



The Postage Stamp

Country Roads Quilt Guild

<http://www.geocities.com/countryroadsquiltguild>

December 2008



Seasons Challenge - Our big spring Challenge is due in May this year, so the quiet days after the holidays might be a good time to start thinking about what you'd like to make. Any quilted item is acceptable as long as it has something to do with "Seasons." It can be about One Season, All Seasons, A Season of Your Life, a Seasoning - whatever! There are so many possibilities - this should be a wonderful Challenge to see what everyone does. Challenges are a great opportunity to stimulate creativity and/or try a new technique. If time is limited you can make something small. If time permits you can make something big. Either could be fabulous!

Looking forward, the theme for our February meeting is the Alzheimer's mini-quilt challenge. Each year, participants create a mini-quilt, no larger than 9x12 (and nice & flat so that it can fit well into a mailer to Ami Simms). These mini-quilts are auctioned on Ami Simms website, with proceeds going to Alzheimer's research. Please consider donating your time and talents for this great cause.

November's Monthly Mini was made by Darlene H. and won by Linda R. Connie H will make the December Mini.



Welcome to new members, Elaine S. and Janet C.!

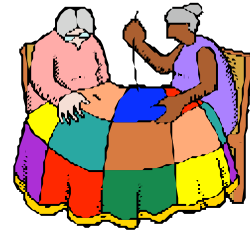
Please consider being a member of the nominating committee. Currently, there is one member on this year's committee. According to our bylaws, we must have three members on the committee. Duties include contacting other members to determine who might have an interest in taking an office and presenting the officer slate to the guild at the January meeting. **We need you!**

Jan Board spent a week in Tucson, AZ in November, attending the Martha Pullen School of heirloom sewing. Lots of fun, and lots of pretty projects!

It's become a New Year's Tradition at Planet Patchwork: a new Wonderful One-Day mystery from Inspector Merry Mayhem. Each year the crowd of participating quilters increases, groups gather at each other's houses, individual quilters tune in from their sewing rooms to this world-wide phenomenon. [Now the initial installment of Merry Mayhem's new mystery, "Case #128 -- A Big Fan" has been posted at Planet Patchwork.](#) The actual day is January 1, 2009, but the first installment tells you what fabric to buy or take from your stash, and gives initial cutting instructions so you can get ready.

TREASURER's REPORT for November
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Beginning Balance		1858.03
Income:		
no name tag	2.00	
dues	22.00	
mini	26.00	
quilt show (WVU)	200.00	
interest	.09	250.09
Expense:		
Monica - YoMan & Xmas	95.14	
Linda F - Nov newsletter	48.82	
Janet S - Oct newsletter	29.61	
Melissa J - quilt show	36.70	
Darlene H - xmas	54.06	
Mtn mall (Dec)	25.00	289.37
Ending Balance		1818.75

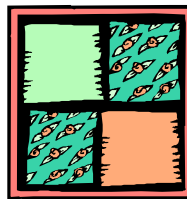


Please send items
for the next
newsletter to Linda
F. by December
23rd.

The December
meeting will be at
6pm instead of
6:30pm so that we
may have our holiday
party. Bring a potluck
dish and come ready
for a good time! If
you'd like to
participate in the
ornament exchange,
bring a wrapped
ornament, (with your
name on the inside).

Birthdays!

December
1st Gitta J.
24th Champaka S.



Don't forget: April 2-4th, Quilters' Heritage
Celebration, Lancaster, PA, & the AQS Show in
Paducah, KY, April 22-25th!

Reminder...

Country Road Quilt Guild
Minutes for November 13th, 2008 meeting

The November 2008 meeting of the Country Roads Quilt Guild was called to order by President, Susan H. Several members were in attendance.

The October 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. She noted that the set up for the quilt show went well.

Lending Library – Susan noted that she has received some of the disks back and they are available for borrowing.

Holiday Party – Plans are under way for the holiday party. The holiday party committee is working on specific details; however, some ideas were discussed. The guild will once again be providing a ham and Melissa J. offered to prepare it. Everyone was reminded that the meeting will begin at 6pm for the Holiday party on Thursday, 12/11/08. Everyone was also reminded to bring an ornament for the ornament exchange if they would like to participate. Specifically, wrap the ornament, placing your name inside the package.

Linus Committee – Pat O. noted that there are a few kits currently available and noted that more kits will be available soon. Whether we should buy batting or have members plan to donate the batting was discussed. Terry noted that she still has several small samples of the organic batting available for use and Eva noted that perhaps Wal-Mart or Jo-Ann's will offer the guild a discount since we're doing this for a charity. Pat suggested that we do the Linus presentation meeting in June 2009. Eva noted that she may be able to get a room at the WVU Engineering building if anyone is interested in getting together to have a Linus workshop, possibly after the beginning of the new year.

Nominating committee – An attempt was made to form a nominating committee for the upcoming elections. One person volunteered; however, we still need to find at least two more members.

Old Business

Ricky Timms – Terry discussed the Ricky Timms quilt seminar April 30-May2nd, 2009, in Frederick, MD. She noted that she has 25-26 people committed to go with a requirement to have 30 people. If interested, see Terry for additional information.

Block of the Month – Connie H. offered a quick discussion on the Block of the Month for those doing the appliqué blocks. The pattern for those who wish to do a pieced block will be in the next newsletter.

Monthly Mini – The monthly mini was made by Darlene H and won by Linda R. Connie H will make the December mini.

New Business

No new business was discussed.

The meeting concluded with Show & Tell and the holiday ornament workshop. Participants made Yo-men.



Ancine di Pete Pasta Salad

1 cup Ancine di Pete pasta (uncooked)
Cook 15 minutes, drain, rinse, and cool



1 can 20oz. pineapple chunks, drained and save juice (I use tidbits)
2 medium cans of mandarin oranges; drain and save juice from one can of oranges

To the juice from the pineapple and 1 can of oranges add 2 tablespoons of flour, 3/4 cup sugar, 1/4 teaspoon salt, and 2 beaten eggs. Mix together. Cook until thick and then cool. Mix pasta to above mixture. Refrigerate overnight. The next morning, add the pineapple, oranges, and an 8 oz. container of cool-whip. Refrigerate and enjoy! -- Nancy S.

Here's a list of all the quilt show winners:

Viewers Choice:

1st Place - "What a Wonderful Memory" by Linda J

2nd Place - "Trip Around the World" by Nancy S, quilted by Clorinda Ammons

3rd Place - "Nursery Rhymes & Fairy Tales" owned by Chris L, made by Terry West

Opportunity Quilts Winners:

Lucinda Potter, Darlene Barker, Kimberly Fullmer, Norma Workman, Mr Webber, Rae Jean, Libby DeHaan, Kathy Savage, Billie Broker and Lynne Hicks

(We had 12 drawings, but 2 people each won twice, so we had a total of 10 winners.)

We had another fun successful quilt show! Thanks to all who entered quilts, set up or worked the show or made opportunity quilt items. And thanks to all who endured our pleas for more quilts - those we got were bigger than usual, so it all worked out in the end. We made \$417 from the Opportunity Quilts - YAY! Photos will be posted on our website soon.

We got some inquiries from visitors to the show. Do you know the answers to any of these questions?

Q1. A lady from Arnettsville said they're trying to start a Heritage Program there (at the Arnettsville Community Center in the old elementary school. She wonders if someone from the guild would be interested in helping them set it up? The lady's name is: Terri Demico; Phone: 304-278-9973. Arnettsville is down Rte 19 (Fairmont Road), not quite to Fairmont.

Q2. A man asked whether or not we knew of a lady who lives in a nursing home who gives away quilts. She makes them because she likes to quilt and displays them on the walls of the nursing home. She gives them away and is offended if someone offers to pay for them. She was featured in the newspaper (D. Post I think) about a year ago. The man wanted to meet the lady and see her quilts. Does anyone know this lady or nursing home? The man's name is: Steve Dennis; Phone: 304-685-5626. This is a Morgantown cell phone exchange.

Q3. Do you know anyone who will repair old quilts?