Greenville Quilters Guild Newsletter Business Meeting: January 10 Social 6:30pm Business 7p First Christian Church, 14th Street Day Guild Meeting: January 22 1-3pm Jaycee Park



December 2018



Presidents Patchwork

By Lori Millsap, Co-President

'Tis The Season

I spent 2018 "holiday sewing" from the very beginning of the year. From a Christmas quilt that I finished January 3, to the gifts that I delivered over Thanksgiving weekend, I made my family thirteen Christmas quilts this year (and still felt guilty that I missed a few people!).

Handmade items take time and planning to be finished for a special event. We shop months in advance for materials, choosing fabrics to suit the recipient's style and colors. We carefully select a pattern or design an original quilt to match our skills and best display the fabrics. Of course, then comes the cutting, and sewing, and pressing, and sewing, and pinning, and sewing, and ripping, and sewing... and then quilting and binding!

My mom excels at presentation. She loves to wrap, and tie beautiful bows. She also makes a "pretty" table of delicious food whenever we gather. She has a follow-through on her planning to the last detail.

So, this year when I made her quilts (she got two!), I spent my time thinking about her gifts and talents, about the blessing she has been to me and our entire family. I thanked God for her as I

stitched and ironed and stood at the frame.

I know I am not alone in that kind of meditation about the person that you are sewing for! We are so blessed to be able to stitch our love for one another into the gifts we make.

As you finish up your holiday sewing and cooking and baking, take time to remember you are adding the love as your own secret ingredient to your projects. Enjoy the season, and feel that love reflected back at you. I thank God for every memory of you!

Happy holidays!



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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.

Quick Note from the Editor...

Laura Clark

Thank you once again for promptly sending your newsletter updates early. Progress reports go out this Wednesday, so the four-week mark looks like it will hit at each newsletter printing, just about. Wow! That does mean I need a volunteer to help me deliver the newsletter, especially the snail mail. If you are able to revise the membership email listing as new members join, then I can click a button and sent it all when I get the final okay from our presidents. I always sent them a first draft.



Everyone who is taking pictures, please send me any you would like to go into the next one. I don't make the Day Guild meetings and many of the workshops, and many will enjoy seeing what's going on all around. Even a vicarious shopping expedition has its appeal. Happy Holidays!

Holiday blessings to everyone!

Discounts for January Shows with Ads

Save \$1 off the admission to both of these January events with this postcard. The scans were permitted as well as making a copy of each in the newsletter for you to use. If you visit www.quiltersgallery.net and pull up the photo(s) on your phone, it will discount the same.







I have a Brother Enthusiast SE425 Computerized Embroidery and Sewing Machine for \$200 and a Babylock Destiny II with all accessories, contact me for pricing. I have attached photos of each one. —Jennifer Elks



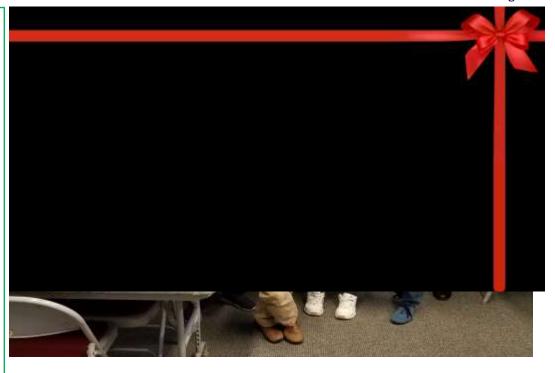




Membership Vicki Harrell

- 88 members
- Welcome new members:

Constance Artis Deborah Cummings Welcome back— Stephanie Harris



Guild members gathered at Jaycee Park's Arts and Rec building to finish DOS baskets, Nov. 17.



Please sign up to bring food or drinks, or to serve as hostess (sell tickets) or greeter (welcome members and guests, introduce new members to chair of mentoring program, board members, and others in the guild).

Elaborate foods are not necessary. Snack foods such as fruit, vegetables and dip, chips, cheese and crackers, desserts, etc are fine. Drinks could be soda and diet soda, juice, ice tea, or coffee. Please bring enough for approximately 45 people. The guild provides paper goods (cups, plates, utensils, napkins).

Reminders: January 10 February 14 March 14 Hostess Anne Humphry Joyce Sealey Bernell Skinner Food Betty Smith Arleen Hackney Michelle Warren

DrinksKelly Ayscue
Stephanie Elk
no volunteer

FMS quilter wins Clara's Basket

Some of the FMS Quilt club girls and one parent were able to attend the DOS with Summer Smith and Laura Clark. Along with sharing their 8th quilt for area veterans, the girls were pleasantly surprised when Adia Smith had the winning ticket for Clara's Basket with its treasure trove of supplies, perfect for sharing with her mother, also new to quilting. Summer commented on the

beautiful symmetry of one of the oldest members gifting a basket that went to one of the youngest quilters attending.

For those interested in meeting and working with the girls, they've planned their own Christmas party for Dec. 4, Tuesday at 4. Please come to FMS, sign in at the office, and join them for the festivities.











December-born Quilters

Catherine Graham 4 Patricia Smith 5 Blair Hines 7 Ruth Turner 8 Vicki Harrell 13 Jessica Burdette 14 Ann Smith 15 Annette Matamoros 16 Judy Padgett 26 Sandi Kinsey 27



Upcoming Events

January 11-14, 2019 Fort Caswell Quilting Retreat

January 11-12 The Quilting and Fiber Art Marketplace, Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center 1801 Nash Street, Sanford, NC; Friday, 9am-5pm, Saturday, 9am-4pm. Admission is \$6.00.

January 25-26 The Quilting and Needle Art Extravaganza, Statesville Civic Center, 300 South Center St., Statesville, NC; Friday, 9am-5pm, Saturday, 9am-4pm. Admission is \$6.00.

Feb 6-9 Romancing Eastern NC Shop Hop

Feb 28-Mar 3 Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival Hampton, Virginia March 18 to 22 Beach Retreat: Doubletree by Hilton at Atlantic Beach. Contact Betty Smith for additional information

March 16 Learn to Quilt Day



2018-2019 Meeting Program/Demonstration and Saturday Sew Day Volunteers

Please sign up to give a 10-15 minute demonstration at our monthly guild meeting as a preview to the workshop each month on Saturday Sew Days at Jaycee Park. We appreciate your help!

Guild Meeting	Saturday Sew Day	Name	Program/Demonstration
1/10/19	1/19/19	Mary Miller	12-4, UFO workshop; bring unfinished
		Trunk Show	blocks or projects to share and work on; look through orphan blocks and guild stash for potential charity projects
2/14/19	2/16/19		12-4
3/14/19	3/16/19		Learn to Quilt Day 9-4
4/11/19	4/20/19		12-4
5/9/19	5/18/19	Cathy Graham/ Cindy Smith	Small Project Bag 12-4
6/13/19	6/15/19		12-4
7/11/19	7/20/19		12-4
8/8/19	8/17/19	New Year Meeting	Sew Day 2-5 Quilt Show Preparation 12-4

Regular Guild Events:

Monday Nights: BYOP Sewing Club at Jaycee

Park. 6p-8p

Thursdays: BYOP Quilting Bee at Alice Keene Annual Guild Events

Senior Center, 12:30-5pm

2nd Thursday of the month: Evening business meeting at First Christian Church,

630pm-Until

4th Tuesday of the month: Day Guild Meet-

ing 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

Jan: Fort Caswell Retreat

Feb: Romancing Eastern NC Shop Hop Feb/March: Mid Atlantic Quilt Festival

(Hampton VA)

March: Learn to Quilt Day



Greenville NC

Welcome and Thank You

Minutes approved as submitted to newsletter, Sew On and Sew Forth. Treasurers report given by Sharon Wallio. Elizabeth Weidner for refreshments. Thank you to Blair Hines for drinks.

Approval of minutes from last meeting Minutes approved as submitted to newsletter, Sew On and Sew Forth. Treasurers report given by Sharon Wallio. Sharon requests forms and receipts for reimbursement be submitted within 90 days of purchase. Items donated by members should have and estimated value given to Treasurer or committee chair to aide in preparation for next budget.

Committee Reports

Day of Sharing: Linda Mandell reported that Sponsors and generous members have donated items for gift baskets. Ornament gifts made by members, fat square placemats and gift basket donations may be delivered to "Sew and Vacuum" or Jaycee Park meeting times. Set-up volunteers arrive Nov. 30th at 1pm. Dec. 1st doors open at 8:30am. Scheduled visitor arrival at 9am. Brunch served about 10:30am. Remember to bring quilts for show and tell. Membership: Vicki Harrell plans to have a count by the next meeting.

Sunshine: Kay Clemons, founding member, husband has health concerns. Clara Cloud is getting stronger. Patricia Smith is recovering from heart surgery. Lucy Sumerlin is staying at the hospital to support Pat. Marilee Kincaid's father's obituary will be

in the Daily Reflector.

Guild Information: Lori Millsap described the Quilts of Compassion project. A group of quilts will be collected through Nov 10th for deployment to servicemen. For additional information follow the "Quilts of Compassion" blog. The "Carolina Hurri-cane Project" out of Wilmington is accepting guilts and additional items for Carolina hurricane victims. Follow them on facebook for additional information. Lori Millsap continues to accept quilts for 8 Days of Hope disaster recovery. Lori will be going to Florida for her next recovery deployment. Sylvia Wheless asked that an invitation to speak, be extended to the Twin Rivers Guild president. Sylvia feels that there are still needs in New Bern that our guild may support.

Community Outreach: Peg Notestine reported that the Salem United Methodist Church in Simpson received many quilt tops and fabric to support their "Prayers and Squares" ministry. Hilda Alford donated 3 pillowcases for children. Peggy Notestine requested Hobbs barcode labels. The Hobbs company provides a discount on the purchase price of batting used for donation quilts. Several quilts are being bound

for the Wilson Deaf School. Additional quilts are need for the Deaf School. 15 quilts were delivered to the Health Department. Laura Wiggins donated an American Flag quilt that will go to a military serviceman. The Guild raffle quilt is completed and will be on display at the Day of Sharing. Raffle tickets will be distributed to members at the Day of Sharing. The drawing will be at the 2019 Greenville Quilt Show. A new charity project will be announced at the January Business meeting. Bring Orphan blocks and UFO's for the Sewing Day in January. Website: Anne Humphrey stated that the password code for the members only section of the website will change. Vicki Harrell's member information spreadsheet will be included in the members only section. Learn to Quilt Day: information survey forms distributed.

New business

Beach Retreat: Doubletree by Hilton at Atlantic Beach available March 18 to 22, 2019 at a rate of \$79 plus tax. Double rooms have refrigerators and microwaves. Contact Betty Smith for additional information

Ft. Caswell Retreat: Jan 11 to 14. Vicki Harrell is collecting down payment. Price of \$202 includes large sewing room and some meals. Private rooms slightly higher. Meals on Wheels: Vivian Purvis and JoAnn Roth donated a handmade, hand quilted, bed size quilt to be raffled to benefit Meals on Wheels. Vicki Harrell has additional tickets. The quilt will be on display at Jaycee park. Drawing will be Dec 7th First Christian Church will charge for use of the auditorium at the rate for community volunteers.

Day of Sharing: Anticipated attendance of 200 people. 4 area Guilds have returned RSVP requests. Mary Miller invited 5 to attend from "Outrageous Quilters" group. Lori Millsap explained that friends and family of quilting are invited to day of sharing. Participation is not limited to Guild members.

Block Challenge: The next challenge will be Churn Dash style. The blocks will be collected at the day and evening January Guild meetings.

Show and tell: Lynne Faulkner completed an ice cream cone quilt that she started several years ago. Lynne received a round of laughter when she announced the recipient. Blair Hines has peen productive during her pregnancy. She made a Christmas Panel quilt and completed an alter-ego quilt top in 2 days. Blair also crocheted an afghan that was a study in texture. Cindy Smith used the challenge pattern from October to complete her "Red Squirrel" She said she had several works in progress but the red squirrel kept her attention. Cindi also made a sawtooth table runner. Leisa Arnold displayed an angle quilt. She said she got a bargain on the backing. Leisa recommended a Pat Sloan pattern from the Solstice challenge. Mary Miller wore her artistic knee length quilt jacket. Sylvia Wheless is in the

Christmas spirt. She made 25 cotton quilts and 15 fleece quilts to be given to 40 children from the Angel Tree. Sylvias quilts included owls, puppies, farm animals. cowboy boots, monkeys and many more styles. Sylvia requested volunteers to be bell ringers for the Salvation Army. See Sylvia Wheless for information about the Angel Tree gifts. Sandi Kinsey displayed her 70th birthday quilt. Sandi worked on the quilt at the Ft. Caswell retreat. Her friends and family gave her fat quarters for her 70th birthday. Sandi said the guilting was completed by Fritzie Leone. Cynthia Suggs completed a baby quilt. Cynthia is new to quilting and continues to take on new projects. Fritzie Leone completed a blue quilt for her mother. Fritzie will be leaving on Thanksgiving to spend time with her mother. Fritzie's mother requires a mastectomy. Thoughts and prayers for Fritzie and her family. Laura Clark attended an economics conference. During her spare time she was the jelly roll queen creating a teal and blue quilt. Laura made a red socks quilt and a snowman wall hanging. The snowman was saying "I am in shape I am round". Jen Elks Made a paper doll quilt with a paper doll wardrobe. She made a miniature quilt for the paper doll. Jen displayed a Currituck lighthouse made using fabric and a press board technique. Jen made an enchanted pumpkin ornament that looked like Cinderella's coach. Joyce Sealey made star style quilts for each of her husband's 3 nephews. She also made a purple twister quilt for a niece. Rosena Grott has been traveling to Los Angeles for work but she found time to complete a Halloween quilt. Arleen Hanchey went on a Las Vegas trip with 3 friends. While she was working at Sewing Creations she made some small zippered pods to hold her clips. She used some of her fabrics from last year's shop hop to make a quilt. Arleen's grandson will receive a panel quilt monogramed with personalization. She also made a Christmas quilt. Betty Wheatley displayed her quilt with beautiful squares. Lori Millsap made a quilt with a jelly roll and panels from a Wisconsin. She plans to give the guilt to her father who is currently experiencing health issues. An Instagram friend of Lori's gave her 25 blocks backing and binding to make a Halloween quilt for her grandchildren. The pattern can be found on MTN Rose Design on Instagram.

Prize winners: Elizabeth Koscianski had the attendance ticket. Kathy Belski had the 50/50 ticket. Joyce Sealey had the random number for the small sawtooth star challenge block and Cindi Smith received the large checkerboard stars.

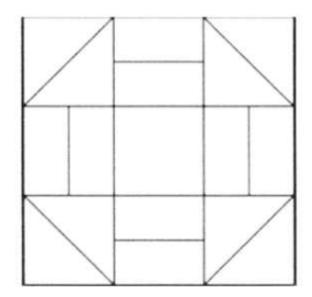
Last minute info: DOS committee will put baskets together Saturday 17 Jaycee park noon. Newsletter information to Laura Clark by Nov 21st. Lori Richardson has returned from Iowa following the death of her mother. She will be demonstrating Wonkie Birds squares Saturday. Join her at Cotton Fields quilt shop at 10am. Day guild will have a drawing for challenge squares.

Adjournment: Lori Millsap adjourned the meeting at 8:38pm.

Minutes submitted by: Cathy Graham

Greenville Quilters Guild 2018-2019 Monthly Raffle Block

This program is like a monthly raffle quilt! You make as many of either size of block as you'd like to "enter" the drawing. Bring your blocks to our monthly evening guild meeting. We will enter your name into the drawing one time for each block you make, and draw both a small block winner and a large block winner. Two guild members will go home with a nice stack of premade blocks ready to assemble into a quilt top of her 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).



November's Large Block: 12" Churn Dash

Colors: Warm Colors (like red, orange, or yellow), with the background any shade of white

Make four 4.5" HSTs (half-square triangles) Make four "dash" units from a background and colored rectangle, each 2.5x4.5" Use one background 4.5" square

If you sew a strip of 2.5" background to a strip of 2.5" colored fabric, you can crosscut it into the "dash" units very quickly.

November's Small Block: 6" Churn Dash

Use your favorite HST method!

Use four 2.5" HSTs, one 2.5" background square, four 2.5x1.5" background rectangles and four 2.5x1.5" colored rectangles to construct this block. Make your four "dash" squares by sewing a background rectangle and a colored rectangle along the length to form 2.5" units. (You might want to sew strips!) Make these small blocks in COOL colors like blue, green or purple. Your background can be any shade of white.

PLEASE NOTE: WE WILL EXCHANGE THESE BLOCKS AT THE JANUARY MEETING! You have two months to make lots of churn dashes! Have fun.