



*Breaking News:* Holiday Party moved up to 2<sup>nd</sup> week in December!



# Foothills Quilters Guild Newsletter

United We Stand

December, 2009

United We Stitch



*December Meeting  
Annual Holiday Party  
December 10, 2009  
Ascension Lutheran Church  
6 pm*

It's our Holiday **Par-tee** so come prepared to have good food, fun and fellowship! Here is a message from Linda Davis about the **Par-tee**:

1. *Everyone needs to wear their name tag.*
2. *We want everyone to make or buy a Christmas card & put on the envelope "Merry Christmas Quilt Friend" so that when you pick a card you can be sure that you do not get your own.*
3. *Everyone needs to bring a dish with the utensils to use, a dessert, salad, vegetable, bread, casserole, etc.*
4. *Please do not touch anything on the table until Suzy & I explain things.*
5. *If you know of someone that does not get the e-mails, please notify them of this party & then e-mail for them or call me at 704-484-9975.*
6. *It is important that we have the RSVP's due to the things Suzy & I are making as we don't want anyone left out.*

Please let Linda know if you can attend; Everyone needs to know that if I get their e-mail & reply back "I have you down, Thanks, Linda" then you are counted. Linda's e-mail address is:

[watermelonlady@carolina.rr.com](mailto:watermelonlady@carolina.rr.com)

## *Message from our President:*



Fellow Quilters,

Can you believe that 2009 is almost over? It seems that every year just goes by faster and faster.

Hope you had a good Thanksgiving. For the first time in years, I went shopping on Black Friday. Although I didn't make it to the stores by 4:00am, I did get there by 8:00 (didn't have time for breakfast, but made up for it at lunch). So I was out on Black Friday with 500,000 other shoppers!

You still have time to bring your items for the abuse centers. Judy Ferguson sent me a flyer from the Gaston abuse center that listed items they could use and suggested that Cleveland and Rutherford centers might need the same items. The items listed were, canned food, body and hand lotion, over the counter meds. For Babies/Children, gas cards, toilet paper, tampons, paper cups, diapers, antibacterial soap, new children pajamas, new adult pajamas, plastic utensils, juice box drinks, 2-liter soft drinks, and individual Children's snacks.

For our Christmas party on 10 December (starting at 6:00pm), remember to bring a Christmas card as requested by Linda and Suzy, wear your nametag, and come prepared to have a great time.

See you at the party,

*Dee*



Deadline for January Newsletter – 1/2/2010

Please send info to Linda McNeary  
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## November Attendance

**37 members**  
**2 visitors**

### 2009 Board of Directors

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### Board Members At Large

<b>Brenda Arrowood</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Ginny Huntley</b>	<b>2007-2009</b>
<b>Peggy McSwain</b>	<b>2007-2009</b>
<b>Ellen Warlick</b>	<b>2007-2009</b>
<b>Harriette Grigg</b>	<b>2008-2010</b>
<b>Kathy Hackett</b>	<b>2008-2010</b>

### Guild Positions

*Historian*

**Nancy Baxter (704) 487-5917**

*Librarians*

**Eula Crews (704) 297-2624**

**Barbara Lynch (704) 481-9945**

*Newsletter Editor*

**Ellen Warlick (704) 434-9500**

**Shirley Runyans, Assistant (704) 434-9823**

## Foothills Quilters Guild Minutes

**November 19, 2009**

Dee Batayte, president, presided at the November 19 meeting of the Foothills Quilters Guild. There were two guests present: Carolyn Lane and Susan Doggett.

The pray list included the following: Miriam Glenn, Hazel Wilson, Jack Horner (Nancy Horner's husband), James Hall, Ginny Huntley's mother, Judy Starnes's mother, Dick Derrick (Mary Henry's), David Baptist Church, New Bethel Church's pastor, Jim Crothers (Anne Crothers' husband), Jim Earls (Cathy Earls' brother-in-law), and Tex Sipes (Carolyn Sipes' husband).

Eleanor Morgan gave information on our service project for homes for abused women and children in Rutherford and Cleveland counties. She reminded members to give \$2.00 or fat quarters to make tote bags and these bags would be made assembly line style on Dec. 2 and Dec. 5. Patterns for fat quarter bags were available for members who preferred to make bags at home. Members were also asked to bring Christmas gifts for the shelters. The people in the shelters can use just about anything. Things for Christmas stockings should be separate from the stockings because there is no way of knowing who or how many people would be at the homes at that time.

Linda Davis gave the following instructions for the Christmas party on December 10 at 6:00:

1. Bring a Christmas card with "Merry Christmas Quilt Friend" written on the envelope. The cards are to be exchanged. Don't open until instructed to do so.
2. Please tell Linda ahead of time if you are planning to attend.
3. When you sit down please don't touch anything on the tables or you will spoil the surprises.
4. Bring a favorite dish and the necessary serving utensil.
5. Wear your name tag.

In 2008 it cost the guild \$992.93 to mail the Newsletter. This is why we began posting the Newsletter to our website. We are mailing hard copy Newsletters to 18 members at a cost of approximately \$1.00 per Newsletter, for a total of slightly more than \$200. After much discussion among the BOD members, we determined that those members wishing hard copies should pay an additional \$10.00 with their dues. If you do not have email, and don't want to pay the extra \$10.00, you may use a computer at a library or ask a fellow member to make you a paper copy. The \$10 dollars will help defray costs for copying and postage. The honorary members will not have to pay for hard copy newsletters.

Members who had good ideas for places for the new guild brochure were asked to please take some and place them.

Quilting and Fiber Art Market Place will be in Sanford, NC, January 8 & 9. Quilting & Needle Art Extravaganza will take place in Statesville, NC, January 29 – 30. Information for these events was on the sign-in table, and our web site has links to the shows for more information.

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# On The Road . . .



**Jan 8-9, 2010**

*"The Quilting and Fiber Art Marketplace"*

**Sanford, NC**

**Location:** Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center, 1801 Nash St.

**Hours:** 9 am - 5 pm.

**Admission:** \$4.00

**Comments:** Enjoy shopping with the more than 20 of the best shops from Greensboro, Durham, Raleigh, Fayetteville and the Coast in one convenient location. Sanford is easy to get to, and plenty of free parking is available. Treat yourself to a day of fun with fabric and fibers. In addition to fabrics and machines, there will also be booths with yarn and beads. Featured raffle quilts will be from Durham-Orange Quilters Guild, Greensboro's Gate City Quilters Guild, Quilters By the Sea from Wilmington and Cobblestone Quilters Guild from Charleston, SC. Box lunches will be available. Daily door prize drawings. For more information, a complete list of vendors and special hotel rates, see our website - [quiltersgallery.net](http://quiltersgallery.net) or email - [quiltgallery@bellsouth.net](mailto:quiltgallery@bellsouth.net) or call 704-376-2531.

**Jan 29-30, 2010**

*"The Quilting and Needle Art Extravaganza"*

**Statesville, NC**

**Location:** Statesville Civic Center, 300 South Center St.

**Hours:** 9 am - 5 pm

**Admission:** \$4.00

**Comments:** We have doubled our space this year! Support your local vendors and treat yourself to a shopping day with 38 of your favorite stores under one roof. Quilting, knitting, beads, wool folk art, sewing machines, long arm machines, mixed media, buttons, fabrics and fibers just waiting for your creativity. Each shop will feature a display of their newest fabrics and designs. Get inspired! Raffle quilts from Brushy Mountain Quilters Guild, Heart of the Triad Quilter's Guild, Charlotte Quilter's Guild and The Asheville Quilter's Guild. Box lunches will be available. Daily door prize drawings. For more information, a complete list of vendors and special hotel rates see our website - [quiltersgallery.net](http://quiltersgallery.net) or email - [quiltgallery@bellsouth.net](mailto:quiltgallery@bellsouth.net)

**February 3 - 6 - "Romancing Eastern North Carolina"**, Shop Hop!! Four Days of Fun and Fabric. \$5 Passports go on Sale October 1st at participating stores. For a list of participating stores visit: [www.cottonfieldsn.com](http://www.cottonfieldsn.com) or call: Cotton Fields Quilt Shop, 3751 Wharton Station Rd., Washington NC (252) 948-0372

**March 24 - 27 - American Quilter's Society Quilt Show** in Lancaster, Pennsylvania

**April 16 - 17 - "Piecing Generations Together"**, Forsyth Piecers & Quilters Guild, New Hope Presbyterian Church, 2570 Haper Rd., Clemmons NC, [psharp@yadtel.net](mailto:psharp@yadtel.net)

## ON-GOING EXHIBITS

### Asheville

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Hours: Monday – Saturday 9:00 – 5:00

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## *In Our Prayers . . .*



Miriam Glenn  
Hazel Wilson  
Jack Horner ( Nancy Horner's husband)  
James Hall  
Ginny Huntley's mother  
Judy Starnes's mother  
Dick Derrick (Mary Henry's brother)  
David Baptist Church  
New Bethel Church's pastor  
Jim Crothers (Anne Crothers' husband)  
Jim Earls (Cathy Earls' brother-in-law)  
Tex Sipes (Carolyn Sipes' husband).

## *December Birthdays*

8 Inez Koontz  
15 Wendy Pender



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If your name appears above please arrive at 6 pm to help set up the meeting room. Please plan to stay a few minutes late to return it to its original arrangement. If you are unable to attend please find a replacement. Your help and cooperation will be greatly appreciated. And remember - you only have a birthday once a year so you only have to help once a year!



The fellowship hall will already be set up for our dinner but please plan to stay and help Linda and Suzy with clean up.

**Minutes continued from page 2**

Leah Day announced that the January program would be about business associated with quilting and the February program would be Pepper Cory. Pepper will have a workshop on making quilting designs.

Membership dues should be paid by the December meeting.

The Nominating Committee gave the following report:

**President:** Dee Batayte, **Vice President, Programs:** Leah Day, **Vice President, Membership:** Sylvia Lancaster, **Recording Secretary:** Ann Hutchins, **Corresponding Secretary:** Katy Ruth Dixon, **Treasurer:** Robin Parton

**Board Members At Large:**

Brenda Arrowood: 2010, Harriette Grigg: 2008-2010, Kathy Hackett: 2008-2010, Betty Bridges: 2010-2012, Georgia Cline: 2010-2012, Cathy Earls: 2010-2012

**Guild Positions:**

**Historian:** Nancy Baxter, **Librarians:** Eula Crews and Barbara Lynch, **Newsletter Editor:** Linda McNeary, **Assistant Editor:** Shirley Runyans

Nancy Baxter had free fabric to share with members and Eleanor Morgan gave away quilting accessories.

Nellie Harrill, Jean McCray, and Kathy Hackett won door prizes.

The following members took part in Show and Tell: Jane Ronan, Kathy Hackett, Leah Day, Rose McEathron, Betty Bridges, Cathy Earls, Cornelia Sweezy, Mary Henry, and Brenda Arrowood.

New titles in the library include: Quilters' Favorites, Peeled Back Patchwork, The Graceful Garden, Cut & Fold Quilting Scraps, and Quilters Happy Hour.

A program on art quilts was presented by Bernie Rowell.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ann Hutchins, Recording Secretary

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

The Foothills Quilters Guild Board of Directors met at 6:15 p.m., November 19, 2009 with President Dee Batayte presiding and discussed the following items:

1. The Arts Council is paid \$100.00 dues each year and \$500.00 for each quilt show. Some of the equipment for the show is stored at the Arts council between shows. This year more items were stored from summer until the show and were left there after the show. A motion was made that the guild pay \$200.00 each year as rent to store all these materials. The motion failed.
2. Dee Batayte recommended that the guild books be audited this year. It was agreed that Shirley Runyans do the audit.
3. Dee Batayte will inform the membership of a \$10 fee for hardcopies of the newsletter. Honorary members are exempt.
4. Sylvia Lancaster reported that PATH (shelter for abused women and children) could use just about anything. She recommended that members bring stuff for stockings not stuffed stockings because there was no way of knowing how many or what would be needed at Christmas time.
5. Ginny Huntley will move the items stored at the Arts Council to her house.

Respectively submitted,  
Ann Hutchins, Recording Secretary

**DON'T FORGET TO BRING:**



**Handcrafted Nametags**

**Dues**

**Library books**

**Show 'N Tell**

**Quilts for Abuse Centers**

**Stocking Stuffers for Abuse Centers**

**Household items for Abuse Centers**

**Sweet Onion & Rice Casserole**

• ½ c. butter

• 2 cups water

• 2 ½ lbs. sweet onions, peeled & thinly sliced

• 1 ½ c. ( 6 oz.) Shredded Swiss Cheese

• 1 cup uncooked rice

• 1 1/3 c. Half & Half

Melt butter in skillet over medium heat.

Add onion slices and sauté 12 minutes.

Bring rice and 2 cups water to a boil in saucepan. Cover and boil 15 minutes.

Drain well. Combine rice, onions, cheese and cream and pour into 9x13 dish. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 hr. Best when baked a day ahead. Cover and refrigerate overnight. To reheat, bake at 325 for 20 minutes.

(Butter can be reduced to 6 Tbs. & ½ t. salt added)

From the kitchen of *Mary Henry*

UMM UMM Good!

## Merry Christmas My Friends

If I were old Santa, you know what I'd do  
I'd dump silly gifts that are given to you  
And deliver some things just inside your front door  
Things you have lost, but treasured before.



I'd give you back all your maidenly vigor  
and to go along with it, a neat tiny figure.  
Then restore the old color that once graced your hair  
before rinses and bleaches took residence there.

I'd bring back the shape with which you were gifted  
so things now suspended need not be uplifted.  
I'd draw in your tummy and smooth down your back  
Till you'd be a dream in those tight fitting slacks.

I'd remove all your wrinkles and leave only one chin  
So you wouldn't spend hours rubbing grease on your skin  
You'd never have flashes or queer dizzy spells  
and you wouldn't hear noises like ringing of bells.

No sore aching feet and no corns on your toes  
no searching for spectacles when they're right on your nose.  
Not a shot would you take in your arm, hip or fanny  
from a doctor who thinks you're a nervous old granny.

You'd never have a headache, so no pills would you take.  
and no heating pad needed since your muscles won't ache.  
Yes, if I were Santa, you'd never look stupid  
You'd be a cute little chick with the romance of a cupid.

I'd give a lift to your heart when those wolves start to whistle  
and the joys of your heart would be light as a thistle.  
But alas! I'm not Santa. I'm simply just me  
the matronest of matrons you ever did see.

I wish I could tell you all the symptoms I've got  
But I'm due at my doctor's for an estrogen shot.  
Even though we've grown older this wish is sincere  
**Merry Christmas to you and a Happy New Year!**

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### January Meeting

Hear from members about their quilting businesses.

### February Workshop with Pepper Cory

Making Quilting Designs

Contact Leah Day to sign up for workshop  
Sign up sheet will be available at Holiday Party

## It's That Time of Year Again!

# Dues

## \$20.00 to Robin Parton

Visit some of your friends' websites:

Alley Quilts - <http://alleyquilts.com/index.html>

Leah Day - <http://www.daystyledesigns.com/>

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