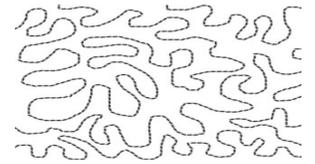


EVENING STAR QUILTERS' GUILD - THE STITCH LINE



A Note From the ESQG Vice-President

SEPTEMBER 2022

Greetings! I was reading the recent annual report published by RPM International, Inc. out of Medina, Ohio (I know, not something most of us would read lightly...) and found an interesting bit of philosophy by its founder, Frank C. Sullivan stated back in 1947. My father always told me to invest in solid American companies, and his advice has proven true. RPM is one such company. Now run by Frank Sullivan's grandson, also Frank Sullivan, the company has held its own and grown with this one man's philosophy that still rings true today: "The Value of 168."

According to Mr. Sullivan, "The Value of 168" represents the number of hours in a week and serves as a reminder that each of us has a limited amount of time and duty to use this gift wisely and productively." Mr. Sullivan used this philosophy to do good work with his products, to donate time to worthy causes, and to invest in his employees. All of us could learn from this man's ideals.

People also point out that the busier you are, the more you accomplish. Idle times often fuel procrastination, as you always find an excuse to put something off until tomorrow if you have nothing else to do. But when you're already busy, you tend to get those projects done and MORE! So why put it off? We are all only given 168 hours each week. After reading this, I considered how many times I sit down to watch a TV program and get nothing else accomplished. The kids are grown and I work from home now, so I have more time on my hands than I ever have in the past 30 years... and I still have only 168 hours each week! Once I start sewing, I do not want to stop. I want to fill my hours with things I enjoy doing, and sewing is up at the top of my list. We are not going to live forever, despite what the writers of "Fame" would lead you to believe. Let's start working on those UFOs and those "some day" projects and see if we can do better with our time management. "It is our duty to use *this time wisely and productively.*" *How are you going to spend your next 168 hours?*

See you on Tuesday, September 13th at 6 pm!

Cynthia A Smith, VP, ESQG

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REMEMBER

THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR THE SEPTEMBER MEETING:

10-inch square of floral fabric
Community projects
Quilts of valor blocks or finished quilts
Snacks to share
Water, tea or coffee for yourself
Show & Tell
Lots of big smiles!

SHOW & TELL BONANZA - SEPTEMBER

It's been a wild summer and most of you probably finished a quilt or two! Bring them along to share with your fellow members.

Those quilts you held onto for the show? Bring them in!
We want to see what you've been working on!

**NEW MEETING SCHEDULES
TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER, 2022**

Due to the temporary change in meeting facilities, we will be testing some recent suggestions regarding meeting times. Beginning September 2022, we will still meet the second Tuesday of each month, but at **6 pm in September, October, December, April, and May.**

For **November, March, and June** we plan to meet at **2 pm.** We are trying to accommodate members who can no longer drive at night, by holding periodic meetings during the day.

There will be **no meetings in January and February**, but will meet in July and August! Schedules will be handed out at the meeting in September. The summer meetings will not begin until 2023 and they will be held at 6 pm. This is not an official change at this time. We are just testing the waters. Please plan accordingly. Monthly meetings will continue to be held at the American Legion in Belvidere for the fiscal year 2022 - 2023.

QUIZ OF THE MONTH

Take out your #2 pencils and clear your desks, you are about to take a quiz...Oh, wait! Not *that* kind of quiz! Marlene Marlowe and Carol Smith will be handing out a small "quiz" to members each month via email or paper to complete and turn in regarding guilty quilting pleasures, techniques, programs, etc., in order to learn more about one another and our likes and dislikes in quilting. For each quiz you turn in, your name will be submitted for a drawing at the end of the guild year. Stay tuned!

MEMBERSHIP DUES DUE FOR 2022-23!

Membership dues of \$25 can be paid anytime for the 2022 - 2023 year. Forms, which are available from the ESQG website (www.esqg.com), should be completed and updated for each member and forwarded to Darlene Kerr with your dues payment. Darlene's address is:
17 Morningside Drive, Belvidere, NJ 07823



**CELEBRATING JULY, AUGUST
& SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS :**

- 7/9 Jane Schreffler
- 7/13 Liz Moreland
- 7/16 Patty Kristoff
- 8/6 Karen Anderson
- 8/11 Ana Rivera
- 8/14 Pat Howlin
- 8/24 Debbie Symonds
- 9/6 Barbara Contini
- Margaret Grande
- 9/14 Carol Smith
- 9/30 Lorraine Hare
- Lelane Hoose

BELVIDERE HERITAGE DAY SLATED FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2022

Victorian Days, aka Belvidere Heritage Day, is once again only one day this year. It is slated to be held Saturday, September 10, 2022, from 9 am to 6 pm in Wall Park in the heart of Belvidere. Cindy Smith will head the committee this year and will be looking for volunteers to help set up the tent, raffle quilt, and tables at the start of the day, work the event, and take down the display at 6 pm. Please let Cindy know if you are interested in helping with this event. As in the past, we will display our raffle quilt and sell raffle tickets throughout the day. We will also display antique quilts indicative of the era (Broderie Perse, White on White, Album Quilts, Crazy Quilts, etc.) in order to educate the public on the art of quilt making. It is always a beautiful day in the park. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

DELIGHTFUL DEMONSTRATIONS!

Sharon Kubich is lining up some demonstrations for the meetings this year until we get back on our feet financially. If you are interested in providing a demonstration on a nifty technique or new tool, etc., please contact Sharon Kubich or Cindy Smith.

BHS 2022 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Belvidere High School students Tess Farley and Owen Thomas Getely each received a \$500 scholarship from Evening Star Quilters Guild at the June high school awards assembly. Congratulations to these two students!

2022 HARVEST OF QUILTS SHOW CANCELLED

As most of you are aware, the quilt show slated for October 22-23, 2022 is cancelled for this year due to a scheduling conflict with Belvidere High School. The guild voted in an emergency meeting held via Zoom on July 20th to cancel the show and try again in 2023.

STRIPES WORKSHOP MEASURED UP!

The Stripes Workshop that had been postponed from May was held Saturday, June 4th at St. John's Methodist Church in Hope, NJ. Eight members enjoyed the fun and nearly everyone finished their quilt top by the end of day. Thank you to all who participated!

**OUR WARREN COUNTY FAIR QUILT DISPLAY
"WOWED" THE FAIR COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Even with her upcoming surgery, Irene Compton tackled the Warren County Fair display with great tenacity! Over 80 quilts were on display at this year's fair. We truly "filled the barn," as promised. Thank you to Irene Compton, Audrey Planer, and Bonnie Eamigh for organizing the display and coordinating the work details. Thank you to Sharon Kubich for working *EVERY DAY* of the fair and thank you to all the members who helped set up, work, and take down the quilts and displays in the Traditional Arts Building this year! Congratulations to our Viewer's Choice Award winners: First Place - Cindy Smith (Black & White One Block Wonder); Second Place - Bonnie Eamigh (Hand Quilted Whole Cloth Quilt); Third Place - Sewciopaths Group (Autumn 9-Patch); and Honorable Mention - Jane Myers (Harley Davidson T-Shirt Quilt). It was a beautiful display!!

NEW RAFFLE QUILT UNDERWAY

Theresa Schoonover has volunteered to head the raffle quilt committee again this year. She is asking everyone to bring in a **10-inch square of floral fabric** to the September meeting. If you have more than one, feel free to bring as many as you care to donate. The fabrics should include flowers that are 3/4" or larger. Do not submit calicos or small print fabrics. Thank you!

**COMMUNITY PROJECTS
ON THE MOVE**

Cyndy Ponczek is already on the move with this year's community projects. The chemo hats that were made in her May workshop and pillows donated by members were delivered to Overlook and to Morristown Hospitals before the June meeting. Several groups in the guild are already making blanket/bags for the Children's Home in Easton for this year. Please continue to make bags, pillows, and hats and bring them to any meeting throughout the year. If you need directions for any of the above, please contact Cyndy Ponczek.

**WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMS
FOR 2022-2023**

Current year programs are still up in the air. With the cancellation of our quilt show this fall, we are still feeling the financial restraints of the previous year. If any members can provide a workshop or program for the guild this year, please contact Cindy Smith to work out dates and times. Thank you for your consideration!



RAFFLE QUILT COMPLETED!

The 2022 Raffle quilt is complete! This year's quilt is a two-color beauty of red and white fabric with a rose quilting motif. Thank you to Theresa Schoonover for heading the committee and for everyone who helped assemble and quilt our gorgeous new raffle quilt! Tickets have been sold at Warren County Fair and will be sold at Belvidere Heritage Day prior to being handed out to members.

However, if you have an opportunity to sell tickets on your own, please notify the raffle ticket committee.

***"MY HAPPY PLACE QUILT" PROJECT
SUMS IT UP!***

Margaret Grande will be leading us in a unique step-of-the-month project this year called, "*My Happy Place Quilt*." Each month, participants will receive instructions for various blocks included in the quilt top. The quilt should finish at 76" x 88". The pattern includes some *simple* applique and several pieced blocks. You will be using your own fabrics. Rise to the challenge and join in the fun! Margaret hit the ground running at our June guild meeting to get everyone started on it over the summer. And Sharon mailed out an email in late August with the first three block's instructions.

If you plan to participate, please let Margaret know if you have not already signed up (908-310-4822 or 2margg@comcast.net).



QUILTS OF VALOR BLOCKS

Thank you to Rich Danner for supplying the patterns for the more challenging QOV blocks last year. If you have made some of these blocks, please bring them with you to the September general meeting. Solvai Sanchez and Judy Zeitler will be collecting them during the meeting. The committee also has a few more tops that need backing and finishing. Please offer some help in completing our Quilts of Valor!

LANCASTER BUS TRIP - SEPTEMBER 16th

The bus trip to Missouri Star Quilts is postponed for now due to the gas prices and lack of interest. However... we are hosting a bus trip to the Lancaster area for the Pennsylvania National Quilt Fest in Oaks, PA on **Friday, September 16, 2022**. An email was sent out to guild members previously for sign ups. The bus will pick up participants in Hope, NJ and at the Park-and-Ride along Route 33 in Easton, PA. Participants will have four hours to enjoy and shop at Quilt Fest from 10 am to 2 pm, when the bus will transport them to Peddler's Village for a walk-about, dining, and shopping before re-loading to arrive back in Easton by 6 pm, and Hope by 7 pm. Checks were to be mailed to Sue DeCamp. Any questions should be sent to Jane Myers at 530-604-1718 or reddinggram@gmail.com.

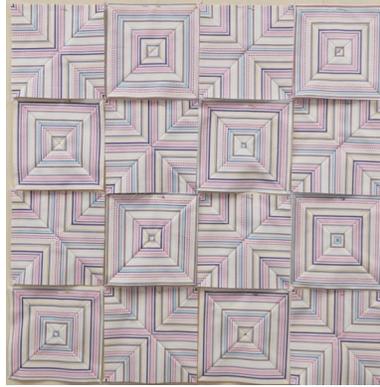
ITSY, BITSY, TEENY, WEENY, YELLOW, POLKA DOT BIKINI CHALLENGE

Rich Danner has challenged us to the *Itsy Bitsy Challenge* this year! Starting now and progressing through June 2023, you must complete (sandwiched, quilted, and bound) a small patchwork quilt (minimum 36" x 36" without borders) that must *feature* polka dot fabric in the quilt top. No block can be larger than 6"x 6" and for every one 6" x 6" block, you have to match it with four 3" x 3" blocks (pieced blocks, **NOT** a plain piece of 3" fabric!!). Rich has offered to run a workshop with some helpful hints for reducing bulk, so if you are interested in this please let Cindy Smith know so she can organize a workshop date and time. Rich is also willing to work with participants with his design service for foundation paper piecing. Please contact Rich Danner with any questions regarding this challenge. Good luck and may the 1/4 be with you!



SUNSHINE

Please remember **Leana McCutcheon** as she continues cancer treatments.
 Please keep **Irene Compton** in your prayers for a good outcome to her recent surgery.
Audrey Planer had knee surgery in early June, and is up and about!
 Please keep **Cyndy Ponczek** and **Carol Smith** in your prayers for continued healing.



All the beautiful Stripes Workshop quilt tops. If you missed the workshop and would like to learn how to do it, (soooooo simple and easy!!) speak with Cindy Smith.

Warwick Valley Quilters' Guild
2022 - Stars of the Valley Quilt Show

Oct. 15th, 10am - 5pm & Oct. 16th, 10am - 4pm

**Sanfordville Elementary School,
 144 Sanfordville Rd., Warwick, NY**

Admission - \$10 ; children 12 & under are FREE

go to [WVQG-Warwick Valley Quilters Guild \(warwickvalleyqg.org\)](http://WVQG-Warwick Valley Quilters Guild (warwickvalleyqg.org))
 for more info

GUEST SPEAKERS

Victoria Findlay Wolfe - Saturday -
 10/15 - 1 PM

Lisa Shepard Stewart -
 Sunday - 10/16 - 1 PM



**Lecture:
Being Curious**

Victoria Findlay Wolfe



Lisa Shepard
 Stewart "All New
 Quilting with
 African Fabrics"

As in the past, the show will include over 150 judged quilts, demonstrations, vendors, a mini-quilt auction, raffle prizes, boutique and refreshments.

PLEASANT MOUNT QUILTERS

Pleasant Mount Fire Hall & EMS
 161 Great Bend Turnpike, Route 371
 Pleasant Mount, PA 18653

8th HARVEST QUILT SHOW

Admission \$5

SATURDAY OCTOBER 8, 2022
 9am - 4pm

"Feather Star Medallion"
 Queen size Raffle Quilt
 Hand Quilted



**Local Area Quilts
 Vendors
 Demos
 Raffle Baskets
 Door Prizes**

Silent Auction
 to Benefit
**SUSAN G ROMAN
 Breast Cancer Foundation**

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 2022/2023 Guild Year

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