

SNIPPETS



Newsletter of
The Kenya Quilt Guild

May 2010

May Meeting

- Meeting on Thursday 20th May, 10 a.m.
- Bev Rebelo will be giving a Power point presentation and talk on "Borders".
- Gretchen and Bev will be selling embellishments from Kenya and Zimbabwe at the May meeting.
- Rainbow quilt update

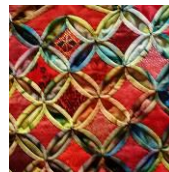


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Coming up next month!

- 17th June, 10 a.m.
- In June there will be a demonstration of 'Cathedral Windows' by Raji.
- Members are requested to bring examples if they have them.



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/.

KQG Members Visit Dream Project.

7 guild members, Jaswinder, Patty, Gretchen, Jay, Sushmita, Sakina and I met at the Junction and Nakumatt Karen to take the bumpy road out, beyond Ngong town to visit Dream Project.

Rachel and Stephen, who run the home, gave us a warm welcome, assisted by their two current overseas volunteers and, of course, the children, 40 of them now! Lots of hand shaking and greetings were exchanged and then we were given tea and had time to talk and ask questions.

After that we had a tour of the facilities, from special cooking arrangements, so that charcoal is not wasted, to all the dormitories, toilets facilities and water tanks.

Then to the new house, their pride and joy! The house, for which KQG provided the roof, is now ready and moving in will take place over the next few days. There is a small kitchen, sitting room, dormitories for the girls and a bedroom for Rachel and Stephen, plus

bathrooms. The present girls' dormitories and small sitting room will become a dining room.

We all noticed the happy atmosphere and positive attitude of everyone. No complaining, just lots of thank yous and pointing out progress. Rachel and Stephen are so grateful for all we have done for them financially but also for our friendship. Their generous natures, honest faith, constant cheerfulness and clear vision in what is obviously a challenging environment are inspirational and refreshing to see.

Dream Project will always need support. They have no major corporate or other sponsor. However we all agreed that the support given, in money or friendship, will be used properly and genuinely appreciated.

Thank you, Gretchen for arranging the visit. I hope other visits will be able to happen so that more Guild members can experience Dream Project first hand.

Alison Farmer

CAN YOU HELP?

Dream Project are in need of the following:-

- Children's clothes
- Shoes
- Games
- Books
- Toys
- Videos and DVDs.

Ages range from 3-18 years.

Bring to the meetings and give to Gretchen.



"It is every man's obligation to put back into the world at least the equivalent of what he takes out of it."

Albert Einstein

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

Winston Churchill

BEV'S QUILTING CLASSES – MAY 2010

Bev's series of lessons started on a high note with exciting new and easy methods for Bow Tie, Six Point Star, Tessellated Pin Wheels, Delectable Mountains and others.



Bev also demonstrated other techniques. As one member said, it was "an inspiring and creative day".

There are still a few places left in the Appliqué, Hand Quilting and Lone Star classes if anyone wants to make a late booking

Appliqué

Similar to last time. Mostly hand work. Basic and 3-D

Requirements: 16" Background fabric, scraps, thread, freezer paper etc

1 day - Sat 22nd May

Lone Star

Machine construction, using strip piecing.

Requirements: 3 contrasting fabrics (about 1 meter each), background fabric, machine etc.

1 day - Mon 24th May

Hand quilting

Using the teaspoon method

Requirements: either a quilt top basted and ready to quilt, or a 20" top/batting/backing square, quilting hoop, quilting needles, teaspoon etc

1/2 day – Thurs 27th May



Mark Your Calendars - KQG'S 2010 Meetings DATES



Committee Meetings

May	Monday	10 th
June	Monday	7 th
July	Monday	5 th
August	No Meeting	
September	Monday	6 th
October	Monday	11 th
November	Monday	8 th
December	No Meeting	

Monthly members' meetings

May	Thursday	20 th
June	Thursday	17 th
July	Thursday	15 th
August	No Meeting	
September	Thursday	16 th
October	Thursday	21 st
November	Thursday	18 th
December	No Meeting	

QUILTING QUOTES!

Asking a quilter to mend is like asking Picasso to paint your garage.

Good friends are like Quilts. They age with you, yet never lose their warmth.

QUILTING CLASSES

Gill Rebelo, holds Log Cabin Classes for beginners. Contact Gill on 0722-613-105; or email her at 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

Website of the month
<http://www.quilterscache.com>

Hundreds of quilt blocks! You can browse alphabetically or by size or from pictures.

Raji is holding a sewing group, 1st & 3rd Tuesday of every month to work on the raffle quilts.

Reminder

Please do carry you membership cards with you when shopping at Buttons and Bows so you can avail of the discount!

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