

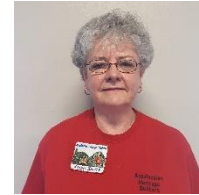
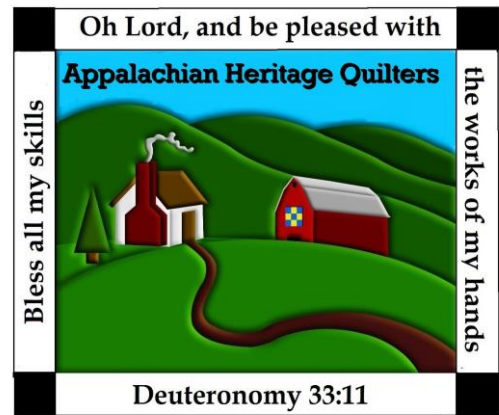
Appalachian Heritage Quilters

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Presidents Note -

I am writing this note while sitting in a hotel room in Seattle WA. It has been an adventure with my daughter to celebrate her 40th birthday. It has been 4 days so far of seacoasts, mountains, waterfalls, tulip festivals, aquariums and today the Space Needle and the Chihuly Garden. My mind has been filled with the glory and wonder of God's creation. Katie says I have said numerous times, "Oh, that would make a beautiful quilt!" And each scene would - that is why we love quilting.

This month's program is on the wonders we can make from scraps of fabric, and it should be wonderfully inspiring. Be sure to attend on April 18. If you promise to read the newsletter, I promise to have a short business meeting so we can really enjoy the Show and Tell and the program.

Angie

Bring one or more "Fat Quarters" to our meeting and you will be eligible to win a stack of Fat Quarters.
Each meeting someone will choose a theme or color fabric for our next meeting.

APRIL MEETING, FAT QUARTER DRAWING "BLUE"

MARCH WINNER'S WERE: Cindy Mingin-Merrick, Laurie Blaine, Jessica Steedman

Remember a fat quarter is a fabric cut 18" x 22".

V.P. Programs – Audrey Pantas

All meetings are at Crossroads Christian Church in the sanctuary.

All Sit & Sews will tentatively be held at the Crossroads Christian Church.

For Weather Delays, Cancelations, & Rescheduling, we will be posting on emails, Facebook, & website.

Calendar

April 18th - Monthly meeting - 6:00 to 8:00 pm, Crossroads Christian Church in the Sanctuary

May 16th - Monthly meeting -6:00 to 8:00 pm, Crossroads Christian Church in the Sanctuary

Scraps, scraps and more scraps! The April meeting will be an inspiration for organizing and creating scrappy quilts. Connie Carr and Mona Doss will be leading this month's program.

We will be doing another swap at the April meeting. This time we will be swapping homemade pin cushions. Here's a couple of links with free pincushion patterns and ideas:

<https://hellosewing.com/free-pincushion-patterns/>

<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/bags-pillows-gifts/pincushions/free-pincushion-patterns>

For show and tell, bring a recently completed project or something scrappy.

Upcoming Programs:

The final UFO is due at the May 16th guild meeting plus the drawing for prizes for the UFO participants.

The May 16th AHQ Program will be a slide show and talk by Angie Harris regarding the first quilt barns in this area. A history on each of the barn blocks will be discussed and members will be able to see a quilt top made from the first 30 blocks. Members will also be able to take home a pattern for one of the quilt blocks.

I will be asking for volunteers to do demos at a future meeting. Start thinking about what unique sewing tip you could share with the guild. It'll be done in small groups, so no worries about talking in front of a large group. Please see me at the meeting or give me a call.

Audrey

Charity Corner

We delivered another large batch of quilts and port pillows to the Ballad Cancer Care Center and Niswonger Children's Hospital last month. The staff are so appreciative of the donations, and always ask that we express their sincere thanks to you, the guild members, for your kindness in blessing the patients with your beautiful creations. We love to hear the ooo's and ahhh's when they admire your work!

At the meeting this month, we will have a special visitor from the local chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace, an organization that builds and delivers twin beds, mattresses, and bedding to children and needy families in our area. We will be showering him with twin-size quilts made by guild members throughout the year, and others made as part of our recent group project using the donated tops, backings, and guild-purchased batting.

If you have any other finished twin-size quilts you are looking to donate, please bring them to the meeting and add to the collection!

Diane Lutton
Charity Coordinator

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>		
<u>March, 2024</u>		
	2024 March	\$4,766.52
Deposit	Membership	40.00
	2024 show	
Debit	Ribbons	-266.86
Debit	Website	-203.88
Interest		0.40
		\$4,336.18



April

9th - Jody Kaczmarek
15 - Lynn Veith

May

10th - Jolene Stratton
11th - Connie Browder
11th - Audrey Pantas
14th - Daisy Gutierrez
16th - Betsy Bridgeforth
17th - Connie Carr
22nd - Lily Von Braun
27th - Mona Doss

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Here are the nominations for the 2024-2025 board:

President..... Audrey Pantas
VP for Programs Liana Thompson
VP for Quilt Show.....Jessica Stedman
Recording Secretary.....Angela Cummings
Treasurer.....Fran Tafer
Corr. Secretary.....Donna Flynn
Chaplain.....Lisa Kleven
Membership Chr.....Paulette Bruggeman
Charity Chr.....Vicky Lowe
Website Chr.....Janet Henne

TRI CITY GUILD CONSORTIUM (TCGC) NEWS

Please see attached Flyers for more information on upcoming events.

The TCGC board has been very busy planning activities for this spring and summer. Jump in where you can for some fun and fellowship.

TCGC now has its own Facebook page thanks to our Zoe. Check there for news and updates. We have an email, tricitysguild@gmail.com, and a bank account also.

QUILTS OF VALOR

Please note that Karen Campbell is the local contact for Quilts of Valor and is glad to answer your questions and take any completed tops or finished quilts you want to donate. Please note the information below:

Karen Campbell 423-292-1482



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MOUNTAIN QUILTFEST GUILD CHALLENGE

The guild challenge at Mtn. Quiltfest (June 3-6, 2024) this year is "Celebrate" and we will need a minimum of 5 entries to enter as a guild. An email with specifics has been sent to everyone, but if you have any questions, please contact Angie, 423-677-5990.

Quilt at Gray Library

March

Hibiscus

Top Made by: Lynn Veith

Quilted by: Lynn Veith



This quilt was made for a quilt contest sponsored by Joann Fabrics and everything used in the quilt had to be Joann products.

The flower is a photo taken by Lynn's daughter. Lynn enlarged the photo, printed it on fabric and sewed the pieces together. She thread-painted the flower and the background using matching variegated thread on the top and backing. All the stitching was free motion and quilted on her longarm machine.

The quilt tied to 11th (eleventh) place in the contest.

APPALACHIAN HERITAGE QUILTERS MINUTES 3/21/24

President Angie Harris brought the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., at Crossroads Christian Church. Angie welcomed all members, visitors, and returning or visiting previous members.

The devotions were led by Chaplain Connie Browder and prayer requests were mentioned. Specifically, prayers were requested for Joyce Painter's sister and also for Joyce who is taking care of her; Betty Briscall's brother who is having cancer surgery; Connie Carr and her family upon the death of Connie's mother; Lynn Vieth's daughter is having surgery in April; Jessica Steedman's father passed away recently and her mother is struggling with the loss; Connie Falasco offered a praise that her recent gall bladder surgery was successful and she had little pain.

Upon a motion by Beverly Geissler, and seconded by Betty Tester, the minutes from the February 15, 2024, meeting were approved.

Upon a motion by Cindey Minga-Merrick, and seconded by Connie Browder, the Treasurer's Report as printed in the latest newsletter was approved.

Janet Henne has agreed to take over the work on the guild website but asks for help with Word Press and help to get her set up. Karen Campbell will talk to a friend she has at ETSU to see if he can help.

Angie stated that there is a new AHQ Information page that will be given to all new members and will be available at the sign-in table.

The By-Laws require that a nominating committee be appointed in March to recruit new officers for the upcoming year which begins in June of 2024. The slate of officers will be presented at the April meeting and will be voted on in May. Those volunteering to serve on the nominating committee for this year are Paulette Bruggerman, Zoe Sibley, and Portia Sams. All members were requested to consider serving as an officer and letting the Nominating Committee know of their willingness to serve.

Angie informed the guild that the annual drive-in retreat will be held on July 18, 19, and 20, at Crossroads Christian Church. Jessica Steedman volunteered to be the coordinator for the retreat.

The guild was also informed that the dates for the Fall Retreat at the Abingdon 4H Center are September 20-22. Cindey Minga-Merrick volunteered to coordinate this retreat. Zoe Sibley gave an update on the Consortium Sit and Sew on April 19-20. On Friday, the 19th, the times are 6:00-9:00 p.m. On Saturday the times are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you want to participate in the Mystery Quilt there is a charge of \$5 and you must let the Consortium know that you want to participate. The supply list will be sent out a couple of weeks before the date. Also, the Consortium is sponsoring a bus trip to Keepsake Quilting and Schoolhouse Fabrics on June 11th. The cost of the trip is \$50. There are limited seats available so let the Consortium know right away if you are interested in going.

Mary Deadman informed the guild that the Quilt Show this year (2024) will be held on November 15th & 16th (Thursday - 11/12 – enter quilts and show set up; Friday and Saturday are the dates of the actual show and take down will be Saturday evening). A new show coordinator is needed – please let the nominating committee know if you are interested in coordinating the show. There is already a list of people signed up for the various subcommittees. Audrey Pantas is donating a quilt to be given away at the show. In preparation for Quilt Show 2025, Lynn Vieth introduced a project for a quilt to be made by the guild to be given away. This quilt will be hexagons made from fabrics left over from the Crafter's Corner in last year's show. At the upcoming July drive-in retreat, Vicki Lowe will teach how to make the blocks and put them together. This will be a guild project, and everyone is requested to participate.

Mountain Quiltfest in Pigeon Forge is scheduled for June 3 - 6. Our guild usually participates in the Guild Challenge and the theme for this year's challenge is Celebrate. We need at least 5 entries to enter our guild in the challenge. Zoe Sibley has volunteered to take our entries down to the show for the challenge, and Tony Grohs has volunteered to pick them up after the show. Your entries must be given to Zoe the 1st week in May. Diane Litton showed all the quilts turned in that were made from the kits distributed in the Fall. These quilts will be given to Niswonger Children's Hospital, Ballard Cancer Center, and Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

Karen Campbell reminded everyone that a Quilts of Valor sit and sew is held the 3rd Saturday of every month.

Angie Harris will present a talk on area Quilt Barns at Chester Inn in Jonesborough on Saturday, March 23 at 10:00 a.m. This is a free event. Angie will do the presentation for our guild in May.

The Fat Quarter drawing was held and 1st place was Cindey Minga-Merrick, 2nd place was Laurie Blayney, and 3rd place was Jessica Steedman. The fat quarter color for April is Blue.

Several drawings were held for fabric and sewing notions donated to the guild by former member Jolene Stratton.

There will be no Sit and Sew the first Thursday of April due to the church being unavailable on that date.

The program consisted of an exchange of Mug Rugs and Show and Tell.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Barbara Kirk, Recording Secretary.

2023 - 2024 OFFICERS

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Sit & Sew – Lynn Veith, Connie Carr, Laurie Blayney
Membership – Paulette Bruggeman, Sharon Copas, Robin Noel
Fall Retreat – Angie Harris
Drive-In Retreat – Mary Deadman, Connie Browder
Quilt Challenge – Lynn Veith, Zoe Sibley
T-Shirt Coordinator – Portia Sams
Website Coordinator – Janet Henne

*A special Thank You to each member for their service to
the guild!*