

Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

May, 2018

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 10, 2018

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

Social: 6:45 PM

Meeting: 7:15 PM

President's Notes

Too good not to share, a bit of quilt history: part of a letter from Orville Wright from Kitty Hawk in 1903: "to wit, 1, 2, 3 and 4 blanket nights, we now have 5 blanket nights, and 5 blankets and 2 quilts. Next come 5 blankets, 2 quilts and fire." Source: *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough.

And so, as we each make our quilts, we add to history as well. Be sure to put labels with information on each of your quilts.

Let us all be mindful to turn off our cell phones during our meetings and showing our guest presenters our full attention. Thank you and I'll see you at the meeting! ~ Keren

May Meeting

Michele J. Linder author of "SQUARE MAGIC" will be our speaker. Her wonderful way with squares yields dozens of variations that even the newest quilter can make to create hundreds of beautiful blocks. See how one little square can be made into 12 different units that are mixed and matched to create Nine-Patch patterns. These units can be stand-alone blocks or be combined with other units to make spectacular quilts. Project possibilities are endless. Instructions for table runners, placemats, mantel scarves, and more are included. This method is completely foolproof because the accuracy is already built in. All you need are squares. The small sizes of the projects make them ideal for busy quilters and all can be adapted to any color way. Quick and easy to machine piece and assemble, these magic squares are addictive! They're fat eighth- and fat quarter-friendly, too.

Birthdays in May: Linda Ryan 5-16, Susan Lulham 5-18, Keren Rotberg 5-24

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

Show and Tell in April

- Carol DeSantis - For donation, I Spy, Raggedy Ann & Andy, Homeless tote bags
- Gail Lott - Butterfly Triangles for donation
- Keren Rotberg - Hexies in a Modern quilt
- Rosemarie Ameen - Missouri Star Churn Dash kit, Scrappy boy quilt (Easy Quilt book), Nuts and Bolts (Easy Quilt book), Cake Mix pattern, Selvedge bag
- Carrol Knight - Selvedge Cowboy quilt for donation, Pooh quilt, Duck quilt, 4 pet beds
- Stephanie Santmyer - Flag
- Mary Jo Wimberly - Yellow/Green Table topper made from April's BOM, "Tell" NC Generations of Quilts with 4th graders
- Jeanne Harrison - Quilt as you go Disappearing 9-Patch for donation
- Cheryl Joines - T-shirt quilt for customer, 3 pet beds

- Barbara Wolfe - "Heart of Texas" wall hanging, "Good-Bye College, Hello World" t-shirt quilt for granddaughter, "A Symphony of Hexies"
- Ann Johnson - Teddy bears quilt for donation
- Bette Brownlow - Braid quilt
- Jane Weinstein - Large quilt pieced by a friend and quilted by Jane
- Patti Stiles - Tube quilting for donation, Pet beds
- Lillian Adcock - Bargello wall hanging, Strip pieced pillows, Pet beds
- Jackie Russell - "Desert Stars" lap quilt
- Pat O'Rork - For donation, Corduroy & Flannel, Sweet Dreams, Paisley Ladders
- Katie Helm (visitor) - Pineapple wall hanging for door

Please 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 hope you've remembered to renew your 2018 Membership! If you need an application it can be found on our website or each meeting at the Membership Desk. Please contact Michelle or Linda 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 and more.

Guild Activities and Opportunities

Future Programs and Workshops

June 14, 2018 - Karen Stockwell, Fiber Artist, will present – Round Robins, a lecture to get our guild excited! Share your skills, your ideas, creativity and part of yourselves with other quilting friends. A Round Robin is an exciting way to challenge yourself to reach beyond the way you've always done things to find your creative muse. It's a wonderful learning experience, stretching the way you work and exploring new techniques and design paths. This lecture and trunk show will explain the process: What is a Round Robin? How can you set up a group? How do you eliminate Creative Stage Fright? What are some Absolute Rules? What are some "Let's decide together" rules? What are some No-Nos? This is a chance to spread your creative wings and soar! We will be charging a \$5 admittance fee to non-members for Karen's presentation.

June 15, 2018 - Karen Stockwell – Class/Workshop, Deconstructed Wedding Ring
Location – Starmount Presbyterian Church - (our meeting location). Time – 9 am to 3 pm

Supply List – This will be given out when you have signed up and paid for the class

A sample of the project was on display at our last meeting and will be on display again for our May meeting. It is fantastic!

Deconstructed Wedding Ring - A Double **June** Wedding Ring is surprisingly versatile. What happens if you make the rings different sizes, and don't join them? How about adding some other elements? Let's play with modernizing an old favorite. Have fun and see what happens! And with a white or solid background, it can easily be a modern quilt. 36" x 39" Pattern required for class \$10 (this will be included in our class fee) Contains full sized templates and directions for 3 different finishing techniques. Good for all skill levels.

Sign up for members only will be available through **Thursday, May 10th, the cost for members will be \$45 (that includes the cost of the required pattern)**. After May 10th, we will open the sign up to other guilds.

July 12, 2018 *** 6:30 PM start time! Come join everyone for a fantastic meal and the fun of fellowship with our guild members. We will be having a fun activity for everyone to do. All you need to bring is a covered dish of yummy food (with a serving spoon). The guild will supply the plates, cups, eating utensils, etc. See you there!

Community Outreach

Sit and Sew is Saturday May 12 at Linda Ryan's from 10-3. The project will be to learn hand appliqué which you can then use to make a charity quilt and add to your quilting arsenal of techniques. Bring your own sandwich!

We delivered 25 donation quilts to the Red Cross Shelter on Saturday , April 21, for direct donation to those family who lost homes during the tornado.

Reminder: if you are bringing charity quilts for show and tell, sign up at the membership desk for show and tell, then stop by the Community Outreach table to sign in the donation and receive your \$1000 in quilt cash! We have a variety of charity quilt kits available, so stop by the Community Outreach table at our meetings to choose yours! ~ Carol DeSantis

Strip Club

The strips for April 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 Pioneer Heritage

May is the Farmer's Daughter block, <http://quilterscache.com/F/FarmersDaughterBlock.html>, June is the Fool's Square, <http://quilterscache.com/F/FoolsSquareBlock.html> and July is Grandmother's Choice, <http://quilterscache.com/G/GrandmothersChoiceBlock.html>

The guidelines for this year long BOM are simple: the blocks need to measure a finished 10-inch size, you make one block each month for yourself in any colors you choose and a you make a second block in scrappy fabrics that will go to our Community Outreach supply for future donation quilts.

How to Earn PQG Quilt Money

At each of our meetings and activities each member has the opportunity to earn PQG Quilt Money. The Board may announce other ways to earn money during the course of the year. Here's how:

Meetings

\$50.00 Meeting attendance	\$50.00 Wear Name Tag.	\$50.00 Birthday Month
\$100.00 Bring Show & Tell	\$100.00 Bring Refreshments	

Programs & Activities

\$500.00	Attend a Workshop	\$500.00	Attend charity sew day
\$500.00	Challenge Participation	\$2,000.00	Present a meeting program
\$2,000.00	Teach a Workshop	\$3,000.00	Chair a special program/challenge

Community Outreach

\$1,000.00	Charity quilt donation	\$1,000.00	Quilting Demo's to other members
\$1,000.00	"A Day in the Park"	\$100.00	Block of the Month donation

How to spend your money

At our December meeting (our end of the year holiday celebration) you will get to spend your money at an auction. The items for the auction will be donated by vendors, members, and others. In the past we have had fabric, quilting tools, art work, quilt books & patterns, gift cards and other surprises! It is a fun spirited auction!

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.

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Events for 2018

June 1-3, 2018, Quilters Unlimited, "Just Piece It" Dulles Expo Center, 320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly VA 20151

June 22-24, 2018, Piecework, A Quilt/fiber Arts Show, Brooklyn Arts Center/Quilters by the Sea, Campbell and North 4th St. (St. Andrews Church), Wilmington NC, (4th Friday Gallery Walk), Saturday 10am to 5 pm, Sunday 12 noon to 5 pm

July 20-21, 2018, The Quilting Expo, Jamil Shrine Center, 206 Jamil Road, Columbia SC 29210, Friday 9 am to 5 pm, Saturday 9 am to 4 pm