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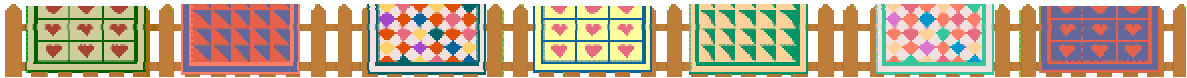
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The Edmond Quilt Guild meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Memorial Road Church of Christ, 2221 East Memorial Road, Edmond, Oklahoma. Dues are \$20 per year or \$26 per year if you need the newsletter mailed to you.

Mail your dues to P O Box 1843, Edmond, OK 73083



President's Report – Alice Kellogg

Our own Trish Pate did a wonderful job talking to us about her “Road to Iowa”. I forget that many of you did not know her before the existence of the Edmond Quilt Guild. She is a very talented and accomplished quilter. If you didn't know that before, you know it now!

There were a couple of you that asked if you could renew your subscription to the Fons and Porter magazine and the answer to that question is YES! You can renew through the guild. They will accept one-year renewals and it works just like the original subscription. Turn it in to us with your check for \$20 made out to EQG and we will take it from there.

I personally met Amy Stewart Winsor at the Houston Show. She is a very warm person and said that she was truly looking forward to coming to Oklahoma. I think you will like her as much as I did. You will be meeting her in April.

I hope you enjoy our little “Make it and Take it” we have planned for December. Then it is onward and upward to start the new year. Take a deep breath and hold on because 2005 is going to be a big and exciting year for the Edmond Quilt Guild.

As always, here's keeping you in stitches.....



Vice-President's Report – Judy Elliott

I'm certain that those who made it to the November meeting surely enjoyed Trish Pate's presentation as much as I did. Her observations on her own progression as a quilter, going from perfection and precision to scrappy and off grain, had us all laughing. Coming from garment maker roots has not slowed her down as a quilter in the least! I do believe she is the only person I've met that has completed every quilt out of one book! It's really too bad that "Country Threads" didn't take her up on her offer of marketing for them.

It was also fun when she distributed the evening's "Country Threads" theme door prizes throughout her presentation. I feel honored to now know Trish for more than just her work on the board as our Membership Director. Thank you for sharing your stories, quilting history, and humor with us, Trish! (thank you to our other board members for modeling some of Trish's beautiful quilted jackets.)

We did complete our third block lottery during the November meeting. We had a total of 71 blocks turned in and six winners identified. The snowflake block was more challenging than our earlier blocks but I was glad so many people still participated. The blocks were all so great; I'm certain the quilts from these blocks will be quite spectacular when they get shown next meeting! We did have several ladies display their churn dash tops from the second lottery – I'm impressed with the creativity in settings employed by everyone. I'm thinking that our next lottery should wait until after the holidays are over and behind us – one less thing to fret about during this typically hectic time.

Remember to come for the make it and take it projects available at the December 21st meeting. There will also be some great fellowship and a chance to get to know your fellow guild members better. We could probably all use some no-pressure, fun down time just before Christmas!!

See you at the next meeting and happy quilting!



Program Report – Joan Ballew

December – We will work on Make and Take It projects that can be used as ornaments, gift tags, or lapel pins. Samples were shown at the November meeting and a rough count taken, but if you weren't at the meeting, or changed your mind, we'll have extras.

The choices are: Yo-Yos
Felted Wool Applique
Appli-quilting
English Paper Piecing

Kits will be available and will include instruction sheet, picture, templates, fabric, needle and threads.

You will need to bring: \$1 to cover the cost of the kit
Small scissors (to cut fabric, thread and paper)
Thimble if you like to use on for hand work

This will be a great chance to practice a new technique and create a new seasonal item.

January 2005 – EQG will have their first Quilters Market. Invite your friends to join you in shopping for:

- Unfinished projects
- Tools and rulers
- Fabric – yardage, fat-quarters, or bags of scraps
- Quilt tops
- Blocks
- Feather-weight sewing machine

Consider donating quilting related items to the EQG Board table, proceeds will go to the guild treasury.

February - Trish Stuart will speak at a joint meeting with the Norman Guild. This meeting will be held at Rose State College.

March – Nancy Barrett

April – Amy Steward Winsor, Quilt Artist from North Carolina

Workshop – Michelle Watts – “Santa Cruz” Thursday evening 4-21-05.
Details of other workshops and presentations to other area quilt groups will be available soon.

Dates to remember:

December 15th (Wednesday) Board Meeting

December 21st Guild Meeting

December 28th Articles for newsletter due

January 13-15 OKC Winter Quilt Show
Cox Convention Center, OKC

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Membership Report – Trish Pate

Happy Birthda Happy Birthday!



December 3	Arlene Hansen
December 4	Debbie Croft Sadie Hild
December 7	Jane Winton
December 10	Teena Cole
December 11	Cathy Dawson
December 12	Barbara Holland
December 22	Theresa Paris
December 25	Nell Claunch Jesus Christ***
December 30	Sharon Harmon
December 31	Debbie Frantz Pat O'Neil



Warm Fuzzy Committee Report – Janet Noever

In this season of thankfulness and gift giving, we hope you will remember the EQG Warm Fuzzy Committee.

We are still making quilts for the elderly and wheel chair occupants. The quilts should measure approximately 36 to 40 inches wide and from 42 to 50 inches long. Donate one of your own designs or check out a kit at guild meeting and piece and/or quilt a top.

Mark your calendar and join us. We meet the 3rd Wednesday, December 15th at Ruth Denny's, 1605 Mill Creek Road, Edmond, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the 3rd Sunday, December 19th, at St. Monica's Catholic Church, 2001 N. Western Ave., Edmond. (1/2 mile north of Danforth on Western) from 1 to 4 p.m. Please bring your sewing machine and sewing equipment and work on quilts or bring your cutting equipment to help us cut kits for members to check out.

Many thanks to those who are participating in this project of comfort to others.

**** Special Report – Alice Kellogg**

**International Quilt Festival
Houston, Texas**

I was one of the lucky ducks that attended this year's International Quilt Festival in Houston, Texas. If you have never been to festival, save your pennies and attend. It is a fabulous show and this year was especially good because all the renovations and improvements to the George R Brown Convention Center are complete, plus the addition of the Hilton Hotel next door to the Convention Center. The hotel is connected to the Convention Center by a skywalk, plus the hotel has a parking garage. You could spend an entire week there and never go outside! However, I wouldn't recommend that. Houston is a bustling and interesting city with lots to offer.

There were several Oklahoma women that were juried into the show. We also had some of our own Edmond gals that had quilts in special exhibits. Laura James, our secretary, had little quilts in the Journal Quilt Exhibit, which is a personal look at quilting from an individual's point of view. She also had a quilt in the Viking sponsored Women of Biblical Proportions. Laura's lady of the Bible is Phoebe. Also, in that exhibit is a quilt by Marilu Benton, Mary Mother of Jesus. The curator and quilter of Potiphar's Wife and Tomar is Ruth Harris.

The winners of the competitive quilts were so beautiful, you forgot they were quilts. Best of Show was a quilt named "Precious Water" by Hollis Chatelain. If you would like to view the quilts online, go to www.quilts.com and click on the Ruby Red Slippers. That will take you to the Winner's circle.

Of course, there were a few vendors and I tried to keep my distance, but it was difficult. There were so many pretty fabrics, threads, buttons, beads, jewelry, paints, dyes and even the batts were pretty. Hobbs has come out with a pure black batting to replace the charcoal color they once had. The latest color in rulers is light green. They almost glow!

My classes were fun. One was a painting class and we just played for half a day and had fun with stencils and brushes. Another was a perspective class where you used fabric to give a 3-dimensional look. She also used paint and pens to manipulate the fabric to give it a unique look. My last class was a design class and I learned so much. I will be able to use her techniques in my future art quilts.

If you couldn't tell from this article, I had a great time in Houston and recommend that if you have not gone before, that you plan to attend someday. It is the biggest and the best and only next door in Texas.

****Special Interest – Cameron H. Potter**

This is an article that Cameron sent to me to be included in the newsletter.

Dear friends of American Patchwork & Quilting Magazine,

We are currently in the midst of an incredible opportunity to raise money for the Susan G. Komen Foundation for Breast Cancer Research. Our readers, numerous quilt guilds, and quilt shops have responded to our plea for help in turning 25,000 quilt blocks into more than 525 finished quilts. Now it is time to visit www.ebay.com/apqqfc and help us turn quilts into dollars. In the first two weeks, we've already raised more than \$25,000 – imagine what we can do between now and December 31st.

Although we have worked with both local and national media; including coverage on 13 Meredith television stations across the nation, the best form of publicity is word-of-mouth by quilters. So, tell all of your friends, quilters or not, to visit the site above and bid on these fabulous quilts. Each Monday, 40 new items will be put up for 10-day auctions. So visit often and bid high!

I sincerely appreciate all of your help in making this the success we know it can be.

Heidi Kaisand
Executive Editor
American Patchwork & Quilting

Thanks sew much, ...keep people aware,...remind them on Mondays to check out the new quilts.

I went to this site after receiving this article from Cameron. There are some very beautiful quilts. The bids start out very low, but I did see some selling for over \$600.

Merry Christmas everyone and Happy New Year!!