

A heartfelt Happy Valentines Day To All Piedmont Quilters!

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Hear ye! Hear ye!

We have a Git 'er Done demonstration at 3:30 prior to our February meeting. Susan Tanzler will be giving a hat making demonstration prior to the meeting, so we will all be ready to join in for the "Hat-erday" in March.

Jackie Russell sends us "all the news we need for upcoming events"...if there are any questions, email her or call in the evening after 6. Thanks, Jackie J

Next Meeting:

February 12th

Emily Fisher from Studio Stitch in Greensboro will be our guest speaker. She will exhibit a trunk show and tell about the local designers from Greensboro and surrounding areas. Many of the patterns you see at the local quilt shops are indeed from local designers, and Emily will give us information on many of them, including their favorite styles used in their designing.

Workshop on Saturday, February 21st 10 am to 1 pm at Studio Stitch  
Kathleen Kulla is an experienced quilter who will guild us through the process of top quilting on our home sewing machines. She will show us many tips and shortcuts as to how to achieve, with practice, professional results to top quilt your projects. This workshop is great for new quilters, or for anyone who is afraid to tackle top quilting. She regularly teaches at Studio Stitch and is excited about providing us with a glimpse into the world of finishing your quilt. There is plenty of room yet for sign-ups for this class. Please sign up at our Feb. meeting; the class is \$25.00 for members and \$35.00 for non members, for a three hour presentation and practice with professional guidance. Sign-ups may have to bring some supplies with them.

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March 5th Meeting---speaker to be announced \*\*\*\*\*NOTE - MEETING DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO FIRST THURSDAY IN MARCH DUE TO A SCHEDULING CONFLICT WITH STARMOUNT CHURCH. NOTE THIS IS FOR MARCH ONLY.

March workshop - Making a Burlap Tote Bag

Member Carol DeSantis will be teaching how to make a tote bag using sturdy burlap and a liner fabric of your choice. The class will be a four hour project - a quick and easy pattern to follow with great results. Carol will teach you how to condition the burlap and sew a great looking bag that can be used from grocery shopping to toting beach towels to your favorite spot. Workshop fee is \$30.00 for members and \$40.00 for non members. Place and time will be announced in a separate email to members, with a Saturday or Sunday date.

April 9th meeting

Amy Pasquini from Our State Magazine will be joining us to tell us about all the Spring and Summer happenings in the state of North Carolina. She will tell us about the special events that are planned - museums, restaurants, music events, social gatherings and all sorts of fun places to visit in our great state. Each month, the issue is dedicated to specific events that happen in North Carolina for that time period, and indeed, the calendars are full with lots of interesting things. You will be surprised at how many things are going on at one time and what free events are also available to all. This will be a very interesting meeting to attend.

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Be sure to wish a Happy Birthday to these quilters!!

Pat Talbert Feb 3rd  
Betty Andrews Feb 5th  
Carol DeSantis Feb 18th  
Lillian Adcock Feb 27th

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#### Community Outreach

Susan Tanzer asks us to please only donate 100% cotton, polar fleece, or flannel fabrics. The Linus Project and Newborns in Need do not accept cotton/poly blends, and at this time there are no other projects that could use

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these types of fabrics. Newborns in Need can use knitted baby caps, small quilts/blankets, and burp cloths. The Greensboro City Police Dept is looking for both small quilts and at least twin-sized quilts. Pathways of Urban Ministries is looking for scarves, blankets/quilts, or hats made by our quilting group. Twin sized quilts are needed by various organizations.

Hat-erday...part of Make a Difference Day 2015 from Michelle Owens

Saturday, March 7th 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

First Lutheran Church, 3500 W. Friendly Avenue (corner of W. Friendly and N. Holden) We will be in two classrooms

Join us in making fleece hats to be donated to chemo patients! Come for a few hours or stay for the whole day. We need volunteers with sewing machines but we'll also need volunteers to do handwork if you don't want to bring your machine.

Bring:

\*Sewing Machine

\*Basic sewing supplies - scissors, neutral thread, pins, needles

\*Bag lunch

\*OPTIONAL - Fleece! I have lots of fleece so you don't have to purchase any unless you really want to. But you can bring any fleece you may have leftover from another project.

\*OPTIONAL - Please bring a snack to share!

\*OPTIONAL - Bring a friend to join in all the fun!

For hat decorations: I have lots of precut felt flowers for decorating the hats and I'll bring some buttons, too. Feel free to bring any decorations you may have on hand.

I'll bring a mat and rotary cutter for cutting out the hat brims, but you can bring yours too.

Any questions? Contact Susan Tanzer ([tanzers@yahoo.com](mailto:tanzers@yahoo.com)) or Michelle Owens ([mowens3@yahoo.com](mailto:mowens3@yahoo.com)) Michelle notes that Susan will be giving a hat making demo before the February meeting...contact her with questions.

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#### Upcoming Adventures Across the State

Save these dates..

The Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild in Kernersville, NC invites you to our 2015 Quilt Show, titled "Nothing Could Be Finer" The show will feature

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quilts from traditional to modern to art and even a challenge quilt. We will raffle our award winning Opportunity Quilt "Spring Bouquet". Shop with our exciting Vendors and our Guild's Boutique and Granny's Attic. There will be a silent auction and door prizes galore! See details and the Opportunity Quilt on the website:<http://www.hottqg.com/quilt-show-2015.html>

Sea Island Quilters quilt show be held May 1-2, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm at the Holiday Inn and Suites, 2225 Boundary Street, Beaufort, SC. There will be more than 100 member submitted quilts of all sizes, representing traditional, modern, Quilts of Valor, and art esthetics. There

will be vendors, a silent auction, boutique, demonstrations, plus a drawing for Judy Niemeyer's Ospreys Nest quilt. You need not be present to win. Questions? Nan Browns [scnanbrown@gmail.com](mailto:scnanbrown@gmail.com)

The Brushy Mountain Quilters Guild will sponsor their 28th Annual Quilters' Symposium on Saturday, November 7th at the Hiddenite Center's Educational Complex in Hiddenite, NC. Quilters from across North Carolina and Surrounding states will participate in day-long classes on technique and production, enjoy interaction with other quilters, and shop in a unique traveling quilters' supply boutique. The workshop will begin at 9:00 am with introduction of the teachers and display of their work followed by the morning class sessions. Interested quilters may access class information and registration form at <http://brushymountainquilters.tripod.com/workshopid12.html>

January Show and Tell

We must have been really busy over the holidays! One quilter shared with us...Michelle Owens brought a set of blue batik placemats made for a friends' birthday.

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ATTENTION!!

If there is bad weather for any of our meetings, the meeting will be cancelled if GTCC cancels their evening classes.