

Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

February, 2017

Next Meeting: February 9, 2017

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

Gather - 6:30 PM

Meeting - 7:15 PM

President's Message

It's February, are you ready for Valentine's Day?

How many of you went home and cleaned your sewing machine after our January program? I know I did and was really surprised by the dust and lint I found. We have several upcoming programs that should be a wealth of information and should spur on our creativity as quilters.

I know that many of you look at Pinterest for creative ideas and inspiration just as I do. That is where I found the following quote in an article written by a quilter just home from a quilt retreat. This quote is amazing: President Dieter Uchtdorf of The Church of the Latter Day Saints said, "The desire to create is one of the deepest yearnings of the human soul. No matter our talents, education, backgrounds or abilities, we each have an inherent wish to create something that did not exist before. Creation brings deep satisfaction and fulfillment. We develop ourselves and others when we take unorganized matter into our hands and mold it into something of beauty." That is what we are doing when we create quilts. We are making something beautiful that did not exist before, using fabric and thread. As soon as we finish one quilt project, we start the next. We are women driven to beautify our worlds. It doesn't get much better than that.

See you at our next meeting,
Mary Jo

Announcing Visitors to our February Meeting

Representatives from the Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild will join us in February and display their Raffle Quilt for their upcoming show – A Celebration of 20 Years of Quilting - **Not Just Another Quilt Show**. The show will be held April 21 and 22, 2017 at The Church on 68, 300 Hwy 68 South, Greensboro NC, 27409 (same location as their last show). Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Upcoming Guild Programs

Below is a list of programs for February thru May. PLEASE pay attention to the dates and locations as some have changed.

February 9 – **Lisa Alley**, owner of Bear Hug Quilt Works, from Winston-Salem is coming to present a trunk show. She will bring her patterns for us to see and purchase. Visit her website at www.bearhugquiltworks.com.

March 16 – **Note change of date!** **Susan Pierce**, president of the High Point guild will present a trunk show and tell the stories of her quilts, which include Civil War, travel, and patriotic quilts. You may want to visit her on Facebook at Miss Susie Quilts to see her work. Patterns will be available.

April 13 – **Sit and Sew** – We will have a combined meeting and workshop presented by guild members. Join us to learn English Paper Piecing. If you have never done this process, it is the perfect opportunity to learn how. This is a portable project to carry with you when waiting, traveling or watching TV. We will have sample packets from the Paper Pieces Company for everyone who attends. There is a warning on the packages: Addicting and Contagious! You will need to bring a needle, scissors, neutral thread, and a thimble if you use one.

May 11 – **Pineapple Fabrics – Change of Location!** Pineapple Fabrics is a locally owned fabric store in Archdale NC, that sells over the internet only (except when they have Warehouse Sales open to the public). They have graciously agreed to host our May meeting and will provide refreshments. After our meeting, they will open the warehouse so we can go shopping. You will hear more about this closer to the date. Visit their website to see what they offer: <http://www.pineapplefabrics.com/>

\$\$\$ Quilt Money is back! \$\$\$

We are seeking a volunteer to be the bank/banker to assist with dispensing money earned. You can spend your Quilt Money at an auction to be held at our December meeting. Please note that our supply of small bills is limited, so when you reach \$1000, please see the banker to exchange your small bills for larger ones.

Here is how you can earn Quilt Money:

Meetings	\$50	meeting attendance
	\$50	wearing your name tag
	\$50	birthday month
	\$100	bringing show & tell
	\$100	bringing refreshments
Programs & Workshops	\$500	attending a workshop
	\$500	Challenge participation
	\$2000	conducting a meeting
	\$2000	teaching a workshop
	\$2000	chairing a special program or challenge
Community	\$1000	Charity project
Outreach	\$1000	quilting demo
	\$1000	teaching an outreach workshop

Extra: Our Quilt Show will also be an important way to earn more \$\$\$\$. Ways to earn it will be announced later.

Strip Club

The Strip Club will be doing something a little different this year: 1. Drawings will still be monthly but you will be able to put your strips in for 3 months at a time, still only one to three strips per month please. The first quarter will be batiks. So, January, February and March will each be batiks and there will be a box for each month at the meeting. 2. There will be a quarterly drawing for neutrals. This will be cumulative and drawn at the March meeting. 3. At the end of each quarter will be an additional drawing for all Strip Club participants. The prize is yet to be determined but will be a charm pack or jelly roll or something similar.

Contact Debbie Walsh for any questions you may have.

*** Fabric Strips for the Strip Club are cut 2 ½-inches by the Width of the Fabric (WOF).

Show and Tell at the January Meeting

Carol DeSantis - Attic Windows donation quilt

Gail Lott - charity quilt made from orphan blocks

Lillian Adcock - circle quilt, two Sew-As-You-Go table runners, rag quilt

Rosemarie Ameen - quilted black & white bag, charity quilt made from UFO blocks, scrappy baby quilt

Gail White - baby quilt, horse lap quilt, quilted tablet case, bird quilt, butterfly wall hanging

Jane Weinstein - her Mother's Round Robin applique wall hanging (quilted by Jane)

Margaret Regan - free motion quilted donation quilt

Keren Rotberg - donation quilt made from leftovers from a large quilt, quilt for a friend with a new home

Patti Stiles - charity red, white & black quilt-as-you-go, 10-minute block quilt for charity, charity quilt made from leftover blocks

*** 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 you made it for, color scheme, pattern, book or designer and any other information you might think we'd want to know. You can use one line for each item. Thank you!

Alphabet Soup of Acronyms and Quilter's Lingo, FYI = For Your Information

Honey Buns = 1 ½-inch strips x WOF x 40 strips (all packaged together)

WOF = width of fabric

OSMG = old sewing machine guy (for repairs)

RR = Round Robin

Siggies = squares of fabric with signatures and often other information written on them

WOMBAT = waste of money (or material), batting, and time

EPP = English Paper Piecing

Cold Weather Notice

Please remember: when cold weather threatens with ice and snow, if GTCC indicates their classes are closed on our meeting night, then our PQG meeting will be cancelled also.

February Birthdays

Sandra Gebo	2/2
Pat Talbert	2/3
Betty Andrews	2/5
Darcy Benson	2/8
Carol DeSantis	2/18
Lillian Adcock	2/27

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

2017 MEMBERSHIP

Please be sure to pay your 2017 Membership dues as soon as possible. We'd like to have as many members as possible paid up and in good standing as early in the year as possible. Regular membership cost is \$25 and Senior Membership (age 70 and older) is \$10. You can turn in your application and dues at the monthly guild meeting or mail them to Michelle Owens (address on the Membership Application form). The Membership Application can also be found on the guild website (go to the Membership page) or I'll have some copies available at the Membership desk. Be sure to print or take an extra one and invite a friend to join with you!

NEW MEMBERS!

Please take time to say hello and welcome two new PQG members! Barbara Gainer and Darcy Benson have recently joined our guild.

Our email distribution list is always being 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 type-o 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 more.

Guild Activities and Opportunities

Block of the Month

This activity needs to be revived! If you are interested in hosting a quilt block of the month, please see Mary Jo or any Board member. This is a wonderful way to stretch your quilting prowess and challenge yourself to quilt out of your own "box" – one block at a time.

We still have board openings for Programs/Workshops and Guild 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, guild newsletter editor.

Community Outreach

Community Outreach Sit'n'Sew will be held Sunday, Feb 12 from 1-5 at the home of Linda Ryan. Bring your machine, basic sewing supplies, and your project for donation. We will have choices of projects too!

Be sure to visit the Community Outreach table when you arrive at our monthly meeting for available projects. We have some yardage available for backings if you need it!

TALENT FOR HIRE LIST

In our booth at Holiday Market we sold many items, heard many quilt stories and received lots of inquiries. In the next few weeks our website should receive many inquires looking for someone to help with a quilt related item. From what I understand most of the needs were for quilt repair, t-shirt quilts/memory quilts, long-arm quilting and hand quilting. Even if you think your name is already on the "Talent for Hire" list I would appreciate you contacting me to confirm your contact info and the types of quilting jobs you can be hired to do. I would like as many names as possible on this list. Please contact Michelle Owens at mowens3@yahoo.com or bring the written info to her at the Membership Desk.

HAND QUILTER NEEDED

Katie Sigmon is looking for someone to hand quilt three quilts and one throw. Are you interested? Or can you recommend someone or an organization? Katie is hoping to get these quilted soon so she can pass them on to her children and grandchildren. Any information would be appreciated! Please contact: Katie Sigmon at 336-288-5548.

OPPORTUNITY TO SELL YOUR ITEMS

If you are interested in selling your quilts and other quilted items, you may contact Debbie Salisbury at the Farm to Home Market in Uptown Roxboro (44 Gordon Street). The market is a retail location selling local, regional and NC products. You can check out their Facebook page FarmToHomeMarket. You can contact Debbie at Salisbury.deb@hotmail.com or 910-546-6010

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Other Events

MID-ATLANTIC QUILT FESTIVAL, February 23 thru Feb. 26, 2017, Hampton Roads Convention Center
1610 Coliseum Drive, Hampton VA 23666, Thursday thru Saturday 10am to 6pm, Sunday 10am to 4pm

LANCASTER QUILT SHOW, March 29 thru April 1, 2017, 27th Year at The Continental Inn, Lancaster PA
Free Admission! Free Parking! Wed. thru Fri. 9am to 6pm, Sat. 9am to 4pm

FRIENDSHIP STAR QUILTERS, Sunshine and Moon Glow Quilt Show, April 28 - 30, 2017, Montgomery
County Fairgrounds, Home Arts Building, Gaithersburg MD, Fri. 12 noon to 6pm, Sat. 10am to 6pm,
Sun. 10am to 4pm

SEA ISLAND QUILTERS 30TH ANNIVERSARY QUILT SHOW, May 5 - 7, 2017, Holiday Inn Hotel &
Suites, Hwy. 21 2225 Boundary Street, Beaufort SC 29902

QUILTERS UNLIMITED QUILT SHOW, Wing It, June 2 - 4, 2017, Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly
Shopping Center, Chantilly VA 20151, Fri. 10am to 4pm, Sat. 10am to 5pm, Sun. 10am to 4pm

QUILTING AND KNITTING EXPO, July 21 - 22, 2017, Jamil Shrine Center, 206 Jamil Road, Columbia SC
29210, off I-26 at Exit 106

Advertisements

Sewing Machine Service and Repair - All Models

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Greensboro, NC 27408
336-288-9200

Former teacher and quilter down-sizing, it all needs to go!

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Also, a Featherweight sewing machine in mint condition!

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Contact me, Brenda Holland, email: bhol624269@aol.com

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