

JANUARY 2015

THE QUILTERS

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Board Meeting January 8, 2015
Business Meeting January 15, 2015
www.twinriversquiltersguild.com

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome back and I hope that you are all energized to do a lot of quilting, learning new skills/techniques at our workshops and professional quilter's classes, making new friends and welcoming new members into our family. I know that I am excited to be your President and I am looking forward to a lot of interesting events in the next year. I would expect that my team may even shake some things up and try new ideas.... Some will work great and others may need some tweaking, BUT with YOUR help it will be a lot of fun and we will improve areas with your recommendations and involvement. I am so pleased to have a great set of officers and so many members have already agreed to be team leaders. I know that you will see a lot of activity from both Sandra Egolf and her team in defining programs. Phyllis Prideaux and Alvina Diellowill be working on creating kits and workshops to use donated fabric for community service quilts. In addition, we will continue to have lots of other fun activities with our members and other guilds. Come to our meetings, read our newsletters, and check the calendar because you will not want to miss a thing.

In addition, we are looking to improve how we welcome new members to our guild. We are looking to a new mentoring approach. I am looking for some members (new and existing) to work with me on this approach. If you would like to work on this, please call me 513-910-4937 or gillescris@live.com.

Finally, through your hard work at Quilt Show and some sacrifices, we are now in a much better financial position. We have planned the 2015-16 budget in a manner where we can expand our classes and give a little back to you... We have planned a \$5 dinner subsidy for our annual Christmas luncheon for every member attending and if you choose to donate food or your time in helping the Day of Sharing committee, you will NOT be charges \$6 for the Day of Sharing event on October 24, 2015.

I hope that you are as excited as I am. Participating on our committees is a lot of fun and great, long term friendships have been built through these activities. In addition, please reach out to new members or those who have not been able to actively participate in the past to join your group and your friends. Fun and Friendship is the great binding for all our quilts and our Guild. As always, I am looking for your feedback ..good or bad....Chris

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 nametags!

OFFICERS FOR 2015

President– Chris Gillespie, (513) 910-4937

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Quilt Show 2014 -Lynn Peck-Collins,637-3788

Raffle Quilt – Claudia Hughes, 617-0533



VICE-PRESIDENT

I want to thank the guild for their support as I begin my tenure as Vice President. I'm looking forward to working with the Program team who has made the past years a success. I know they will keep me on target as we move forward.

Business Meeting Program - The board put idea of a mentoring program for members new to the Guild. Everyone was in favor and volunteers are already lining up. It was decided that a core group (volunteers) will meet to outline the processes and activities for the program so that new all the members will receive the same information on Guild activities and business practices. Thanks to those who volunteered.

In-House Workshops - Alvina has agreed to teach her "tool bag" class; a handy place to store all those extras we need at retreat; as well as her mile-a-minute quilt which uses up those scraps that we have stashed away. Phyllis agreed to teach her "tote" bag class. Once we have the dates set, there will be sign-up sheets available. Since I've not made one I'll be the first to sign up!

Professional Workshops: - Sharon Schamber is scheduled to visit on 26 February to teach raw edge applique and Pieclique. Classes will start at 9:AM and end about 4:30. Bring your lunch and have a good time learning a new spin on traditional techniques. A list of class supplies will be available as the classes get closer.

Updates on Other Activities - An art teacher from Oak Roads Elementary School has requested a couple of volunteers from the Guild to come speak to her 5th grade class on quilting. Ed and I will discuss presentation once we know

what the teacher would like for us to talk about. Will keep you posted. Don't forget to sign up for Spring Retreat to be held at the Clam Digger Inn in Atlantic Beach between March 23 and March 27th.

Sabdra Egolf

AQS

the Just a reminder if you want books I can order at 30 % off.
Helen Williams –

COASTAL WOMEN'S SHELTER (CWS)

Thank you all for your donations to CWS this month--your generosity is wonderful! As we start a new year in 2015, we pray for those dealing with domestic violence in our community and give thanks that there are resources available to assist victims make positive change in their lives.

One way we can help is to bring non-perishable food items to our February meeting, to augment the CWS food pantry. Examples are canned goods like vegetables, fruits, tuna, chicken, soups and stews. Dry goods such as cereals, instant oatmeal or grits, muffin mixes, rice, dried beans, potato mixes, instant potatoes, dried soup mixes, flour, cornmeal and spices are also very welcome. Spreads like peanut butter, Nutella, jams and jellies, as well as, snack sized treats including raisins, nuts, trail mix, granola bars, fruit cups and applesauce cups will make lunches and afterschool snacks quick and easy. These will not only be used at the Shelter itself, but available at each of the shelter offices in Craven, Jones and Pamlico counties for individuals and families in need.

Again, thank you for everything you do to help CWS fight DV.
Mary Ann DeRossett
CWS Committee Chair

HISTORIAN:

If you have pictures you would like to share please send them to me. Chris Babich

Twin Rivers Quilters Guild is now on Facebook! Visit <https://www.facebook.com/TwinRiversQuiltersGuild> and Like us. Admin for our Facebook page is currently Lynn Peck-Collins. Email information and photos of events to lpcollins@embarqmail.com or text me 410-302-2929 and it will be posted!
Lynn Peck-Collins

NURSING HOME QUILTS

Thank you ladies, we received thirteen lap quilts this month, one of them a fidget quilt. They are from Bev Nicholson (six quilts) and one from Cass Sadler that Bev finished. The others were from Joyce Weller (two) , Celia Van Oesen, Gail Schiller, Kay Amend, and Laurene Gaskins

Members please try and attend the workshop on Feb. 19th at 9am , that Alvina and Phyllis are conducting , this sounds like a good opportunity to help get a number of charity quilts made. And this time of year they can certainly use them As usual thank you for all you do.
Dean Stevens

CHILDREN'S CHARITY QUILTS

Thank you everyone who turned in quilts for the month of January. It has been the perfect start to the New Year. The following are: Karen Dodd 1; Chris Babish 1; Rolayne Schwendy 1; Geri Reid 8; Alvina Diello 1; Carolyn Hansen 1; Ruth Powers 2; Cathy Cox 3; Paula Paganucci 1. For a total of 19 quilts.

I also collected a few pull tabs.
Thanks, Lorraine Wocel

SUNSHINE REPORT

The following people were sent cards in December and January
GET WELL - Melody Spots, Diane Rezab
SYMPATHY - Sanda Egolf

Pat Phillips

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday to the January Birthdays:
Helen Williams. Paula Paganucci, Betty Williams, Gail Krielow, Pat Robinson, Sandra Egolf.

Joyful Birthday to the February Birthdays:
Anne Jelinek, Carol Larimer, Cindy Conway, Sally Cornford, Kan Ogonowski, Lea Hix, Vernadean Stevens, Cass Sadler, Barbara Zullo, Pat Boni, Linda Drabeck, Mary Rordan, Eileen Van Wart, Mary Hutchinson.

Barbarajean

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

The winner of this month's block Snowball was Rolayne Schwendy. Our next block which is due in February is Heart Blossom. As always if anyone needs help or would like to suggest a block please call me or see me at stitch and chat

.. Ed

MILITARY QUILTS

Eight quilts were donated to our military, seven will be sent to Afghanistan for the Air Evacuation mission and one will go to the Veterans Home in Kinston. Thanks go out to Carolyn Hansen, Ruth Powers, Adah Walker, Laurene Gaskins, Lily Lucier, and Bobbie Gould. Veteran Home quilts can be lap size or larger, the Air Evac quilts should be 40"x60" or close to this size. Thank you all for your continued support of our military men and women.

Roberta (Bobbie) Gould

MEMBERSHIP

A Name Tag Reminder – A name tag kit is given to each new member in their Membership Packet. The church requires the wearing of the TRQG name tag as a matter of security for their day school program. A small fine of .50 will be incurred if you do not wear the TRQG name tag to the weekly meetings/workshops and Stitch n Chat! **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)**

Phone: Becky Barnes, 703-309-4498

Guest: Sally Bush, guest of Rolayne Shwendy

New Members: Deborah Henley, 5441 Bay Shore Dr, Presque Isle, MI 49777, 989-590-3488, dhenley5@speednettlc.com. Deborah is an avid machine quilter.

Kathern Singleton, 3604 Colony Dr, NB, 28562, 252-671-1891, katiesing23@gmail.com. Kathern is originally from WV. She has been a quilter for years with her mother and mother-in-law. She has never made an entire quilt yet, usually pillows from quilt squares. We all have to start somewhere

.Pam Bonina, 507 Mulligan Ct., NB, 28562, 252-497-8489, pambonina@gmail.com. Pam and her husband Ron moved to NB from PA in 2013. Pam has been quilting since 1997. She also loves gardening. Pam heard about us thru our website.

Claudia Zink, 3500 Cranberry Ln., NB, 28562, 252-635-0103, "c242zink@gmail.com". Claudia moved here from Boston in 2013. Started quilting in 1985. She has taught after school quilting classes to 8-12 yrs. old. Enjoys cross stitch, golf and plays Mahjong once a week.

2015 DIRECTORY: The 2015 Directory and membership cards will be available at the February Business Meeting for pick up. Please pick up only your directory. If someone can not pick up their directory, please contact me.

Membership Chair
Diana Rezab, dianarezab@suddenlink.net

Email Protocol: The sending and receiving of emails.

When I send out an e-mail it is on behalf of someone else. I am just the media for which it is transmitted. When you receive an email and the message requests a reply, that reply is **not** meant to be sent back to - ME!

The reply is requested by the author of the email which has their name, phone # and email at the end of their message.
Diana Rezac

LIBRARY

The Twin Rivers Quilt Guild Lending Library is open to all members, the Library Cabinet is open at all Guild meetings, Workshops and Stitch and Chat. Our collection covers just about any quilting topic you can think of. We budget each year for new acquisitions and we welcome donations. Index cards are to be found in the back of each book, please sign the card with your name and date to record that you are borrowing a book. Place the card in the box on the shelf, and when you return the book, please replace the card in the box. Neither books nor cards are alphabetized, however there is an alphabetized list of our collection on the website and another will hang inside the library cabinet door. Please use it, but do not remove it.

We also have a growing collection of DVDs, the following titles have just been added:
Free Motion Fun with Feathers
Free Motion Fun with Vines and Leaves - both by Patsy Thompson
Master Machine Quilting by Susan Brubaker Knapp

For safekeeping, I carry the DVD's with me to meetings and Stitch and Chat, at other times

please call me to arrange a pick up.
Please enjoy the Library Collection

Rosemary Trabucchi

COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR

Ruth Powers is stepping down as coordinator. If you are interested in helping the other CS ladies with community service projects—workshops, kit making, etc, please let President Chris Gillespie know. It is not a difficult job and not a job that requires monthly commitment, but it is important in encouraging members to make quilts for Ronald McD house, nursing homes, and the military. Ruth is willing to help.
Ruth Powers

2016 RAFFLE QUILT

Dorothy Najarian and Linda Bory

WINTER RETREAT

Winter Retreat, Jan. 19-23, 2015: Winter Retreat is full and there is a waiting list. Ladies must call Clam Digger Inn (252-247-4155) themselves and give their credit card number to reserve their room. The reason we take names is to insure that we don't have too many ladies in the sewing room which the Inn furnishes to us to use. If you have never gone before, Ruth has a list of suggested items to bring with you.
Sue Kleeman & Ruth Powers

SPRING RETREAT

March 22-March 27
at the Clamdigger Inn 247 4155

Please sign up at Guild meetings or Stitch and Chat or call 637 9473 then call the hotel to make your reservation.

DAY OF SHARING

More information to come

DONATIONS

Bring your hotel/motel soaps, shampoos and lotions to the guild to be given to Religious Community Services (RCS) by Alvina Diello. Or if you choose, you can take your donations directly to RCS.

They are located at 919 George Street, New Bern and also are in charge of the homeless shelter and soup kitchen.

RCS does not sell anything that is donated to them - they give it to the needy or use it in the soup kitchen. They also take household items as well as furniture. They have a van and will come and pick up large items. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and caring for those less fortunate.

Alvina Diello

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.

See Chris Babich's tip on page 9...Thanks Chris

Ok it's your turn....turn in some hints or tricks for our next newsletter cause I'm running out of

ideas.. ☺

Got any “**GETTIN RID OF or LOOKIN 4**”? Send me an e-mail and I'll post it in newsletter

imsimplysandy@yahoo.com with all the information. Be sure to put in the title TRQG or I will not open it if I don't recognize your e-mail address. In addition, as a member you may also advertise for FREE once a year, anything you would like to **SELL**. After that, the fee is \$25.00.

Just a reminder:

Business Meeting Etiquette

In the interest of expediting our meetings, keep the flow going, and showing respect to each other, the following will be implemented.

Our bylaws state that we conduct meetings following Roberts Rules of order, therefore if you would like to speak to the membership, raise your hand, be recognized, give your name and state your business.

In order to try to make the meeting shortened, please try to arrive 30 minutes early (9:30am) to do your sign in, get Block of the month, take care your procedural items before the meeting is called to order at 10:00am. That we can have your full-undivided attention for the meeting, eliminate confusion, and make the meeting shorter. Thank you,

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, Karen said you could contact her. Thanks.

THREAD ORDERS - Alvina Diello is taking thread orders. This is for Robinson-Anton 50 weight 3 ply thread. Plain colors are 3000 yds and same price of \$13.00.

Variegated thread is 2500 yds and the price has gone up to \$22. See Alvina at stitch and chat or call at 638-8961.

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Alvina Diello and Phyllis Prideaux are the new Co-chairs for Community Quilts.

The Guild has accumulated a large stash of fabric that has been donated for quilts and we would like to use up that fabric!! We would especially like to invite all NEW MEMBERS to participate -- washing and pressing fabric, cutting and assembling kits, sewing, quilting and binding the quilts. This is a great way to learn or sharpen you quilting skills, learn a new technique, and help your Community!

The first Workshop of 2015 will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2015 starting at 9:00 a.m. We will be making Community Strip Quilts. Please bring your sewing machine if possible, plus basic sewing supplies, scissors, ripper, thread, etc. (any light color thread can be used for scrap quilts). If you can't bring your machine, please bring a Rotary Cutter with a NEW blade and your favorite large ruler (remember to put your name on it). Or, please just come – we'll find something for you to do!!!

Bring a bag lunch and we will work until 1:30 p.m. or so. Looking forward to a great year with lots of quilts!!

TRQG 2015 CALENDAR

Jan 19-23		Winter Retreat	Clam Digger Inn (Can have early arrival on Sunday after 4:00pm)
Jan 22	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Jan 29	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Jan 29	10-10:30	Bank of Arts Display setup	Turn in Quilts for Bank of Arts display. Quilts must arrive at Bank of Arts in New Bern NO LATER than 10:30
Feb 1-28		Bank of Arts, New Bern	TRQG Quilts on display
Feb 5	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Feb 12	10:00	Business Meeting	
Feb 19	9:00-1:30	Community Quilt Workshop	Bring sewing machines, supplies, etc. see supplies listed above under Community Quilts. Bring Lunch
Feb 26	9:00-4:30	Sharon Schamber Class	Sharon Schamber – Raw Edge Applique – Purple Daises Bring Lunch
Feb 26	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Feb 27	9:00-4:30	Sharon Schamber Class	Sharon Schamber – Piec-lique Sunflower Bring Lunch

Mar 5	9:00	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Mar 12	10:00	Business Meeting	
Mar 19	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Mar 23-27		Spring Retreat	Clam Digger Inn
Mar 26	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Apr 2	9:00	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Apr 9	10:00	Business Meeting	
Apr 16	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Apr 23	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Apr 30	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	

QUILT SHOWS, FESTIVALS AND EVENTS:

2015

Jan 22 – 24 yrtle Beach Quilt Party, Sunset Beach, NC www.mbgq.net

Jan 28 – Feb 1 QBTS Guild Retreat 2015

Jan 30 – 31 The Quilting and Needle Art Extravaganza, Statesville, NC, www.quiltergallery.net

Feb 19 - 22 QuiltCon, Austin TX

Feb 26 - Mar 1 Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival, “www.quiltfest.com”

Mar 13 - 14 Charlotte Quilters Guild Quilt Show, www.charlottequiltersguild.org”

Mar 20 - 21 Greenville Quilters Guild Show.

Mar 20 - 21 QTBS Quilt Show. Wilmington, NC

Apr 17 – 18 Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild show, www.hottqg.com

Apr 17 – 19 Nothern Shenandoah Valley Biennial Quilt Show, “nsvquiltshow.com”

May 1 - 2 Vintage to Modern Quilt Show, The Berglund Center Exhibit Hall (formerly Roanoke Civic Center), 701 Williamsom Rd, Roanoke VA www.starquilters.org

May 15 – 16 Crystal Coast Quilters Guild Show

May 28-31 2015 NC Quilt Symposium “Mountain Stitches ”westernncquilters.org”

Tip starts here.

Jeanne Batten asked me to send this in. I showed the quilt group the quilt I had made for my niece's graduation last spring. The label was made from Transfer Artist's paper and I promised Jeanne I would give her the information.

I found out about this product at the Raleigh Sewing and Quilt Convention when I took a Zentangles class. You can buy Artist Transfer Paper (TAP) online and I bought it thru Amazon. There is also a book by Lesley Riley that I bought called Create With Transfer Artist Paper. You can use it to print pictures on fabric (as well as other mediums) as well. I designed the label on my computer and then you put the paper in your printer and print out. You do have to "flip" the label with your printer to make it appear backwards before printing out. Most software for printers will allow you to do this but I use Adobe Photoshop Elements. You can then transfer it to your fabric by ironing and you have great flexibility in the fabric you use. Light colors and light tone on tones work best. There has been no bleeding at all of the label on the fabric. I have found it to be more versatile, easy to work with, and easy to sew. Prior to this I used EQ Printables or sheets from Printed Treasures and this is a lot more fun and much easier to sew through since you can use 100% cotton from your stash! f you have any questions, please email or call. Chris Babich





Kelly Bowman was our guest speaker and spoke on Modern Quilting at our January Business meeting. Thanks Kelly....

ADVERTISEMENTS

Quilters Open House

Stash buster moving sale
Feb 27,28 2015. 9AM-3PM
77 Shoreline Dr, Riverbend
WOF fabric, machines, cabinets, etc, etc.
later dates by appointment

Thank you, Pat Lue.

FOR SALE

Elna Ironing Press Electronic -2000 - \$60
Pfaff Creative 2140 Sewing & Embroidery Machine Includes manuals and misc Creative Embroidery discs. Comes with carry bag. Excellent condition - \$700
Complete wooden desk setup specifically for either a sewing and or serger. Has numerous drawers for misc articles/notions. Closes up to form a nice cabinet - \$100
Extremely large collection of threads-will sell individually and or in bulk - price is negotiable
Misc fabric price is negotiable
2 small 3 drawer chests on casters-wood matches the wooden desk setup for the sewing machine listed above. 17"x14"x21" \$ 30/ea small
3 drawer chest with brass pulls .15"x23"x26" \$50
collection of various sewing related scissors \$3 /ea small
(23x14x7) 2 drawer antique chest with felt lined drawers. Perfect for misc sewing items. Chest needs to sit on a table and or another chest. \$ 50
Numerous notions-some not even opened - negotiable

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