



Lighthouse Quilters Guild

January 2010

Kay's Turkey Tracks

Happy New Year! I hope you had time to enjoy with family and friends.



Seems with the New Year change comes, even to our guild . . .

I'd like to thank the out-going board members for the time and commitment and welcome the new board members and thank them for volunteering. From me, I'd like to say thank you, I look forward to serving this group and I welcome your ideas, comments and suggestions. If I don't know the answer, I will try to find someone who can help (or make up an answer!).

I'd like to share the process of naming this column. I sought out ideas from several members and they provided great suggestions. Thank you! Then I spent one night, yes night, looking through the "Encyclopedia of Pieced Quilt Patterns" by Barbara Brackman writing down two sheets of names looking for possibilities, yes two sheets!. Then over the course of a few weeks I shared the list of names, the shortened version of course, narrowing the list. Then after the Board meeting on Jan 4 on the way out the building I shared my top three or four ideas, *yet again*. Enthusiasm for *Kay's Turkey Tracks* was overwhelming and then after explaining the reasoning . . . I am born in November and my birthday occasionally falls on Thanksgiving! I not only get turkey, but a cake too! >:-)

I look forward to some fun over the next couple years! Enjoy this newsletter which is chock full of good information. I look forward to meeting and getting to know more of you at our meeting January 25th.

Kay M. Rigert

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Next Meeting

Things to bring Monday, January 25, 7:00 PM at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection

- Name Tags
- Membership Form & \$\$
- Show & Tell
- Guild Program Survey

Newsletter Articles Due

The deadline for submitting articles is the first Friday of each month. Submit your articles to: Monica Bissen at mmbissen@wi.rr.com Debbie Blaustein at dblaustein@wi.rr.com

QUILTERS LAND CRUISE 2010

It's still not too late to register for the March 5, 6, & 7 Quilters Land Cruise. Most of the classes still have openings plus you can still enter your quilt(s) in the Instant Quilt Show. The early registration deadline was January 15, 2010 and the final registration date is February 5, 2010. Visit www.quilterslandcruise.com for a complete brochure with color pictures or pick up a brochure at our January meeting.

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2010 Programs

January 25	Then & Now—Quilt stories, advice & wisdom from Lighthouse Members (back by popular demand)
February 22	"Shoot 'Em to Protect 'Em" Sandy Schweitzer
March 29	Moda rep Stephanie McHugh—co-sponsored by The
April 26	Healthy Quilters are Happy Quilters—Panel presentation
May 24	What a Judge Looks For—Maribeth Schmidt
June 28	Kit Quilts—Rosie Werner
July 26	Lighthouse Picnic
August 30	Dancing on Your Quilt—Ann Fahl
September 26 & 27	Red Hot Piping—Susan Carpenter—Workshops & presentation, co-sponsored by The Fabric Gallery at Sew 'N Save.
October 25	Guild Mini Classes—Our own guild experts
November 29	Christmas Party

2010 Lighthouse Guild Meeting Dates

January 25	July 26
February 22	August 30
March 29	September 27
April 26	October 25
May 24	November 29
June 28	

2010 Lighthouse Board Meeting Dates

January 4	July 12
February 1	August 2
March 1	September 13
April 5	October 4
May 3	November 1
June 7	December 6 (Joint mtg)-1st Floor Meeting room

All board meetings are in classroom LL, except the December 6 which is on 1st floor.
Note: All members of the Guild are welcome to come to the board meetings.

Hi, members and members-to-be! Please note that I will have a limited number of membership forms at the January meeting. If at all possible, please print out this form from the newsletter and bring it with you. This will save us on photocopying costs and having a bunch of unused leftovers. Thanks in advance for your cooperation. Stevie Breit

LIGHTHOUSE QUILTER'S GUILD 2010 Membership Form

Please complete this form and return it with \$25 (checks made payable to Lighthouse Quilter's Guild). You may sign up at a meeting or mail your membership form and payment to:

2010 Lighthouse Quilter's Guild

c/o Stevie Breit

30 Sheffield Drive

Racine, WI 53402

If you would prefer your membership card mailed to you, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your form. We need a new form every year for our records.

All members are encouraged to serve at least one month per year on the hospitality committee and are asked to make one quilt a year for our charities.

Name: _____ NQA Member # _____ *

Address _____

Street

City

State Zip

Winter Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email address _____ Birthday _____

Day/Month

How long have you been a member of LHQ: _____ Please estimate if you can't remember exactly.

Are you a member of WQI? (circle one) Yes No

Newsletter via (circle one): e-mail snail-mail

____ I am interested in serving on the board in the following position:

____ I would like to have a mentor.

____ I would be willing to be a mentor.

____ I would like to see a program or class on:

* The National Quilting Association requests a count of guild members who are also members of the NQA, along with their NQA number.

Guild Program Survey

Check any topics that you are interested in having as a guild program (P) or workshop (W).

P	W	Topic	P	W	Topic
		Basic Rotary Cutting			Hand Applique' Techniques
		Tools of the Trade			Machine Applique' Techniques
		Thread Information			Reverse Applique'
		Guild Member Trunk Show			Hand Quilting
		Ergonomics of Quilting			Machine Quilting
		Color			Machine Embroidery
		Embellishing			Foundation Piecing
		Computers in Quilting			Hand Piecing/English Paper Piecing
		Fabric Dyeing or Painting			Strip Piecing
		Judging			Folk Art Quilts
		Appraising Quilts			Pieced Borders
		History/Antique Quilts			Hawaiian Quilting
		Colorwash			Stack 'n Whack
		Battings			Quilted Clothing
		Finishing Up			Quilted Purses/Totes
		Sewing Machine Demos			Scrap Quilts
		Fat Quarter Projects			Memory Quilts
		Sewing Area Design/Storage Ideas			Quilts of Illusion
		Long Arm Quilting			Triangles
		Sewing Machine Maintenance			Tessellations
		Other:			Art Quilts
		Other:			Curved Designs

Is there a specific speaker that you are interested in hearing or someone you have heard elsewhere that you would recommend as a speaker for our guild? _____

Would you be willing to present a program or a demonstration on your specialty? If yes, please include your name and topic.

Check events that you would like to participate in.

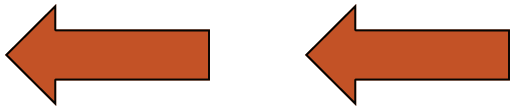
		National Quilting Day Event			Round Robin Challenge
		Day Trips			Block Exchange
		Multi-Day Trips (Example: Quilt shows Chicago, Paducah, Columbus)			Mentor Program
		Study Group			Mini Group

Please indicate any idea for an event that is not listed above? _____

If you are interested in any of the above events, please provide your name and contact information below.

Name: _____ Email Address: _____
 Telephone: _____

Bonus: Please turn in your response to the Guild Program Survey at our January meeting for an opportunity to win a special prize!



Pillowcases for the Troops

4653 is our new total.

Over 100 pillowcases came in...some were packed in our boxes we sent, the rest were taken to the Library for another shipping date in January.

This thank you came from one of the bases that received pillowcases from the Library:

A huge thank you on behalf of all my soldiers for the beautiful pillowcases. I just received them this past week and was so impressed by the colors, patterns and craftsmanship that make up the wonderful gift. I am really excited to put them into our Soldiers' stockings for Christmas, along with some other items we've received. I sincerely appreciate you bringing joy to all of our lives this holiday season.

*Love,
Michelle*



Hospitality News.

While last year's Holiday party is now past, I am busy planning and shopping for next year's party. In our last newsletter I neglected to thank the Quilt show committee for their generosity in donating the excess quilt show prizes provided by the quilt show sponsors. This year I will not have that luxury so I am looking for suggestions about what you would like to see as a holiday party door prize. I can not guarantee purchasing everything you might want or need, but it will give me a better idea of what to shop for. I do have a budget/guideline to adhere to. so I will be limited to a certain degree, I will do my best to fill 'Santa's bag' with your suggestions/requests.

Also, for all who have signed up on the monthly hospitality committees a **BIG THANK YOU!!!** However we do have openings in February, etc. Please look for the sheets at our January meeting and sign up for the month of your choice. **There are many openings to choose from.**

Thank you and see you at our January meeting and beyond!!

Respectfully,

Debby Gillmore (262) 857 2494

Back by Popular Demand - "THEN and NOW"

Lighthouse Guild is pleased and proud to announce the 2nd Annual "Then and Now" presentation at the upcoming guild meeting on Monday, January 25th. "Then and Now" features ten of our very own members, each telling the story of how and why she progressed from her "Then" quilt to her "Now" quilt. You're sure to be enlightened, inspired and entertained. This program is back by popular demand. You loved it last year and many of you asked that we feature "our own" in this format every year.

The ten presenters are Judy Barnes, Regina Scott Brooks, Cindy Garcia, Joyce Herringer, Cecilia Johnson, Pat Limburg, Marie Raymond, Sue Scheckel, Jackie Tomkins and Mary Lou Wendzinski. Come enjoy this unique evening!

REGIONAL SHOWS & EVENTS

The South of the Border theme quilts will exhibit each quilter's vision and interpretation of the theme. Entry deadline is March 19, 2010. Entry forms will be available in the Classes, Events Catalog, as well as on our website at www.IMQA.org/MQS2010.htm

Theme: *South of the Border* What do you conjure up when you think South of the Border? Is it the food, music, art, a happy fiesta or a lazy siesta? Let your imagination go to express your "South of the Border" images.

The quilt may be pieced, appliquéd, embroidered or painted. Embellishments and specialty threads are allowed. Your artist's statement will be read for the judges to tell them and all of us what makes your quilt "South of the Border". Quilt must fit the perimeter of no less than 240" and no more than 480" and must be a quilt of 3 layers-top, batting, and backing. **ENTRY DEADLINE: MARCH 19, 2010.**

May 12 - 15, 2010, Machine Quilters Showcase, Overland Park Convention Center, Overland Park, Kansas
MQS-show@IMQA.org

Case IH Sponsors 'Red Tractor' Quilt Contest—Case IH Agricultural Equipment invites quilters to share their International Harvester spirit by entering the first "Red Tractor" quilting contest. Case IH, the sponsors, offer a cash award of \$1,000 for first prize. Quilts will be judged during the 21st annual Red Power Roundup of IH Collectors Club June 24-26, 2010. Complete set of rules is at: [www1.caseih.com/northamerica/Promotions/Documents/Red Tractor Quilt Contest 2009.pdf](http://www1.caseih.com/northamerica/Promotions/Documents/Red_Tractor_Quilt_Contest_2009.pdf)

August 3-7, Milwaukee Machine Quilting Show, at Wyndham Milw. Airport Hotel & Convention Center (across from Mitchell Airport), Milwaukee, WI. Watch www.MMQShow.com for details.

Quilting is Art—A contest created to showcase quilting as an art form as part of the 2010 Channel 10 Great TV Auction. For details and contest requirements go to: <http://www.mptv.org/events/detail/?id=30>

On this website which is "MPTV Events" you will also be able to download an entry form.

QUILTS for the COMMUNITY ~ 2009 Report

Quilts for the Community gave a total of 351 quilts from First Friday, Rainbow and Lighthouse Quilters in 2009! This is almost 200 MORE than in 2008!!!! These quilts were given to:

All Saints NICU, Racine	28	Ridgewood Nursing Home, Racine	19
Milwaukee Children's Hospital	14	Bethany House, Racine	14
Operation Snuggles~children & wounded	223	Other locations chosen by quilters	53

This total is most impressive when you multiply 351 by an average cost per quilt (fabric + labor) of \$250 to get a possible contributed total of almost **\$90,000.00**. WOW.

We will continue to give quilts to the children, soldiers, and nursing home residents in 2010. Each quilter still has the option of choosing another group or person. Please tell Barb Vallone so we can add your quilt to our total. THANK YOU EVERYONE!

LIGHTHOUSE CHARITY QUILT PROJECTS FOR 2010

Two members will distribute quilts this year:

Carolyn Christensen for HALO and Women's Resource Center

Barbara Vallone for Quilts for the Community which includes:

All Saints NICU, Racine, and Children's Hospital, Milwaukee

Ridgewood Nursing Home and Bethany House, Racine

plus other Racine assisted living and nursing homes

Operation Snuggles - quilts for soldiers' children and soldiers

Please visit our Charity Quilt display which has:

A slip of **paper** for you to indicate WHERE your quilt should go and circle if it is WASHED or not

A baby quilt **pin** for you to add to your name tag

A **place** to leave your quilt (two wash baskets!) if you don't want to keep it for Show & Tell

Your quilt size can range from 36" x 36" to twin bed. It can be square or rectangular. Operation Snuggles also takes crocheted or knitted afghans in lap quilt sizes. Women's Resource Center and HALO welcome pieced, cheaters, fleece, crocheted and knitted items.

We welcome your suggestions and encourage you to participate in this project. Can we beat the 2009 Three Guild total of 351 during 2010?? Free fabric kits continue to be available for anyone to "play" with and "create"!!!!

THANK YOU for continuing to make this project such a success.

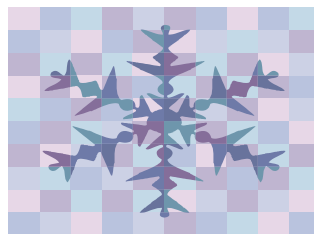
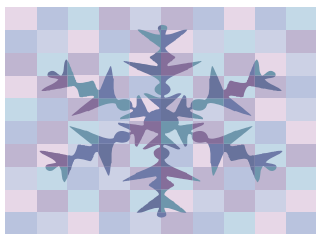
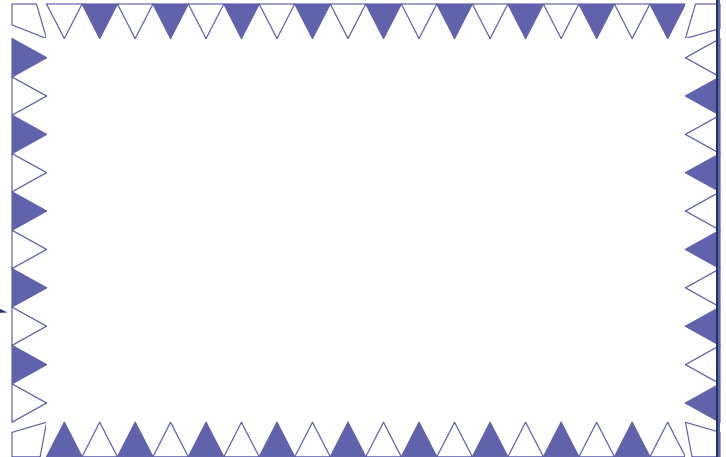
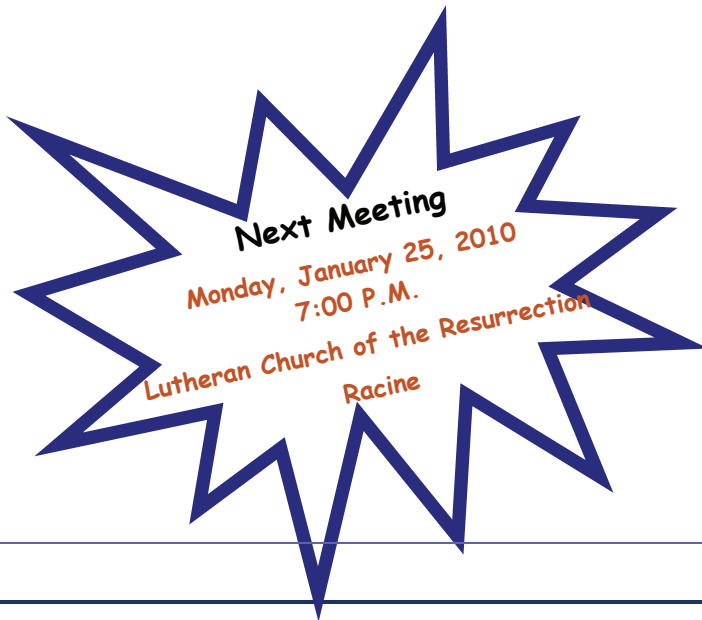
STUDIO QUILT-IN AT RESURRECTION RETURNS FOR 2010

Come and spend "quality time" on a favorite project, a looming deadline, or a creative concept. We will again offer Studio Quilt-Ins FOUR times a year on Fridays from 3 to 9 pm and Saturdays from 9 am to 9 pm! Quilt at Resurrection for a total of almost 18 hours for just \$5 each day! Each quilter brings a simple Finger Snack to share and is responsible for her own suppers/lunch. Yes, you can get take-out. Yes, you can go out for suppers.

The first one is on Friday, January 15, and Saturday, January 16. The remaining dates are April 9 & 10, August 13 & 14, and November 5 & 6.

Sign up for any or all by contacting Barbara Vallone, 262-539-8185 or QltingB@aol.com

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January Hospitality

Chairperson: Ruth Rohlfig

Theme: Say It's Your Birthday.

Celebrate **all** guild members' birthday

Carol Kuehneman	Cecilia Johnson
Janet Kuhl	Rachel Riley
Debbie Blaustein	
Monica Bissen	

February 22 Hospitality

Chairperson: Jody Knudtson 886 5248

Theme: Go **Red** - Be good to your heart

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Kathy Simon
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