Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

December, 2017

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 14, 2017

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

Dinner - 6:30 PM

Meeting - 7:15 PM

Please note: if we have bad weather in the coming winter months, if there is snow or ice and GTCC closes their evening classes, we will <u>not</u> have our guild meeting that month.

President's Notes

Happy Holiday Greetings!

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. We all have many things that we are thankful for --- I for one am very thankful for you - the Piedmont Quilters Guild members. Your friendship and support this year has been fantastic! THANK YOU!

We are in the final stretch of 2017. It's hard to believe that this year is almost over. We have had a delightful year. Our final meeting of the year should be a thrilling and tasty one. We will be starting our meeting early. Bring a covered dish and a guest if you wish. We need to start our Dinner at 6:30. After stuffing ourselves with all the delicious food we will have a short business meeting to elect Officers for 2018, make a few other decisions for activities and announcements for 2018. Then we will have some fun: Drawing for our Raffle Quilt - Show & Tell - The Fat Quarter Swap and finally our Quilt Money Auction (we have lots of goodies for you to bid on!).

So, for our December 14th meeting, please remember to bring a covered dish of your choice, all the Raffle Quilt money and tickets for the raffle quilt drawing, Show & Tell, a fat quarter to exchange and all the quilt money you have collected this year.

I look forward to seeing you on the 14th! ~ Mary Jo

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

We still need a few members to step up for the following positions: President: conducts the monthly guild meetings and board meetings

Vice President: in training to take over the President's office the following year, fill in at guild meetings and board meetings if the President is not present

Hospitality: needs to get to meetings early to see that the room is set up for the meeting (usually there will be helpers), makes sure we have supplies on hand for refreshments or a meal if that is planned (July and December).

Programs: plans monthly programs, workshops, classes, and with the Community Outreach chair may plan sewing/cutting sessions at a scheduled meeting. Works with the Treasurer as to how much money can be spent on programs during the year. Seeks out our own members, members of other guilds in the area, authors, quilt shop owners, well known quilters, others who can affordably come to present a program at our meetings. (We already have 4 programs confirmed and other programs and 3 workshops in process for 2018 in addition to our Charity Sew Days.)

These following positions have already had members step forward:

Treasurer – Debbie Wayne

Secretary - Keren Rotberg

Membership – Michelle Owens & Linda Ryan

Web Site - Michelle Owens

Community Outreach - Carol DeSantis

Newsletter - Teresa Rouzer

Raffle Quilt Tickets!

The drawing for our "Butterflies & Blossoms" raffle quilt is December 14th at our guild meeting. Be sure to turn in your raffle ticket stubs and money at the December meeting. If you will not be able to attend, please be sure to get your stubs and money to Debbie Walsh or send with another guild member who will be there. Please continue to sell those tickets! Thank you!

December Birthdays!

- 12-03 Debbie Wayne
- 12-09 Barbara Gainer
- 12-13 BK Gaither
- 12-14 Cheryl Joines
- 12-21 Libby Bowles
- 12-22 Anna Levi
- 12-30 Emily Dickenson

2018 Membership and Newsletter Distribution

We are looking forward to you rejoining the guild for 2018! Our membership year starts in January. Your Membership Application and Membership Fee are due in January if not paid sooner. New Membership Application forms are available at the Membership Desk or on our website.

The subject of newsletters sent by US Mail was brought up at the last board meeting. We will continue the newsletter by US Mail for the remainder of 2017

to the members who have requested it. Starting in 2018 members may either pay a \$10 fee to receive newsletters by US Mail or choose to receive it by email or find it on the website each month. Please be sure to use a revised 2018 Membership Application so you can select this option if needed. Please speak with Michelle, Linda, Teresa or Mary Jo if you have any questions.

Website

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, Quilt Show information and more.

Show and Tell from the November Meeting

Rosemarie Ameen: "14-Squared" (using 14 fat quarters), "Diamond Jim" (modern quilt using Blueberry Patch fabric), "Flower Stalls" (Paint by Carrie Bloomston), "Snowman" (Studio Stitch)

Marlies Kinnell (Rosemarie's sister visiting from Canada): "Chopsticks" (Jaybird Quilts), "Lotus" (Jaybird Quilts), "Cutting Corners" (Quilty), "Knots" (Sew Many Creations), "Disappearing Pinwheel Whirligig" (Missouri Star), "Winter Vacation" (self-designed), "Which Way to the Quilt Store"

Susan Lulham: Fall table runner made w/ 60 degree triangle ruler (Pattern, Triangle Frenzy Runner by Bunnie Cleland), Christmas tote bag and Fall tote bag (Pattern, Big Bag Theory by Penny Sturges), Table runner - one side Christmas/one side Fall (Pattern by Down South from She Quilts A Lot), B&W potholders: made with 60 degree triangle ruler (Pattern by Spiderweb Potholders by Julie at Jaybird Quilts), Cathedral Window Ornaments (Shabbyfabrics.com, Designer, Jennifer Bosworth)

Carol DeSantis: "Star in a Box" donation quilt, "Gazillion Triangles" donation quilt

Bette Brownlow: Hearts quilt in Kaffe Fassett fabrics for her cousin Betty Green: Jelly Roll quilt for retiring schoolteacher friend.

Jane Weinstein: Widespread Panic Fireball quilt for friend with glow in the dark thread (for animal fabrics go to www.HotDiggityDog.com), Man Quilt quilted for Barbara Wolfe

Stephanie Santmyers: "String Theory" floral style quilt adapted from a Better Homes & Garden quilt.

Pat O'Rork: Brown stars and stripes donation quilt

Gail Lott: Pillow made using a Margie Johnson quilt square, Christmas tree quilt

Keren Rotberg: Table runner (Blooming 9-patch class with Lillian Adcock)

Caryn Wright: Table runner wedding present

Ann Johnson: Bears donation quilt

Betty Smith: Pet beds filled with fabric scraps for donation

*** 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. It makes it easier on me to list every quilt and give members all the information on each quilt. Thank you!

Guild Activities and Opportunities

Community Outreach

There will be no Sit and Sew in December! We will resume in January. We spent the November Sit and Sew working on our Totes for Homeless and will show our results at the December Meeting. We will continue this project next year.

Strip Club

The strip club theme for this month is stripes. 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.

Block of the Month

At our December meeting, a new block of the month for 2018 will be presented that will focus on our Pioneer Heritage.

Newsletter Ads

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.

Talent for Hire List

Even if you think your name is already on the "Talent for Hire" list please contact Michelle Owens to confirm your information and the types of quilting jobs you can be hired to do. I would like as many names as possible on this list. Contact Michelle Owens at mowens3@yahoo.com or bring the written info to her at the Membership Desk.