Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

February, 2018

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 8, 2018

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

Social: 6:45 PM Meeting: 7:15 PM

President's Notes

It is February already and I hope you enjoyed the snow days in January and used the bonus indoor time at your machine as I did. I also found this poem I thought everyone would enjoy. See you at our February meeting with the "Pizza Girls" where we can get new ideas for more UFOs. ~ Keren

Coping With UFOs by Jacquie Scuitto aka The Muse

"Many are the quilts I have begun,

Far fewer those I've finished.

The UFO collection just keeps growing -

It needs to be diminished!

I could send them to be quilted by machine

But that would take money I lack.

I could let someone else quilt them for me,

But would I really get them back?

Not starting quilts would, of course,

Be a sure UFO preventive,

But not having the will power that requires,

I must rely on some deadline incentive."

See you at our February meeting with the "Pizza Girls" where we can get new ideas for more UFOS. If any of you would like to show your art blocks on canvas, made at the previous meeting, we'd love to see them at our February meeting. ~ Keren

February Meeting

The Quilter's Gallery ~ A Trunk Show

Patti and Cindy will be bringing a selection of quilts that are samples of current patterns, their original designs, quilt kits, and fabric collections for our guild to enjoy. The focus for this program is the **creative use of fabric and border techniques**.

www.quiltersgallery.net

National Quilting Day is March 17, 2018

In 1991, the National Quilting Association decided to create a special day to celebrate and inspire lovers of quilting and to encourage others to take up this charming and addictive craft. Quilting Day was born, and has been celebrated ever since by quilt and patchwork lovers every spring.

You could mark Quilting Day by joining a quilting group and learning how to make your own quilt – there are numerous classes throughout the country that will teach you different stitches and embellishing techniques. If you are already an experienced quilter then why not share your love with the next generation?

Join in our Quilting Day workshop, March 17, 2018! We will be having a workshop with our own Teresa Rouzer leading a workshop on scrappy quilt blocks that will use up our scraps. More details will be announced at our February and March Meetings. Please reserve Saturday, March 17th on your calendar to meet as a guild and have some fun!

Birthdays in March

Nancy Schmidt 2-7

Darcy Benton 2-8

Carol DeSantis 2-18

Lillian Adcock 2-27

Note: Members having birthdays this month are requested to bring refreshments for the meeting,

Show and Tell in January

- Carol DeSantis 5 donation quilts: Frogs, Rt. 66, Flannel w/ Flying Geese (modern), Find It (6" squares), Squares & Triangles
- Gail Lott 9-patch & green quilt top purchased for \$12 at Reconsidered Goods
- Betty Green donation quilt
- Patti Stiles 5 donation quilts
- Carrol Knight 2 baby quilts; 1 pet bed
- Cheryl Joines "Dresden Stars" stitch & flip guilt, 1 pet bed
- Betty Smith 4 pet beds
- Pat O'Rork Blue Bears quilt for donation made with a panel from the estate of Marjorie Johnson
- Ann Johnson donation quilt
- Stephanie Santmyers 2 Floral quilts; donation quilt
- Rosemarie Ameen "Which Way to the Quilt Shop" selvedge quilt, Scrappy blue zig-zag kids quilt
- Jackie Russell Baby quilt (McCall's Quilting January 2018 issue)

Please be sure to sign up on the "Show and Tell" sheet found on the Membership table at each meeting. List the quilt or project name or pattern, who you made it for, color scheme, pattern, book or designer that was your inspiration and any other information you'd like us to know. PLEASE USE A SEPARATE LINE FOR EACH ITEM. Another sign up sheet can be added if the first page fills up. Thank you!

2018 Membership and Newsletter Information

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 now. New Membership Application forms are available at the Membership Desk or on our website.

This is a reminder that beginning in March 2018 guild newsletters will no longer be mailed by USPS unless you have indicated on your membership application that you wish to receive your newsletter by USPS mail and you have paid the \$10 cost for this service for one year.

Newsletters will be emailed to all other members that indicate they wish to receive their newsletter by email. If you give no indication of your preference, the newsletter is always available on the guild website. Contact Michelle, Linda, or Teresa if you have any questions.

Website

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.

Guild Activities and Opportunities

Community Outreach

Eight members participated in our January Sit and Sew, where we worked on 'Winding Ways'. Each participant made one block and then chose their own color ways from our new Pineapple Fabrics donation fabrics to work on a quilt.

Four of our Totes for the Homeless, which are made from fabric donated by Glen Raven, Inc. were delivered to Interactive Resource Center to see if our design met their needs. They were thrilled and look forward to receiving more.

Sit and Sew for February is Sunday, the 11th from 1 PM to 4 PM at Linda Ryan's. We will work on Homeless Totes, Winding Ways if anyone new wants to start this pattern, or start a new pattern called 'Matchsticks' (no instructions needed). Fabrics will be available! We will alternate Saturday and Sunday this year (when possible) to make it possible for more to attend.

Strip Club

Our thanks to Betty Green and Betty Smith for continuing our Strip Club. The strips for February will be Batiks of any color for the 2.5-inch strips cut crosswise across your fabric. You may contribute a total of 3 strips for each monthly drawing.

Block of the Month

Our Block of the Month in Our Pioneer Heritage for February is Broken Arrows and can be found at http://quilterscache.com/B/BrokenArrowsBlock.html

The guidelines for this year long BOM are simple: the blocks need to measure 10.5-inches after you sew your blocks and will be a finished 10-inch size when sewn into a quilt; you make one block each month for yourself in any color way you choose and a you make a second block in scrappy fabrics that will go to our Community Outreach supply for future donation quilts.

Ads

We offer advertising in the Guild newsletter, free to our members. Others will be charged \$15 for a small ad and \$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

Contact Michelle Owens if you are interested in being hired to do quilting for the public and to confirm or change your information on file. We would like to have as many names of this list as possible. You can bring your information to Michelle at the Membership Desk at each meeting.

Quilt Request

I am a RN on 6 North at Cone hospital. We care for palliative care patients in our department. I am decorating a room for these families and would love to use a beautiful quilt as a wall hanging to provide a home like atmosphere. Many family members stay round the clock to be with their loved one and need a relaxing room to go to. My cell # is 336.708.6985 and my email is mmarkjill@aol.com. Thank you for considering my request. Jill Moore, RN

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Events for 2018

The Forsyth Piecers and Quilters Guild in Winston Salem is honored to have Bonnie Hunter as their featured speaker/teacher in February. Although the workshop is full, we would like to invite non-members to attend her exciting presentation on Monday, February 12th. Additional details are provided below. We hope to see you at our February meeting!

Monday February 12, 2018 Social Time – 6:30 PM, Meeting – 7:00 PM Parkway Presbyterian Church 1000 Yorkshire Road, Winston Salem, NC 27106 Admission - \$5 for non-members

To help us know how many guests we will need to accommodate, please RSVP to adeleaiken@gmail.com
* The church address is on Yorkshire Rd, but the event entrance is accessible from Kirklees Road which is one block south of Yorkshire.

Pineapple Fabrics Winter Sale, Thursday, February 1 and Friday, February 2 from 9 am to 5 pm and Saturday, February 3 from 9 am to 4 pm, 505 Aztec Drive, Archdale NC 27263

Mancuso Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival, February 22 through 24 from 10 am to 6 pm and Sunday, February 25 from 10 am to 4 pm, Hampton Roads Convention Center, 1610 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, VA 23666

Carolina Lily Quilt Show, March 9 and 10, from 9 am to 4 pm each day, Union County Agriculture Center, 3230 Presson Road, Monroe, NC 28112.

Cobblestone Quilters (Charleston, SC) Quilt Show, March 9 and 10, "A Celebration of Quilts", featuring approximately 200 quilts, at the Omar Shrine in Mt. Pleasant SC (Across the bridge from Charleston). Printable flyer for the Cobblestone Quilt Show: http://cobblestonequilters.com/show.htm

A Stroke of Patriotism 2018 Contest

This organization is issuing a call to artists in North Carolina to participate in our 2018 contest, My America, which includes 2D art photography and fiber art. My America is an opportunity for you to create your best expression of our great country. Total prize money is \$4,750 with a first prize of \$2,500 and three category prizes of \$750 each. Contest details can be found on our website https://www.strokeofpatriotism.org/myamerica.

A Stroke of Patriotism is a non-profit organization whose mission is to give our military veterans and their families a hand up in times of need. Since its inception in 2017, they have helped over 40 veterans and their families. For more information, contact Victoria B. Haidet, Director, at wickie@strokeofpatriotism.org or by phone at 419.340.7140.