

Piedmont Quilters' Guild Newsletter

Greensboro, North Carolina

December, 2015

Next Meeting: December 10, 2015

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

Covered Dish Dinner - 6:30PM Meeting - 7:15PM

December Meeting

Our holiday gathering will be Thursday, December 10th. Please remember to bring a tasty item to share with fellow guild members during our buffet supper. We plan to open the buffet at 6:30 so we will have plenty of time to socialize before the business meeting begins at 7:15.

We will have a gift swap - please bring something that you truly like, whether it be a piece of fabric, notion or some other gizmo you love to use while sewing, wrap it up in gift paper and we'll have a swap that is nothing but FUN ! We will also be doing a fat quarter exchange game, so wrap one up to participate in our annual go around.

December Birthdays:

Gerry Chase	12/3
Jessica Clippinger	12/6
Cheryl Joines	12/14
Elizabeth Bowles	12/21
Emily Dickenson	12/30

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

Upcoming Meetings/Workshops

I am looking for at least two volunteers to take over the Programs and Workshops committee for next year. Our current members have served for two years and we are looking to inject some fresh ideas into our programs. Please show your support for our guild and volunteer to serve on this committee. Thanks! Jackie

Block of the month: I am looking for other members who are willing to share their favorite block to make. If you are interested, please contact Jackie Russell. If you make a block and do not wish to keep it, think of donating it to the guild so that we can make it into a charity quilt. Do not "square up" your block if you are going to donate it - that will be done when the blocks are put together. There will be no block of the month for December but there will be one for January.

Don't forget that we are starting our "Strip Club". If you wish to participate, please bring one, two or three, 2 1/2" x 44" strip(s) of a FLORAL fabric - any color, to the January meeting, and put it in the Strip Club box. One lucky member will win the raffle to have all the strips to make a quilt, and the member who wins gets to decide what color to bring for the next month's Strip Club drawing. Each member who brings a strip gets one chance to win and the maximum amount of strips you can donate is three at a time.

Quotes of the Month

“Cooking and cleaning are for people who haven’t discovered quilting yet!”

“It’s all fun and games until the bobbin runs out!” ~ both from Pinterest

Member Spotlight

This member learned to sew by sitting in her Granny's lap. She was a prolific Barbie doll dresser, using up scraps from the basket that her Granny and great Aunt kept. She still has a wonderful memory pillow pieced with all the clothing that her Granny had made. One of her favorite blocks is the log cabin square, used in the first quilt her Granny made for her.

After moving to Greensboro, Lillian Adcock, like a lot of us, took a quilting class and was hooked. Lillian likes miniature quilts, especially the Carpenters Wheel (not star), which she used in a miniature quilt. It was less than 6" square, and had over 60 pieces in it. Her other favorites are batiks, and playing with colors. Choosing just the right colors to go into a quilt is a fun process for her.

Lillian is a long time member of PQG, and many know her from all the years she was the go-to person when setting up (and taking down) the quilt shows. Lillian teaches quilting at both JoAnn Fabrics and Studio Stitch. Right now she is getting ready to teach an autumn lap quilt. She is also working on 2 little girl quilts, a t-shirt quilt and preparing a wedding ring quilt to teach. She would like to focus more on landscape quilts; enjoying the designing, taking photos and picking fabrics in preparation.

Lillian's favorite part of PQG is the sharing of stories, techniques and ideas, and in general, the comradeship.

A Note from Pat Morris:

Thank you for those who have reached out to me during this journey I am now undertaking. I have truly appreciated your cards and prayers and chemo hats. May the kindness return to you in the same beautiful way that it was given.

Fondly,
Pat Morris

Show and Tell at the November meeting

Carol DeSantis	2 donation quilts, one a string and one from men's shirts
Jackie Russell	1 charity quilt, Hunter's Star
Pat Stiles	2 donation quilts and 3 table runners
Carol Nelson	Quilt for a guest bed
Cheryl Joines	double wedding ring
Margaret Regan	HS graduation quilt for her granddaughter
Mary Jo Wimberly	UFO racing car wall hanging and a necklace
Mary Ann Rhodes	Fall leaf pillow
Barbara Wolfe	UFO from 2007 challenge
Michelle Owens	a scrappy baby quilt for a friend, and a Drunkard's Path wall hanging/table runner to go to the Center for Creative Leadership quilt show

Guild Activities and Opportunities

We still have board openings for community outreach & historian. Our secretary has indicated she may consider moving to the President -elect spot but that still leaves the board short.

Community outreach is meeting Monday, December 7 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm at Ye Olde Forest Quilters. We will be working on String Pieced Blocks so bring your scraps. The muslin bases will be provided.

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.

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.

Other Opportunities and Travel

2016 PQG Retreat: let's quilt at the beach!

Plans are being made for a guild quilt retreat at The Clam Digger Inn, Pine Knoll Shores NC for March 31 to April 3 of next year. The room rates are \$65 for Thursday night, \$100 for Friday night and \$100 for Saturday night. To make reservations on line or by phone you will need to know the date you want to check in and then enter or say our group code 1603PIE. Please call the Inn at 252-247-4155 or toll free at 1-800-338-1533. Your reservation must be made by March 10, 2016. Do not use email to make or change your reservation. We can start making our reservations right away. Meals are pay-as-you-go at the Inn's restaurant or elsewhere as you wish.

Mark the date in your calendar and stay tuned for more information!

The Center for Creative Leadership is planning a show of quilts made by our guild members for November, 2015 through March, 2016. They will hold a wine and cheese reception for us in January of 2016 at their facility.