

News from the Leadership Team

Welcome to Winter!!! Ummmm....Not quite the cold we think about for winter, but the calendar says it is 2019. Happy New Year!!!! Please remember as you are packing up holiday decorations be looking for items for our auction at the January guild meeting. Your extra sewing notions and fabric (what was I thinking when I bought this) is somebody else's treasure. Please see Nancy's handout for details of preparing items to sale. AUCTION STARTS at 9:30.

Our quilt raffle was a successful project. Beverly Couch was the seller of the winning ticket. A big thank you goes out to Joan Mayo for chairing this project. Thank you to all who made donation to our hurricane Relief efforts. Monies were given to the American Red Cross.

Please read all of our newsletter for info on upcoming events.

See you on January 12, 2018 at our regular meeting room. Plan on coming a little early to display your auction items.

Sew every day,

Linda, Kelley, Nancy and Joan



Auction proceeds will benefit the guild.

Notions, fabric, quilting books, unfinished/abandoned projects, sewing machines...

Please attach the auction form included in the newsletter on page 7

Quilting Times

January



Tar River Piecemakers Quilting Guild Meeting Minutes 12-08-2018

Nancy Knapp called the TRPQG meeting to order and welcomed everyone to our Christmas celebration at St. Andrew's Church. Nancy spoke to the group regarding "House- keeping reminders": Put cell phones on vibrate and directions to restrooms. She wished Happy Birthday to those having birthdays in December.

Ramona Orzell said the Benediction/ Invocation and everyone was invited to eat.

A motion was made to accept the November meeting minutes and treasurer's report by Pam Smith. It was seconded by Joyce Barrows and passed by the membership.

Bee Keeper: Pam Smith gave us trivia facts on Christmas trees and gave us a JoAnn's calendar with coupons. She will ask for a report from each bee on what they are doing.

Charity Outreach: Carol Gates – Everyone was thanked for their many hours of donation.

Library: Mary Ann Rettino & Martha Blount: Approximately \$160.00 was raised by the book sale for the guild.

Newsletter/Facebook/Webpage: Heather Todd – please let her know if you are not getting the newsletter.

Sunshine & Shadow: Ramona Orzell asked that you contact her if you know of anyone who is sick or needs encouragement. Card of condolence was sent to a past member for loss of her husband.

Membership: Jinx Abernathy (chair) stated there were 42 people present, including 3 guests. There is a new Membership Directory as of today. There are forms at the desk for January's Auction and Publicity/Liability to be filled out if you haven't already.

Old Business:

First Friday: Volunteers are needed for February 1st. Cutting Corners Bee volunteered for January.

Projects: Row by Row Quilt – Pam Smith. We should be finishing up in March. Pam will help people on the sewing day in February.

Quilt Raffle Drawing: Tickets are still being accepted until the drawing later in this meeting.

January Auction: Description forms are available at the desk.

February Sew Day: Meeting will start at 9:15 am so Sewing can begin at 10 am. Day will end at 4 pm. Guild will supply snacks and drinks. Bring your lunch and all your project/sewing supplies.

New Business:

Party Games – Kelley Gerstenmier: Bingo and Ornament exchange.

Upcoming programs:

March – Cathy, owner of Wish Upon A Quilt to speak about Accuquilt fabric cutter

April – Member Demonstration

Thank you - Today's greeter.

Hospitality for today's party: Lin Varney, Sarah Wade, Ramona Orzell, Joan Mayo and Linda Baggett

Hurshell Baggett for being our DJ

Sew and Tell/Drawing for prizes:

1st Time Sew & Tell: None; Sew & Tell: Ramona Orzell and Frankie Powell; Name Tag: Sue Fry

Quilt Raffle Drawing: Over \$1000 raised, final figure will be announced next month. Winner is Connie Kelly, Beverly Couch's daughter.

12 Days of Christmas Sing Along.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Doyle
Secretary



Charity and Outreach

We had another generous month of giving from our wonderful guild members! A total of 198 hours were spent making projects to donate. There was quite the variety - with aprons, senior bibs, knitted preemie caps, Christmas stockings mug rugs and quilts being given away. Many thanks to Joyce Barrow, Paula Loges, Ramoma Orzell, Deb Shearin, Laura Louie, Sandy Batchelor, and Frankie Powell for generously donating their time and talent.

Several ladies from Cutting Corners made 65 Christmas stockings for Nash County foster children. 140 charity hours, of the total hours stated above, were contributed from these ladies alone! The bee also donated \$100 and several bags of Christmas stocking stuffers. Way to go, Ladies! Thank you so much for your generousities.

The focus for donations in January will be Nash Hospital NICU. They accept any size baby quilts that are sent home with infants that have spent extended time in the NICU. In February our focus will be Vidant Hospital NICU. They cover the isolettes with our donated quilts therefore the quilts should be around 32" square. Remember that donations to any of our sites will be accepted at any time.



UPCOMING CHARITY COLLECTIONS

January—Nash Hospital NICU

Any size baby quilt or blanket

February — Vidant Hospital NICU

Small (approx. 30"x30") baby quilts

March — NC Veteran's Home Kinston

Lap size quilts, does not have to have patriotic theme. Attach TRPQG label

April — Christian Adoption Agency

Baby quilt with a comfort square for birth mother to keep. Attach TRPQG label.

If you need more information, please contact Carol Gates

GREETERS

Greeters needed for
2019.

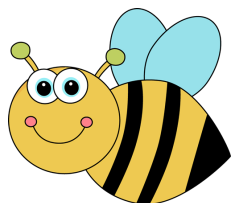
Please sign up at the
membership table.



Sunshine & Shadow

We don't want you to go through it alone!

If you have anyone you want
remembered,
please email
Ramona Orzell at
orzellrjo@suddenlink.net



Bee Hives for January

Busy Bees	Meeting at the Arts Centre on 2nd Tuesday at 10:00 (Jan. 8th)
Cutting Corners	Meeting at Braswell Library on 3rd Friday Friday, at 10:00 am (Jan. 18th)
Happy Hoopers	Meeting at Pam Smith's home on 3rd Saturday at 10:00 am (Jan. 19th)
Rachel's Remnants	Meeting 1st Thursday at various locations at 6:00 pm (Jan. 3 — Home of Nancy Knapp)

APPLIQUE BEE

There is interest in starting an
Applique Bee. If you are interested in being a part of this
bee, please let Pam Smith
know.

First Fridays at The Imperial Centre

"First Fridays" is underway at the Imperial Centre. This program is a way to promote the Guild and our love of quilting. Each month we need a team of volunteers to talk about the Guild and sell raffle quilt tickets. Raffle tickets will be sold through the December First Friday.

A bag containing samples of the Guild's outreach projects will be provided to each monthly team. All who participate at First Fridays will have their names placed into a special drawing to take place at the May 2019 Guild Meeting. Each time you work First Friday, you will be entered in the special drawing!

Event Time: 6pm - 8pm

Location: Lobby of the main building of the Imperial Centre.

January - No First Friday

February 1st - Cutting Corners Bee

March 1st, April 5th, May 3rd- Teams needed

The team can be a group of friends or a Bee. To sign up for a month, please see a Leadership Team Member at the Guild meeting.

Members who volunteer for the event will be entered into a special drawing to be held in May.

Upcoming Events

January 12th — Guild Auction Fundraiser. Donated items are to be brought the morning of the auction. Forms will be available at the November and December meetings.

February 9th — Sew-in-Day following a brief business meeting and lasting until 4pm. Bring your own lunch and project to work on. A perfect time to work on your Row by Row. Snacks and drinks provided by the Guild.

March 9th — Cathy McKillip, owner of Wish Upon a Quilt, will demonstrate what the AccuQuilt Fabric Cutter can do for you.

TRPQG Auction January 12, 2019

Auction Begins at 9:30am

There is no night before preparation; All items need to arrive between 8am to 9am the morning of the auction. All items must include a description tag. Tag is to be taped, tied or pinned to each item.

This is for Quilt related items only. No other crafts or household items.

*Anything remaining at the close of the auction will be donated.

Requirements:

Each item must have an attached description tag to be accepted

Fabric must be measured

Samples descriptions:

“5 yards of wide backing, brown floral”

“Assorted Fat Quarters”

“Half yard pieces of brown calico; blue batik; 1930's”

Tools/Equipment

Sample descriptions: Provide Brand, model number

“Fons & Porter 5 inch Flying Geese Ruler”

“Wooden Ruler Holder”

“Traveling Tool Bag/Project Bag which can hold.....”

“Sewing Machine, Singer Featherweight which is functional”

“Superior Thread sample collection – assorted weights & colors”

UFO are accepted but must have description

Sample description

“Queen size log cabin in red, white & blue fabric”

“Easter Bunny Wall hanging”

Books, Magazine & Patterns

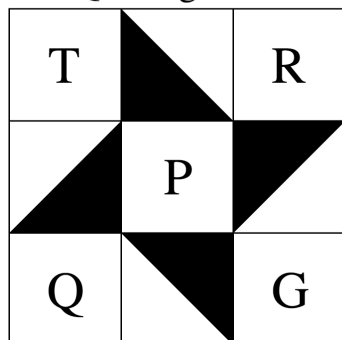
With Books provide any feedback, i.e.- beginner, immediate, advance level

With Patterns describe quilting level and whether pattern was used

Magazine may be bundled – Please mention if pages are missing

Item Description: _____

Tar River Piecemakers
Quilting Guild



TRPQG is on Facebook!

Public information site: Tar River
Piecemakers Quilting Guild

Private Members only Group: TRPQG Members
(visit site and send join request. Active mem-
bers will be approved)

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