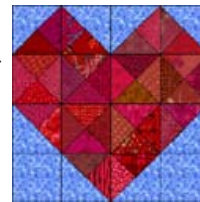


Lighthouse Quilters Guild

Something From Sue

This month we celebrate Valentines Day, the season when "Love" takes center stage. Boxes of chocolate, songs of love, giving a handmade quilt--- "WHAT?" Yes, these are all things we can do to show our love for others. Whether it's for someone we know, or it's given to someone in need, our quilts will connect us with others. And when we give to others, it makes us feel good. What better way to share our talents and show our love--- start a quilt today!



I want to thank all who contributed to the discussion at our January meeting. For those unable to attend, a budget was presented and approved by the members. I hope this helps us all understand how our funds are spent. Also charity quilts should have a tag attached indicating who made it and where it should be donated. Please choose between Women's Resource Center, Homeward Bound, All Saints Baby/Children, or nursing homes. Our goal continues to have at least one quilt per member donated to the community. I look forward to the day when there will be fewer needy persons than quilts made. And thanks to Jim Diebler, TC Wiley, and LuWayne Snow for a great presentation. You've won the hearts of our community.

Good News!! I have a volunteer for co-chairman for the Quilt Show. So now you don't have to be afraid of doing it yourself. There is someone willing to share the spotlight.

Please come to me with an offer to help. With a guild of this size, we surely have the talent and resources to put on a great quilt show. So if you've never worked on the show, and would like to get involved, now is the time.

Come to the February meeting prepared to do some appraising of quilts with the guidance of our speakers for the evening, Linda Honsberger and Jayne Steffens. We are so lucky to have them share their expertise with us. See you then,

-Sue Scheckel



February's Program

How Much Is That Quilt In The Window And Why?

Linda Honsberger and Jayne Steffens, LQG members and our very own NQA Certified Quilt Appraisers, will be presenting a lecture about the basics of quilt appraising. Along with that, we will have the opportunity to work in small groups and do actual hands-on appraising of some new and old quilts. FUN!! *- Barb Englander*

February 2006

Things to bring to the February Meeting:

- Your Nametag
- Show and Tell
- Batik Fat Quarter

Next Board Meeting:

Monday, March 6, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection.

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Contribute to the 2006 Christmas Raffle Quilt!



This year's raffle quilt will feature **batiks**. I would love to see many varieties, so jump in and contribute to this year's unique quilt! I am asking for:

- one fat quarter (18"X22")
- jewel-toned (burgundy, green, mustard, blue, fushia, gold, deep orange, red, deep purple etc)
- please indicate if the fabric is washed or unwashed

There will be a box at the back of the room, near the registration table at the next meeting to collect the donations. Thanks in advance for your contribution to this year's quilt!

- Autumn Latimore

March Hospitality

Chairperson: Carol Nelson 886-3640

- Agnes Krogh
- Mary Ludvigsen
- Barb Vallone
- Sharon Guetztaff
- Donna Hanson
- Monica Bissen
- Dee Klacan
- Karen Thomsen
- Cecilia Johnson
- Joyce Herringer
- Sandy Veit

Theme: Foods that start with the letter "P"



Quilts for the Community

Four quilts were given at the January meeting for our 2006 Quilts For The Community. Below is the information you need to contribute to this project.

GOAL for 2006 ~ to make and give 200 quilts no smaller than 36 inches square for use as Isolet covers for newborns, comfort quilts for children, and lap quilts for seniors.

DIRECTIONS:

1. MAKE your quilt 36 inches square or bigger
2. WASH your quilt after it's finished
3. PIN a piece of paper to the back of your quilt with the information below:
 your name "washed" the charity of your choice*
4. BRING your quilt to a Guild meeting

**Lighthouse members decided to let the maker of each charity quilt decide where it should go. See explanation in the President's Column. If you want your quilt(s) to go to a nursing home, please specify this because we need over 40 more to reach our 50 for Lakeshore Manor at St. Luke's!*

THANK YOU! - Barbara Vallone, 262-639-8185 QltingB@aol.com



Baby Quilt Angels... You've Earned Your Halos!

On Wednesday, February 8, we delivered your **16** wonderful baby quilts to *Halo/Homeward Bound*. We couldn't have come on a better day! February 8 was a cold and windy day...only the second time that it snowed in 2006. It was also the day that *Halo* was having trouble with its furnace. It was working...but not up to its capacity. Needless to say, they were thrilled to get our quilts!! There were 25 children at *Homeward Bound* that day...and the staff was going to distribute the quilts right away...starting with the youngest children!

Because of you, 16 little children were warm and cozy...and have a quilt to call their own!!

The staff asked us to pass on their thanks!!

- Sandy Veit and Vernetta



March Birthdays!

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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3/02 Janet Christianson | 3/21 Judy Strand |
| 3/02 Pat Rigby | 3/30 Clarice Sklba |
| 3/19 Autumn Latimore | 3/31 Janet Ball |
| 3/19 Dianna Zimmerman | |

2006 Programs - Looking Ahead

MARCH 2006 A BRIEF HISTORY OF QUILTS - Maggi Gordon, of Milwaukee, will present a historical overview of quilts. In addition, she will share her extensive collection of wonderful quilts!



APRIL 2006 Fibonacci Who? well...Leonardo of Pisa, known as Fibonacci, was an Italian mathematician who discovered a numerical sequence: 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34 and so on. And, by using these numbers in design, we are led to the Golden Rectangle and the Golden Ratio.* This is very simply put---come to the April workshop to learn to adapt this to traditional quilt design.

Judith Kessler Smith, of Euclid, Ohio, will speak at the membership meeting on Monday evening--- In Perfect Harmony: Introducing Fibonacci Numbers into Patchwork. On Tuesday, the 25th, during her workshop In Perfect Harmony: Innovations from Tradition, we will learn and design traditional blocks using the Fibonacci grid and then, move on to sewing a block (or several). It sounds fascinating and should prove to be enjoyable as well.

Where: The classroom at Sew 'n Save
When: Tuesday, April 25th, from 9:30 to 4:00 pm
Cost: A mere \$35 will reserve your place

*For more info, Quilter's Newsletter Magazine has articles in May 2004/no. 362. p. 48 Mathematical Curiosities: Designing with the Golden Rectangle, Golden Ratio, and Fibonacci Numbers. and also, October 2004/no.366, p.36 The Meeting Place introduces our speaker, Judith Kessler Smith and shows some of her quilts. Judy's web site is <http://judithkesslersmith.fiberartsconnsocial.org/> There will be a sign up sheet at the February meeting and I will be available to answer any questions.

JUNE 2006 Diane Gaudynski will join us with a full day workshop on Saturday, June 24th and another half day on Monday the 26th. She will, of course, be our featured speaker at the membership meeting that evening. For those of you who requested (via the survey) a Machine Quilting workshop, this is it! Diane's classes at those larger shows fill faster than you can bat an eye...here through LQG, we have the advantage. Diane's web site is www.dianegaudynski.net



SEPTEMBER 2006 In September, we are indeed fortunate to have Lura Schwarz Smith, a renowned art quilter from California, with us for 3 days of workshops (September 23-25) followed by her lecture Journey of an Art Quilter at our membership meeting Monday evening. Betty Suiter and I went to Rockford, IL in November to meet and hear her and we were both very impressed. I have also received several inquiries from interested (out of state!) people seeking info... so mark your calendars. Check out her web site for a real treat: www.lura-art.com.

Further information with specifics will be forthcoming...but SAVE THE DATES!!

- Barb Englander

Uncommon Threads: Art Quilts & Felted Hangings

Art quilter, Rhonda Rodero and knitter Angela Laughingheart stretch two traditional, functional art forms to create elegant free-motion embroidered and stitched quilted hangings, and felted sculptural hangings.

Rhonda is a member of LHQ. She will continue to exhibit her art quilts through April 12, 2006.

Visit Gallery at DanceWorks 1661 at 1661 N. Water St. in Milwaukee to see Rhonda's wonderful quilts.

Quilt it Girl! A Day Camp for Working Women who Love to Quilt

Quilt and laugh with your friends all day ---- then go home and sleep in your own bed!

When:	Saturday March 11 7:00 am - 11:00 pm Sunday March 12 8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Where:	Historic Racine Arts Council 505 6th Street, in Downtown Racine
Cost:	\$25.00 for two days.	Dinner:	On your own.....last time we ordered Chinese and had it delivered
Included:	Coffee/Tea and donuts for breakfast Quiznos sub sandwiches for lunch Chairs and tables provided	Bring:	Snacks to share, any of your favorite quilting supplies
Parking:	All spots are metered so drop off your stuff and park on the side streets		

Here's a treat for you!!! Neck and Shoulder Chair Massage. This was Great!!!

- Flex-Ability Carrie Massey, LMT & RPP
- \$1.00 per minute (most people signed up for 10 minutes both Sat and Sun)

First people pay.....first people reserved! Mail check to: Kathi Wilson, 1432 S. Wisconsin Ave. Racine 53403 262-632-5017. Only 20 spots available...

Mail reservation by March 1 to reserve a spot. - *Thanks, Kathi Wilson*



Quilt Camps

These camps are open to ANYONE who likes the concept of escaping real life for a short time. You don't have to quilt. Each camp offers wonderful vacation options and peace along with good meals - can't say quiet because we aren't!! If you have questions, I will be at the Membership Table with the 2006 Quilt Camp fliers. The next camps with OPENINGS are: **April 27-30, 2006** at Lutherdale near Elkhorn. Cost is \$150, there are about 5 openings, you get great meals, wonderful beds, plus two optional workshops. Lutherdale takes care of all the registrations so you need to call 262-742-2352 and talk to Kathy.

May 18-21, 2006 in Door County. The cost is \$47.50 per night. Full payment for this camp will be due when you sign up. Yes, May is actually around the corner!!

August 21-25, 2006 near Wautoma at Camp Webb. The cost has not been set yet. If you don't mind a bit of warmth (sleeping cottages do have window air conditioners!) this is a perfect time to quilt, enjoy summer up north on a lovely lake and the biggest and best quilting Lodge ever!

October 22-26, 2006 in Door County. The cost is \$47.50 per night. The Oct 18-22 choices are full IN PENCIL but there is lots of room in the second set of choices!

And don't forget the quilt camp at The DeKoven Center right here in Racine! Drive time and gas cost is excellent plus the meals are delicious and the sleeping accommodations are great. Dates for 2006 are **August 2-6** and **November 9-12**. The cost will be determined soon. Quilt camp days run from after lunch to after lunch and the total cost is based on the number of nights you stay at camp. See you at Quilt Camp!!! - *Barb Vallone, 262-639-8185.*

Shop Around The Corner

The Ben Franklin Craft Store in Oconomowoc (at 1083 Summit Ave; phone 262.567.0271) is a "must stop" for many Lighthouse Quilt Guild members. The store offers a wide variety of fabrics and notions as well as other craft supplies. Classes are available for those who don't mind the drive. Each fall the store hosts a quilt weekend with quilt displays, a challenge competition, demonstrations, and special sales. It's a great stop when you need to stretch on a long trip - and close enough for a day trip and lunch with your quilting buddies.

Regional Quilt Shows and Programs

Through April 2: "The Art and Soul of Quilting, Anderson Arts Center, 121 Sixty-Sixth St, Kenosha. Tuesday thru Sunday 1 - 4 p.m, closed Mondays. Contact 262.653.0481 or www.andersonartscenter.com

March 3 - 5: Quilters Land Cruise, "Quilts with Circles." Radisson Inn Harbourwalk, Racine. Featuring Michael James, Chris Lynn Kirsch, Wendy Rieves, Marsha Toshner, Weeks Ringle, and Barbara Vallone. Contact www.quilterslandcruise.com

March 10 - 11: West Suburban Quilters' Guild, "A Quilter's Garden," Mt. Mary College, Alumnae Dining Room, 2900 N. Menomonee River Pkwy, Wauwatosa. Raffle, demos, vendors. Lecture and reception with Melody Johnson, March 10 at 7:00 pm. Friday from 10 - 7 p.m.; Saturday from 10 - 5 p.m. \$5.00 fee. Map posted at LHQ. Contact Michelle Sweetser, 414-727.5503; mlg@alum.dartmouth.org

March 26 - 28: Prairie Heritage Quilters Quilt Show, St. Albert's Center, 2420 St. Albert the Great Dr, Sun Prairie. Sunday, 12 - 4 p.m; Monday, 9 - 8 p.m; Tuesday, 9 - 4 p.m. Admission, \$4.00. Contact Klaudeen Hansen at 608.837.6377 or Arlene Statz 608.837.6377. **Entry Deadline: March 15**

April 1 - 2: Evergreen Quilters, "Treasured Scraps: 12th Biennial Quilt Show," Ashwaubenon High School, 2391 S. Ridge Rd, Green Bay. Saturday 10 - 5 p.m, Sunday 10 - 4 p.m. Traveling exhibit: The Permanent Collection of Keepsake Challenge Quilts. Also silent auction, raffle, vendors, appraisals. Map & flier posted at LHQ. Contact Sara Reichert, 1330 N. Summer Range Rd, DePere, WI 54115 or Reichertr4@aol.com or www.geocities.com/evergreenguild **Entry Deadline: March 15**

April 7 - 9: International Quilt Festival/Chicago, Donald E. Stephens Convention Center, Rosemont, IL. shows@quilts.com

April 22 - 23: Crazy Quilters' Guild, "19th Annual Quilt Show", Park View Middle School, 930 N. Rochester St (Hwy 83 & Hwy MM), Mukwonago. 200+ quilts, vendors, raffle. Saturday, 9 - 4 p.m. Sunday 11 - 4 p.m. \$4.00 fee. Map and entry form posted at LHQ. Contact Cindy Osinski 262.363.3761, cosinski@we.rr.com or Linda Bohling, 262.392.9804, lbohling@wi.rr.com **Entry Deadline: April 12**

April 26 - 29: American Quilter's Society 22nd Show & Contest, Paducah Expo Center, Paducah, KY. www.AmericanQuilter.com

May 6 - 7: Wisconsin Quilters Spring Meeting. Lectures and workshops include "Just What DOES the Judge Look For," and "Appliqué is Painting with Fabric," by Kathy DeLaney; "Scrap City," and "Photo Inspired Quilts," by Wendy Butler Berns; "Postcards and Trading Cards," by Amy Climer. Location and registration information TBA.

June 15 - 17: Minnesota Quilter's "28th Annual Quilt Show & Conference, "Sew Many Northern Lights," St. Cloud Civic Center, St. Cloud, MN. Booklet at LHQ. Contact quilter@mnquilt.org or www.mnquilt.org/mq2006 **Entry Deadline: May 1**

June 23 - 24: Quilters Anonymous Guild's, "Reinterpreting Tradition Quilt Show," Kneeland-Walker House, 7406 Hillcrest Dr, Wauwatosa. Admission \$4.00. Contact 414.774.8672 or www.wauwatosahistoricalsociety.org.

July 13 - 16: Quilters Hall of Fame Event, Marion Public Library, 926 S. Washington St, Marion, IN. Induction of Virginia Avery, workshops, quilt show, raffle, vendors. Info posted at LHQ. Contact www.quiltershalloffame.org; 765-664-9333. **Entry deadline: June 16**

July 15 - 16: Mad City Quilters, "Ricky Tims' Quilt Seminar," Middleton High School, Middleton. Group registration deadline, April 16; singles deadline, June 24. Separate tickets for Saturday evening lecture, \$15.00. Brochure at LHQ. Contact rtqs@rickytims.com

See the Events Board at the next LHQ meeting for details of these events
Ruth Rohlfling 262.639.2915 or rohlfling@execpc.com



Lighthouse Quilter's Guild Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2006

The president, Sue Scheckel, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, welcoming members, guests and new members.

Program: Barb Englander introduced Jim Deibler, TC Wiley, and LuWayne Snow from Sew 'n Save/ Fabric Gallery and their program "Tools of the Trade". Jim kept us in 'stitches' with anecdotes from his early years at Sew 'n Save. They offered us a generous 20% discount on our purchases for the week following this program.

Business Meeting:

2007 Quilt Show: Sue Scheckel asked for someone to please volunteer to serve as Quilt Show Chairman for 2007 and for someone to coordinate the making of the raffle quilt for the 2007 Quilt Show.

Budget: Mary Piper introduced the proposed budget for the year 2006. Autumn Latimore, Barb Englander, Maria Rivest, Mary Piper, and Lois Pedersen were appointed by our past president to serve on the budget committee, as mandated by the by-laws. Mary explained that setting up a budget, gives the board members a guideline for their spending, which has not been done in the past. A motion was made by Monica Schmeckel and seconded by Barb Englander that we accept the 2006 budget for \$11,000. After discussion and clarification, the motion passed unanimously.

Membership: cards are ready for all who signed up and paid for their 2006 membership.



Books for Soldiers: Lois Pedersen read a plea for more pillowcases from Karen Grochowski and thank you for our generosity and expression of support. We have now turned in 568 pillowcases, (60 more were turned in tonight making our total 628). Lois thanked the Fabric Gallery and the Quilted Basket for their donation of fabrics. Keep finishing those pillowcases, they can be returned to the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection any time this month or brought to our next Guild meeting. A show of hands indicated the membership wants to continue this project for a while longer.

Programs: Barb Englander had us looking ahead for 2006. Linda Honsberger and Jane Steffens will talk next month about quilt appraisals. Then she reminded us of the workshops coming up this year: Judy Smith, Diane Gaudynski, & Lura Schwarz Smith.

Charity Quilts: Sandy Veit brought to our attention that many more quilts were going to All Saints Hospital than to the Women's Resource Center and Homeward Bound. A motion was made and seconded that we divide up the charity quilts evenly. After much discussion, an amendment was made to the motion that "The quilter specify by placing a label on the quilt as to where it is to be distributed. The quilts not labeled would be divided up evenly." The motion passed unanimously.

Board Meeting: will be February 6th at 7:00 in the Luther Room. *Please inform Sue Scheckel if you cannot attend.*

Sue announced that this is our Guild's 25th Anniversary. To celebrate we will have people share memories from the past years at our upcoming meetings. Tonight Bev Simon has been asked to share some thoughts of the first years.

Announcements: Quilt displays to see in the area: Anderson Arts Center in Kenosha, & Artists Gallery in Racine.

Door prizes were given to Cecilia Johnson, Judy Stapleman-Kroes, Monica Schmeckel, Kathi Wilson, and Penny Schaubel.

Hospitality: Maria Rivest reminded members to pick any month to sign up to serve. Tonight's committee was introduced and thanked for our delicious ice cream sundaes.

Show and Tell: Wonderful quilts were shared by the membership to help inspire us all to keep quilting.

Sue adjourned the meeting and we enjoyed the company of other guild members and guests, over refreshments. Our conversations lingered on into the evening. *- Respectfully submitted by Lois Pedersen, recording secretary*

2006 "Star" Block of the Month

February's star block is "Party Hats". Remember, this is ONLY A STARTING POINT! You can use the basic directions listed or any alternate method you choose to create these blocks. Feel free to change the size of the blocks and use your creativity to pick the overall theme of your quilt. Add appliqué, embroidery, redwork, additional inner-piecing, or any embellishments you wish to enhance these stars. You can even make more than one of each star for your quilt.

Your quilts will truly be unique depending on the decisions you make and where your creativity leads you. We hope you all have fun and HAPPY QUILTING!

- Angela Balazs

February - Party Hats

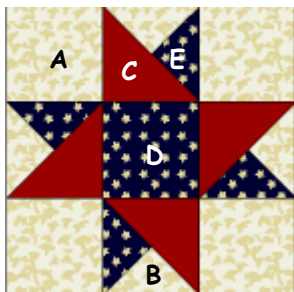
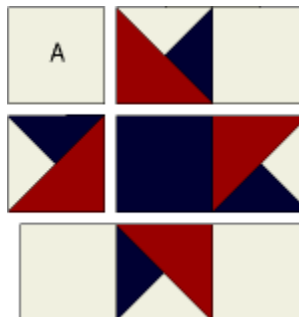


Diagram I - Make 4



Assembly Diagram

images and block pattern compliments of www.mccallsquilting.com

Party Hats

Size: 12" Finished Block
Beginner Skill Level

Cutting Instructions:

Fabric 1 — Background

- Four "A" squares
4 1/2" x 4 1/2"
- One "B" square
5 1/4" x 5 1/4" cut twice diagonally ... yield: four quarter-square triangles.

Fabric 2 — Large Triangles

- Two "C" squares
4 7/8" x 4 7/8" cut once diagonally ... yield: four half-square triangles

Fabric 3 — Small Triangles and Center

- One "D" square
4 1/2" x 4 1/2"
- One "E" square
5 1/4" x 5 1/4" cut twice diagonally ... yield: four quarter-square triangles.

Assembly:

Step 1. Using Diagram I as a guide, sew pieces together to form pieced-square sub unit.

Make 4.

Step 2. Referring to Assembly Diagram, layout, pieced-square sub units, background squares, and blue square to form rows and sew together. Sew rows together to make block.

Happy Quilting!

Workshop Opportunity

Chocolate City Quilters is sponsoring two half-day workshops with Linda Halpin at the Burlington High School Library on Saturday, March 11. Registration is due February 24 (before the LHQ meeting).

If interested contact Linda Eastburg (262)248-6420

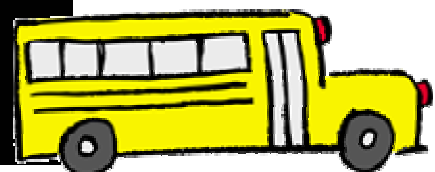
Bus Trip to International Quilt Festival

Sew 'n Save and the Fabric Gallery can host YOUR TRIP to the International Quilt Festival

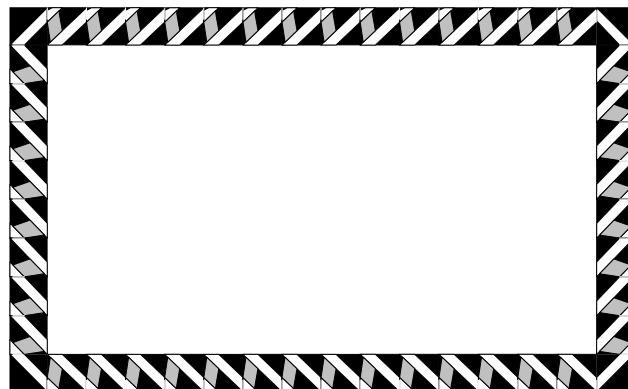
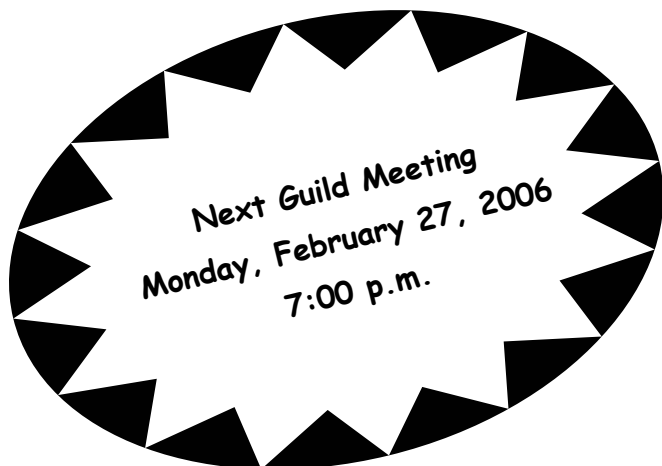
this Spring (April 7th or 8th) featuring Royal Coach busses, fun and games and your entry ticket.

- We have added another bus for Friday's trip...call to sign up now.
- The Sat bus is almost full...call for the latest status. Ask about the waiting list for Sat -- if the interest is there, we will locate another bus for Sat as well.
- Cost is \$40 due upon sign up (cash or check only).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND CALL TO REGISTER!



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February Hospitality

Chairperson: Donna Wheeler 639-7948

- Jo Lettsome
- Christine Cielenski
- Deanne Benefeil
- Jody Knudtson
- Gen Hostak
- Barb Seitz
- Mary Risler
- Barb VanRuden
- Janet Geisner
- Janet Kuhl

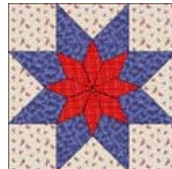
Theme: Cakes and Cupcakes



Egg Cartons!

YES, you can continue to bring in your empty egg cartons and put them in or by the "blue bag" at the end of the ramp. The chicken business is still thriving and Ken will pick them up at my house the day after our Lighthouse meeting each month.

YES, YOU CAN BRING YOUR EGG CARTONS TO EACH MEETING!! - Barb Vallone, 262-639-8185



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Art and Soul of Quilting 2006

The Anderson Arts Center in Kenosha is featuring a quilt exhibit "Art and Soul of Quilting 2006". The exhibit will be held through April 2, 2006. Two of our guild members, Virginia Carlson and Rhonda Rodero, will have work featured at the exhibit.

What a great way to spend an afternoon!
