

August 2024

Message from the President:

Greetings Members!

I'm hoping that these "dog days of summer" have not dampened your need to create or find inspiration around you. Since I'm between projects, I'm spending a bit of time on Instagram and found the following little ditty I wanted to share. It's from our friends at Moda and based on the series of children's books by author, Laura Numeroff, If You Give a Mouse a Cookie, If You Give a Cat a Cupcake, If You Give a Pig a Pancake, to name just a few. Great reads for grands and totally appropriate for quilters:

If you give a quilter a fat quarter, she'll want a new pattern to go with it. When she gets the new pattern, she'll realize she needs more fabric. When she heads to the fabric store, she'll see a new collection she just has to have. Bringing the fabric home, she'll want to reorganize her stash. While reorganizing, she'll find a WIP (work in progress) and decide to finish it. But first, she'll need a new thread color. And while she's at the store for thread, she'll spot a beautiful new quilting book. Bringing the book home, she'll get inspired and need another fat quarter... and the cycle continues!

Sound familiar? All I can say is forgive yourself for the distractions, enjoy that new fat quarter, make something fabulous and bring it for Show and Share! We'd love to celebrate with you!

A reminder: Before our business meeting begins on August 6, we have the honor of presenting Quilts of Honor to two of Boone Police Department's retiring K9s. Join us at 1:00 for the presentation made possible by guild members, maker, Susan Burnett and quilter, Irina Robinson as we show our appreciation to the K9's and their handlers. This is a new addition to our donations program and we are grateful to guild member, Chris Zimmer, for bringing the opportunity to us.

Gratefully, Beth

P.S. It's time to count those fogs and save your buttons so we can predict the number of snows this winter! Hopefully not on the first and third Tuesdays!

Our Next Meeting

1:00pm Tuesday, August 6th Lois E. Harrill Senior Center

Minutes for Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild Meeting, July 2, 2024, 1:00 pm

Beth Reavis, President presided over the meeting.

The June minutes were approved.

Sue Sweet, Treasurer reported that there were no new expenses and \$260.00 deposited for dues.

Information:

Two bags of guilts were found in the Guild closet. No one seemed to know who left them or any details, but Elmyra said she would take them.

Remember when paying dues, you also need to fill out the membership form.

Amy Bailey is now doing the newsletter. So please send any information that you wish to have included to the Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild e-mail address by the 25th of each month after our meeting. On the subject line put Newsletter Submission. Chris Zimmer was thanked for her previous work on the Newsletters.

Any guild member can be on the guild facebook page by signing up and answering a few questions.

EQ8 was discussed as a possible program, Patty Blanton said she could teach it. EQ8 is a program for quilters who want to design their own quilts and costs about \$240.

Sue Sweet: The Christmas Challenge is to make anything you want, purse, etc. and include a piece of the nutcracker fabric. June will be a field trip month rather than having a workshop. Sue has one piece of blue background fabric on the bird project if anyone needs it. The quilt she made was called Mrs. McGregor's Garden.

The guild agreed for Sue Sweet to spend \$100 on batting for donations. Beth Reavis said she could store the batting at her house. Pieces of batting can be sewn together if it's the same thickness with a zigzag stitch.

At our August program, the two canine quilts pieced by Susan Burnett and quilted by Irena Robinson will be presented to the two officers who worked with the dogs at 1:00 pm.

September program will include ideas for organization for sewing rooms.

Sue Sweet will have tea at her house in September and show us ideas she's implemented in her sewing space.

Chris Zimmer volunteered to give regional shop news at the meetings.

Kathy Heisler and Patty Blanton gave news from New Original: They had attended Bernina classes in Detroit and have information on their new Grace Bernina 990 machine and embroidery machine.

Patty will conduct a landscape quilt workshop on 7-22-24

Kathy will conduct a workshop on guilted jacket on 7-21 and 22, 2024.

Breakfast Club 9am meets once a month 7-24-24

Concerns: Susan Burnett's sister fell and broke her shoulder so she's

been staying with her. Diane Ward has had death in the family and crisis in the last 6 weeks.

Kathy Heisler presented the workshop on Quilts of Valor. Quilts of Valor are awarded to veterans or service men or women to provide comfort and healing. The quilt should not be awarded as a surprise. The ones the Sew Original Program makes are 50" x 70" or 60" x 80", long arm quilted, and include labels with washing instructions. They are provided lists of those who need quilts. Kathy leads a group of quilters who meet monthly at Sew Original and anyone interested in sewing or cutting kits is welcome to join. She brought a couple of star blocks and one that was stripped pieced and will bring patterns for those to the July workshop.

Kathy also showed a Judy Niemeyer paper pieced quilt that was started some time ago. The kit costed at least \$500, she is going to finish sewing the sections together and Sew Original will sell charity raffle tickets for it. A motion was made, seconded, and approved that the guild would sell raffle tickets for the Niemeyer quilt and donate all proceeds to the Sew Original Quilt of Valor program.

Show and Share: Sue Corcoran - donation made in pinks; Irina Robinson - quilts Christmas in July and Jason Yenter fabric with panel (has info on her website); Sue Sweet - quilt top made with Cotton Quilts fabrics; Amy Bailey - memory teddy bear with pocket, Stephanie Van Der Westhvizen - green bed guilt made with drapery fabric and backed with sheet fabric.

Respectfully submitted by Lois Stewart, Secretary





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Treasurer's Report

Since the July meeting, we have had the following activity:

Check #939 to JoAnn's for fleece and batting -\$112.40

Dues deposit on 7-12-24 +90.00

Dues deposit on 7-24-24 +20.00

Total funds available as of 7-24-24 \$5252.18

Reported by Susan Sweet



Membership

For those who have not already renewed their membership, please turn in your dues and membership form as soon as possible. Dues are \$20, and they can be turned in at the August meeting, or you can mail to me at 148 Wintergreen Lane, Boone, NC 28607. After September 1, those who have not renewed will be removed from our email list, membership directory, and Facebook group.

Thank you to our new and renewing members! Our membership is currently at 30. Starting in September, I will be working on updating our pictorial membership directory, and hope to have it sent out to you in October.

Workshops

Our August workshop will be on Tuesday, Aug. 20th from 12:30 - 3:00. We are going to be making Color Wheel pin cushions. It is a cute project and we should be able to finish it at the workshop. All materials will be supplied, so you only need to bring your machines and neutral thread. This would make a wonderful gift if you are looking for something to give a friend. Come join us, and have a good time sewing with friends. If you have any questions, call Susan Sweet at 828 414 9014.

Sally



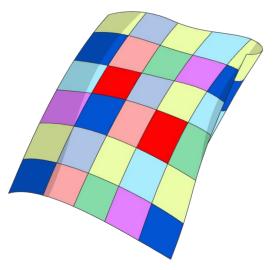


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Donation News

For July, the Donation Committee collected 1 quilt. None were delivered.

Sandy Hicks



A visit with Georgie McKenzie.



Newsletter submissions are due on or before the 25th of each month to:

 $\underline{Mountain Caurel Quilt Guild@gmail.com}$

Please include "Newsletter submission" in the subject line.



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Shop News



From Ira Robi Quilts to the Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild members:

- Beat the Heat with Autumn Celebration: Too hot outside? Dream of cool fall days with our Autumn Celebration fabric collection by Jason Yenter. Explore coordinating patterns and check our website for free downloadable patterns to kickstart your fall projects! In addition to the Autumn Celebration Wreath quilt kit, patterns, and fabric collection, we've received new hand-dyed batiks from Riley Blake! These vibrant, unique fabrics are perfect for your upcoming projects.

Nysno Quilt Kits Success: Our Nysno quilt kits have been a tremendous success! While quilt kits and panels are sold out, we still have a few patterns and, most importantly, Nysno fabrics to complete your new Christmas project "with a twist."

Visit IraRobi Quilts online store at https://irarobiquilts.com/ for more inspiring patterns, fabrics, and notions. Subscribe to our newsletter to stay "in the loop."

For any questions, feel free to reach out to Irina Robinson.

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Quilt Show Opportunity

The Greensboro Quilt Show

Circle of Life

Presented by Gate City Quilt Guild

Friday October 11 and Saturday October 12, 2024

9:30-5:00

Congregational United Church of Christ 400 W Radiance Drive Greensboro, NC

Join us for an incredible Quilt Exhibit

Raffle Baskets

Silent Auction

Yard Sale

Boutique

Vendors

Admission \$6.00

Please direct any questions regarding our show to Linda Grogan at Igrogan@bellsouth.net or Heather Brandon at heather_brandon2003@yahoo.com.



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Quilt Show Opportunity

Get ready to be dazzled by the intricate artistry and creativity of our talented guild members! We are thrilled to announce that our annual Quilt Show, "Quilting in the Pines," is back, taking place on September 27th and 28th, 2024, at the historic Fair Barn in Pinehurst, NC.

Here are the event details:

Event: 2024 Quilting in the PinesDate: September 27th & 28th, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PMAdmission: \$8.00 per person

Location: The Historic Fair Barn 200 Beulah Hill Rd. S Pinehurst, NC

If you would like to submit a quilt for judging, please visit our website (https://www.sandhillsquilters.org/2024-quilting-in-the-pines.html) for more information, but these are important dates to know:

Important Dates:

Early Bird Registration Deadline: August 1, 2024

Registration Deadline: August 16, 2024

In-Take Days:

- August 22: 1:00 PM 4:00 PM, Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 US-15-501, West End, NC 27376
- August 24: 9:00 AM 12:00 PM, Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 US-15-501, West End. NC 27376

Mark your calendars and invite your friends and family to witness the beauty of quilting craftsmanship displayed by our talented members. Whether you're a seasoned quilter, a novice enthusiast, or simply appreciate the art form, there will be something for everyone to enjoy.

Stay tuned for further updates and announcements as we approach the event date. In the meantime, if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with the show, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Let's make this year's Quilt Show a memorable celebration of creativity and community!



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