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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

My daughter posted an article on Facebook the other day about motherhood and the fact that people come up to the author and remind her how wonderful motherhood is and that she should enjoy every moment while she can because it is fleeting. The author's response was very interesting. She felt she couldn't live up to this appreciation of every moment because some of the moments were pretty horrible and she didn't have the perspective of time and she wasn't sure she wanted to remember every moment.

You might wonder how this relates to quilting, but I often feel this way when I'm working on a quilt with a lot of blocks that are the same. The beauty is in the patterns made by repetition, but until I see it all together and sometimes even quilted, I find it tedious to do one block after another. Then some don't have great ¼ inch seams or the thread runs out in the middle, or I realize I've sewn the right side of one block to the wrong side of another block and have to rip out. The moment of satisfaction and even joy comes sometimes when the kids are put to bed and all those blocks are finally assembled and we just got through the process!

Learning new blocks is fun just like when your child first takes a step or says a word. But once it starts, you can't stop it. We met at Gretchen's house last Saturday and learned how to do Attic Windows. I finally learned how to make those mitered corners lay flat! When I got home that weekend, I revisited my stash and changed all the sashing and border materials because they just didn't speak to me. I worked all day Sunday and finished the top. That was one of those great quilting moments. Now I just have to finish the thing.

We can't put our kids aside for a month or two until we're in the mood or put them in a box to be completed years later like some of our UFOs. We can't give them to someone else or have an exchange and let someone else come up with a better idea for finishing them. We can't raffle them off to raise money for worthy causes or even recycle them when they get frayed around the edges of our nerves. Isn't quilting grand?

Next month I want to learn Sue McKenna's technique for stained glass effect. -Martha Krupa



### VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Quilters,  
Jamie Aldridge did a wonderful job teaching us the techniques for proper stretching and what parts of the body benefit from each stretch. I hope everyone is practicing them.

I took the shop hop trip out of Barker this past Saturday and it was so much fun. We visited the Ivy Thimble in Victor, Mt. Pleasant Quilting in York and Chestnut Bay Quilting in Caledonia. Each shop gave a 25% discount to all participants and had a lot of great deals. We got to see a few demonstrations and some new items. I plan on doing this again.

Our upcoming program for February happens to be "What's Growing @ Patchwork Garden with Joan". Joan will tell us about Patchwork Garden and demonstrate the latest items.

We have two workshops for February. February 11th is Reversible Applique with Sue McKenna. Sue will be showing us a method that utilizes very light weight fusible interfacing with the design drawn on in reverse using needle turn applique. This is a hand project perfect as a take-along for waiting rooms, circles, or any time you have a few minutes.

February 25th is One Block Wonder with Marge Spósito. Marge will show us a block that creates the illusion of dimension in your quilt.

Both of these workshops are on a Saturday from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm and are \$10.00 each. Supply lists will be available.

March is also a busy month. Our Program for March is Re-sizing Blocks, Mitered Borders, Binding Corners & Making the Ends Meet and Using the Color Wheel & Choosing Colors.

Our Workshops are Tuesday, March 6th from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm making a Sweatshirt Jacket with Judy Schryver & Sharon Schneider. This workshop is before the March meeting, so you will need to sign up before March for this one. This is class 1 of a two part class, each class is \$10.00.

We also have Ina Randall coming back to show us "Art Quilt Primer". Ina did a trunk show for us last year. We will be making postcard size quilts, see picture below. The price for this workshop is \$30.00 as requested by the instructor.

See you soon,  
Sandy

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Meeting minutes January 12, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Martha Krupa after the program by Jamie Aldridge. The November minutes were approved. The Treasurer's report was approved. We received a thank you card from La Shaeffer for winning the 2011 Opportunity Quilt.

**Old Business:** Kenan Affiliates: Sue McKenna said the Kenan Board requested a donation for sponsoring the Wine & Beer Fest on January 28<sup>th</sup>. They need to reach \$5000.00 to qualify for a \$2500 grant. The motion was made and approved to donate \$175, coming from the Opportunity Quilt proceeds. We also are giving a raffle basket for the Fest, valued at up to \$75. We will again sponsor a \$25 award for the All-High Photo Show.

**New Business:** Library: Martha Krupa showed some of the books from Ruth McKernan that are being added to the Guild Library.

**Programs:** Sandy Shufelt reported on updates to our website. Judy Schryver and Sharon Schneider showed the sweatshirt based jackets they will teach in a 2-part class March 6<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup>. On May 19<sup>th</sup> we will present a free lecture by Pat Nagle (Eleanor Burns' sister) from 6 - 8 p.m..

**Opportunity Quilt:** Jan Jordan said that \$3298 worth of tickets were sold for the 2011 quilt.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sue McKenna, seconded by Sandy Diel.

- Respectfully submitted by Barb Sanford

### PROGRAMS

Programs Thursday Night 7pm to 9pm (no cost)

- Feb. What's Growing at Patchwork Garden
- Mar. Re-sizing Blocks, Mitered Borders, Binding Corners & Making the Ends Meet, Using the Color Wheel & Choosing Colors
- Apr. Linda Glantz from Peace Quilts, Etc. - Author of "Flowercolor - Picture Quilts with Two-Inch Squares"
- May Karen Sienk
- June Picnic and Trash to Treasure



### WORKSHOPS

Saturday workshops are held between 9:00 am - 3 pm.  
Tuesday workshops are held 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

- Jan. 3 (T) One Block Wonder with Marge Sposito
- Jan. 14 Attic Windows with Gretchen Lang
- Feb. 11 Reversible Applique with Susan McKenna
- Mar. 6 (T) Sweatshirt Jacket with Judy Schryver & Sharon Schneider
- Mar. 10 Art Quilt Primer with Ina Randall
- Apr. 14 Floral Applique with Gail Schweigert
- May 1 (T) Sweatshirt Jacket with Judy Schryver & Sharon Schneider
- May 11, 12 Karen Sienk

### SHOW AND TELL

- Denise Falgiano - 4 Wall hangings
- Judy Schryver - Quilted sweatshirt
- Marge Sposito - One Bblock wonder, "Sailboats" quilt and 3D Tumbling Blocks quilt
- Martha Krupka - Spiral table topper
- Sue McKenna - Wallet
- Pat Brace - May project
- Laurie Hartman - Art quilt wallhanging
- Gretchen Lang - Attic Windows baby quilt
- Sandy Shufelt - Coasters and Receiving blankets

### MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Please add as a rejoining member to your information:

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### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- Grayce Dietz 1-Feb
- Linda Davis 6-Feb
- Denise Falgiano 16-Feb

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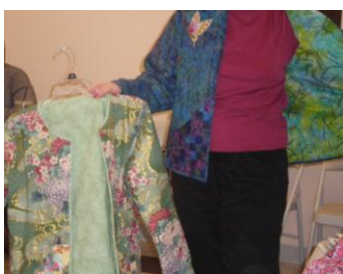
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One Block Wonder



Reverse Applique



Sweatshirt Jacket



Art quilt Primer Samples

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