

EVERYBODY'S QUILT GUILD

NQA Chapter 432

August 2008

Items of Interest . . .

- Quilt Show Info
- Retreat Info - Fall
- Workshop Info
- Sunday Sew Group
- Quilting Bee Info
- Member's Corner – Relay for Life Quilt Info and Quilt Show Info
- Member's Table Info
- Christmas in April Info
- Quilt at Sea Trip Info
- Committee List

Happy Birthday

Libby Dallatezza	8/22
Shirley Nash	8/27
Mary Popp	8/23
Sherry Stendahl	8/31

Hospitality

The following members have volunteered to provide refreshment for the September 2008, guild meeting.

Food: Vanessa Schlossberg,
Luray Rill, Ruth Ann Stevens

Drinks: Vanessa Schlossberg,
Luray Rill, Susan Fanti

Paper plates, cups and napkins will be provided by EQG.

Thanks,
Debra McGrew

President's Message

I hope everyone is having as much fun as I am scrambling around getting ideas for which quilt/quilts to submit for the Quilt Show. I am really looking forward to it. I've also seen some wonderful work our Guild has been doing for the past two years. Hopefully, this will be the best Quilt Show yet. I've been going over my Retreat list and I'm sure I will need to buy some more fabric. What timing! I sure am glad we will have some vendors at our Quilt Show so I can take care of that chore. Just kidding – buying fabric is NEVER a chore! But choosing just the right red or just the right blue can be, I just want it all and my pocketbook keeps bringing me back to reality.

I'm also looking forward to volunteering at all the different stations this year - selling raffle tickets, working in the kitchen, working at the boutique and the member's table. It's a great way to get to know your fellow members because there will always be a team at each station. It's great fun! Plus you will be in a large room with a whole lot of beautiful quilts-what could be better than that.

So if you haven't decided yet, submit several of your favorite works and the Quilt Show Committee will be glad to help you decide. Hopefully, everyone will get involved this

year. Let's really try hard to make this a WHOLE GROUP EFFORT!

Eileen Mayle

Meeting Minutes

Eileen welcomed everyone, while we visited committee tables and enjoyed refreshments.

Jean Wineke thanked the group for their thoughts and prayers.

Eileen asked that we continue to remember Edna Barnhart and Carol Fram with notes of friendship.

We received a thank you from Peg Pond for the group's thoughts and prayers for Peg and her family.

Our July minutes were approved and Gale Daigle gave the treasurer's report.

We had 59 members present.

The following people gave committee reports:

Debbie Reed – Fall Retreat is full and there is a waiting list
Connie Richman – Member's fabrics

Sue Morris – Membership - name badges and lanyards

Lois Pulket – reminder about Penny Auction being held at the Fall Retreat

Dolores Beebe – EQG Quilt Show and Secret Sister

Lois Abbott – State Fair entries
Frankie Crosby – Raffle Quilt Tickets
Wendy Millender – handed out copies of the EQG Directory
Linda Wandel – Charitable Committee received thank you notes from Carroll County Food Sunday and Shepard's Staff, also discussed Sew-Easy Table – Dot has sent an email out about this
Mary Popp - September speaker – Stained Glass Quilts

New business discussed – The guild is looking for a team of at least 2 volunteers to coordinate and organize Mid-Month activities. If you are interested please talk to Linda Wandel or Eileen.

The August block of the month winner is Penny Seymore.

We had a wonderful show and tell.

Respectfully submitted,
Marijo Warnick

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Fall Harvest of Quilts

October 4 and 5 is the dates for our quilt show this year. September 17 will be the deadline for entering quilts. All quilts must have a label and a sleeve.

Now is the time to start working on the items you would like to sell at the Boutique and cleaning out those closets to have things to see at the Member's Table. Silent

Auction has changed a little this year – you can now enter purses and table runners as well as a miniature quilt.

Miniature Quilt Bingo

Just a reminder that next year's Annual Miniature Quilt Bingo will be on May 1, 2009.

MEMBERS FABRIC

This month we will have four new members participating in Members Fabric. They are Betty Slade, Lois Abbott, Dale Davis and Sue Morris. Please plan to participate in Members Fabric.

Remember anyone who takes their Members Fabric blocks and make a finished quilt within a year of participation is rewarded by the guild with \$10. Let's see more Members Fabric Quilts!

WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY MORNING BEE

The bee will be meeting on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Just Sew Sew on Cranberry Road in Westminster from 10 a.m. to noon. Mark your calendars. Hope to see you there.

Connie Richman
410-871-0242

Mid Month Meeting

The mid-month meeting will be on August 20. This will be a good time to start working on your items to put on our Boutique Table at the quilt show. Bring your machine if you wish or come prepared to do some cutting if someone needs help. This will be a good time to share patterns for small easy items.

FALL RETREAT

The Fall Retreat is full up – please see Debbie Reed to get on the waiting list.

Sunday Sewing Group . . .

The Sunday Bee will be held August 24 at 1:00. For more information, please call Millie at 443-918-8232.

Comfort Pillow

Just a reminder that Marlene is collecting comfort pillows at all meetings.

Do you need to make a change?

Name, address, phone number, cell phone number, or email address – if any of these have changed, please let Sue Morris know so she can update the roster.

Newsletter Information

The deadline for submitting information for the next newsletter is September 12.

MEMBER'S CORNER

Relay for Life Quilt

I have packets for a block for another Relay for Life Quilt Raffle.

These will be available at the mid month and also the Sept. meeting.

I would like to have finished blocks back by end of October. This is for Debbie's Dreamteam and the quilt will be raffled off at the Relay in Westminster in May 2009. Thanks EQG for your continued support.

MarettaWarner

Nimble fingers Quilters, Inc. will be having their quilt show on October 17-18, 2008. Hours are Friday 10-5 and Saturday 10-4. This will be held at the Universitites at Shady Grove, Bldg. II. Admission is \$5; children 16 and under free. For further details visit:
www.shadygrove.umd.edu/about/directions/



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FOR SALE

Wilcox and Gibbs treadle cabinet. Best offer.

Sharon Sweet

410-239-1296

GUIDELINES FOR MEMBER'S TABLE OF UNIQUE QUILTING TREASURES

1. Securely label each item with member number and price — circle member number — your price will be your profit
2. Put together small items in clear bags, clear boxes or similar containers
3. Tie magazines in bundles — a few or a year — single magazines also accepted
4. Share quilting knowledge with books, kits, patterns, tools and UFOs — include instructions, if needed, for tools, UFOs and patterns — also, pass on those quilting knick-knacks
5. Roll fabric and tie — indicate "'fat quarter" or length X width — 44" wide material, give number of niches — part of a yard or yards
6. Your items for sale will be your traveling partners to the show — leaving them at the member's table Friday afternoon, Saturday or Sunday morning
7. Retrieve "no sale" items one hour before show closing on Sunday to allow clean-up and book keeping
8. Unclaimed merchandise will go to charity

Applaud the beauty of the member's table that is providing supplies for new quilters — and an outlet for old quitters to "down size" their collections

Betty Slade -- 410-857-4699

Ruth Ann Stevens -- 410-848-9204

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL

CARROLL COUNTY INC.

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<http://www.rebuildingcarroll.org>

What is Christmas in April * Carroll County?

Christmas in April * Carroll County Inc. is a local organization based in Westminster, Maryland that is dedicated to home rehabilitation for low income, elderly, and handicapped homeowners. We rehabilitate the houses of these homeowners to make their homes warm, safe and dry, and do so at no cost to the homeowner. We are a non-profit {501 (c)3} organization that has been incorporated in the State of Maryland since 1995 and we are a "completely" volunteer organization run by a volunteer board of directors who manage the year-round operation of the organization.

What Do We Do?

Each year Christmas in April * Carroll County solicits from the Carroll County community names of homeowners who are in need of home rehabilitation services. Many of the county's civic groups, churches, and health and housing service organizations provide the initial information and contacts for our applicants. We then contact the homeowners and assess their needs and then on the last Saturday in April, we organize our volunteers and gather our supplies and complete the projects.

The home rehab services that we provide are wide-ranging and really depend on the amount of funding and volunteers that are available to complete the work. Our past projects have included the installation of wooden access ramps, new windows and doors, new roofs, new linoleum floors, and new plumbing fixtures. We have also corrected defective wiring, installed handicapped access railings and grab handles, and repainted entire rooms. At several projects where large groups of volunteers have participated, we have also included general house cleaning, gutter cleaning, and garden weeding.

The History of Christmas in April * Carroll County

In 1973, in the west Texas city of Midland, an oil scout named Bobby Trimble and a group of his friends looking around their community saw a problem that needed fixing: a growing number of their neighbors needed help maintaining their homes. There were an increasing number of low-income, disabled, and elderly citizens who could no longer afford to have leaks repaired, defective wiring corrected, rotting steps replaced, or handrails installed. Mr. Trimble and his friends decide to do something about it. They reasoned that the old idea of a "barn raising" could be revived and applied to modern cities. They started recruiting skilled and unskilled volunteers, and chose the last Saturday in April to repair their neighbors' homes to make them warm, safe, and dry once again. Their project acquired the name we know today when one of the homeowners exclaimed, "Why this is like Christmas..... in April!"

Since 1993, Christmas in April * Carroll County has rehabbed over 206 homes located throughout the county using over 30,000 hours of volunteer time.

A Name Change?

In 2000, Christmas in April - USA reorganized and changed its name to Rebuilding Together™. We were later required to change our name completely to Rebuilding Together and serve as a local affiliate of the national organization. In January 2008, the board of directors elected to cease our association with Rebuilding Together and to return once again to operating as the local, non-profit organization known by all as Christmas in April * Carroll County.

How You Can Help

Christmas in April * Carroll County is always looking for assistance from the community. First and foremost, we need people to do the work - both skilled and unskilled. If you can swing a hammer and operate a saw -we need you! If you can climb a ladder and handle a paint brush - we need you! If you can look at a proposed job and calculate the materials needed to complete it - we need you! If you can raise money for projects - we need you! And, if you can clean windows, run a vacuum, or cook some lunch - we need you! We have other volunteer opportunities as well.

Each year our volunteers come in all shapes and sizes. We have church groups that take on an entire house themselves, we have civic groups that fund and complete their own project, and we have ordinary citizens who volunteer to be assigned as needed. If you are interested in volunteering, go to our website (rebuildingcarroll.org) for our volunteer application or call our office for more information. Then simply complete the application and mail it to us.

How We Are Funded

Christmas in April * Carroll County is also very much in need of funding for each year's projects. By providing volunteer labor, we are very cost-effective in terms of using our money. However, we still must purchase the materials needed for each project.

Each house is budgeted a \$1,500 allowance for repair materials and supplies. In the past, we used to have a few corporate sponsors who provided some of our funding, but those funds have diminished in recent years and we still rely heavily on contributions from the local community. We welcome monetary donations year round. Your tax deductible donation can be made by check, made payable to Christmas in April * Carroll County at the above address.

You will receive a receipt in the mail confirming your donation.

We must note that we rarely accept donated building materials due to our limited warehousing capability. However, you can contact us by calling our office regarding inquiries about the donation of materials.

How Houses Are Selected

In the fall of each year, Christmas in April * Carroll County contacts local government agencies and civic and religious groups in an effort to solicit the names of local homeowners who might be in need our organization's services. In addition, many caring neighbors will submit the name of a neighbor that might need our services.

These homeowners are then contacted and must complete an application process where they must prove ownership of the property, verify their income, and describe the needed repairs.

Low-income elderly and disabled homeowners who are not able to do the home repair work themselves are eligible for Christmas in April services, as are non-profit shelters that serve the community. It is important to note that there are no complicated forms to fill out in order to be considered.

In January, the House Selection Committee reviews all applications and provides recommendations to the Board of Directors who in turn select the houses for event day.

The number of houses selected and the type of rehab work undertaken depends greatly on the funding and volunteer availability.

Occasionally, Christmas in April * Carroll County will accept applications from other non-profit organizations in need of building rehab services. For example in recent years we have completed rehab work on a women's shelter.

If you are interested in applying for our home rehab services or know someone that needs our help, our Home Application is available at our website. Simply complete the application and return it by mail to our office. You will be contacted shortly thereafter. You may call us if you have questions about house selections.

Learn More About Us

We are in the process of updating our website. In the near future, you will be able to contact us at info@christmasincarroll.org . In the meantime, we invite you to view the website to learn more about us or print forms and call us with your questions.

Please join with us in answering the call to restore decent housing to Carroll County families in need!

QUILT AT SEA – BERMUDA

October 24 – 29, 2008

TLC Tours has been requested by two nationally known quilters, Linda Hahn and Merry May, to plan a QUILT CRUISE.

Linda and Merry have passed along your name to us, and requested we offer the QUILT cruise before the general public.

The cruise will depart from Bayonne, New Jersey on Royal Caribbean's Explorer of the Seas in October of 2009. We can also suggest a motor coach operator, in your area, to bring your group to and from the pier. All you need to do is call our office to register for this BERMUDA QUILT CRUISE. Don't miss out on this sailing, as the cabins are limited. To make your reservations please call:

TLC Tours at 800-624-4216 extensions 344-345.

Join a group of fellow Quilters as we depart on Royal Caribbean's EXPLORER OF THE SEAS from our own backyard Cape Liberty, New Jersey. Take advantage of this unique opportunity as we spend the next five nights on this elegant floating resort.

Besides all the amenities offered by the ship your package will include two quilting classes presented by Nationally recognized teachers **Linda Halm and Merry May**. Linda's classes are fun and empowering! Linda has a way of taking a project that looks complex and breaking it down in such a way that it's easy to understand. Linda holds a National Quilting Association Teacher Certification and has been nominated several times for Professional Quilter Magazine's Teacher of the Year award. She has also held faculty positions for the NQA Show and the New Jersey Quilt Convention and participates in several teaching classes throughout the year. She's taught on several Quilting cruises and brings with her an infectious passion for the ART of QUILTING!!!

Merry May has been involved in the quilting industry since 1977 and each year continues to study and research quilt history. Merry has been teaching quilting classes for years and teaches various workshops and is a lecturer on the "History of American Quilting". Merry designs original quilt patterns, including a popular series of mystery quilting under the pen name of "Merry Mayhem's Mystery Quilt's". Merry has been involved in several quilting associations and holds numerous positions within the Quilting Community. Join Merry and learn some of her secrets for the ART of QUILTING!!!

Choose your cabin and your two Quilting courses are included in the price. Also included are all government fees, taxes and fuel supplements (are subject to increases). Limited cabins are available at these special rates.

Inside Cabin	\$1061/pp double occupancy	\$1542 single occupancy
Outside Cabin	\$1166/pp double occupancy	\$1754 single occupancy
Balcony Cabin	\$1325/pp double occupancy	\$2071 single occupancy

While in Bermuda you have two full days to experience the island. Enjoy the pink sand beaches, take *as* optional shore excursion, shop, or relax. It's your time away, so enjoy yourself.

Reservations for this fabulous Quilting Cruise must be made at: **TLC Tours at 1-800-624-4216 extensions 344-345.**

A deposit for this cruise of \$2507 per person is due upon registration with final payment due August 1, 2009.

PLEASE NOTE: When we mail your confirmation of the cruise we will also include a list of the needed supplies, the courses offered, and instructions to register for the Quilting classes at Sea. You must bring your own sewing machine.

2008 Board, Committees, Contacts for EQG

2008 Board

President	Eileen Mayle
Vice President	Linda Wandell
Secretary	Marijo Warnick
Treasurer	Gale Daigle

Committees for 2008

Auditing (Jan 2008)	Lois Abbott	Claudia Chapman	Katherine Black
Bingo, Miniature	Vanessa Schlossberg		
Community Outreach	Linda Wandell		
Comfort Pillows	Marlene Gienow		
Comfort Quilts	Libby Dallatezza		
EQG Directory	Wendy Millender		
Historian	Jane Soine		
Holiday Party	Barb Myers		
Hospitality	Deb McGrew	Valerie Koegel	Gail Hosmer
Members Fabric	Connie Richman		
Membership (\$24.00)	Sue Morris and		
Newsletter	Dot White	due weekend before mid month	
Nominating Comm.			
Project Linus	Debbie Reed and Connie Richman		
Publicity	Linda Stromberg		
Quilt Show (10/08)	Dolores Beebe		
Raffle Quilt 08	Frankie Crosby		
Retreat/Fall 08	Debbie Reed		
Retreat/Spring 08	Dot White		
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