

Piedmont Quilters' Guild

Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

September, 2015

Next Meeting: August 13, 2015

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

September 10, 2015 - 6:30PM – Social, then, Meeting

September Meeting:

Our guest speaker will be Sandy Fitzpatrick from Hissyfitz. Sandy is a well-known designer and quilter with many of her patterns in local quilt shops and online. Her presentation will be "Why Didn't I Think of That? Tips and Tricks for Sewing Short-cuts." Sandy is very knowledgeable about the ins and outs of sewing so this lecture should prove to be very interesting. Got a sewing problem? Sandy will be happy to answer your questions after her lecture. She will also have a trunk show of some of her most popular works.

Unfortunately, Sandy's workshop was cancelled due to lack of sign-ups. We are sorry that she will not be showing us how to put together her wonderful fusible gourds wall hanging.

Block of the month will be "The 10 minute Block" by Suzanne McNeil. Elsie Hutchens will show an almost finished quilt with this block and explain how it's made: five - 10" squares and only three seams per block - a quilter's paradise. It's a great block for a very quick quilt - you can make and finish the quilt in one day. Actual time making 6 blocks for the quilt top is 1 hour! So if you need a quick quilt - this is the one you want and it's so pretty when it's finished. If you wish to donate your August block of the month - the Hunter's Star - please give it to Elsie Hutchins at the meeting.

Upcoming Meetings/Workshops:

October Meeting:

Halloween party! Do your best to have a creative quilting costume - it can be a funny hat, a piece of clothing or something really spooky! Birthday members are reminded to bring some Halloween treats for everyone.

UFO challenges are due! For those who signed up, bring your finished projects to the meeting to display and show and tell. We want to hear how long your project has been sitting idle and what the inspiration for it was. Three prizes will be given out for the best finished projects and you will be judged by your peers. Didn't finish your project? You will be held accountable and pay a UFO penalty of \$5.00 to the guild. So let's see all those fun projects finished. Join us for some Halloween fun!

Block of the Month will be "Autumn Leaf" – a fun block to make a quilt, wall hanging, table runner, or placemats.

November Meeting:

We will be making Holiday Ornaments at this meeting using scrap pieces of fabric. The ornaments can be used as decorations for the holidays or made for any occasion. A list of supplies will be given out at the October meeting. Start going through your stash now and pick out fabrics you may want to use. The ornaments are quick and easy to make and make great gifts for any event.

Programs and Workshops are looking for any member who would like to share a block of the month pattern and demonstrate it. Our block of the month will be running until August of 2016 so if you have a great block to share, please contact Jackie Russell @ jackiehrussell@sbcglobal.net. The block can be any size and you must make at least one to show at the meeting, explain how the block is made and provide a supply list of materials and printed directions to make the block. We all have our favorites so please share yours!

December Meeting

Holiday party and Secret Santa Swap: be thinking of some favorite quilting item you'd like to share with a secret someone. It could be a pattern, a special ruler, or a piece of favorite fabric - wrap it up and bring it to the meeting. If you bring an item, you get to pick one and take it home.

Members are asked to bring a covered dish to share at the party and celebrate all the guilds accomplishments of the year!

Block of the Month - to be announced.

September Birthdays:

Becky Hayes	9/6
Kelley Jones	9/9
Margaret Kreis	9/11
Teresa Rouzer	9/17
Susan Braun	9/19
Mary Ann Rhoades	9/23
Barbara Guest	9/24
Bobbie Huggins	9/30
Stephanie Santmyers	9/30
Laurie Toensing	9/30

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

Quote of the Month:

“Use a make-up table with everything close at hand and don't rush; otherwise you'll look like a patchwork quilt.” ~ Lucille Ball

Guild Activities and Opportunities:

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 Teresa Rouzer (tcrouzer@yahoo.com), 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.

New Member Spotlight

Laurie Toensing

Laurie found out about Piedmont Quilters' Guild on the internet. She has been making quilts and taking classes since 1985 after visiting the Minnesota Quilter's show that year. Her other hobbies are embroidery and knitting.

Laurie and husband Chris, have been married 41 years. They have two children, 4 grandchildren, a dog and a cat. Chris and Laurie, originally from Minnesota, moved to Greensboro in July. After visiting her brother who lives here, they decided Greensboro would be a good retirement location.

Welcome, Laurie, to the Triad area of North Carolina and our guild!

Other Opportunities and Travel

The Gate City Quilt Guild would like to invite members of your quilt guild, and any of your quilting friends, to take a workshop with Paula Reid. She's creative, fun and a great teacher, too. The class is Friday and Saturday, October 2 & 3. She will be presenting at our guild meeting on October 1 which is \$5 for non-members. If you would like to sign up for the class or for more information, please contact Diana Smith at smithdns@bellsouth.net.

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. The quilts should be brought to our November meeting. If you want to put a price on your quilt, our contact suggests \$450 or less as they sell better at that price point. Contact Barbara Wolfe if you are interested in showing your quilts.

Bob Clark of Pinehurst has a large quilt frame that he would like to give away. It is located here in Greensboro, the house is being sold and he needs to get rid of it. If anyone is interested in picking up this quilt frame, Bob can be contacted at 910-420-8134.

Twin Rivers Quilt Guild "Day of Sharing" Oct. 17 9:00-3:00 Tabernacle Baptist Church 616 Broad St, New Bern, NC 28562.

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