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MATERIAL INFORMATION



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August 2008

Next Meeting:

- **August 25, 2008**
 - **First Christian Church**
2035 Oleander Drive
Meeting Time: 7:00 PM
- Program: Traditional & Amish Quilts**

Bring to the Meeting

- ⇒ Name Tag
- ⇒ Library Books
- ⇒ Show & Tell
- ⇒ Block of the Month
- ⇒ Neonatal Quilts
- ⇒ Caps for Babies
- ⇒ Squares for Afghans
- ⇒ **Non Perishable Food**
- ⇒ Other Outreach Projects

President's Piece

Greetings once again!

Boy do these months seem to pass by. It will be Christmas before we know it; and I don't know about you, but I probably won't be ready!! My days lately are filled with two puppies that we rescued from the New Hanover County Animal Control. We have had them exactly a month and things have not stopped. (I forgot about house training and two! What was I thinking?) I sew after 9 pm if I can keep my eyes open, so I haven't done a whole lot. (Pups are in their crates right now so I can get this done and to Danielle.) We are having a fence put in and they cut through the water line to the house. O well just another day in the Millard household. Last week at this time my father-in-law (They live on the same property .) had to be admitted to the hospital and on last Wednesday had two stints put in. Again just another event in our household. Well enough about my woes, life is still good!!!!!!

If you missed Judy Lilly and her workshops, you missed a treat. I tried things on Monday I had never thought to do. She has some great ideas. Was not able to take the one on Tuesday (see above paragraph) but did stop by to see how things were going. We should have some finished projects at the next guild meeting. Can't wait to see them.

Remember to thank the symposium chairs and their committees and the teacher buddies for a fantastic Symposium 2008. A lot of hard work went into this and the monies made was astounding to say the least. Way to go Joanne, Karen E. and Karen C.!!!!

Make sure you read your newsletter carefully as we have a lot going on these next few months. We have a lot of exciting teachers and speakers coming so make sure you get to the meetings and don't forget to keep up with your incentive card. They will be due by the November meeting. (That's only four meetings away.)

We have a proposed by-law change that has to do with when dues are due. We will discuss this at the August meeting and vote on it. Nothing major, just a date change.

Challenge Quilt challenge is also coming up. Wanda Williams and Anne Pendred will head this up again. They had so much fun the last time. The executive committee wrote down the guidelines because there has been some confusion. You will be getting a copy of this to put in your booklet.

Mary Ann Kotas is working hard to find a place for the quilt show next year. Prices have sky-rocketed. If you have any suggestion, please let Mary Ann know. Also she is looking for help!!!!!!!!!!

The nominating committee has been completed. It is made up of Kathi Rosbrugh, Pat Owens, and Bev Kern. They will be calling on some of you to fill the officers' positions, and I hope you will say yes. If you want to volunteer for one of the positions, I'm sure they would appreciate a call or email.

Have you checked out our library? You really should. It is open before the meeting and during break. Pat Malyk has weeded some of the older books out and is ordering some to replace them. Check it out you might find a project with your name on it just calling to be done.

Well, I must go let my pups out of their crates. They go to bed at 9 and must have a few minutes to pester one another (and me). I tell you, it's like having children all over again. I must have been crazy!!!!

Piecing occasionally,

Ann

Membership News

QBTS is continuing to grow – we now have 206 members! This month we added another junior member in addition to four regular members. Here is the address information for our newest members:

New Junior Member

Caroline Knowles	2008
517 Sierra Dr.	910-395-1382
Wilmington, NC 28409	9/15
bknowles2@ec.rr.com	

New Members

Valjeanne Estes	2008
803 Ann St., Unit A	910-620-2657
Wilmington, NC 28401	7/27
Valjeanne@self-help.org	

Dottie Nixon	2008
202 Willis Dr.	910-457-0312
Southport, NC 28461	6/13
dnixa@bellsouth.net	

Alice Prescott	2008
72 Castle Bay Dr.	585-233-5632
Hampstead, NC 28443	1/29
ALICEPRESCOTT@bellsouth.net	

Pat Travis	2008
2008 Cornerstone Dr.	910-371-9317
Leland, NC 28451	7/21
PTRAVIS8691@yahoo.com	

Please let us know if you have any changes to your personal information (address, e-mail, etc.). You can note any changes on the Corrections/Changes sheet available at the membership table at each meeting. This will help us insure that we can get your newsletters and other guild information delivered to the correct address.

Thanks! Teresa Pierce, Membership Chair

Membership Packets

Membership packets belonging to the people listed below have not been picked up. If your name is listed please contact me (TJPIERCENC@yahoo.com) to arrange delivery of your packet.

Irene Chandler	Phyllis Rader
Miranda Dungan	Leslie Rose
Jane Harrington	Bonnie Rosenmeier
Catherine Hathaway	Debbie Scheu
Tammy Hill	Dana Stirling
Maria Hobbs	Cheryl Wray

Thanks! Teresa Pierce, Membership Chair

Newsletter Items: Send your newsletter information to Danielle Nicholson by Sept 2nd. Email them to Danielle at nicholsonfour@hotmail.com. Also, please send your AD & money to Danielle at her home address, 334 Cathay Road, Wilmington, NC 28412. She will pass the check on to Linda Ploehn

Workshop News

Saturday August 23 - Day of Sharing Gifts with Barb Sieme - join Barb to make chatelaines for our Day of Sharing hosts. Workshop will be at the New Hanover Arboretum 9:00 til 3:00. Contact Barb if you are interested.

Saturday September 6 - Quilt As You Go String Quilt with Ruth Humphrey. Class is full! We have a waiting list; if you are registered for class, please notify me as soon as possible if you need to cancel so I can offer your spot to someone on the waiting list. Workshop will be held in the FCC Fellowship Hall.

Monday and Tuesday September 22 and 23 - Cathy Wiggins - Create a Quilt Pattern from Your Own Photograph Two day class; day 1 will be creating our own pattern; day 2 will be starting to assemble the quilt top. Workshop will be held in the FCC Fellowship Hall. Fee will be \$50.00 for the two day class; there will also be a \$15.00 supply fee due to Cathy on the first day of class. Cathy will have optional fabric packs available for \$30.00.

Registration for this class only will be accepted by mail; class is limited to 20 people. To secure your spot in class, send a check for \$50, made out to QBTS, to Mary Ann Kotas, 220 Windchime Way, Leland, NC 28451. Once I have received your check, I will send you the info on the photo details. We will be sending them to Cathy by early September so she can help us choose the best candidate, and she will have them enlarged. If the class does not fill with mailed-in registrations, the remaining spots will be made available at the August guild meeting. (If you took the symposium class and already made your pattern from your photo, we may have room in the Tuesday class if you'd like to join us for the session on assembling the quilt top; cost will be \$25.) Check out Cathy's website www.cathywiggins.com.

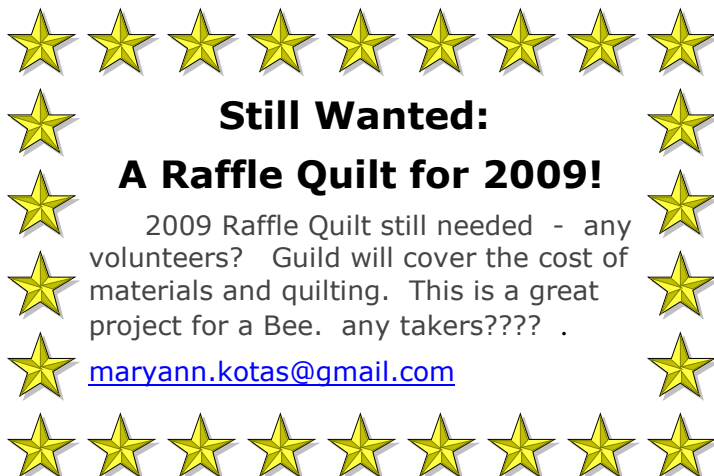
Saturday October 11 - Basket Class Due to the great success of last year's classes, we've invited **Jan Beyma and Charlotte Blanton** back to teach a new basket - the tote!. Registration will be at the August 25th guild meeting. Cost will be \$55, and will include the kit fee. Workshop will be held in the FCC Fellowship Hall.

Next year's classes are being planned; a scrap quilt will be offered in January (hint: start saving your 5"squares!), and several other classes are being investigated. Keep your ideas coming all of the above classes were a result of requests and I'll look into any ideas you send me. (If you're interested in helping to plan workshops with me, let me know!)

Mary Ann Kotas

maryann.kotas@gmail.com

Cancellation policy reminder : If you are registered for any of our classes throughout the year, remember that we do not issue refunds if you cancel; however, we will try to help 'sell' your spot if you notify me in advance.



Still Wanted:

A Raffle Quilt for 2009!

2009 Raffle Quilt still needed - any volunteers? Guild will cover the cost of materials and quilting. This is a great project for a Bee. any takers???? .

maryann.kotas@gmail.com

Proposed By Law Change

The Board is recommending two amendments to the guild bylaws.

The first amendment would change the final date to pay annual guild membership dues. This would bring the term of membership in line with the calendar year for the guild and coincide with the time when officers' terms change. The proposed amendment would change Article X Section 3 to read as follows:

Section 3 If dues are not paid by February 15 December 31, then such individuals shall lose their membership. In order to re-join, they shall be obligated to pay not only membership dues, but also repeat the initiation dues.

The second amendment would clarify the process by which amendments can be made to our guild bylaws. This means that Roberts Rules governs in this instance, and it stipulates that amendments to the bylaws require previous notice and a two-thirds vote. The proposed amendment would add a new section to Article XII, Amendments that would read as follows:

Section 3 Amendments to these bylaws may be approved at any meeting of the Guild, by a majority vote of a quorum of the membership. Approved amendments shall be in effect from the date of adoption, unless otherwise specified.

These changes will be discussed & voted on at the August Guild meeting.

Bees

Several members indicated that they were interested in joining a bee. Our beekeeper, Eleanore Hiltzman, indicates that the following bees have openings:

Gone to Pieces Bee:

contact person, Betty Mulvey, 452-0392

Silver Bees:

contact person, Kathy Reed, 343-0810

Scrap Happy Bee:

contact person, Barb Sieme, 793-3430

If you are interested in any of these bees, please give the contact person a call.

Quilt Show 2009

Due to a huge price increase on rentals by New Hanover County, we are investigating alternate locations for next year's Quilt Show, so we do not have a location or date confirmed as of yet; we are aiming for June 26 - 28 (a week later than 'usual' - moved out to avoid conflict with Father's Day.) Hopefully we'll have a location determined by the August guild meeting. .

Following positions still need to be filled:

Display (setup and takedown)

Hospitality (handles admissions and white glove volunteers during show days)

Photos/cd (take pics of all quilts and created cd for sale)

Publicity (handles all advertising/coupons)

Special exhibit (chooses topic and invites participants)

Vendors (solicits vendors and manages their setup)

Quilt Show Co-chair

Most of the work doesn't start until next year (and no meetings until next year!), but we need to be organized as soon as we can; please consider signing up - I need your help!!

Mary Ann Kotas

maryann.kotas@gmail.com

Quilt Retreat 2009

Mark your calendars - retreat plans are underway - February 5 - 8 at Fort Caswell. Details are being worked out, will be announced later.

Ruth Humphrey and The Sew 'n Sews Bee

Up Coming Programs

August - "Traditional and Amish Quilts" will be presented by Connie and Jim Thompson. They have been collectors of antique and Amish quilts for over twenty years.

Sept. - Cathy Wiggins

Oct. - 18th- Day of Sharing in Morehead City.

Guild meeting - **Auction Raffle**- Please, look and see what you have that you can donate to our auction. Anything sewing related. I know we all have something that has been in our sewing rooms, UFO's, material, sewing tools, books, etc. Now is the time to make someone else happy when they win that prize. The more we have, the more chances to win something special. Call me at 793-3430, or email at jbsieme@bellsouth.net. Looking forward to a great auction raffle!

Nov. - Charlotte Anglotte

OUTREACH

Your response to the FOOD BANK collection and the Baby Caps for Third World countries has been phenomenal. Your donations are so appreciated.

NEO-NATAL QUILT WORKSHOP

Saturday, September 13 9-3

Cape Fear Hospital

We're going to do a "Crooked House" quilt which I will show at the August meeting. This is a very easy pattern and so much fun to make. It's made with mostly 2" strips of various sizes. Batting, backing and sashing will be provided.

Any questions: Jan Jacobson 256-8362 RnJn@aol.com

GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER

The Shelter has provided us with their Wish List.

Please continue to bring in T-shirts and socks; they are always needed.

Some other old or new items that are needed:

Combs, gloves, flip-flops, sneakers, towels, blankets, sheets, belts, plastic forks and spoons.

None of these items need to be new, just in good condition.

JACKSONVILLE CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Each Christmas the Jacksonville Guild prepares gift bags for shut-ins.

They include small soaps, lotions and shampoos...the kind you get in motels and hotels. If you have any of these that you have been collecting and don't know what to do with them....now you do. Krista Meadows will happily accept them if you bring them to the Guild meetings.

Our baby cap project has been so successful that we could use an easy pattern for knitted slippers to add to Jacksonville's gift bags. I have a simple pattern, but if anyone has another, please let me know.

Jan Jacobson - Outreach Chairman

Quilter's Estate Sale!

Mary Bourgault, a long-time QBTS guild member died recently. Like many of us, her sewing room was filled with fabric, notions, sewing machines and the usual bounty of UFO's. The contents of her entire sewing room will be for sale beginning one hour before the August guild meeting begins. You'll find great buys on fabric collections of every color, some home dec fabrics, rulers of every description, more fabric, some of Mary's beautiful hand-pieced UFO's, more fabric, patterns of every kind, quilting templates, notions and more.

So, when you come to the August guild meeting, bring some small bills, we'll provide bags or boxes, and shop Mary Bourgault's stash August 25, beginning at 6pm.

Questions? Call or email Gini Shope or Karen Carter. Mary would be proud to know the guild supports her!

Upcoming Events...

September 12- 13 - Quilter's Coastal Retreat - Featuring Lisa Alley & Laura Skinner. @ Trinity United Methodist Church, Southport, NC. Friday night presentation (6pm-9pm): A Quilt Room Redux - Saturday Class (9 am-3pm) Trip Around the Garden. Fee: \$90 for both. Lunch on Saturday is included in the fee. Send \$25 non-refundable deposit to The Bee Skep Quilting, 202 Willis Drive, Southport, NC, 28461— Balance Due on 9/12/2008—Contact Dottie Nixa with any questions. This is sure to be a fun time! Lisa guarantees that you will finish the quilt top on Saturday. If you need yardage for the crib size quilt please notify Dottie and she will email the information to you. Spaces are limited and they are filling up fast. There has been a great response to this fun-filled weekend!

October 31 - November 1st - The Twin Rivers 25th Anniversary Quilt Show - Presented by the Twin Rivers Quilt Guild at the New Bern Convention Center in Downtown New Bern, NC. Show times are 10am to 5pm. We invite you to participate with entries, both judged and non-judged, and to come and enjoy the activities. For questions or to get an entry form, please see our website at www.twinriversquilters.com, or contact Adah Walker at 252-638-1301 or Diana Rezab at 252-636-5919.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the Symposium Steering Committee. \$38,000 **WOW**, who would have believed it.

This is more money than has been raised for at least the past 7 years.

For the rest of the Guild membership, here is the background. The Steering Committee was working from a budget that would have given us a profit of about \$15,000. There are so many different factors that they had no control of, such as travel expenses for the teachers, costs at UNCW, number of students attending, etc. that the \$15,000 was a figure that they could not be sure of attaining. Profits at NC Quilt Symposiums have been going down for the last several years and given the current economic environment, the Steering Committee would have been extremely pleased with a profit of \$15,000.

So please when you see the Symposium Co-Chairs (Joanne Arntsen, Karen Ellis and Karen Carter) or one of the Steering Committee Chair people, please let them know how pleased you are. This money will be the money that we will use to bring in teachers and speakers for many years to come.

Brunswick Quilters Annual Retreat

Brunswick Quilters will be holding their annual retreat on October 21- October 26 (5 days) at The Baptist Assembly at Caswell Beach on Oak Island.

Registration is now open to non-members.

The cost of the retreat is \$235.00. All meals are included. This year's featured teacher is Karie Jewell, owner and designer of Two Kwik Quilters. She will be giving instructions for her scrappy star quilt. Several pattern variations and kits will be available.

For more information about the retreat, contact Donna Lockwood at dlockwood@atmc.net or 910 842 8474.