

Quilters' Chatter February 2024



Burke Quilters Guild meets the first, second and fourth Monday of each month at the Burke Senior Center on **Green St.**

President's Message

February is a fun month. The winter is now partially behind us, spring is not far in front of us, and of course, we celebrate with our New Member Tea Party, which is always the second Monday in February. Our guild has a Hospitality Committee deluxe and guild parties are always fun and special. You don't want to miss it. This is a great way for members to welcome and to get better acquainted with all our new members at this event.

For those unable to attend our January meeting, don't forget to pick up your new guild yearbook. A special thanks to Linda Henson for all her hard work to make it happen. Besides having photos and contact information for all members, there is information on all aspects of the guild - this document should answer most questions. Pages 6 & 7 list all therapy day and meeting dates with program information, challenge info and directions, quilt show details and entry categories, among other things.

Speaking of meeting dates, a number of our Mondays this year fall on a holiday when the senior center is closed or a conflict due to voting so please watch the newsletter and refer to your guild manual to keep track of date changes.

Just a reminder that in 2024 we are continuing our Show and Tell prize drawing at the end of the year. If you bring in an item to show, you will get a check mark for the month. (It doesn't matter if you bring 1 item or 5; all members get just 1 credit for that month to keep it fair for all). You also get one credit if you enter the quilt show in August and there is a prize just for that category.

I have been thinking - would guild members be interested in a fabric exchange after a meeting sometime in late spring or early summer? Sometimes that kit or that fabric bought long ago isn't as appealing now or we don't plan to sew the project after all. It might be a good way to move some fabric along and acquire something different. (Fabric could be sold also if you didn't want an exchange). Is there any interest in this or any ideas on how it should work?

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president.
Judy Cobb Abernethy

Officers

President

Judy Abernethy

1st Vice President/ Programs

Dinah Weaver

Committee Members

Susan Briggs, Phyllis Fox, Joann Estes, Carolyn Hall

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Membership

Judy Salchow

Secretary

Marcie Bandy

Treasurer

Judy Pearson

Members at Large

Kathy Davila, Carolyn Raines



February Birthdays

2/7	Joyce W
2/11	Wanda G
2/18	Joan W
2/24	Margaret R
2/26	Shirley S

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Burke Quilters Guild General Meeting Minutes

Date: January 22, 2024

Welcome: President Judy Abernethy welcomed new members Patsy Renfro and Glenda Barrier and returning member, Angela Quilty.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of December 11, 2023 was passed.

Treasurer: Our beginning balance was \$9,270.09. Added income of \$325.00 was from membership dues, less \$305.89 for gift cards, hospitality and February speaker, with an ending balance of \$9,289.20.

Hospitality Committee: The "New Member Tea" will be on February 12 at 10:00. We will honor new members joining since February 2023. Please, sign up.

Yearbooks: Linda Henson reminded everyone to pick up their yearbooks. She highlighted Therapy Days on page 6. The "Challenge Quilt" guidelines for the Quilt Show are on page 12 of the Yearbook. The label must include the month birthstone color and flower. Changes to be noted: We will meet at Calvary Lutheran Church (119 North King Street, Morganton) on February 26, due to early voting. A September program is still open. Opal will do the program on October 14.

Sunshine and Shadows: Phyllis Fox asked for prayers for Dinah Weaver, whose father is in hospice and her mother has Alzheimer's. Gayle Ritchie has been in the hospital; we are glad she is here today.

Wee Care Quilts: Judy Abernethy thanked those who assembled kits for the "Wee Care Quilts" at the last therapy day. Nine quilts were delivered to the hospital. Today, ten quilts were donated.

Veteran Quilts: Judy Abernethy read a thank you note from Douglas St. John for his Veteran's Quilt.

Newsletter: Nancy Harris requests articles for the Newsletter by January 25, to go out on February 5.

- **OPEN:** Morganton Sewing Center will open the 4th Monday of the month for us.
- **SALE:** February 15-16, Foust (608 Canterbury Road, Kings Mountain, NC) has their Semi-annual SALE!
- **QUILT SHOW:** Fiber Arts/Quilt Show is in Statesville on January 26, 27.

Break: During the short break, members could pick up quilt packets and other donations.

Show and Tell: Several members showed beautiful and inspiring quilts that they have finished. Your names will be put in a year end drawing, each time you present at "show and tell". JoAnn Estes showed us the quilt, "Stepping Stones", that will be taught at the April class.

Today's Program: Judy Pearson presented her "Trunk Show" stating, "It's my salvation"! She showed us the quilt her mother started with one block from 28 years ago. Judy finished it and kept on quilting! We enjoyed seeing her works of art through fabric including many of her own creations.

Respectfully,
Marcie Bandy

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IMPORTANT NEWS

LOCATION CHANGE for the February 29 meeting. Due to early voting, the Senior Center will be unable to host our 29th meeting. The **MEETING IS BEING MOVED** to the Fellowship Hall of Calvary Lutheran Church, 119 N King Street, Morganton. There is a big parking lot across from the Methodist Church and entrance into the Fellowship Hall is across the street from the parking lot.



BURKE QUILTERS

NEW MEMBER TEA

Monday, February 12th, 10:00 am

Burke Senior Center

Let's get together to party

And honor our new members!

Let Judy Brittain know if attending.

Program news

Therapy Day on February 12th at 10:00 am will be the new Member Tea. All Members are invited but if you plan to attend, please let Judy Brittain know.

Our **February 26th Program will be held at the Calvary Lutheran Church in Morganton** due to early voting. It will begin at 10:00 am. The Program will be a Leah Day video on Free Motion Quilting.

Our March Therapy Day will be Patty Blanton doing a Workshop on Rope Bowls. This will be a little different from last year's class and looks like it will be fun. This will be a fee class of \$15 and a kit is available for approximately \$25. A supply list will be available at the February meeting. Any questions, please contact Susan Briggs.

The March Program will be JoAnn Estes doing a Trunk Show.

Our April Therapy Day will be JoAnn Estes teaching us how to do the Pick Up Sticks pattern by strip tubing. A supply list is included below. Also included on the supply list page is where you can get the ruler which will be needed. It is \$10.79 on Amazon. If you print out the sheet, please print it in color so you can better see the ruler that is required.

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Pick Up Sticks

70" x 81"

JoAnn Estes, Instructor

Supply List:

- 36 Dark/Medium 2 ½" x Width of Fabric strips (Minimum of 42")
- 44 Light 2 ½" x Width of Fabric strips (Minimum of 42")
- or 3 1/3 yards light background fabric (this includes fabric for 2" inner border)

- 2 yds. Dark fabric for outer border and binding
 - 90 degree triangle ruler (I use the Omnigrad right triangle for 8" quilting ruler). It can be found on Amazon for \$10.79
 - Sewing Machine (with extra thread and bobbins)
 - Seam Ripper (Must have for this method of assembly)
 - Iron/Ironing Board (Optional - Can use the ones provided in class)
 - Rotary Cutter/Cutting Mat
 - Assorted quilting supplies as you think you will need... (Pins, scissors, etc.)
- NOTE: If buying yardage for this quilt, please have several 2 ½" light and dark strips cut prior to coming to class.



Welcome New and Returning Members!



Judy Edwards

Glenda Barrier

Wanda Greer

Gail Shaver

Angela Quilty

Newsletter Deadline

Please submit March Newsletter articles by Thursday, Feb 29th.

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Local happenings



Foust Textiles (wholesaler) in Kings Mountain is having their semi-annual fabric sale February 15 & 16. Their address is 226 S Cherokee St, Kings Mtn, NC



Morganton Sewing Center –downtown Morganton will open on the 4th Monday of the month to serve guild members.



Shady Rock School in Shady Valley, TN is having their annual Festival of Quilts show April 12 & 13. For more information, call or text Tammy Love at (407) 575-7703. Their letter included an entry form if you would like a copy to enter a quilt. See Judy Abernethy to obtain copies.

From: Judee Shuler judeeshuler@gmail.com

Subject: Smoky Mountain Quilters of Tennessee Show - Call for Entries

EVENT: Smoky Mountain Quilters of Tennessee 43rd Quilt Show & Competition

LOCATION: Knoxville Expo Center, 5441 Clinton Highway, Knoxville, TN 37912

DATE/TIMES: Friday, June 21, 2024, 9am-5pm; Saturday, June 22, 2024, 9am-4pm

COST: Daily admission, \$10; 2-day pass, \$15; Children under 12, free

CALL FOR ENTRIES: More than \$6,500 in prize money, 14 categories, including one for Juniors (age 16 and under), and 14 special awards. Deadline to enter is April 22, 2024, or when capacity is reached, whichever is sooner. See website for entry forms and rules.

DESCRIPTION: More than 200 quilts on display. On Friday, Merikay Waldvogel, a nationally known quilt collector, researcher and writer, will present an antique quilt turning at 11am and 1 pm. The guild will also offer brief video recording sessions in support of the Quilt Alliance "Go Tell It!"



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project. Shop vendors and a boutique of unique items handcrafted by guild members. Scavenger hunts for the young ones. Quilt appraisals by appointment: contact certified appraiser Cindy Stuart at 865-386-0940. Free parking.

CONTACT: For more information, email info@smokytnquilters.com.

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An AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser will be at our Quilt Festival on March 22 and 23. You can schedule an appraisal ahead of time by contacting the Palmetto Quilt Guild at palmettoquiltguild@gmail.com or palmettoquiltguild.org. Walk-ins times will be available. Cost is \$65 for a written appraisal.

REGISTER FOR "BACKSTAGE AT THE QUILT SHOW"

WWW.QUILTFEST.COM

Hampton, Virginia, Feb 29 – Mar 3

Are you interested in discovering what really happens during the judging of a quilt show? Would you like to learn to judge quilts? Do you know how to prepare your quilts to be successful at a competitive show?

THERE ARE A FEW SEATS OPEN at the upcoming Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival in a workshop that will jump-start the development of new quilt show judges. Many experienced and knowledgeable quilters can make that transition easily and effectively. This workshop will set them on the path to becoming confident, knowledgeable, and kind judges who can serve your region and beyond. No previous experience is required. Please share this flyer!



Taught by an NACQJ-certified judge (Lorraine Covington), and an award-winning quilter (Kathleen Rountree), the course covers judging criteria as well as procedures for the judging process, while emphasizing supportive, encouraging feedback for the quilt maker. The experience will be invaluable to potential judges, show volunteers and chairs, and all those who enter quilts.

This two-day course will not be offered again soon - PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY AT THE MID-ATLANTIC QUILT SHOW.

Register soon ! Contact me with any questions. Kathleen Rountree
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