

# SNIPPETS



Newsletter of  
The Kenya Quilt Guild

July 2010

## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Thank you all members who made the 6<sup>th</sup> July Workshop a success and a special thanks to Raji for holding the workshop at her place.

As you all know we have been collecting donations for Hellen from Sarah Brewin's Urembo basket project. More donations in form of children clothes and household goods will be helpful. Please bring these to the meeting. Thank you for your kindness towards this request.

Enjoy the August break and I look forward to seeing the creative and colorful quilts for the exhibition and for the challenge in September. Happy Quilting.

*Jasvinder.*

## JULY MEETING – FROM "SCRAP" TO "QUILT"

Meeting on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 10 a.m.

### **"Scrap Quilts"**

Gill Rebelo will be giving a presentation on how to organize the scraps in your stash and how to use them to make fun scrap quilts; with lots of tips and techniques.

This presentation is based on a new book called, "Leaders and Enders" by Bonnie Hunter.



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Kenya Quilt Guild Meetings are held in the East Africa Women's League Headquarters in Nairobi.

Meetings are held, with few exceptions, on the 3rd Thursday of every month.

The Meeting commences at 10 a.m. Members and visitors are asked to gather at 9:30 a.m. to check in, browse the library, and chat.

No meetings are held in the months of August and December.

Annual membership fee of Ksh. 1200 is due in January. Members must present their membership cards at the door. Individuals may come to KQG meetings as a guest no more than twice per year. Guests must be accompanied and signed in by a member. The guest fee is 100/.

## GLOBAL QUILT PROJECT – request from Global Change Inc.

**We are reproducing below an extract from a letter we received from Amy Allen.**

**If any of you ladies would like to contribute a square or even if you have a spare one already done and lying around, please consider donating it to this project!**

*Greetings,*

*I am the CEO of Global Change Inc, a US based non-profit organization that provides safe, clean water and basic sanitation to people living in extreme poverty throughout our world.*

*We are currently raising funds for a village in the Central African Republic (CAR). A few ladies have been taught quilting and they are really enjoying it. These ladies have sent our organization 2 beautiful squares and we are hoping to put these squares together with other squares from around the world to make a beautiful quilt that will be auctioned off and 100% of the proceeds will go to a new well for a village and a latrine for a school in CAR.*

*The first square is exactly 12 x 12 inches and the second is exactly 9 1/2 x 9 1/2 inches.*

*We would very much like for you to join us in this*

*project. We are seeking quilters from around the world to donate a square or squares to be added to this piece. The colors or patterns need not follow the design as the 2 squares the ladies sent from CAR, nor do the squares need to be batted.*

***We would like to have the donated pieces by August 31st*** in order to have the quilt pieced together and to allow time for showing and promoting this fund-raising project. The finished quilt will be auctioned in conjunction with World Toilet Day which is held on November 19th.

Our web site has information about our organizations and the projects we fund. Please take a look at our site and if you have any questions, please contact me. [http://www.globalchange.me/Global\\_Quilt.html](http://www.globalchange.me/Global_Quilt.html)

Thank you for your time and consideration.

**Amy Allen**

Co-Founder and Development Director.



## CAN YOU HELP?

Guild members would already have seen the email from Sarah Brewin asking for help for Helen Obuya who runs the Urembo Basket Project in Kibera.

Hellen lost ALL her possessions when her house in Kibera burned down. She and her 6 children (ages 14,13,12,9,7,5,2) are now staying at the Project workshop and really need your help as all they have now are the clothes they are wearing!

If you can help, please bring your donations in cash, clothes, shoes, blankets, kitchen utensils or anything else you think will help to the meeting. The committee will arrange to deliver the items to Hellen.

*“Happiness is a by-product of an effort to make someone else happy”*

**Gretta Brooker Palmer**



## CHALLENGE QUILT!

Ladies, this is your last opportunity to get this challenge quilt done! Let's have fun and a bit of competition and see who will win the best voted challenge quilt! Final pieces are to be brought to the September meeting.

There is an exciting prize for the BEST QUILT.

More information on the Challenge Quilt and instructions are available in the February issue of Snippets. If you need assistance or help, get in touch with Jasvinder!



## MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK



Guild members have been meeting regularly to work on the Rainbow and African quilts which will soon be raffled for charity.

It's a great opportunity to get together and have fun learning together!

Raji is organizing workshops on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of every month, from 2p.m. to 4.p.m. at her residence off Thigiri Ridge Road. **(No workshops in August)**

Please contact her on 0722 363 362 for directions.

## Mark Your Calendars - KQG'S 2010 Meetings DATES



### Committee Meetings

<b>August</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>	
September	Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>
October	Monday	11 <sup>th</sup>
November	Monday	8 <sup>th</sup>
December	No Meeting	

### Monthly members' meetings

July	Thursday	15 <sup>th</sup>
<b>August</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>	
September	Thursday	16 <sup>th</sup>
October	Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup>
November	Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>
December	No Meeting	

## QUILTING QUOTES!

*Quilters aren't greedy, they're just materialistic*

*Quilters make great comforters.*

*When life gives you scraps - make a quilt*

## QUILTING CLASSES

- **Gill Rebelo**, holds Log Cabin Classes for beginners.
- Contact Gill on 0722-613-105; or email her at [rebelo@iconnect.co.ke](mailto:rebelo@iconnect.co.ke)
- **Bubby Ghataure** holds classes. Contact her on 020-271-2292.
- **Raji Syan** offers classes for beginners and advance quilters.
- Contact her on 0722-362-362.
- **Farhat Zahid** offers silk and fabric painting classes
- Contact her on 0733-950-699.
- **Karura Carcofora** is offering quilting classes.
- Contact her on 020-271-0750 or 0733-881-192.
- **Subsidy available to help with taking classes:** Please contact Jaswinder Phull, Vice Chair, for assistance and clarification.

## **BITS AND PIECES**

**Frances Cattermole** is the one to contact for booking places for the Kenya Embroidery Guild classes in October.  
Phone: 0733716765  
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### **Website of the month**

<http://www.quiltville.com>  
Bonnie Hunter has a wonderful website where you can find lots of information on scraps quilts

### **HALF PRICE BOOKS**

At the July meeting Woman Shop will be selling quilting books at half price!

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## MESSAGE FROM THE EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

The time has come again for our **Kenya Quilt Guild Exhibition**. Our flagship event will be held at the Village Market Exhibition Hall on the **15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> October 2010**.

To enable us to make it a success we need your support and we need your quilts! You will find the registration form attached to this edition of Snippets. Please do fill it out and bring it with your quilt to our September meeting. We have a surprise gift for everyone who bring in their quilts on time!

Registration fee is KSH 200 for the first entry regardless of the size and KSH 100 for any subsequent entries. We would love to have one quilt from every member! Your next (2nd, 3rd) entry will be selected by the committee based on the space available. We will not accept quilts that have already been shown in our previous exhibitions.

All quilts need to have a proper hanging sleeve. You can find information on how to have a hanging sleeve done in most quilting books - come and browse the Guild library- or look on the internet. I have attached a tutorial with this issue of Snippets, or you can access it directly at the following link, <http://www.blumoonriver.com/QuiltSleeve.pdf>  
All quilts must also have a label stitched at the back.

The proposed charities that we could support from the proceeds of the exhibition are Dream Project, Fistula repairs and others are still being assessed...

We also would like your help to have the exhibition running smoothly! A sign-up sheet will be circulated at our meetings in July and September meetings for various assignments during the exhibition. Please do volunteer your time and sign up...

Last but not least we need sponsorship! Ask your friends, your company, the people around you to participate and sponsor our event. If we receive the sponsorship money before the end of August, then we can ensure that the name of the sponsor will be printed on our posters and on the raffle tickets, a good marketing opportunity for their company!

*Martine*

### **Pictures from our 2009 Exhibition**



# Kenya Quilt Guild Exhibition 2010

## ***Quilt Entry Instructions***

*All entries must have been completed since January 1, 2008, and must never have been shown at any previous KQG Exhibition. Each quilt must have a 4" hanger sleeve stitched across the top of the back, and a label bearing the owner's name must be sewn in the bottom right corner on the back. All entries must be clean and finished. Registration per entry is Ksh 200/= regardless of size for the first entry submitted, and 100/= for any subsequent entries. All first entries will be included in the exhibition. Should there be an insufficient number of first entries, the Exhibition Committee will select what pieces they wish to hang from secondary entries, and their determinations are final, not to be disputed.*

***All entries must be delivered at or before the KQG monthly meeting, September 16th.  
Get your entries in on time and win a free quilter's gift worth more than Ksh 1000/=!***

## **Quilt Entry Form**

Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Quilt name: \_\_\_\_\_

Design: Original \_\_\_\_\_ Pattern \_\_\_\_\_ Kit \_\_\_\_\_ Class quilt \_\_\_\_\_ Challenge quilt \_\_\_\_\_

Top made by: \_\_\_\_\_

Quilted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Size in inches: Width: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_\_ Year completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description category:** (Hand pieced; machine pieced, appliqué, any special technique)

**Special handling instructions:**

**Interesting facts:** (Tell us about your item, its history, inspiration, purpose, unusual materials or other characteristics.)

Write on the back if you need more space.)

QUILT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Receipt**

Received by the Kenya Quilt Guild, Quilt Number \_\_\_\_\_

titled \_\_\_\_\_

from Exhibitor \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_

*Your item must be collected on Sunday 17th October between 16 .00 and 17.00.  
Please bring this receipt with you to claim your quilt. Without it you may not take the quilt!*



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