

The Stone House Quilter

News of the



**Stone House Quilters Guild
Manassas, Virginia**

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BITS and PIECES FROM the PRESIDENT

Good day to all,

As most of you know, I have been a little distracted with family issues, BUT I did get on the cruise ship. I had a simply marvelous time! The bonus to all of the pampering, food, and beautiful sights was meeting Joan Shay (petalplay.com). The class was only 35 people, and she called everyone by first name no matter when she saw you--A very sweet, dear lady. I would love to book her for our guild maybe joining in with CBQ. May you have lots of time to do your favorite quilting in between raking leaves and sipping hot chocolate. As the weather begins to turn let the colors inspire you. Remember it's perfectly OK to "go to pieces" in our world ;-)

"Pincerely"

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 14th

7:00-9:00 PM

Java Rock (Next to Manassas Baptist Church)

8730 Sudley Road

Manassas (Across from the main Post Office)

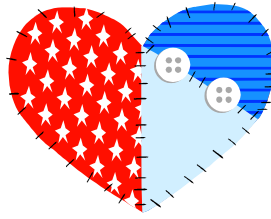
**Meeting November 9, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.
VFW Hall 9304 Centreville Road Manassas, VA
Located: after the 24 hour CVS at Sudley Road and Rt. 28, before the Firehouse.
There is parking in the back of the hall for our use.**

2009 Officers

President	Rae Brady	Treasurer	Toni Mayo
Vice President	Nancy Thyson	Membership	Angela Owens
	Secretary	Karen Williams	

Committees

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



SHQG MEMBERSHIP MEETING

October 2009

President: Rae Brady Present **Secretary:** Karen Williams Present
Vice President: Nancy Thyson Present **Treasurer:** Tony Mayo Present
Membership: Angela Owens Present
STONE HOUSE QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes from the October 12, 2009 General Meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Vice President Nancy Thyson. She thanked all those who volunteered to work at the Sewing Expo either as an ambassador or as a volunteer to sell raffle tickets. We sold approximately 300 raffle tickets.

Nancy recognized Jeanne Endrikat to ask for volunteers to sell raffle tickets at the Prince William Symphony's first concert on October 17, 2009 providing the county council approves a budget. The concert will be at Metz Middle School and volunteers would need to be there for about an hour and a half. Those having birthdays in October were recognized.

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

Treasurer, Toni Mayo, reported that the beginning balance for September 1, 2009 was \$10,537.38 with income for the month as \$209.00. Expenses for the month were \$1,793.64, leaving a balance of \$8,952.73 as of September 30, 2009. Toni would like to get together with the raffle quilt committee for the 2011 raffle quilt to set a budget.

Angela Owens, Membership Chair, reported that we now have 88 members and 2 visitors for this meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BIRTHDAY RAFFLE: Beth Flores, Chair, reported 8 gifts for the raffle. If you did not bring a gift this month you can bring one the next time you attend the meeting.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH: Fran Berrios, Chair, reported that only two blocks were brought in this month. The block for November should be done in Topaz colors and the pattern website will be in the newsletter.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Karen Roberson, Chair, reported that the workshop held on October 10, 2009 was small in attendance but very productive. Seventeen quilts were turned in tonight bringing the total to 187 quilts. We need 13 more by the December meeting to reach our goal of 200.

HOSPITALITY: JoAnn Bueno, Chair, thanked those who provided snacks for this meeting and reminded Vicky Gibson and Nancy Thyson that they signed up to bring drinks in November. She asked for someone to bring sweets and savories to the next meeting and Kathie Latimer volunteered. Please let JoAnn know if you are willing to bring something.

LIBRARY QUILT: Betty Geisler, Chair, reported that Shirley Miller's quilt is hanging for October and Betty's will hang in November.

NEWSLETTER: Vicky Gibson, Editor, was absent but would like all newsletter articles in to her ASAP but no later than October 24, 2009.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Angela Owens, Chair, announced that there are still two committee chair positions open -- Bee Keeper and a helper to work with Elizabeth Saylor on Programs. A discussion followed on the Bee Keeper's job description. If interested in either position, please see Angela.

PROGRAMS: Chair, Kathy McLaren, announced that the speaker for this meeting did not come. The program for November will be Pat Sloan. The Pat Sloan workshop will be November 7, 2009 before the general meeting on November 9, 2009.

QUILT SHOW: Sandy Johnson, Rep, reported that there are two committee representative positions for SHQG still open -- Hospitality and Vendors. The vendor rep will also be responsible for scheduling demonstrations.

Jeanne Endrikat and Brian Henkel are working on setting up the registration via the Internet.

Carol Galaski with help from Vicky Gibson is working the boutique. There will be two boutique workshops -- January 16, 2010 and February 20, 2010. If you have any ideas for things to make and sell in the boutique please get in touch with Carol.

Sign-ups to volunteer at the show have begun. If you want the choicest times, you need to see Karen Williams ASAP. If you volunteer you will get into the show free on the day you volunteer, and as a thank you, you will receive a pin (if it is your first year volunteering) or a charm if you already have your pin. The volunteer percentage for the guild ran at about 98% last year -- our goal for this year is 100%.

If you have gently used patterns, books, or other quilt related items, and would like to donate them to be used as door prizes, please bring them to anyone who is on the quilt show committee.

Harriette Siler, Toni Mayo and Judy Jellen are our Silent Auction representatives, and they will be happy to take your donated items.

ROW BY ROW: Chair, Charlotte Cain, had the bags for redistribution. The next row will be leaves or trees and will be due December 5, 2009 at 2:00 PM. The group will meet at Cornerstone Creations for the reveal. For those who are new, an explanation of a "row by row" was given.

A discussion followed about having a Row by Row, Round Robin and a Block of the Month. Beth Flores will be chairing the Round Robin. If you participate, you will provide the center block, panel, etc. There will be no set theme. Sign-up will begin in December and the center will be due in February.

Lynn Marsh will be chairing the Row by Row and sign-up will begin in March and April with the actual exchange beginning in May. This will continue into 2011.

Charlotte Cain will be chairing the Block of the Month. She will be providing an appliqué block pattern. These may be done either by hand or machine.

OLD BUSINESS: A round of applause was given to Kathy McLaren and Vicky Gibson for the great job they did on the annual retreat. Two volunteers are needed to set up the next local retreat if there is to be one.

NEW BUSINESS: Beth Flores and Kathie Latimer gave a report on the destination retreat for next year. The retreat will be held at Capon Springs, West Virginia. The maximum number of guests will be 40. Check in time will be 3:00 PM on Friday and check out time will be 2:00 PM on Sunday. The rooms are double occupancy and one meal Friday, three meals on Saturday, and two meals on Sunday are included. The dates are set for September 17, 18 and 19, 2010 and the cost will be \$300.00 for the weekend. Capon Springs is about an hour to an hour and a half from Manassas.

A deposit of \$20.00 will be collected starting in January. Kathie will be teaching a class and Beth is thinking about planning a mystery quilt. There is a spa, golf course (extra cost), hiking and other recreational facilities.

If all the slots have not been filled by early or mid summer, it will be decided whether to open the remaining slots to CBQ and friends.

Any retreats that the guild sponsors must be self-sustaining. The guild does not pay for them.

SHOW AND TELL: Show and Tell was presented by the following: Millie Keene, Pat Dufrense, Izzy Saylor, Kathie Latimer, Angela Owens, Beth Flores, Rae Brady, Sharon Harvey, Lynn Marsh, Paula Cacciatore, Karen Roberson, Marjorie Maravelli, Sharon Klontz and Elaine Stuckey.

The next board meeting will be November 2, 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 8:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Williams, Secretary for the Stone House Quilters Guild, October 18, 2009.

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our 2 new members: Jamay Ross and Marie Bloom. Updated rosters are available at the membership table.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

It's almost the end of 2009! We still need members to fill two committee positions, Beekeeper and Programs (with Izzy Saylor). Please let me know if you are interested in helping next year. Angela Owens

QUILT SHOW 2010

At the second Quilt Show meeting held on October 19, 2009, we spent time reviewing the committee budgets. Planning ahead, and budgeting by committee, will help to keep cost under control as well as provide a good foundation for coming years. Final budgets are due by the first of December for those committee chairs, and please see Jeanne Endrikat or Sandy Johnson for approval for any expenses over \$50.

We have two new vendors this year, Elena Rosa, who designs her own fabrics, and Circle Sewing. This makes 16 total vendors. We do have a waiting list. If space becomes available we will certainly add more!

Be ready to register your quilt for the show by December 1st. The database will be ready so be sure to check for a link on the Stone House website. Remember to enter your Challenge quilts first though, because they will need to be entered by Jan. 15th in order to be included in the Hampton Quilt Show. There are a total of 42 quilts to be included in the Hampton Show, but very few are from Stone House. There's still time - so let's get quilting!

Many thanks go to all who have already volunteered for duty. There are plenty of good positions available and lots to do, so please sign up to help. Karen Williams will be more than happy to answer questions if you're not sure what you would like to do to help. Remember the challenge is to beat our 95% participation from last year!

We still have one person who needs to bring in their black sheets; please return them to Jeanne as soon as possible. Thanks to everyone who helped with cleaning them.

Don't forget that all volunteers will get charms for their pin buddies (ask Marie Fisher all about them), and you get in the show for free!!

Each year several of our talented quilters give demonstrations on new techniques, embellishments, appliqué, and other various quilting forms. If you are interested in giving a 30 minute demonstration at this year's show, please let Jeanne or Sandy know!

Last but not least, please remember to get started on those silent auction and boutique items. Your help and support will make all the difference! We have workshops scheduled on January 16, and February 20 at the Cornerstone Creations room at the Manassas Baptist Church so please plan to come and have some fun!

The next quilt show meeting is November 16, 2009 at the Central Library room at 7:00 P.M.

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 5th, 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.

PROGRAMS

Pat Sloan, quilt designer, author, teacher... will be our guest speaker for the November program. She will be bringing tremendous energy and a vast assortment of quilts for you to enjoy. If you'd like a preview, go to Pat Sloan's website at: www.quiltershome.com.

There are still openings for the Pat Sloan "Wild and Free Quilts" Workshop on November 14 (10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) at Cornerstone Creations. Cost is \$40 and you will need to have a copy of Pat Sloan's Take the Fear Out of Color. Books can be purchased at the workshop for \$15. Contact Kathy McLaren for more information.

Our Secret Quilter Exchange has begun - names were exchanged at the September meeting. If you didn't pick up your "secret quilter form" at the meeting, see Kathy. (I've tried to e-mail or mail copies to everyone, but...)

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. The meeting room is on the 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!

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.

SHQG Calendar 2009

November 2 Board Meeting 7:00 P.M. at Nancy Thyson's home.

November 9 Stone House Quilters Guild meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the VFW Hall. Pat Sloan is speaking.

November 14 Pat Sloan - Wild and Free Quilts Workshop from 10 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. with an hour lunch break.

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

December 8 Holiday Social; Last names beginning with A-J bring a Savory; K-Z bring 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

Community Service Quilts

LADIES WE MADE OUR GOAL!

So far we have gathered 217 beautiful quilts for Community Service – we met our goal of 200 to win the special \$100.00 challenge. A special thanks to all who attended the workshop in October to work on quilts and labels. We have until the December meeting to turn in any other completed quilts.

The guild's fabric stash is now stored at Karen Roberson's home. If you need any fabric or batting for your community service quilts, give Karen a call. She's happy to have you "shop" for fabric you need.

The quilt sizes are as follows:

CASA: any size, please use bright colors.

Soldier Quilts: Please begin to make these at least 50" x 60" not to exceed 72" x 90".

Rock and Rollers: (Nursing Home) 36" x 39".

Babies: (Prince William Hospital) 36" x 45" square or rectangular.

Happy Quilting!

Karen R. and Millie K.

GEMSTONE BLOCK OF THE MONTH

November's birthstone is Topaz. Happy Birthday to all the November babies! The block for November will be Creole Puzzle - it was May's BOM. The link is www.quilterscache.com/C/CreolePuzzleBlock.html

For Topaz, I used a gold and peach combination for my sample block. You can do the same, or use brown shades and yellow shades. Have fun with this one - the Topaz stone is a perfect autumn shade. There are two pages of instruction and one page of templates for this block. Continue to use a white-on-white or a plain white fabric for the background.

Our October gem, the Opal, was not very popular last month. We only had one guild member turn in a block. The two blocks will be added to November's display board. I hope we have a better turn-out in November. My best, Fran

HISTORICAL BLOCK SOCIETY

The Historical Block Society is now doing the hand quilting of the Liberia House quilt. If you are interested in helping with this effort, please contact Gina Derksen.

November Birthdays



Paula Cacciatore – November 16 **Kimberly Waters – November 21**
Millie Keene – November 16 **Marjorie Marovelli – November 24**
Joyce Maxfield – November 18 **Sandy Johnson – November 28**

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

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