

Circle in the Square

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Bring the following items to the meeting:

- **A Friend**
- Show and Tell
- Good Humor
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Program Meeting Raymond Houston

“One Quilter’s Journey”

**May 19, 2009
7:00 p.m.**

How time flies—nearly five years ago Raymond Houston entertained us at the July 2004 CSQ meeting. We welcome him back in May to catch up on what he has been doing since his last visit. He has appeared on HGTV’s “Simply Quilts” taught at the John Campbell Folk School in N.C. several times, revised his design method and is looking to self-

publish a book. In addition he continues to teach at Quilt University, was interviewed for Quilter’s S.O.S. (Save Our Stories) (read interview at: http://www.allianceforamericanquilts.org/qsos/show_interview.php?pbd=qsos-a0a8k6-a)

His quilts were featured in an article in the March 2004 Quilter’s Newsletter Magazine. Many of his quilts can be seen on his website at:

www.nachograndmasquilts.com.

A quote from his website states: *I design and create original quilts. You can call them art for your wall; you can call them art for your bed. You cannot call them ordinary.*

Join us for a very entertaining May meeting and bring a friend.

Dates to Remember

Program Meetings:

Jan 20, 2009
March 17
May 19
July 21
September 15
October 20
January 20, 2010
(Third Tuesday, 7:00 pm)

Held at University United Methodist Church 6901 Washington Avenue

Use the red door on the east side of the church (Trinity side). Ring the bell if the door is locked. An elevator is available in the entrance area.

Council Meetings:

May 12, 2009

Social Meetings:

February 20, 2009
April 24
June 16
August 18
November 17
February 16, 2010
(Third Tuesday, 7:00pm)



From the Prez – Carolyn

I am visiting with you from Dublin, California, which is in the bay area. Cliff and I are here getting a balance in our lives, primarily by cuddling our new little grandbaby, but also by keeping an eye on an active 2 ½ year old big sister. We've been here for three weeks helping our dear daughter-in-law recover from a C-section. To tell the truth, we go to bed early and exhausted!!

Our baby granddaughter, Rosalyn Iva ("Losa") was born in a fabulous Birthing Center where there was a

bed in the private room for daddy to spend the night...so he did just that for four nights. In the meantime, Cliff and I had full responsibility of little Carolyn (Lina"), and visited mommy, daddy, and baby sister daily bearing lattes and hot cocoa. It was Mr. and Mrs. Claus, I believe, with a little elf helper.

We do have a great relationship with Lina, and have such fun cooking, planting, building, reading, singing, etc. Lina just loves her little sister and can't leave her alone, having

trouble following the pediatrician's directive that she only touch Losa's feet. However, "love" does not include sharing when you are 2 ½. When our son asked Lina if she knew who was coming on an airplane, she said, "Grandma and Grandpa,"!!! then, pause, and "MINE."

Looking forward to seeing you in May and hearing all about Paducah.



Send us an email or give us a call with your comments, suggestions or questions

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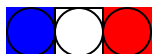
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Our Big Adventure at the Paducah Quilt Show (Or The Virtual World Meets in the “Real” World ☺)

By Darlene Schoon & Cherie Moore

Some of you may have looked at the www.Patchworktimes.com website mentioned in our newsletter this past year and know that it is Judy Laquidara’s blog. What you may not know is Judy agreed a couple of months ago, to conduct our workshop and give the opening lecture at the Quintessential Quilt 2009 show in October. Shortly before the Paducah AQS quilt show, Judy extended an invitation to her blog readers to join her for homemade apple pie & ice cream at her “cabin” on Thursday evening during the show. We thought it would be a perfect time to meet Judy and Darlene RSVP’d . Thursday afternoon we ran into Sandy Etheridge and Jan Ochterbeck and they joined our adventure to find Judy’s cabin.

We knew the “cabin” was located in the Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park about 20 miles from Paducah (almost to Patti’s restaurant). Since Judy didn’t know ahead of time which cabin she was assigned, she said to just look for her silver Honda CRV and a couple of other cars with out-of-state license plates in front. We turned at the first sign that said “Cabins”, thinking ourselves lucky that it was light out. After driving on every road off that turn, we gave up and went to the registration desk. Turns out those weren’t the “Executive” cabins which were further down the main road. While the registration desk couldn’t tell us where Judy’s cabin was, they did get us in touch via phone, yea!

A little before dark, we arrived to find Judy, her parents, three of her friends and another quilter from Pennsylvania. The cabin was two stories and there were quilts hanging from the upstairs railing...just what you’d expect from a cabin of quilters!! We also got to see the just-completed quilt she made for her dad—in progress pictures had been posted on Judy’s blog but it was neat to see it in person.

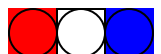
What a fun evening—anyone listening to us would have thought we had been friends for years—stories, laughter, quilt tales, phobias and of course apple pie ala mode.



We had planned to stay about an hour, but after more than two hours we finally forced ourselves away.....some of us were worried about a curfew ;)

If you are interested, her blog is at: <http://www.patchworktimes.com/>

Left to Right: Darlene Schoon, Judy Lacquidara, Cherie Moore, Jan Ochterbeck and Sandy Etheridge.



Minutes – Circle in the Square March 17 Meeting

Carolyn Birge called the meeting to order at 7:05 by welcoming all and introducing new members.

Sandy Etheridge handed out the new membership list with the names of the piecing group highlighted in yellow and out of town member in green.

Betsy Sweeney discussed our University City Lion Gate project and related a brief history of the Gates of Opportunity. She handed out blocks prepared by Jan Ochterbeck for CSQ's Lion wall hanging for the fall auction. (See additional information on page 7.)

Carolyn noted a balance of \$3,330.15 in our treasury. She pointed out the Guild's completed raffle quilt that was on display at the meeting. **Cherie Moore** said the raffle tickets would be \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. The proceeds from the raffle will go to offset the expenses of the quilt show. She also mentioned that the RAC grant was submitted on March 3rd. **Dorris McManis** noted that the application for the Quilt Expo in Knoxville must be mailed out by April 1. Photos and entry forms must be completed soon.

Darlene Schoon introduced the speaker, Louise Georgia, owner of the Quilted Fox Quilt shop. Louise shared many of her own collection of fabrics from around the world with us. She explained characteristics of Ikat, Yukata, Shibori from Japan, and silks from Thailand, batiks from Indonesia, New Guinea and Java, plus fabrics from Africa, Australia, England and her favorite, the French fabrics. Louise ended her talk by displaying her exquisite quilt that was 5 years in the making (see photo below).

Show and Tell included **Mary William's** Black History Quilts, one large patterned quilt from **Marilyn Ulrich**, animal squares from **Dorris**, **Janice Friedman's** and **Carolyn's** Go Green challenge quilts ending with Joy Stinger's Amish quilt.

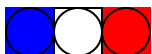
Betsy, **Kathleen Carlson** and **Christine Poulter** were door prize winners. Carolyn wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day and the meeting was adjourned at 8:45.

Submitted by Vivienne Mazzotta



CSQ Council Meeting, March 12 – Carolyn Birge's Home

Carolyn Birge graciously hosted the CSQ Council Meeting at her home. All enjoyed pizza, salad, vegetables and dessert. Members present included Sandy Etheridge, Vivienne Mazzotta, Jan Ochterbeck, Darlene Schoon and Betsy Sweeney. The business meeting began at 7:10 with the discussion of the status of the Lion's quilt for the fall University City auction. (For more information see Lion block on page _ in the Newsletter.) Debbie Lewis has volunteered to update the CSQ website and Sandy will use the information for membership update. (continued on page 5)





THE QUILTED FOX



It's a SALE! Louise is spring cleaning!!
Saturday, May 16 10:00 - 4:30, Sunday, May 17
12:00—4:00

Fabric, samples, books and patterns on sale for two days only.
Help us clear out the old to make room for new!

Sewing Class for Teens and Tweens



Do you know a teen or a tween who would like to take a sewing class this summer? On **Tuesday, July 20**, our own Trudy Johnson will be teaching a class for younger sewers who would like to learn to make a quillow.

Space is limited, reserve a seat soon! Call for details.

Don't forget—we're open every Sunday from 12 – 4 pm

Visit us at: 10403 Clayton Road in La Chateau Village or call us at **(314) 993-1181**

Monday & Wednesday 10-5; Tuesday & Thursday 10-6:30;

Friday & Saturday 10-4:30; Sunday 12-4:00

Find our newsletter on our web page: www.quiltedfox.com

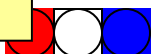
(CSQ Council Meeting Minutes continued)

Cherie, who could not attend, sent the following items for information & discussion:

1. Final grant to RAC was submitted 3-05-09. Volunteers are needed to attend the review panel meetings on April 8th. Darlene and Betsy volunteered.
2. The Call for Entries will be mailed in June.
3. A home for guest speaker/workshop leader, Judy Laquidara, is needed for Friday/Saturday nights, October 2 & 3.
4. CSQ Quintessential Quilt dates are October 2-30, 2009. Entries must be mailed by September
5. Booklets with entry names will be provided. Plans for the July meeting were discussed. Betsy S. suggested having a bookmark size blurb sheet to advertise CSQ events and information and all agreed that was a good idea.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Submitted by Vivienne Mazzotta



Challenge Quilts – In Quilt Guild competition at AQS Quilt Expo--Knoxville

Eight of the seventeen quilts entered in CSQ's Guild challenge last October have been entered in the AQS Quilt Expo – Knoxville. The completed entry forms and a close-up and overall photograph of each quilt have been sent. **We will learn in early June if they were accepted into competition.** The Show will be held July 22 – 25 at the Knoxville Convention Center. The following members have quilts entered: Mary Allen, Drew Benage, Janis Friedman, Nancy Hahn, Vivienne Mazzotta, Dorris McManis, Darlene Schoon and Pat Owoc.

We wanted to include a photograph of each quilt in the newsletter, but they made the Newsletter file too large (or something) and it could not be forwarded. We will attempt to have them on a sheet to hand out at the May meeting.

Congratulations to Nancy Guilfoil, Suzanne Marshall and Sandy Panagos, all CSQ members who had quilts at Paducah.

Update on Quintessential Quilt 2009

The fund raising quilt is complete, the photograph is taken and tickets will be available at the May CSQ meeting. In addition, there will be sign-up sheets for QQ 2009 functions.

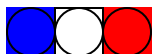
The large *Call for Entries* mailing will be in early June.

The judges for the Show have been finalized. They are:

Marianne Axboe, St. Louis, MO

A native of Denmark, Marianne has been fascinated by fabrics, threads, colors and all things sparkly since she was four years old. Vibrant, bold colors and strong linear lines are favorite design elements. She has produced a large number of liturgical pieces for churches in the St. Louis area. A member of Art Fiber of St. Louis, her work has been shown in nearly 50 exhibitions and quilt shows.

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Louise Georgia, St. Louis, MO

Louise is the owner of The Quilted Fox located near Lindberg and Hwy 40. She combines a business background and a love of quilting. Opened in 1995, it features many international fabrics and was named one of the Top 10 Quilt Shops in America in the 2001 Quilt Sampler Magazine. Louise offers a wide variety of classes in her shop, loves colors and has been a mentor and helper to countless students.

Velora Mowry, St. Louis, MO

Velora made her first quilt in 1968 and began quilting in earnest in the early 80's. She took the National Quilting Society course on judging quilts. She has previously judged shows in Crystal City, Cape Girardeau and the Silver Dollar Quilt show. She enjoys all parts of making a quilt and challenges herself to make each one her own and noted that she has taken classes from at least 20 different appliqué teachers.

The Lion Quilt Project:

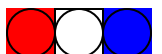
Below is an EQ rendition of the proposed Lion Quilt which will be donated for the University City Centennial celebration of the Lion Gates this fall.

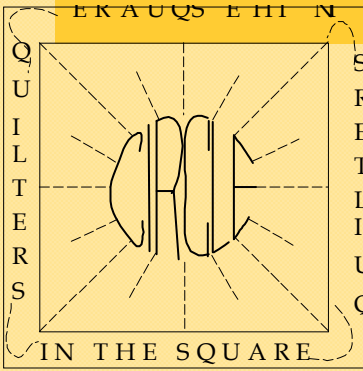


Each “lion” is a 14” block. Note the change in design of the tail (above).

The blocks were handed out at the March meeting. Many thanks to Nancy K. for the pattern, Jan O. for the EQ design and preparing the blocks to be pieced, to Betsy S. for the thangles, to Sandy E. for volunteering to do the quilting and to all who are piecing the blocks.

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Interesting Quilting Websites to check out-

www.amyalamode.wordpress.com/ well worth looking at back posts as she's posted pictures of quilts made by her family, including her father!

www.barbarabrackman.blogspot.com/ the name says it all.

www.dordognequilter.blogspot.com/ a French quilter with a liberating quilting bent

Circle in
the Square
Quilters

About Our Organization...

Circle in the Square Quilters is a quilting group. We invite everyone, quilters and non-quilters alike to join us on the third Tuesday at 7:00pm at the University United Methodist Church. Program meetings alternate with Social Meetings.

Upcoming Events

Sunday May 17 - 1 p.m.—The evolution of a Quiltmaker: Quilting Workshop with Suzanne Marshall at the Missouri History Museum, AT&T Foundation Multipurpose Room – Free

April 12 - September 13, 2009 –Mary Lee Bendolph, Gee's Bend Quilts, and Beyond Exhibit. Missouri History Museum

Tuesday, May 19 – Noon – 1 p.m. PBS Documentary film—The Quiltmakers of Gee's Bend. Missouri History Museum, AT&T Foundation Multipurpose Room – Free –Bring a sack lunch.