PRESIDENT’S REPORT

I hope everyone has had a great Christmas. Michael and I went to play with our grandson and learned that we’re going to be grandparents again. Our son and his new wife have lost no time in getting pregnant. We’re very excited. I get to make lots of new quilts and finish old ones. Hopefully this semester will not be as busy as last so I get to work on my projects.

The Christmas party was lovely. As usual, the food was good and the company was even better. Congratulations go to Nancy Smith on winning our opportunity quilt. She was in California when we called. It’s nice to know we can visit the quilt in the future. I hope to have various samples made for the January meeting to show you what you can do with fabric dyeing. We’ve got snow in time for January’s workshop. Hopefully it will stick around to make some interesting snow dyed fabric. We’re also going to work with foil since I have a pretty big stash of that thanks to my sister. If you are planning to attend the workshop, you might want to collect found objects that can be used as stamps, things with interesting surface designs that don’t need to be saved. If the snow stays, you’ll need a wash basin sized plastic tub with a lid to snow dye the fabric. I would recommend you bring at least 5 yards of half yard pieces to work on. If you have any tone-on-tone or hand dyed fabric, you can use that to stamp or foil. You’ll also need plastic bags to carry the finished fabrics home since we don’t have a dryer and it may take longer than our allotted time to dry what we dye. We can all have fun trying new materials and designing our own one-of-a-kind fabrics.

Another way to make unique fabrics is by using the trapunto technique. Trapunto has been around for hundreds of years. I have a book that shows how the French used it in their bedding and hangings, but it can also be a contemporary design element in your quilts. The technique is quite simple but the effects are beautiful. I look forward to sharing them with you at the January meeting.

Happy New Year,

Martha Krupa
VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Christmas is over now and it is time to plan for quilts for the quilt show. Remember to get busy on the June quilt challenge.

PROGRAMS

Programs Thursday Night 7pm to 9pm (no cost)
Workshops Saturday 9am to 3pm

January 10th, Trapunto, Martha Krupa
January 12th, Fabric surface design and painting, Martha Krupa
February 14th, Trunk Show, Gretchen Lang
February 16th, Gretchen Lang workshop
March 14th, Miniatures Trunk Show, Barb Sanford
March 16th, Linda Davis workshop

NEW MEMBER UPDATE

Please update your rooster with the following members:

Debbie Colaizzi
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Carol Brown
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THIS MONTH’S BIRTHDAYS

Susan Laubacker January 18th
Maryann DeMaison January 25th

ANNUAL QUILT CHALLENGE: GRETCHEN’S RED-STEMMED ASTERS

Gretchen Lang’s garden on Hollenbeck Rd. is serving as inspiration this year for our annual quilt challenge. There is only one requirement this year: Match the colors in the photo of the red-stemmed wild asters. If you don’t have a copy of the photo to work from, it is available on-line or ask Pat Tracy. You can choose the size, the techniques, and the pattern. Just bring the finished project to the June meeting.

To make the voting on the winners as fair as possible, please do not enter anything you have shown at a guild meeting or write your name on the front of the quilt. We want all entries to be anonymous. There will be two winners based on totally subjective categories: most creative and most beautiful.

Any suggestions for improving the contest see Pat Tracy.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

I received a call from Alissa asking if I would convey the following message to the guild. The Kenan Center is hosting a Wine & Beer Festival on January 26, 2013. Volunteers are needed to help at the event for the 6:45-9:00 PM shift. If you are interested call Alissa at: 433-2617, ext. 204
Thank you, Stephanie Drehs

KENAN QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE

There will be a quilt show meeting for all committee chairmen prior to our next guild meeting at 5:45 pm January 10, 2013.

HAND QUILTER WANTED

During the Kenan Holiday House, a woman asked if there was anyone who would finish hand quilting a quilt that her mother had started. It is applique and has been outline quilted, but it needs more quilting. If you are interested, please contact Linda Caruana at 866-6374 OR lakc8@hotmail.com.
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January 24, 2012
Submit newsletter articles by email to
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Next Meeting January 10th @ 7:00 PM in the Taylor Theater Meeting Room