

# Piedmont Quilters' Guild

## Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

December, 2019

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**NEXT MEETING:** December 12, 2019

**LOCATION:** Starmount Presbyterian Church 3501 West Market Street Greensboro, NC 27403

**TIME:** 6:00 pm Covered Dish Dinner 7:00 pm Meeting

**DECEMBER PROGRAM:** Get ready for a fun evening as we will have our December potluck supper and Quilter's Cash auction. We will also have three guests from the community with information about the donations they have received from our Outreach program.

In **January** we will have an "Off the Wall Quilt Show" You do not need to make anything for this show. Just look through your closets and shelves and find some of those gems you have created over the years.

It is meant to be fun. Entries can be quilts, tops or blocks. The quilts will not be hung, but will be held up by their maker who must own up to making the item. There will be awards in each category. The audience will vote for their favorite by applause, whistles or cat calls. No booing or hissing allowed. Categories are:

Worst Misshapen Quilt

Worst Purchased Quilt Ever

Best Blocks Not Sewn

Together

Best "Toe-Catcher" Quilt (big stitches) You Dared to Use Orange?

Too Much Color

Worst Use of Color

Not Enough Color

Best Loved to Death

Quilt

Too, Too Much Color

Worst Design Mistake or What

Were You Thinking?

Waviest Binding Ever

**Here are the rules:** Don't be insulted if your quilt wins! Don't be insulted if your quilt does win!

Here is a chance to let those poor orphan quilts have their day in the spotlight! It's all in good fun, so look for your entries. If you have any ideas for additional categories please let Jeanne Harrison know by the end of December.

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: What a Year!!** Yes, indeed, what a year this has been! But I would not trade it for anything! I want to thank everyone for putting up with me and my forgetfulness (chemo brain is real!) during my illness, but all is well now. And the most wonderful thing is that we found a place to have a quilt show. I hope everyone will be able to join us for food and fun and high stake bidding at our last guild meeting of 2019. Let's send out this year with a grand hoorah!

**Remember to bring your wrapped fat quarter and I'll have a fun game for us to play. And we will be voting for new Guild officers for 2020.**

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:** Libby Bowles-12/21, Emily Dickenson-12/30, Joanne Hawks-12/15, Cheryl Joines-12/14, Rosemary Tyson-12/16, and Debbie Wayne-12/03.

**Note:** Members having birthdays each month are requested to bring refreshments for the meeting.

**SHOW & TELL:** 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 (family, friend or charity), color scheme, pattern, book or designer and any other information you might think we'd want to know. Please use a

separate line for each item. I am happy to pull out another sign up sheet if our members fill up the first page. Sign it in as usual and then display your quilt(s) where you are sitting so others can see it up close before the meeting starts. It's a great chance to share your work and get ideas from each other.

**November Show & Tell:** Rosemary Tyson-Sunrise 9x9, Trillium 18x18, and Austin House-Carolyn Friedlander. Pattie Stiles-2 lap quilts and 4 dog beds. Mary Ann Rhoades- 2 dog/cat beds. Carol DeSantis-Bee quilt, Cubicle Farm, Butterflies, Bees and Dragonfly, all are charity quilts. Ann Johnson-charity quilt. Barbara Wolfe- I Don't Have Enough Eyes for this Country art quilt. Michelle Owens- scrappy baby quilt for co-worker. Betty Green- vintage pink charity quilt.

**HOSPITALITY: CLEANING OUT YOUR CABINETS??** And you don't need the leftover birthday, Thanksgiving, or other Holiday paper products? Bring them to the Guild meeting to use each month to save on our budget. Bring 4 or 15 or 50 plates, we can use **any** and we don't mind what pretty plate we eat off of each month. We need paper plates, cups, napkins, plastic utensils for our monthly meetings.

**2019 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:** We have 2020 Membership applications available at the Membership Desk at each meeting. Our year starts on January 1st so all 2020 Membership renewals are requested as soon as possible. Please help us get a start on the new year by completing your application now before you get too busy with the holidays. Applications can also be downloaded from our website.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Two new members joined the guild in November for 2020! Please take a moment to welcome and introduce yourselves to Prella Tucker and Beverly Wilcox.

**WEBSITE:** Always remember you can check the website for current and archived newsletters. Newsletters are uploaded to the website ([www.piedmontquilts.org](http://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. Photos of our raffle quilt plus information on the quilt is on the RAFFLE QUILT page.

Please encourage friends to check out this page to see our beautiful raffle quilt! Updates on our 2020 Quilt Show will be added to the QUILT SHOW page. Check this page for show dates and information, show meeting dates and show deadlines. I'll also add forms and posters for you to download as they become available.

**OUTREACH/BOUTIQUE:** We received this message in a card: "Thank you so much for the beautiful quilts. The ladies and children have greatly appreciated them. Love from Freedom House"

Our guild has recently received a huge donation from a former member, Martha Wood Stouky. She has moved to Tennessee to be near family and her entire remaining stash was donated to us. We received some photos representing her time at PQG and will have those out for all to see at the December meeting. Stop by the Community Outreach table to sign in your donations and receive your Quilt money!

**Boutique:** please remember to bring in your Boutique kits and see what else we need help with.

Thanks to Martha Stouky's donation, we will be able to have a "vintage" table at the boutique again-treasures! And there are things for door prizes, fabric sales and much more.

**2020 KALEIDOSCOPE OF QUILTS:** The March 20-21 PQG quilt show is fast approaching. The last 2019 Quilt Show Committee meeting was on Dec. 3, 2019. During the first two PQG regular meetings in 2020 members will be asked to volunteer for quilt show prep. This would include collection of quilts for show, as well as the actual show set up at Trotter Center. Additionally, volunteers will be needed for the two actual show dates -- March 20 and 21. Every guild member should consider assisting as their time permits. Actual volunteer dates and times will be provided during the January and February 2020 PQG meetings.

**STRIP CLUB:** The Strip Club theme for the month of December is **BLUE**. Strips have to be 2 1/2 inches wide by width of fabric, (ex: Jelly Roll Strips). Up to 6 strips per person per drawing. They **MUST** be 100% cotton.. For each strip you will have 1 chance to enter the drawing for the total strips we collect each month. (Example: 6 strips = 6 chances) Contact Betty Green for any questions you may have.

**STARTING THE 5" COTTON SQUARE SWAP FOR 2020:** (This will replace the Strip Club next year) There will be a SIGN UP SHEET out at the December and January meetings. We will start the swap in February. Please sign up only if you will be able to participate each month. By the end of the year you will have a large stash of squares to make fun and colorful quilts. **IF ABSENT:** You may send your squares by someone else or give to Betty G. or MaryJo W. if you will be absent for a meeting. The squares need to be labeled with your name and which month's swap it is for.

**Charm Square Instructions:** Each month the members participating will cut 5" cotton fabric squares to equal the number of members participating to swap with. (Example: 25 members signed up so you will cut 25 squares to bring) It will remain the same number for the year. A different Theme is assigned for each month. Please cut accurately and use only 100% cotton fabric. You will sign in at the squares swap table each month so we can keep track of participants. You will put your cut squares on the table in separate piles at the beginning of the meeting. You will pick up your pile of collected cut squares at the end of the meeting, in order to not disrupt our program or if someone is running late and needs time to lay out their squares. Thank you and ENJOY! There will be a different fabric theme each month. Get details at the meeting and in next month's newsletter.

**BLOCK OF THE MONTH:** Each block will measure 12" square. All patterns can be found on <http://www.quilterscache.com>. Blocks made from the "Scrap Sampler Quilt" will earn you \$100, whereas Seasonal blocks will earn you \$200 in Quilt Money...Susan

**December Blocks:** Scrap Sampler Block: ***Another Star***

Seasonal Block: ***Santa Face*** OR ***Christmas Star*** OR ***Star of David*** OR ***Gingerbreadman***

**ADVERTISING:** Advertising in the Guild newsletter is free to our members. Others will be charged \$15 for a small ad and \$25 for a larger ad. Ads for estate sales, museum quilt shows and other quilt guilds are free. Contact Gail Lott, Guild newsletter editor.

Ad:

**Barbara Wolfe, Becky Hayes and family members will have an art show at the Center for Creative Leadership beginning Dec 9 until March. Opening night will be January 31,5-7 pm.**