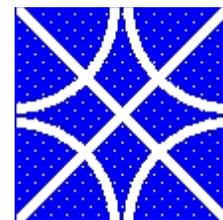


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November 2012

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What's Happening?

Gitta, Linda R and Terry made it to Sew Chic in September to see, hear and simply enjoy an evening with Kaye England. Reportedly, the lecture/demo/trunk show was a wonderful time. And Kaye, not a newcomer to the West Virginia hills, shared a recent trip when she took two of her grandsons upon their graduations to southern West Virginia for a fun-filled time riding 4-wheelers, flying down a zip line, and white water rafting! Apparently, she appreciates the beauty and adventure available in our state! And, at 70 years young, she's certainly not letting age be a barrier to enjoying life to the fullest!



"Still a member! Sue M. has had a full plate recently - life does that sometimes - but is still a member and is squeezing in quilting whenever she can. Her most recent project is taking holiday Santa's that her sister cross-stitched over a period of 15 years and putting them into a wall hanging. Adding to the challenge was using the fabrics (that were only fat quarters) that her sister chose to go with the Santa blocks."

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Next meeting: November 8
Location: Harner Chapel UMC
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Hostess: Tracy
Monthly Novelty: Betty

Let's make some Ribbon Candy Twist Ornaments. You'll need to bring scissors, needle, white thread or embroidery floss, marking pen, and ruler!

Hope to see you there!

2nd Saturday get-together

Saturday, November 10

The 2nd Saturday all-day get-together is being held in the fellowship hall of Monica's church: First Christian (100 Cobun Avenue, Morgantown). The church is located next to Morgantown High School, across from Domino's Pizza.

Spotlight: Quilters on the Run

News from the Quilter's on the Run at Scott's Run Settlement House, Inc.

We have been a very busy bunch! Although we have 14 on the roster, our little group of 13 who regularly attend have been making lap throws for five local nursing homes, small table and wall hanging items for Sundale to use as bingo prizes, blankets for Project Linus, and 'Ditty bags' for the cancer patients. I may have forgotten a few things, but this just gives you an idea. Even though we are a learning program, we still find some time and items to give back to those in need.

We started the year with a few small projects like the Pineapple Hospitality Wall hanging, folded flowers (the art of folding fabric), log cabin quilt, and now are working on the braided technique. We also get permission from Country Roads Quilt Guild member Terry C. to make her small quilted bag, and she even came out to teach us how to make her stained glass pictures. We love having her as a guest and would welcome her back anytime.

We would love to have other teachers to visit as well, so just contact Melissa (jefferys@frontier.com).

Most importantly, we want to thank our biggest supporter of fabric and batting items. ...

Without your help, we could not do these things in such abundance.

Keep quilting,
Melissa J, volunteer teacher

If you have a group that you're working with, please share your story. Not only is it of interest to us, but in some small ways, it gives us the opportunity to support your efforts.

Time is more valuable than money. Why would you ever want to waste it by not doing what you really want to do? — Norm Stoehr

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October Minutes by Monica

Meeting was called to order by President, Christine S. Several members were present, in addition to one guest.

Minutes and Treasurer's reports were approved as written.

Old Business:

1. Mountaineer Week Quilt Show – Forms for submitting quilts are on the website and in the newsletter. Paper forms were available at this meeting. A sign-up sheet was passed around so that we can determine what quilts are being brought to show. A volunteer sheet was passed around as well so that everyone can sign up for a time to work for the show or set up and decorate. The date to drop off your quilts is 10/21/12 from 1-2 pm in the Harner Chapel parking lot. Linda will be there to pick up; however, if you cannot make it that day please contact Linda to make alternate arrangements.
2. Retreat – Ruth Ann and Donna have presented information on retreat locations in Kentucky and in Ohio. The retreat location in Morehead, Kentucky is approximately a 5 hour drive, can accommodate up to 10 people, and is on one level. The cost is \$45/night/person for the weekend. The Ohio retreat location is a bit closer, but is slightly more expensive at \$51.25/night/person for the weekend. The Ohio location has sketchy cell phone service and is on two levels. There must be 10 people. Right now we are looking at spring for a retreat and have approximately 12 people interesting in going. Once we are able to settle on a date and location, we will have to have interested parties pay ½ of the money at booking with the remainder to be paid in full before going. Registration will be first-come, first-served.
3. Workshop – Nobody was interested in having a workshop in October, but several were interested in having one on November 10th. Christine will check with the church for availability. From now until December, we will try to have workshops on the 2nd Saturday of each month. After December, we will plan to have workshops on the 3rd Saturday of each month with the option to request that the date be switched to the 2nd Saturday as availability and interest allow.
4. Pillowcases – RDVIC sent a thank you letter for the pillowcases.

New Business:

1. Warm and Natural samples – Christine noted that there were samples of Warm and Natural batting for each of us to take. Included were several samples of the new batting, "Warm Tater." Hope noted that if you make the potato bags, it is very important to launder them before use as some have told her of their catching on fire when microwaving. Also, make sure that the bags are not left in the microwave for longer than necessary.
2. Chestnut Mountain Ranch request – Karen H. of Chestnut Mountain Ranch requested assistance with making quilts for each of the boys living at the ranch. She would like to have 4 more quilts to complete her current goal, but the need will continue as more boys come to live at the ranch. Melissa noted that her group, Quilters on the Run, would probably like to help out and Kathryn noted that she would also contact Karen. Terry noted that she would post the information to everyone via email.
3. Pat Knoechel – We voted to have Pat Knoechel come back to visit us again this Spring! Looking forward to another entertaining day with Pat!
4. Modern Quilt Guild – Terry noted that this guild will meet the first Thursday of November at Panera and that she can post more information as it is available.
5. Christine noted that she will have neck surgery on Friday, November 9th, 2012. Prayers for a speedy recovery Christine!

Congratulations



Mountaineer Week Quilt Show

October 26-28

Large Category—1st Place

Untitled by Lou D

Quilt Show

Update by Terry:

The Mountaineer Week Quilt Show was a wonderful success. Visitors really enjoyed our pretty quilts. We had more volunteers helping out this year than I ever remember – thank you each and every one! If you marked your work hours in our notebook at the show, your name will be in a drawing for a prize. Helping with the show, or participating in any guild committee, helps us get to know each other better. What nice people we are!

Viewers Choice winners:

LARGE category:

1st—*Untitled*, by Lou D.

2nd—French Braid Quilt, by Nancy S.

3rd—Blooming Nine Patch, by Chris L.

SMALL category:

1st—Summer Wave, by Tracy E.

2nd—Pieces of Home, by Terry C.

3rd—Visions of WV, by Alice P.

Thanks to everyone who helped plan, hang and work the show. It really was fun.

Treasurer's Report by Tracy

BEGINNING BALANCE.....	\$2,378.69
 <u>Income:</u>	
June Interest	.10
 <u>Expenses:</u>	
Linda F—Sept news	6.84
Lu-Ann—Sept news	32.69
Harner Chapel (2012 bldg use)	<u>225.00</u>
(Jan/Feb/Mar/May/June/Sept/Oct/Nov/Dec)	
Total	264.53
 NEW BALANCE.....	 \$2,114.26

What's Happening? *continued*

Note from Betty:

At the end of September, I attended my former Errol, NH quilt group's annual quilt supper where they share potluck dishes, friendship, and quilt projects they've worked on throughout the year. Six area groups are invited, even a group from Canada, since Errol is about 60 miles from the Canadian border. Many beautiful quilts, some by first-time quilters and others hand quilted. They've begun a Northern NH quilt trail (in Coos County—it's pronounced Co Hos) that encompasses three towns so far. School kids from the Errol elementary school have helped paint some of the barn/house "quilts" on the trail. When I get the time, I'd like to follow some of the barn quilt trails in their entirety.

Do check out the Coos County Barn Quilt Trail (cooscountybarnquilttrail.blogspot.com/)

So, what's new with Country Roads Quilt Guild members?!

Terry again taught her machine quilting classes at The Sew Inn this fall. The last class (*Machine Quilting Main Course*) will be on Election Day, Tuesday (Nov. 6) 12:30-4:30. Then, over Veteran's Day weekend, she'll be attending the WV Quilters Retreat at Cedar Lakes.

Speaking of Cedar Lakes ... Deloris and Patty recently enjoyed participating in The Quilt Camp at Cedar Lakes (Oct. 7-12). Although this is a "first year" as The Quilt Camp, it's actually a continuation of Zaporah's quilt retreat. A number of us have attended the retreat over the years, and Peg has been working with Zaporah, but this is the first operating under the new name ... and it looks like a fabulous time was enjoyed by all! If you've never been to Cedar Lakes, you'll want to go to The Quilt Camp at Cedar Lakes website (www.pegspatches.com/TQC_home.html) and take a look at their slide show of the facility, which is located in Ripley (between Parkersburg and Charleston). It's absolutely lovely! It's been years since I've been there, and I think they've accomplished a mega amount of refurbishment. The classrooms look wonderful! When you have the time, do go to the web site and look through their many slide shows. There are slide shows for class offerings, instructors, various shows-n-tells, and a slide show on class time fun. In fact, I looked through 140 pictures of class time fun just to see if I could find Deloris and Patty, but to no avail. Next year, I'm going to insist that they jump in front of the camera lens at least once! And, I'm hoping that many more of us might do the same. A whole group of us should consider going to this well-attended event.

Congratulations



Mountaineer Week Quilt Show

October 26-28

Large Category—2nd Place
French Braid Quilt
by Nancy S.

Another fun quilt show with lots of lovely quilts! Terry has been in the process of posting all to our web site and the finished product is well worth a visit.

And, how about some recognition for our many show workers: Betty, Carol, Christine, Deloris, Karen, Kathryn, Lesley, Linda F. Linda J., Lou, LuAnn, Michelle, Monica, Patty O., Sheila, Terry, and Tracy. And, for those who allowed us to display your quilts, we thank you!

We couldn't have done it without you. ...

State Guild

What a great time to join the state guild! The group meets three times a year (in April, July, and October) at various locations throughout the state. For more details, check with some of our members who also participate in the state guild. Or take a tour of the web site (www.wvquilters.org/index.html) and print off an online membership form. Take advantage of this opportunity to support statewide quilting.

The Apr. 6 spring meeting is being hosted by the Crazy Quilters of Braxton County – celebrating the State Guild's 20th Anniversary!

What's Happening? *continued*

Gitta, Deloris, Patty, Diane, and Rhonda enjoyed a recent road trip to the shop in Summersville where they all enjoyed a very successful shopping trip. And, most of the group (and more) including Debbie and Kathryn are participating in the 2nd Saturday club at Country Roads Quilt Shop. If you're interested in the 2nd Saturday club, they just got started in October. So, if you can fit in just one more on-going project, you can surely catch up on all the fun! (See details on Pg. 5.)

This weekend (Nov. 2-4), Deloris, Patty, Gitta and others are participating in the Tygart Quilters' Getaway at Tygart Lake State Park in Grafton. It's an opportunity to participate in a class or bring your own project, but the beauty is in the opportunity to spend an entire weekend, as they say: "devoted to the art of quilting." Perhaps we can get a few more details in our next newsletter!

Gitta is currently selling raffle tickets to a beautiful Shop Hop quilt made and donated by The Sew Inn as a fund raiser in support of "Empty Bowls." For those of you who might not be familiar with Empty Bowls, they're a non-profit that benefits the Mon County Food Pantries. Raffle tickets are also available at The Sew Inn.

Special congratulations go out to Linda F! After nearly 40 years of service to West Virginia University, Linda celebrated her October 26 birthday, finished out the month, and strolled out the door into retirement. Congratulations, Linda! We wish you all the best.

Last, but certainly not least, Sandy has become interested in red work, but is still in the early stages of gathering patterns and reading about the craft. If any of you are venturing into something new and different, please update us so we can share it with others.

Congratulations



Mountaineer Week Quilt Show

October 26-28

Large Category—3rd Place

Blooming Nine Patch

by Chris L.

The Sew Inn

FALL FRENZY!

So many classes and so much happening at The Sew Inn ... and along comes Fall Frenzy on Nov. 16 (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.). There will be prizes, food, and fun and their sale prices will be good through Nov. 24. If you haven't been to The Sew Inn recently, you should really try and get there.

The Sew Inn has also scheduled some "UFO Workshop Days" at the shop when you'll have the opportunity to spend a day among friends quilting the day away. ... Finish up those Christmas projects! The Sew Inn will supply lunch and snacks! Two days (Nov. 30 and Dec. 7) have been set aside thus far. If additional days are needed, The Sew Inn is willing to add them to the schedule. ... Drop by the shop and let them know you're planning to participate!

While there, you might want to consider becoming a part of The Sew Inn's latest community effort. According to Ginny, The Sew Inn is joining with other small businesses in the Morgantown area to supply children in need with hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, and coats. They've asked that all items be new with tags still attached. If you'd like to be a part of this very worthwhile effort, a donation box will be located in the shop to place your contributions.

End-of-bolt-sale—the last two days of each month when you'll receive 35% off when you purchase all that is left on the bolt.

Fabricaholics Card: Get your card punched for each fabric purchase to earn 20% discount on fabric once your card is filled.

Shop Hours:

10-6 Mon.- Fri..

10-5 Sat.

Email: thesewinn@wirefire.com

Web site: www.thesewinn.com

Quilts still needed

Update - Chestnut Mountain Ranch
(www.ChestnutMountainRanch.org)

Karen H. continues to seek those who would be willing to donate quilts. Currently the boys are commuting until spring when the first resident hall will be ready for use. They are requesting twin size quilts so each resident will have one while "in residence" and then can take it with them when they leave. Fabric choices thus far have been camouflage, hunting scenes, WVU fabric, and darker colors. (Flowered or feminine fabric choices are, of course, discouraged.) Both Morgantown quilt shops have offered to provide a discount if you tell them the fabric purchase is for a "ranch" quilt.

Karen is open to anyone who might want to contact her for specifics. She also offered to arrange a tour of the ranch for those who would be interested. Kathryn has agreed to tell us more about the project at our next meeting.

Quilters Corner—Finleyville

From Our Table November 1-17

A friendly competition! Quilters Corner staff provide a place setting from home and will be looking throughout the shop to find items that ... as they say will "inspire us to set a special table." This will include locating a pattern and fabric to find just the right complement for their unique setting. Shop visitors get to vote for their favorite! You can obtain a ballot for each nonperishable food item you bring to the shop for donation to the local food bank. One ballot is drawn at the end of the show and the person whose ballot is drawn wins a kit for the winning table topper. Another prize is awarded for correctly matching quilter with place setting.

Holiday Open House

Saturday, Nov. 10 (10 a.m.-5 p.m.) and Sunday ~ Nov. 11 (12 noon-4 p.m.)
A perfect time to see all the holiday displays, learn from technique demonstrations, and enjoy a cookie or two. ... They will also be featuring gifts for quilters and friends such as "cute ornaments, handmade gift items and kits for their newest designs." They'll also be providing as a gift their 2013 Quilters Corner date book. (Additional copies can be purchased at \$1.99 each.)

Market Party Saturday, Dec. 1 (10 a.m.—5 p.m.)

A celebration of all that is new from Quilt Market. See the newest fabrics and patterns and see all the new display items that have been created just for you! Come and let the inspiration begin. ... You'll love the many demos that will be shared as well as the cookies and treats! Don't miss this informative and tasty opportunity!

Country Roads Quilt Shop

Check the web site (www.countryroadsquilts.com/) for the November newsletter! You can read about their Christmas Open House (Nov. 23-24) with free demos each day along with special sales, gift ideas, door prizes, and refreshments. The project for the All Things Christmas event (Nov. 8) will be a Christmas card holder wall hanging. Stop by the shop to see their sample! And, don't forget that newsletter ... remember, there's a coupon in each issue!

The Second Saturday Club (noted in our What's Happening segment) features a block of the month from the book: *Away from Home* by Oliver and Nancy Rink. (A copy of the book is required.) An initial charge of \$15 is for club membership. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for Oct. 13, Nov. 10, and Dec. 8 (10-11 a.m.) Instructor: Peggy Ellwood. Check with Petty to see if late registration is permitted.

Quilters Day Out

Nov. 14 (10-4 p.m.)

Dec. 19 (10-4 p.m.)

This month's project is a 9-patch scrap quilt; \$15 includes lunch

Quilters Night Out

Nov. 30 (5:30-10 p.m.)

Dec. 28 (5:30-10 p.m.)

See project noted above; \$15 includes dinner

Friday Sew-cial (3rd Friday of every month)

Nov. 16 (10-4 p.m.)

Dec. 21 (10-4 p.m.)

Bring your own unfinished project; \$15 includes lunch

Sunday Sew-cial

Nov. 11 (12 noon-6 p.m.)

Dec. 9 (noon-6 p.m.)

Bring your own unfinished project; \$15 includes lunch

Shop Hours:

10-8 Mon. & Thurs.

10-5 Tues, Wed., Fri.

10-5 Sat.

Happy Birthday!

Call the Fire Department



We're celebrating more birthdays!

November

December

Dec 1—Gitta

Dec. 16—Lesley

Dec. 20—Karen

17th Annual Retreat

Remember to register for the Quilt Retreat at Jackson's Mill (Mar. 8-10). Thus far, 140 have registered. Retreats of this nature are great because not only do you see old friends ... but you make new ones. Fran Kordek offers a great class where you bring your own unfinished project from home and have the benefit of her assistance should you need help. Consider registering! You'll love the comradere of fellow quilters.

Registration forms can be found at the web site (<http://lewis.ext.wvu.edu/r/download/132219>).

Clay Center Exhibit

Mid Nov. – Mar. 31 – Clay Center, Charleston (www.theclaycenter.org/art/upcomingexhibits/default.aspx)

Invitational Exhibit of WV Quilters: "Twelve award winning WV Quilters are part of a separate exhibit that will be hung in mid November in conjunction with the Clay Center Holiday Exhibit.

Timmy's Fund

Timmy's Fund is dedicated to helping families who are currently battling childhood cancer. If you weren't able to be present at the September meeting when a representative from Timmy's Fund spoke to the guild, go to the web site (www.timmysfund.org/); watch the slide show; read Timmy's story; then read the parents' account of the outpouring of support that enabled them to spend every moment together as a family. Then, read of their desire to pass on the peace that they were afforded through the generosity of so many. According to the web site: "All gifts and donations will be used to relieve the financial and emotional burdens of families who are undergoing treatment at WVU's Children's Hospital."

Special thanks, of course, go to Kathryn G. who led our efforts. Thank you to all who supported the Falling Leaves raffle quilt fundraiser for Timmy's Fund. As you've probably already read, the raffle was a resounding success. Many thanks go out to those who pieced the blocks, friends: Cindy S., Dottie W., Carolyn W., Jeani B., and guild members: Deloris, Debbie, Rhonda and, of course, Kathryn. The long-arm quilting was done by Christine and Leona. Peggy Elwood, owner and operator of Country Roads Quilt Shop, was a big influence on the design of the quilt and a great help in seeing the project through. ... Thanks go not only to those who actually worked on the quilt but to the many who bought and/or sold tickets. The combined efforts of many went into making this such a meaningful effort. Thank you all. ...

Good news travels fast. ...

From: kathryn

Sent: Monday, October 29, 2012 11:46 AM

Subject: Falling Leaves Quilt winner

Dear quilters and friends,

Our Quilt winner has been drawn and contacted - Nancy Ieradi of Morgantown bought her ticket on her lunch hour at the weekend quilt show.

Nancy was so happy and surprised when she got our voice mail last evening. Watch our local Dominion Post for coverage of her receiving her PRIZE.

At this time preliminary counts show we raised \$2,130 for Timmy's Fund!

Thank you everyone who helped this effort.

Sincerely,
Kathryn

From: Tara Q.

Sent: Monday, October 29, 2012 11:57 AM

WOW!! \$2,130! That is GREAT! Thank you SO much Kathryn... and everyone who helped with this project. This money will help many local families that have a child currently battling cancer. Thank you so much for your support!!

From: CAROLYN W.

Sent: Monday, October 29, 2012 2:34 PM

Thank you Kathryn for a job well done! Timmy's Fund should and will appreciate all your efforts. Also thanks to all that pitched in to help Kathryn with this worthwhile project.

Congratulations



Mountaineer Week Quilt Show

October 28

Timmy's Fund Raffle Quilt

Winner: Nancy

Message from Joe Q.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in this!!...

What an awesome accomplishment from such an AWESOME group of people to spend your time working so hard on this beautiful quilt... and then spending all this time selling tickets...

the GIFT that will come of this to over 40 local families this year being treated at WVU Children's Hospital... is a gift that they will remember for the rest of their lives!... (especially coming up on the holiday season!!)...

For those who asked, donation quilts are still being accepted for the Alzheimer's Art Quilt Initiative. Terry will collect them at the next two meetings.

Make your voice heard. ... Contribute your input to the CRQG newsletter!

Please forward items for the December newsletter to Monica by November 30.