



The Postage Stamp

~ Country Roads Quilt Guild ~

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<http://countryroadsquiltguild.org/>



Kathryn's Klips

Our Opportunity quilt top should be completed by the time you get this news. Our final assembly date was August 31. Thank you Karen for leading this effort and all the helping hands that participated in all three of our work days. Our September meeting is scheduled at Sew Special on High Street with 20% discount, this will be a perfect opportunity to purchase the backing and binding for our quilt. The batting is being donated by Betty C. Thank you Betty. If you are looking for any special tool or fabric for a project, this meeting on 9/10 is a good opportunity for you to buy at 20% off!

As fall comes closer we prepare for our Mountaineer week quilt show. Bring your calendars to our September meeting. We need you to sign up/volunteer to work at the show. Think about which of your creations you will show this year.

See you Thursday September 10 at Sew Special, Until then.....

Cheers, Kathryn

Brown Bag Exchange

As quilters we all have fabrics we love but are afraid to use, fabrics we bought only to feel buyer's remorse, fabrics we've acquired that is dreadfully not our style or fabrics we've been keeping our eye on to purchase at a quilt shop but not quite sure what project it may be right for. This year we hope that you will join us and participate in the Brown Bag Exchange and put these fabrics into the hands of a quilt sister for her to make you a wonderful gift!

The Brown Bag Exchange is an activity that allows each of us to explore our creative quilt making talents and in the end we will have a treasured quilted gift. Participants select fabrics of their choice, place them in a "Brown Paper Bag", and bring them to the October meeting. During that meeting, if you bring a bag, you select a bag. You take the bag home and make a quilt item, such as a purse, bag for essentials, miniature wall hanging, quilt notion, etc. from the fabrics in the bag you selected following the rules outlined on page 4. You must use some of each of the fabrics in the bag. It is fun and it can be challenging to work with fabrics outside our own comfort zone. At our March 2016 meeting, return the completed item wrapped as a gift and then it will be return to the rightful owner and our gifts will be revealed. If you are unable to attend the March meeting, please make sure your completed item does!

This activity was started by Michelle D. two years ago. It seemed to be enjoyed by the group so I decided to do it again.

Please consider participating in this challenging Guild activity.

Next meeting: September 10

Location: Sew Special Quilt Shop

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Hostesses: Jyneen W. & Diann C.

Novelty: Linda F.

Come early and shop. Donna is giving us a 20% discount!

Terry will give a demo on making a hanging sleeve at the meeting.

Here is the link for directions for regular and temporary sleeves:

<http://countryroadsquiltguild.org/sleeve.html>.

NOTE FROM KAREN

Our January and February meetings are still without activities. I have looked at several things that might be fun but before I choose I thought it would be nice to hear from the membership.

Suggestions and ideas from others are always helpful and appreciated. What would you like to see or do? A project? A demo? A game? A speaker? Please come to the September meeting with your ideas or just let me know by email or phone.

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Minutes Of August 13, 2015 Meeting

Jane L., Secretary

The August meeting was held at Harner's Chapel and was called to order by President Kathryn G., who welcomed everyone.

Guests Hannah and Marina M., and Sue H. were welcomed.

July's monthly mini was done by Deborah S. The August mini was done by Leona W.

Officers Reports

Secretary – Report prepared by Jane L.

The motion to accept as published was made by Monica M. It was 2nd by Christine S. Motion carried.

Treasurer – Report prepared by Carol S.

Christine S. moved to accept as published. Monica M. made the 2nd. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Ricky Tims seminar – Franny K. reported on the seminar. She received many positive comments on it. She said that our guild was one of the last seminars that RTQS would partner with to do a show. She thanked the guild for their help in putting it on. Kathryn G. presented Franny with a flower arrangement and discussed doing something for Ronald McDonald House in Franny's honor. Kathryn requested that for future newsletters, members report on their favorite part of the seminar.

Mountaineer Week Show – Terry C. asked if we should do a sleeve demo again. She mentioned that temporary sleeves could be pinned on quilts. We will plan a work day to learn how to do a sleeve. Linda F. said she had not been contacted by WVU yet. Tuesday, Oct. 27 is probably the day to hang quilts. We will sign up to work the show during our next meeting.

Directory – Kathryn thanked Patty L. and Linda F. for a great job on the directory. Discussion occurred about changes to the directory which included adding the address of the guild and the tax ID number. Prompt payment of dues will insure your name is included.

Old Business

Diamond Members – Kathryn discussed the existing policy regarding diamond members. A change for this category of member was not meant to affect the current diamond members. She explained that during the paperwork for the tax exempt status application, the committee noticed that the organization is spending our treasury down. A change to our dues policy is one way to correct this.

Publicity – Laura S. suggested that we display quilts in shop windows before Mountaineer Week with signage about the guild and the show.

Opportunity Quilt – Karen S. reported that we will schedule one more work day for the quilt.

What's Happening?!

On Aug 8th **Betty C.** attended the Coshocton, OH "Under the Stars" Quilt show, sponsored by the Coshocton Canal Quilters—over 200 quilts. The show was divided into many themes (rooms/hallways in the church filled with themed stitchery—stars; Quilts of Valor; Home Décor; Christmas; family/ antique—all hand quilted (wonderful); juvenile; baby; bed; lap; wall; miniature; etc. Found way too much to purchase at their second-hand "boutique." It was a wonderful show and needless to say, I kept my camera's shutter busy.

Martha Washington Quilters Guild Quilt Show

Nov. 6: 10 am – 4 pm

Nov. 7: 10 am – 3 pm

Church of the Covenant

267 East Beau Street

Washington, PA 15301

Directions: I-70 exit at Beau Street (Exit 20). Turn left onto Beau Street (Rt. 136). Go approximately 1 mile. The Church of the Covenant is on the right. Look for the Quilt Show sign.

Directory Updates

- ◆ Susan B's address is 35th Avenue (not Street)
- ◆ Lou D's phone number
- ◆ Deloris R. has a new email address
- ◆ Christine S's has a new address
- ◆ Jyneen W's birthday is August 9 and she has a new email address.

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Minutes continued

New Business

Publicity – Kathryn G. announced that the officers are to do the publicity. She said she will continue work on ordering the pins. She has asked Jane L. to update the rack cards.

Next meeting – Our next meeting will be at the Morgantown, Sew Special at 6:30 pm. Karen S. reported that Donna will bring things from the other store if a request is made. There will be a 20% discount on purchases that evening. We will buy the backing and batting for the opportunity quilt that evening.

DVD Library – Michelle D. brought the library to the meeting. Discussion occurred on the items in the library. Michelle suggested that she leave them in the closet in the church. Terry C. mentioned that some of the DVD's were a gift from the Ricky Tims seminar during an earlier year.

Future Learning & improvement of skills – Please contact Kathryn with ideas of speakers, etc.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

October 30-Nov 1 WVU Mountaineer Week Quilt show.

After the meeting Patty L. demonstrated how to construct a carrying case for a cutting mat and rulers.

Ricky Tims Experience

Dying to try the Convergence quilts! Just got to get through making BABY quilts.

Monica M.

I purchased Alex Anderson's "All Things Quilting" book and am taking advantage of one of her techniques—she calls it "flat piping," I call it a flange. I will be using it on the border of my granddaughter's butterfly quilt before applying the binding. Am also enjoying my 3 Ricky Tims CDs and will be trying his "caveman" style piecing technique on a denim "crazy" picnic quilt for my son's anniversary in April (to use some of the "way too much denim" that I have). After a long winter, they'll be ready for "dining out" at the local park. They can use it for a picnic spread on the grass or on a table. I'm providing a picnic basket and all things picnic to go into it. Even found a silverware service for 4 (\$1 for all) at a local Goodwill—pieces even had red handles. How picknicky can you get!

Betty C.

Treasurer's Report

September 2015

Carol S., Treasurer

Beginning Balance			\$4,814.92
Income:			
Interest	\$.13	
No NameTags/Mini	\$	42.50	
Total Income		\$ 2.63	
			\$4,857.55
Expenses:			
Linda F. – newsletter	\$	2.97	
Karen S. – Opp. Quilt	\$	11.65	
Total Expenses		\$ 14.62	
Ending Balance			\$4,842.93

Ricky lost his Dad on Saturday. Please share your condolences with him. He is traveling in Europe with a Craftposium group as a teacher. It is really neat he is wearing a WVU shirt! Also, it is Justin's birthday.

Thank you.

-Franny



Brown Bag Instructions

Place a minimum of 3 cotton fabric totaling 1.5 yards in a small brown paper bag.

Inside the bag there is a piece of paper, please check one that appeals most to you and place it inside your bag with the fabric. **DO NOT PLACE INSIDE ENVELOPE!**

YOUR choice of design approaches:

A. **ALLOW ONE** (The maker may add none, or only ONE fabric of her choice along with those you have placed in the bag to complete a quilt treasure for you.)

-- Or ---

B. **BE CREATIVE** (The maker may add none, or as MANY fabrics a she chooses along with those you have placed in the bag to complete a quilt treasure for you.)

Write YOUR name on a piece of paper and place inside the envelope, seal it and place inside the bag with your fabric.

Bring the bag to the October meeting.

Place it on the collection table. During the meeting, you will have the opportunity to select a bag to work with. You will be asked to look inside the bag only to make sure it's not your fabric. Then you will write your name on the outside of the envelope and give it to KAREN S. The completed quilt items are due back for the MARCH 2016 meeting, along with any remaining fabric wrapped as a gift. There are no size requirements.

Please join us in this wonderful Guild activity! If you are unable to attend September meeting and would like to participate please contact me so we can make arrangements. Any Questions? Please call me. 724 569-2843 or email rkschoe@atlanticbb.net

Thanks! Karen



Happy Birthday!

September

- 4 Debra S.
- 7 Linda T.
- 10 Michelle D.
- 16 Pat F.
- 18 Kristina P.
- 20 Laura S.
- 26 Tracy E.
- 27 Betty C.
- 28 Carol S.

October

- 7 Lydia G.
- 7 Susan P.
- 11 Carolyn G.

**Please send items for
the October newsletter
to Lu-Ann B.-W. by
September 25th.**