Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

April, 2017

Next Meeting: April 13, 2017

Starmount Presbyterian Church, 3501 West Market Street, Greensboro, NC 27403

Gather - 6:30 PM Meeting - 7:15 PM

President's Message

It's April and this month will be a busy one. Our April meeting should be a fun one. Please remember to bring your hand sewing kits to the meeting for our sit and sew. We will also be discussing and working on the plans for our quilt show. Hope to see you at the meeting. ~ Mary Jo Wimberly

Upcoming Guild Programs

Below is a list of programs thru May. Please pay attention to the dates and locations as some have changed.

April 13 – **Sit and Sew** – We will have a combined meeting and workshop presented by guild members. Join us to learn English Paper Piecing. If you have never done this process, it is the perfect opportunity to learn how. This is a portable project to carry with you when waiting, traveling or watching TV. We will have sample packets from the Paper Pieces Company for everyone who attends. There is a warning on the packages: Addicting and Contagious! You will need to bring a needle, scissors, neutral thread, a thimble if you use one and a paper hole punch if you have one.

May 11 – **Pineapple Fabrics** – **Change of Location!** Pineapple Fabrics is a locally owned fabric store in Archdale NC, that sells over the internet only (except when they have Warehouse Sales open to the public). They have graciously agreed to host our May meeting and will provide refreshments. After our meeting, they will open the warehouse so we can go shopping. You will hear more about this closer to the date. Visit their website to see what they offer: <u>http://www.pineapplefabrics.com/</u>

PQG Quilt Show, August 25 and 26, 2017

We will be voting on two Quilt Show issues at our April meeting:

1) date for raffle quilt drawing - to expand our time to sell tickets

2) the final choice for Silent Auction Charity - the 3 top suggestions are the American Heart Association,

Breast Cancer Research, and Hospice.

The raffle quilt is currently with Jane Weinstein for quilting. A big thank you to Jane! (maybe we will have it at the meeting).

We still need volunteers to join committees! Help is needed for the following:

~ Boutique - oversee selection of the boutique items, construction, collection, storage, display and oversee booth at show (and you will not believe what we have in the storage building!)

~ Door Prizes - solicit donations from local and national vendors, work with Merchant Mall Comm. to obtain donations from vendors at show, maintain list of vendors who donated for quilt show program - door prizes are to be drawn at the show. Extra donations will be used in baskets or for a reception drawing.

~ Hostesses/Cashiers - enlist, schedule and assist hostesses, greeters and cashiers.

~ Judges - search for and enlist judge/judges, lead in the judging process, schedule scribes, find a location for judging, work with Registration Comm. on getting quilts to and from judging site and to show location.

 \sim Layout and Setup/Take-down - plan layout of the quilts based on entry photos, schedule pickup of poles and stands and return to storage, oversee the setup of the quilts, coordinate with others on tables and chairs, oversee takedown of the show.

~ Registration - design registration form and print copies as needed using Categories as decided on by the Quilt Show Comm., receive entry forms, copy forms, check information, oversee receipt of entries for judging and return of entries, coordinate with Judging and Program/Printing (picture size limited to 5x7 inches), schedule a drop off time in sync with PQG monthly meeting.

~ Show Treasurer - coordinates with Guild Treasurer, maintains copies of all receipts given to Guild Treasurer, collect money at show.

At the April meeting we will announce the show theme and the Challenge Quilt Rules. Quilt Show date and location: August 25 & 26 at the Girl Scout Learning Center, set up and reception August 24. Keren Rotberg, Linda Ryan and I are planning a Quilt Show meeting for all volunteers and committees - date to be announced.

A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS ALREADY VOLUNTEERED, but we need as many Guild members as possible to participate! We want this to be the best PQG Quilt Show ever! ~ Lillian Adcock

\$\$\$ Quilt Money is back! **\$\$\$**

We are seeking a volunteer to be the bank/banker to assist with dispensing money earned. You can spend your Quilt Money at an auction to be held at our December meeting. Please note that our supply of small bills is limited, so when you reach \$1000, please see the banker to exchange your small bills for larger ones. Here is how you can earn Quilt Money:

Meetings	\$50 \$50 \$50 \$100 \$100	meeting attendance wearing your name tag birthday month bringing show & tell bringing refreshments
Programs & Workshops	\$2000	attending a workshop Challenge participation conducting a meeting teaching a workshop chairing a special program or challenge
Community Outreach	\$1000	Charity project quilting demo teaching an outreach workshop

Extra: Our Quilt Show will also be an important way to earn more \$\$\$. Ways to earn it will be announced later.

Strip Club

The strip club theme for April, May and June is polka dots. We will also be collecting neutrals for a quarterly drawing in June. There will be a drawing for quilt cash in June for all that participate in the strip club this second quarter. Strips should be 2 1/2 inches wide by width of fabric. Same rules as before, up to 3 strips per person per drawing.

Contact Debbie Walsh for any questions you may have.

April Birthdays

James Bowles4/14Elsie Hutchens4/14

Birthday members are requested to please bring a snack to the meeting on their birthday month.

Show and Tell at the March Meeting

Ann Johnson - Appliqued bunny quilt for Charity

Carrol Knight - "Life's a Hoot" owl quilt for Charity

Margaret Regan - Charity quilt

Keren Rotberg - Quilt made from Pineapple Fabrics selvedges

Rosemarie Ameen - Antique blue & white quilt with 48 states embroidered and hand quilted; "Which way to the Fabric Shop" quilt made from Pineapple Fabrics selvedges

Carol DeSantis - Modern quilt for Charity; Kid's quilt for Charity; Snowball quilt for Charity; 4" charm quilt for Charity; Buzz Saw quilt for Charity; 16-patch kid's quilt for Charity; Memory quilt for her grandson; 3 pet beds

*** Please be sure to sign up on the "Show & Tell" sheet found on the Membership table at each meeting. Give us the quilt name, who you made it for, color scheme, pattern, book or designer and any other information you might think we'd want to know. You can use one line for each item. Thank you!

Piedmont Quilters' Guild Challenge

Create a Medallion Quilt – one center motif with multiple borders, embellishments, decorative items; creativity is encouraged!

Due: June Meeting

Rules:

The Challenge entry must be a total measurement of <u>less than 100 inches in circumference</u>; there is no minimum size requirement. The entry may be a mini-quilt, wall hanging, doll quilt, mug rug, small table topper or runner. It must be made by one person only. The entry must include a top, batting and backing, and be quilted or tied together. Pin your name and phone number on a folded piece of paper on the back of the quilt for purposes of registration. You may name your quilt and pin that on the front of the quilt to be seen during judging. Turn your quilt in 'incognito' at the entry to the meeting (a sign will direct you) as judging needs to be anonymous!

During the meeting the entries will be laid out for display. Each guild member present will receive three voting chits and will place those chits in the voting box of their three favorite entries. Members are <u>not</u> required to use all chits – they may be turned in at the end of the voting.

First, 2nd, and 3rd place will be announced by the end of the meeting based on the number of votes. Prizes are:

First Place: \$3000 quilt money Second Place: \$2000 quilt money Third Place: \$1000 quilt money

All other entries receive \$500 quilt money

New Members

Please take time to say hello and welcome three new PQG members: Trish Frazier, Susan Lulham and Ann Gray have recently joined our guild.

Membership

Our email distribution list is always being updated so all current members should be receiving their newsletter by email as requested. If anyone knows someone not receiving a newsletter, please ask them to first check their Spam or Junk folder. Next they should speak to Joanne Jones to make sure there was no type-o on their email address or if they previously "Unsubscribed" from Ye Olde Forest Quilt Shop. Always remember you can check the website for current and archived newsletters. Newsletters are uploaded to the website (www.piedmontquilts.org) as soon as they are published. Also, check out the website for up-to-date information on programs, workshops, Community Outreach sewing dates and more.

2017 Membership List

We have updated the PQG Membership list to include everyone that has turned in a completed membership application and paid their dues as of March 25th. (If you do not see your name, please stop by the Membership Desk at the next guild meeting to join for 2017.) Take a moment to make sure all your information is correct. Then take a moment to look at the column for "Special Interest." If you circled letter "E" or "I" on your application indicating you were interested in joining a Quilting Bee or a Round Robin group, look for others on the list with the same interest. Send an email, plan a meeting, see when others are available, get together and quilt!

Guild Activities and Opportunities

Block of the Month

This activity needs to be revived! If you are interested in hosting a quilt block of the month, please see Mary Jo or any Board member. This is a wonderful way to stretch your quilting prowess and challenge yourself to quilt out of your own "box" – one block at a time.

We still have board openings for Programs/Workshops and Guild Historian.

We now offer advertising in the Guild newsletter, free to our members. Others will be charged \$15 for a business card size ad or \$25 for a quarter page ad. Ads for estate sales, museum quilt shows, and other quilt guilds are free. Contact Teresa Rouzer, guild newsletter editor.

Community Outreach

Remember our Community Outreach sewing day on Sunday April 23 from 1-5 at Linda Ryan's. Bring your unfinished outreach project and let's see! Fabric and project kits available.

Be sure to visit the Community Outreach table when you arrive at our monthly meeting for available projects. We have some yardage available for backings if you need it!

Talent for Hire List

In our booth at Holiday Market we sold many items, heard many quilt stories and received lots of inquiries. In the next few weeks our website should receive many inquires looking for someone to help with a quilt related item. From what I understand most of the needs were for quilt repair, t-shirt quilts/memory quilts, long-arm quilting and hand quilting. Even if you think your name is already on the "Talent for Hire" list I would appreciate you contacting me to confirm your contact info and the types of quilting jobs you can be hired to do.

I would like as many names as possible on this list. Please contact Michelle Owens at mowens3@yahoo.com or bring the written info to her at the Membership Desk.

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Other Events

FRIENDSHIP STAR QUILTERS, Sunshine and Moon Glow Quilt Show, April 28 - 30, 2017, Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Home Arts Building, Gaithersburg MD, Fri. 12 noon to 6pm, Sat. 10am to 6pm, Sun. 10am to 4pm

SEA ISLAND QUILTERS 30TH ANNIVERSARY QUILT SHOW, May 5 - 7, 2017, Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, Hwy. 21 2225 Boundary Street, Beaufort SC 29902

QUILTERS UNLIMITED QUILT SHOW, Wing It, June 2 - 4, 2017, Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly VA 20151, Fri. 10am to 4pm, Sat. 10am to 5pm, Sun. 10am to 4pm

QUILTING AND KNITTING EXPO, July 21 - 22, 2017, Jamil Shrine Center, 206 Jamil Road, Columbia SC 29210, off I-26 at Exit 106

Advertisements

Sewing Machine Service and Repair - All Models

Adam Ard, Certified Technician Studio Stitch, 3215B Battleground Avenue Greensboro, NC 27408 336-288-9200

Classes by Barbara Wolfe and Barbara Wellnitz

The Barbara W's will be teaching the Lil' Twister ruler technique on April 29 from 10am-4pm at Lees' Chapel UMC. The pattern will be for a July 4th or Christmas wreath. Cost is \$35.

Contact us at barb.wolfe8@gmail.com or bpwellnitz@aol.com. Contact either Barbara to sign up and receive information: