

# September 2011 Newsletter

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#### **Autumn**

To me, September marks the beginning of my favorite season, Autumn. So many things happen in September when the temperature starts to cool. Craft Shows, apple picking, yard sales, homemade soup, etc. The weather starts to cooperate and we can enjoy cooler nights.

With the cooler nights coming, my mind starts thinking about the fall colors of the new fabrics. Quilts made in fall colors always seem to keep me warmer for some odd reason.

I'm looking forward to seeing those fall colors in our upcoming Show and Tell when all quilters are invited to share their creations.

Linda Greene, President

# **Upcoming Programs**

September 12 - Electric Quilt Susan Kraterfield will
present a demonstration on
Electric Quilt software. If
you have any specific
questions or topics that you
want Susan to address, give
her a note at the Guild
meeting or send her an
email.



October 3 - Quilted Fashions Runway - Pat Lingle and others will participate in a Quilted Fashions Runway show and share instructions for a woven vest.

November 7 – Approachable Landscape Quilting – Lois Griffith will demonstrate her Approachable Landscape Quilting techniques.

December 5 - December Social - Bring a dish to share and remember to bring a serving spoon. There will be a silent auction and a hand-made ornament exchange.

#### **Comfort Quilts**

On August 19th, we delivered one quilt to the Rescue Mission and four quilts for children ages 1 to 14 at the Turning Point Women's Shelter.

Judy Bradley

September is when we are collecting fabric suitable for kids and teens. A three yard cut of something fun and bright would give us a nice back and some squares for the front. Please, only 100% cotton. Check out the sales at JoAnne's and the local quilt shops to help us with fabric for Back to School. Thank you. Ruth Bunt

## **Technique Classes**

Members have asked if we could provide Technique Classes at the meetings. Techniques could be anything that you do well that you would like to share with the members. This would not really be a class, but members who were interested in the technique for that month would just drop in at 6:30 PM and the class would be finished before 7:00 PM.

Some techniques that members would like see demonstrated are: hand quilting (i.e. quilters knot), photo fabric (how to adhere to quilt), postage stamp quilting and needle turn appliqué.

If you have expertise in a technique listed above, we would love to have you share your hints. If you have a technique or demonstration that you can show in 30 minutes, contact Linda Greene.

At our upcoming September meeting, Sue Dixon will present Tips and Techniques on printing pictures and photos onto fabric using a PC printer. Sue will show several examples of various techniques she has used in her quilts. If you have any problem situations on-hand, please bring them to the meeting and Sue will discuss potential solutions.

#### **Show and Tell**

Each meeting we have Show and Tell. This is the time members bring in what they have been working on to show the group. Everyone is invited to bring in their handwork to share. We also invite guests to bring their work. We love seeing what our friends have been up to.

Some members say the meetings fall after they have finished a quilt as a gift to someone. If you are working on a quilt and will be giving it away before you can show the finished quilt, bring in the quilt top to share. We would love to see it!!!!



## **Raffle Quilt**



We still need to finish the Raffle Quilt. The drawing is in October, and the quilt is still not finished. Susan Kraterfield seems to be doing the lion's share of the quilting. If you hand quilt and can spare some time, please help with the Raffle Quilt. You can quilt during the hours Creative Quilting is open.

If you haven't turned in your Raffle Quilt Ticket money, please bring the ticket sales money with you Monday night.

# **Busy Fingers Handwork Group**

The <u>Busy Fingers Handwork Group</u> meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at St. John Lutheran at 7:00 PM.

This has evolved to any type of hand-piecing and all hand-piecers or wanna be hand-piecers are invited. It is a great time of fun, fellowship and help



from other members. Bring your own supplies. Of course we all will be glad to share if you forget to bring something. For more information contact: Sallie Powers or Linda Greene.

#### **Barefoot Quiltessas**

The <u>Barefoot Quiltessas</u> meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month at Our Lady of Nazareth Church, 2505 Electric Road, SW, in Roanoke They meet from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM. Bring your lunch and join in for fun and hands-on learning. For more information contact: Gayla Heath or Judy Bradley.

A reminder email goes out the Monday or Tuesday before the meeting on Friday. Some emails have come back as undeliverable. If you are not receiving the emails or want to be added to the list, contact Elizabeth Sarver.

#### Jo-Ann Fabric



Joann.com/VIP

All members of the Star Quilters Guild can log on to www.joann.com/VIP and sign up for a VIP Discount Card (sewing and craft guilds). If you do not have access to a computer, please contact Linda Greene and she will sign you up.



## **2010-11 Officers and Chairpersons**

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# **Treasurer's Report**

Balance (7/31/11)	\$6,173.20
Income Ways & Means Membership Comfort Quilts (Salem Fair) Raffle Quilt Total Income	27.01 51.00 549.00 101.00 \$ 728.01
Expenses Membership Quilt Show Newsletter Total Expenses	30.97 92.00 44.00 \$ 166.97
Balance (8/31/11)	\$6,734.24



#### **Newsletter Articles**

Please send Newsletter articles to Linda Greene by the 20th of each month. Thank you!!!

#### **Quilts for Rescue Mission**

Joy Sylvester-Johnson also asked if our Guild would make some quilts for the Rescue Mission. They have a handmade quilt on each of their 417 beds. Due to the frequent washings, they wear out quickly and constantly need to be replaced. These are twin size quilts.

She will provide you with 100% cotton shirts or clothing that can be used for quilts that we donate. Recycle, recycle, recycle!!!!!

If you are interested in helping make quilts for the Rescue Mission and would like recycled fabric, please contact Linda Greene.

Judy Bradley has donated one quilt and Ann Ware has donated three quilts.

## Make a Pillowcase, Make a Difference

The American Patchwork & Quilting One Million Pillowcase Challenge is still continuing. They numbers are going up, but not yet reached a million.

Pillowcases can be turned in at Creative Quilting and Judy will go on line and add the number of pillowcases donated to the rolling counter. You can bring finished pillowcases to the Guild meetings or to Creative Quilting.



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#### **Silent Auction at the December Social**

We will be collecting items for the Silent Auction at the December Social starting at the September meeting. Please remember that all items you donate must be <u>sewing</u> related. There will be a box at one of the front tables for you to place your items. Start thinking about what you would like to donate.

# 9 1/2" Square Block

Have you made your block from the fabric you received at the May Social? Please complete your block be ready to turn it in at the December Social. If you have misplaced your square, we do have a few extras. See Ann Ware if you need a new square.

