

Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

May, 2016

Next Meeting: May 12, 2016

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

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

A note from our President:

A traditional way to welcome the full arrival of spring has been with May Baskets. Some of us may even remember making these in school with construction paper, crayons, glue and pipe cleaner handles. Of course as quilters, we know that "basket" style blocks have been a traditional design for centuries.

Bring your quilts that feature basket blocks of any size or design to our May meeting and earn bonus PQG Quilters cash and the admiration of your fellow quilters.

Show and Tell at the April Meeting

Lizabeth Johnson	Sweet Clara's Freedom Quilt
Jackie Russell	Kind Quilts, charity quilt
Debbie Walsh	Log Cabin quilt top
Ann Johnson	1930's reproduction fabrics
Carol DeSantis	Apple Core charity quilt, striped flannel charity quilt and Farmers Wife quilt
Patti Stiles	3 charity quilts, 2 pieced quilts and 2 dog beds
Karen Rotberg	Mountain Quilt Sampler
Cheryl Joines	dog beds

May Birthdays:

Linda Ryan	5/16
Keren Rotberg	5/24

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

Upcoming Meetings/Workshops

Strip club - the month of May brings "BLUE STRIPS" - they can be any shade of blue, florals, stripes, modern, traditional - whatever you have in your stash. Strips must measure 2 1/2 " x 44" or 45" and any member can bring 1 to 3 strips to get one chance at the Strip Club drawing. Don't forget to bring your blue strips to the May 12th meeting for a chance to win - it's free and if lots of people contribute - you will have enough to make a lap quilt! Drawing entry is at the front table as you come in.

Block of the Month for May: Wonky Log Cabin. Make this block any size and the combinations you choose to make a one of a kind quilt. Quilt sample and directions to make it will be at the front table as you come in to the meeting.

PQG Quilter's Cash is back! Come to the May 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.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

If you are receiving this newsletter that means you have turned in your completed Membership Application and paid your dues. Thank you very much! Next, please invite a friend to join the guild and attend meetings with you! We look forward to a new year of seeing beautiful quilts, learning new techniques and making new quilting friends.

GUILD FUND RAISER

Many of you may know Bunny Bullock, a long time PQG member. She recently moved to Wilmington. Before leaving she went through her quilting fabrics and quilting books. Bunny generously donated a car load of fabrics and books to benefit PQG (but it was barely a dent in her huge stash!). Over the next few months the Membership Committee will be using some of her beautiful fabrics and fun books as door prizes. Even after using Bunny Bullock's fabrics for door prizes and donation quilt kits we still have lots of fabrics, patterns and books left over! We will be bringing all this to the May PQG meeting. We would love for you to find a bag of fabric, a handful of patterns or a stack of books that you want to take home with you. We are asking you for a small donation for the fabric and books. The money will be donated to the guild. Please bring your cash! Should we have anything leftover we can bring it back in July!

Suggested donation:

Fat quarters/quarter yard cuts - \$0.50 to \$0.75 for prints or \$0.75 to \$1.00 for batiks

Yardage (most yardage amounts are marked) - \$2.00/yard

Patterns/Books - \$0.50 to \$3.00 each (most prices are marked)

Quote of the Month

A "Five Star Man" is one who makes room in his life for fabric. ~unknown

Guild Activities and Opportunities

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.

Upcoming Quilt Shows and other events

NC State Button Society 22nd Annual Show is in Burlington May 13 and 14. It is being held at the Ramada Inn, Burlington, 2703 Ramada Road, Burlington NC, 27215.

More information can be found at <https://ncbuttonociety.wordpress.com/events>

April 27 - July 2, 2016, ArtQuilts Voices in Cary, NC - Join the members of Professional Art Quilters Alliance-South as they express themselves through quilt-making. Contact: (919) 460-4963, www.paqa-south.org/

June 3-5, 2016, Quilters Unlimited 43rd Annual Quilt Show, Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly VA 20151, Fri.- 10 to 6 Sat. - 10 to 5 Sun. - 10 to 4

June 17 - 18, 2016, Tidewater Quilters' Guild Virginia, "Quilters Rock the Beach," Cape Henry Collegiate School, Virginia Beach, VA

July 24-25, 2016, The Columbia Quilting Expo, Jamil Shrine Center, 206 Jamil Road, Columbia SC, Fri. 9 to 5, Sat. 9 to 4

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 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
