

MAY 2015

THE QUILTERS QUILL

No Board Meeting June 4, 9:30AM
Next Business Meeting, June 11, 10:00AM
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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Many beautiful scrappy totes with lots of zippers and pockets were created in a class lead by Phyllis Prideaux. Many thanks to Phyllis for all her work in preparing and leading the class. Thanks to all who participated, it was a lot of fun!!!

Around 30+ community quilts were completed, donated and distributed to Ronald MacDonald House, Nursing Homes, Military and Air Vac, plus several kitty pillows filled with scraps were donated to the Cat Shelter. Another community quilt party is planned for June by Alvina Diello. Created and donated a dog and a cat raffle quilts to the Colonial Capital Humane Society. Many thanks to Ruth Powers and Francis Conner for their work in creating those beauties. The last appliqué border was added to our 2016 Raffle Quilt. It is a beauty. It is off to Margaret Reswig for quilting in June. Thanks again to Linda Bory and Dorothy Najarian for leading that project, thanks to the guild members who made all the lovely paper pieced cactus flower blocks and thanks to Sue Kleeman, Sue Mara, Taffy Marron, and Dorothy Najarian for their applique and embroidery work. Finished work should be ready for the Fall Meeting.

The Fall Retreat for the 2nd week in November was filled immediately, so we have added a second fall retreat for the 1st week in November. Thanks to Mary Ann DeRossett and Claudia Hughes for being the hosts of this new event.

In our on-going efforts to improve the process for welcoming new members into our guild, Chris Babich has enhanced the instructions for making our quilted badge. She has focused on explaining easy techniques our quilters frequently use to make half square triangles and squaring blocks to the proper size. Thanks to Chris and her team for the changes and to Diana Rezac for making changes to the packets she sends to new members. Extra work for all... but we all strive to make constant improvements in the way we work. And finally... when I wake up every morning, it is a great day, (better than the alternative)....Remember as you walk through the day, make it a good day for someone else... a smiling face, volunteering to help or lead an activity or a compliment can change or make more of an impact to that person than you will

Reminder

All members must wear their official TRQG nametags to every meeting and activity or pay the price...\$.50 to the kitty. It is for safety reasons required by the church. The church personnel do not recognize any other nametags!

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SPRING RETREAT – Rosemary Trabucchi

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,
252-515-2953

DAY OF SHARING – Jeanne Batten

QUILT SHOW 2016 –Rosemary Trabucchi & Phyllis
Prideaux

RAFFLE QUILT – Dorothy Najarian & Linda Bory

COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR – Ruth Powers



Vice President

Work Shop for Flags of Hope next Thursday, May 28. From 9- 2. Bring basic sewing supplies and your lunch. Any questions on this event contact Mary Ann DeRossett.

T-Shirt class end of July.

Sandra Egolf



AQS

Helen Williams - No Report



COASTAL WOMEN'S

Cleaning Supplies



HISTORIAN:

Phyllis Prideaux - No Report



MILITARY QUILTS

Four Air Evac stretcher quilts and one quilt for the Kinston Veteran's Home were received this month. Thanks go out to Sally Cornford, Sue Kleeman, Karen Dodd, Alvina Diello, and Bobbie Gould for the lovely quilts.

Roberta (Bobbie) Gould



NURSING HOME QUILTS

This month there were 4 beautiful quilts turned in by the following members: Sue Kleeman 1, Geri Reid 1, Paula Paganucci 1, and Rolayne Schwendy 1.

Thanks on behalf of Dean Stevens, Lorraine Wocel



CHILDREN'S CHARITY QUILTS

There were 10 beautiful children's quilts turned in this month by the following members: Bev Nicholson 5, Geri Reid 1, Francis Conner 1, Paula Paganucci 1 and Barbara Zullo 2. On April 10th I delivered 19 quilts to the Ronald McDonald House and 2 gallon size bags of pull tabs.

Thanks, Lorraine Wocel



SUNSHINE REPORT

Sympathy cards went out to Phyllis Prideaux for the loss of her uncle, to Rosemary St. Claire for the loss of her mother and to Nancy Degen for the loss of her mother-in-law . Thinking of you cards were sent out to Lea Hicks whose mother was in the hospital. Get well to Mary Bruce who was in the hospital, Claudia Zink for knee surgery and Linda Tom for knee surgery. I wrote a note on the on line guest book for the passing of Juanita Willard, a former guild member who was well known for her wonderful designer jackets. Please let me know of anyone who needs a little "sunshine."

Pat Phillips



BIRTHDAY WISHES

We would like to wish the June Birthday members a very happy day and hope it is the beginning of a very happy year. Margaret Cekada, Christine Youngs, Kay Amend, Sue Kleeman, Evelyn Bernhardt, Laurene Gaskins and Carla Cherry. Barbarajean O'Flannagan, In God we trust



BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to this month's winner Pat Boni who received 17 blocks of the Twisted Star . If you did not pick up a pattern for the next BOM, The Bear Paw, please let me know and I will email you a copy

BLOCK OF THE MONTH QUILT PROJECT

May marked the start of our BOM quilt project and it was very exciting to see all the completed Twisted Star blocks that were shown at the meeting. We had our first drawing for a monthly prize and congratulations go out to our first winner, Pat Mayo!

To reiterate BOM Quilt participation, a new block pattern will be available each month. Participants are to bring their completed block to the Business meeting the following month and their name goes into a raffle for a prize. We will have a prize each month. Our second block is a Bear Paw pattern and will be due in June. If anyone needs the instructions, please contact Dorothy Najarian, (847) 308-9678 or email dgnajarian@gmail.com.

Ed Dzioba & Dorothy Najarian



COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR

If you were not there at the business meeting on the 21st, you missed seeing the quilts we made for Colonial Capital Humane Society. Thanks to Frances Conner who took the darling cat fabric that Sandy Smith donated, and put together and quilted that. Then thanks, again, to the ladies (listed by name in the last newsletter) who made appliquéd dog blocks that were sashed together and quilted, and thanks to Adah Walker who helped quilt it. Both quilts were spectacular, and you can see them on our website under the Community Service link on the home page. Mary Martha Rose, a board member of the CCHS, was at our meeting to receive the quilts. She spoke some about the shelter and what is happening there and answered questions. They will be selling raffle tickets on our quilts at their pet adopt-a-thons and at their garage sales every 2 weeks on Saturday among other events. Currently, the cat quilts that Janet McLean made and donated to CCHS, are shown on their website under the “news” link. Thanks to Janet for those.

We also have been donating kitty pillows this month. Thanks to Pat Kruger for 6, Judy Frankel for 1, Alvina Diello for 2, and Ruth Powers for 2 which were all delivered to the Sun Journal who collects them for needy area shelters. Mary Martha Rose was able to take three pillows with her when she took the quilts, by Laurene Gaskins-1, and Bobbi Gould-2. Mary Martha Rose mentioned that if any of our members would like to visit the cat facility they are welcome on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Those are the days she is in taking care and cleaning. The cat trailer is on Old Airport Road across the street from Benders.

Thank you to all
Ruth Powers



Community Service Workshop - June 25, 2015 - 9:30 am

Everyone invited. We will be sewing those squares and strips that have been cut. If you don't want to bring a sewing machine, please come. We need people to cut fabrics, iron and organize. Or you may bring your own material and blocks. Alvina will also demo how to machine quilt and put the binding on by machine. Easy peasy.

What to Bring: LUNCH, Sewing machine, basic sewing supplies such as rotary cutters, thread, needles, etc. Thanks to Gail Banks who gave me 3 completed community service quilts which we are holding to display at our Day of Sharing.

If you have any questions, please contact Alvina Diello 638-8961.



MEMBERSHIP

If there needs to be a correction to your address, phone # or email, please let me know and I will put it in our newsletter for the membership to make the change to their directory. 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 make a note of 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.

EMAIL Change: Ruth Powers, genput1704@hotmail.com, Kathy Farrar, katf_46@yahoo.com not

Address Change: Paula Paganucci, 829 Vineyard Dr, New Bern, NC 28562

Guest: Brenda Parson from Oriental

Diana Rezac, Membership Chair



SPRING RETREAT: Information to follow, host is Rosemary Trabucchi

2 FALL RETREATS: The 1st one is Scheduled for the 1st week in November, hosted by Dorothy Najarian & Chris Gillispie. The 2nd one is scheduled for the 2nd week in November, hosted by Mary Ann DeRossett & Claudia Hughes


WINTER RETREAT: Information to follow, hosted by Ruth Powers & Sue Kleeman



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. Deadline for the next articles is Friday, June 12th midnight.

Thanks On Behalf of Sandy Smith, Diana Rezac



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

May 28	9:00 - 2:00	Workshop Flag of Hope	Lunch and Basic Sewing supplies
May 28	9:00	Stitch n Chat	
June 4	9:30	No Board Mtg. Pressing Board with Becky Barnes Stitch n chat	Supply list in newsletter
June 11	10:00	Business Meeting	Please Arrive 30 min. early
June 18	Church closed due to Vacation Bible School		
June 25	9:30	T-Shirt Quilt	
July 2	9:30	Stitch n Chat	
July 9	9:30	Stitch n Chat	

July 16	9:30	Stitch n Chat	
July 23	9:30	Stitch n. Chat	
July 30	9:00	The Hunter Star	More Information to follow
August 6	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch n Chat	
August 13	10:00	Business meeting	
August 20	9:30	Stitch n Chat	
August 27	9:00	Miniture Quilt by Ruth Powers	More Information to follow

Perfect Pressing Board – by Sharon Schamber on youtube

- OSB board cut to size
- 100% Cotton canvas
- 100% cotton batting – warm n natural or other
- Fusible felt for back
- Staple gun
- Spray adhesive- Craft bond is good
- Scissors

OSB board: Put the smooth side down. Put piece of cotton batting cut a little bigger than board side on top of the rough side of the board and press it down. Spray adhesive on top of the cotton batting – it will hold down the canvas

Canvas:
Cut it 3 inches larger than the board all around. Center the canvas on top of the cotton and press it down. Turn it over and staple in the middle of the top, pulling it tight, and bottom, pulling it smooth and tight, then the middle of each side

Corner: pull it tight, staple, push the excess underneath and create a fold to staple on either side. Staple from the corner to the middle of each side. Repeat on all corners. On the back side, cut a piece of fusible felt and press down to finish. Spray the canvas with water, leave overnight to dry.

MOLASSES COOKIES

There were quite a few requests for the recipe for the molasses cookies that I brought to retreat. Please enjoy.

1 cup white sugar & 2 cups flour	1 large egg
¾ cup soft butter & 2 tspn baking soda	½ tspn ground ginger & ½ tsp cinnamon
¼ cup molasses 1/2 tspn salt	¼ tspn ground cloves

Cream sugar and butter. Add in molasses and egg and blend. Mix together flour and spices. I usually add this to butter mixture in third's. The original recipe does not call for raisins but if you choose to add them blend them in now. I don't measure but add two or three handfuls (my husband likes lots of raisins) The choice is yours. If your dough seems soft you can cover and chill for an hour. Roll into walnut size ball (a small cookie /ice cream scoop works great) Roll again in granulated sugar and place on cookie sheet.

Bake in a preheated 375 degree oven. With my oven 13 minutes is usually my baking time. Depending on your oven and the type of cookie sheet you use this may vary.

From Kathy Farrar

QUILT SHOWS, FESTIVALS AND EVENTS:

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

June 25-27, 2015 - Original Sewing & Quilt Expo, Raleigh Convention Center ,500 S Salisbury St, Raleigh, NC 27601
Contact Lynn Lunoe 888-699-6309 www.sewingexpo.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
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www.mountainpiecemakers.blogspot.com

August 15, 2015 High Point Quilt and Vendor Show

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