



The Postage Stamp



Country Roads Quilt Guild

May 2009

Melissa's Mini-notes

Finally! The warm weather looks like it is here to stay! Yeah! May 16th, it's almost here, 10-2:00 p.m. at Harner Chapel United Methodist Church located behind the Wonder Bread Store, our first workshop for this year! We will be making 'Wonder Wallets' and an 'Origami Bag'. Remember to bring your money for your pattern. I have 10 patterns for those that needed it. The pattern is about \$7.00.

Did you enjoy Debbie's demonstration? I did! Especially the threading idea and it really works too! Maybe we can have her back to do a class. Let us know if you are interested in having her.

With most of the business needs completed at the last meeting we are left with only the budget items. Please remember to review the budget so that we might discuss and approve it at this up-coming meeting.

July and picnic time will soon be here, so be thinking about your covered dish you want to bring. While I am thinking about it, bring a new friend that might be interested in joining the guild.

Well, not much else for me to report on so I will leave you now to go – of course – SEW!

Keep stitching,
Melissa



*Don't Forget!
Secret Sister's
Reveal is this
month!*

Thank you once again to Terry C. and Janet S.! Both of these ladies volunteered to teach at the Quilter's on the Run program at Scott's Run Settlement House, Inc. Terry taught her 'Fast Finish' technique and a quick and easy way to make a hanging sleeve for our quilts. Janet taught the class to make Scrappy Blocks. You might remember this from the last quilt show, she had a couple there. Terry and Janet have volunteered their talents on a couple of occasions and we love having them. If there are other ladies that might want to volunteer to teach a new technique or even an old one, please see Melissa.

Thanks,
The Quilter's on the Run Class

Wonder Wallet & Origami Bag Workshop

Saturday, May 16th

10:00-2:00 pm

Harner Chapel United Methodist Church
(behind the Wonder Bread Store)

Be sure to let Melissa know if you want to participate so we can order you a pattern. The pattern is about \$7.00, so bring your money and let us know how many to order.

Supply List for Wonder Wallet:

- 1 Fat quarter or 1/4 yard off bolt
- Velcro – 1/2" or snap or a button 3/4"– 1"

You will need a Sewing machine, power cord, thread, scissors, pins, ruler, cutting mat, rotary cutter, marking pencil and basic sewing supplies.

Supply List for Origami Bag:

- 2 - (2/3 yard pieces) of fabric or 2 squares of fabric at least 18" x 18" (if you want a larger bag, adjust your fabric needs to fit.)
- 1 yard of cording or ribbon

You will need a Sewing machine, power cord, thread, scissors, pins, ruler, cutting mat, rotary cutter, marking pencil, and basic sewing supplies.

Note: Melissa will bring her box of snaps and snap setters, but if you have some, please bring as she may not have enough for everyone.

Happy Birthday

May		
	1	Tina S.
	25	Donna F.
	28	Jane F.
	30	Leona W.

Country Roads Quilt Guild

Minutes for April 9th, 2009 meeting

The April 2009 meeting of the Country Roads Quilt Guild was called to order by President, Melissa J. Several members were in attendance as well as one guest.

The March 2009 minutes, Treasurer's report, and budget were approved.

Committee Reports

Linus committee – Pat O. noted that the June meeting is our Linus meeting. Our group is one of the main sources of quilts for Project Linus in our area. Pat noted that she also has more quilt kits available tonight and Christine noted that she brought the queen-size batting for use.

Challenge committee – Debbie S. noted that the challenge quilts will be presented next month at the May meeting. The theme for this year's challenge is "seasons." It was noted that everyone participating should feel free to interpret the theme as needed.

Pat Knoechel committee – Carol R.S. noted that Pat's visit went well. Ninety-eight non-members came to the seminars, bringing in \$490. The guild presented Pat with a Shelley Marshall spoon rest as a token of our appreciation.

Old Business

Secret Sisters – Secret sisters will reveal themselves at the May meeting. The new program, the fat quarter exchange was discussed, with the idea of having themes for certain month's fat quarter exchange garnering a lot of interest. The fat quarter exchange themes will be revealed in the newsletter beforehand.

Outgoing President gift – Debbie noted that the guild gave Susan H. a \$40 check for the Quilting Bee in Grafton.

Mountaineer Week Quilt show – Terry confirmed that the dates for the Quilt Show are November 13-15th, 2009.

Workshops – Melissa noted that we will have a workshop on May 16th, 2009 at Harner

Chapel near Sabraton, from 10am until 2pm. We will be making a wonder wallet and an origami bag. Please let Melissa know if you plan to participate. If we all like the location, we may be able to change our meetings to this place. Melissa noted that a complete supply list will be in the newsletter; however, supplies include a fat quarter for the wonder wallet, and two 18x18 squares of fabric plus a length of ribbon for the origami bag. Bring basic sewing equipment. Sewing machines will make things go faster, but either can be completed by hand as well.

An idea for a future workshop, also presented by Melissa, is to make casserole covers. Melissa displayed an example. An alternative to a workshop is to do the cover for an activity during meeting time.

Audit – Sue M. noted that she completed the audit of the financial records and everything looked good.

Monthly Mini – There was no monthly mini at this meeting.

Dues – Dues were due at the March meeting. If you have not paid, please try to do so soon. If payment for membership is not received by the June meeting, members will be dropped from the active roster. Diamond members of the quilt guild pay no membership fee, but are free to donate if they would like.

New Business

Area quilt shows – Sue M. noted that she received information on two area quilt shows and would give the information to Melissa to share with whoever is interested. In addition, it was discussed that we received an invitation to hang quilts at the mall during their June 13th, 2009 Bake off. Any interested participants can call Kathy L. at 304-296-0096.

Budget – The 2009-2010 budget was passed around for review. The budget will be discussed and approved at the next meeting. In the meantime, Sue M. has agreed to audit the 2008=2009 budget.

The meeting concluded with Show & Tell and a presentation by Debbie K. on embroidery.

What's Happening?

Linda R., Elaine S., Sandy R. and Thomasene E. went to the Three River's Quilt Show and then stopped by the Quilt Company in Allison Park. We had lunch at The Hartwood Restaurant. It's a wonderful place to relax for lunch.

Lu-Ann B-W. visited a quaint little shop in the renovated downtown area of Hamptons, Virginia (47 E Queens Way, zip code 23669); it was very easy to find. Lynda R. owns the "Olde Hampton Quilt Shoppe" and is a wonderful lady (as are all quilters) willing to share her expertise and traveling stories. If you don't have a GPS device, Lynda will gladly provide directions to the shop by calling her at 757-722-5014.

Linda F. had a wall hanging, "Love Directs Our Course," and a queen-size quilt, "All Roads Lead Home," juried into the quilt exhibition at the Cultural Center in Charleston. The large quilt won Honorable Mention. The exhibition will open May 18 and runs through September 7.

2008 Mountain Quilt Quest

June 10-13, 2009

www.mountainquiltquest.com

Each of the 13 quilt shops will have a different quilt pattern and fabric kit. When you have collected all 13 patterns and kits you will be able to create a wonderful quilt as a memory of your journey. Visit each shop for a FREE collectible 2009 quilt charm and create your own charm bracelet or pin as a souvenir of your adventure. Each shop's charm is unique and new for 2009. Each shop will have daily prize drawings (value \$50). As you visit each of the 13 shops, have your "Brochure/Passport" stamped. Enter to win at any one of the shops for the Grand Prize drawings for any one of the following:

- \$50 Shopping Spree from each shop (\$650 value)
- 3 - \$100 Gift Certificates (3 winners)
- 3 - \$25 Gift Certificates (3 winners)



Take the bus and save your energy for shopping! The bus will leave

Morgantown at 8:00 a.m. on June 11. The cost is \$150 per person which includes your bus trip, the motel and a continental breakfast on Friday June 12th (in the Charleston area). You will be sharing a room with one other person so grab a friend and plan to

have a great time! Your reservation must be paid in full by May 15th. Please stop by the Sew Inn or mail your check (made out the Mountain Quilt Quest) so they can get your seat confirmed.

Please feel free to call if you have any questions. (296-6802)



Western Pennsylvania Shop Hop

June 11-14, 2009

www.westernpashophop.com

Passports are \$5 which includes a wonderful booklet that has information and maps for each shop, along with some great recipes and free patterns. As you visit each shop make sure to get your passport stamped at each stop along the way and remember to turn in your completed passport, at your last stop, in order to be eligible for our Grand Prize Drawing!

This year you will be totally "charmed" by the Hop. As a participant you will receive three free 5" x 5" Charm squares at each stop. If you make a \$25.00 or greater purchase (before sales tax) in a shop you will receive an additional eight free charms for your collection! You could start your stitching with the table runner pattern in this year's Hop passport booklet.

2008 Grand Prize - \$500.00 in Quilt Bucks
(to be spent in any of the participating shops)

2nd Prize - \$200.00 in Quilt Bucks

3rd Prize - Quilters Gift Basket

May 2009 Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance		\$1,964.56
Income		
No Name Tags March	2.75	
Membership dues	150.00	
Pat Knoechel Program	460.00	
Received only one box of Checks	20.75	
Interest	<u>0.08</u>	633.58
Expenses		
Mt Mall Rent-May	25.00	
Sew Inn - Patterns	63.07	
Office Depot April Newsletter	41.72	
Stamps Newsletter	16.80	
Carol R. - P. Knoechel Program	27.73	
Debbie K. - Emb. Program	50.00	
Monica M. - Jump drive	<u>19.07</u>	<u>243.39</u>
Ending Balance		<u>\$2,354.75</u>

Appliqué Block of the Month

No meeting this month! This will be an opportunity to work on one of the blocks that requires your sewing machine.

Pieced Block of the Month

Granny Gage is the sixth block in the series (see pattern included in this newsletter). To view the completed project and access past patterns, please visit our website:

www.geocities.com/countryroadsquiltguild/BOM2009



Next Meeting

May 14th
6:30 p.m.
Community Room
Mountaineer Mall

Program: Spring Challenge and
Undercover Quilters Revealed

Monthly Mini: Leona W.

Hostesses: Betty C. and
Linda F.

OTHER QUILT SHOWS OF INTEREST

West Overton Quilt Show
www.westovertonvillage.org
June 6-July 13, 2009
Tuesday-Saturday 12:00-6:00
Sunday 1:00-5:00

In addition to the juried quilt show, they will also feature The Supper Quilt on June 6-7 from Waxahachie, Texas which was inspired by Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper" painted over 500 years ago in Milan, Italy. This magnificent quilting display consists of 51,816 pieces of fabric that were sewn together by hand.

American Quilter's Society Quilt Show
www.americanquilter.com/show
Knoxville Convention
July 22-25, 2009

Kate & Becca's Quilt Patch, Etc., in Scottdale, Pennsylvania is sponsoring a bus trip to the first-ever AQS Quilt Show in Knoxville, Tennessee. Hotel accommodations are at the Holiday Inn Select across from the Convention Center in Knoxville. Final date for the bus trip sign up is May 20, 2009. Stop in and pick up information at the store located at 1045 Frick Road, Scottdale, PA 15683 or call (724)887-4160.

Please send items for the June newsletter to Monica M. by May 29th.