

Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

April, 2018

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 12, 2018

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

Board Meeting: 6:15 PM

Social: 6:45 PM

Meeting: 7:15 PM

President's Notes

More of a look at a quilter's view of housework:

~ In a pinch, you can always claim that the haphazard tower of unread magazines and newspapers next to your chair provides the valuable Feng Shui aspect of a tiger, thereby reducing your vulnerability. Roll your eyes when you say this.

~ Explain the mound of pet hair brushed up against the doorways by claiming you are collecting it there to use for stuffing hand-sewn play animals for underprivileged children.

~ Mix one-quarter cup pine-scented household cleaner with four cups of water in a spray bottle. Mist the air lightly. Leave dampened rags in conspicuous locations. Develop an exhausted look, throw yourself onto the couch, and sigh, "I clean and I clean and I still don't get anywhere..."

Let us all be mindful to turn off our cell phones during our meetings and showing our guest presenters our full attention. Thank you and I'll see you at the meeting! ~ Keren

April Meeting

Beverly Clement – Trunk show & fabric sale -- Beverly was one of the vendors at our last show. She has many quilts and other exciting items constructed from quilt fabric to show us. Fabric is also being brought for us to purchase. Bring a list of your fabric needs – you may just find it here.

Gail Lott will receive your scrappy blocks from our BOM series at the April meeting.

Birthdays in April: Beverly Brooks 4/10, James Bowles 4/13, Elsie Hutchens 4/14

Note: Members having birthdays this month are requested to bring refreshments for the meeting,

Show and Tell in March:

- Donna Paulsen - Tote bags for the homeless
- Betty Smith - 3 pet beds
- Jane Schwartz - 1st quilt made 45 years ago being donated to Community Outreach
- Gail Lott - Half-square triangle quilt; Downton Abbey quilt made with fat quarter stack from Pineapple Fabrics
- Ann Johnson - Triangles quilt for donation
- Patti Stiles/quilted by Jane Weinstein - T-shirt quilt; NYC quilt; also pet bed, two Sloth baby quilts
- Bea Mandel - Flowers lap quilt
- Joanne Hawks - Scrappy strips paper-pieced UFO
- Carol DeSantis - Men's shirts memory quilt (one of four); also, Noah's Ark, Matchstick Quilt, Scrappy-Do-Dah, Snowmen Stars all for donation

- Stephanie Santmyers - Midnight Fiesta
- Keren Rotberg - Purple & White quilt made from leftovers for donation; Star quilt for donation

Please sign up on the "Show and Tell" sheet found on the Membership table at each meeting. List the quilt or project name or pattern, who you made it for, color scheme, pattern, book or designer that was your inspiration and any other information you'd like us to know. PLEASE USE A SEPARATE LINE FOR EACH ITEM. Another sign up sheet can be added if the first page fills up. Thank you!

2018 Membership and Newsletter Information

We hope you've remembered to renew your 2018 Membership! If you need an application it can be found on our website or each meeting at the Membership Desk. Please contact Michelle or Linda if you have any questions.

Please take a moment to welcome Bea Mandel, Joan Jamrog, and Gail White back to our guild. Also, welcome and introduce yourself to our new member Joanne Hawks. Thank you for joining PQG!

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.

Guild Activities and Opportunities

Future Programs and Workshops

April 14, 2018 - Beverly Clement – Workshop, April 14, Starmount Church Fellowship Hall, from 9 AM to 3 PM. The cost for members will be \$25.00. She has given us several choices to choose from (some will include kits at an extra charge).

May 10, 2018 - Michele J Linder, author of "Square Magic" will show us how to start with a quilt square and create magical block units. These magic squares are addictive! Michelle's wonderful way with squares yields dozens of variations and sizes that the newest quilter can use to create hundreds of beautiful blocks.

June 14, 2018 - Karen Stockwell, Fiber Artist will present "Round Robins", that share your skills, your ideas, creativity and part of yourselves with other quilting friends. A Round Robin is a great way to challenge yourself to reach beyond the way you've always done things. This lecture and trunk show will explain the process. There is a \$5 admittance fee to non-members for Karen's presentation at our June meeting.

Reminder: Karen Stockwell's class on June 15, 2018, Deconstructed Wedding Ring, please sign up by our April Meeting – supply lists will be provided then. Cost for PQG members is \$45. The Sample for the class has arrived and will be shown at our April and May meetings. After April 12, we will open the class to other guilds if there are spaces remaining.

June 15, 2018 - Karen Stockwell - Class, Deconstructed Wedding Rings - The Double Wedding Ring can be surprisingly versatile. What happens if you make the rings different sizes, and don't join them? How about adding some other elements? Let's play with modernizing an old favorite. And with a white or solid background, it can easily be a modern quilt. A 36" x 39" pattern required for the class is \$10 (included in the class fee) and contains full sized templates and directions for 3 different finishing techniques. Good for all skill levels. Sign up for 20 participants, our members, our members only. After April 12, we will open the class to members of other guilds.

July 12, 2018 *** 6:30 PM start time! Our annual summer covered dish picnic – bring your favorite picnic pot luck foods. We will have a guest and have fun with “Quilt Libs”.

Community Outreach

Sit and Sew for charity quilting will be April 21 from 10 am to 4 pm at Linda Ryan's house. This is a long day so bring a bag lunch. This month Debbie Walsh will have a workshop on paper piecing but all are welcome to work on other patterns. We are always looking for new faces so please join us.

Reminder: if you are bringing charity quilts for show and tell, sign up at the membership desk for show and tell, then stop by the Community Outreach table to sign in the donation and receive your \$1000 in quilt cash! We have a variety of charity quilt kits available, so stop by the Community Outreach table at our meetings to choose yours!

Homeless Totes: if you've completed any please turn them in at the Community Outreach table. If you took some home to complete and didn't, you can either turn them in to me or ask for help. I've written up brief directions. ~ Carol DeSantis

Strip Club

The strips for April will be polka dots of any color for the 2.5-inch strips cut crosswise across your fabric. You may contribute a total of 3 strips for each monthly drawing.

Block of the Month: Our Pioneer Heritage

The Double Wrench is the BOM for April, <http://quilterscache.com/D/DoubleWrenchBlock.html>. May is the Farmer's Daughter block, <http://quilterscache.com/F/FarmersDaughterBlock.html>, and June is the Fool's Square, <http://quilterscache.com/F/FoolsSquareBlock.html>.

The guidelines for this year long BOM are simple: the blocks need to measure a finished 10-inch size, you make one block each month for yourself in any colors you choose and a you make a second block in scrappy fabrics that will go to our Community Outreach supply for future donation quilts.

How to Earn PQG Quilt Money

At each of our meetings and activities each member has the opportunity to earn PQG Quilt Money. The Board may announce other ways to earn money during the course of the year. Here's how:

Meetings

\$50.00 Meeting attendance	\$50.00 Wear Name Tag.	\$50.00 Birthday Month
\$100.00 Bring Show & Tell	\$100.00 Bring Refreshments	

Programs & Activities

\$500.00	Attend a Workshop	\$500.00	Attend charity sew day
\$500.00	Challenge Participation	\$2,000.00	Present a meeting program
\$2,000.00	Teach a Workshop	\$3,000.00	Chair a special program/challenge

Community Outreach

\$1,000.00	Charity quilt donation	\$1,000.00	Quilting Demo's to other members
\$1,000.00	"A Day in the Park"	\$100.00	Block of the Month donation

How to spend your money

At our December meeting (our end of the year holiday celebration) you will get to spend your money at an auction. The items for the auction will be donated by vendors, members, and others. In the past we have had fabric, quilting tools, art work, quilt books & patterns, gift cards and other surprises! It is a fun spirited auction!

Ads

We offer advertising in the Guild newsletter, free to our members. Others will be charged \$15 for a small ad and \$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.

Free to a good home

Quilting frames (maybe antique), contact Anne Carden, email afcarden7440@gmail.com or phone 336-908-4503.

Talent for Hire List

Contact Michelle Owens if you are interested in being hired to do quilting for the public and to confirm or change your information on file. We would like to have as many names of this list as possible. You can bring your information to Michelle at the Membership Desk at each meeting.

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Events for 2018

Salisbury Rowan Quilters' Guild Quilt Show, Friday, May 4, 10 AM to 5:30 PM and Saturday, May 5, 10 AM to 4:30 PM; First Baptist Church Center, 223 N. Fulton Street, Salisbury NC, 28144. Admission is \$7.00 and there is a \$1.00 off coupon at their web site, <https://www.salisburyrowanquilters.net>

The first exhibits at the Virginia Quilt Museum for the 2018 Season opens February 20 through May 12. Hollis Chatelain, Hillsborough textile artist, will have her art quilts, created from her Stories of West Africa coloring book. On April 7, starting at 1:30, Hollis will present a lecture on West African Textiles. More information about this event can be found at www.vaquiltmuseum.org/events-1/

Gate City Quilt Guild is pleased to have Pat Wysz of Silver Thimble Quilt Co. give a lecture and workshop in April. The lecture will be at our regular meeting on Thursday April 5 at 7 pm. Our location is Friendship Friends Meeting, 801 New Garden Rd. Free for members and \$5 for non-members. The workshop will be held on Saturday, April 7, from 10 AM to 4 PM and is Pat's Silver Thimble Extravaganza with multiple patterns taught in the workshop including patterns from two of Pat's books, Spotlight on Neutrals, and Knockout Neutrals. The workshop fee is \$60 for members and \$70 for non-members and the location is the Congregational United Church of Christ, 400 W. Radiance Dr., Greensboro. To reserve your spot contact JanetBailey1229@msn.com.