

President's Message



"When we sow a seed, we plant a narrative of future possibility."

Sue Stuart-Smith

Sue Stuart-Smith is an author and prominent psychotherapist who believes gardening can help us process our thoughts and feelings. I found that this can also be true when we start a new quilting project! As we work on a quilt, we work on ourselves. Whether you find yourself in your sewing space working in silence with just the humming of the machine or listening to an audio book or music, your mind is working, processing thoughts and feelings. The time spent making a handcrafted quilt or gift comes back to us manyfold. Making is part of who we are, tending to our inner self. And while we do that, we are investing in our future, spreading love through the art of quilting. Sometimes, our gift may go unappreciated, but it has served its purpose in our heart, helping

us calm and to grow, and validating our existence for we have willingly given of ourselves for the benefit of others.

Looking forward to serving our community with all of you as we host our quilt show!

For our growth and best stitches,
Ruth



Meeting Minutes - February 6, 2024

Call to Order: 6:45 pm by President, Ruth Bartholomew.

Motions to accept minutes from February 6, 2024, newsletter: Cindy Lee –1st; Janine Allen – 2nd

Nominating Committee: Victoria Davich, Becky Erdman, Martha White, and Tammy Grabowski will be calling members to fill open positions on the board. Please volunteer.

Birthdays in March: Melanie DeMoise, Ruth Bartholomew - 5th; Pat Bush– 9th; Sandy Wolf – 17th; Mary Kelly– 18th; Karen McGraw, Leigh Radlein--26th; Ruth Rembis, Sheryl Sane – 29th

Reminder: We still need a volunteer for Keeper of the Keys (a replacement for Sue Burton)

Vice President's Report – Leslie Reid

Upcoming Quilt Events:

FPQG Quilt Show – Follow the Thread – April 5 & 6 at St. Giles.

Quilt Retreat – April 11 – 14th at Lutheridge

Upcoming Programs in 2024:

March – tonight's meeting

Guild Challenge with Becky Erdman. There was voting on “Where Am I From?” quilts. Participants wrote up a little story (their history) about what their quilt illustrates and tells about each of them.

April – Speaker Sharon Hostetler on the history of sewing machines.

May – Cynthia Page – The Quilter's Gallery (Pizza Girls) - Kaleidoscope Quilt full-day workshop on May 8.

June – Tammy Silver – Deep Dive into Batiks – Will discuss some tools used in the batik process. Tammy designs batiks for Island Batik.

July – Guild social/meal

Sew and Share: Ruth Bartholomew (heart quilt for FPQG 40th anniversary); Betty Clouse; Jennifer Neubauer; Paula Bryan; Cindy Brothers, Becky Bates; Marijke Baker; Melanie DeMoise; Terry Windsor; Ruth Rembis; Becky Erdman.

Quilt Show Chairperson: Suzanne Brehm advised they have bookmarks and posters at the meeting for members to take and pass out or place in a business window. Thanks to Linda for 36 ribbons she made, embroidered and glued. March 15 is the deadline to submit registration to enter a quilt. She asked for a show of hands of those still planning to submit. Victoria Davitch reminded that she needs tickets and money back for the raffle quilt. She thanked all for the box of donations she has received. Please volunteer for 2-hour slots to work at the show in various capacities.

Philanthropy: Diane Kent and helpers showed some donated quilts. Specific donations included a Cat in the Hat quilt for Lilypad made by Hazel Abend and many pillowcases made by Sylvia Hurst. Thanks to Linda Ligon who made a sign listing the charities we support.

Education: Johellen George showed how to sew a sleeve for hanging onto your quilt(s). They should not be flat, and it helps to surge the ends. She provided a handout with instructions. Do

not wait until the last minute. Quilts turned in without sleeves will not be able to be hung in the quilt show.

Membership: Dagmar Theodore reported there were 58 current members present. Guests included Terry Windsor, Tricia Tillett, and Donna Hobbs. Dawn Holter, a former member, rejoined.

Nametag Drawing winners – Mary Kelley and Becky Erdman

Dollar Door Prize winner – Mary Jill Kroske

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Myers
Recording Secretary



Membership

58 members, 3 guests and one new member attended the March meeting. Please add the following information to your directory:

Dawn Holter
522 Bucklebury Rd
Greer, SC 29651
864-334-5725 (h)
847-857-9736 (c)
dholter307@comcast.net
birthday 03-07

See you in April,
Sheryl Sane and Dagmar Theodore
Membership

Nametags/Dollar Door Prizes



Attention Quilters-We have extra \$10 Gift Cards to give away at the April Meeting, and some are from vendors that will be at the Show!

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Upcoming Events

March 2 – May 5, 2024

Salley Mavor: Bedtime Stitches

Original stitchery vignettes from her latest book, My Bed:

Enchanted Ways to Fall Asleep

Around the World

Upcountry History Museum

540 Buncombe Street

Greenville, SC 29601

April 5-6, 2024

FPQG 2024 Quilt Show

Follow the Thread

St. Giles Presbyterian Church

1021 Hudson Road, Greenville, SC

April 5- May 29, 2024

Carolina Mountains to Shore

Fiber Arts by Cynthia Steward,

Denny Webster, Evelyn Beck,

Kathryn Weston, Lynne Harrill and

Sara Quattlebaum

Greenville Center for Creative Arts

101 Abney Street

Greenville, SC 29

Notes from Philanthropy

Hello Quilters!

My goodness! You all sure have been busy sewing up a storm! In March we received 21 finished quilts, 5 cosmetic bags, and 10 pillowcases. Thank you to everyone who has helped bind quilts in the last few months. That is a huge help to Philanthropy!

March Philanthropy Donations



Bravo Quilters



We wanted to share this special quilt that Hazel Abend donated to the Guild for Lily Pad, one of the partner agencies that we support. Lily Pad works with the Department of Social Services and the Foster Care Program to provide a clean, safe place for children while awaiting foster care placement. Hazel made the quilt top, Melanie DeMoise did a wonderful job quilting it, and then Hazel added the fun striped binding to finish the quilt. We even had enough of the leftover Dr. Seuss backing to make two coordinating pillowcases! Lily Pad was very excited about this new quilt, and they plan to use it for a bed in a new facility they are working on!



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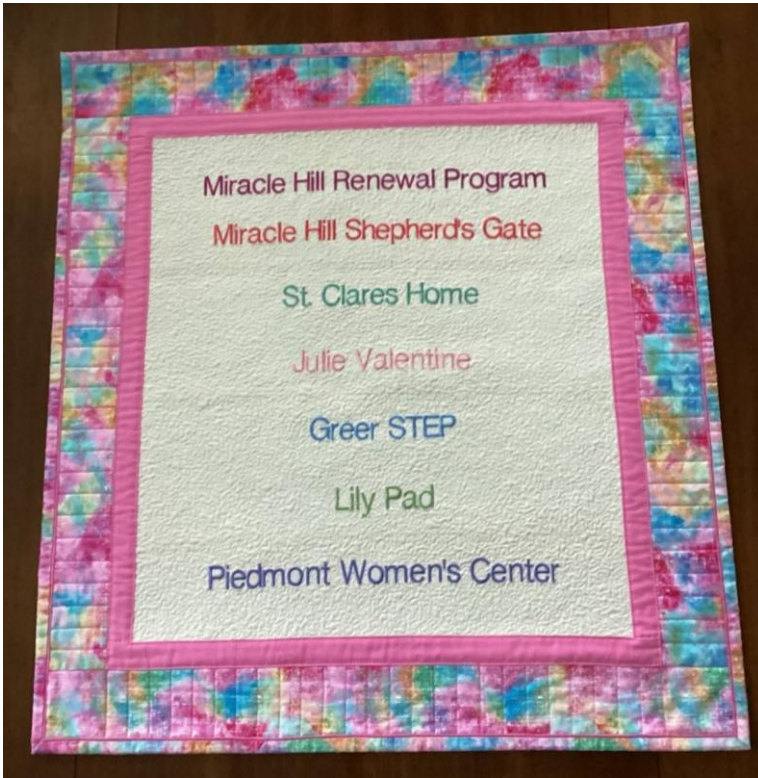
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"Quilters are not greedy. They are just materialistic." — Unknown



We also wanted to share this beautiful embroidered and quilted sign that Linda Ligon made for the Philanthropy Table at our upcoming Quilt Show in April. Linda embroidered the names of the agencies we currently support as a Guild through our Philanthropy donations. Beautiful job, Linda!

To the right is a picture from Lily Pad of one of the Rocking Chair quilts we donated in December. This quilt will be used in one of their child-safe spaces for cuddling or taking a nap. Doesn't it look wonderful!



Other Philanthropy News

Our next Philanthropy Workshop will be on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024**, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Carolina Quilt Studio, 201-A Pelham Davis Cir, Greenville, SC 29615. If you are working on a quilt for Philanthropy and need backing, batting, or binding, or just need to drop something off, please come by and join us. If you are new to the Guild, it is a fun way to meet some of the members, learn about our Philanthropy efforts, do some shopping, and check out all of the pretty new things at Carolina Quilt Studio!

With gratitude, Diane, Melanie, Wendy, Deborah, and Cindy



Refreshments

Thanks to all you with March birthdays for providing all those delicious snacks last month. It's hard to believe it is already April, but for those of you born in April, it's your turn next!

Sylvia Hurst



All quilters invited to join!



2024 Pieceable Retreat

Thursday, October 24
through
Sunday, October 27
Registration starts late May.

DoubleTree Resort by Hilton
Myrtle Beach
3200 South Ocean Boulevard
877-351-9526

www.quiltersofsc.org

Programs

April – The focus this month is of course on our Guild Show “Follow the Thread.” However, there will still be a full guild meeting on April 2. Sharon Hufstetler from Sew Simple Creations will be joining us to discuss the History of Sewing Machines. In this program we will learn about the earliest sewing machine and the men that thought them up. Not only will we learn the

interesting details of how our favorite machines came to be but we'll delve into the drama that came with getting such an invention into circulation. After the presentation there is a hands-on experience where you can not only view sewing machines from the 1840's to the 1960's but you can give hand crank sewing a try.

Upcoming events:

May – “The Pizza Girls”, from The Quilter's Gallery will bring their Show and Tell Trunk Show to the guild. As they go through the quilts, they discuss color, creative fabric uses and simple border treatments along with lots of tips and tricks that we have learned in the past 25+ years. Everyone needs new ideas. Hopefully the lecture will inspire you to start a new project or two. The Pizza Girls will bring their fabric collections, patterns, rulers, and kits to sell after the “show and tell”. It's like having a quilt shop set up at your meeting.

The Wednesday after the meeting they will be running a workshop on Kaleidoscope Quilts. The workshop will be held at St. Giles church from 9am-4pm. Registration is \$30. There will also be a \$10 kit fee to be purchased at the time of the workshop. See end of newsletter or website for the Registration form.

June – To round out our year, Tammy Silvers will do a Deep Dive into Batiks. Tammy is a batik for Island Batiks. Through a combination of slide show, video and actual batik making tools, Tammy will take us on a closer look at how batiks are made.



**FOOTHILLS PIECEMAKERS QUILTING GUILD
WORKSHOP REGISTRATION**

The Quilter's Gallery

Kaleidoscope – Cost \$30

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

9am – 4 pm

St. Giles Presbyterian Church

1021 Hudson Rd

Greenville, SC 29615

Completed registration form and payment will reserve your spot in the class.

Total amount enclosed \$ _____ Guild Membership _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

The completed registration form and check made payable to “FPQG” should be mailed to:

**Leslie Reid
Foothills Piecemakers Quilting Guild
1212 Shadow Way
Greenville, SC 29615**

Please contact Leslie Reid, at lesliereid@yahoo.com with questions. A supply list will be provided upon receiving your payment.

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Workshop Policy: Attendees must pay the entire cost of the workshop prior to the workshop in order to reserve their space. If the registrant cancels, they are responsible for finding someone to replace them and possibly pay them for the cost of the workshop. They can also contact the Program Chair to see if there is a waiting list for the class. A full refund will be made if the class is cancelled by the instructor or due to insufficient enrollment. Members are given first chance at enrollment. The Guild will then open enrollment to non-members in order to fill the workshop.

Much Requested Recipe from Victoria Davich

Apple Crisp:

4-6 Apples*

3/4 Cup Brown Sugar

1/2 Cup Flour

1/2 Cup Oats (quick or old-fashioned)

1 tsp Cinnamon

1/3 Softened Butter

Peel and slice apples into 1/4 inch slices. Place in 8" square pan. Mix remaining ingredients in a separate bowl. You can use a pastry cutter or your hands to combine the softened butter with the dry ingredients. It will have a crumbly consistency. Sprinkle the butter/oat mixture over apples.

Bake at 375 degrees for 30-35 or until golden brown.

Serve with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream.

*I like to use a blend of tart granny smith apples and a sweeter apple like fuji/golden delicious.

**The recipe is easy to double. Simply use a 9x13 pan instead of the smaller one.

Sample Kaleidoscope Quilts



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Next Guild Meeting

Tuesday, April 2, 2024 Elks Lodge on Pelham Road

Social Time 6:15 pm

Program 6:45 pm

Philanthropy Workshop

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Newsletter Submissions

Please submit any information for the next Newsletter by April 19 to:

Jennifer Neubauer, Newsletter Editor at:

fpggnewsletter@gmail.com

Membership

Membership is \$20, check payable to:

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April Birthdays

Amy Standifer	4 April
Robert Roue	7 April
Carol Myers	8 April
Sandy Nodes	9 April
Susy Richards	19 April
Dagmar Theodore	19 April
Janine Allen	23 April
Pam Kowalk	25 April

