

Quilters above the Clouds Newsletter

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KUDOS TO THE BLOCK OF THE MONTHERS:

By Cindy DeMore

Everyone who has tackled a Block of the Month is doing great. I hope you are enjoying it as much as I like seeing what you do. Remember, it's never too late to join either. Special kudos go to Pat Steiner who is doing several crazy quilt blocks for each month--they are beautiful. Pat, please bring them to share next meeting as I forgot to tell everyone about what you were doing at the last meeting. And Barb Oliver gets the "thinking out of the square" nod (but who else??) as she is doing the Stitch in Time block of the month with a frog theme (what else)!! And remember--having trouble with a Stitch in Time block? Just come to the Lake George sewing square (1st & 3rd Fridays) and I will usually be there to help.

Quilting for the Advocacy Center

The next session of Quilting for the Advocacy Center will take place on Thursday, May. 28, 2009 in the Community Room of the Woodland Park Public Library, 218 E. Midland. The meetings will take place from

10:00 AM until 4:00 PM. The June scheduled date is Thurs. June 25, 2009 and also will be at the Woodland Park Library from 10 am to 4 pm.

At the February Meeting Jeanie noted there is a need for larger quilts approximately 50" x 70".

In Seattle you haven't had enough coffee until you can thread a sewing machine while it's running. ~Jeff Bezos

Charm Square Exchange Explained for New Members

by Jeanie Brooks

Charm squares are 6" fabric squares containing themes, colors, or styles. They must be cut from 100% good quality cotton. If we all wash and iron the fabric before cutting the squares, shrinkage or color bleeding should not be a problem. You should get 15 to 18 squares from 1/2 yard of fabric. Buy a little extra to keep some for yourself, as the 1/2 yard will be used up in our exchange.

Cut 6" strips from your fabric and then subcut into 6" squares. Place squares in a zip-top plastic bag and write your name, phone number and number of squares in your bag on the front. You will receive the same number of charm squares back the following month, all in different fabrics.

Charm square Themes for 2009

May- Batik fabric swap

June-Stars, Planets or Sky

July- 4th of July print

August- Mountain or Tree print

September-Fruit and/or Veggie Print

October- Fall fabric print

Nov/Dec- Holiday fabric print

Call Jeanie if you have questions: 684-9184

What to Bring to the May Meeting

May meeting "checklist":

- Batik 6" charm squares
- Door Prize
- Block(s) of the Month
- "Little Red Dress" blocks and Ovarian Cancer blocks
- TESSA Animal and Quilts
- 2" x 22" strips of fabric for Wendy
- Fat Quarters for Basket Exchange

Truce is better than friction. ~ Charles Herguth

Capitol Quilt Show

100 quilts displayed in the halls of the State Capitol Building in Denver from June 2nd to August 19th when the capitol is open.

Missing Clipboard

Shari Belaire has asked if anyone seen the clip board with our sign up sheet for refreshments. If anyone knows where this elusive clip board might be lurking, please, let her know or bring it to the May meeting!

QAC on the Internet

QAC may be found at a variety of sites on the World Wide Web. These range from the fashionable Facebook to the "20th Century" webshots.

QAC is now part of the social networking Community – it is a proud member of Facebook! Facebook (FB) requires its members to have a 2- or 3-part name, therefore QAC's FB name is Quilters Above The-Clouds. Several QAC Members already have FB pages. It seems reasonable to suggest that it might be an effective means of communication for many of us to have FB pages. It's easy to sign up – just go to www.facebook.com and follow the directions!

QAC has an Internet "chat" group that doesn't chat much. However, it does have tons of great links to terrific Internet quilting sites, many QAC photos, files of previous BOM's and newsletters. All you have to have is a Yahoo ID to join at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Quilters_Above_The_Clouds/ It's a fun place to notify other members if you find a cool quilting Website that you'd like to share with other QACers.

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QAC also has a not-too-glamorous webpage at http://www.geocities.com/quilters_above_clouds It's a freebie for QAC and it's quick to download the pages – something important for our dial-up members. This site is now used mostly to communicate to the public information about our up-coming quilt show. Please note the lack of a "the" in the URL.

Visually we may be found on YouTube at <http://youtube.com/user/QuiltersAboveClouds> for videos and for photo stills at http://community.webshots.com/user/Quilters_above_the_clouds Both of these sites have numerous shots from our two quilt shows.

Quilting for Fire Victims

Barb Oliver has put out a call for quilters to join her and Joan Stover on Thursday, May 21, 2009 to help rebuild the quilt reserves for victims of fires. This month Joan has delivered 6 quilts to fire victims. We are down to just one quilt and the fire season is just beginning. Barb would really appreciate it if many of us would show up on the 21st at the Ute Pass Cultural Center, 210 E. Midland, for "Quilting for Fire Victims". It meets from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Hope to see you there!

QAC Board Meeting

The next QAC Board meeting will be held at Nuts 'n' Bolts Needleworks on June 11, 2009 at 1 PM. QAC members are welcome to attend.

Florissant Library Bake Sale

The Friends of Florissant Library are holding their annual Bake, Book and Plant Sale June 5 and 6. If you have any gently used books or small pots of herbs you'd be willing to donate, Nell Carnein will be happy to collect them at the next meeting. Thanks, Nell

Fun New Stuff at Nuts 'n' Bolts

Marcia and Paulette of Nuts 'n' Bolts Needleworks have just returned from Quilt Market. They invite all the QACers to stop in and see all their new quilting finds!

Our Officers, Chairs & Members

Debbie Pyeatt

The Newsletter continues a series introducing the Guild's illustrious officers, committee chairs, and members. The series' goal is for members to get to know one-another better and build stronger relationships. This month's featured member is our new Treasurer, Debby Pyeatt. You've seen her working on our scrapbook; now you'll see her working on our "books".

I was born in Colorado Springs. I was 3 when my family moved to California. We lived in Anaheim BEFORE the mouse, so I know what orange blossoms smell like, not a fragrance you ever forget!!

My grandmother quilted--a lot! The 30's repro fabrics always make me think of her because so many of her quilts were made during that era. As soon as we could hold a needle and thread, she was handing us fabric to sew together. Her favorite pattern was Grandmother's Flower Garden. As soon as my sisters and I could accomplish sewing squares together, she would start us on hexagons, probably at 5 or 6 years old.

The biggest influence in my life has been family. My grandmother for quilting, my mom for clothing construction and life skills, my sister Marita for her friendship, and my dad for letting me learn to run his lathe and other things mechanical!!

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My favorite part of quilting is the entire process! My very favorite part is probably the pattern and fabric acquisition! (Who doesn't like to shop!) Once I've figured out how the pattern goes together, I have a hard time kicking myself into finishing.

Edd and I have been married for 42 years. We have three great kids!!! Shannon, a 6th grade teacher in Falcon. She and husband Matt have 2 girls, Rachel 13 and a half, and Becca 11. Our son John, works for Raytheon, after 11 yrs. in the Navy. He is also in the Air Guard in Arizona. He and wife Tracy ride herd on Marni 17, Donald 13, Emma 8, and Andrew 6. Raucous is the word that jumps to mind to describe their household!!! Sara is our youngest, she has started a new job with Teller Co., which she loves!! She has three children, Timothy 9, Brayden 8, and Jade 6. They are currently living with us, so our house is raucous too!! I get to hug them everyday, so it's wonderful!! Edd spent 30 years in Federal Law Enforcement, ugly hours, ugly shifts, so I was a stay-at-home mom when it was no longer popular. Someone had to keep everyone's schedule on track--with eleven yrs. between oldest and youngest and Edd's rotating shifts, it was about 3 full time jobs. Did I mention being a chauffeur?

I think my favorite tools for quilting are the rotary cutters and all the different rulers--how much easier we have it. I have some of my grandmother's tag board templates. They have been traced a million times or so!! No thank you!!!

I enjoy many crafts other than quilting. I always say I've never met a craft I didn't like!! That's true of people too, we are so diverse. Everyone has a story to tell, if we just slow down enough to hear it, and if we realize that there is more than one way to live, someone else might have an answer to life we hadn't thought about. I'm still learning!!!

Debby

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APRIL 24, 2009

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

MINUTES

BY Aline J. Goodchild, Secretary Pro-Tem

Call to Order by President –Jeanie Brooks 1:23 pm

Jeanie announced that we are changing the Agenda a bit today to accommodate our speakers, who are representing TESSA. If their pagers go off, they will be gone to assist in a situation. Let's be mindful of the nature of the presentation and questions. Cindy Link will monitor the door for privacy due to the special circumstances of this presentation..

Jeanie introduced and welcomed our guests, Julie Sage & Devra Goodwin. They thanked our Guild for our donations, and relayed how wonderfully well received the quilted gifts were and how much the children enjoyed them.

February Minutes not available...They will be printed for review later.

Audit Committee: Nell Carnein reports that the audit "balanced to the penny perfectly". Judy Hayward moved to accept the results of the audit and it was 2nd by Cindy Pring and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: - Debbie Pyeatt. The books were passed on to our new Treasurer today. Motion to ratify the board approval of Debby Pyeatt, unanimously approved by membership Budget, is in the Newsletter. Nell Carnein stated that there was a duplicate entry in the budget on the estimate of the Auction. \$750.00 was entered twice. The budget will be amended.

Sue Kongs: Fund raising Auction 2009 Sue is out of town until the 28th of April. She will update us at the next meeting.

Wendy Dillenschneider - VP of Programs - handed out 3 Pictures of the quilt class we can choose from for Freddie Moran's Class. Freddie Moran is an Instructor, Author and Artist. Sign your name on the back of the pictures going around, Circle number in order of your preference for the class 1st, 2nd 3rd choice for the workshop, held on July 23, 10:00 to 4:00. The Class fee is \$50.00 & it will be held at the WP Library.

Wendy asked the group to think about an Assistant VP for Programs to begin scheduling speakers for next year 2010. Wendy is running into many booked speakers some more than a year in advance. We would have to change our by-laws to reflect this change. Wendy will submit printed information to the Newsletter. Nell moved to vote on this issue in May, Barb 2nd, and carried by the general membership for May's election.

Nell C. asked if it has to be one body, or a team position. Or could it turn into a committee? Will be discussed at May Election.

Kathleen Grenfell - Membership: New Member: Marian Dunston, 2 Guests: Liz Watkins and Dorothy

Committee Reports:

Standing Committees:

Quilt Show Committee -Susie O'Connor, Pat Harris, Barb Oliver. We will have the same categories as the State Fair and in addition there will be "One Grand Champion". Voted on by members only! Sept. 12 "Quilts in the Aspens". Aline suggested that we invite the local Nurseries, like the Paradise Gardens & Diggin it the Dirt. We use the Aspens for the decorations as well as for sale around the quilts. Title of the show is "Quilts in the Aspens" Show, 2009. A committee of husbands has been appointed and has graciously offered their time and talents to making the frames for the quilts out of PVC pipe.

Quilts that were completed this last year to be entered and any of your old unfinished projects enter for this show. This will be the last year to enter quilts that are more than one year old.

Cindy DeMore – BOM: reported on the Teller County Fair. More details will be announced in the Newsletter. Instructions for BOM, Mystery blocks and CD available for blocks, each time you finish a block, sign up to enter the drawing.

Kim McMurry - Librarian: The Library has received 42 books this month, through Jeanie Brooks from Cathy Mikelson, (she is a member of Colorado Springs Quilt Guild). And Kim is still checking them into our Library. Be sure to peruse our latest additions next month

Andrea Kroening - Quilt Challenges: Quilt a Song reveal date has changed. It will now be at the August.

Pat Harris – Advocacy - Pat Harris had 7 finished tops, batting, binding and backing, some already sandwiched, to be distributed to our eager members. Pat & Vern Harris provided all the bins of Advocacy fabric for the members to take & use for Advocacy quilts. Another stack of Advocacy quilts are ready for DSS. Pat showed some crochet and knitted baby blankets, members voted to send the Baby blankets to Teller County Pregnancy Center.

Pat also shared the center medallion for our Signature quilt.

Scott Beaver – Charity Quilts, shared the Red Ribbon Auction Quilt to be auctioned for SCAP and to be quilted by Judy Cooper. Any late blocks will be used in a Wall hanging so bring them in next month. Creators for the blocks ranged in age from two years to 92 years.

Debby Pyeatt - Historian: The Scrap book was designed by Karen Penley for 2008 has been completed. There were 20 more stuffed animals and mini quilt sets sent out with Devra and Julie of TESSA today before they left.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nuts & Bolts - Mary Beth was unavailable. Barb O., Pat Harris and Susie O'Connor explained an idea which Marybeth had asked to present at the March meeting. She needs help putting together quilts that are made and displayed to feature new lines of fabric each season. Marsha will provide the materials and we would complete the project for N & B. They will display the

project and when the featured fabric is gone or out of season. N & B would donate the display quilt or project to our Auction.

"Night and Day" title of Eleanor Burns new book. Featuring Susie's sister, Sally's quilt. It is due out between July and Dec.

The Guild had received several thank you notes & they were read aloud to the members.

Kim Mauthe Director TC DSS, wrote Thank you to our Guild for the continued support, and for donating all the wonderful quilts.

A thank you arrived from Tessa, for our Christmas Quilts and Stuffed Animals.

A touching letter from a member, addressed to Jeanie B, read by Cindy Pring. Members suggested the letter be printed in our Newsletter and kept in our scrapbook.

Joan Stover -Fire Quilts: Two quilts were provided for fire victims. Aline will present to them to the recipients after Guild this weekend privately.

Unfinished Business: Insurance discussion for next month.

Door prizes:

Attendee's Prize - Aline drew for Jeanie. Marian Dunston's tickets won both the Autographed Flower Petal Book, and the embellished Pink Purse.

Congratulations.

Show and Tell

Adjourn 3:57 pm

Quilters Above the Clouds Quilt Guild

3rd Annual Quilt Show

Quilts in the Aspens

Saturday, Sept 12, 2009

10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Woodland Park, CO

Featuring
Quilts
Quilting Demonstrations
Historical Displays



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**The Quilter's Guild of Teller Co., CO
Meets the last Friday of each month
from 1PM – 3:00PM**

Woodland Park Public Library

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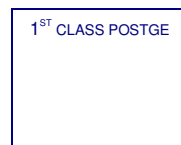
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