Greater Williamsburg / Chesapeake Bay Area
February 24 - 27, 2005 - Hampton, Virginia

The Quilt Fest of New Jersey NEW SHOW!
March 3 - 6, 2005 - Somerset, New Jersey

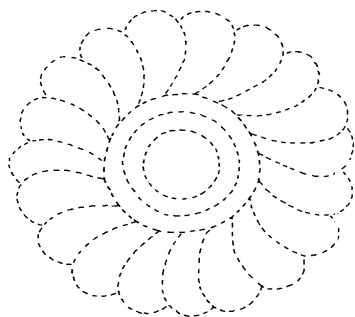
World Quilt & Textile: On Tour
World Quilt Show - Midwest
August 11-13, 2005 - Columbus, Ohio

Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza
September 15 - 18, 2005 - Fort Washington, PA

<http://www.quiltfest.com/>

Quilters' Heritage
Celebration
March 31-April 3
Lancaster, PA
www.qhconline.com

AQS Quilt Show
Paducah, Kentucky,
April 21-24, 2005
www.aqsquilt.com/



Newsletter Deadline — Friday, January 28th.
Please get items to Linda F - thanks!