

Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

August, 2016

Next Meeting: August 11, 2016

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

Gather - 6:30PM Meeting - 7:15PM

This month's meeting will be a sit-'n-sew session to work on items for the Holiday Market. Bring your machine, fabrics, books/patterns and notions that you will need for the items you are making.

STRIP CLUB - the color for August is GREEN! Bring up to 3 strips per person for the raffle; they can be solids, stripes, florals, prints, light medium, or dark. You could be the lucky winner! Thanks to all the participants of last month's Strip Club; the winner had a nice big bunch of strips to make a lap quilt. Let's keep it going and don't forget to bring your strips to the meeting. Get them cut ahead and put them in your purse ready to go!

BLOCK of the MONTH - A surprise block to be shown at the meeting along with directions on how to make it. This will be the last in the 12 month series done by Jackie Russell. If anyone would like to volunteer to take this over, please email Jackie, jackiehrussell@sbcglobal.net. It's a fun way to show off new patterns for both experienced quilters and new members who are learning to quilt. It requires making one sample block per month and printing out the directions with simple drawings to make it, or you can choose to email the directions to members.

Holiday Market

Holiday Market is coming! Only 90+ days until we plan to help our community with an opportunity for retail therapy, hopefully introduce our craft to others and still raise funds for our guild. Please be aware that we will need items in all types of price points. Smaller items such ornaments, towels, and bibs can generate a good cash flow from impulse buyers. Well-made and beautiful medium projects (I've seen your work at Show & Tell) such as table runners and toppers or wall hangings would have a higher ticket. Remember, you are setting the price on your items so not all table runners have to be priced the same. Of course we also hope to have quilts to offer, due to space constraints please consider staying in the smaller sizes - baby, lap or throw.

Consider your UFO stash as a starting point for getting a jump on your merchandise. Those of you that are like me, more piece-er than quilter could have quite a few projects ready with the motivation to sit down and quilt. Items do not have to be limited to a specific "Holiday" theme, an embroidered or quilted apron does not have to only be for use in December.

Where ever your creativity is taking you, bring your projects, machines, supplies (please remember power strips) to our meeting on the 11th. We will be having a second "show and tell" at the end of our session focused just on the Market items we worked on in the meeting or those that you have already completed.

Quote of the Month

One quilter to another: "I will not buy anymore fabric until I use all my stash at home'...and then I laughed and laughed!" ~ Anonymous

Show and Tell at the July Meeting

Rose Ameen *New member! - Selvedge Quilt and 2-sided Star Wars quilt, a quilt retreat challenge (Rose asked members to save your selvedges for her, she loves making quilts with them!)

Elsie Hutchens - Still Life, Tree and Cardinals wall hanging for the Holiday Market

Gail White - bag

Ann Johnson - Red & White Quilt, Christmas present for a little girl

Carolyn Draper - String Quilt of Valor for her husband, Windmills quilt and 1996/2016 Roman Stripe quilt

Carol DeSantis - Crumb quilt for donation, Star Quilt for Holiday Market, Fish quilt for donation

Jackie Russell - Color Twinkles table runner (Block of the Month example)

Jane Weinstein - Red & Blue quilt, quilted for a friend

Cheryl Joines - Grandmothers Flower Garden quilt made of double-knit polyester she quilted on commission

Patti Stiles - 2 pet beds filled and 3 donation quilts

Keren Rotberg - Sampler quilt made with 12 blocks made at Quilt Camp

Carrol Knight *New member! - Flannel quilt made for a friend with cancer and Disappearing 9-Patch quilt from a class taught at the Senior Center by Paula Becker

Pam Prochazka – purse

*** Please be sure to sign up on the "Show & Tell" sheet found on the Membership table at each meeting. Give us the quilt name, who it was made for, color scheme, pattern, book or designer and any other information you might think we'd want to know. Thank you!

August Birthdays:

Margaret Regan	8/1
Esther Reyes	8/4
Beverly Grier	8/6
Jackie Russell	8/8
Dawn Kouba	8/13
Nichole Alvarez	8/20
Patti Stiles	8/23
Joan Jamrog	8/24

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

Upcoming Meetings/Workshops

If anyone is interested in taking over doing the Block of the Month, please see Jackie at this next meeting. The last block of the month will be offered at the August meeting. Twelve designs have been offered since last August and if anyone has made a quilt or something smaller from the blocks we'd love to see it, so bring it in for show and tell!

PQG Quilter's Cash: Come to the August meeting and earn quilter's currency. Wear your quilted name tag and earn even more! There will be lots of ways to earn PQG Cash this year. Even better, this currency will be the only acceptable auction currency at our end of the year Pot Luck and Social.

There will be a **board meeting at 6pm on September 8, 2016** immediately before the September meeting. Current board members should be prepared at that time to indicate if they wish to continue to serve on the board in either their current position or possibly take on a new challenge.

MEMBERSHIP

Our email distribution list has been updated so all current members should be receiving their newsletter by email as requested. If anyone knows someone not receiving a newsletter please ask them to first check their Spam or Junk folder. Next they should speak to Joanne Jones to make sure there was no typos on their email address or if they previously "Unsubscribed" from Ye Olde Forest Quilt Shop. 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 Holiday Market sewing dates.

We gained four new members last month! Please welcome Carrol Knight, Esther Reyes, Patti Jones and Laurel Kendrick, to our guild!

Guild Activities and Opportunities

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Piedmont Quilters' Guild will be at Day in the Park on Saturday, September 17th. This event is held every year at High Point City Lake Park (602 W. Main St., Jamestown). The hours for the festival are 11am to 5pm. Our guild will be in the Folk Life area. We will be under a tent near the Quaker Meeting House located on the left just past the main entrance with other "crafty" folks - a basket weaver, a soap maker, a wood carver, etc. You will need to bring a chair. The festival will offer music, food, kid's rides and craft vendors, a fun day for the whole family.

We need your help! We would like to have volunteers come for a few hours to help promote the art of quilting! Bring a hand-quilting or hand-piecing project, bring a quilt to show, bring any quilting demo projects you might have for people to try out. We hope you will talk to people interested in quilting or in joining our guild. We would also like to promote our booth at the upcoming Holiday Market; this is where they need to shop for that special hand-made present!

Volunteers are needed 10:30am to 2pm or 2pm to 5pm. Multiple people on each shift are needed to cover food/bathroom breaks or to talk with large groups of people. Plus the more quilters we have the more fun we'll have! This is a great chance to get to know other quilters in the guild outside of the regular meetings. "First shift" is requested to be there a bit early to help set up our PQG logo banner (plus you can get a good parking space). "Second shift" will need to take the banner down at the end of the day. Please contact Michelle Owens if you have any questions. The sign-up sheet will be on the Membership table at each meeting. Thank you for volunteering!

ORIGINAL SEWING & QUILT EXPO

We have been given Complimentary General Admission tickets to the Original Sewing & Quilting Expo (www.sewingexpo.com). The closest upcoming show for us is Fredericksburg VA on September 29 thru October 1. Please stop by the Membership table if you are able to use these. We have four tickets left.

We still have board openings for community outreach and historian.

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.

SUPPORT GREENSBORO HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Greensboro Historical Museum is sponsoring a quilt raffle to raise funds for its Adopt-an-Object program. Proceeds from the raffle will be used to restore or conserve items in the museum's collection. The raffle quilt is a bed-sized replica of a mid-19th century "Sunburst" quilt currently on display in the "Voices of a City" exhibit. It was made by Piedmont Quilters' Guild member Dawn Kouba and quilted by Gina Boone. The winning ticket will be drawn at the museum foundation's annual meeting on November 1, 2016.

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. They may be purchased in person at the museum gift shop located at 130 Summit Avenue in Greensboro (museum hours Tuesday-Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM; Sunday 2 PM to 5 PM; closed Mondays) or over the phone with a credit card (336-373-2949). Tickets may also be purchased on-line at www.greensborohistory.org. When purchasing tickets on-line, click on "shop at the museum". Please note that there are 2 options for buying, depending on how many tickets are requested: one for single tickets and another for packets of 6 tickets for \$5.00. Please direct any questions to the museum shop (336-373-2949) or Susan Webster, Registrar/Curator of Textiles at 336-373-2479.

For Sale:

Bernina Artista 730E computerized sewing machine with embroidery. This machine is in excellent condition and includes sewing machine, embroidery module, hoops, feet, manuals, the Bernina Stitch Regulator, and all accessories. On sale for \$1800. Contact Ruth Hamilton at 336 373 0694 or email at rehquilt@bellsouth.net.

Upcoming Quilt Shows and other events

NEW PERSON COUNTY QUILT TRAIL

Person County (northeast of Guilford County, on the Virginia line) has launched a Quilt Trail! My friend Chrystal Hardt is a painter and daughter of a quilter. Chrystal and other Person County artists painted quilt squares to be mounted on barns throughout the county. I recently went on a tour with her and I had so much fun! I did not see nearly all the quilt squares so I hope to return and finish my tour soon. If you find yourself traveling in Person County check out <http://www.visitroxboronc.com/quilttrail.html>, for a Quilt Trail guide and other information. Submitted by Michelle Owens

September 15-17, 2016, Quilt Fest 2016, "All That Stash," Prime F Osborn III Convention Center, 1000 Water Street, Jacksonville FL, 9 to 5 daily

September 29 - October 1, 2016 , Original Sewing and Quilt Expo, Fredericksburg Expo & Conference Center 2371 Carl D. Silver Parkway, Fredericksburg, VA 22401, Thursday & Friday - 10 to 6, Saturday - 10 to 5:30

October 14 and 15, Gate City Quilt Guild presents "A Galaxy of Stars" Quilt Show, Congregational United Church of Christ, 400 Radiance Drive, Greensboro, NC. Friday and Saturday, 9:30 to 5:00 daily

October 21-22, 2016, Twin Rivers Quilters Guild Show, "Bee by the River in Red and White," New Bern Riverfront Convention Center, New Bern NC, 9 to 5 daily