Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

May, 2015

Next Meeting: May 14, 2015

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

6:00PM Board Meeting 6:45PM Set Up/Social 7:15PM Meeting

May Meeting: Calla Lily Quilt Shop will present a program on the latest gizmos to improve our quilting, what to look for in a fabric, and the many types of threads that are available to quilters today. If you are not sure what you should be using for your projects - this is the program for you. So please let your friends know that perhaps have not attended any recent meetings to come and learn about these simple but important facets of quilting.

There will be no workshop for May.

May Birthdays:

Valerie Patterson	5/14
Linda Ryan	5/16
Keren Rotberg	5/24

Birthday members are requested to please bring a snack to the meeting on their birthday month.

Upcoming Meetings:

June Meeting: 6:00PM Quilt Show Information Meeting. Our speaker will be Nancy Cook and she will present a program on "A Lifetime Passion for Fabric and Thread."

June Workshop: Nancy will also hold a workshop on June 12th entitled "Embroidery and Beading for Quilts." This will be a full day workshop held at the Starmount Church Fellowship Hall. She will demonstrate embellishment techniques for quilts. The fee for the class is \$35.00 for members and \$45.00 for non- members payable to Piedmont Quilters' Guild. There will be a kit fee for the class and a list of supplies to bring to the class. This will be announced in the June newsletter.

July Meeting: We will celebrate the summer with our annual Summer Picnic! Please bring a dish to share and have a fun time with our members. There will be surprises and fun events, so please plan to attend.

Other Events:

UFO Challenge! It is not too late to sign up for the UFO challenge. You may sign up at the next meeting at the Programs and Workshops table. You must complete one project of your choice and present it at the October meeting. Members will judge which three entries are the best and three prizes will be awarded for the top finished UFO's. If you don't complete your project by then, you must pay a penalty of \$5.00 to the guild! So join in and get one of those projects done and out of your closet - you could be one of the winners!

Barn Quilts Workshop! You can still sign up for the 4'x4' plywood barn quilt workshop for this summer. If you wish to do a 2'x2' project, you may also request that. We are in need of a semi shady backyard in which to do this project. If anyone can volunteer their backyard for about 4-5 hours, that would be great. You must be able to get your plywood and supplies to the site. These items will not be supplied to you. Any volunteers to help members get their plywood to the site would be appreciated. A pickup truck is best, so if you can help, please contact Jackie Russell.

August Road Trip! There will be a field trip to Spoonflower and a Quilt Shop Hop with lunch on August 14th. Sign up will be taken starting at the June meeting. More information will follow in the next newsletter.

Show & Tell at the April Guild Meeting:

Pam Prochuzka - Bermuda Bags

Mary Jo Wimberly - Barn Quilt

Carol DeSantis - 2 flannel charity quilts and 2 dog beds

Pat Morris - An antique quilt with blue sashing, hand-pieced

Guild Activities and Opportunities:

Volunteers for the Quilt Show Committees are needed for our 2016 Quilt Show. Many hands make light work – so, ask President Joanne Jones or any Board member how to get involved!

We now offer advertising in the Guild newsletter, free to our members. Others will be charged \$15 for a business card size ad or \$25 for a quarter page ad. Ads for estate sales, museum quilt shows, and other quilt guilds are free. Contact the guild newsletter editor.

Our website receives inquiries about custom quilting, quilt repairs, t-shirt quilts, memory quilts, etc. If you are interested in being a "Talent for Hire" quilter, please contact Michelle Owen.

Member Spotlight

Our Member Spotlight this month is on Margaret Kreis. She has been a PQG member for about 18 years. Margaret first started quilting when her church asked for help on a raffle quilt that was all done by hand.

Around 1982, she picked Grandma's Flower Garden as her first quilt. She said if she had known what she was getting into she might have picked differently!

Quilting was put on hold for a while when the babies started to come, and then as for many of us, life took over so quilting was put on a back burner for a while.

Now that she is back quilting again, Margaret likes to work on scrap quilts. She has 3 or 4 that she is currently working on including a log cabin, a 9 patch, a Linus quilt and a row by row quilt using 1 1/2" and 2" strips. She says it's a good way to clean out the sewing room!

She enjoys piecing and hand quilting, and does not like machine quilting.

She has made many walker bags for the Community Outreach program.

Beyond quilting, Margaret is making fabric butterfly ornaments in memory of her son, and is making one for every member of her extended family.

Other Opportunities and Travel

The Center for Creative Leadership is planning a show of quilts made by our guild members for November, 2015 through March, 2016. They will hold a wine and cheese reception for us in January of 2016 at their facility. You may put a price on any quilt you enter in this show. Contact Barbara Wolfe if you are interested.

The 2015 NC Quilt Symposium, Mountain Stitches will be held in Flat Rock, North Carolina, on May 28 – May 31, 2015. There will be classes, a quilt show, and vendors at the event. Here is the web site for more information: http://www.ncqsi.org/symposia.html

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