

JUNE 2015

THE QUILTERS QUILL

Next Board Meeting, August 6, 9:30AM
Next Business Meeting, August 13, 10:00AM
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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Whew!!!! The summer heat has arrived and we all need to retreat to our cool quilt rooms and have fun creating our beautiful quilts (think about the 2016 Challenge Quilt) I am ready to spend a little more time inside and less time working in my garden.

Just a quick reminder of our summer schedule...No stitch n chat on June 18 and no board and business meeting in July. We will have a Board meeting August 6th and a Business meeting on August 13th.

I have scheduled an outside speaker to our Business Meeting on September 10th. She is Michelle May of the Raspberry Rabbit. She uses a felt fusion technique to create some wonderful wall hangings and quilts. She is very entertaining and will have lecture called "Down the Rabbit Hole" and a trunk show. Don't miss this!!!!

In addition, Claudia Moran, is chairing an activity to donate and hang small community quilts in the new Craven Community Health Center in New Bern. More information will be coming in the near future.

Janet Hersey and I will co-chair the 2016 Duffy Center Quilt Display in January -February 2016. We will be meeting with the Director shortly to refine the process and then share with you. Start thinking about what quilts you would like to show off at this wonderful display location.

In addition, a special congratulations to Sue Marra for being selected to receive the NC Living Treasure Award for Quilting in Wilmington on August 27. This is a prestigious annual art award and the first for quilts. There will be a reception Thursday Aug. 27, 5:30-7:00 at the Cultural Arts Building Art Gallery at UNCW. More information can be found at: www.library.uncw.edu/museum/treasurers. Also remember this summer to check out the 2015 Row by Row Experience at our quilt stores. Between 2500-3000 quilt shops in the US and Canada are participating in this activity from June 21 to early September. Our local shops in Jacksonville and Little Washington have participated the last 2 years. As you are traveling and fabric shopping this summer, ask the quilt store if they participate. The theme is water and there are some very lovely rows created in each shop. One pattern is free to each quilter visiting the shop.

And finally, think about Paying to Forward to a friend or to someone you don't know. It does not have to be money, but just a good deed and kindness... It makes every feel good. Have a great Summer and see you in August.

Chris

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FALL RETREATS

Nov. 1-6: Mary Ann DeRossett & Claudia Hughes

Nov 8-13: Chris Gillespie & Dorothy Najarian

WINTER RETREAT – Ruth Powers & Sue Kleeman

WEBSITE – Ruth Powers 252-634-9470 & Karen Dodd,
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DAY OF SHARING – Jeanne Batten

QUILT SHOW 2016 –Rosemary Trabucchi & Phyllis
Prideaux

RAFFLE QUILT – Dorothy Najarian & Linda Bory

COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR – Ruth Powers

Reminder

All members must wear their official TRQG nametags to every meeting and activity or pay the price...\$0.50 to the kitty. It is for safety reasons required by the church. The church personnel do not recognize any other name tags!



Vice President

Workshops for the summer. At least for those of us left in town!

26 June – Candy Cane Trio with Kelly Stevens from Cotton Patch

Kelly will be with us to put together the Candy Can Trio pattern which can be used as a table runner or wall-hanging. This class is an in-house workshop so the fee is \$2.00. The sign-up sheet is on the table. The kit, which can be purchased at the beginning of class, for the table runner is \$28.00 which includes the pattern. Basic sewing supplies are needed as well as a half yard of your favorite fusible web. If you would like to see the pattern, see me after the meeting.

20 August – Rapid Fire Hunter Star Workshop – Connie Farland will be teaching us the techniques used to create the Hunter Star using the Deb Tucker ruler. The class fee is \$20.00 plus the cost of the ruler (\$23.50) which can be purchased from Connie the morning of class. (Just a note here... if you buy it from Cotton Patch, you will get your quilters guild discount.) Because Connie prefers smaller classes, class size is limited to 15 members. She is willing to take additional students (up to 20 total) for additional fees which are funded by the guild. The supply list will be on the table along with the sign-up sheet and envelope for your fees at the next stitch and chat.

Thanks to those that have signed up for the Candy Cane Trio and for Rapid Fire Hunter Star Workshops. We are about half full for the Candy Cane Trio so come on out and support an aspiring teacher. You all are terrific in supporting new endeavors! It's not too late to sign up because there are still 3 vacancies on the wait list. Give me a call or see me at stitch and chat.

Please take a look at the calendar. Because of the confusion at the business meeting, there may be some event additions/changes that may be of interest.

Sandra Egolf

AQS

Helen Williams – No Report

COASTAL WOMEN'S SHELTER

Many thanks to all our TRQG members: we collected \$108.45 for the CWS Christmas Adopt a Family fund, as well as paper products, cleaning supplies, towels, gowns, and diapers for the Shelter.

For all the runners and walkers in your life, on Saturday, June 20, 2015, CWS will hold its 17th Annual "Run for Shelter" 5K, 10K and One Mile Fun Run at Creekside Park. If you are able, they also need volunteers to help with the registration, mile markers, water stations and finish line. Call Carey Ashcroft at 638-4509 for more information. (The majority of volunteers can report at 7am.)

I am so excited at your great response to the Flags of Hope project! This is a joint venture between Coastal Women's Shelter and Craven Arts Council to produce an outdoor exhibition of "Flags of Hope" that begins in late Spring and will be installed in October during Domestic Violence Awareness month. Their goals are to raise money and awareness for the fight against DV and the hope for change that each of us holds for people who are living with violence, as expressed through fiber art. They are asking for our guild's assistance, as well as other organizations, in donating fabric and creating flags that can be purchased by the general public and placed into the exhibition. Flag sponsorships will be sold online via PayPal and at Bank of the Arts for \$10 each.

Thank you all so much for your willingness to participate—our first charity work day on May 28th had nearly 20 volunteers who joined in producing what we hope will eventually total more than 2,000 Flags of Hope. (Executive Director Carol Tokarski of Craven Arts Council has pledged to make 100 herself from her stash.) Thus far our group has completed nearly 90 flags with 100 more awaiting decoration. Future workdays are set for June 25th, July 9th, and August 27th.

This is a great way to help whittle your stash and find a home for those orphan blocks and test pieces. You can embellish them in any way, including applique, embroidery, beading, etc. We will be leaving about 2/3 of the flag free for the sponsor/purchaser to write a message of hope in Sharpie. The fabric can be of any sort and should read as a solid. All sides must be hemmed. Finished dimensions are 10" wide by 12" long (including a 1" casing at the top for stringing on cord.)

Since we will not have a business meeting in July, CWS would be grateful if you would take advantage of the back to school sales and donate school supplies and backpacks at our meeting in August. And, as always, thank you for your support of CWS.

Mary Ann De Rossett



HISTORIAN:

Phyllis Prideaux - No Report



MILITARY QUILTS

Thank you Geri Reid and Bobbie Gould for the two stretcher quilts. I have two quilts for the Kinston Veterans home, but would like to be able to donate a half dozen or more. So, if you have some scraps begging to be made into a quilt, please consider making one for a veteran.

Thanks, Roberta (Bobbie) Gould



NURSING HOME QUILTS

We had three fidget quilts donated this month, along with a lap Quilt. The fidget quilts were made by Claudia Moran (one) and Geri Reid (two). Geri also made the Lap quilt this month. The residents at Croatan Village Nursing home will be most appreciative. May you have a wonderful summer making quilts for our show and use your scraps for charity quilts. And as usual ladies, thank you for all you do.
Dean Stevens

Thanks, Dean Stevens



CHILDREN'S CHARITY QUILTS

For the month of June, 2 quilts were turned in by the following members: Pat Kruger 1 and Suzie Hardy 1. Enjoy your Summer and I will see you in August. Keep sewing those quilts.

Thanks, Lorraine Wocel



SUNSHINE REPORT

Get well cards were sent to Judy Frankel who was not feeling well and to Linda Tabacco who had surgery. A sympathy card was sent to Rosemary St. Clair for the loss of her son. I also posted our deepest sympathy to the on-line website. Please let me know if you know of someone who needs a little "sunshine."

Pat Phillips



BIRTHDAY WISHES

We wish a joyful birthday to each of our members born in July: Chris Gillespie, Claudia Parker Hughes, Julie Mylander, Linda Brooks, Sue Royster, Gerry Fleckenstien, Jeanne Batten, Lilly Lucier, Lynn Peck Collins, Charlene Gover, Janet Hershey, Mary Beth Seidenfield, Penny Toler, Carole Zink, Pat Donnelly, Mary Ann DeRossett, Frances Conner, Beverly Nicholson, Rosemary St. Clair, and Sue Marra.

Barbarajean
In God we trust



BLOCK OF THE MONTH & BLOCK OF THE MONTH QUILT PROJECT

We've been having a lot of fun seeing all the blocks for the Block of the Month. We want to take this opportunity to clarify our current BOM projects. This Spring, the membership voted to continue the standard method of doing the BOM and to add a second project in which members could make their own quilt based on a BOM procedure.

In the standard method, members buy a pattern and a piece of fabric for \$1. They make a block with the provided fabric, turn it in at the next month's meeting and for each block they make, they get a chance to win all the blocks turned in. At the June meeting, Kathy Farrar won all the bear claw blocks. Congratulations to Kathy!

For the second and ongoing BOM project, each participant will make a quilt based on block patterns handed out each month. They choose their own fabrics and color combinations. We have asked that participants show their completed block each month and then their name goes into a raffle to win a prize. A prize is given out each month. Our congratulations go to Linda Sullivan, the winner of the June raffle!

Since our next Business meeting is in August and we have two months to work on blocks, we are giving out two patterns--log cabin and carpenter's wheel--which will be due in August.

If anyone has any questions regarding the BOM projects, please contact the committee.
Ed Dzioba & Dorothy Najarian



COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR

REG: Community Quilts - from Claudia Moran

The Craven County Health Department was recently awarded a grant to establish an Adult Primary Care Community Health Facility. They will be renovating space in the county building on Neuse Blvd. The hope is to establish an upbeat, welcoming clinical site. I am working with the clinic director on choosing medical equipment, furnishings, paint colors etc. I have asked the TRQG members to offer their artistic abilities to create quilts (likely wall hanging sizes) to decorate the walls. Members at the meeting agreed that they would like to participate. Plans for the facility are just now coming together, so once we have a design plan I will get back to our members with any special requests. I suspect that the quilts will be framed and behind light protecting glass, so there may not be a need to bind the quilts. Please contact me if you have any questions about the project. cmoran1035@gmail

Thank you to all
Ruth Powers



Community Service Workshop – To Be Announced

Alvina Diello 638-8961.

MEMBERSHIP

If your email change is not forwarded to me then you will miss out on any workshop activities, class info, updates, etc. through guild emails. Please note the changes/additions below and add to your **2015 Directory**. There are two pages titled **Notes** in the back of the book if you would like to use it for those changes. Or you can make the change on the page their name is listed on.

Address Change: Betty Brown, 104 Marina Drive, NB, NC 28560, Phone# 252-617-6402

Guest: Carole Young, guest of Nancy Hill

Cammie Farrar, guest of Kathy Farrar (her mother)

Lu Ann Tridico, guest of Sandy Drechsler

New Member: Lu Anne Tridico, 1100 Kea Ct, NB, NC 28560, 252-638-8288, lutrid@suddenlink.net. Lu Anne has never done any quilting, a real newcomer. She is looking forward to learning how to quilt. She likes to sew, crochet and decorate cakes. She worked as a registered hygienist for 30 yrs before retiring. Lu Anne was introduced to the guild by her friend and guild member Sandy Drechsler. Welcome Lu Anne

Diana Rezap, Membership Chair

2 FALL RETREATS: November 1-6, hosted by Dorothy Najarian & Chris Gillispie. November 8-13, hosted by Mary Ann DeRossett & Claudia Hughes

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR:

Got any "TIPS OR TRICKS" to save time or money or make the job easier when quilting? Send me an e-mail imsimplysandy@yahoo.com and we will share with all. Don't forget to put TRQG in title box.

This jewel came from Rosemary Trabucchi. She found a great resource on line for sewing machine parts, the prices are very good, and there are no shipping charges or tax and you have a year to return your order for an exchange or refund. She ordered several items, all came as authentic Viking parts. They supply all major sewing machine brands, have a look! SewingPartsonline.com 888 824 1192

Thanks On Behalf of Sandy Smith, Diana Rezap

FYI : WEBSITE

If you have a problem with getting the newsletter from the website to your computer, start with several things first. Make sure your Adobe Reader is updated. It is free. Karen Dodd suggested if you exclusively use a particular search engine, ie, Google, then try another search engine, ie, Yahoo or Google Chrome. If you are still having a problem, contact Karen

TRQG 2015 CALENDAR

(ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CALENDAR PLEASE CONTACT SANDRA EGOLF, VICE PRESIDENT)

June 18	Church closed due to Vacation Bible School		
June 25	9 - 2	Flags of Hope Charity Workshop	
June 25	9:30	Stitch n Chat	
June 26	9:30-1:30	Candy Cane Trio Workshop Kelly Stevens	
July 2	9:30	Stitch n Chat	
July 9	9-1:30 9:30	Flag of Hop Workshop Stitch n Chat	
July 16	9:30	Stitch n. Chat	
July 23	9:30	Stitch n. Chat	
July 30	9:30	Stitch n. Chat	
August 6	9:30	Board Meeting &	

		Stitch n Chat	
August 13	10:00	Business meeting	
August 20	9:30 – 1:30 9:30	Hunter Star Workshop Stitch n Chat	
August 27	9:30 – 1:30 9:30	Flags of Hope Workshop Stitch n Chat	
September 3	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch n chat	
September 10	10:00- ?	Business Meeting	Michelle May of the Rasberry Rabbit – Lecture & Trunk Show, Down the Rabbit Hole
September 17	9:30	Stitch n Cat	
September 24	9:30	Minature Quilt Workshop	Ruth Powers



QUILT SHOWS, FESTIVALS AND EVENTS:

June 21 - September 8, 2015, Row By Row Experience www.rowbyrowexperience.com

August 14-15, 2015 Lake Norman Quilters Quilt Show and Exhibition, Talbert Recreation Center, 210 Talbert Pointe Drive, Mooresville, NC 28117 www.lakenormanquilters.com

August 6-8, 2015

The Mountain Piecemakers Quilt Show, Town Center 6 S Main St, Burnsville, NC 28714
mountaintainpiecemakers@blogspot.com
www.mountainpiecemakers.blogspot.com

August 15, 2015 High Point Quilt and Vendor Show

YMCA, 150 W Hartley Dr, High Point, NC 27265
 Shelle Mancl, Vendor Show Chair, 651-261-4579 or hpquiltguildshow@gmail.com



Rapid Fire Hunter Star Workshop Supply List

Can you believe it is possible to make a Hunter Star without cutting diamonds and by strip piecing? Well in this workshop you will learn how to do just that! You will be sew using strips to make your diamonds! You will be able to trim down your final blocks to the perfect size! Plus to top it all off, by using the **Rapid Fire Hunter Star tool** by **Studio 180 Designs**, you will be able to make **4 different size blocks!** I hope you are as excited about taking this workshop as I am about teaching you how to use this amazing tool!

Supply List (*available from me on class day cash, checks and credit cards accepted)

Rapid Fire Hunter Star Petite Tool* with the packaging as that is your pattern!

Neutral Thread to blend with fabrics (I prefer thinner thread 50wt and usually use gray or tan)

Rotary Cutter (I **highly recommend** a new blade.)

Cutting Mat (12x18 is perfect size)

Invisi-grip * (for the back of the tool)

Mary Ellen's Best Press or Magic Sizing (I **do not recommend** regular spray starch)

Sewing Machine (in good working order) with a new Needle (size 70 or 80)

Power Cord & Foot Pedal (sometimes they do get left)

If you have a ¼" foot and a straight stitch throat plate for your machine I recommend that as well!

Highlighter & pen or pencil (I recommend a mechanical pencil)

Stiletto (not required, but **highly** recommended)

Basic sewing supplies (seam ripper, pins, scissors, etc.....)

Camera (optional, but recommended as I will have display boards and I allow my students to take pictures of them!)

HAPPY ATTITUDE!!!

Fabric Requirements

We will be using the “**3 Color Basic Recipe**” in this workshop. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that your fabric choices have a **HIGH contrast**. If you choose all the same value, your blocks will look like a scrambled mess. TRUST me on this!! If you are not sure if your fabrics have good contrast, take a picture in grayscale, copy it in black & white on your printer, or use your value finder tool! This will allow you to see if you truly have 3 different values (light, medium, dark). **PLEASE** “starch” your fabrics **before** cutting. You will be much happier with the results. Your fabrics **MUST be cut BEFORE class!**

½ yard “dark” fabric (background) and **½ yard “light” fabric** (background). Cut **BOTH** fabrics as follows

2 strips 6” x WOF Cut into (8) 6” squares (You will have 8 “dark” & 8 “light” squares.)

2 strips 1 ¾” x WOF (You will have 2 “dark” & 2 “light” strips.)

½ yard accent fabric (This will become the stars/diamonds.) Cut as follows

6 strips 2 ¼” x WOF

These fabric requirements will make the “center” of your quilt (24” x 24”). You will need to add ½ to ¾ yard of 2 or more fabrics for borders.

If you have any questions PLEASE email me at SewBlessed@ec.rr.com or call me at (910) 548-3779. If I do not answer PLEASE leave a message and I will call you back. I can’t wait to see you in class!

Sew Blessed,

Connie Farland

Studio 180 Design Certified Instructor

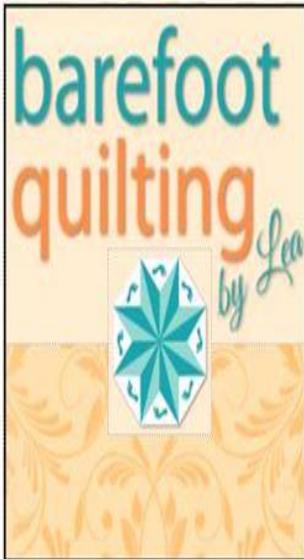


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