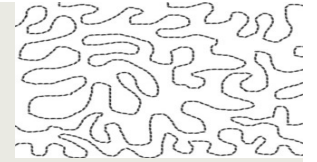


EVENING STAR QUILTERS GUILD - THE STITCH LINE



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A Note From the ESQG President

Greetings of the Season!

I was reading an article recently that encouraged the reader to “greet people like a puppy.” Obviously, they do not intend for us to lick each other's faces, or piddle on our shoes, but look the person in the eye and smile! Be happy to meet them! Repeat their name if it's your first meeting. Shake their hand.

Puppies don't care who you are or how your day was or who might be upset with you, they only care that you are there with them, to love them, to cuddle them, and if they are anything like mine, to feed them!

Those of you who have met my two nuts have heard the bellows of the Diva of our house, or the “fluffy nightmare” as my daughter calls her; and the silly “bork” of the male dog that looks like he'd bite your face off, but is the biggest mush known to man and often my 74 pound lap dog on a nightly basis. But when I come home, they are the first to greet me at the door with tails wagging and cries of happiness - whether it's been 15 minutes or 15 days since I last saw them. They don't care where I've been or how I feel, they just know that I am home...and what a great place to be this time of year!

Enjoy your family and friends this holiday season. If you can be with them, make it happen. Life is much too short to spend your time out of touch with the people you care about and those that care about you. Many of us lost loved ones this year...if you can't be with the one you love, love the one you're with...even if it's a puppy.

Have a blessed holiday season...may your days be merry and bright! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

See you on Tuesday!

Cynthia A. Smith
President, ESQG

REMEMBER

THINGS TO BRING TO THE DECEMBER MEETING:

A Big Appetite!
Raffle Quilt tickets and money!!!
Quilts of Valor Block - Red and White Log Cabin
UFO #1
December Doozy for Show and Tell
Lots of smiles and warm hearts

Show & Tell for December

December Doozy for Show and Tell
Do you have a doozy of a quilt to show off this year? Bring it to the meeting and share it for Show and Tell! Good or bad, we won't judge...it's a night of fun and laughter, so ring in the holidays with your December Doozy!

Machine Applique Workshop Postponed

The machine applique workshop originally set for November 17th was postponed. Leana McCutcheon, our world traveler, needed a little down time after her trip to Paris. Instead, we used the day for open sewing and had about nine members attend for the pumpkin pie contest and the socializing. We had slim pickin's for the ***Pumpkin Pie Contest***, but no complaints from the judges. All good, and a tasty and well-received affair. The winner was Theresa Schoonover (because it was also her birthday) who went home with a pot of charm flowers and seasonal homemade kitchen towels. Thank you to all of our fine judges! It was a great Saturday!

Holiday Hoorahs!

Deck the Halls on Tuesday, December 11th! Our next meeting is our Christmas party, which is a surprise for all members. Usually the board members host the December festivities, but this year, Audrey Planer offered to do it. All we know is there will be dinner and dessert, so come hungry! Only Audrey and her elves know what else is in store for the evening. Delight in the joy of the season and join us on December 11th in Belvidere!

Pick Me! Pick Me!

The drawing for the 2018 Raffle quilt will be held in the Belvidere High School cafeteria at 8 pm (during our meeting and festivities) on Tuesday, December 11th. Please be sure to bring all of your paid and unpaid tickets, and money to the meeting this month. If you have not already sold all of your tickets, you have a few days left to get that done! It is an easy sell for blue and white. Tell them it's a little "Delft on the shelf" for the holidays.

UFO - One and Done!

How are you doing on your list of UFO's? So far we have crossed off Mambo #5, and Double-mint Duo #2. This month we are looking for #1 on your list. Who is your Number 1? Bring that One, to this month's meeting on the double one-one (11th), to show us how you did at UNO. We are Number One!

Quilts of Valor Blocks in Red for the Holidays

The Quilt of Valor block due this month is the same log cabin block that you did in November but substitute red fabric for the blue fabric in the instructions. If you didn't complete previous blocks, you can bring them to any meeting. The blocks are being collected throughout the year anticipating quilt assemblies next spring. See Theresa for instructions at any time.

2019 Raffle Quilt Workshop

At Saturday Stitches in Hope, on January 12th, we will begin sewing the 2019 Raffle Quilt. Most of the blocks are done using Jelly Rolls which have already been purchased. If you want to join us for a day of sewing, please bring your machine, sewing supplies, and cutting tools to St. John's Methodist Church on Saturday, January 12, 2019 from 9 am to 3 pm. Lunch will be provided by the guild for this event. The pattern is an Irish Chain meets Bargello in an Around the World vacation resort kind of thing. Who could resist that adventure? Hope to see you there!

Ground Hog Day Repeat - It's a Mystery!

This year's mystery quilt workshop will be held Saturday, February 2, 2019, from 9 am to 3 pm at St. John's United Methodist Church in Hope, NJ. Marlene has instructions for fabric selection, cutting, and the first section of sewing available to everyone who enlists in this endeavor. There is still time to join! See Marlene at any meeting to sign up and join the fun for \$20. Lunch is included with your fee. Just in case the ground hog does see his shadow, the snow date is February 9th.

Quilt Show Committee Meeting

The next show committee meeting will be held at 6 pm on Tuesday, February 5th, in the Belvidere High School library. Please plan to attend.

More Saturday Stitching in Hope Events

March 9th, Sue DeCamp will hold a workshop on "Paper Piecing without Paper."

April 14th, Sharon Rehrig will instruct us on how to create a "Crazy Patch Border."

All Stitching in Hope workshops are on Saturday from 9 am to 3 pm at the St. John's United Methodist Church in Hope, NJ.

Chariots of Charity

Prior to our last quilt show, the guild opted to change the charity we support during our biennial quilt show. If you have a charity that you would like the guild to support during the show, you must be willing and able to present your charity to the guild at the January business meeting. Please give us a brief description of your charity, including where it is located, what type of need they fulfill, and why it is near and dear to your heart. The guild will listen to each of the presentations and select one from those presented as the charity for the show in 2019. If your charity is selected, you have the option of running the fundraiser at the show or opting out and allowing someone else to manage the fundraiser on your behalf. Keep your presentations clear and concise. Brochures, etc. are encouraged. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Sharon Kubich or Theresa Schoonover, Co-Chairs for the 2019 Quilt Show Committee, prior to the January meeting date.



Just a few of the beautiful show-and-tells from last month's Guild Meeting. We certainly have very talented members.



Honoring our Veterans - Quilts of Valor Presentations

Two quilts of valor were presented at the November meeting, one to Ammon Miller and one to Kristina Robb. These two local heroes brought their families and friends to share in the receipt of their honors. We are so lucky to have people like them in our lives. I hope that everyone thanked them for their service to our country, and spent a few moments getting acquainted with them and their families. Thank you to all who brought in treats that night. The spread of tastes of the season was beautiful! Our third veteran, Ralph Knechel, braved the weather on Sunday and received his quilt in Belvidere at the County War Memorial. Thank you again to all who participated in making this happen.



What Makes a Quilter Tick?

Our February meeting, on Tuesday, February 12th, welcomes David Sirota with his humorous lecture on "What Makes a Quilter Tick?" – A humorous look in the mirror. David began quilting in the 1990's when he decided to make kitchen curtains for himself, and found Alex Anderson's Simply Quilts program on television and became hooked on quilting. David offers a fun-filled, interactive look at quilters and our little quirks, passions, and obsessions. Don't bring your own mirrors. I think you'll find a kindred spirit in the person on either side of you at this meeting. Bring your hankies, there will be tears of laughter before the night is through. Pray for good weather!

December Stitches in Hope cancelled

The workshop for the Quilted Totes is postponed, and Stitching in Hope is cancelled for Saturday, December 15th. Stay tuned for a new date for the workshop.

Upcoming Board Meetings

There will be a dinner meeting/board meeting on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at 6:30 pm at Cindy Smith's house. Please email Cindy if you plan to attend.

March On to Paper Piecing!

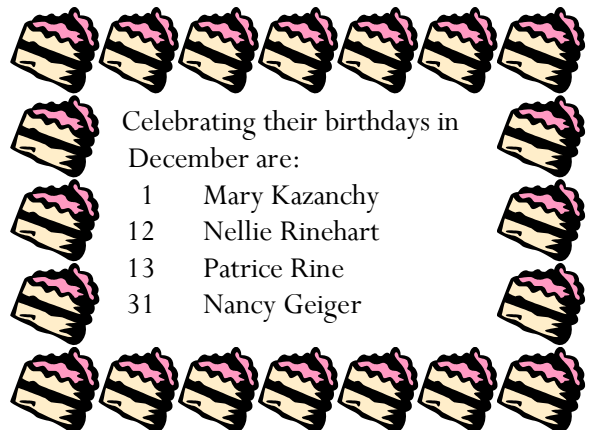
Our March meeting is slated for an insight into English Paper Piecing. Mum's the word, so far.



A Ray of Sunshine

Please send hugs and good wishes to former member, Ilona Szetela, whose husband passed away recently. Thankfully he died in his sleep, but it doesn't make it any easier to accept the loss. Keep her in your prayers for strength and peace during this time of sorrow.

And please continue to remember Bob & Judy Zeitler in your prayers.



Celebrating their birthdays in December are:

- 1 Mary Kazanchy
- 12 Nellie Rinehart
- 13 Patrice Rine
- 31 Nancy Geiger

Evening Star Quilters Guild Calendar of Events 2018-2019

Date	Event	Place	Contact Person/Phone/Time
September 11, 2018	Regular Meeting	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
October 9, 2018	Regular Meeting <i>Making Christmas Balls Ornaments for Hope</i>	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
Saturday, October 13, 2018	Thanksgiving Placemats workshop	St. Johns in Hope	
October 16, 2018	Quilt Show Meeting Committee	Belvidere High School Library	6 PM Contact Sharon Kubich or Theresa Schoonover
November 13, 2018	Regular Meeting	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
November 14, 2018	Quilted Tote Walk Through		Irene Compton and Solvai Sanchez
Saturday November 17, 2018	Workshop - Machine Applique workshop	St. Johns in Hope	
December 11, 2018	Regular Meeting/ Holiday Party/ Raffle Quilt drawing	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
Saturday December 15, 2018	Quilted Tote workshop 11/14	St. Johns in Hope	Cancelled due to church double booked
January 8, 2019	Regular Meeting	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
January 12, 2019	2019 Raffle Quilt	St Johns in Hope	
Saturday February 2, 2019	Mystery Quilt 9-3	St Johns in Hope	Marlene Marlowe and Leana McCutcheon 9AM-3PM - Lunch will be served
Saturday February 9, 2019	Snow date for Mystery Quilt	St Johns in Hope	
February 12, 2019	Regular Meeting - "What makes a Quilter Tick" by David Sirota	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
March 12, 2019	Regular Meeting - English Paper Piecing by Quilt Block	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
Saturday March 16, 2019	Paper Piecing without Paper workshop	St Johns in Hope	
April 9, 2019	Regular Meeting	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
Saturday April 13, 2019	Braided Border Workshop	St Johns in Hope	
May 14, 2019	Regular Meeting - "Project Runaway" by Elly Levine	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
Saturday May 16, 2019	Walker Bags		
June 11, 2019	Regular Meeting - Elections and Ice Cream Social	Belvidere High School	Meeting begins at 7pm
July/August	Warren County Fair	Harmony Fair Grounds	
September 2019	Victorian Days		
October 19-20, 2019	Quilt Show	Belvidere High School	

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Old Country Store - 2nd Floor
3510 Old Philadelphia Pike
Intercourse, PA 17534
www.ppquiltmuseum.com (800) 828-8218
Hours: Mon - Sat 9 - 5 Admission: Free
Continually changing shows.

**AQS Quilt Week, Lancaster
2nd weekend in March**

Lancaster County Convention Center,
3 E. Vint St., Lancaster, PA 17602
Hours: Wed - Fri 9-6, Sat 9-4
www.aqsshows.com lauradavis@aqsquilt.com
Phone: Laura Davis, (270) 898-7903
Admission daily : \$ 8 - members;
\$10 non-members
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Color Improvisations 2

An International Exhibition of Contemporary Quilts
October 13, 2018 – January 20, 2019
Susquehanna Art Museum
1401 North Third Street
Harrisburg, PA 17102

Color Improvisations 2 is a special invitational exhibition of contemporary quilts curated by Nancy Crow, one of the most celebrated and influential quiltmakers of the past forty years. This iteration of the exhibition includes 18 large, improvisational quilts by 18 artists from Canada, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, and the United States.

www.susquehannaartmuseum.org/galleries/color-improvisations-2/

The Lancaster Quilt Show @
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New Location for 2019
March 27-30, 2019 Wed-Fri 9am-6pm
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2400 Willow Street Pike
Lancaster, PA 17602
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