

Piedmont Quilters' Guild

Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

September, 2020

NEXT MEETING: September 10, 2020

LOCATION: Your Home on Your Computer or Smartphone via Zoom

TIME: 7:00 pm (The Zoom link will be sent out on Monday September 7th via your email)

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE: This month's bad news is we still can't meet. But our good news is that we are having great meetings on ZOOM. Come join us each month as we learn new skills and see great quilt ideas while keeping in touch with each other. We have decided to add some prizes to our Zoom meetings. Guild members who bring a member who hasn't been attending our meetings online will get a prize which will be distributed in October. So call someone you haven't seen at a Zoom meeting and get them to come so you can get a prize. (I already have my person, lol) There will be prizes for those that have been attending the most Zoom meetings and these will be given out in December. So start coming online to the monthly meetings and see what prize you can win!

Nominating Committee: We do not have a Nominating Committee yet other than myself. We need a committee formed by October per our bylaws. Please consider helping your Guild to find members to serve.

We have one half of our Officer positions filled for next year. Unless the remaining positions are filled, our Guild is in danger of folding up. The few of us now in positions CANNOT continue to do double and triple duties. We need your help and support. Please consider co-chairing or sharing an office or committee with someone. Let a Board member know if you are willing to volunteer for a position and help keep the Guild going. The Guild has been around a long time and it would be very disheartening to see it not continue. Many of us have made lifelong friends, learned how to quilt, and had great volunteer experiences through the Guild. Be expecting calls from other members asking if you would be willing to serve in a position or on a committee for next year. In order to have a Guild, we MUST have everyone's help in filling these positions.

Positions to be filled: President Elect, Secretary, Historian, Hospitality, Block of Month.

Guild Meetup/Drive In: Tentatively set for Saturday, October 17, 2020, from 3 to 5 pm at Price Park. (rain date Oct. 24th) This park is close to the Kathleen Clay Edwards Library off Hobbs Rd in Greensboro, NC. We will have tables set up for paying membership dues/registration, raffle quilt ticket money turn in, all 5" charm squares for the year turn in, Zoom prizes pick up, charity quilt drop offs and pickups, and others. You will be able to walk from one table to another to pay or turn in items and quickly go on your way. We will be social distancing and working as quickly as we can to have you on your way again. Further details next newsletter and online Zoom meeting.

REMINDERS: Reminder to turn in raffle ticket stubs and money to Libby Bowles in order to make December drawing. Remember the guild will mail cards to any guild member who is ill. Send names of any known ill guild members to either Pat O'Rork or Betty Green.

PROGRAM: Brenda Gael Smith from Australia will present a program entitled: "Quilts and Composition, Any quilt you make is an act of design". Whether it is traditional, contemporary, modern or an art quilt, you are creating a set of marks, shapes and colors that have a connection to each other. To learn more, join us on Zoom and please invite any other guild members to do so as well. If anyone has difficulty with Zoom please contact Bea Mandel in advance for assistance. Check out Brenda's website before the meeting at serendipitypatchwork.com.au or her Instagram account at [instagram.com/brendagaelsmith](https://www.instagram.com/brendagaelsmith)

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS: Margaret Kreis- 9/11, Teresa Rouzer-9/17, Betty Green-9/22, Mary Ann Rhodes-9/23, and Stephanie Santmyers-9/30.

SHOW AND TELL: Be prepared to show off your latest projects at the Zoom meeting and/or you can post your items on the PQG Facebook page.

CHARM SQUARES: Remember to keep up with your monthly themed 5" charm squares.

RAFFLE QUILT INFORMATION - Corrected! I am so sorry but I put the incorrect zip code on my previous notice and the raffle quilt PDFs. Please see the corrected PDFs attached with your newsletter. This information can also be found on the "Raffle Quilt" tab of our website. I sent the PDFs to my friends and sold \$70 in raffle tickets (30 for Tessellation and 8 for Fireflies). See! It works! Thank you, Michelle Owens

How to purchase a raffle ticket: If you are interested in purchasing raffle tickets for "TESSELLATION" or "FIREFLIES & OTHER NIGHT LIGHTS" please see a member of the Piedmont Quilters' Guild. Or you can mail a check payable to: PIEDMONT QUILTERS' GUILD. Mail to: Piedmont Quilters' Guild, P.O. Box 10673, Friendly Center Station, Greensboro NC 27404-0673. Include your name and phone number so we can call you when you win! We'll hold your raffle ticket stubs for you.

*** BE SURE TO SPECIFY WHICH QUILT AND PLEASE SEND THE CORRECT TICKET PRICE **

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: As I mentioned at the last Zoom meeting, Jeanne and I visited the new Freedom House group home in Summerfield and took 22 lovely quilts as a donation for the resident ladies and children. To refill our stash of donation quilts, I will be showing some kits at the September meeting. They will include: simple baby quilts (front and back children's prints - no piecing); sets of precut squares to sew together; kits of pre-sewn blocks; kits of the Triple Espresso pattern- pieces are cut but can be put together either of 3 ways. All will include sashing/batting/backing/binding. If you sign up for any of these kits, we will determine delivery/pickup methods.

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.

MEMBERSHIP: ***SPECIAL NOTE*** The board has voted to raise the membership fee to \$35 (Seniors age 70 and older \$20) for 2021.

2021 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS: Our 2021 Membership applications are attached. You can also download it from the website. If you turn in your application before October 31, 2020 (see below for address) you can receive a \$5 discount off the standard Membership price. That is a whole year of quilting fun and inspiration for only \$30! (Senior Membership is an already discounted \$20 so the early-bird discount would not apply.) Our year starts on January 1st so

all 2021 Membership renewals are requested as soon as possible. The address to send your updated Membership application is:

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RATE SPECIAL From now through the end of 2020 NEW members are able to join our guild at a special rate of \$15 to cover the remainder of 2020. (Senior memberships remain at \$10.)

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.