

LA CROSSE AREA QUILTERS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

As March comes in like a lamb, I'm hoping the snow will start to melt and we will soon see signs of spring. As I change my quilts hanging in my house, I know we always have quilts and fabric to remind us that flowers and warmer weather will come again.

Yours in Quilting Diane

Schedule:

Wednesday March 5th 9:30 am Morning Quilting, Our Redeemer Lutheran
Tuesday March 11th 6-9pm Wooden Shoe, Holmen, WI 608-790-7709
Wednesday March 19 9:30 am Morning Quilting, Our Redeemer Lutheran, La Crosse
Friday, March 21st 6:00 pm Community Night, Wooden Shoe, Holmen
Tuesday March 25th 7:00 Membership Meeting at Omni Center NEW ROOM!

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Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Here's a question,

If there is still more fabric to buy, could I really be done shopping?

Minutes of the February 26, 2008 LaCrosse Area Quilters Guild

Welcome and Call to Order: President Diane Sprague

Attendance: 48 ladies, including three guests

Secretary's Report: Approved as found in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: The ending balance is \$5721.82. A discussion ensued over the cost of a recent quilt workshop. There was a concern that there would only be funds available for one more workshop this year. It was shared that we don't have a lot of outside workshops on the year of the quilt show. Sharon Slimmen moved that we approve the proposed 2008 budget and Vernetta Fish seconded. Approved by members. It was noted that the advertising budget was down for the Quilt Show. This is due to not using billboards this year. Other means of advertising will be used. Joan Gavin motioned that we approve the Quilt Show 2008 budget. Joan Yeatman seconded. Approved by members.

Newsletter: We are going green! Let Joan Gavin know if you want to receive your newsletter on e-mail. If you had difficulty receiving it on-line, let her know also.

Group Quilts for the August banquet: Stacey Green's Fox and Geese in the Moonlight quilt top is pieced together.

Library Quilts: Joan Yeatman shared that we have room for 13 more quilts at the LaCrosse Main Library. The theme is Spring or Pastels. There is room for large wall hangings to queen size. Let Joan know if you have a quilt you would be willing to hang at the library for a few months.

Challenge: Joan Yeatman reminded us of the Bag challenge for the August banquet.

Stripper Club: The color for March is green.

Sunshine: Diane Sprague shared thank-you notes from Mary Servais and Joan Gavin.

Community Night: Sharon Slimmen will have packets of six inch squares to be sewn into a quilt top. Let her know if you are interested. Bring the top back to one of our monthly meetings when it is finished.

A.B. Culver would like for us to write in the memo line of your check what your check is for.

This is especially important with the quilt show this year. She also has guild pins for new members.

Program: Next month will be a Make and Take it.

Website: Sheryl will update the website with Quilt show information.

Quilt Show: Stephanie Ruetten shared that the minutes of the Quilt Show committee meeting will be in the newsletter. A chair is needed for the Silent Auction. We also need a volunteer to long arm quilt the Show's Raffle Quilt. The guild member who sells the most raffle tickets will win 100 fat quarters. The award buttons are already finished. A button will be required to enter the show. We will be having a pre-sale of buttons for \$4.00 for the weekend. Buttons at the door will be \$4.75. Participants in the show will receive a button free. Our cost per button is 25 cents. Quilt Show posters and bookmarks are available tonight to take to quilt shops and shows. A special thank-you to Sally Knobloch and her daughter Pat, for help with advertising. Sally's daughter took the pictures for the award ribbons and the entry buttons.

New Business

Block of the Month: Members submitted patterns. The officers will pick one and a color scheme. The Block of the Month will be in the newsletter and on the website.

Program: A special thank-you to Pat Hogan for her informative and entertaining talk on Women of the Civil War.

Show and Tell

Minutes respectfully submitted by Julie Thompson for Judy Fox, secretary

Treasures Report- February 2008

FROM THE COMMITTEES:

From Sandy Harvey and Caroline Smith, Program Chairs -

I would like to thank Pat Hogan for her presentation, "Women of the Civil War".

In March I will be showing some ways to use old prom/bridesmaid dresses. We will provide materials so you can try it first hand.

If anyone would be interested in being "Quilter of the Quarter" please let me know.

I look forward to seeing everyone next month.

Yours in quilting,
Sandy & Carolyn

Tip for the Month -

If you have a small project to do, and need to change thread color on your machine, it is an excellent time to use up the thread that is leftover on a bobbin, just put the bobbin on your spool holder and thread your machine as usual. Great way to empty some bobbins.

Stripper Club - Phyllis Pohlman

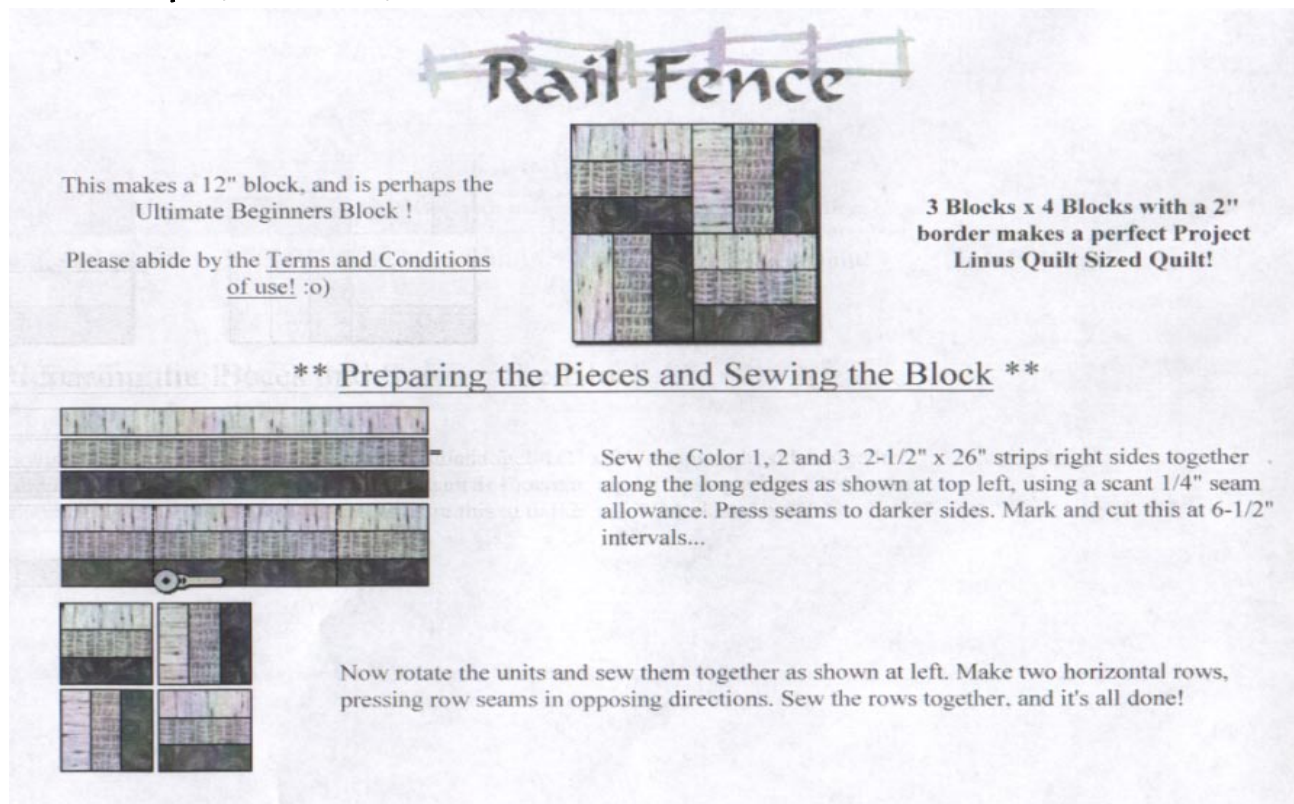
Dear Quilters,

Attention Strippers! Just a reminder that March's strips are **greens**.

Bring a bag, take a bag. If you did not participate last month, you can start this month. Any questions, call me at 779-0550. Keep on strippin'!

Thanks! Phyllis

BLOCK OF THE MONTH



Rail Fence

This makes a 12" block, and is perhaps the Ultimate Beginners Block !

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3 Blocks x 4 Blocks with a 2" border makes a perfect Project Linus Quilt Sized Quilt!

**** Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block ****

Sew the Color 1, 2 and 3 2-1/2" x 26" strips right sides together along the long edges as shown at top left, using a scant 1/4" seam allowance. Press seams to darker sides. Mark and cut this at 6-1/2" intervals...

Now rotate the units and sew them together as shown at left. Make two horizontal rows, pressing row seams in opposing directions. Sew the rows together, and it's all done!

Please use 3 shades of Green or Blue 1each of light, medium and dark.

Spools Rules

You will earn a spool for each completed quilt you bring to show at Guild meeting that has the outer total dimensions of:

Machine quilted 270"

Hand quilted 144

Please note size on the "show and tell list" at the guild meeting.

Quiltfest 2008 - Report from Feb. 11, 2008 meeting

1. Committee members

Chairs: Sharon Slimmen and Stephanie Ruetten

Entries: Mary Zink, Barb Richards and Kathy Andersen

Raffle Quilt: Stephanie Ruetten

Awards: Sally Knobloch

Boutique: Sandee Winterfield, Marsha Griffin and Donna Birnbaum

Quilt show Attire: Linda Birnbaum

Door Prizes: Judy Fox

Judges: Ann Farning and Brenda Wacherbarth

Advertising: Barb Putman

Vendors: Cheryl Keefe

Club President : Diane Sprague

NEED: SILENT AUCTION CHAIR

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PLEASE CALL STEPHANIE OR SHARON TO VOLUNTEER OR IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

Meeting agenda:

1. Cheryl Keefe - Mailed letters to request vendors for the show
2. Raffle quilt is in progress
3. Raffle license - AB Culver received.
4. Speaker contracted signed for Sat at 1 pm of Show: Chris Lyn Kirsh talking on "But I still love you".
5. Entries Committee - donating 100 fat quarters to be used as an incentive to sell raffle tickets
6. Sally Knobloch's daughter, Pat Mundsack, is helping with new local advertising contacts.
7. We voted to use a button for admission ticket into the show. We are encouraging pre-show sales at a discount price of \$4.00 (Admission day of show \$4.75). Several of our local quilt shops have offered to sell the buttons for us. We will start selling button around Memorial Day. Buttons will cost us about 25 cent apiece to make.
8. Cheryl Keefe is going to contact a newspaper reporter to arrange for an article for the paper(s).
9. Bookmarkers and Posters have been ordered and received.
10. Proposed judges are Lyn Erbach, Mary Beth Schmitt and Karen Roberts. We are waiting for the confirmation contracts.

Next meeting: March 10 at 7 pm at Diane Sprague's home at 2820 Jane St. LaCrosse

Call if you need directions. All are welcome to come and support the planning of the Quilt show.

**If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns please call Stephanie at 785-2693 or Sharon at 790-7709
You also can call any Committee member.**

Happy March Birthday to:

Shelly Lafky	March 1
Nancy Ertl	March 2
Sally Knobloch	March 10
Julie Thompson	March 10
Judy Ruedy	March 11
Betty Schulz	March 13
Kaitlin Glentz	March 15
Phyllis Pohlman	March 22
Effie Piper	March 30

April Birthdays	
Phyllis Seufzer	April 2
Connie Bakken	April 3
Stephanie Ruetten	April 3
Kathy Bartel	April 4
Susanne Schlicht	April 5
Arlene Wiese	April 14
Judy Ruedy	April 21

Show and Tell Feb. 26, 2008

Nancy Ertl	Energizer Iris's
Sandee Winterfield	Traveling Hearts
Kathy Ring	Pat's Memories, Baby 1, Baby 2, Purple Posies, Batik Star, Asian Waiter
Joan Yeatman	2 NewZealand quilts
Julie Thompson	Holly Jolly Christmas Mop's Baby Quilt I Love You Truly
Jean Cassell	Table runner Mystery Quilt
Elaine Bouska	Half & Half Carnival Star
Pat Hogan	Civil War Quilts
Barb Richards	Christmas Tree Topper

Quiltfest on the Mississippi

October 18-19, 2008

Categories for entries:

Limit TWO entries per category except Display

Bed Quilts (Twin - King size)

Twin size measures 63" x 87" or 300" measured around edges

1. Hand appliquéd, hand quilted
2. Pieced, traditional design, hand quilted
3. Pieced, traditional, standard machine quilted (using personal sewing machine)
4. Machine appliquéd or pieced, long arm machine quilted (long arm owners only)
6. Other Techniques (yo-yo, embroidery, cathedral, whole cloth, embellished, art quilt, tied, ect.)
7. Group quilt 2 or more, hand quilted
8. Group quilt 2 or more, long arm machine quilted

Wall Hangings (Measure the LONGEST side)

9 Over 45" Pieced,hand and/or machine quilted

10 Over 45" Appliquéd, hand and/or machine quilted

11. 24"-45" Pieced,hand and/or machine quilted

- 12 24"-45" Appliquéd, hand and/or machine quilted
- 13 Under 24" All techniques
- 14 Group Wall quilt (2 or more people) hand quilted
- 15 Group Wall quilt (2 or more people) machine quilted

Other

- 16 Clothing, All techniques
- 17 Decorative accessories (tree skirts, baby quilts, table runners, etc)
- 18 Any item entirely made by a child, age 12 and under
- 19 Any item entirely made by a child, age 13 - 17
- 20 Display only - anything quilted. NOT JUDGED (Challenge and workshop items go into this category if you do not want them judged)

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