



## *President's Message*



*"Don't wait until the fourth Thursday in November, to sit with family and friends to give thanks.*

*Make every day a day of Thanksgiving!"*

*Charmaine J. Forde*

We have a lot to be thankful for, don't we? I'm sure that none of us would consider our lives perfect, and we all have struggles, but don't you agree that when we look to be grateful, we can find so many things that fill our hearts with thankfulness. Writer Ann Voskamp started on a grateful journey and it transformed her day-to-day experience. (She even wrote a book about it! 1,000 gifts... ).

Let's name a few things to be thankful in our quilting community...first of all, our community! How thankful I am to be a member of this group of friends that has a common interest! Friendship and mutually common interests bring blessing to our lives. I am thankful for the plethora of books, patterns, instructions and inspiration for new projects in the quilting genre. I don't have to look far to find something new to see and ponder. I am thankful that these things are right at my fingertips! What a blessing the internet has been! If you are looking for inspiration or

instruction, just "google" it! You will be bombarded by so many links! And then, let's just talk about Youtube!

Let's all be grateful for our veterans who have served in our homeland and abroad in the world for our peace and safety.

Let's be thankful for the gathering of family and friends.

Thinking of you all with a grateful heart,

Ruth

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## Meeting Minutes - October 4, 2022

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Ruth Bartholomew at 6:45pm. Motion made by Linda Ligon to approve the September minutes as published, seconded by Flo Rushton, approved by vote. There were no questions regarding the Treasurer's report.

**Announcements:** Ruth wished happy birthdays to the following members with October birthdays: Linda Ligon (Oct. 3), Leslie Reid (Oct. 5), Theresa Wenstrup (Oct. 11), Joanna Yost (Oct. 14), and Flo Rushton (Oct. 15).

### Upcoming Events:

October 22 - Lake Wylie Lutheran Church Quilters Show and Craft Fair, 2906 Highway 160, Fort Mill, SC.

October 20-23 – FPQF fall retreat

October 20-23 – QSC Pieceable Retreat, Myrtle Beach

November 1-30 – The 2022 Carolina Pine Quilters annual show, Aiken County Museum

March 11, 2023 – QSC spring Meeting, Trident Tech, N. Charleston, SC

April 20-22, 2023 – Quiltfest, Greenville, SC

### Committee Chair Reports;

**Corresponding Secretary** – Kristin Kipper reported that she sent a card to Ann Hatherley for surgery.

**Refreshments:** Pam Kowalk reminded members that those with November birthdays should bring food next month.

**Hospitality** – Tami Grabowski announced that tonight's winner will receive a gift card to Hobby Lobby.

**Philanthropy** – Diane Kent showed quilts turned in tonight. She informed the group that there are easy quilt patterns available on the website. She also proposed designating our St. Clare's Maternity Home as our Christmas "family" this year (had previous board approval), donating quilts for mothers and babies and a \$50 gift certificate for each family.

**Program** – Martha White announced that our November speaker will be Elsa Neubauer, also offering a class on November 12 at Greer Community Ministries.

**Guild Sales** – Theresa Wenstrup advised that they have holiday panels available.

**Membership** – Dagmar Theodore announced that 52 members were in attendance. Guests included presenters Dale and Jimmy Hernandez, their daughter Carmen, and Nancy Giffels. Dagmar indicated that our new directories are available tonight; she offered thanks to Marijke Alford for her work on the directories.

**Education:** Johellen George advised that when picking a quilt backing, you think about the thread you will use for quilting and how it will look if it shows on the top.

**Show and Share:** Items were shown by Suzy Richards, Dagmar Theodore, Darlene Morse, Barbara Phillips, Ruth Rembis, Gayle Johnson, Theresa Wenstrup, Betty Cirillo, Marijke Alford, and Tami Grabowski. Merry-Beth Noble announced an upcoming juried show; see her for details.

**Dollar Door Prize winner** was Marijke Alford.

**Nametag drawing winner** was Merry-Beth Noble.

**Program** – Staff from Carolina Quilt Studio discussed services they provide including longarm sales and services, classes, fabrics, kits, panels, and regular and pinking scissors sharpening. They also provide space for our monthly philanthropy workshops (as well as storage for our supplies) and a Quilt of Valor session on the third Saturday of each month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Burton

Recording Secretary



## Notes from Philanthropy

Hello Quilters!

October was another busy month for Philanthropy with wonderful donations! We received 11 finished quilts, two quilt tops, and 5 tote bags. We also had a lot of kits picked up for quilting, as well as several quilts picked up for binding. Thank you all for the great support we get each month!

We have been getting great feedback on our Philanthropy “Show and Share” each month when we hold up the quilts that have been donated. A couple of members have mentioned they would like to know who made each quilt because they might want to ask them later about the pattern or some other detail, so we’ll try to start identifying the quilter.



October Philanthropy Donations

The Philanthropy team made a recommendation at the October Guild meeting that we consider adopting St. Clare’s Home in Greenville for our 2022 Christmas Family Project.

*St. Clare’s is an 8-bedroom home that opened in August 2021 and provides shelter, safety, and security for expectant women and, if needed, their existing children. Expectant moms of any religion, race, background or from any state are welcomed to the home and can stay for approximately a year after the baby is born. There is an extensive vetting process for prospective candidates to ensure success for the candidate, as well as for those already living in the home. While at the home, the women are encouraged to continue their education, secure employment, and also receive independent living and parenting skills classes to better equip them when their new baby is born. Presently there are 4 moms and children in the home, with one of these moms ready to graduate and move into her own apartment. The number of women and children in residence is very fluid and can change with very short notice.*

Our recommendations to the Guild included:

1. Provide a quilt for the mom and also her 1-year-old son who are getting ready to move into their first home. We also recommended that we provide some “housewarming” items, to be donated by Guild members, to help this young woman in the next chapter of her life. ***This was completed on October 13<sup>th</sup> and we collected a great number of items including kitchen and baking utensils, kitchen dishes, cleaning supplies, and various household items including a vacuum cleaner, an iron, large wall clock, microwave, stand kitchen mixer, and an outdoor grill! Some of items will stay at the home for general use by the residents. We also donated a large quilt from the Guild for the mom and a cuddle-size quilt for her son.***
2. Adopt the women and their babies who are in residence at St. Clare’s in December as our Christmas Family, giving each mom a large lap quilt, an infant quilt, and if she has other children in residence at the home, quilts for those children as well. From the funds that are collected from the Guild for the Christmas Family (generally around \$500), we

further recommended that we buy each mom a \$50 gift card to either Walmart or Amazon - most of the women do not have a car and rely on ordering items that can be delivered to the home. We also recommended that any remaining money be used for a gift certificate for the home for groceries for their Christmas dinner.

These recommendations were put to a vote to the Guild members present and received full Guild approval. If you would like to learn more about St. Clare's Home or are interested in volunteering there, you can learn more at their website at <https://stclareshomesc.org/>.

**Important Note:** there will be **no Philanthropy Workshops at Carolina Quilt Studio in November and December**, but we will resume again on Saturday, January 14, 2023.

With gratitude, Diane, Melanie, Wendy and Deborah

## ***Guild Sales***

Many have asked and now is your chance to purchase a guild sweatshirt and or a T-shirt! They will be screen printed here locally. Our minimum order is 48 pieces. We would like to place an order after our meeting on November 1. this hopefully making them available for us at our December meeting.

You MUST PAY at time of ordering at the meeting. Make checks payable to the guild or you may pay in cash.

T-shirts \$21

Sweatshirts \$35

Happy sewing,  
Theresa and Leigh



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## ***Education Moment - September 2022***

When selecting fabric for the back of your quilt, think about the probable color of the future quilting thread. If there's a lot of light colored fabric on the top, a light colored thread will probably be a good choice for quilting thread. If you select a dark or solid colored fabric for the back, the thread will really show up. There's no right or wrong, it's a personal preference.

Johellen George



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## Programs

### November

Our November speaker will be Elsa Neubauer, Certified Quiltworx Instructor and owner of Paper Trail Quilting. Elsa Neubauer has been sewing and crafting from a young age. Like many sewists, she focused on clothing and home décor for many years, altered wedding gowns and worked for two independent clothing companies as their sample maker.

In the early 2000's, Elsa returned to the quilting world and with all the new technology (rotary cutters, etc) found it to be much more fun than tracing shapes on fabric using cardboard templates! After many years of taking basic quilting classes at local shops, decided to find a more challenging project.

In 2014 Elsa took a class at a local quilt shop to learn how to make a Quiltworx quilt. That was followed by more local classes and eventually a trip to Montana to a retreat at Quiltworx. After returning to Montana two more times, Elsa knew that it was time to commit to becoming a Certified Quiltworx Instructor.

Elsa is now the owner of Paper Trail Quilting, specializing in instruction of foundation paper piecing using Quiltworx patterns. She has taught at several local shops, quilt guilds and retreats and loves when the participants change from 'I cannot' to 'look what I did!'

Elsa will be teaching the "Lotus Flower" a Quiltworx pattern on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. I am attaching the registration form. The cost of the class is \$25 and complete the registration form to secure your spot in the class. There is a fee for the pattern, and students will pay Elsa on the day of class.



### December

Well ladies, let's get ready to celebrate Christmas at our next meeting on December 6th. We will have our usual potluck dinner and with lots of good food and much fellowship. We will have games and lots of prizes. There is nothing better than to celebrate the start of the Christmas season with our fellow quilters.



**FOOTHILLS PIECEMAKERS QUILTING GUILD  
WORKSHOP REGISTRATION**

*Elsa Neubauer, Certified Quiltworx Instructor  
Paper Trail Quilting  
will present  
"Lotus Flower"*

The Lotus Flower layout includes foundation papers to make (4) 16" blocks, which creates one flower. The pattern was designed by Judy and Bradley Niemeyer and creates an introductory pattern that can be completed in just a day and used to learn basic paper piecing techniques that can be applied to many of Quiltworx projects.

Class Fee is \$25.00  
Pattern Cost is \$23.50, and you will pay the instructor the day of the class.

Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> – 9:30 am – 4pm  
Location: Greer Community Ministries, 738 S Line Street Extension, Greer, SC 29651

20 spaces are available – your completed registration form and payment will reserve your spot in the class!

Are you a member of FPQG? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No, Guild Member  
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Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

The completed registration form and check made payable to "FPQG" should be mailed to:

Martha S. White  
Foothills Piecemakers Quilting Guild  
1700 Gibbs Shoals Road  
Greer, SC 29650

Please call, text, or email Martha S. White, 864-905-5364 or [martha.s.white@charter.net](mailto:martha.s.white@charter.net) with questions. A supply list will be provided upon receiving your payment.

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Workshop Policy: Attendees must pay the entire cost of the workshop prior to the workshop in order to reserve their space. If the registrant cancels, they are responsible for finding someone to replace them and possibly pay them for the cost of the workshop. They can also contact the Program Chair to see if there is a waiting list for the class. A full refund will be made if the class is cancelled by the instructor or due to insufficient enrollment.

## Membership

53 members and one guest attended the October meeting. We had the new directories to distribute, so remember to get yours if you weren't able to do so in October.

Please add the following member to your directory:

Darlene Morse  
312 Stewart Road  
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birthday: 14-May  
Spouse: Robert

Hope to see you in November,

Sheryl Sane & Dagmar Theodore  
Membership



## Nametag/Dollar Doorprizes

We are hoping everyone is enjoying the prizes we've been offering up; if anyone has some interesting ideas they would like us to offer please let us know.

Tami G and Betty C.

*"My soul is fed  
By needle and thread."  
— Unknown*

## Refreshments

Thanks again to the October birthday people for a table full of delicious treats! The November meeting refreshments will be (any uneaten food and dishes) once the meeting ends.

Thank you,  
Pam Kowalk  
brought by November birthday members.  
\*\*Please make sure to pick up your items



## For Sale

Tin Lizzie clone, comes with its custom table plus a second table extension; extra bobbins and thread included. It has a stitch regulator and sews beautifully.

For a test drive, please call Jackie Callis at 410-913-8851 \$1800



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### **Next Guild Meeting**

Tuesday, November 1, 2022  
Elks Lodge on Pelham Road  
Social Time 6:15 pm  
Program 6:45 pm

### **Philanthropy Workshop**

#### **Notice: November and December Philanthropy Workshops Cancelled**

Workshops will resume on **Saturday, January 14, 2023** at Carolina Quilt Studio from 10:00 am-12:30 pm

### **Newsletter Deadline**

November 19, 2022  
Please submit material to Jennifer Neubauer  
[fpggnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:fpggnewsletter@gmail.com)

### **Membership**

Membership is \$20, check payable to:

#### **FPQG**

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### **November Birthdays**

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| Sue Burton   | 11 November |
| Paula Bryant | 19 November |
| Becky Bates  | 21 November |