

Ashe County Piecemakers' Fat Quarterly

Sharing the Art of Past, Present, and Future Quilting

Meeting at the Ashe County Senior Center on Ray Taylor Road 2nd Thursday of the month 2:00-4:00

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Greetings, quilters,

Well, July is just about in our rearview mirrors, welcome to August! The summer is flying by. We'll soon be busy getting ready for Halloween, Thanksgiving and even Christmas! I, for one, would like to get an early start on Christmas gifts so I'm not faced with that "gotta get it done" rush come December. Christmas in July went well for us. We have Art on the Mountain, the Festival of the Frescoes and a couple of gallery crawls coming up. Please think about volunteering to help out with selling tickets at one of these opportunities. We need to make some money on this quilt to continue our ongoing activities.

Many, many thanks to Mary Rodgers for helping me get the red dye stain out of our fund raiser quilt. We got about 98% of the color out and what remains could easily be seen as the color of the fabric. Let that be a lesson for all of us...prewash your fabrics! Especially if they're RED!

Remember to let Mary Rodgers know if you want to go on our guild outing to the Asheville Quilt show. I believe she'll need your deposit and ticket money (\$20.00) at our next guild meeting, so check your schedule for availability. It should be a fun time for all.

Hope to see you all at our next guild meeting, August 8th. 'Til then, Happy quilting! Ces



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Guild Meeting - August 8
Program: Marathon Jam
Winner of Challenge
will be announced

Aimee Miller 4 Rhonda Lyon 5 Sherri Dent 10 Linda Katsoudas 10 Brenda Cole 13 Catherine Finch 19
Adrienne Sherrow 23 Carol Day 24 Peg Hofstetter 27 Mary Smalley 30 Vicki Duckworth 31

Ashe County Piecemakers Quilt Guild Meeting

11 July 2019

“Sharing the Art of past, present and future quilting”

Committee Chairmen

Community Service Quilts
Kathy Carpenter
Tammy Hutchinson
Directory
Brenda Cole
Fundraiser Quilt
Paula Riggs
Faye Martin
Historian
Wendy Stanley
Librarian
Michele Hayes
Newsletter
Brenda Cole
Program
Doris Phillips
Publicity
Kathy Carpenter
Quilt Fair
Dana Kumerow
Doris Phillips
Refreshments
Laura Sage
Sunshine
Lorraine Roszkowski
Webmaster
Michele Hayes
Welcome & Membership
Wendy Stanley
Jean Sherrill

President Ces Robison called the meeting to order.

Wendy Stanley reported 31 people in attendance, no guests or new members.

Birthdays: Happy Birthday wishes to Laura Micklon (3rd), Jean Williamson Hall (20th), Michele Hayes (21st), Betsy Ziroli (21st). Happy Birthday to All!

Sew and Tell:

- Ann Becker displayed a lovely quilt, in Spring colors, made for her daughter and son-in-law.
- Catherine Finch, on behalf of Lynda Harris, held up the adorable quilt with sheep appliques that Lynda made for her first great-great-granddaughter.
- Claudette Jacobs shared a beautiful quilt of a basket pattern filled with various fruits and flowers.
- Barbara Phillips displayed a stunning black, red and white UFO. She said she had made the LeMoyné Star center years ago and recently found the perfect pattern to accompany it in a magazine.
- Margie Miller shared two nearly identical masculine quilts she made for her twin grandsons, with machine embroidered wild animal themes. She also showed the embroidered pink and blue mermaids quilt made for her great-granddaughter. Margie said she'd had lots of practice with machine embroidery lately.

Business Meeting:

Minutes: Susan Miller made a motion, seconded by Carole Day, to accept the minutes from the June meeting, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Lynda Harris reported the Treasury has a balance of \$7278.99. \$607 in ticket sales were collected at Christmas in July for the 2019 Fundraiser Quilt.

Vice-President's Announcements:

Programs and Workshops:

- The program today was a game to identify the countries represented by the Challenge Quilts and to vote for our favorite. Winners of both game and Challenge will be announced at the August meeting. Quilters will share their Challenge Quilts at that time as well.

Drawings: Susan displayed the block for August, an Arrowhead Puzzle pattern. Everyone may choose their own colors for this traditional 10-1/2" block.

Chairpersons' Reports:

- **Library:** Michele reported there are a number of new books in the library, donated by Barbara Barkley. Several people agreed that the library is a great resource for information about quilting techniques.
- **State Parks:** Carol Skroch says the State Park generally displays between thirteen and fifteen quilts in the Visitors Center. She collected quilts today which will be returned in September. Three unidentified quilts still need to be claimed and at the close of the meeting it appeared that one quilt had found its owner.
- **Sunshine:** Cards were sent to Carole Landy, who is recuperating from a heart attack in Florida at her son's residence. Carole plans to return home on the 22nd of this month. Jean Sherrill's recovery is progressing well with the aid of physical therapy. Peg Hofstetter's surgery has been delayed while the surgeon attempts to develop the best plan; Peg was at Wake Forest Baptist Hospital today for a consultation. Carol Skroch says she is doing well;

her Stage 1 breast cancer was discovered early in a mammogram. Carol highly recommends that women have an annual mammogram instead of the bi-annual exam recommended by the medical field. The Sunshine Committee is sending follow-up cards and messages via email whenever possible. The subject line on the email will say "Wendy sent you this greeting from Blue Mountain!" and will appear to come from ecards@bluemountain.com. Please include this email address in your Address Book or "Safe Senders" list to receive messages.

Old Business:

- **2019 Fundraiser Quilt (FRQ):** Rain during the Christmas in July festival caused one of the red leaves on the FRQ to bleed; Ces displayed the quilt and requested input on how to repair the damage. Suggestions were to use a wine removal product, and/or cover the areas with additional leaves. A sign-up sheet was passed for the remainder of the summer festivals.
- **Mary Rodgers** provided details of the proposed trip to the Asheville Quilt Show, September 27th. Cost of the bus is \$1728.00; a proposal was made that \$20 will be charged for the reservation on the bus and, if the member actually takes the trip, \$14 will be refunded. The other \$6 covers the show ticket. Non-members are welcome to register for the trip as well, however, their payment will not be refunded. Carol Skroch made a motion, seconded by Ann Becker, that the Guild pay the cost of the bus; motion passed unanimously.
- **2020 Quilt Retreat:** Mary announced dates of May 12th through the 15th, 2020 for the fifth annual Quilt Guild Retreat. Cost will be \$30.00 per person; two or more people may share cost if unable to attend for the entire four days. Since the May regular meeting falls within the retreat dates and many members may not have visited Laurel Ridge the Guild is planning to hold the regular meeting at the center. Options were discussed, such as holding the meeting at lunch or renting a separate room.
- **Lynda** has agreed to conduct a workshop in September, if possible, on paper pieced Christmas ornaments; many lovely ornaments were on display today.

New Business:

- Gillian Winterton requested a quilt for the Library display for September.
- Kathy Carpenter requested assistance from a machine embroiderer.
- Ideas for a Christmas project were solicited; Ann suggested novelty pillowcases for children and would be willing to do a workshop. Other suggestions were gifts for the military, chemotherapy hats, NEST.
- Dana Kumerow has requested that members pick up vendor's business cards if or when they attend a quilt show. Please talk with the vendor to determine whether they'd be interested in our 2020 show. She also suggested that we widen the vendor pool by adding non-quilting related types of services (e.g., photography, jewelry, pottery, etc.) This idea was well received though it was noted that addition of vendors would be determined by the available spaces.

Announcements:

Next ACPQG Board meeting will be Thursday, August 1st., 2019, at 10:00AM in the Library Board Room. All are welcome to attend.

Next ACPQG regular meeting will be August 8th, 2019 from 2:00 – 4:30 at the Senior Center.

Community Service Sew Day is an ongoing activity, first Thursday of the month, 1:00 until 4:00, Classroom 1 of the Senior Center.

Boutique Sew Day is an ongoing activity, every Wednesday morning, Classroom 1 of the Senior Center.

Fairs and Festivals:

Quilt Speak: Uncovering Women's Voices Through Quilts, Ongoing, NC Museum of History, Raleigh, NC.

Alleghany Quilt Guild Quilt Show, July 12-13, 9:30-4:00, Alleghany County Fairgrounds.

Sunflower Festival, July 12-15, Mountain City, TN.

Patchwork Quilters Jamboree, July 12-13, 701 S College Avenue, Bluefield, TN.

Smoky Mountain Quilters Show, August 2-3, 2019, Knoxville Expo Center, TN.

Original Sewing & Quilt Expo, August 1-3, 2019, Raleigh Convention Center, Raleigh, NC.

Exhibit-Women's Voices: Quilted Legacies, August 30-31, 2019, Mountain City, TN.

“Long Journey Home”, Tennessee Sunrise Quilt Guild, September 2-3, 2019, Mountain City, TN.

Asheville Quilt Show, September 27-29, 2019, WNC Agricultural Center, Davis Event Center Pavilion, Asheville, NC.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Donna Sense, 15July2010

Calendar & Notes

Aug 1 10:00-12:00 Board Meeting in the library conference room

Aug 1 1:00 – 4:00 Community Service Quilts Sew Day

Aug 8 2:00 – 4:30 Guild Meeting: Marathon Jam

September 27 Bus trip to Asheville

[*Please remember to silence your phone during meetings to avoid distractions. Thanks!*](#)

Workshop: Boutique Sew Day Wednesday at 10:00 at the Senior Center – Classroom 1 ([beginners welcome](#))

**High Country Doll-makers Club – 2nd Saturday of the month - contact Adrienne Sherrow for location as it varies:
336-858-0096 adrsherrow@gmail.com**

Community Service Quilts – 1st Thursday of the month - 12:30 to 4:00 ([beginners welcome](#))

Critters: (Knitting and crocheting) – The Critters have joined forces with the Crafters at the library. They meet the 3rd Saturday of the month from 10 – 12 in the library Conference room. Call Library for information.

Trip to Asheville: Since the bus trip to Asheville is in September, please be prepared to let Mary Rodgers know at the August meeting if you plan to go. The cost is \$20.00 which includes entry to the show. When you arrive on trip day, you will be refunded \$14.00. (\$6.00 is for the entry ticket.) You are welcome to bring a friend; however non-members will not get the refund.

Library: Gillian needs a quilt for the library for the month of September.

Here are the instructions for the August block drawing:

Arrowhead Puzzle block

July 2019 ACPQG

Choose your own colors for this traditional block. All units are cut from 3" strips_ Arrowhead puzzle blocks look great sewn together without sashing, so pressing instructions are important for blocks to go together easily. Block size is 10.5" unfinished.

Two medium/dark fabrics, small Scale prints

Color 1- 3" x 18"; Sub cut into (h) 3m squares

COlOr 2- 3" 6"; Sub Cut into 12) 3^M squares

One cream toned neutral,

Neutral • 3" x 24"; Sub cut into (8) 3" squares

Layout all sixteen squares in a four by four grid following the color placement as shown_

Sew the blocks in each row together without pressing Seams. Lay rows out and check for correct orientation.

Press seams, alternating the direction of each row.

Join the rows together: Join Row 1 to Row 2, nesting seam allowances. Join Row 3 to Row 4, nesting seam allowances. Check orientation and then join the two pieces again nesting the seam allowances.

Press the seams to the bottom.

Block will measure 10.5" and Will finish at 10"



Christmas Crackers

(Class by Ann Becker)

Materials

Christmas Cracker Pattern Download

\$5.99 from thequiltingcompany.com

White Print

5/8 yard

Panel Print

6 panels (approximately 36" or 44") or fabric with at least a 12" repeat

Please note that even though this is similar to a one block wonder it is **not** assembled the same as a one block wonder. The entire pattern must be cut at one time and the matching pieces will be pinned together in sets. This will take the entire day of the first day of class. The second day of class will be laying out the entire quilt *before* you piece it together.

Multicolor print

¾ yard for binding

Backing

5 ¼ yards

Batting

72" x 88"

Ruler

60 degree triangle ruler or ruler with 60 degree mark on ruler

Purchase of a pattern is a must. You will need your own pattern due to copyright laws. I also do not have the templates I used to make the quilt and you will need your own templates.

The other item that would be good to have is a flannel backed tablecloth. This will allow you to layout the pieces for piecing the quilt together and will become somewhat portable. The piecing is in the assembly of the quilt. This is not your normal pieced block pattern. You will not finish this class in the 2nd day of class. This may end up being pieced/assembled on your own time. If time allows, we may be able to assemble one or two rows after you have layed out your entire quilt.

I am providing this information to assist you in determining if you want to take this class or make the investment of materials. The rating on this pattern is Challenging.