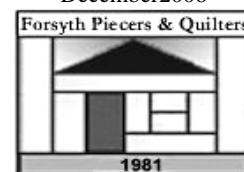


Forsyth Piecers and Quilters Guild, Inc.
Ps & Qs
Monthly Newsletter

December 2006



Next Meeting

DECEMBER 11, 2006

6:30 Social

7:00 Dinner & Brief Meeting

Remember to Bring

Name Tag

Show and Tell

Library Books

Fat Quarters for Peggy

Cookbook money

Ps & Qs Deadline

Please e-mail or US mail your items for this newsletter by December 15th, 2006.

Members Art Quilts on Exhibit

The Piedmont Arts Association Invitational Quilt Exhibit, in Martinsville, Virginia opens November 10 and runs through December 30. For further information, call: 276-632-3221 or view www.piedmontarts.org

Guild COOKBOOKS FOR SALE AT THE DECEMBER MEETING.

These cookbooks are available at a greatly reduced price! In fact, a simple donation of \$_____ is all that is needed. The donation amount is not known at this time. For more information contact Renee at 659-3301.

The Forsyth Piecers and Quilters Guild, Inc. (FPQG) is a non-profit organization governed by Guild Officers and operates under set bylaws. Committee Chair members help to promote quilting within the Guild and the community through local and regional projects and educational programs. The Guild also preserves traditional methodologies and adds to its history by developing and encouraging new fiber art concepts.

FPQG 25th Anniversary

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of our guild, our first guild president, Karen Pervier, shares her memories of the early beginnings of our guild:

I moved here in 1980 and was a member of the NC Quilt Symposium Board. The mission of the Board at that time was to host an annual symposium that was well known nationally. These were very early days in quilting, and not too many conferences existed. To do that, the creation of guilds was encouraged.

Barbara Matthews was the Director at the Yellow House on Country Club, and Catherine Trawick was teaching quilting there, so I joined her class (it was one of those Forsyth Tech deals where everyone just signed up and came each quarter and worked on a quilt). Catherine wanted a quilt show and Barbara wanted to promote quilting, but neither of them wanted to organize it.

I think the first meeting of the group was the beginning of 1981, and we met upstairs in the Yellow House at South Fork Recreation Center. We decided to meet each month to organize a quilt guild, and by the 3rd meeting, we had outgrown our space. We moved into the then "new building" at South Fork, and met there until we also outgrew that space. Fannye Hall was one of the attendees at the first meeting, and certainly one of the most devoted members of the guild--I think it was her suggestion for the name of the group--the Forsyth Piecers and Quilters. Anyway, we decided to incorporate and become a non-profit educational group, and LaVerne Domach worked with a lawyer to establish By-Laws and get that done. We had a mission statement, and our goal was to promote, preserve, and expand the knowledge of quilt making.

The first activities of the Guild were to get our message out to the public. In 1982, we had a quilt show at the Salem College Fine Arts Center, and worked with The Sawtooth Center for Visual Arts to make quilts for a show and to have live demonstrations of quilting during the show. In 1983, the Guild hosted the NC Quilt Symposium for the first time. Since that time, the guild has hosted the NCQSI Symposium in 1988, 1997 and 2006. The Yellow House then became the symbol for our Guild Pins.
Karen Pervier

Editor's Note

Since that time, many people have contributed to the ongoing success of the Guild. I'd like to recognize those members of our guild today, who have been faithful members of FPQG for 10 years or more. Unfortunately, I was unable to find membership records prior to 1998. I'd like to ask those who have been a member of the guild for 10 years or more, to please contact me so that I can recognize the names in the January edition of the Ps & Qs Newsletter. If you have been a member for 10 years or more, please contact me at 923-2027 or write: NursConst@aol.com. Thanks!
Ella Nix

Secretary's Threads (November 2006)

Submitted by Holly Alloway

President, Renee Bachmeier, called the November 13, 2006 meeting to order at 7pm. She welcomed our new members and 2 visitors.

Minutes from the October meeting were approved and accepted.

Ann Harris, Bee Chair has bee charms for bee members to add to their nametags.

Martha Claire Henzler, Education Chair, reported on demonstrating quilting to 3rd graders at Lewisville Elementary's, "Old Tyme Day on Friday, November 3rd. She encouraged members to participate in such opportunities to educate the community about quilting.

Rosann Davis, Hospitality Chair passed a sign-up sheet for refreshments for next year asking for 4 volunteers per month. She also made announcements concerning: Ann Roth's new quilt store in Keeling, VA, a retreat next September by Susan Edmondson and Kristin Steiner, and books being given away by Brenda Blackburn.

Leanne Marshall, Preemie Quilt Chair, reported that we have made almost 70 preemie quilts so far this year. This comes close to surpassing the total number we made in last year.

Carrie Pippins reported on the Brenner Christmas Tree which will be decorated this coming Thursday. She encouraged someone to volunteer to chair the tree for next year. Judy Rutledge won the Block of the Month. A bag of coffee beans, received from Quilter's Coffee Club was won by Carmen Cannon. Row Robins will be due in January not December.

Carmen Cannon reported that the new web site manager, Becky Bostick is doing a great job and encouraged members to check out the site often to see updates. Members can email Becky with anything for the web site.

Fran Lindley announced a shop-hop to be held in February on the coast of North Carolina. Susie Milburn gave information about a Thimbleberries Club, organized with the Quilters Loft Shop in Mooresville. If interested, contact Susie. (See the item listed in this newsletter.) The guild will have a fat quarter drawing in December. Members must donate a fat quarter to have their names put in the hat for the drawing hosted by Peggy Bruton.

The guild is adopting 2 Salvation Army families for Christmas. Members were encouraged to pick up information to purchase gifts for these families from Peggy Bruton. (See the item listed in this newsletter.)

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Secretary's Threads (Continued from Column 1)

Drawings were held for door prizes. Show and tell was presented.

Penny Sharp introduced the program speaker, Sue Nickels, a quilt teacher from Ann Arbor, Michigan who will also present a workshop on Wednesday, November 15 on machine applique. Some openings are available for the workshop and anyone interested should contact Penny. Sue Nickels presented the program concerning the history of machine quilting. The meeting adjourned.

GREETERS DUTIES

Arrive by at least 6:30pm and check-in at the Membership Table.

Help greet new members and visitors. Find a member for them to sit beside.

Help with Show & Tell by holding the quilts and assisting guest speakers as needed.

Return nametags at the end of the meeting.

December Greeters

Glenna Williams, Judy Rutledge Kathy Byrd, Kim Burroughs, Brenda Bristow, Pat Selzer, Sandra Hamby, Debbie Layne, Anita Berrier, Merle Horton, Kelly Healy.

PREEMIE QUILTS UPDATE

The quilts are rolling in! We made deliveries to both hospitals in September and collected over 20 quilts in one night. To date, more than 70 quilts have been submitted. Please make sure you log in your preemie quilt donation at each guild meeting with Leanne. The quilter that makes the most quilts by May 2007 will WIN a Singer Featherweight machine! Quilters are asked to put their names on the quilts they donate, in order to be given credit toward the sewing machine contest. Also, if you need fabric or batting, please check at the Preemie Table each month. We don't want anyone to lack the resources to make quilts. If you have any questions, please contact Leanne at 922-4298 or LeanneM@triad.rr.com.

SPECIAL PURCHASE

The guild will have tote bags, aprons and pins from the 2006 NCQSI show for sale at the *January meeting*. The cost is \$3.00 for a tote bag or an apron. The show pins sell for \$1.00. Please bring the exact amount, or a check written to the next guild and see **Ann Harris**.

SHARE!

If you, or someone you know, have a quilting accomplishment, we would like to know about it! Please send the information for our "Applause" column to Ella Nix at NursConslt@aol.com.

A NOTE TO OUR QUILTING TEACHERS

If you are teaching beginning quilting students or happen to find a newcomer to our area in one of your classes, please make them aware of our Guild and invite them to visit us. Also, please give them one of our business cards, which I try to keep available at the front desk of all the local quilt shops. If you teach quilting through another organization, and would like some of our cards, please let me know! **Kathy Byrd**, Publicity Chair, 945-9459.

CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

Because it was such a success last year, this year we again "adopted" two needy families selected by the Salvation Army. If you would like to purchase and bring a wrapped gift for one of these needy family members, contact Peggy Bruton at 794-2889. She will share their wish lists with you and then the wrapped gift can be brought to the December meeting.

THE FREE CLASSIFIEDS

ANY ITEM, ANY TIME. NOTIFY THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR IF YOU'D LIKE THE CLASSIFIED TO RUN FOR MORE THAN ONE MONTH.

- WILL WORK FOR FAT QUARTERS. NO JOB TOO SMALL OR TOO DIRTY. CALL WANNA B. KWILTER AT 555-1212.
- YOUR AD HERE!

BEE BUZZ

Any FPQG who belongs to one of our bees is eligible to adorn her guild nametag with a gold bumblebee charm. These charms are free and available at guild or Bee meetings; please let **Ann Harris** know if you'd like one for your nametag. We hope those of you who are not bee members will join a Bee just to get one of these for your guild nametag! Contact **Ann Harris** at 499-5617.

Website of the Month:

Did you know there are more than 80 quilts have been lost or stolen at quilt shows? Quilts have been found left behind on streets, in parks, and at Quilt Markets. They fall off trucks or get left behind at airports. Shipping companies have lost more than 100 quilts during delivery. To view these lost and found quilts, and hear about happy recoveries, go to:

www.lostquilt.com

The Carolina Longarm Association is for longarm quilters throughout the state. For more information, contact: PAME WHITAKER at 336-431-9727 or e-mail PameWhitaker1@aol.com

Thimbleberries Club

We need at least 7 more guild members to start up a Thimbleberries Club. Thimbleberries is a line of fabrics, books and patterns that have a warm, classic country feeling. The group would meet monthly to work on quilt projects based on monthly kits. **Quilters Loft of Mooresville**, would like to come to Winston once a month to host the club. We are waiting for further information. Plans are for a late January start up. For further information, go to: www.thimbleberries.com, or to sign up, contact **Susy Milburn** at 924-1170.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT THE GUILD MEETINGS

January "In the Eyes of the Judge." A presentation by Scott Murkin, Certified Quilt Judge. . Scott was one of the judges in the NCQSI 2006 show held here in Winston last June.

February Guild member Margaret Varner presents: "Feed Sack Quilts."

March Kay Preston presents, "Point of View." Details on Kay and her program will be in the next newsletter.

April 9 Susan Brubaker Knapp presents "Unleashing the Inner Artist." Susan is a patternmaker, teacher and award winning quilter from Charlotte. She loves traditional hand quilting and needleturn appliqué, but has embraced innovative machine techniques. See: <http://www.bluemoonriver.com/>

May 14 Potluck Dinner.

June 13 Jane Townswick presents "Inspiration for Quilters." A workshop scheduled for Friday, June 15. Jane began a career in publishing at Quilting Today, Traditional Quilts, and Miniature Quilts magazines in 1991. A former quilt shop owner, she has been an instructor at Elly Sienkiewicz's esteemed Appliqué Academy 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003.

July 9 Jane Hall presents "Painless Pieced Borders."

NOVEMBER SHOW & TELL

Show and Tell was presented by: Judy Rutledge who made "Wilderness Solitude" for her brother; Carmen Cannon, whose wall hanging was entitled, "Hearts.". Gloria Bruce presented a memorial quilts. Ginny Koford's quilt was made for Elizabeth. Fran Lindley made two tops in the Turning Twenty style for her granddaughters. Susy Milburn's quilt was named: "Yi-Yi-Yi." Kate Gatto presented a baby quilt, "Indiana Baby" and a larger throw called, "French Star." Janet Rolison's displayed her Preemie Quilt and Kim Buterbaugh displayed a twin-size quilt called, "Elora's Own." Beth Holcombe displayed her first finished quilt.

From the Creative Minds of Carrie & Judy

Well, we had our last Block of the Month event and Judy Rutledge was the winner. Congratulations Judy! The winner of our Quilter's Coffee beans was Carmen Cannon. Hope you enjoy that coffee, Carmen.

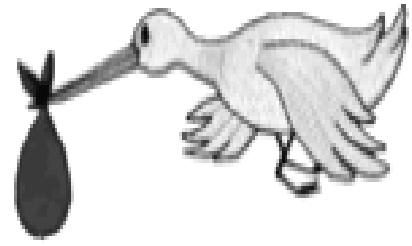
Thanks to you all for helping with the Brenner tree. I will have pictures next month. Thank you to Marlene Land, Judy Rutledge and my daughter Christine for helping decorate the Brenner tree. The tree was covered with ornaments. If anyone is interested in taking my position let me know. I have a folder with ideas and you know that you don't have to do it alone because of the great ladies in the guild who are always willing to help.

To those of you doing the Row Robin, you don't need to bring your bag back until January. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. Carrie and Judy

GUILD SEWING DAY

The next Guild Sewing Day is scheduled for Saturday, December 30th from 10am to 4pm at Parkway Presbyterian. This will be an opportunity to get acquainted with other members. Stop by anytime and bring a sewing project. Please wear your nametag. Bring an extension cord if you plan on bringing a sewing machine. Light snacks and drinks will be provided. Members are asked to bring a sack lunch. For further info, contact Carolyn Bailey at 766-9985 or Peggy Bruton at 794-2889.

PREEMIE QUILT GUIDELINES



- Both hospitals prefer 36"x36" (max. 40"x40")
- Materials no longer are required to be 100% cotton (i.e., fabric, thread, backing and batting).
- The guild provides batting and backing kits.
- Contact Leanne for any questions at 922-4298.

Bee Calendar

BEES NOW ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERS

11/27: BEEfriendly at 7pm in various members' homes. Call Suzette Brown at 277-8890.

11/28: The BEEcassos at 9:30am at Little Creek Recreation Center. Call Ellen Blair at 722-0336.

11/29, 12/6, 12/13 & 12/20 Quilting Friends at 9:30am at Old Town Recreation Center. Call: Marianna Morgan at 924-0178.

11/30 Last Thursdays Bee at 6pm at Sew Original on Robinhood Road. Call Becki Bostick at 714-2580.

12/7 and 12/21: Happy Adventurers, at Hanes Recreation Center, 7pm. Call Gayle Foltz at 744-1417.

12/5 and 12/19 The BeeTweens at 1:00pm at the Quilting Corner in Clemmons. Call: Ann Harris at 499-5617.

12/21 As The Needle Turns at 10:00am in the South Fork Recreation Center kitchen. Call: Anne Tedrow at 922-6694.

HOLIDAY DINNER INFORMATION For the New Members

Everyone is asked to bring a dish of her choice. Some serving utensils are available. The Board plans to provide a tray of barbecue and a tray of lasagna. Water and Lemonade are provided.

Door prizes for the evening are the table centerpieces, so please wear your nametag. A Basket of Fat Quarters will be awarded by a drawing to those entered.

Show and Tell is planned. Visitors are always welcome!

Applause!

Please congratulate:

Margaret Varner for her 3 awards and 8 entries in the October Mooresville Quilt Show.

FAT QUARTER BASKET

At the December Holiday dinner, a drawing will be held for a basket of Fat Quarters. Each member who brings a fat quarter to place in the basket, will be eligible for the drawing. Each fat quarter donated entitles the donor to one draw, so bring as many fat quarters as you'd like! A lucky lady will go home with a beautiful basket of fabrics. See Peggy Bruton to participate! Call her at 794-2889.

***DO YOU HAVE
A TALENT FOR
HOLIDAY DECORATING?***

**Does your mind flow
with ideas for
Christmas Tree
Decorating?**

**WE NEED YOU!
To Volunteer & Chair
The 2007 Brenner Tree Project!**

**Contact: Carrie Pippins
at 767-0848**

CALENDAR

Please mention this newsletter when you call for class registration.

11/27 CLASS: Beginner Hand Quilting, KNIT ONE SMOCK TOO, Winston-Salem, Call 765-9099.

11/28 & 11/30 CLASS: Beginning Hand Piecing. QUILTERS LOFT, MOORESVILLE, Call 704-662-8660.

11/29 CLASS: Carpenter's Wheel. KNIT ONE SMOCK TOO, Winston-Salem, Call 765-9099.

12/1 CLASS: Madison Table runner. QUILTERS LOFT, MOORESVILLE, Call 704-662-8660.

12/2 CLASS: Butterfly Thread Painting. QUILTERS LOFT, MOORESVILLE, Call 704-662-8660.

12/7 CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE: Door Prizes & Demos. 4-8pm. QUILTERS LOFT, MOORESVILLE, Call 704-662-8660.

12/8 LECTURE: Moda – From Concept to Reality. QUILTERS LOFT, MOORESVILLE, Call 704-662-8660.

12/9 CLASS: Kitty Wall hanging. SEW ORIGINAL, W-S, Call: 760-1121 or www.seworiginal.org

12/9 CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE: Make It and Take It Workshops 10am-5pm. KNIT ONE SMOCK TOO, Winston-Salem, Call 765-9099.

12/9 THIMBLEBERRIES CHRISTMAS TEA: 11am. QUILTERS LOFT, MOORESVILLE, Call 704-662-8660.

1/3/2007 DEADLINE: AQS Paducah Quilt Show Entries. PADUCAH, KY. Call: 270-898-7903 or americanquilter.com

1/12/2007 DEADLINE: MidAtlantic QuiltFest Entries, HAMPTON, VA. Call: 215-862-5828 or www.quiltfest.com

1/25 to 1/27 RETREAT: Myrtle Beach Quilt Party: 20 Classes, MYRTLE BEACH, SC. Call: 704-829-0937 or <http://margsouth.tripod.com>

1/29-2/5/07 QUILT CRUISE: The Hawaiian Islands. Call: Your Bank or view www.quiltcelebration.com

2/22-2/27 SHOW: MidAtlantic Quilt Festival. HAMPTON, VA. Call: 215-862-5828 or www.quiltfest.com

02/22-02/25 RETREAT: Elly Sienkiewicz Appliqué Academy. WILLIAMSBURG, VA. Call: 951-658-4260 or www.ellysienkiewicz.com

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FAQs

Q. What is a bee? A: Bees are small groups of members that meet to sew and share "quilty stuff." Bees meet at least monthly or more often in members homes, quilt shops, or recreation centers. Some bees have a quilting focus. Most bees involve some sitting, sewing, snacking and talking! Try one today! If you enjoyed Guild Sewing Day, you'll want to check into one of our Bees!

Please update any street address or e-mail changes with Carolyn Bailey, 766-9985.
Your newsletter delivery depends on it! Contact Carolyn at: cba215@triad.rr.com.

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