

Piedmont Quilters' Guild

Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

February, 2020

NEXT MEETING: February 13, 2020

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

TIME: 6:30 pm Refreshments & Socializing 7:00 pm Meeting

FEBRUARY PROGRAM: Ann Reich, from Studio Stitch, will be our guest speaker with a program on "Quilting with a Walking Foot." She will show and explain the easy way to top quilt your quilts on a domestic machine with amazing and beautiful results.

March meeting - the Fellowship Hall at Starmount Church will not be available for the March meeting only.

A new meeting place will be announced at the February meeting, for just that one month.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: How are your New Year's Resolutions going so far? I vowed to finish some UFO'S and start my Challenge Quilt for the Quilt Show in March. So far, I have finished a few projects, started several more tops and not even thought about the Challenge Quilt.....so guess I am averaging 50% for the new year. Hopefully you are inspired and finishing lots of items for the Silent Auction, Boutique, and Charity quilts. If you haven't signed up to do a Challenge Quilt for the March show, see Lillian at the meeting. Let's all stay warm and busy working during these cold wet nights and days on your quilt entries so we can have a GREAT Quilt Show next month. Happy Quilting to All, Betty

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS: Jeanne Harrison- 2/01, Nancy Schmidt- 2/07, Carol DeSantis-2/18, Caron Branz-2/20 and Lillian Adcock-2/27.

Note: Members having birthdays each month are requested to bring refreshments for the meeting. Also, we are going to return to some duties that were traditionally performed by members with birthdays, but have fallen by the wayside.

1. "Birthday members" are asked to hold quilts on the stage during Show and Tell.
2. The board asked that these members function as welcomers for new members and visitors.
3. The folks at the membership desk will ask the "birthday members" to speak with visitors and prospective members and introduce them to other members. The goal is to make every newcomer feel welcome.
4. The board also requests that the "birthday members" assist with clean-up after the meeting.
5. If your birthday is in July or December when we have covered dish dinners, please choose another month to bring refreshments.

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.

January Show & Tell: Rosemary Tyson-charity quilt and old hand pieced and quilted quilt. Jane Schwartz-charity quilt and twinish. Jeanne Harrison- quilt as you go quilt, lap quilt. Bette Brownlow-two Japanese fabric quilts and 1 log cabin quilt. Gail Lott- dog bed, flannel baby quilt for boutique, "Plaid Macs" modern quilt.

Carol Desantis- 3 donation quilts from her sister. Betty Green- 3 bibs, 2 children's quilts. Ann Johnson-charity quilt. Mary Ann Rhoades-charity quilt. Jackie Russell- dog bed, charity quilt of rean and white hearts.

2020 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS: We have 2020 Membership applications available at the Membership Desk at each meeting. Our year started 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 membership cards will be available at the March meeting.

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 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. 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: Mark your calendars for April 15th at Natty Green's downtown for a good Works Wednesday event. Come to eat at lunch or dinner - bring your family and friends- we receive 10% of their profits for that day! We will also be able to display our raffle quilt and sell tickets and show what our guild does for the community. Keep the charity quilts coming. Let's keep breaking records!

2020 KALEIDOSCOPE OF QUILTS: Quilt show Registration forms are due FEBRUARY 28TH. Your registration form must be included as well as the registration fee and a 4 x 6 photo. Please hand in your form by either turning them into membership at the February meeting, or can be mailed (**postmarked by the 28th**) to:

Michelle Volkmann 3300 Battleground Avenue Suite 250 Greensboro, NC 2741

Quilts for the show can be dropped off at our March meeting as well as:

Calla Lily Quilt Shop on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 between 10 am and 4 pm

Studio Stitch Quilt Shop on Friday, March 13, 2020 between 10 am and 4 pm

Quilt Show Publicity and Flyers: We should have Posters and Flyers available at the February meeting. Please take a small stack of flyers to hand out to friends, family, co-workers, random people on the street, etc. Please take a poster if you know a place that will let you hang the poster...maybe your hair salon, gym, community center, church, local shop, farmers market, etc. Ask permission first, we'd hate to have it taken down and thrown away the next day. Posters and flyers will be sent to local quilt shops. If you are visiting a quilt shop out of the area or attending a quilt show, please let me know and I will give you a packet with a poster and flyers to bring with you. Thank you for your help...Michelle

Quilt Show Committee: These are the dates/times for our March 20-21, 2020 committee meetings at the Benjamin Branch Public Library on Benjamin Parkway:

Feb. 11, 2020 @ 7:30 p.m. (2nd Tuesday)

Mar. 3, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m. (1st Tuesday)

There will be a volunteer sign-up table near the entrance. **Guild members will be needed to assist during quilt judging, throughout the show, and for take down, including clean-up.** The dates for these duties are March 18 through March 21, 2020. Please sign up! **We need all members to help with the quilt show in some way.**

Raffle Quilt Tickets: Please give money received from selling raffle tickets to Libby Bowles or Emily Dickenson instead of giving it directly to Ann Johnson. They need to mark the money received for the tickets before turning it over to the Treasurer.

CHARM SQUARE SWAP FOR 2020: WE HAVE 21 WONDERFUL CHARM “SWAPPERS”

PARTICIPATING FOR THE 5” COTTON CHARM SQUARES SWAP FOR 2020

1. Cut 21 CHARM SQUARES, FEBRUARY IS VALENTINE’S OR PINK’S
2. Sign in at the squares swap table so we can keep track of participants.
3. Put your cut 5” squares on the table in 21 separate piles at the beginning of the meeting.
4. Pick up your pile of collected cut squares at the END of the meeting, in order not to disrupt our program.
5. The theme for next month’s charm. March is Children or Animal prints.

IF ABSENT: You may send your squares by someone else or give to Betty Green or MaryJo Wimberly. The squares need to be labeled with your name and which month’s swap it is for.

INSTRUCTIONS: Each month members participating will bring 21 cotton charm 5” fabric squares. A different Theme is assigned for each month. *Please cut accurately and use only 100% cotton fabric.*

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Foothills Quilters will host a small nature themed quilt show as part of the NC Trail Days celebration in Elkin on June 4-7. The show will be at the Heritage and Trails Center, 257 W Standard St., Elkin NC. Go to <http://www.nctraildays.com> for more information on the festival.