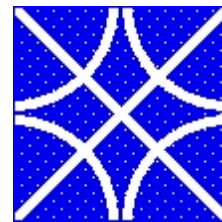


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AUGUST 2005

Carol's Candor

I hope this finds all of you enjoying your summer! I've been having a "writer's block" trying to write this while sitting in my own home!! Maybe I should go out to the van, turn on the air conditioner and pretend! Better not, the neighbors might really wonder!

The summer is winding down for me. We're all back from our travels – except for my husband, he comes and goes so much that it's hard to keep track of him. Thank goodness for itineraries or I'd totally be confused! Kevin starts soccer practice Monday which means school is right around the corner. So for me, it feels as if summer is almost over.

I managed to get one block done on my trips. It's embroidered and then colored with crayons. It's called "Colors of the Season". I think I'm going to like it, only 3 blocks left! I'll have to bring the block for show and tell, since who know when it will get finished!

Last month's picnic was good! We managed to have the evening turn out much milder than it started. WE had rain as it started, but Mother Nature got it out of her system to have the evening turn out to be beautiful. I really enjoyed seeing the baby robins in their nest. I went back

the next evening to try 'to get a better picture, but no one was cooperating! One of the parents sat in a tree, eyeing me but not budging to feed them. Funny how they weren't apprehensive at all with lots of people but with only one person there he was scared to come out! Maybe he (the dad) thought he was quite safe when you get a bunch of quilters together talking that he'd never even be noticed! I'm looking forward to this month's meeting at the Sew Inn, I'm always eager for a good sale!! I'm also looking anxious to see the new challenge! I hope that many of you can make it.

Well, I'm not having a whole lot of things to say this month, so I guess I'll spare all of you and close! Besides, the dog is snoring pretty loudly so it's making me even sleepier! Enjoy what summer is left and I look forward to seeing you on the 11th of August at the Sew Inn!

Until then.....Keep on stitching!

Carol

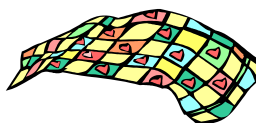


CRQG Quilt Show

We don't know yet if we will be invited to have a quilt show at WVU during Mountaineer Week. But when they do invite us it's usually late summer. So, to be prepared to answer we need to discuss and vote on one issue. Many of us were disappointed with the lighting in the space.

There was plenty of light in the daytime, but not enough at night to be able to see the quilts well. Some have suggested we NOT do the show again until they add sufficient lighting. We will vote on whether to insist on better lighting at our August meeting. (If you have a strong opinion

one way or another and can't make it to the meeting let Terry know how you feel about it.) Thanks.



Special points of interest:

- *Guild Quilt Show*
- *Challenge Quilt*
- *Tommie, Linda and Bev attend Hillsboro Retreat*
- *Congratulations to Linda R. for being juried in the Charleston Quilt Show. We are very proud of you!!*
- *August 18th 9-3pm Sewing Adventure at Suncrest UMC by The Sew Inn (296-6802). Prepay price \$25.00/ Prepay 2 or more friends \$22.00, Contact Carol if you need a friend to go. Note: If there are not enough people it will be cancelled.*
- *The Cherry Tree Quilt Shop is closing. After 17 1/2 years, Claudia will be closing shop. All fabrics and notions will be drastically reduce. Hurry in for the best selections. August 1-31, Hours: Tues-Fri 10-4 pm and Sat 12-4 pm.*
- *6303 East Pea Ridge Road Huntington, WV*

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Terry's new job!

Terry C. emailed Ami Simms to share a photo of a quilt made with one of Ami's patterns. One thing led to another and now Terry is working part-time for Ami. They are currently working together on three patterns that will be on the market sometime in the near future. Terry may also help create the directions for some of Ami's new patterns. It's a perfect job for Terry to be able to work at home with flexible hours in the sewing room and at the computer for a very funny, very nice boss. Stay tuned!

AUGUST MEETING

August 11th, 6:30 pm

at The Sew Inn

We will try to have a short business meeting followed by SHOPPING! Ginny is offering a 20% discount to us that night. Our new Challenge will be introduced that night, so this may be a good opportunity to buy our challenge fabrics.

Hospitality:

Rhonda B., Janet C.
and Nancy S.

Watch Eleanor Burns' Quilt in a Day Show In Your Pajamas!

That's right, the Quilt in a Day Show is now appearing several times a day on your computer. The [Quilter's News Network](http://www.quiltingchannel.com) is a new website that offers free streaming video of your favorite quilt shows, 24 hours a day-7 days a week! We have supplied them with many of Eleanor's shows to run on their site. Now you can watch your favorite shows from the comfort of your home and sew along with Eleanor.

www.quiltingchannel.com

I wanted to let you know that Appalachian Art Galleries has agreed to sell my Beaded Jewelry. They have accepted 18 pieces today.

Thanks,
Sheila W.

Happy Birthday to:

Charlene L. 8/1

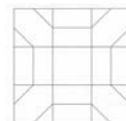
Bonnie M. 8/7

Bev K. 8/31

"Whatever Suits Your Fancy Challenge"

The "Whatever Suits Your Fancy Challenge" is being revealed this month with all quilts to be finished by the April 13, 2006 meeting. The general rules are being provided to each member in the newsletter. At the August meeting an additional packet of helpful instructions for creating your quilt will be available to members at a nominal charge of 50 cents to offset our copying expenses. You do not have to purchase this packet. It will have quick piecing methods for

the block as well as 2 layout grids that you can copy and color. Members of the Challenge committee will be available at the meeting to answer any questions. This year's challenge should please most everyone as you get to decide on your very own favorite fabrics. Good luck and we hope to see lots of quilts this year.



Susan, Vicki, Jane and Carolyn

**LONGARM QUILTING MACHINE DEMONSTRATIONS AND SEMINARS TO BE HELD IN THE COLUMBUS, OHIO AREA
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Friday, August 12th & Saturday, August 13th

At The:
Amerisuites Columbus/Dublin
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Manufacturers representatives from American Professional Quilting Systems will be in the **Columbus** area in August! We will be conducting three-hour seminars and long arm quilting machine demonstrations. Anyone interested in researching long arm quilting machines will want to attend one of our classes.

Seminars will be held Friday and Saturday from **9AM until Noon**, and **2 PM until 5 PM**. One three-hour session is all you need to attend but you are welcome to come as often as you wish.

Call to register soon! Class size is limited so that each participant will have plenty of time for hands-on test-driving of the machines.

To register call 1-800-426-7233, extension 4 to speak with Jill, Carla, or Bob. We can register you and answer any preliminary questions about our machines and/or the seminars. You may email Jill to register if you wish at jswaim@apqs.com, Carla at Carla@apqs.com, and Bob at bketcham@apqs.com.

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CRQG July Treasurer's Report

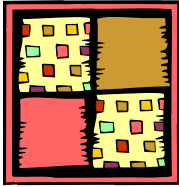
Beginning Balance 4,124.91

Income

Interest 0.17
Dues (1 member) 15.00
monthly mini 16.00
31.17

Expenses

Westside Senior Center - pavilion 25.00
Carol S. - picnic supplies 7.95
Judy C. -newsletter April/May/July 134.86
167.81
Ending Balance 3,988.27



Sept. Meeting: September 6, 2005 at 6:30 pm.
Program: Donna Carnegie Trunk Show



July Minutes

The July meeting of the Country Roads Quilt Guild was held on July 14th at the Westside Senior Center. The meeting was called to order by President Carol S.. There were 24 members present with one guest. The June Minutes and Treasurer's Report published in the newsletter were accepted as submitted.

A vote was taken on which pattern to do at Fran Kordek's workshop and the Celtic Appliqué pattern received the majority. The workshop is scheduled for Saturday, November 9th, with more details coming as it gets closer.



Terry C. discussed the Quilt Show at the Mountainlair - specifically whether or not members WANT to do the show if lighting is not improved. No resolution was reached; it will be discussed further in future meetings and this newsletter.

Carol read a thank-you note from Ronald McDonald House.

Sue showed Ian's benefit quilt and had tickets available. It was mentioned that Scott's Run Settlement House has their annual "RibFest" coming soon. Our August meeting will be at the Sew Inn and there will be 20% offered that evening to all Guild members. It was also mentioned that the Sew Inn is planning another "Sewing Adventure" on August 18.



The evening finished with Show & Tell, the monthly mini, and a fun get-to-know-you game.

