



President's Message

*Foothills Piecemakers Quilt
Guild is 40 years old!*



In 40 years, the Average Person Spent...

- ✚ 3,136,080.0 hours Sleeping
- ✚ 416,976.0 hours Eating and drinking
- ✚ 683,280.0 hours Household activities
- ✚ 203,232.0 hours Housework
- ✚ 224,256.0 hours Food preparation and cleanup
- ✚ 70,080.0 hours Lawn and garden care
- ✚ 1,226,400.0 hours Working and work-related activities
- ✚ 1,128,288.0 hours Working
- ✚ 1,846,608.0 hours Leisure and sports
- ✚ 1,002,144.0 hours Watching television

Sometimes, I look at a project ahead of me and wonder if and when I'll find enough time to start the project - not to mention finishing the project. And then, put a deadline on the project and it may seem impossible!

In issue 94 of *Today's Quilter*, I found an interview with Andrea Walpole, a quilt designer, author, and illustrator. She offered this bit of



advice. "The trick is not to wait for that quiet time where you know you'll be free of interruptions and everything will be plain sailing. Because, honestly that time isn't going to come. Take the chance and use the time you do have, setting small goals and enjoying the journey."

How will you plan for your next project? The FPQG 2024 quilt show will be here before you know it, make plans to finish a project or two so we can see the work you have been doing "in your spare time".

Wishing you best stitches,
Ruth

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Meeting Minutes - July 11, 2023

Call to Order: 6:45 by President, Ruth Bartholomew. She asked the blessing on the food, and we had our dinner while the food was hot.

Motion made by Sylvia Hurst to approve June 2023 minutes. Seconded by Joanna Lynch and approved by vote of the members present.

Announcements: Happy July Birthday to these members!

2-Victoria Davich
2-Pam Price
8-Barbara Phillips
12-Judy Locke

Sylvia Hurst and Cindy Lee are our new Refreshment ladies for the meetings in the upcoming year-July 2023 through June 2024.

For the 2024 Quilt show –*Follow the Thread*, we need a volunteer to take charge of displaying our opportunity quilt at various fabric shops, events and quilt shows.

Upcoming FPQG Events:

Outgoing and Incoming Chairs meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 25th at 6:00 pm at the Pelham Road Library.

FPQG Fall Retreat will be October 26-29, 2023, at Lutheridge in Arden, NC.

FPQG Quilt Show, *Follow the Thread*-April 5 & 6, 2024 at St. Giles.

Committee Reports:

Programs: Our new vice president, Leslie Reid advised that Martha File, with Upstate Heritage Quilt Trail, will show a video and speak at our August 2023. Joyce Walton will speak about borders at our November 2023 meeting.

Philanthropy: Diane Kent reported the next philanthropy workshop will be August 8th from 10:00-12:00 at Carolina Quilt Studio, 201-A Pelham Davis Circle.

Becky Erdman had some embroidered blankets at July's meeting (donated by Strossner's Bakery) that she sold for \$10.00, proceeds to be donated to Philanthropy.

A Quilt Estate Auction will be conducted on July 29th from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. The items (fabric, patterns, embroidery items, CDs, thread, etc.)

are from the collection of Debbie Ballard, who has passed away. The auction will be held at 505 Shaded Acre Court, in Pelzer.

Refreshments: Pam Kowalk thanked the membership for the food items brought to our July meeting. She reminded everyone to get their leftovers and dishes as quickly as possible after the meeting so the refreshment ladies would not have to decide what to do with them or to wash anything out. Pam asked all to help with the disassembling of the tables we used. She thanked her son, Mike, for helping to set everything up for her.

Library: Nancy Jones let us know she had several children's quilt books available and reminded us to return books we have out.

Membership: Dagmar Theodore and Sheryl Sane reminded us that it is time to pay our membership dues for the next year. The cost to join is \$20, and there are 2 more months to sign up and still get your name in the 2023-2024 directory.

Show and Share: Darlene Morse, Wendy Seeger, Pam Kowalk, Suzanne Brehm, Cindy Lee, Melanie DeMoise, Nancy Jones, and Ruth Bartholomew shared items with attendees.

Corresponding Secretary: Becky Bates asked everyone to text or email her if anyone knows of someone in need of a card.

Education Minute: Darlene Morse reminded us of why we should quilt: it relieves stress, makes people happy and builds community.

Hospitality Door Prize: Becky Erdman and Wendy Seegars.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Myers, Recording Secretary





Refreshments

August members, remember it is your turn to bring our refreshments. Thank you for providing our snacks for the month.

Sylvia Hurst and Cindy Lee



Quilter's Estate Sale

On Sat. July 29th, we will be having a quilter's estate sale. This will have thread, fabric, notions, some furniture, buttons, patterns, and much, much more. In addition, there are many computer programs for embroidery machines, including Anita Good design, and All Access magazines.

Address is 505 Shaded Acre Ct. Pelzer, SC.

from Becky Erdman



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FPQG 2024 Quilt Show- *Follow the Thread* will be April 5th and 6th, 2024.



Nametags/Dollar Door Prizes

Door Prize/Nametag drawing appreciates all the donations and is open to suggestions for anything you may like us to add.

Tami & Betty

Membership

41 members and 1 guest attended the July celebrations. Just a reminder, you have until September to renew your membership and still be in the directory. \$20 for the year gives you discounts at many of the local quilt shops so it's well worth it.

See you in August,
Sheryl Sane and Dagmar Theodore
Membership



Notes from Philanthropy

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Hello Quilters!

In July we received 7 finished quilts and 1 tote bag. Thank you all so much for the support you give to Philanthropy each month! The generosity of our Guild members has been amazing, and we thank each and every one of you for all of the different ways members contribute to this effort, by donating batting and fabric, making and donating tops, quilting flimsies, binding and labelling quilts, and just providing overall support as requested to our philanthropic efforts for our community!

Our August Philanthropy Workshop will be on **Tuesday, August 8, 2023** from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at Carolina Quilt Studio, 201-A Pelham Davis Cir, Greenville, SC 29615. If you are working on a quilt for Philanthropy and need backing, batting, or binding, or just need to drop something off, please come by and join us. If you are new to the Guild, it is a fun way to meet some of the members, learn about our Philanthropy efforts, and do some shopping and check out all of the pretty new things at Carolina Quilt Studio!

With gratitude, Diane, Melanie, Wendy and Deborah

July Philanthropy Donations



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FPQG 2024 Quilt Show

THE 2024 QUILT SHOW NAME:
"Follow the Thread"

At the May meeting, members chose the name for our next quilt show scheduled for April 5-6th 2024. In order to have a successful show, everyone's help is needed. Please start thinking about making yourselves be inspired and start creating! Registration forms will soon be available. Categories will be pretty much the same as last time.

Next, please start looking through your fabric stashes and bring in anything you can do without. We will be selling mystery bags and raffling baskets with a variety of sewing/quilting items, so bring in rulers, cutters, scissors, any kind of notions which are in good condition.

We are also looking for other items you can donate for the silent auction. In the past we have received generous gifts such as sewing machines, cabinets, quilts, wall art, table art, etc.

Books on quilting or sewing will be collected as well.

Thank you for participating.

Victoria Davich and Suzanne Brehm

Programs-August

*Every Quilt Tells a Story and Every Story
Leads to Discovery*

Martha File of the Upstate Heritage Quilt Trail (UHQT) brings local traditions to the forefront for travelers and residents alike, leading visitors and residents through Anderson, Oconee, Pickens and recently added, Greenville County. Walking, biking, or driving the trail is an adventure to explore the Upstate and its natural beauty, small town communities and a variety of unique historical sites, museums, parks, shops, and galleries, showcasing the colorful stories and generations of craftsmanship that contribute to this region's rich history. The trail not only allows the enjoyment of the quilts but also to showcase the individuals who have made these lovely quilts.

Leslie Reid



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Next Guild Meeting

Tuesday, August 1, 2023
Elks Lodge on Pelham Road
Social Time 6:15 pm
Program 6:45 pm

Philanthropy Workshop

The next Philanthropy Workshop at Carolina Quilt Studio will be **Tuesday, August 8, 2023** from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon. Please note that this is a day change – we will no longer meet on the second Saturday but our new monthly meeting will be on the second Tuesday of the month!

Newsletter Deadline

August 19, 2023
Please submit material to Jennifer Neubauer
fpqgnewsletter@gmail.com

Membership

Membership is \$20, check payable to:

FPQG

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August Birthdays

Lou Stevens	6 August
Diane Kent	8 August
Becky Erdman	8 August
Johellen George	13 August
Pat Hodur	16 August
Dorothy Carr	16 August

