



The Postage Stamp



Country Roads Quilt Guild

October 2008

Susan's Scraps

Greetings and salutations to my Country Roads quilting friends. It has been a tough month, actually 6 weeks, with my mother's illness. It all began with a bladder infection, dehydration and a heart attack, and now rehab! She was moved from Clarksburg's UHC, to Grafton City Hospital to the nursing care facility, for physical therapy. Moving her to Grafton was a blessing for me, so I wasn't burning up so much fuel in the car and in myself, and would be able to be with my Mom, within minutes. She is confused, the doctor still hasn't diagnosed her with Alzheimer's. But she was very upset when she couldn't remember things. The doctor has kept tabs on her and will be releasing her this week. Until she can manage a bit more, she can stay at my house, as long as needed.

While sitting with Mom in the hospital environment, I have seen lap throws. Hmmm, nice ones, kind of look familiar. They are the ones that my lady friends at church had made this past year! Two of them are in their 80's and had no idea that they could quilt! So I helped them by showing them how easy it would be to make a lap throw, and they in turn have made some that my mother has been able to use while in the wheel chair.

Quilting travels, even when we didn't expect it! So glad to be able to participate in something that helps other people, and they in turn help more! It makes our love of quilting go a little deeper. Hope you have seen your quilting skills travel too!

Susan

Virginia Tech "Project Hokie Hope" quilts have been posted online. These quilts went to families who lost loved ones in the shooting tragedy there in 2007. Thanks to all who participated.
blog.myspace.com/hokie_hope

Project Linus

When Carole K., the Project Linus rep, came to receive our Linus blankets in June, we realized how much they were appreciated and how she never has enough to fill the needs. I hope you are all thinking about making at least one this year. You can design and make your own from scratch or use one of the kits the committee will be making available again. Let's help her out more than ever this year!

Pat O.

Undercover Sisters

Please remember your secret pal. It is better to give than to receive. I have had complaints that some quilters have not heard from their secret pal at all. I do not want to have to remind anyone individually so please be considerate so I do not have to.

Thanks

-- Debbie S.

Thank you to my secret quilting sister, I loved the fabric!!! --Eva

I'd like to thank my secret sister for the bag full of neat goodies! I've already got great plans to do some of the activities in the craft book with my girls!

-- Monica

Thank you to my phat sister. It was greatly appreciated. -- Christine S.

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 9th

Appliqué by Connie H.

Hostesses: Darlene H., Nancy S., Eva T., Brenda Z.

Monthly Mini: Michelle D.

What's Happening?

Last month in our "What's Happening segment, Terry mentioned her visit to the Quilted Bear Den (www.quiltedbearden.com) in Hyde Park, NY. Because Terry pointed it out, Judy was able to go to the very same shop on her trip to Hyde Park in September! In fact, it was on the same day as our September meeting! And, just as Terry said, the fabric was beautiful and the shop displays especially nice. Judy bought a pattern for an over-the-shoulder bag and the fabric to make two. While in NY, Judy was also able to visit Woodstock Quilt Supply in what their website (www.quiltstock.com) describes as "The best quilt shop in the Catskills ... in the hamlet of Woodstock New York." Do check out their website! Included there is an interesting story of how the owners developed their interest in quilting! One of them had some family quilts that they used in decorating their home. However they still had a spot that needed one and they thought "how hard can it be" and, as the website suggests "the rest is history!" Within four years, they had started their own business!

At the Waterfront quilt show in July I met Saya B., a WVU doctoral student who teaches in the Women's Studies program. Included in the research for her thesis are a group of senior women from the Seneca Nation in Salamanca, New York. The Seneca Nation was one of the original Five Nations of the Iroquois Confederacy. These women make traditional items which includes basket weaving and bead work. They have recently been learning how to make quilts.

Saya invited me to go with her to the reservation in September so that while she was working on her research, I could quilt with the women and help them, if needed. The women had a "show and tell" for me, displaying a beautiful turtle quilt and a Texas Star quilt which the more advanced quilters had made. They also showed me beautiful beaded bolos, baby moccasins, and beaded leather braid ties which were worn by brides. I assisted with quilt projects and with making a collar which would be beaded for a traditional dress to be worn at an upcoming Pow Wow. The women loved to talk about quilting and were especially pleased to receive quilt books I had taken for them. They made templates for me so that I could make a quilt similar to one they had made. Saya and I enjoyed a lovely day with these gracious women, helping with projects, sharing meals, and listening to them as they talked about their culture and rich history. Saya and I also enjoyed our own

new friendship, the result of a chance meeting at the quilt show.

-- Lou D.

I went to Hawaii with my daughter Erin the last week of August. I found a wonderful fabric shop just a few blocks from our hotel. Needless to say I spent too much money there, but the fabric is beautiful.

--Tommie

I got to visit Keepsake Quilting on my vacation this year. It is a wonderful place to visit. My husband said if they do not have it here then they do not make it.

-- Debbie S.

If you've visited a new shop in your travels consider sharing your "find" in our "What's Happening" section of the newsletter. You never know when someone might be going to the very same place that you've been!

Happy Birthday

October

4 Pat O.
5 Ruth H.
6 Vickie H.
7 Lydia G.
11 Carolyn G.
17 Vicki D.
23 Susan H.
23 Shelia W.
25 Connie H.
26 Linda F.
27 Sue M.
27 Eva Marie T.
28 Hope C.
28 Darlene H.



November

2 Mary M.
23 Genevieve P.

Please send items for the November Newsletter to Linda F. by October 31st.

Minutes for September 11th, 2008 Meeting

The September 2008 meeting of the Country Roads Quilt Guild was called to order by Vice President, Debbie S. Several members were in attendance.

The August minutes and Treasurer's report were approved and accepted as written.

Committee Reports

Mountaineer Week Quilt show – Terry passed around a sign up sheet for those interested in working at the show, as well as a sheet to sign up what items each person plans to show (Number, size, etc.).

Old Business

Block of the Month – The Block of the Month program will start next month. Instructions will be in the next newsletter and Debbie noted that she has ordered the books for those who indicated that they would like one. Patterns for the block of the month will be from the book, "Grandma's Country Album."

Pat Sloan – Debbie noted that there are still 11 spaces available for the workshop. Terry noted that she will e-mail information about the Pat Sloan workshop to the Pat Knoechel e-mail distribution list to see if anyone on that list is interested in taking the workshop. Pat Sloan's website, www.quiltershome.com, has some examples of her work. In addition, information and a supply list for the workshop is posted on our website. A sheet was passed around for to sign up to bring refreshments (cookies and beverages) to the lecture, which is on Friday evening, 10/10/08.

Next Meeting – Connie H. will be doing a demonstration next month.

New Business

Quilt Guild Website – Terry noted that the cost of the website has increased by \$2 a month. It was determined that we will continue to have the website, regardless of the \$2 increase.

Ricky Timms – Terry noted that Ricky Timms is giving a quilt seminar April 30-May 2nd, 2009, in Frederick, MD. She said that participants do not need to bring fabric or a machine. Ricky demonstrates which is "the equivalent of taking 15 classes." Alex Anderson will also be there. Prices for the event, which includes bus transportation, lodging, registration, and some meals are as follows: 2/room=\$429.00; 3/room=\$395.00; and 4/room=\$379.00. If

interested in going, please contact Terry.

Pat Knoechel – Linda F. noted that Pat Knoechel's husband passed away in June. A card was passed around at the meeting for guild members to sign.

Announcements

There were no announcements.

The meeting concluded with Show & Tell and a quilt-themed auction, featuring the auctioneer-stylings of Jane F.

-- Monica M., Secretary

Treasurer's Report for October

Deloris R.

Beginning Balance		\$2,979.83
Income:		
Monthly mini (Sept)	\$34.00	
Sloan Class/Lecture	110.00	
Auction	256.50	
Interest	<u>.12</u>	400.62
Expenses:		
Mtneer Mall (Sept)	25.00	
Michelle D. Aug Newsletter	30.83	
Judy C. - July/Sept Newsltr	79.72	
Mtneer Mall - Oct meeting,		
Sloan lecture & workshop	<u>100.00</u>	<u>235.55</u>
Ending Balance		\$3,144.90

I submitted an article to the Dominion Post Lifestyles column announcing that the Country Roads Quilt Guild is hosting Pat Sloan on October 10 & 11. I requested the article be put into either the September 28th or October 5th D. Post. They have not informed me which paper or even if it will be put in. If I find out the date, I will ask Terry to send an e-mail blast to members to look for the article in the paper.

I know the lifestyles editor saw the e-mail because I got a return receipt on it. On previous submissions that I've made, they never informed me which date either--I just had to buy the papers to find out.

-- Betty C.

Mountaineer Week Quilt Show!

Our quilt show is quickly approaching (Nov 14-16). Attached is our 2-page registration form. Please fill out a form for each item you will be entering into the show. Feel free to make copies of the form, if needed. More will be available at the October meeting. We will collect quilts for the show on Sunday, Nov 9, from 1:00–3:00 pm, at the Mountaineer Mall, outside our regular meeting room. If you can't make it then, please make arrangements for someone else to bring your quilt(s), or contact Terry. Please also contact Terry if you can work a few hours of the show. The show schedule and forms are available on our website:

www.geocities.com/countryroadsquiltguild/quiltshow.html

Quilters' Quest 2008 Maryland and Northern Virginia Regional Quilt Shop Hop

November 6-9

<http://www.quiltersquest.org/>

- Visit 11 shows to be eligible for grand prize drawings of \$1000, \$500, and \$300 in "Quilter's Quest Bucks" that can be redeemed at any participating Quest shop.
- All shops will be offering daily drawings
- Limit one free kit and/or one purchased kit per sale regardless of amount spent. No multiples



Ricky Tims' Super Quilt Seminar! Bus trip planned for April 30-May 2

Alex Anderson and Libby Lehman will join Ricky in Frederick, MD, for a jam-packed 3 days of inspiration and instruction to improve your quilting experience. These Seminars only happen in select cities across the country. Please sign up early if you want to take advantage of this opportunity. We must have at least 30 signed up to offer the trip and seats on the bus are limited! Terry C. is leading the trip. Bus will pick up in Fairmont, Morgantown and LaVale, MD. Please contact Terry for more information. www.terrychilko.com/ricky

Roommate needed for Ricky Tims trip. Sandy U. is looking for someone to share a hotel room with for the Ricky Tims Seminar bus trip. Please contact Terry terry@terrychilko.com if you need a roommate

For Sale

Marion K.'s daughter, Kathy, has a sewing machine she wants to sell. It's one she bought at Wal-mart--Simplicity Fashion Pro (SW2145). She bought it for \$170, it's never been used and she's asking \$75 for it. It's not a name brand, but it could be something for a beginning sewer or quilter or even a child learning to sew.

If you're traveling this fall, you might want to check out these quilt shows:

Oct. 10-12 : Autumn in the Park Quilt Show "Quilting with the Stars" -- New Brighton, PA
Sponsored by Beaver Valley Piecemakers, Inc, www.bypeicemakers.com

Oct. 11-12: "Festival of Quilts XVIII" -- Punxsutawney, PA. Sponsored by the Quilting Patch Quilt Guild (Becky 814-938-2782)

Oct. 17-18: "Stars All Around" -- Rockville, MD. Sponsored by Nimble Fingers Quilters
www.nimblefingers.org

Oct. 18-19: "Harvest of Quilts" featuring Ami Simms Alzheimer's Art Quilt Initiative, Bel Air, MD.
Sponsored by the Flying Geese Quilt Guild www.fgqg.com

Oct. 29 - Nov.1: Ohio Amish Country Quilt Shop Hop -- "Pineberry Creek" (Northeast Ohio). Visit 12 shops in the rolling hills of the Ohio Amish Community. www.amishquiltshophop.com