

Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

February, 2016

Next Meeting: February 11, 2016

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

Meeting - 7:15PM

February Meeting

Come learn new and fun techniques for making quick projects. Visit multiple stations around the room and watch the demonstrations. Every ten minutes, visit a new station to watch a new demo. Lots of fun! If you would like a table for a demonstration, please send an email to joanne@yeoldeforest.com.

January Birthdays:

Pat Talbert	2/3
Betty Andrews	2/5
Carol DeSantis	2/18
Nancy Schmidt	2/27
Lillian Adcock	2/27

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

Inclement Weather Reminder

It has been our policy to cancel our monthly meeting due to inclement weather when the night classes at GTCC (Guilford Technical Community College) are cancelled.

Upcoming Meetings/Workshops/Reminders

Please remember that a new year is a wonderful time to begin a quilting project or to pull out and finish that UFO. A new year also means it's time to renew your PQG membership so you can continue to receive the Guild newsletter. Please return your membership form and dues payment to Michelle Owen or Linda Ryan at the membership desk by the entry door.

The guild members have expressed interest in proceeding with small group (bees) meetings to learn, improve or share common specific areas of interest in our craft. In order to proceed with this we need an organizer (I'm not sure if she would be the beekeeper or the queen bee) for each bee. If you would rather be quilting than cleaning house, remember that bees can meet at our Starmount gathering place starting at 5:00 on meeting nights. Please consider stepping up to lead a bee. We will be asking for volunteers at both the February and March meetings.

Block of the month: I am looking for other members who are willing to share their favorite block to make. If you are interested, please contact Jackie Russell. If you make a block and do not wish to keep it, think of donating it to the guild so that we can make it into a charity quilt. Do not "square up" your block if you are going to donate it - that will be done when the blocks are put together.

Don't forget that we are starting our "Strip Club." If you wish to participate, please bring one, two or three, 2 1/2" x 44" strip(s) of a FLORAL fabric - any color, to each meeting, and put it in the Strip Club box. One lucky member will win the raffle and all the strips to make a quilt, and the member who wins gets to decide what color to bring for the next month's Strip Club drawing. Each member who brings a strip gets one chance to win and the maximum amount of strips you can donate is three at a time.

Earn more Quilter's Cash! Wear or show any personally quilted heart item to earn up to \$200.00 in PQG quilters cash. Maybe you can make a Valentine's Day themed name tag or use that stash of heart-themed fabric for a throw to share during Show & Tell. Let's see what a wide variety of hearts we can come up with for the February meeting. Show your "heart" at the February meeting & receive \$200.00. If your creative juices need a little more time to simmer or if work interferes with your quilting life, you can still earn \$100.00 for showing what your heart lead you to create.

Quote of the Month

Behind every quilter is a huge pile of fabric!

Show and Tell at the January meeting

Kathy Boynton - pillows and sachets

Carol DeSantis - pet pillows, a donation quilt and String Stars from a Leisure Arts pattern

Patti Stiles - 4 charity quilts

Barbara Wolfe - 2 antique quilts

Keren Rotberg - 2 quilts for grandchildren

Elsie Hutchens - wall hanging and a king size quilt

Guild Activities and Opportunities

We still have board openings for community outreach, historian, and website. Keren Rotberg will be the Guild Secretary.

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, 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.

Other Opportunities and Travel

2016 PQG Retreat: let's quilt at the beach!

Plans are being made for a guild quilt retreat at The Clam Digger Inn, Pine Knoll Shores NC **for March 31 to April 3, 2016**. The room rates are \$65 for Thursday night, \$100 for Friday night and \$100 for Saturday night. To make reservations on line or by phone you will need to know the date you want to check in and then enter or say our group code **1603PIE**. Please call the Inn at 252-247-4155 or toll free at 1-800-338-1533. Your reservation must be made by March 10, 2016. Do not use email to make or change your reservation. We can start making our reservations right away. Meals are pay-as-you-go at the Inn's restaurant or elsewhere as you wish.

Mark the date in your calendar and stay tuned for more information!