

DECEMBER 2011

THE QUILTERS QUILL

Board Meeting January 5, 2012, 9:30 AM
Business Meeting January 12, 2012 10:00 AM

From the President

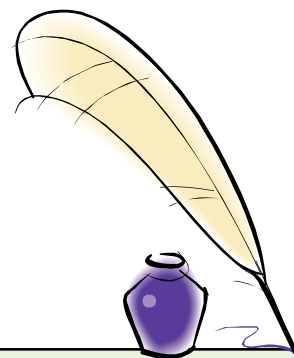
With the year almost ended, I want to tell you all how touched I am with your telling me "Thank you" for stepping in and taking the Presidency. I was honored to do so for this wonderful group! And I'm so delighted with my beautiful Christmas quilt given to me at the Holiday party! I will always treasure it! Thank you so much! The Holiday party was so well done and really special with the fabulous challenge quilts. What a great idea! Once again, I want to thank Kay Amsler for another job so well done. She and her team deserve the entire guild's appreciation.

I also want to thank the officers and my dedicated committee chairs for all their work during the year. Officers, Marty Dzioba, Alvina Diello, Patty Zack and Rosemary Trabucchi have been there when needed and done their jobs with enthusiasm and dedication. Thank you for continuing on into next year! Committee Chairs, Diana Rezab, Helen Williams, Barbara Jean O'Flanagan, Sue Marra, Lynn Peck-Collins, Frances Connor, Dean Stevens, Diane Stevenson, Betty Lou Krasenics, Ruth Powers, Ed Dzioba, Linda Bory, Marybeth Seidenfield and Linda Tobacco have all done outstanding jobs for the guild. Also my thanks to the "special events" leaders, Chantal Huestis, and Kay Amsler, Naomi Durkee and Lynne Rice and Sue Marra and Diana Rezab who were responsible for our wonderful Day of Sharing. The Library Display, organized by Penny Finney was another big event. I know there were many other "behind the scene" workers for that event and others during the year such as the three beach retreats, the cookbook project, the raffle quilt team and the charity sew in days. In other words, it seems to me that each and every one of you takes part in making this guild the huge success that it is. What a thrill to be a part of it! And, each month we seem to have new members not only joining, but volunteering for some job, so next year promises to be even bigger and better with Penny at the helm and the big upcoming quilt show! Thanks for a wonderful year!

Laurene

Reminder

All members must wear their official TRQG name tags to every meeting and activity/workshop or pay the price...\$0.50 to the kitty. It is required by the church for security of the children in the day care program. The church personnel do not recognize any other name tags!



OFFICERS FOR 2011

- President**– Laurene Gaskins, 637-5823
- V/P-Programs**- Marty Dzioba, 638-8769
- Secretary**- Rosemary Trabucchi, 637-9473
- Treasurer**– Alvina Diello - 638-8961 & Patty Zach, 638-8724
- AQS Books**-Helen Williams, 637-4974
- Coastal Women's Shelter** - Sue Mara 637-202 & Barbara Jean O'Flanagan, 637-5359
- Historian**- Lynn Peck-Collins, 637-3788
- Lap Robes**- Frances Connor, 634-4268
- Ronald McDonald Quilts**-Dean Stevens, 633-5936
- Home of the brave** – Mary Beth Seidenfield, 633-1177
- Sunshine**- Ruth Powers, 634-9470
- Block of the month** -Celia Von Oesen, 571-5349, Ed Dzioba, 638-8769
- Librarian**– Betty Lou Krasenics 633-1877
- Membership**- Diana Rezab, 636-5919
- Newsletter Editor & Newsletter Mailings**
Diane Stevenson 224-9909
dmstevenson@embarqmail.com
- Fall Retreat** – Bev Nicholson, 637-9343
- Winter Retreat** – Ruth Powers, 634-9470 & Sue Kleeman, 634-9055
- Spring Retreat – Rosemary Trabucchi, 637-9473
- Hospitality** - Linda Tobacco, 633-1254
- Website** – Ruth Powers, Lauren Gaskins & Karen Dodd
- Library Display**- Lilly Lucieri, 244-1988
- Day of Sharing** – Lilly Lucier, 2441988
- Quilt Show 2012** -Lynn Peck-Collins, Ed Dzioba
- Raffle Quilt** – Sandra Cluckey, 626-4074



Vice President – Marty Dzioba

General Information: All scheduled workshops will begin at 9:00 am. Going forward, there will be a sign up sheet. Any questions, please feel free to contact me at (252) 638-8769.

Wishing all of you the best of holiday seasons and good health in 2012. The quilts made for the Crayon Challenge were awesome! You know that's true when Lynn Peck-Collins wants them for the 2012 Quilt Show! Thanks to all of you for the many quilts for Pamlico. We had well over 30+ quilts to deliver.

The 2012 calendar is almost ready. Sign-up sheets will be available at Stitch 'n Chat. Listed below are just some of the workshops coming up.

2012 NC Quilt Symposium: A Symposium member will join us at the January meeting to show us a slide presentation and tell us about the June 2012 Symposium. Some of you are new and don't know about this great quilting experience. This year it's being held near Asheville---sounds like a good excuse for a trip....

Growth Chart: In February, Gail Schiller will teach us how to make a wonderful growth chart---some of you may remember when she made one and showed it. She's making another to share with all of us. The instructions and supply list are attached.

Fabric Rope Basket Workshop: Sandy Smith and Mary Ann will be leading a workshop January 26, starting at 9:00 am on making rope baskets with clothesline rope and fabric. Sandy displayed a basket at either the October or November Guild Meeting.

Supplies needed for class:

Sewing machine with zig zag stitch and a dual cording foot

Fabric - 1/2 yard is good for learning - pre cut into 1 3/4" strips by width of fabric

Thread to match fabric (Isocord thread is best and the New Bern Fabric store carries)

Clothesline - 100 ft 3/16" again New Bern Fabric carries or Walmart carries Secureline 100 ft 3/16"

Bias Maker - Clover #18 (get the red one)

Awl/stiletto or seam ripper

If you have small iron and ironing pad to set next to machine bring it - if not you will have to share the guild iron and board.

Any questions call me, Sandy

Please pre-register for the class so that we can set up the right number of work stations for the workshop. Call or email Sandy if you plan to attend at 619 647-5515 or imsimplysandy@yahoo.com

Mystery Quilt 2012:

The 1st part of the mystery quilt will be handed out in January.

Fabric Requirements are: Dark 4 yds., Medium 1 1/2 yds. and light 3 yds. Make sure when you're picking your dark and medium fabric that's their is a contrast between the two. Otherwise, they will blend and the pattern will be lost. Also, stay away from big bold patterns on your fabric because it will be lost when cut. Any questions, please contact Nancy Degen at 249-1179 or nancydegen@gmail.com

AQS

If anyone is interested in purchasing a book from the AQS list, call me or see me at stitch n chat.

Helen Williams

637-4974

CWS

Again I would like to thank all the members of our guild for their generous spirit this Christmas. We made one lucky family of four very happy.

Suggested donations for January 2012:

Cleaning supplies, Bleach, Rid (septic system), Fabric Softener, Dish Detergent, Washing Detergent, Clorox Cleanup, Lysol Spray.

Barbarajean & Sue Marra

In God we trust

HISTORIAN:

TRQG members that have photos of Guild activities they would like to share, please send them to Lynn Peck-Collins, Historian. If you have a batch of them, the Guild will provide a blank CD, and a postage paid return envelope for your convenience! Just call, 637-3788, or email lpcollins@embarqmail.com Lynn and request a CD. All photos for the website should be sent to Lynn too. Thank you!

Lynn Peck-Collins

1331 Pine Valley Dr

New Bern, NC 28562-2904

LAP ROBES

Nothing to report

Thank you so much for all you did this past year.

Frances Connor

RONALD MCDONALD QUILTS

Cathy Cox -1

Thanks to all who donated quilts for the year.

Dean Stevens

633-5936

SUNSHINE REPORT

Cards were sent to these people in November and December: Carla Cherry, Kay Amend, Laurene Gaskins, Mary Banner, Deborah Brickett, Eleanor Bryant, Lynne Rice, Helen Williams, Lynn Peck-Collins, and Phyllis Prideaux.

Thanks to everyone who let me know when someone is in need of a note or card, whether it is a concern or a joy. Please continue notifying me because we do want our members to know we are thinking of them.

Ruth Powers

634-9470 or germ13@suddenlink.net

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

The block for January will be "Bright Hope", if you have any questions you can contact Ed Dzioba at 638-8769 or Celia Von Oesen at 635-4910

HOME OF THE BRAVE

We are sending two more quilts out in December (I will be mailing the on the 12th). This is our first Iraq MIA in nearly a year; let us pray it is the last since they are scheduled to be out of there shortly. Please complete any blocks or quilts you have out. If you do not have the time, give them to me and I will see that they are completed. Thank you for all you do for the families.

Mary Beth Seidenfield

MEMBERSHIP

(Any changes to your phone/address/email, please contact membership at dianarezab@suddenlink.net) if your email change is not forwarded to me then you will miss out on any workshop activities, class info, updates, etc. through guild emails

New Member:



Elaine Varley, 112 Jeri Drive, NB 252-474-0248, ervarley@embarqmail.com. Elaine is a native New Bernian. She started quilting in 1990. She has recently retired and now it is time to do some serious quilting. Her other hobbies are photography, gardening and reading. Elaine was introduced to the guild by Bev Nicholson.

MEMBERSHIP DUES of \$25.00 for 2012 is due December 31, 2011

Your membership dues must be paid by December 31, 2011 or your information will not be included in the 2012 Directory. Also, your dues for 2012 must be paid before attending the winter retreat. There is always a waiting list so get your dues in know.

Your support of the guild is greatly appreciated!

Name: _____ Email _____ Phone _____
Check # _____

Please note any changes in your address, phone #, email:

Please make check payable to Twin Rivers Quilters Guild (TROG) and mail to: Diana Rezab, Membership Chair, 5509 Gondolier, NB, NC 28562. Any questions, please contact Diana Rezab.

Membership Chair
Diana Rezab

WINTER RETREAT - JANUARY 16-20, 2012

Sue Kleeman and Ruth Powers are now taking names for Winter Retreat at the Beach. For those who are not familiar with the retreat, we descend onto Clamdigger Inn Hotel on Salter Path, Atlantic Beach. Everyone brings their own sewing machine, supplies, fabrics, etc, and unless there is a demonstration from someone, we all sew our own projects. We arrive on Monday and leave Friday, usually after lunch. It is always a good time, and a good way to get to know the ladies better. The cost has not gone up in years, singles rooms are \$175, and doubles are \$88 for each lady for the week. This year we are just taking names and whether you want double or single. In December we will call the Clamdigger with numbers and names/roommates, and when you arrive, you will give your charge card number to the desk for your expenses. There is a restaurant on the premises and many others nearby.

Please sign up only if you are going, not if you are unsure, as we usually have a waiting list. As a reminder, your 2012 dues must be paid before you can attend! The sewing room we use can only accommodate 34 ladies comfortably with room for general use tables.

We will again have some evening activities. A list of suggested items will be given at a later date. So far we have 22 ladies signed up. See us at stitch & chat.

Ruth Powers, 634-9470 Sue Kleeman, 634-9055

Happy Birthday Wishes

We would like to wish the following ladies a very happy birthday Helen Williams, Pat Robinson, Kathy Dwyer Petrichko, Betty Williams, and Gail Krielow

Barbarajean
In God we trust

Raffle Quilt

Sandra Cluckey has generously agreed to take over the showing of the quilt at the Farmer's Market and other guild's DOS events. Sandra will have a sign up sheet for Saturday's at the Farmer's Market and other events so please contact Sandra at 626-4074 or oldpeeps2005@yahoo.com and volunteer your time.

2011 HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

This quilt was presented to our president, Laurene Gaskins to thank her for a job well done in 2011!



Holiday Luncheon, December 8th, 2011

The ladies are working hard at putting the Crayon Challenge quilts on display. Looks good!

