

Ashe County Piecemakers

QUILT GUILD MEETING

December 14, 2023



- Meeting called to order by Vice President Michelle McComb @ 1:00 pm
- We were given a few minutes to grab a plate of wonderful desserts and thank you to everyone for bringing something to share! A small black icon of a gingerbread man.
- A Welcome to our returning visitor Emmaline Simpson who has filled out a membership form and special guest Sherrie Edwards
- Sarah Ruth announced after expenses, the guild has brought in \$2000 + for the 2023 fundraiser quilt. Good Job quilters!! Mickey drew the winner of said quilt and the winner was Julie Suddeth!! Congratulations Julie! Julie will be returning to the mountains in the spring, at which time we will try to get her to a guild meeting for a presentation.
- December Birthdays: Sandra Riegler, Irene Bebbler and Diane Dallas! Best wishes to you all!
- Vice President Mickey McComb announced programs and class schedules for the remainder of 2023.
- January:

Please bring a Fat quarter in January of spring colors for the drawing.

Sarah Ruth will have a handout available for the tulip swirl pattern (in spring colors) for those wishing to participate. This is a Bonnie Hunter design and be will be due in February.

January program will be Jennifer Ley instructing how to use this tool. Everyone is encouraged to bring their favorite quilting tool and a project you made using this tool if available.

One of our Wednesday meetings at Generations was spent putting together kits and color combinations from fabrics Janice Dreisbaugh donated. These kits will be available at the January meeting. Many thanks to those workers!

- February BOM is due. Tulip swirl in spring colors.

The program will be “Panel Discussion” Anyone sharing knowledge on making quilts using panels. There are some panels recently donated that will be available for anyone interested.

Also in February is Quilt Con in Raleigh!! We are very excited about the opportunity to see and study quilting and fabric arts on such a high level. We might even meet someone we follow on social media or hold in high regard! Not an opportunity that presents itself very often. We are hoping to gain skills to share with others.

- March: Fat quarter in greens for a drawing. Good luck Catherine Finch A small black icon of a top hat with a white band and a small white flower on the side.

- Other reminders:



Janet Ward collects small wall hangings (app. 2 1/2 x 2 1/2) for the New River State Park in December, March, June, and September. You do not have to sell your wall-hangings, or they can be purchased by the public. One quarter of the proceeds will go to the quilt guild, or you may donate all your profits. That's a win- win!!


Susan Miller also reminded the guild that in June, your fabulous creations will be due for inspection as an entry to the Arts council Artist Exhibit named "Not Your Grannie's quilting"

This will be very similar to a quilt show. Let's show them what we got! ✨


Debbie Keightley will be updating our directory, if you have any changes to your address, email or phone number, please let her know

- We are still looking for ideas for the 2024 community project which is due next December 2024. If you have a cause that is dear to you or just an idea, please let a board member know or put a suggestion in the suggestion box. Don't forget about that box at the sign in table...



- Quilt mother / queen  All we need is one volunteer to head up a committee for 3 functions. This is our primary source of income, you will have lots of help, even with set up.... expecting several volunteers now 😊
- Sew and tell: Dini Parsons, Diane Dallas, and Michele Hayes! Applaud you all for being so creative at such a busy time!
- Our community project this year was making baby quilts for the Ashe Pregnancy Center. Sherrie Edwards (director of the center) was presented with 40 baby quilts! Sherrie also talked briefly about what the pregnancy center provides and its accomplishments this past year. We are very proud to participate in such an important service. Thank you, Michele Hayes, for heading up that project.



- Other FUN facts:  Although we are ALL winners by participating in this very important guild, the winner of the Bonnie Hunter tool and congratulations go to Lynne Hayes (we WILL be expecting to see something beautiful) 😊
Linda Harris took home the Mango spread and wooden Christmas tree centerpiece that was made by Bill McComb. (husband of Mickey and a very special thank you to Bill)
The winners of "Left Center Right "dice game were Janet Ward, Debbie Keightly, Gillian Winterton, and Alicia Canfield. (This game also helps remind you which side is your left and which side is your right. 😊)

No one left empty handed, as you should have gotten your fat quarter as you left the meeting.

- Tips and tricks:

Did you know... when you press fabric and it has a smell, chances are, it is not cotton.

Cotton fabric does not have a smell directly after pressing. 😊



Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



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