

FOOTHILLS PIECEMAKERS QUILTING GUILD NEWSLETTER

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Next Guild Meeting:

March 3, 2016, at 7pm
Grace Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
5020 Old Spartanburg Road, Taylors, SC

Programs:

Carolyn Harris from Fair Play, SC will be doing our March program. Also, a reminder the Mystery Quilt will be revealed after our speaker. Thanks, Sandy

REMEMBER inserts for the next newsletter are due to **Dagmar Theodore** no later than **March 25, 2016** (tedagmar@juno.com)

Happy Birthday in March:

Nancy Vandiver 3/2, Sarah Gray 3/3, Deborah Waldrop 3/4, Betty Adams 3/5, Christine Wilde 3/7, Pat Bush 3/9, Vivian Perry 3/11, Nicole McClelland 3/12, Sandy Wolf 3/17, Mary Kelley 3/18, Sandy Smith 3/20, Pat Davies 3/26, Karen McGraw 3/26, Shelia Chandler 6/31.

Refreshments:

The following members signed up to bring refreshments for the March meeting: Nicole McClelland, Pat Falconer, Gloria Bobier, Betty Cirillo, Tami Grabowski

Hospitality

The nametag drawings were won by Debbie Sothen, and Laurie Blair, Linda Ligon won the \$ Door Price. The Blocks of the month were won by Linda Harper (Feb BOM) and Joyce Alexander (Jan BOM).

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Corresponding Secretary

In January, two cards were sent to Carolyn Jones for two separate falls, as well as a card to Lynette Baker for her continued chemo treatments. In February, a card was sent to the family of Pat Whitfield, a current guild member, for her recent passing. A card was sent to Robin Brooks, a former speaker of our guild, for her fabric donation to the guild. Also, a get-well card was sent to Debbie Johnson for her recent surgery. If anyone knows of anyone in need of a card, please let me know!

Kristin Kipper

President's message – Karen Carson

"Are we there yet?" "How much longer is it?" "When can we stop?"

Do any of those phrases sound familiar to you? Maybe you were in the front seat of the family car driving across our great country on your family's vacation. Possibly you were one of the youngsters sitting in the back seat, scrunched between a couple of siblings one of which always had to sit by the window because they would get carsick. You remember those fun, family trips, don't you?

As a parent, my husband and I would look at each other after the first hour or so into our journey and think, "How much longer"? And I know that as an obnoxious teenager, I tormented my younger brother and sister as we sat in our two door, black 1960 Plymouth (complete with tail fins!!) and windows that actually rolled down for genuine "air conditioning". Back in the day, the phrase for A/C was "4 40" which means four windows down going 40 mph!

Well, here we are steadily traveling towards our 2016 quilt show, "Threaded Memories", on April 8 and 9 at Pelham Road Baptist Church. We are almost there! Very soon it will be time to gather our quilts, our smiles and extra energy for two days of a show that has been two years in the making.

This year's quilt show co-chairs, Sandy Wolf and Darleen Sanford, along with the many committee chairs have worked non-stop to bring together a great venue, lots of vendors and a beautiful display of quilts made by our members. There's a boutique, silent auction, fabric filled baskets, a new addition of "fabric sacks" (these are filled with fabric strips), the YLI thread table and several more surprises. You will find the line-up of vendors to be exciting, too.

Our show is a great opportunity to meet new friends and old acquaintances. There are still opportunities to volunteer for set-up, take-down and other tasks during the show. Please consider where you can serve and let Darleen or Sandy know at our March meeting or before. I promise that you will have an enjoyable time!

You can also pick up some flyers from Faye Kiser and Martha White at the March meeting. The flyers can be given to your friends, neighbors, doctor's office and favorite hair salon so that we can get the word out about the dates, times and location of the show.

So many members – and spouses, too – have worked hard to help make this year's show an outstanding one. Thank you for participating and helping with our trip to "Threaded Memories".

Karen Carson

Membership News – Sue Burton

We currently have 146 members. We had 89 happy members attend the January meeting. So glad to see you all! One new person joined. Please add her information to your membership directory.

Deborah Waldrop

We had 6 guests: Leigh Radlen, Marbeth Abbott, Marjorie Swanson, and Connie Fleming of Greer; Carol Clanton, a returning guest, and Sheila Lancaster of Travelers Rest. Members, continue to bring your friends to meetings (as Kerry did). Remember, our half-price after Christmas sale is going on for first-time members! \$10 for new memberships!

Sue Burton
Membership Chair

Carolina Cut Ups

The Carolina Cut Ups Quilting Bee meets the first Wednesday of every month beginning at 9:30 a.m. Bring a project to work on, a lunch (or some members go out to eat), and a \$1 contribution (collected at each meeting). We love seeing new faces! We meet in the crafts room located in the Recreation Center of Taylors First Baptist Church, 200 W. Main St., Taylors. For additional information contact Darleen Sanford (864-593-1483).

Guild Officers

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Challenge Deb Plummer		
Education Sandy Helsel		
Guild Sales Martha White		
Susan Gosnell		
Terry Weinbender		

Hospitality Johellen George		
Hostess Linda Harper		
Membership Sue Burton		
Mystery Quilt Cheryl Brickey		
Opportunity Quilt Kristin Kipper		
Philanthropy Lois Gaston		
Publicity Phyllis Costa		
Quilt Show 2016 Sandy Wolf		
Darleen Sanford		
Refreshments Linda Fry		
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CHALLENGE QUILT project NEWS !!

You can read all the specifics of the challenge at the guild's website. Since May is the challenge "reveal", I will NEED to know before the April 7th meeting what size of project you may have to display. My goal is to have enough quilt racks and tables set up to accommodate all the projects. Yes, there'll be voting.

Thanks, Deb Plummer (jb_djp@yahoo.com, 864-616-2828)

Quilt Show 2016:

Committee Chair still needed

We still need someone to oversee the taking down of the quilts. There will be many volunteers asking "what can I do?". It would be helpful to have someone to direct them to where help is needed most.

Donation requests - THIS IS THE LAST MEETING TO BRING IN DONATIONS. Karen Ryon will take your books and magazines. Sandy Wolf could really use more notions and patterns for the fat quarter baskets. We are aiming for at least 12 baskets. Gayle Brown has lots of lunch bags she is filling with fabric scraps. The more the better.

Sign-Up Sheets - There will be sign-up sheets on the back table for volunteers. A lot of volunteers are needed. A Quilt

Show cannot be run without help from our members. PLEASE SIGN UP at the next MEETING; it will give you free entrance to the show. WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!!!

Darleen Sanford/Sandy Wolf

Boutique Member Vendors – We have 13 members signed up to participate as vendors for the Quilt Show Boutique. We have a few more openings if anyone is interested, but you need to call or email Sandy Helsel as soon as possible so we can provide the necessary display space.

Email: shelsel65@gmail.com or phone 864-640-7437.

Remember all items must be handmade and unused by FPQG members only. A vendor number will be assigned to you. (We have numbers 9 and 11 available and then 16 thru 30 can also be assigned. A list of guidelines and an inventory sheet will be issued to you.

For those already signed up, please read the guidelines carefully and remember to make two copies of your inventory sheet before you arrive for set-up on April 7th. Each item must be labeled with at the least, your vendor number and the price. Items not tagged will not be accepted.

Sandy Helsel

CALLING ALL MEMBERS!

First of all, a big THANK YOU to everyone who has donated to Silent Auction for this year's quilt show. Unfortunately, we are still short of the number of items that were donated for the last show. So please help us out if you can! We will happily be accepting donations at the March meeting and are hoping for all those last-minute quilters to come through for us. If you have any questions, contact Leslie Garza at 801-2575 or Hazel Abend at 268-9698. Thanks again!!

FPQG Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes February 4, 2016

Karen Carson opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Members and visitors were greeted.

Correction to the January newsletter minutes – \$3000 CD which was not included in January's financials. Both, January and February financials will be printed in the March newsletter. Minutes of January meeting approved by Penny Jones and seconded by Martha White.

New Business – Busy Bee Quilters Guild in Fountain Inn hosting national quilt teacher, Karla Alexander, March 15 workshop and March 16 lecture. For details contact Margie Patterson (mpatterson0429@att.net) 864-833-3015 or Linda Tripp (sewngail@gmail.com) 864-575-3240.

A nominating committee should be appointed at this time. However, board positions are filled except for newsletter editor. Guild members invited to give consideration to this important job. Karen Carson will follow up with committee chairs to serve 2016/17.

Old Business – Fons and Porter magazine subscriptions well supported by guild.

Committee Reports:

Quilt Show – Darleen Sanford requested quilt registration forms be turned in February 29. Mystery quilts made before 2016 will be entered in respective categories. Mystery quilts from 2016 will have special display and will require registration in March. No photo is necessary for 2016 mystery quilts.

More notions are needed for door prize baskets at the quilt show. Fabric scraps are due at the March meeting. Signup sheets to help at the quilt show were available at February meeting and also will be at the March meeting. Barbara Phillips reported 50 registration forms have been turned in. Those entering quilts in the show will be assigned a number when quilts are delivered. The quilts will be picked up according to the number given. Sandy Helsel reminded those participating in the Boutique Sales should see her and sign up in March. She will find out the square footage of space each person will need to display items. They should be tagged individually with the vendor # and price. Prices should be set in \$.50 increments. Sandy will e-mail each person who signs up. Karen McGraw will be selling thread for YLI and taking orders at the March meeting. Leslie Garza and Hazel Abend showed new donations for the silent auction and requested that more be given to increase funds at the quilt show. The guild has received several donations and tops the past year. Would any members like to quilt them? See Leslie or Hazel for details.

Corresponding Secretary – Kristin Kipper sent 3 cards to members. Pat Whitfield passed away in January.

Opportunity Quilt – Kristin Kipper requested members to turn in ticket money. If they haven't sold their tickets, please return them to her so that others might sell them. Quilt is currently displayed at Beginnings Quilt Shop in Hendersonville, NC.

Nametags & Door Prizes – Johellen George encouraged members to participate.

Guild Programs – Sandy Wolf announced our guest speaker for March will be Carolyn Harris.

Education Minute – Sandy Helsel recommended using an old fashioned suitcase to store small quilts. To maintain ¼" seams when hand quilting, use ¼" wide tape. Thread is strengthened for hand quilting when it is pulled through beeswax. This also prevents knotting of the thread.

Mystery Quilt – Cheryl Brickey stated the revealing is March. Numerous prizes will be awarded.

Quilters of SC District 1 Rep. – Susan Perham announced the annual "Gathering of Quilters" will be Saturday, March 5, in Belton, SC. All quilters are invited. Fee is \$7 to include lunch. Begins at 10 AM. Registration forms are available. See Susan. Block of the Month (BOM) – Nicole McClelland stated there will be no block for March but there will be for April.

Guild Sales – Martha White introduced 2 great drawings for any purchases made at Guild Sales. The lucky winner could get a set of 14 blocks already made or a set of 12 patterns for a block of the month quilt to include the finishing fabric.

Philanthropy – Lois Gaston asked who provided a block and a quilt top. She noted the next Philanthropy Quilting Day at Earth Fare will be February 13 from 8:30 – 12:30. Bring your

own project or cut fabric for bags at the Quilt Show. Lois expressed her thanks for all the quilts and tote bags. She has 30 yards of new batting. Let her know how much you need, and she will cut it.

Hostess – Linda Harper introduced one new member, Deborah Walker.

Membership – Sue Burton announced 89 members were in attendance. She welcomed visitors.

Challenge – Deb Plummer still has more envelopes with inspiration for anyone who wishes to participate in the challenge. Due at the May meeting.

Show & Share – The following members showed quilts and projects....Kerry Steck, Karen Schleier, Sue Burton, Nan Taylor & Kaye Eggerding repaired an antique yo-yo quilt, Cheryl Brickey, Pat Bush, Susan Gosnell, and Jody Imes.

Drawings - \$Door prize was won by Linda Ligon. Nametag prizes were won by Debbie Sothen and Laurie Blair. February BOM, Linda Harper. January BOM, Joyce Alexander. Guild Sales drawing winners were Connie Fleming, Karen McGraw, and Deborah Waldrup.

Program – Sandy Wolf introduced the Pizza Ladies, Patti Cline and her sister, Cindy. They provided an entertaining and inspiring trunk show with the bonus of having patterns and fabric to purchase.

Karen Carson reminded members the next guild meeting date is March 3rd. She adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Parker, Recording Secretary

Treasurer's Report – Patty Stonitsch

	January 2016	February 2016	Fiscal YTD	Budget
Beginning Balance	17,649.47	13,257.08	13,312.74	
Income				
Administrative	300.00	0.00	450.00	0.00
Charity Donation	0.00	17.00	498.66	200.00
Guild Sales	33.00	40.00	581.25	750.00
Hosp/Door Prizes	21.00	26.00	216.10	300.00
Interest	0.28	0.32	2.17	3.00
Membership	20.00	10.00	2,935.00	3,000.00
Newsletter	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00
Opportunity Quilt	70.00	50.00	521.00	1,500.00
Programs	0.00	0.00	440.00	750.00
Publicity Ads	0.00	0.00	1,000	1,450.00
Quilt Racks	0.00	0.00	130.00	130.00
Quilt Show – 2016	105.00	0.00	1,845.00	6,000.00
Resources	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Total Income	549.28	143.32	8,619.18	14,186.00
Expenses				

Administration	550.00	0.00	1,152.95	1,350.00
Cert. of Deposit	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00
Charity Donation	105.76	0.00	523.46	200.00
Challenge	18.28	0.00	18.28	75.00
Corresp. Secretary	0.00	24.89	24.89	20.00
Directory	0.00	0.00	111.00	125.00
Guild Sales	0.00	0.00	46.29	300.00
Hospitality/Door Prizes	0.00	0.00	15.50	10.00
Hostess	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00
Membership	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00
Mystery Quilt	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
Newsletter	19.60	0.00	58.80	125.00
Opportunity Quilt	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Philanthropy	0.00	130.82	285.60	500.00
Programs	198.70	300.12	1,769.42	5,000.00
Publicity Ads	0.00	0.00	81.90	80.00
Quilt Racks	949.33	0.00	1,664.33	800.00
Quilt Show- 2016	100.00	50.00	194.66	2,000.00
Quilt Show - Curtains	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
Refreshments	0.00	0.00	81.26	100.00
Resources	0.00	0.00	9.01	400.00
Website	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00
Total Expenses	4,941.67	505.83	9,037.35	14,400.00
Ending Balance	13,257.08	12,894.57	12,894.57	

ROAD TRIPS

March 4 & 5, 2016:

"Lowcountry Threads", Cobblestone Quilters Guild
Omar Shrine Temple Convention Center' 176 Patriots Point Street,
Mt. Pleasant, SC www.cobblestonequilters.com

March 11 & 12, 2016:

"Just Spoolin' Around", The Charlotte Quilters' Guild
Metrolina Tradeshow Expo, Charlotte, NC
www.charlottequiltersguild.org

March 11 – 13, 2016:

"Quilt Festival 2016", Palmetto Quilt Guild of Hilton Head Island, SC
HHI Beach and Tennis Resort, 40 Folly Field Road
Hilton Head, Island www.palmettoquiltguild.org

April 8 & 9, 2016:

"Threaded Memories", Foothills Piecemakers Quilting Guild
Pelham Road Baptist Church
1108 Pelham Road, Greenville, SC
www.foothillsquilts.com

April 21 – 24, 2016:

"Scenic Route Shop Hop"
Ladybug's Cottage – Wendell, NC; Lib's Place – Rice, VA; Quilt Lizzy –
Warrenton, NC; Quilters Nook – Boydton, VA; Rose Patch Creations –
Crewe, VA; Threads Run Through It – Phoenix, VA

April 29 & 30, 2016:

“Spring Quilt Show”, Salisbury-Rowan Quilters’ Guild
First Baptist Ministry Center
223 North Fulton Street, Salisbury, NC

May 20 & 21, 2016:

“Celebrate! 35 Years of Quilting”, Forsyth Piecers & Quilters Guilds
Old Clemmons Gym, 6031 Stadium Drive, Clemmons, NC
www.forsythquilters.org

June 2 - June 5, 2016:

“Quilting with the Stars”, 2016 North Carolina Quilt Symposium
Wm. Peace University, Raleigh, NC
www.capitalquilters.org

July 17 – 29, 2016:

Quilting By The Lake, a program of the Schweinfurth Art Center
Onondaga Community College, Syracuse, NY
www.quiltingbythelake.com

Opportunity Quilt

We have currently sold 701 tickets!! Thank you to all those who have contributed thus far! Currently, the quilt is being displayed at Beginnings Quilt Shop in Hendersonville, NC. Please continue to sell tickets or turn in any unsold tickets as we will need them for the upcoming quilt show! Thank you again for all of your continued support!
Kristin Kipper

Arts Day

Our guild has been invited to participate in “Arts Day”, Friday, April 1 at Gray Court Owings School in Laurens County. The elementary/middle school is located on Highway 14, a short drive from I-385. Following is the information we received from the Visual Arts Coordinator:

The school is a Title 1 school and the majority of the students have little to no arts experiences outside of the school. “Art Day” is a day when artists visit the school and share their time and talents with the students.

Friday morning (April 1) will be divided into four back-to-back 25 minute sessions, beginning at 9:00 am and ending at 10:40 am. Participants are set up in a classroom and will see four groups of students.

Participants typically bring examples of their work and materials. They talk to the students about their processes and completed work.

We would love to have some members of Foothills to participate in this special day.

Please consider this worthy opportunity to share your love of fabric, art and inspiration with the students of Gray Court Owings School. Please contact me with your questions.

Karen Carson

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Block of the Month April – Summer Star

Cut from white fabric:

- (4) 2 7/8 squares, subcut diagonally once to make (8) small white triangles.
- (2) 5 1/4 squares, subcut diagonally twice to make (8) large white triangles.

Cut from green fabric:

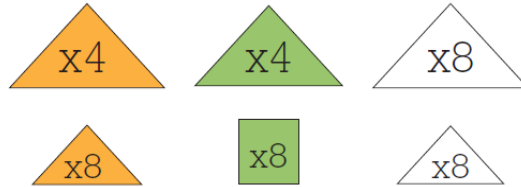
- (8) 2 1/2" squares
- (1) 5 1/4" squares, subcut diagonally twice to make 4 large triangles.

Cut from yellow fabric:

- (1) 5 1/4" square, subcut diagonally twice to make 4 large triangles.
- (4) 2 7/8" squares, subcut diagonally once to make 8 small triangles.

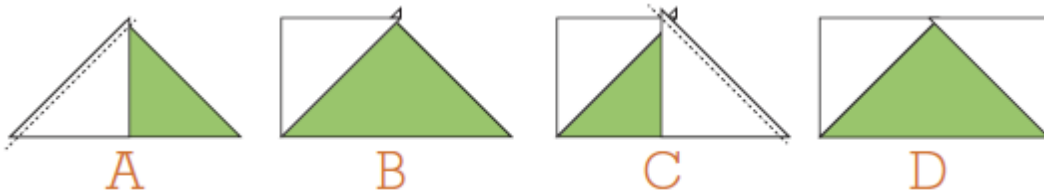
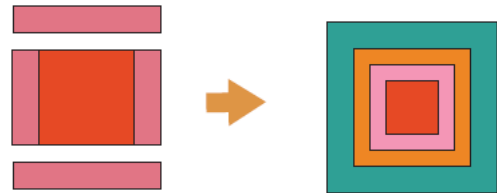
Cut from various colored fabrics:

Enough scraps (at least 3/4" wide) to make a 4 1/2" log cabin block.



Make (1) 4 1/2" log cabin block for the center.

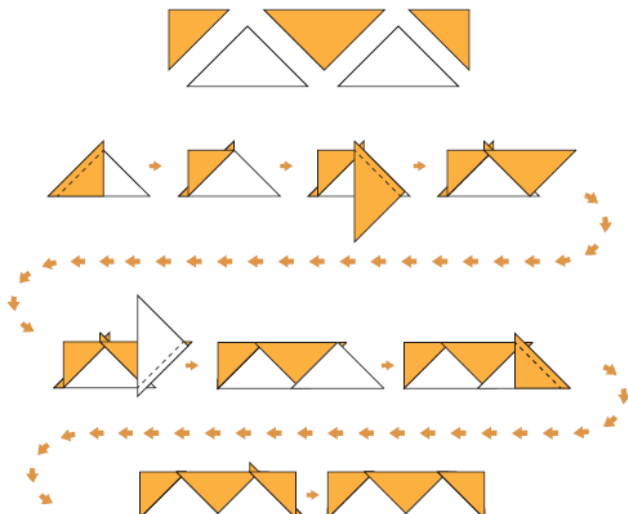
Make a log cabin block by starting with a square, at least 1 1/2". Sew a strip of fabric to opposite sides, pressing toward strip. Trim edges to the strips even with the edges of the square. Sew two more strips to the other two sides. Press toward strips. Square up. Repeat with additional strips until the block reaches the desired size.



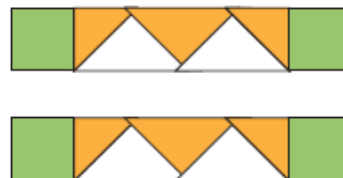
Using a SCANT 1/4" seam, sew (1) small triangle to (1) large triangle (A), press toward small triangle (B). Sew another small triangle to other side of large triangle (C). Press toward small triangle (D). Trim those little points off at the top.

Make (4) green and white flying geese. When making flying geese, pay attention that you don't stretch and warp the triangles you are working with. To align triangles correctly, make sure the bottom edges match up, and that the end of your seam hits precisely where the two triangles meet, as shown. (A)

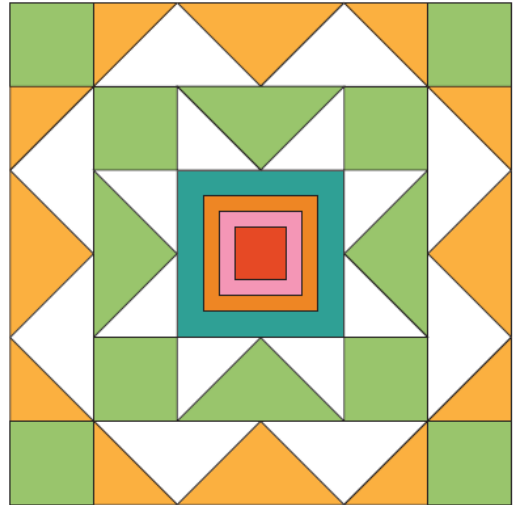
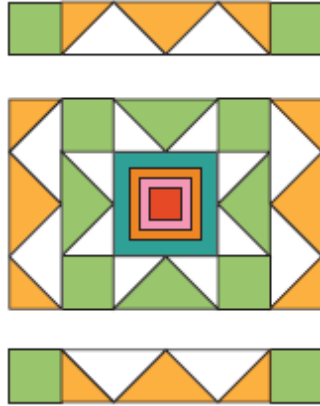
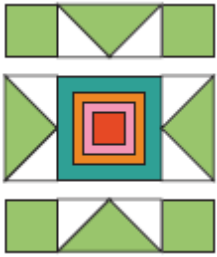
To make each yellow and white edge strip, use 2 large white triangles, 2 small yellow triangles, and one large yellow triangle. Stitch each strip together by aligning as shown. Press gently to avoid warping.



Piece one green square to each side of 2 of the edge strips.



Piece the block as follows:



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Philanthropy projects
Show and Share
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Non-Perishable items for the food bank
\$\$ bills for Guild Sales, \$\$ drawings and Christmas Child collection
Books and fat quarters for the Quilt Show
Your donations for the Quilt Show and Silent Auction
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