

Piedmont Quilters' Guild

Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

March, 2020

NEXT MEETING: March 12, 2020

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

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

MARCH PROGRAM: There will not be a program at this meeting. Quilts will be turned in for the show, and there will be some work tables set up for assisting with pricing and labeling items for the boutique. Please come and help, even if you are not turning in quilts for the show. We will have a meeting and Show and Tell, as usual.

The Fellowship Hall at Starmount Church will not be available for the March meeting. We will have two rooms at Starmount Presbyterian, and there will be signs or people directing you to the location.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: March is here and so is our **Kaleidoscope Quilt Show!** Hope you are all finishing up your quilt entries, mini challenge quilt, boutique items and selling LOTS of tickets for our Raffle quilts. The more tickets we sell, the more money we make, and the more programs we can afford to do and so on. Thanks for everyone's help in working to get the Quilt Show ready. We still need volunteers in different areas during the Quilt Show, so sign up at the front tables or tell a Committee Chairperson that you would LOVE to help. Looking forward to seeing all the wonderful creative quilts everyone is entering. Betty

MARCH BIRTHDAYS: Bea Mandel- 3/23, and Lucille Amos-3/29.(This would be a good month for July or December birthday folks to bring something, since we only have two birthdays.)

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. 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.
3. The board also requests that the "birthday members" assist with clean-up after the meeting.
4. 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.

February Show & Tell: Donna Paulen-boutique items and heart quilt. Jackie Russell-red and white Hunter's Start charity quilt, blue /multi-color batiks Windy Days. Jeanne Harrison- Turning Twenty charity quilt and a dog bed. Gail Lott- blue and white Lancaster Spring. Ann Johnson-charity quilt. Rosemarie Ameen- 2 iPad covers, 1 box tote, 2 eReader covers. 2 mundo bags and a pincushion, all with selvages. Betty Green-girl's charity quilt, 2 velour charity quilt tops. Susan Lulham-free motion quilted panel by Angela Walters. Barbara Wolfe-table runner for boutique. Janet Stocking-black, blue, yellow kaleidoscope, multi-colored pieced quilt.

2020 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS: We will have 2020 Membership applications available at the Membership Desk at the next meeting. Applications can also be downloaded from our website. As before

the regular membership fee for ages 16 to 69 is \$25 and the Senior membership fee for ages 70 and over is \$10. We prefer to email your monthly newsletter to you but if you need to have your newsletter by mail there is a \$10 fee. Please note this question at the top of your application. The Membership year begins in January. We would appreciate receiving your application and dues as soon as possible. I will have 2020 Membership Cards available at the March meeting for those who have paid their membership fee. You may get a discount at quilt shops and with vendors at quilt shows. Please ask at the shops and shows. **MEMBERSHIP LIST:** You will also be receiving the 2020 Membership List with your March newsletter. The list is formatted to be printed on Legal paper (8.5" x 14"). If you do not see your name that may mean your membership fee for 2019 has not been paid. Please stop by the Membership Desk at the next meeting so you are sure to continue to receive the monthly newsletters. You can use the codes under "Special Interests" (column I) to find other members in the guild who have similar interests as you. Do you want to join a quilting bee? Use the list to find any members who have noted "e" then contact them about creating a quilting bee. Do you want to talk with someone who is interested in quilted clothing? Look at the list for any members who have noted "r" then give them a call. We will send out an updated list again in June and September.

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.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: New patterns and ideas are coming for using your extra stash to make charity quilts, but AFTER the quilt show!

BOUTIQUE: Final prep is underway for the Quilt Show. After seeing the Trotter Center, we can plan our displays, signage, and layouts. Anything you are making or any 'vintage' things you have to donate can be turned in at the next guild meeting.

2020 KALEIDOSCOPE OF QUILTS: Volunteer sign up sheets will again be available for the March PQG meeting. Please review and sign up.

Volunteers with vehicles will also be needed on March 19th to haul poles and other quilt show items to Trotter Center for show setup. Trucks are needed but other vehicles that can carry boxes are most welcome. The time has not been decided, but it will be early. THERE WILL BE A SIGN UP SHEET at March PQG Meeting for this duty!

Volunteers, some with vehicles, will also be required on March 21st. Time will include take down and return of quilt show entries. Time needed will depend upon the number of volunteers on hand to complete take down with return to storage of poles and any unsold show items.

Quilt Drop-Off Locations and Times:

Quilts for the show can be dropped off at our March PQG, 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

To celebrate National Quilting Day on Saturday, March 21st Guild Members are asked to gather together to work on quilting projects during the Quilt Show. You can add quilt binding, hand piece blocks, hand quilt or cut blocks to sew later. We will even have a sewing machine and a stack of blocks that can be sewn together to become a Charity Quilt! We have invited the public to watch us work, ask questions or even join us by bringing a quilting project of their own to work on! Quilt care and guild information will also be available.

Guild members are asked to come early before their shift or stay after their shift to man this table.

Thank you!

If you have a folding table that you are willing to allow us to use for the Quilt Show, please bring it to a committee member, or to the Trotter Center on set-up day, March 19th.

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.** Sign in at the squares swap table so we can keep track of participants.
2. Put your cut 5” squares on the table in 21 separate piles at the beginning of the meeting.
3. Pick up your pile of collected cut squares at the **END** of the meeting, in order not to disrupt our program.
4. The theme for March is Children or Animal prints. April’s theme is Easter or Yellow.

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.

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.

WeUPCOMING 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.