



Borderline Quilters

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Elected Officers of the BORDERLINE QUILTERS INC., 2011

President:	Debbie Shecton
Day Co-Vice Presidents:	Jan Fife and Marni Brown
Evening Co-Vice Presidents:	Sandra Foley and Bonnie Matthews
Co-Secretaries:	Helene Delosh and Bethany Manchester
Treasurer:	Mary Jane Watson
Nominating Committee:	Sharon Mason, Chairperson, Phyllis Acres and Deb Darou

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

The annual joint meeting with election of officers will be held after dinner on Wednesday, October 5 at the Kof C Hall on Miner Street in Canton. The dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. with the business meeting to follow.

The cost will be \$10 for members with the balance paid by the Guild. Deadline for reservations is September 15th. Make your check payable to Borderline Quilt Guild. If paying by mail, send your check to Treasurer Mary Jane Watson at PO Box 387, South Colton, NY 13687.

21th ANNUAL QUILT CAMP

Quilt Camp is scheduled at Wadhams Hall on September 16, 17, and 18th. Camp has 45 persons registered including 4 new campers. The class Star Gazing is full. Other classes have 7 to 10 persons enrolled; classes with low enrollments were canceled. Vendors will be at Camp with fabrics, quilting books and notions. To register, contact Bonnie Matthews or Sandy Foley.

SHOP HOP TO CENTRAL NEW YORK

The first Guild hop was a success with eight members and two nonmembers participating. The two nonmembers will now likely be joining the Guild and attending the evening meetings. Thanks go to the driver, Sandy Foley, who got folks safely from shop to shop. Everyone went home with new projects to add to their stash.

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR FALL 2011

All events are at the K of C Hall,
Miner Street, Canton

Free Workshops

Help assemble the service quilts from
the 9-patch blocks done at the Quilt Show!

September 19th from 9 – 12

October 3rd from 9 – 12

Classes

October 22nd from 9 until 3
Pumpkin Table Runner
by Linda Walrath

November 5th from 9 until 3
Santa Table Square
by Mardee Cooke

Planning for 2012

February, Donna Hastings: Paper Piecing

**Peggy Oppenheimer: scheduling for the end of
April or the beginning of May**

**Borderline Quilters, Inc. Quilt Show:
2011
Stars of My Patriotic Heart**

The 2011 Show featured 183 entries and was visited by 450 persons who signed the Guest Book. Vendors included 10 featuring quilting and fabric related displays; the other 2 vendors had baskets and Adirondack furniture. Antique quilts from the Potsdam Museum were shown at a bed turning on Saturday. Door prizes, including many fat quarters donated by members, totaled 179 items.

Viewers' Choice Selections

<p>Challenge Entries</p> <p>1st C2, Home of the Brave created by Les Haas 2nd C3, Rally 'Round the Flag by Patricia A. Woods; 3rd C1, Hunter's Star by Marcia Tiernan</p>	<p>Wall Hanging – Primarily Pieced – Includes Baby Quilts, Toppers</p> <p>1st W7, Moonrise by Rebecca Muir MacKellar 2nd W1, Rhumba by Rebecca Muir MacKellar 3rd W29, Rainbow Ring by Maureen Kelly</p>
<p>Quilt – Primarily Pieced – Typically Bed Size Quilts</p> <p>1st Q40, Giant Dahlia by Mercuria Centofanti 2nd Q51, Lace Heart by Jill Josephs 3rd Q21, French Braid by Marcia Tiernan</p>	<p>Wall Hanging – Primarily Appliquéd</p> <p>1st WA5, Yin Yang by Tellie (Estelle Bray) 2nd WA14, Friendly Frenzy by Marni Brown 3rd WA11, Spring Delight by Tellie (Estelle Bray)</p>
<p>Quilt – Primarily Appliquéd</p> <p>1st QA2, Hop to It by Muriel Testani 2nd QA4, A Hunter's Dream by Christine Rexford 3rd QA1, Circles of the East by Betty L. Vebber</p>	<p>Wall Hanging – Primarily Wool WW1, Time Began in a Garden by Muriel Testani Other – Primarily Wool WO2, Acorns and Oak Leaves Wool Penny Rug by Chris Rexford</p>
<p>Symbols given before the name of each piece are from the Show Program so you can read the description of each piece there.</p> <p>Thanks to all who exhibited and to those who volunteered to make the Show a great success.</p>	<p>Other – Clothing, Purses/Bags, Table Runners, Small Items</p> <p>1st O3, Ornamental Christmas Tree Skirt by Margaret Thomas 2nd O9, Empty Nest Syndrome by Betty Beswick 3rd O12, Untitled Miniature by Chloe Ann O'Neil</p>

Nominations for Officers for 2011

President:	Jan Fife
Day Co-Vice Presidents:	Marni Brown
Evening Co-Vice Presidents:	Sandra Foley and Bonnie Matthews
Co-Secretaries:	Chris Bradshaw
Treasurer:	Mary Jane Watson
Nominating Committee:	Patti Francis, Chairperson
	Rachel Livingston
	Audrey Pearson

From the ByLaws: It will be the duty of the Nominating Committee to prepare a slate of at least one person for each elected office to be filled at the next annual meeting in October including the next Nominating Committee. The slate shall be published at the September meetings. Nominations from the floor shall be permitted, provided the nominee's written consent has been first obtained if that member is not present... If necessary, the Nominating Committee will serve as tellers

TRAPPED IN DODGE POND: A CABIN FEVER ADVENTURE

We came, we sewed, we ate!! And, we ate! Saturday night the wind blew, the rain fell, the trees swayed. Then, a tree fell across the road leaving 22 quilters and two cooks, armed with only sewing machines and cooking utensils, trapped in the wilds of southern St. Lawrence County. Since one of the quilters leaving after breakfast Sunday morning found herself unable to get to the county road, she returned to inform us that the road was blocked by a fallen tree. Convinced that we would be able to move the tree, some of us went to inspect it but upon seeing drooping power lines, we, too, returned to camp. One of the cooks called National Grid, even saying “thank you” to the automated response. So, we waited...and sewed...and waited, and ate again. After lunch, it appeared a second call was in order. This time, after going through the automated response system, we got a real person who took our information and put in a work order. That person advised us to contact the local authorities (the local fire department). A call to nearby quilter, Audrey Hall, confirmed that there was a local fire department. She told us that the siren would probably blow but she didn’t think there was anyone available to respond. A call to 911 resulted our telling a real person, not an automated response, of our situation and the operator said she would contact the fire department as well as the local highway crew. After sewing, waiting, and walking down the road to check the tree, another call was made to 911. The operator informed us that someone from the highway crew had indeed checked out the fallen tree. Because lines were involved and the road was private, he could do nothing. The operator volunteered to call National Grid for us for an update. Her return call informed us that there was someone on site. After another walk down the road, we found a nice young man in a van whose duty was to keep us all away from the line since it was a “primary” carrying high voltage. Meanwhile, our quilter, who had tried to leave that morning, was concerned about an ill family member being home alone. An intrepid quilter, skilled in the art of driving trucks and hauling trailers as well as quilting, spotted two routes through the trees and muddy areas that she thought she could drive her Jeep Cherokee. After explaining the medical situation to our young guardian of the power lines, he said he would help guide her through the trees. It was a piece of cake!! And, with room to spare! And off the two quilters went homeward. When informed of his cooperation, one of the stranded quilters said we should take him some coffee. The head cook wanted to know if he was available since she had been looking for a good man for 42 years. Upon delivery of coffee and cookies, our guardian said thanks for the coffee and offer, but he carried a lot of baggage—a wife and two kids! So, the cook was out of luck. As he was drinking his coffee, a line crew came down the road. They cut the power, but the backup generator at the camp kicked in allowing everyone to continue sewing. We were able to leave about ½ hour later and just two hours behind the scheduled departure time. Over the weekend, many UFOs were finished including a 3-year bargello quilt project, many potato bags, Easter placemats for Meals on Wheels, an Almost a Sampler quilt top, etc. The raffle quilt top for the Knights of Columbus was completed and we loved it just as much as the animal quilt made the previous year. The toilets flushed, the water flowed and the heat radiated. A good time was had by all!



The above art work appeared in the Show program.
If you have some clip art you'd like to share in the Newsletter, send it to Mary to start a file.

BORDERLINE QUILTERS, INC.
EVENING MEETING, MAY 4, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by Jan Fife, Vice President, in the absence of Debbie Shecton at the Knights of Columbus Hall. A quorum was present.

Minutes of the February 2011 meeting that appeared in the April newsletter were approved on motion made by Sandra Foley, seconded by Debbie Darou. Ayes All.

The Vice Presidents' report delivered by Jan Fife reported that it had been a journey with Demonstration of Christmas Ornaments by Sandra Foley in the afternoon and Kathy Casey and Mary Snell in the evening, Basting Without Pins by Marni Brown, and the Soldiers' Quilt Project by Marlene Hart. Then there was Block of the Month with Sandy Foley providing the patterns and Mardee Cooke and Dodge Pond attendees finishing a quilt top for the Knights of Columbus.

Treasurer Mary Jane Watson reported a current balance in the treasury of \$7,727.11 with the financial reports in the April newsletter and made a part of the minutes.

Dodge Pond Mardee Cooke reported that there were 15 weekend campers, 4 day and 2 visitors at Dodge Pond. There was an adventure story. When they were ready to leave, there was a tree down across the road with power lines involved and they were blocked in. Help was called but one camper had to get home due to an ill husband so another camper drove her through the woods in her Jeep and home to Canton.

Quilt Camp Sandy Foley informed the group that camp will be held September 16, 17, and 18 at Wadham's Hall in Ogdensburg. All will need to bring quilted related items for the Tea Cup auction. Quilt magazines could also be used.

Quilt Show An update on the Quilt Show was given by Kathy Casey. A raffle quilt was made by Marlene Hart, quilted by Marcia Tiernan and binding done by Patty Blickwedehl. Cathy Brody has confirmed 9 vendors. There are 484 coaster favors made as a group effort. Door prizes were obtained by Sigrid Reichert and Sharon Mason, publicity bookmarks, fliers, posters, show ID cards, and thank you notes were made by Renee Holsen and are available for distribution. The Community Service exhibit will be handled by Mary Rutley and Mary Jane Watson. Ribbons were made by Chloe Ann O'Neil with programs by Deb Darou and Kathy Casey. Mary Snell will be taking care of the boutique and donations of quilt items are needed. Mary also informed the group that they will be setting up on June 10 from 4 p.m. on.

Special Events The report was given by Debra Baldwin. Mary Jane Watson reported for Dawn Streeter that a bus trip to Quilter Corners, Calico Girls and Patchwork Plus in the Syracuse area was scheduled on Saturday, August 6.

Website Discussion was held on obtaining a website. Moved by Deb Darou, seconded by Mardee Cooke to obtain a website with Mary Jane Watson to contact a website designer with a suggestion send out an RFP.

Subscription Mary Jane Watson reported the subscription deadline for Fons and Porter is September 1 for \$15 with a check payable to the Guild.

New Business Debra Baldwin hopes to get Peggy Oppenheimer back this fall. She inquired if there was any interest in a future overnight bus trip. Contact Debra Baldwin or Dawn Streeter if interested.

Tribute to the Troops Marlene Hart reported that the quilts being made were not Quilts of Valor but Tribute to the Troops. A group meets at her shop the third Friday of every month. It is a 24" quilt that troops can take with them, get signatures if they wish. She is in need of muslin and batting and donation of coupons from Joann Fabric. Motion made by Debra Baldwin, seconded by Patti Francis to donate \$150 to help her purchase supplies. All in favor.

Service Projects Mary Jane Watson suggested that the guild pay local quilters who quilt service projects for the guild. Motion made by Sandra Foley, seconded by Sharon Mason, Ayes all.

Suggested service projects included the Knights of Columbus, Renewal House, Jim Sheehan, Aaron Howell. Extra blocks will be kept for future use. It was suggested to do the next set in pastels but was decided to continue to chose your own colors.

October Dinner Meeting All were in agreement to have a dinner meeting and to appoint a committee to find a place, time and menu. Chris Bradshaw and Marni Brown agreed to serve on the committee.

Patriotic Challenge With many great ideas shown, the winners were: First Place – Les Haas; Second Place – Sandra Foley; Third Place – Marcia Tiernan.

Jan Fife entertained a motion to adjourn at 8:41 p.m., seconded by Mardee Cooke. Ayes All.

Respectfully submitted, Helen Delosh