



# NEWSLETTER

Quintessential Quilters Columbus, Ohio  
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**December 11, 2008**

**President** Bobbie Brooks **Vice-President:** Lisa West **Treasurer:** Madeline Hansen **Secretary** Penny Johnson  
**Newsletter:** Rita Reed

The December QQ meeting will be held at the Mountview Baptist Church, 2140 Fishinger Road in Upper Arlington (at the corner of Mountview and Fishinger Rds). Remember to enter using the entrance with the canopy at the northeast side of the church.

The Thursday, December 11 meeting will begin at 6:30 PM for our traditional banquet. This year the guild will provide the main dishes as well as the plates, bowls, napkins, utensils, cups, coffee & tea. You need to bring either a side dish, salad or dessert.

Instead of asking for money for the Banquet, we are asking you to bring in **one** item for Choices, be it toilet paper, powered laundry detergent, paper towels, shampoo, toothpaste & toothbrushes, hair brushes & combs or bar soap. (As usual, cell phone donations are always welcome.)

**Ornament Exchange:** We will have a voluntary exchange of handmade (by you or someone else) Holiday ornaments. Please wrap your ornament in a quilter's quarter (18 x 22" piece) of fabric and put your name on a tag either inside or outside of the gift. We will collect the packages at the beginning of the meeting and during the meeting you will have to opportunity to pick out an ornament. This is a fun exchange.

**Raffle drawing:** Remember to bring your unloved goodies for our raffle drawing. If you have a super special item this is the month to bring those, such as unwanted good fabric, pattern books, new car.

December Hospitality people are names ending in **G & H**. Bet you can't outdo us P, Q & R people from last month. It was fun to meet each other.

Remember to pick up your QQ membership list and your personal membership card at the sign in table if you haven't already.

December will be the last month for the 12" Red, White & Blue blocks in honor of 9/11. From the varied assortment of blocks already collected, the finished quilts promise to be outstanding. New member Janice Bartels has graciously agreed to begin the process of arranging and sewing the blocks into quilt tops, but she can't do the job by herself. These finished quilts are to be given to our service men & women. If there is anyway you can give her a helping hand; an hour or two of your time, perhaps donate some patriotic or red, white & blue fabric or thread or piece a top, please do so. Call Bobbie at 445-7399.

## **Secret Pal –Ann Hunter**

The Secret Pal exchange has had a good beginning; lots of smiles, surprises, fabric and of course, Chocolate. This month is special so remember your secret sister. Can't come to the meeting, then drop a line to her and explain---but remember what you promised and do it in January. If you have any questions or concerns please call me-Ann at 486-3033.

**Presidents Corner-Bobbie Brooks**      *Happy Holidays Everyone!*

Thanks to Phyllis Post, our November's walk about the streets of Sisters, Oregon's annual outdoor quilt show was full of wonderful colors, delightful surprises, rampant possibilities, sly humor and the underlying sense of appreciation. It was a beautiful presentation. Thanks, also, to both of her in-house technicians.

Thank you to everyone who swarmed the tables and found wonderful bargains at the Library Garage Sale. From the amount of folks taking advantage of the sale, we may need to set aside more room for the next one!

As the gathering of loved ones and good friends 'round the Thanksgiving table draws near, I wish safe traveling, yummy foods, many hugs and a bounty of new memories for each and every one of our talented QQ family. Enjoy and be safe.

**UFO Challenge – Joann Purcell**

UFO Challenge got off to a flying start with many of you bringing in finished quilts & projects. Photos were taken of the quilts & their smiling makers and items were crossed off lists.

This challenge promises to create quite a bit more space in studios, closets, cupboards and bookcases. Just in time for new fabrics and quilt related Christmas or Hanukah gifts

It sure will be fun to see everyone's finished objects on a CD at the end of the challenge-- hence the photographs. And "special" kudos for especially creative ways to finish/use/GET RID OF some of those UFOs we really don't love.

**Library - Kay Hoagland**

The library sale was a great success. Thanks to all that donated and all that bought the great bargains. We raised over \$84 which we will use to purchase new books. We'll repeat the sale in the spring, so if you clean out your sewing room and you have spare books or magazines, just donate them at the library table.

Remember the Library is on the stages and you can check out books for one month. These are all quilt related books for our members. Stop by and browse during the break or before the meetings.

**Sunshine Corner- Maryann Zadnik**

Just a reminder that if you know of anything which is happening to one of your Guild sisters which might merit a greeting card- be sure to call Maryann to let her know- her number is 885-1280. It is always a day brightener to get a greeting card when times are tough.

**Choices- Wendy Bynner**

Thanks to all who have made donations this past year. We will be collecting paper towels, toilet paper and cleaning supplies as well as cell phones at the December meeting. However, since it is Christmas time, please consider donating small gifts to help make the season a little more joyful for the women and children at the shelter. Items could include crayons or markers and coloring books, small games, new scarves or gloves, gift cards to Walmart, Target, Meijers or other stores as well as movie admission passes or passes to COSI or the Zoo.

**QQ's 2009 Deer Creek Retreat.**

For those of you not at the November QQ meeting, your payment checks for the retreat will NOT be cashed until January, 2009. The Retreat is FULL and we will be happy to start a waiting list. Any questions, please contact Peggy Notestine at 846-4435 or Mike Weatherby at 459-1797. Wow! This event is right around the corner.

**Kids N Kamp News: Kay Hoagland**

The Kids N Kamp auction was really a fun event. Many thanks to QQ for the use of our quilt racks. Thanks to all the volunteers that helped to hang the quilts, white glove the event, and take down the

quilts. We really enjoyed seeing so many of the QQ members on the night of the auction. Many of the quilts were donated by our QQ members and of course so many of us had a part in the Christmas trees and ornaments. The auction raised over \$37,000 for this great local charity. We couldn't have done it without our great QQ membership.

**Membership Updates:**

Returning Members:  
Betsy Weigant  
Beth Hammergren  
Ramona Kern  
Claire Paul

Thanksgiving has been observed annually in the United States because of the Proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln, October 3, 1863. Thanks, Abe.

My blessing to all of you, our sisters in the guild

Always remember to forget the things that made you sad.  
But never forget to remember the things that made you glad.  
Always remember to forget the friends that proved untrue.  
But never forget to remember those that have stuck by you.  
Always remember to forget the troubles that passed away.  
But never forget to remember the blessing that come each day.  
-Author Unknown