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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.

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President's Report – Alice Kellogg

Thank you, Judy, for taking over in my absence. I had a great time with all of my husband's Italian family. They are a loud bunch and lots of fun.

I didn't think I would make it back in time for guild, but I was able to slip in the back to hear Helen's talk. I love her quilts! They are so different and Helen has a style all her own.

I was also surprised with a gift. Thanks to the board and the membership for the gift certificate to Lottinville's. My husband was quite pleased when I came home with that little tidbit. We only go to that restaurant for special occasions and what could be more special than a gift of appreciation. It was not necessary, but we thank you anyway.

Edmond Quilt Guild has been existence for 18 months now. We have made a lot of progress and I see nothing but great things for us in the future. In the beginning, the by-laws were written so that we would not have a complete turnover of officers every year. All of us on the board have served since the inception of the guild and 4 of the 7 board members will be "retiring" in December. If you would like to be an officer, please contact me. **Don't be shy!** If you have thought about this and think you would like to help run the guild, now is the time to speak up.

We will need a new Vice-President, Secretary, Newsletter Officer and Membership Officer. In the last 18 months, all of these jobs have been filled with very good people and it will be easy to step in and take over. If you are uncertain of the job requirements or would like to discuss it, please don't hesitate to call me.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone's handiwork with garments. The fashion show should be fun. If you haven't already registered with Joan, drop her an e-mail.

Until next time, here's keeping you in stitches.



Vice-President's Report – Judy Elliott

Those of you that attended the August meeting now know two undeniable facts – there is an unlimited amount of things one can do with triangles, and I'm technology challenged!

Helen Giddens presented a remarkable program, both with her slides and with the wonderful quilts she brought to share with us. She is another lady that does not abide by the usual "quilter's rules" that so many of us still struggle with when we design quilts. Her use of triangular shapes in most all of her quilts is amazing to say the least. (Who knew that you could do so much with such a simple shape!) It is very easy to understand all the ribbons and awards she has won for her designs and quilts.

Helen shared that she doesn't buy her fabrics. Most of her fabrics have been donated or given to her. Her "quilting purchases" are typically for batting and her freezer paper. She stated she chooses her quilting threads based on what she has available at the time she starts to quilt. Although she plans her designs, the rest of her process is much more free flowing. However, she does it, the quilts all come out quite spectacular. Thanks for coming and sharing your work with the guild, Helen!

Our vendor for the night was Becky Lambert, from "Becky's Stitch in Time" located in Chickasha, OK. This was her first time at the guild meeting and she said she had great fun. Thanks to those of you that made purchases from Becky as this helps support the vendors coming to the meetings.

Now...on to the next block lottery. I thought a house (or schoolhouse, for those of us with kids getting back to into school) block would be fun. The block also makes use of templates, which we have not done previously. As usual, the block will be 9 ½ inches unfinished. If you prefer to use a different house block, that's perfectly okay as long as it measures 9 ½ inches unfinished. If you were at the meeting, you already know that my computer would not cooperate with me and I did not have patterns to hand out as usual. Unfortunately we had trouble getting the templates over the computer once again. We are thinking of ways to solve this problem as it seems to come up with our more challenging blocks. So everyone has received an extension to this lottery. I will bring hand outs for the instructions to the September meeting and the blocks will now be due at the October meeting. This means that I expect a lot more houses as everyone has extra time to get them sewn. Check out the Web Site for the written instructions under Quilt patterns. As always, any questions, give me a holler.

Till then, see ya at the next meeting and happy quilting!



Program Report – Joan Ballew

September 17th – (Saturday) – Machine Quilting workshop. A variety of techniques and tools will be demonstrated by EQG board members. The Loving Touch Committee (formerly Warm Fuzzies) will provide tops, backing, and batting to practice on and board members will answer all your questions. About 20 people signed up at the August meeting, so we will have both a morning session – 9 a.m. to Noon, and one in the afternoon (1 – 4 p.m.). Both sessions will be held in the Potter's Room at Memorial Road Church of Christ. There are still openings, if anyone is interested in joining us, give me a call (715-0602) or e-mail me soon.

September 20th – There's still time to sign-up for the Fall Fashion Show. We're expanding our criteria to include any garment or accessory with some technique that could be used on a quilt. Patchwork, paper-piecing, appliqué, hand-dyed fabrics, beading, or other embellishments, etc. Give me a call, or send me an e-mail request (see page 1 of the newsletter) if you would like to be in the fashion show. I think it will be interesting to see how people have taken quilting techniques and applied them to garments and accessories.

October 18th – Donna Skvarla will be speaking about the quilt appraisal process, and will have several of her own quilts as examples. Be ready to learn some interesting quilt history trivia too. Donna has agreed to appraise quilts for \$35 each. This is a half hour private session, with Donna photographing the quilt and writing up an appraisal that can be used for insurance purposes. We'll continue taking reservations and payments for these appraisals at the September meeting. The appraisals will be done the day of the October meeting.

November 15th – Program will include the "Brown Bag" Challenge Quilt Show, with prizes awarded for Viewer's Choice, and speakers from some of the agencies that receive our donation quilts. I've been inspired by the fabrics in my brown bag, and look forward to seeing what everyone has created.

December 20th – Quilting carols, mystery sounds contest, Dirty Santa exchange...What other ideas do you have for fun holiday party activities? We're looking for volunteers to help with this meeting.

Lost and Found: After the August meeting, we found a shopping bag with a bunch of fat quarters and a magazine. Someone did some very successful shopping with our vendor of the month, but left the goodies behind. Give Joan Ballew a call, or send an e-mail to identify and arrange for pickup or delivery.

Dates to Remember: September 8-10	Bluegrass and Chili Quilt Show Claremore, Oklahoma
September 15 th	Board Meeting
September 20 th	Guild Meeting
September 27 th	Newsletter articles due
November 4-5	Kellyville Quilt Show
November 5-6	McAlester Quilt Show



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

ROSTER UPDATES/CHANGES

We have some changes for your roster. Please note the following:

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September Birthdays

Mary Foutch	09/02/	Beverley Estlinbaum	09/20/
Shirley M. Suttle	09/03/	Linda West	09/21/
Linda Howard	09/13/	Joan Ballew	09/22/
Sharon Lancaster	09/15/	Carolyn Vanarsdel	09/26/
Yvonna Hill	09/16/	Laura Beaver	09/28/
Terry Dean	09/18/	Neva Hestand	09/30/

We have 161 current members, 74 were in attendance at the last meeting AND we had two visitors! Rosters are still available.



Loving Touch Committee – Bonnie Bowman

Creative juices are flowing and many of the participants of the “Brown Bag” Challenge contest have already crossed the finish line with their entries. For those of you that may not yet have picked up your batting, see me at the Loving Touch booth at the next meeting. I also have found my supply of “Loving Touch” labels. So if you haven’t already sewn a label on, you can pick up one of these as well. Remember, I can start accepting finished projects any time. The October meeting is the last chance you will have to turn in your project without making prior arrangements for a later arrival date. I will need at least an extra day to prepare all of the entries for the show in November, so the November meeting is too late to bring in the quilt. If an emergency arises, just give me a call and I will make arrangements with you to get your entry.

We still have some unfilled spaces for our September 17th workshop on machine quilting. Just give Joan a call if you want to take the class and learn some easy techniques for finishing your quilts by helping us finish some of our charity quilt tops. We are planning on having an afternoon session as well as a morning session so that you can fit us into your Saturday. We will provide the top, batting and the backing. All you have to do is bring your machine and thread. We will be sending you a list of materials to bring and it should be a fun, relaxing and informative day.

****Big Bucks\$**

We did it! The Edmond Quilt Guild won the \$200 for the Guild showcase at the COQG’s Celebration of Quilts that was recently held at the Cox Center. Our little quilt, “Silver Needles, Hearts of Gold,” looked great hanging at the show. We thank you for your support and hope you enjoyed the rest of the show.