



**Sew On & Sew Forth**  
**Greenville Quilters Guild Newsletter**  
**Business Meeting: November 21 Social 630p Business 7p First Christian Church**  
**Day Guild Meeting: November 25 1-3pm Jaycee Park**

## Moonrise over Oak Island



There is nothing like spending a couple of days at Fort Caswell, sewing and hanging out with your quilting buddies. Surrounded by water and sky, you can sit on the porch in a rocking chair and listen to the waves roll in when you need a break from your machine. Or, you can take a little walk or a nap, whatever you feel like doing. I have enjoyed all three of my retreats there, getting lots done without interference from chores and the real world. I enjoy the time spent with the wonderful guild ladies the most of all, especially when we get the giggles late at night.

**Kelly Ayscue**

I have been coming to this retreat for over 13 years. It was first started 20 years ago this coming January by Melva Lawrence. The NC Baptist Camp and Conference Center at Ft. Caswell, Oak Island is surrounded by live oak trees and the remaining Civil War Fort Ruins that you can climb through by day or stand on by night. The ocean is on one side and the Cape Fear River is on the other side. It is peaceful, quite and loads of fun to sew in the conference center or as one of my friends ALWAYS does, walk along the beach to pick up shells. You can stay with the group or getaway to the quietness if you desire. I just LOVE IT !!!!!!! Vicki Harrell

**November 2019**

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**Contact a member of the guild executive board if you need the member password for the website.**

**Guild Mailing Address:**

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**Inclement Weather Policy**

Guild meetings are cancelled if local schools are closed; however, members should exercise caution and put their safety first, as conditions can vary. Follow all cautions put out by local authorities as well as conditions can change rapidly.

## President's Patchwork Sally Hills

Welcome to November – shorter days, cooler weather, soups & stews, nice warm drinks, and snuggling up under our nice warm quilts in the evening!

Fall is my favorite season, with its changing colors. I enjoy raking, hearing the crunching leaves, and tend to cook different dishes during the cooler weather of fall and winter. I am not, however, looking forward to donning a jacket every time I leave the house! It seems the perfect time of year to sit and work on some hand sewing along with a good video, podcast, or audiobook.

With an eye towards Thanksgiving, let's bring a sewing item that we're thankful for to our November business meeting as part of show and tell. Think of one thing that makes your sewing life easier, that you wouldn't want to sew without, that has great sentimental value, or that you

would replace right away if yours broke. I'm sure we will all be inspired by what everyone else thinks as indispensable, and may have new ideas for Christmas wish lists! Please remember our November business meeting will be on the third Thursday of the month, November 21, instead of our usual day because of a scheduling conflict.

This past Saturday, we had a great Saturday Sew Day with many people working on items for our Day of Sharing in December. Please continue to work on those! Items will be collected, along with anything you wish to donate for the raffle baskets, at the Saturday Sew Day on November 16 and business meeting on November 21.

*Happy Quilting!*



# Greenville Quilters Guild Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2019

## Call to order

**Lori Millsap called to order the regular meeting of the Greenville Quilters Guild at 7 pm on October 10, 2019 at the First Christian Church.**

## Welcome and Thank You

Thank you to hostesses Emily Vinson and Tammy Mullins.  
Thank you to Jackie Liberty and Jessica Burdette for refreshments.

**Information:** Lori Millsap reminded members that the November Business meeting will be delayed one week to accommodate the Church craft fair. The meeting will be Nov 21<sup>st</sup> 7 pm at the First Christian Church. Kathy Belski announced the Washington Quilt Guild craft fair will be Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, noon at the Zion Episcopal Church in the parsonage. 7302 highway 264. Lori Millsap thanked the Quilt Show Committee for a successful Quilt Show.

## Approval of minutes from last meeting

**Lori Millsap referred members to the pending minutes. Minutes accepted without additions or corrections.**

## Treasurers Report

Sharon Wallio provided a breakdown of the Quilt Show expenses and income. Diane Gregg moved to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. Cindy Smith provided a second. Motion passed by vote of members.

## Committee Reports

**Membership:** Vicki Harrell reported 67 paid members. She reminded members that Dues need to be paid to maintain membership.

**Sunshine;** Gwen Lee-Tyson announced that Tracey Pollard had a new grandson born Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> in Ohio. Kathy Belski has a new great granddaughter. Clara Cloud was able to attend the Quilt Show with Dottie Peterson. Louise Noga is receiving home therapy. Christine Harris had a surgical procedure. Elizabeth Deasey took Vicki Harrell on a trip to Vermont to view the Dear Jane Quilt. Kathleen King's mother Alberta Fisher was able to attend the quilt show. Tina Rice drove from Oak Island to work at the Quilt Show. Tina was invited to spend the night with Lori Millsap. Sylvia Wheless asked for prayers for a foster family in Georgia that lost 2 girls in a hot car.

**Day of Sharing Committee;** Sat Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> 10am. Brenda Fincher provided a green informational sheet. Theme; The Night Before Christmas, Betty Wheatley will be collecting Christmas fat quarters to be used as placemats. Cindy Smith is collecting tissue holders. Cathy Graham is collecting water bottle cozies. Brenda Fincher is collecting Sun Bonnet Sue Angles. Patterns and instructions will be available from the committee members at the Oct. and Nov. Saturday Sew Days. Jaycee Park 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, noon till 4pm. Prizes will be awarded for the Christmas Stocking Challenge. Donations are requested for the Christmas Basket door prize. Additional donations are needed for the theme baskets including Hexie, Batik, horse, bird, flower, cozy reading, red & white, Shades of blue, Civil War, and Let's Quilt. Guests may purchase unlimited number of tickets to win one of the theme baskets. See sign-up sheets for food donations and set up help.

**Challenge blocks;** The maple leaf block challenge is extended until the Nov. Business Meeting. The Ocracoke block challenge will continue throughout the year. Lori Millsap shared the inspirational story of a lady from Illinois who donated numerous blocks and supplies to help the survivors in Ocracoke.

**Bicycle collection;** Kathy Belski explained that Ocracoke survivors are in need of bicycles. A local collection is in progress. See Kathy Belski for additional information

New business

**Workshop:** Oct 28<sup>th</sup> at the first Christian Church. Marie Hamra was the Special Guest Speaker. She and Her family are from Lebanon. They moved to Greenville in 1984. She has been a volunteer at the Greenville Art Museum. Marie said she enjoys using out of the box techniques to embellish her quilts. She made a quilt for her daughter using a polymer transfer gel medium. Marie explained that polymer transfer technique degrades at temperature extremes. She progressed to using printer fabric images in her art quilts. Marie showed examples of her work using clay sand and beads for embellishment. For thread designing she uses embroidery floss and pearl cotton yarn. Marie enjoys using fabric ink to paint on muslin. Vicki Harrell showed examples of flower photographs she transferred onto fabric. Vicki Harrell will assist members with fabric prints. She will bring her printer to Saturday Sew Day.

**Retreats;** See Vicki Harrell for information about Jan 2020

Ft Caswell retreat. See Betty Smith for information about the Beach retreat.

### Show and Tell;

Jen Elks embroidered her initials on a purse. She also made a magic pillowcase. Emily Vinson made an Ocracoke Happy quilt top She plans to quilt it on her home long arm quilter. She used her serger to make a red and black quilt for her son. Tammy Pollard made adult bibs using terry cloth. Mary Miller made baby quilts with 3 bears in twigs. Her mother selected the pattern and volunteered Mary to quilt the gifts. She used Mistifuse and a button hole stitch to anchor the bears. Mary Miller made an art quilt featuring a scene from Denali National Park. Diane Gregg made a National Park Quilt. Her inspiration was a Great Smoky Mountain picture of the "Road to Nowhere". The Art-rageous Quilters National Parks quilts were shown at Mancuso MidAtlantic Quilt Show and traveled to additional Mancuso Quilt Show sites. Jackie Liberty made many placemats for the Meals on Wheels charity. She made a quilt for her niece in Arkansas using butterflies in batik fabric. The back of the

quilt was a cat print. Lupie knitted a sweater . Lupie made a toiletry bag using Wonder Woman fabric. Linda Koscainski used a layer cake of Moda Love to make a quilt to send to Wilmington. The backing was a ticked print with a love message. 50 quilts from the Guild were donated to Wilmington Carolina Hurricane Project. Arlene Hanchey made a quilt for her church fall festival. She used a pattern from the 3 yard book. Arlene's quilt had purple and teal. Sally Hills completed a Bonnie Hunter mystery quilt. The design was based on a good fortune trip to China. Sally encouraged quilters to enroll at Quiltville.com to join the next Bonnie Hunter mystery quilt. Registration on black Friday to receive one clue a week till New Years day.

**Prizes:** Attendance- Linda Mandell, 50/50 – Kathy Belski

Adjournment

**Lori Millsap adjourned the meeting at 8:37pm.**

**Pending Minutes submitted by Cathy Graham**





### To Our November Babies

Kelly Ayscue 11/7  
 JoAnn Roth 11/7  
 Juanita Pleuddemann 11/12  
 Sherrill Boyce 11/17  
 Berna Edmonds 11/17  
 Peggy Noestine 11/20  
 Leatrice Freer 11/23  
 Arleen Hanchey 11/23  
 Constance Artis 11/29



## Upcoming Events

- May 4, 2019-Feb2020** Quilt Speaks, Uncovering Women's Voices Through Quilts, NC Museum of History, Raleigh, ([www.ncmuseumofhistory.org](http://www.ncmuseumofhistory.org))
- November 2** Holiday Art Sale, 10am-4pm, Jaycee Park
- November 8-9** Randolph Quilters Guild Quilt Show, 347 W. Salisbury St., Asheboro
- November 16** Saturday Sew Day, noon-4pm, Jaycee Park, including Day of Sharing prep
- November 21** Business meeting, FCC
- December 7** Day of Sharing, FCC
- December 21** Saturday Sew Day, noon-4pm, Jaycee Park
- January 17-21, 2020** Fort Caswell retreat, Oak Island, NC. See Vicki Harrell for registration information asap!
- January 18** Saturday Sew Day, noon-4pm, Jaycee Park
- February 4-9** Inn at Pine Knoll Shores retreat, Atlantic Beach, NC. See Betty Smith for more information.

## Regular Guild Events

Every Monday Night: BYOP Sewing Club at Jaycee Park. 6p-8p  
 Every Thursday: BYOP Quilting Bee at Alice Keene Senior Center, 12:30-5pm  
 2nd Thursday of the month: (3rd Tuesday in November) Evening business meeting at First Christian Church, 630pm-Until  
 4th Tuesday of the month: Day Guild Meeting 1-3pm at Jaycee Park  
 2nd and 4th Saturdays: 10a-5p BYOP Workdays at Alice Keene Park Arts and Crafts Room. Cost: Donations to support Meals on Wheels Program

### Annual Guild Events

(More info on Guild Website)

Jan: Fort Caswell Retreat  
 Feb: Romancing Eastern NC Shop Hop  
 Feb/March: Mid Atlantic Quilt Festival (Hampton VA)  
 March: Learn to Quilt Day  
 Fall: Pitt County Fair – GQG Booth  
 September: Quilt Show (odd years)  
 December: Day of Sharing Brunch





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Join us 10a-4p on Tuesday November 5th with Quilter Lori Millsap ([Island Time Quilting](#)) as we make the Ocracoke Cracker Quilt Block! Lori is making quilts for the residents of Ocracoke Island using the Ocracoke Cracker Block. Her goal is to make 10 quilts each month and expects to visit Ocracoke in January 2020.

**This is a Free Event. Registration is helpful so we know how many to expect.  
Our goal is to make 250 blocks.**

**Bring your Blue, Red, Yellow and Green 100% Cotton Fabric scraps measuring at least 6" square for HSTs and 6 1/2" x 2" for strips!**

**This is a "come when you can, stay as long as you can" event. We would like each participant to make at least 4 to 6 blocks while they are here. If you want to bring your own sewing machine you are more than welcome to! There will be a couple classroom machines set up as well.**

**Want to help but don't know how to sew? We will be accepting donations of 100% quilting cotton fabric up until November 1st. We can always use help cutting fabric to the required sizes during the event.**

**Skill Level: Confident Beginner- should be able to sew an accurate 1/4" seam.**

## Day of Sharing Saturday, December 7th

Theme: The Night Before Christmas

Favors per guest: Christmas Fat Quarter, Water Bottle Cozy, Tissue holder

We will be making Sun Bonnet Sue Angels for table decorations.

Optional Challenge: Make and decorate a Christmas stocking 6 inches to 18 inches in length Prizes awarded to: Overall Favorite, Most Original, Closest to Theme. Winners will be chosen by attending guests.

Door Prizes: 1 large Christmas basket and 10 Themed baskets: Cozy Reading, Hexie, Batiks, Horse, Bird, Flowers, Red & White, Shades of Blue, Civil War, and Let's Quilt.

We need help making Sun Bonnet Sue Angels (see Brinda Fincher, she has pattern and instructions), The water bottle cozies (see Cathy Graham) and the tissue holders. We need donations of Christmas fat quarters and all kinds of items including fabric for the baskets. And we need lots and lots of food. We also need help setting up on Friday, December 6.



The Ocracoke Block Drive is going really well. I have received over 700 blocks so far, including blocks from Oregon, Kentucky, Ohio, and Illinois. I also received a precious, hand-written letter from Agnes Wren Spencer, a longtime Ocracoke resident and quiltmaker, giving me her version of the history of the Ocracoke Cracker block. Thank you all for humoring me and allowing the

guild to make blocks in October. I am continuing to collect blocks until May 2021, but will be returning to our normal block-of-the-month schedule for this month's 9-patch variation, the Churn Dash. We will draw for the Maple Leaf blocks at our November meeting, and then the Churn Dash at our January meeting.

—Lori

### Bicycle collection for Ocracoke

Ocracoke survivors are in need of bicycles. A local collection is in progress. See Kathy Belski for additional information.



### Fort Caswell Winter Retreat

January 17-21

Contact Vicki Harrell for more information  
(252-562-6774)

### Inn at Pine Knoll Shores retreat, Atlantic Beach, NC.

We have reservations at the Inn at Pine Knoll Shores (was Clam Digger) beginning February 4 and going through February 9. The large sewing room is ours free of charge for the duration and you call and make your reservations for the number of nights you wish to attend. Cost is \$77.80 per night including tax and you can put 1, 2, 3, or 4 people in a room (depends on how close you want to get with your friends!). We will take a \$15 reservation fee from each person planning to go which will be used to pay for a group meal one of the days everyone is there. More information coming at the November guild meeting! Any questions, email Betty Smith at [betty210@suddenlink.net](mailto:betty210@suddenlink.net) or call 746-4711.

This coincides with the Romancing Eastern NC Quilt Shop but you do not have to shop! I for one need to steer clear of that this year and use up some of my stash! Betty



## Greenville Quilters Guild 2019-2020 Monthly Raffle Block

This program is like a monthly raffle quilt! Similar to last year, this year we are all making ONE block, but you get to choose your colorway. We will enter your name into the drawing one time for each block you make, and draw both a TRADITIONAL block winner and a MODERN block winner. Two guild members will go home with a nice stack of premade blocks ready to assemble into a quilt top of their own! Participate if you can; it's more fun the more people who join in. We will repeat the drawing at the Day Guild meeting, so you have four opportunities to win (and incentive to attend our Day meeting if you can).



Cut TWO fabrics:

Fabric 1 (Churn Dash)

2--4" squares

4--2"x3.5" rectangles

Fabric 2 (Background)

1-- 3.5" square

2-- 4" squares

4--2"x3.5" rectangles

Either choose **TRADITIONAL** prints (any colors) or **MODERN SOLIDS** (Backgrounds should be white or off white).

**Churn Dash Block, 9" finished (9.5" unfinished)**

A traditional Churn Dash block is a form of a 9-patch (and we are going to focus on 9 inch, 9-patches for the fall, in case you want to make a few extra for a quilt of your own!). It's easy to make in any size that is a multiple of three, like all 9-patches. The basic unit of this block is either a 3" square or a 3" HST (half-square triangle), plus the "Dash" square that is two strips.

Assembly instructions:

Use your 4" print squares and 4" background squares to make four HST units. Trim to 3.5" after sewing and pressing. (This forms triangles 1-2 in the diagram.)

Use your 2"x3.5" rectangles to make four 3.5" squares. (Sew pieces 3 to pieces 4 from diagram.)

Complete your 9-patch variation known as the "Churn Dash Block" just in time for the holidays! These blocks will be exchanged at the JANUARY meetings (both night and day). Spend your holidays stitching churn dashes.



## Guild Executive Board

Position	Name
Co-Presidents	Lori Millsap Sally Hills
Past Presidents	same
Co-Vice Presidents	Elizabeth Weider Cindy Smith
Co-Secretary	Cathy Graham Jann Brown
Treasurer	Cynthia Suggs
Asst. Treasurer	Sharon Wallio
Member at Large	Vicki Harrell
Member at Large	Hilda Alford
Member at Large	Kelly Ayscue
Member at Large	Brenda Fincher

## Committee Chairs

Committee	Name
Membership	Vicki Harrell
Sunshine	Gwen Lee-Tyson
Professional Work-shops	
Pitt Co Fair	Brenda Fincher
	Vicki Harrell
	Vivian Purvis
Mentor Program	Doris Bell
Guild Photographer	Anne Humphrey
Newsletter	Jann Brown
Learn to Quilt	
Comfort/Military Quilts	Peggy Notestine
GQG Quilt Show 2019	Dianne Walters
	Peggy Notestine
GQG Day of Sharing	Nancy Johnson
	Brenda Fincher
Web Administrator	Anne Humphrey
Facebook Page Admin	Diane Gregg
Raffle Quilt 2021	Joyce Sealey

## GQG Classifieds

### Quilting Frames for Sale!

1. Long arm Viking Frame - Mega Quilter, 18x8 Machine QBot \$3800
2. Mid arm—Inspira Frame— Pfaff Hobby 1200 Machine, \$1500
3. Wood Grace frame—\$100

Contact Janelle Mooney  
252-945-6501

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