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President's Message

HI! It's me. Ruth Bartholomew. New president for 2022-23. I could go on about my life story, who I am, blah, blah, blah. But, what do you want to know about me? Just ask. At the July meeting. We'll play "20 Questions about Ruth you always wanted to ask".

July. Just the name of the month brings images of fireworks & flags, family & friends, gardening & grilling, picnics & poolside, and vacation. July 2022 marks the beginning of another year for Foothills Piecemakers Quilting Guild. What FPQG "new year resolutions" will you make? Start a new activity? What do you look forward to participating in this year? Are you going to endeavor to volunteer more? Meet more members? Finish more projects?

July is one of our social meetings. Everyone should bring food to share. We'll enjoy fun, food and fellowship.

Until then,
Best of Stitches,

Ruth



Membership

We had 35 members and 2 guests present at the last meeting of the business year. As already mentioned in last month's newsletter, we have started to accept your membership dues for the new year. Our system has changed a bit. Instead of the envelopes of previous years, we have a list where you can check your information for correctness and sign off on it. We hope to make the process a bit faster that way.

Hope to see you in July.

- Sheryl Sane and Dagmar Theodore
Membership

ADVICE FROM A QUILT

Make lasting memories
Block out time for family
Cherish tradition
Keep your friends in stitches
Find common threads
Know when to cut corners
It's OK to be a little scrappy!

Minutes from June 7, 2022

Jennifer Neubauer called the meeting to order at 6:45pm. Motion made by Debbie Johnson to accept May minutes as published, seconded by Sandy Nodes, approved by vote.

Jennifer announced that tonight's meeting would focus on our 3 philanthropy recipients, so members could get to know them better.

Safe Harbor: Julie Meredith summarized their services, advising that they provide a continuum of services for victims and families of domestic abuse. They operate 3 shelters and provide hotel space as well for those needing relocation. They also provide counseling, housing assistance, and case management. She advised that domestic abuse occurs to 1 of 4 women and 1 of 9 men. Julie thanked guild members for their ongoing support. Currently they can especially use pre-school size diapers, feminine products and cash donations.

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New Business

Announcements: Jennifer announced that the July program will be our social. In August, Nancy Mahoney will speak and provide a workshop.

Upcoming Quilt Shows:

Western NC Quilt Guild is having their show from September 30 to October 2 at the Western NC Agricultural Center.

The Anderson Area Quilt Show will take place on August 12 & 13 at the Anderson Area Civic Center.

Committees:

Philanthropy: Lois Gaston gave the philanthropy year end report. She also thanked Paula Bryan for her organization and efforts this past year. Diane Kent will lead the team this coming year.

Refreshments: Tami Grabowski reminded the group of our July social and asked that all bring food or drink to share.

Guild Sales: Theresa Wenstrup and Leigh Radlein showed special sale and raffle items for tonight.

Membership: Dagmar Theodore announced that attendance was 36 members and 2 guests, also that there are free samples at the membership table. They are accepting dues payments for next year.

Block of the Month: In Ruth's absence, Dagmar announced that the July block – the last – will be #8, done in green and white.

Hostess: Hazel Abend introduced our guests, Sue Bready and Kathy Wilson.

Programs: Debbie Johnson reported that we will have tutorials tonight on philanthropy projects.

Budget: Debbie Johnson discussed the proposed budget. Sue Burton moved that the budget be accepted; Sandy Nodes seconded the motion. There was no discussion, Motion approved by vote.

Serenity Place: Debbie Johnson presented information about the organization. Serenity Place is under the Phoenix Center umbrella of services. They locally operate a 16 bed facility for pregnant and postpartum women with substance abuse issues. They provide child care, adult group and individual treatment and children's treatment. Current needs include baby to children's to adult quilts.

Show and Share: Projects were shown by Nancy Archibald, Barbara Phillips, Hazel Abend, Ruth Pollow, Marijke Alford and Jennifer Neubauer. Johellen George showed a special philanthropy quilt, and Sandy Nodes announced that she is looking for someone to quilt a special applique quilt.

Dollar Door Prize winners were Nancy Archibald and Linda Ligon.

Nametag Drawing winners were Linda Ligon and Debbie Johnson.

Guild Sales raffle winner was Dorothy Carr.

Block of the Month winner was Tami Grabowski.

Miracle Hill/Shepherd's Gate: Ann Hill advised that Shepherd's Gate is a women's shelter with a program capacity of 62. They also have transitional homes for 4 and have just opened a respite program for 4. They also provide special cold weather shelter for those in need. The Miracle Hill renewal center treats 42 women with drug addiction in an 8 month structured program with spiritual base. Their services partner with local churches and service agencies. They can use children's and women's quilts, totes and cosmetic bags for their clients.

The meeting was adjourned following the tutorials.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Burton, Recording Secretary

BOM June - BLOCK QUEST

What fun we have had this last year with the Block of the Month activity! It has been interesting to see the patterns and the colors come together when pulled out of the bags! Thanks to all of you who made a block this past year, and congratulations to those who have won blocks! I know of one winner who has used the block win to make a quilt, but if there are others, be sure to share at the next meeting.

The final BOM this year comes from the Sewcialites pattern series from the Fat Quarter Shop. July's block is #8, the "Soulful" block.

You can find the pattern here: <https://www.fatquartershop.com/sewcialites-block-eight-soulful-free-pdf>

The colors are green and white. White is the background color. This is an easy block! Cut out the indicated sizes for the pieces (You can choose to make any of the sizes listed (9", 6", or 3").

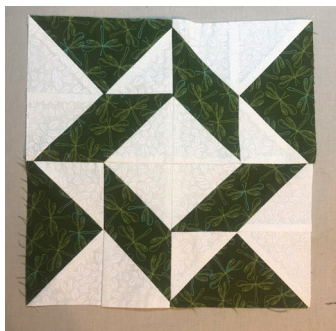


Draw diagonal lines on the background squares. Stitch on the drawn line. Chain piece these!

You will end up with two different rectangles, a flying geese, and a trapazoid.



Sew these units together, and layout these units according to pattern, stitch together.



Voila!

Thank you for participating. See you in July!

Ruth Bartholomew
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Antique Quilt Display in Fountain Inn

Fountain Inn Museum will be featuring an antique quilt display from June 7 through September 3. The museum is located at 102 Depot Street.

Nametag/Dollar Door Prize

Fellow Quilters who are clearing out, please remember that we accept donations to be reimaged for prizes.

Thanks,

-Tami Grabowski & Betty Cirillo



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Notes from Philanthropy

Hello everyone!

The June Guild meeting was hosted by Philanthropy with speakers from some of the agencies that we support as a Guild. Anne Hill from Miracle Hill/Renewal Shepherds Gate and Julie Meredith from Safe Harbor each shared information about their organizations and the services they provide. We presented 22 quilts to Safe Harbor and 21 totes, 17 cosmetic bags, and 7 pounds of personal care products to Miracle Hill. Both agencies were thrilled with the donations and thanked the Guild for our generosity, which is so appreciated by their clients. Debbie Johnson from our Guild shared information about Serenity Place, the third agency we support. Additionally, Philanthropy hosted 3 mini-workshop tables after the speakers, with Lois Gaston sharing how to make a tote, Ruth Pollow sharing how to make a cosmetic bag, and Melanie DeMoise sharing several easy quilt ideas.

This month we received 8 quilts, 4 tote bags and 10 cosmetic bags. We also received two large fabric donations at the Philanthropy Workshop on Saturday, June 11. Thank you all for your wonderful donations and beautiful workmanship!

Based on suggestions from the spring Philanthropy survey, we are now offering three types of quilt kits: panels with coordinating fabric to be made into easy tops, kits with simple instructions and/or started kits that need to be completed (with instructions), and the “be creative” kits that are an assortment of coordinated fabrics that members can put together any way they would like! We had a great response to these kits at the June meeting.

Our July Philanthropy Workshop will be held on Saturday, July 9th from 9:30 – 12:30 at Carolina Quilt Studio. We invite you to stop by for any Philanthropy material you might need to finish a quilt, such as batting, binding or backing – just bring the top you are working on so we can match everything up. If you are new to the Guild and are looking for an easy way to get involved, feel free to join us in preparing kits for upcoming meetings, sorting fabric, and having fun fellowship with others who love quilts and fabric.

*With gratitude,
Diane, Melanie, and Wendy for Philanthropy*



June Quilt Donations



June Tote Bag & Cosmetic Bag Donations

Programs & Workshops

July Meeting

The July meeting will be fun, food and fellowship with a twist of members having the opportunity to sell fabric, items they no longer use or handmade items. Have you cleaned out your SEWING AND CRAFT ROOMS lately? Want to sell items at the July meeting? Reserve a table by emailing, texting or calling Martha White, martha.s.white@me.com or 864-905-5364. Start cleaning NOW!

August Presentation and Workshop

Our lecturer for August 2nd is Nancy Mahoney, a National Teacher and Speaker. Nancy is an author, teacher, and fabric designer and has enjoyed making quilts for over thirty years, during which time an impressive range of her beautiful quilts have been featured in many books and in over 250 national and international quilt magazines, with more patterns always in the works. Nancy has also created over 100 quilt patterns for a number of fabric manufacturers. Nancy designed 15 fabric collections for P&B Textiles and Clothworks.

Nancy has authored 14 books, all published by Martingale. Her bestselling books include Learn to Paper Piece (2016), Simple Circles and Quick Curves (2013), Kaleidoscope Paper Piecing (2012), Fast, Fusible Flower Quilts (2011), Treasures from the 30s (2010), Applique' Quilt Revival (2008), and Quilt Revival (2006).

She has taught many workshops nationwide for guilds, shops, and conferences, including International Quilt Festival (Houston), AQS QuiltWeek, Minnesota Quilter's Conference, Kentucky Getaway, Road to California, A Mountain Quiltfest (Tennessee), and many more.

Nancy believes making a quilt should be fun. In her classes, her goal is for students to have a good time, learn something new, and make a quilt that they will enjoy for many years.

Nancy will be holding a workshop to make her "Color Splash" quilt. This is a fun and surprisingly simple quilt to make. Details are on the registration form. Register ASAP as there are only 20 spots available.

The class will be held on Wednesday, August 3, 2022 from 9:30am to 4:00 pm at the Elks Lodge. The workshop fee is \$30.00 and includes the pattern.

Martha White, Programs
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Color Splash by Nancy Mahoney



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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.

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Next Guild Meeting

Tuesday, July 5, 2022 - POTLUCK!
Elks Lodge on Pelham Road
Social Time 6:15 pm
Program 6:45 pm

June Philanthropy Workshop

Saturday, July 9, 2022
Carolina Quilt Studio
9:30am - 12:30pm

August Newsletter Deadline

Thursday, July 21, 2022
Please submit material to Jennifer Neubauer
fpqgnewsletter@gmail.com

Membership Renewal

Renewal Fee is \$20, check made out to FPQG
Mail to: Foothills Piecemakers Quilting Guild
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or bring your renewal to the next meeting

July Birthdays

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8 Jill W. Ellis
8 Barbara Phillips
12 Judy Locke
24 Karen Schleier

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