

# *The Stone House Quilter*

News of the



**Stone House Quilters Guild  
Manassas, Virginia**

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## **BITS and PIECES FROM the PRESIDENT**

As I write my last note to you as your President, I am somewhat in a quandry as to what to say---a few thoughts do come to mind, and I would like to share them. This past year has been such a treat for me. Our guild added many new members, we upgraded our status and are now officially non-profit, and we were treated to an amazing array of fun things to do and see---There always seemed to be an abundance of smiles and laughter with our group (we even impressed Pat Sloan with our liveliness!)---And in the challenging moments I always felt that I had the support and encouragement from you to “keep on keepin’ on”. I know that Nancy and Fran will do a wonderful job, and that you will be by their side every step of the way as you always have been with me. I do admit, though, that I am looking forward to just being a “spectator” at the meetings in the coming year! In closing, I will just say keep up the good work; you gals ROCK, not only as a guild, but as genuinely special ladies.

Sincerely, and with appreciation,  
Rae

## **SPECIAL NOTE FOR DECEMBER MEETING**

**So that we will have plenty of room to munch and visit with everyone our December Meeting and Christmas Party will be held at JAVA ROCK (Next to Manassas Baptist Church).**

**This is always a fun time and it is the yearly "Changing of the Guard" so please make sure you note the change in location, for the month of December only, and plan to attend.**

**December 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.**

**Java Rock (Next to Manassas Baptist Church)**

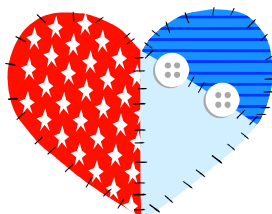
**8730 Sudley Road, Manassas, VA (Across from the main Post Office)**

## 2009 Officers

<b>President</b>	<b>Rae Brady</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Toni Mayo</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Nancy Thyson</b>	<b>Membership</b>	<b>Angela Owens</b>
	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Karen Williams</b>	

## Committees

<b>Bee Keeper</b>	<b>Gina Derksen</b>
<b>Birthday Raffle</b>	<b>Beth Flores</b>
<b>Block of the Month</b>	<b>Fran Berrios</b>
<b>Community Service Quilts</b>	<b>Karen Roberson</b>
<b>Events</b>	<b>Kathy McLaren, Vicky Gibson</b>
<b>Historian</b>	<b>Darlene Hull</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>Joann Bueno</b>
<b>Library Quilts</b>	<b>Betty Geisler</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	<b>Vicky Gibson</b>
<b>Parliamentarian</b>	<b>Barbara Kurtz</b>
<b>Programs</b>	<b>Kathy McLaren, Izzy Saylor</b>
<b>Quilt Show</b>	<b>Jeanne Endrikat, Sandy Johnson</b>
<b>Raffle Quilt</b>	<b>on hold</b>
<b>Row by Row</b>	<b>Charlotte Cain</b>
<b>Set Up/Clean Up</b>	<b>Izzy Saylor</b>
<b>Sunshine and Shadows</b>	<b>Beth Flores</b>
<b>Web Master</b>	<b>Brian Henkel (Jeeves)</b>



## **SHQG MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**November 2009**

<b>President:</b>	Rae Brady	Present	<b>Secretary:</b>	Karen Williams	Present
<b>Vice President:</b>	Nancy Thyson	Present	<b>Treasurer:</b>	Tony Mayo	Present
	<b>Membership:</b>	Angela Owens		Present	

## STONE HOUSE QUILTERS GUILD

### Minutes for the November 9, 2009 General Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by President Rae Brady. Rae presented the Patriot Quilt and a monetary gift to Commander of the VFW Post, Steve Meade, and President of the VFW Auxiliary Valerie Nealey. She thanked all those who had worked on the quilt, especially Karen Roberson and Elaine Stuckey.

After a program by Pat Sloan the business meeting was conducted.

Rae recognized those having birthdays in the month of November.

A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes from the October meeting as published in the November newsletter.

Treasurer, Toni Mayo, reported that the beginning balance for October 1, 2009 was \$8,952.73 with income for the month as \$582.00. Expenses for the month were \$249.00, leaving a balance of \$9,284.96 as of October 31, 2009. Toni also asked that all committee chairs work up their budgets for 2010 and submit them to her by the December meeting.

Angela Owens, Membership Chair, reported that we had one visitor.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**BIRTHDAY RAFFLE:** Beth Flores, Chair, reported 5 gifts for the raffle. If you did not bring a gift this month you can bring it the next time you attend the meeting.

**BLOCK OF THE MONTH:** Fran Berrios, Chair, reported that the December block will be on the web.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Karen Roberson, Chair, reported that we had met our goal and had 223 quilts. The same challenge will be issued for next year.

**HOSPITALITY:** JoAnn Bueno, Chair, will have a sign up sheet for next year beginning next month. The guild Christmas party will be December 14, 2009. Because we usually have a larger turnout of members for this meeting it will be held at Java Rock. Those members whose last names start with A thru J are to bring Savory and those from K thru Z should bring Sweet.

**LIBRARY QUILT:** Betty Geisler, Chair, reported that one of her quilts is hanging for November and Harriette Siler's will hang in December.

**NEWSLETTER:** Vicky Gibson, Editor, asked that all newsletter articles be into her by November 22, 2009.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Chair, Angela Owens, announced that all executive board positions had been filled and only Bee Keeper chair had not been filled. She then turned the floor over to Rae Brady and Parliamentarian Barbara Kurtz. The slate of officers was read:

President - Nancy Thyson

Vice President - Fran Berrios

Secretary - Sue Waters

Treasurer - Toni Mayo

Membership - Angela Owens

The membership was asked if there were any nominations from the floor, and since there were none Barbara announced by acclamation that the board was elected.

Committee Chairs for 2010 will be:

Bee Keeper: ?????

Birthday Raffle - Rae Brady

Block of the Month, Row by Row and Round Robin: Charlotte Cain, Lynn Marsh, and Beth Flores

Community Service: Millie Keene

Event: Destination Retreat - Beth Flores and Kathie Latimer

Historian - Darlene Hull

Hospitality - JoAnn Bueno

Library Quilt - Betty Geisler

Newsletter - Donna MacDonald  
Programs - Elizabeth Saylor and Vicky Gibson  
Quilt Show Rep: Sandy Johnson  
Raffle Quilt: Sandy Johnson  
Sunshine and Shadow: Rae Brady  
Webmaster: Brian Henkel

PROGRAMS: Kathy McLaren, Chair, reminded all that the program next month will be the Holiday Party, and that those participating in the Secret Quilters Exchange should not forget to bring your gift. She also announced that the guild would be sponsoring a 12 hour Sew-In on December 12, 2009 at Cornerstone Creations from 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM. There will be a \$5.00 charge.

QUILT SHOW REP: Sandy Johnson, Rep, reported that the next Quilt Show meeting will be November 16, 2009 at the Central Library at 7:00 PM. If you would like to volunteer to work at the quilt show please see Karen Williams. More information about the quilt show will be published in the newsletter.

ROW BY ROW: All those participating in the Row by Row were reminded of the reveal on December 5, 2009 at Cornerstone Creations at 2:00 PM.

NEW BUSINESS: The Prince William Symphony in conjunction with the Manassas Museum will hold a fund raiser at La Chappelle Restaurant on November 21, 2009 from 12:00 Noon until 9:00 P.M. The cost will be \$25.00 for the guild to be able to sell raffle tickets as well as items remaining from the quilt show boutique. Volunteers will be needed to cover shifts. They would also like the Liberia Quilt to be shown there.

The VFW will be having a Craft Fair on November 15, 2009 at the VFW Post from 10:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. This would also be an opportunity for us to sell raffle tickets and boutique items. Volunteers would also be needed to work.

SHOW AND TELL: Show and Tell was presented by the following: Harriette Siler, Pat Dufrense, Jeanne Endrikat, Terri Taggart, Jennifer Goforth, Judy Jellen, Kary Heck, Rae Brady, Carolyn Perkins, Toni Mayo and Kathie Latimer.

The next board meeting will be December 7, 2009 at the home of Nancy Thyson at 7:00 PM. Please let Nancy know if you will be attending.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Williams, Secretary for the Stone House Quilters Guild, November 21, 2009.

### **LIBRARY QUILTS**

Sizes for the quilts that hang in the library are from 45" to 50" in width and length. Though smaller quilts may not need a sleeve, a sleeve on the back is preferred. Bring your quilts during the month you volunteered it; quilts are hung in the Central Library for the following month. Betty Geisler

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

It's almost the end of 2009! We still need members to fill two committee positions, Beekeeper and yes, Programs. Our volunteer for co-chair of programs had to drop out. Please consider this, and let me know if you are interested in helping next year. Angela Owens

## Quilt Show News

November's Quilt Show Meeting was all about perfecting the quilt registration forms for the Stone House website. We are working to make registering all of our great quilts as easy as possible, because as of the first week in December (you'll be notified by E-news), you will be able to register on line! I've put together a timeline that will hopefully keep everyone up to date and on time!

1. **Finish up** your Challenge quilt for the Hampton Quilt Show and/or your quilt for our quilt show! If you're like most of us you are just getting started!
2. **December 1<sup>st</sup>**, register your Challenge quilt and your quilt for our quilt show! We will be providing a **packet of registration** forms/instructions at the **December 14<sup>th</sup>** Guild meeting/party for your convenience. If you feel uncomfortable about registering on line, just fill out one of the forms; Jeanne and Sandy will be glad to register for you.
3. Work on **projects** for the **Boutique** and for the **Silent Auction!**
4. December 14<sup>th</sup> enjoy our guild meeting and party but remember to **volunteer for the quilt show!** See Karen Williams and sign up before she gets you. If you can't make the show, consider volunteering to make items for the Boutique on **January 16<sup>th</sup> and February 20<sup>th</sup>** at the Manassas Baptist Church between 10 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Also, see Lisa House to sign up to make goodies for the hungry show volunteers. Just one more thing you will need to do while enjoying great goodies and great friends is to please order your **pin buddy** for your Quilt Show pin if you are a new volunteer for this year. Just see Sandy Johnson, and she will fill you in!!
5. Enjoy family and friends over the holiday but keep working on those quilt projects!!
6. **January 3<sup>rd</sup>** is the last date to register your Challenge Quilts for the Hampton Show, if you need assistance from the quilt show chairpersons. **January 10<sup>th</sup>** is the last day to register your quilts on line. Be sure to turn them in at the January guild meeting.
7. **January 24<sup>th</sup>** is the last date to register your quilt by turning in a form and photo to a quilt show chairperson. **January 31<sup>st</sup>**, last day to register your quilts on line if you are doing it yourself, for the Cabin Branch & Stone House Quilt Show.
8. **February 8<sup>th</sup>** turn in your quilts for the quilt show!!!
9. **March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>** come and enjoy the best quilt show for miles around!
10. **Print this page out twice** one copy for your sewing room, one for the fridge!!!! And **Happy Quilting!**

## SHQG Calendar 2009/2010

**December 5** Row by Row Reveal. 2:00 P.M. at Cornerstone Creations, Manassas Baptist Church.

**December 7** Board Meeting 7:00 P.M. at Nancy Thyson's home.

**December 12** Sew-In at Cornerstone Creations from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. There will be a \$5.00 charge.

**December 14** Stone House Quilters Guild meeting and Holiday Social at 7:00 P.M. in the Java Rock room of the Manassas Baptist Church's school annex. Last names beginning with A-J bring a Savory; K-Z brings Sweets.

**January 16** Boutique workshop 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. at Cornerstone Creations.

**February 20** Boutique workshop 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. at Cornerstone Creations.

## PROGRAMS

Secret Quilters will be revealed at the December 14 Holiday party. I will be sending out e-mail reminders or giving you a call, if you signed up to participate in this. If you should run into any difficulties coming to the meeting, let me know in advance and I can pick up your gift for delivery at the meeting and collect your gift to bring to you.

Our December meeting will be part Transfer of Officers- Business meeting and a Holiday Party hosted at the Java Rock - 8730 Sudley Road. It's at the intersection of Sudley Road and Plantation Lane. (For handicap parking you will need to park in the lot closer to Prince William Hospital. If you are heading North on Sudley Road, you will go past the Plantation Lane intersection and turn left at the next light-Digges Road. Take the second left through a small business area until you get to a large parking lot next to Java Rock.) The meeting room is on the North-Western Corner of the building. Refreshments are Pot Luck - if your last name ends in A-J, you are asked to bring a Savory dish or if your last name ends in K-Z, you are asked to bring a Sweet dish. Don't worry, if your specialty dish is not in the correct category, we don't check at the door! It's all about sharing and fun!

### 2010 Program Updates:

January 11: Parker Chiudioni will provide instruction on Beautiful Miters, Continuous Binding and Hidden Endings (just in time for finishing all of those quilt show quilts!)

February 8: Quilt Speak (Fun and Games to bring everyone up to speed on Quilters Terminology.)

March 8: Machine Quilting Primer (volunteers requested to demonstrate and assist with hands on learning.)

### XXX ROW BY ROW XXX

The last row (leaves or trees) is under way and will be finished in time for Christmas. The reveal is scheduled for 2:00 P.M., December 5<sup>th</sup>, at the Cornerstone Creations Room of the Manassas Baptist Church. Cake and coffee/tea will be provided, but if you want to bring cookies to share you may. I know you ladies have been working hard, and have been very creative. I am looking forward to seeing all of the finished rows.

### CHRISTMAS FABRIC

Jeanne Endrikat is still collecting Christmas fabrics for the Juvenile Detention Center's use. Be sure to give her any fabrics you wish to donate either at the guild meeting or at one of the bees. Thanks for your continued generosity to this great cause.

### Community Service Quilts

#### CONGRATULATIONS LADIES, WE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL!

Yes, we truly did exceed our goal of 200 to win the special \$100.00 challenge. Thanks you very much to all of you who contributed to this very worthwhile effort. Good luck to each and every one of you in our drawings at our December guild meeting. If you wish to turn in a quilt at the meeting, that's just fine too.

## GEMSTONE BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Fellow quilting buddies, this will be the last of the Block of the Month Gemstone blocks. Our December babies use Blue Topaz for their birthstone gem. Shades of pale blue with a background of white or white/ on/white fabric should be used. The block pattern can be found at:

[www.quilterscache.com/T/TrianglesBlock.html](http://www.quilterscache.com/T/TrianglesBlock.html)

There are no templates for this block, but there are a lot of triangles - hence, the block's name: Triangles. Here are a few pointers for making this block:

- When following cutting directions, use sticky sheets or slips of paper to identify the cut sets.
- Use a scant 1/4" when sewing to allow for sewn seam and have a finished 12 1/2" block when done.
- Iron carefully - opening each seam as far as it goes.
- Lay out sections before sewing, making sure each color is in its proper place.
- Check to make sure that your white-on-white fabric is facing UP.
- To maneuver over points, pencil a 1/4" mark over the seam before sewing.

We had a good turn-in for November's block in shades of Topaz. Ruthellen won the five blocks plus four others from previous months. These blocks should make a lovely sampler quilt. Congratulations, Ruthellen.

If you need any help with this last block, give me a ring. My best, Fran Berrios

### December Birthdays



**Linda-B Woodworth – December 3**

**Jill Hagen – December 20**

**Karen Williams – December 6**

**Jannette Jackson – December 22**

**Please bring a small gift for our raffle.  
The funds go directly to the Guild!**

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**STONE HOUSE QUILTERS GUILD MEETING, December 14 at 7:00 P.M.**

**Don't forget it is at Java Rock just for this night!**

**It's our Christmas party. See page one of this newsletter for details.**