



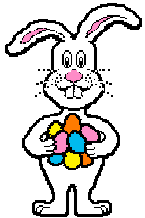
Foothills Quilters Guild Newsletter



United We Stand

April, 2006

United We Stitch



April Meeting
Thursday, April 27th
Ascension Lutheran Church
7:00pm
Program by
Pat Knoechel

Pat Knoechel is back!

Eleanor Burns' delightful sister, Pat, will be joining us once again for our April 27th meeting and she's bringing lots of new ideas. Her program will feature the newest publications from Quilt in a Day: *Quilting Through the Seasons* (available in April 2006) and it's "El"ementary. In the first book, Quilt in a Day has created a palette of 12 quilt patterns to symbolize the months of year, presented in the four seasons. The second book is a must for the beginning quilter -- it offers five quick 12-inch blocks that go together step by step. As a challenge for the experienced quilter, instructions are included for 6-inch miniature blocks. Don't miss it!



A Note from your President . . .

Hello Guild Members,



Another great meeting! Great Show and Tell and more wonderful quilts were shown for our projects. It was nice to have two visitors. Maybe they will become members soon.

It is always nice to have such a friendly group. I know that everyone was greeted with a smile by Betty Giles. I hope that this is making everyone feel welcome. Thanks Betty. Also, thanks to the ones that volunteered for the three months that were vacant.

I know we all got a lot of ideas on doing something special with the borders on our quilts. The slide show was an inspiration. Now we have no excuse to have plain borders, we can do something exciting. Our year is just beginning and we have many wonderful speakers and activities still to come. Put your thinking caps on and come up with a fantastic idea for a hat for the June meeting. I have already heard of some of your ideas.

At the board meeting it was voted to buy a square in the quilt that Kay Young is making for the Red Cross. It is "supposed to be in a prominent place". Just kidding. I feel, as well as many others, that this is a way to keep our name out there in the year that we are not having a quilt show. Speaking of the quilt show, we will be forming committees soon. If you have a position that you would like to be the chairperson please let me know. If not, don't say no when you are asked to be in charge of a position.

Don't let the warm temperatures, flower beds and cutting grass keep you away from your sewing machine. See you at the meeting.



March Attendance

52 members
2 visitors

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Foothills Quilters Guild Minutes March 23rd, 2006

The Foothills Quilters Guild met on March 23, 2006 at the Ascension Lutheran Church in Shelby, NC. President Brenda Arrowood began the meeting by asking if there were visitors. Nellie Harrell, vice president-membership introduced visitors Debra Davis and Ingill Jarl.

President Brenda Arrowood discussed the following:

1. Copies of the budget are available on the table at the door.
2. There is still fabric left from last month for donation quilts.
3. Please let Librarian Ann Hutchins know of any ideas for books you would like to have in the library.
4. There will be a short board meeting following the guild meeting.
5. The prayer list was reviewed with the members and updated.
6. Please be thinking about your hat for the June party.
7. Eleanor Morgan-Vice President Programs attended the NC Quilters Guild Forum.
8. Programs for the rest of the year were noted.

Cindy Blair stated that there are still two openings for the 6-inch square exchange.

Eleanor Morgan-Vice President Programs stated that a signup sheet was available for the Karen Combs workshop in July. Holly Greene stated that she would take any blocks that were ready for the Boines children project. Teresa Bourne and Linda Harrison won door prizes.

The following participated in Show 'N Tell: Kathy Earls, Dee Batayte, Robin Parton, Ellen Yunker, Hollis Rabb, Cornelia Sweezy, Teresa Bourne, Aileen Hamrick, Holly Greene, Susie Bridges, and Brenda Benfield. Eleanor Morgan and Kay Young showed a quilt that they made along with Lee Holman and Bobbie Raines. Blocks from the day's workshop with Jan Smiley were also shown.

Vice President Programs-Eleanor Morgan introduced Jan Smiley who did a program on pieced borders. After the program, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,
Brenda Benfield
Recording Secretary



Sign up for Karen Combs Workshop

Spots are still available for the Karen Combs workshop "Patchwork Illusions" on July 29. Because depth has fascinated artists for centuries, Karen has developed a quick and easy rotary technique that allows you to make quilts with the 3-D look. This is Karen's favorite class because it is so easy to create these truly amazing quilts of illusion. Let Karen share her secrets, so you, too, can become a master of illusion. Payment of \$35 for the class will reserve your spot in the workshop - See Shirley Runyans at the April meeting or call Eleanor Morgan at (704) 487-7486.

UFO Days 2006 9:00am - 4:00pm

May 13
June 10
July 8
Aug 12
Sept 9
Oct 14

Meeting Greeters

April - Harriette Grigg
May - Judy Poteat
June - Bertha Geraghty
July - Linda R. Davis
Aug - Betty Bridges
Sept - Ellen Yunker
Oct - Holly Green
Nov - Suzy Bridges
Dec - Molly Savage

Deadline for the May Newsletter May 8, 2006

Please send all info to Sally Norman
223 General Griffith Circle, Rutherfordton 28139 or
sunorman1@bellsouth.net

Member News



April Birthdays

7 Carol McCraw
12 Kay Young
20 Marie Peters

Happy Birthday Ladies!

Remember: If your name appears in the birthday list please arrive at 6 pm to help set up the meeting room. Please plan to stay a few minutes late to return it to it's original arrangement. If you are unable to attend please find a replacement. Your help and cooperation will be greatly appreciated. And remember - thank goodness we only have one birthday a year!!



*Any member who would like to be included in our monthly birthday list please send your name and date to Sally Norman: sunorman1@bellsouth.net or call (828) 286-2954.

In Our Prayers . . .

Wayne Hyder - Carolyn Sipes' son in-law
Scott Nivens- Cindy Blair's uncle
Sue Padgett - at Oak Grove for therapy
Judy Poteat's brother & sister-in-law
Marie Peters
Barbara Toney's husband
Shirley Runyans' grandson Bob
Hazel Wilson - surgery
Sheila McMellion's husband, Ricky
Pat Sansing - brother-in-law passed away



Those participating in Show 'N Tell at the February Meeting were:

Kathy Earls	Dee Batayte	Robin Parton
Ellen Yunker	Hollis Rabb	Cornelia Sweezy
Teresa Bourne	Aileen Hamrick	Holly Greene
Susie Bridges	Brenda Benfield	

- Eleanor Morgan & Kay Young showed a quilt they made along with Lee Holman and Bobbie Raines
- Blocks from Jan Smiley Workshop

Hooray! We Had Visitors!

A warm welcome to Debra Davis and Inglill Jarl, who joined us at our March Meeting.



Barbara Toney Honored by Red Cross

Cleveland County Red Cross singled out 22 men and women for its 2005 service awards. Guild member Barbara Toney, disaster services volunteer coordinator, was recognized with the Margaret Noell Award – "Miss Cleveland County Red Cross".

Executive Director Benny Cook said of Barbara "I worked with her during the last ice storm. When we went to get groceries to help people, I'm telling you, Grant didn't take Richmond like we took Wal-Mart".

Congratulations, Barbara, for your recognition and many thanks for your selfless service to the community.



Kay Young & Eleanor Morgan Create Signature Quilt for Red Cross

Cleveland County Red Cross is reaping many rewards from the talents and big hearts of our guild members. Kay Young, assisted by Eleanor Morgan are stitching the first-ever signature quilt to raise money for the local chapter of the American Red Cross.

To raise money, squares of the quilt are for sale for \$125 each. The borders are for sale for \$500 each. There will be 89 pieces of fabric woven together to create the quilt. Once the squares are sewn, the names of the individuals or businesses that purchased squares will be written on the blocks in indelible ink. The completed quilt will hang in the Cleveland County Chapter Red Cross Facility.

The goal for the project is to raise \$25,000. Kay is donating all the materials, and she and Eleanor are both donating all their time.

In the photo below, Kay is showing her award winning "Cubed Passion" quilt to representatives from the Cleveland County Red Cross.



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The Joy of Clowning Around

Donna Hartley brings us this story about Mollie Taylor, a retired educator who volunteers every week at Lincolnton Hospital as a clown. She works with underprivileged children who are receiving free dental surgery. These children are very scared and Mollie dresses up as a clown and gives each of them a flower she makes from fabric. She also makes balloon animals for them and makes them an honorary clown for the day to ease their fears and get them to take their medications. She makes all the flowers and has bought the fabric and supplies herself in the past.

If you have any fabric you no longer want, even scraps, she would be very appreciative of any donations. She can also use buttons, pom poms, and most any craft supply you no longer need.

If anyone has anything they would like to donate, bring it to the guild meeting and give to Donna Hartley or Inez Koontz. Or you can call Mollie and she will come and pick it up (704) 735-7503.

Mollie is shown below with Austin Magiera, who is sporting his fabric flower, balloon pal, and big red nose, qualifying him as an "honorary clown".

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On the Road . . .



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"Aunt Bee's 2nd Annual Outdoor Quilt Show", Fountain Inn City Hall Green, Fountain Inn, SC. 10am-5pm. Free admission.

Apr 26-29, 2006

AQS Quilt Show & Contest", American Quilters Society, Paducah Expo Center, Paducah, KY. www.americanquilter.com

May 20-21, 2006

"Coastal Stars", Crystal Coast Quilters Guild, Crystal Coast Civic Center, Morehead City, NC.

June 1-6, 2006

NC Symposium 2006, Benton Convention Center and Adam's Mark Hotel, Winston Salem, NC.

June 23-25, 2006

"On Pins and Needles", Quilters by the Sea, Hoggard High School Gym, Wilmington, NC.

June 29-July 1, 2006

"Harvest of Quilts", Hendersonville Quilt Show, West Hendersonville High School, 3600 Haywood Rd., Hendersonville, NC.

Aug 4-6, 2006

"Quilting Melodies", Asheville Quilt Show, NC Arboretum, Asheville, NC - Chairperson, BarbaraPate, brpate@charter.net

Oct 21-24, 2006

"Quilting: Where History and Art Collide," Durham-Orange Quilters' Guild biennial quilt show at the American Tobacco Campus, 324 Blackwell St., Durham, NC. The show includes quilts and wearable art, winning entries in a judged competition, vendors, members' boutique, fat quarter raffle baskets, and a raffle quilt. Hours are: Fri 10am-9pm, Sat 10am-5pm and Sun 12noon-5pm. Admission \$5 (discount for children and seniors), parking is free, site is handicapped-accessible. For information or directions: phone 919-933-1015, e-mail: quiltingcollides@yahoo.com, or see website: www.durhamorangequilters.com.

FQG Calendar

Apr 27 Pat Knoechel

May 25 Diana Pickens of Moore SC, will give a trunk show and lecture. Diana has won numerous awards for her abstract and geometric approach to quilting design.

Jun 15 20th Anniversary Celebration & Party
NOTE CHANGE OF DATE from Jun 22nd due TO conflict with Vacation Bible School at Church

Jul 28 & 29 Karen Combs Lecture & Workshop

Nov 10 & 11 Sue Nickels Lecture & Workshop



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REMINDER

2007 Cookbook

Teresa Bourne has assumed the responsibility for compiling the 2007 Guild Cookbook (Sally will continue to be the production peon).

Please send recipes to Teresa at:

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Rutherfordton, NC 28139
Phone: (828) 287-8899
Email: RBBourne@aol.com

Boinest Quilt Project

If you are participating in the Boinest Quilt Project, please bring your completed blocks to the April meeting. They want to have all blocks before they move to the design wall and need to move forward.

Many, many thanks to those of you who were willing to participate in this project.

Bring to the April Meeting

- Handcrafted nametags
- Library books
- Show 'N Tell
- Quilts for South Mountain (min. 50" x 60")
- Kozy Quilts
- Recipes for the 2007 Cookbook



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