

Ashe County Piecemakers

QUILT GUILD MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2024

- Meeting called to order by President Jean Evans @ 1:00 pm.
- A special thank you to Mickey for overseeing the December meeting and everyone's sincere condolences to Mickey and her family for the loss of her son.
- Thank you notes were received from the senior center and a recipient of one of our community quilts, Mary Zell Absher.
- Refreshments were furnished by Mickey McComb and as always, totally enjoyed!
- A Welcome to return guest/member, Diane Hannon and a new guest Lois, I will have to catch her last name next month 😞oopsy. Also, a welcome to new member Brenda Brown! You might remember her from the Sew Originals presentation and to Phyllis Smith who is new to the area and has been a member of the Hickory quilt guild. 🎈
- January and February Happy birthdays go out to: Lynne Hayes, Cheryl Wilson, Claudette Jacobs, Margie Miller, and Alicia Canfield
- Diane Dallas reported that we gave out 33 community quilts and 40 crib quilts to Ashe pregnancy center last year. Diane also brought several dresses and community quilts that people in the guild have sewn. Great job and teamwork, ladies! 🏆
- We are proud to announce that Diane has also been coerced into heading up the committees for fundraiser events. Woot! Woot! Michele Hayes has spoken to the guidance counselor at the high school and reports they will put the word out for help setting up and taking down the tent but cannot guarantee anything.
- Please feel free to take any kit on the back table! These are donated fabrics from Janice Dreisbaugh... they are very nice! So, if you're looking for a project, help yourself.
- Mickey McComb updated everyone on monthly programs:

February fat quarter was a spring print won by new member Phyllis Smith! Congratulations! (that's how we reel them in 😊)

Quilt Con is at the end of February.

Spring BOM will be due in March along with a green fat quarter. Everyone is encouraged to put Catherine Finch's name in the basket. Teehee

April: Library challenge quilts are due along with the book please.

May: there will be no board or guild meeting in May because of the retreat.

Janet Ward will be collecting wall-hangings in March to display at the New River State Park. Seasonal themed and again in June, September, and December.

Catherine Finch addressed a new plan for Veterans quilts since there will not be music for Veterans this year.

- 1) Any member in good standing with ACPQG has a family member that has honorably served and has at least part time residency in Ashe County, NC are eligible for a lap quilt.
- 2) A basic application must be completed and returned to Catherine Finch or Joyce Cain.
- 3) Program or presentation to be determined and if an eligible veteran has received a quilt in the past, they cannot receive another.
- 4) The board has approved this proposal, and it was also decided to name it Piecemakers for Veterans. ★★

We have been given several ideas for next year's community projects to be discussed, thank you, and if you have an idea let a board member know.

Jennifer Ley did a fabulous and interesting presentation on Bonnie Hunters "Essential Triangle Tool" with lots of helpful tips. Thank you, Jennifer! Well done! Jennifer also shared her most recent gnomes which are incredible!

Favorite tools were shared by: Lynne Hayes, Debbie Knightley, Michele Hayes, Susan Miller, Kathy Carpenter, and Janet Ward. Thank you for sharing!

Susan Miller also reminded everyone in June, your fabulous creations will be due for inspection as an entry to the Arts council Exhibit named "Not Your Grannie's quilting" This will be very similar to a quilt show. There is so much talent in our guild 🏆 We know you will all come up with something wonderful!

Our fundraiser quilt will be on display at the Wilksboro visitor Center in May-June and accompanied by a QR code that can be scanned by phone for payment of raffle tickets! Big Step! Thank you to Vicki Duckworth for displaying the quilt at the meeting, it is STUNNING!

Sew and tell: Diane Dallas, Margie Miller, Linda Katsoudas, Faye Martin, and Jean Evans. Quite impressive!!

- Tips and tricks:
A little felt disc (like goes under a chair leg) on top of your sewing machine gives you a place to stick pins that is easily accessible.

Happy Valentines Day 

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