

## The Piecemakers News

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## **PPQG President's Message**

The Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show will be here before you know it. Thanks to Rhonda Gianturco and Yvette Cienski, our 2017 raffle quilt will be on display and we will be selling raffle tickets at the Show. We need PPQG members to sign up to sell raffle tickets and/or spend a couple of hours white gloving at the Show. Please consider helping out and sign up to volunteer – Rhonda, Yvette, and Karen Komatz will be taking sign-ups at both January meetings.

#### **Isobel Meekins**



As we march in the new year, please be thinking about what you would like to see in our Guild this year. What would you like to see in the way of programs, local workshops and National Speakers? A survey will be distributed at the January meetings to get your input. You can always share your ideas with the Board or the Day Chapter and Night Chapter Program Chairs. Let's make this a great year!



## Raffle Quilt 2017 Update

We are currently taking sign ups for the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show to sell tickets and to work white glove on Sunday. We only need a few more slots filled. We thank everyone who has signed up! We could not do this without the whole guild helping out. We will have sign up sheets at the January meetings or you can email Yvette @ <u>yvcienski@gmail.com</u>!

Please check your schedules. We need people for the following time slots:

Thursday, Feb. 23rd - Raffle Table (2 people) 4:00-6:00 Friday, Feb. 24th - Raffle Table (1) 12:00-2:00 (2) 2:00-4:00 (2) 4:00-6:00 Saturday, Feb. 25th - Raffle Table (1) 4:00-6:00 Sunday, Feb.26th - Raffle Table (1) 10:00-12:00 (2) 12:00-2:00 (1) 4:00-6:00 White Glove (2) 2:00-4:00

For every hour that you work, you will receive a raffle ticket for the Lap Quilt. Thank you so much!

Raffle Committee Rhonda Gianturco Yvette Cienski

## **UFO CHALLENGE**

The 2016 UFO Challenge is over. A total of 144 unfinished projects were completed by 30 very proud Guild members.

Fifty Guild members signed up to participate in the UFO Challenge; 30 participants completed one or more of their projects and 18 Guild members completed all of their projects. Congratulations to all for a job well done!!

The enthusiasm for the UFO Challenge was wonderful and the smiles on the participants' faces as they proudly checked in each month and then showed their completed UFO's at Show and Tell were priceless!

At the December Day Chapter Meeting, names were drawn and prizes were awarded to the 30 participants who completed one or more of their UFO projects. For any participant who was not present at the Day Chapter Meeting, the UFO Queens are holding your prize for you. Please check with the Queens to claim your prize.

SPECIAL NOTE: The UFO Queens are taking some time off from their "royal" duties, but will return in early Fall 2017 with the particulars concerning the 2018 UFO Challenge. Stay Tuned!!

Nancy Shrout and Lois Bates

**UFO** Queens





## **January Birthdays**

Pat Sappenfield	1/2
Claudia Caricofe	1/3
Carol Williams	1/3
Nancy Cheney	1/7
Sandra Costello	1/7
Lynn Watkins	1/20
Sandy Curran	1/12
Maggie Wampler	1/12
Marge Edwards	1/13
JoAnn Garner	1/14



SherryBehun	1/17
Isobel Meekins	1/22
Judy Henry	1/26
Patricia Winters	1/27
Susan Smith	1/28
Toni Wood	1/28
Lorraine Meadows	1/31

Happy Birthday to You!



**Inclement Weather...** In the event that Chapter meetings need to be canceled due to inclement weather, the Guild follows the rules of the city where the meetings are held.

Tuesday evening Night Chapter meetings are canceled if Hampton City

Schools close.

Friday morning Day Chapter meetings are canceled if York County Public Schools close.

#### PPQG Night Chapter Minutes for December 2016 meeting

Sandra Combs, Night Coordinator, called the Night Chapter meeting for December 13, 2016, to order at 7:00 P.M. She welcomed all members and visitors.

#### <u>Business</u>

Attendance: There were 48 members and one guest in attendance at the meeting.

**Minutes:** Linda Odell made a motion to approve the minutes from the November meeting and Nancy Shrout seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

**Treasure's Report:** Pat Sappenfield made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report that was in the previous month's newsletter and Pat McNabb seconded the motion. The Treasurer's Report was approved by unanimous vote.

**President's Message:** Isobel Meekins distributed fat quarters that were donated to the Guild from Pineapple Fabrics. Members were asked to thank them if they had an opportunity to order from or visit the Pineapple Fabrics shop. Isobel also thanked the many Guild volunteers for their service for 2016. We are still in need of a member or group of members to chair the Honor Quilts Committee.

Isobel recognized and thanked all the committee chairs/co chairs that served in 2016.

**Treasurer**: Rhonda Gianturco presented the 2017 Proposed Budget that was posted in the last Newsletter and asked if there was any discussion or questions. There were none; and the budget was passed after a by a motion by Carol Pittman, which was seconded by Yvette Cienski.

Door Prizes were given by Sandra Combs.

#### Announcements

**2017 Raffle Quilt**: Yvette Cienski and Rhonda Gianturco displayed the quilt top that will be raffled among the members that have made fabric donations, worked at one of the raffle workshop, or will work as a white glove or at the raffle table at the Mancuso 2017 quilt show in February. A signup sheet to volunteer to serve in these positions was passed around.

**Service Projects** Gala Damato thanked all the members that have donated to the Guild Service Projects for 2016. The Guild had presented 75 small quilts, 350 hearts and more than 20 isolette covers to local hospitals. Ballots were distributed to members to vote for the 2017 Service Projects: Members could chose two of the four options. The options were 1) Small baby quilts for Riverside Hospital and comfort quilts for CHKD. 2) Lap quilts for cancer patients at Peninsula Cancer Institute. 3) Sanitary pads for girls and women in impoverished countries. 4) Fidget quilts for elderly patients at St. Francis Nursing Center and DePaul Hospital. At the end of the meeting Gala announced that small baby quilts/comfort quilts and Lap quilts for cancer patients had won the vote. Additionally, she had three lap quilts that are in need of quilting.

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**Vice President:** Gala Damato also announced that we are still in need of a volunteer to coordinate the Guild workshops.

Maggie Haley, winner of the 2016 Raffle Quilt (November meeting), thanked the members who worked on the quilt for their efforts. She was very happy with her new quilt.

Sandra Combs gave a huge basket of gifts to the coordinator of the Northampton Community Center for allowing us to use the facilities for the 2016 year.

**UFO's:** Lois Bates and Nancy Shrout distributed the end of the year UFO gifts. A gift was presented to each person who signed up for and displayed a completed UFO in 2016. The UFO queens will take a break for 2017 and be back in 2018.

**Membership:** Debbie Moore announced that the dues for 2017 need to be paid by January 30<sup>th</sup>. Members can pay a membership representative at a meeting or a check can be mailed to her home. All members should have a Yellow membership nametag at the February meeting.

**Upcoming Program—National Speaker:** Vice President, Gala Damato reminded members that In March, Cheryl See is scheduled to teach three workshops for our Guild: March 10, 11 and 13. Kits will be available for all workshops. See the PPQG web site for details and fees. Cheryl's web site is http://www.cseequilts.com.

Birthdays: December birthdays were recognized with their choice of a fat quarter.

**Winter Mystery:** Helen Heyes & Carol Nourse: Members displayed their completed quilts/ tops. Great job ladies!

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Show and Tell: Members shared completed tops and quits with the audience.

**Adjourn:** Sandra adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Afterwards, members enjoyed shopping at members' handmade items' tables and a social featuring appetizers.

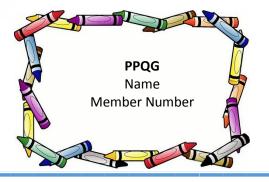
Respectfully submitted,

Susan Waddles, substitute Night Secretary

## Please Don't Forget

... to wear your Guild Name Badge to every meeting. We want to get to know the name as well as the face!

Those <u>not</u> wearing their name badges will be fined fifty cents.



## **PPQG DAY Chapter Minutes for December 2016**

The Day Chapter meeting for December 9, 2016 was called to order at 10:00 AM by day coordinator Linda Odell. There were 76 members and two guests: Priscilla Whisler and Lou Ann McManus.

**Minutes**: Bonnie Dodson made a motion to approve the November minutes; seconded by Mary Beth Hawks. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**: Tricia Lent made a motion to accept the November Treasurer's Report; seconded by Pat McNabb. Motion carried.

December birthdays were recognized with fat quarters presented by the Coordinator.

#### President's Announcements:

President Isobel Meekins recognized and thanked all volunteers for the past year and all of the new volunteers for the coming year. Without their help the Guild would not be able to function. She distributed fat quarters at the beginning of the meeting. These were donated to the Guild by Pineapple Fabrics. They are having a sale this weekend. Members were encouraged to check them out and they would also be at the Mid Atlantic Quilt show.

#### Announcements:

Susan Virden announced that she would be moving to California this month and that she had enjoyed her time in our Guild. Susan donated a table topper for one of the minis for this month and a Sewing bag was donated for the second drawing. She also asked for monthly mini donations for the coming year.

Tricia Lent showed the Block of the Month for the next month. The design is a basket and the block size is smaller than normal so don't be alarmed if it is not 12 ½ inches.

Carol Pittman is accepting membership applications and payment for 2017. Cost is \$25 and is due by the end of January.

Yvette Cienski, Rhonda Gianturco, and Karen Komatz are coordinating the raffle quilt and there will also be a members only raffle quilt. We have been approved to sell raffle tickets at the Mid Atlantic Quilt Show and all we have to do is volunteer to white glove at the show. Sign ups for white glove and also manning the raffle table to sell tickets are being accepted.

Gala Damato announced that National Speaker Cheryl See for will be the program speaker in March. She will be teaching the following classes: Friday, March 10th- English Paper Piecing – Cost



\$25 (1:00-4:00); Saturday, March 11th – "Hexie Daisy" – Cost \$40 (9:00-3:30); Monday, March 13th - "Jewel Bowl" – Cost \$25 (9:00-1:30).

Gala Damato passed out a list of proposed service projects for the coming year and asked that each member select two. A suggestion was made that we do a workshop to help make Fidget *Continued on page* 6

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quilts and this will be considered. Gala thanked all those who had taken kits and returned them and drew names to receive thank you gifts.

Day Coordinator Linda Odell thanked her volunteers for the year and presented each with a small token of her appreciation.

Rhonda Gianturco asked if there were any questions concerning the current and/or the proposed budget for 2017. A motion was made by Carol Pittman and seconded by Karen Komatz to accept the 2017 budget. Motion carried.

A gift exchange was conducted by those members who brought a gift.

We had a holiday sweater contest and prizes were awarded to member's choice and Day Coordinator's choice.

Helen Heyes asked that all who participated in the Winter Mystery Quilt to hold up their quilts. There were over 20 participants showing their completed tops.

The meeting concluded with Door Prizes, won by many. The Grand Prize was a Sewing Machine.

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Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Vicki Price Marsh, Day Secretary

### **Volunteer Openings**

We still have some volunteer positions to fill. We are looking for someone to step up to take the following positions:

Night Chapter Historian: This job is to take pictures at the meetings and of Show and Tell and send them to the web site manager.

Night Chapter Librarian: You manage one of our two libraries by bringing books to each meeting for members to check out each

month. You can purchase new library books and collect overdue fees and work with the Day Chapter Librarian.

Honor Quilt Chair: One or more members to head up our

Honor Quilt Program. Involves setting up workshops and

coordinating efforts to make and deliver Honor Quilts. PPQG has donated over 1000 quilts since 2007 and we need someone to step up to take over from Sherry Behun. There are many members willing to help with this worth while project.

Local Workshops: One or more members to set up and coordinate workshops taught by Guild Members. We have many talented members willing to teach a variety of classes. The chair can chose which classes are held and attend

the classes, too.

If you are interested in any of these volunteer positions, please contact Isobel Meekins at isobel.meekins@gmail.com or 874-4750.





## **Service Project Update**

PPQG members are very generous quilters and I am amazed at what all we were able to donate in 2016 throughout the Peninsula. In May we received a large donation of fabric from Janet Baker, a former member. We were able to sign out fabric kits to members and this greatly increased the number of guilts donated and helped decrease the cost of making the guilts. Forgive me if my math is off a little but there was a lot to keep track of throughout the year. Ninety-eight lap quilts were donated to Riverside Hospital for cancer patients. Twentysix isolette covers were donated to the Naval Hospital at Portsmouth. Over 400 fabric hearts were given to CHKD, Portsmouth and Riverside Hospitals for the Mothers with babies in NICU. We gave ten baby quilts to Riverside Hospital in addition to over eighty comfort guilts to CHKD and the Naval Hospital at Portsmouth. I have eight bereavement guilts and thirty fabric hearts ready to deliver to CHKD. Because members sometimes donate larger quilts we have been able to continue to provide guilts to residents at NATASHA House in York County. Three Mothers received throw sized quilts and kids quilts for their children this year. Thank you to the members of the Service Project Committee for all your help. Members include Maggie Haley, Pat Winters, Joan Cochran, Ellen Wood and Brenda Smith. Thank you to all that supported Small Service Projects in 2016. You rocked it. You may continue to support in the following ways:

Lap quilts approximately 32" x 38" for cancer patients at Riverside Hospital.

Small baby quilts approximately 30" to 36" for babies at Riverside Hospital who don't have a blanket to go home in. and CHKD comfort quilts. Fabric hearts for the parents of babies in NICU at CHKD and Riverside Hospitals. The pattern is on the website under Service Projects. You can use cotton or flannel or both.

If you have any questions, contact Gala Damato at 872-6823 or gala.damato@gmail.com





### **Courtesy Ad**

For Sale: Featherweight 221 for \$450.00. Includes original manual. Also for sale isl a felting machine for \$100.00. The felter has only been used a couple of times. Email address is needleseye1@verizon.net. or call home at 838-1610 or cell is 876-4032,

## **2017 Service Projects...** the votes are in

2017 Service Projects

The ballots have been counted and the winners are .....

- Small baby quilts for Riverside Hospital and comfort quilts for CHKD. These should be approximately 30" x 36". We will continue fabric hearts for Mothers with babies in NICUs.
- Lap quilts for cancer patients at Riverside will continue for another year. The lap quilts should be approximately 30" x 38". Flannel or fleece work well on the back.

Per some members request, we will have a workshop in February to make fidget quilts for elderly patients at St. Francis Nursing Center and DePaul Hospital. Fidget quilts are approximately 24" x 24" and include fabrics with texture, zippers, buttons and other trims.

The date will be announced at the January meetings.

Thank you for supporting PPQG Service Projects. If you have any questions, contact me. Gala Damato 872-6823 or gala.damato@gmail.com

# 2017 PPQG Challenge

#### Not Your Grandma's Quilt!

Let's really have some fun with this Challenge!

There's no reason why we can't blow Mid Atlantic out with our talented Guild Members!

The rules are simple. Just choose a pattern, technique or even fabrics that wouldn't have appeared in your Gramdma's guilt and go for it! Were there embellishments in her guilts.? Were the patterns Modern by today's standards? Maybe you'll take reproduction and Civil War Reproductions and make a modern quilt. The possibilities are endless— The goal is to show your stuff! We only have one requirement (rule) ... that it not be bigger than a twin size quilt. The specifics are on the flyers that you will be given when you sign up. And second, that you have fun! Oh yes, and we're so sure most of you will sign up that we've reduced the fee to \$2.00. Contact Jenny Ballou with any questions!!



## Night Program Welcomes "Feedsacks "

You won't want to miss this one!

In January, the night program we will feature Mary Ethel Miller from Gloucester. She is a collector of feed sacks and feed sack quilts. She will do a trunk show and a program titled *Feedsacks, Then and Now.* She would like any guild member that has feed sacks or maybe a quilt with feed sacks, to bring it to the meeting. This should be very interesting! Hope you can come!

## **Guild Board and Volunteers**

#### Board Members 2016-2017

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# Thank you!

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Jenny Ballou jtankersleyballou@gmail.com Please note PPQG newsletter In subject line of emails so I don't delete it accidently.

#### Articles and Ads for January's Newsletter

Are due by December 20.

Advertising Rates (Payable in Advance)

Full Page - \$50

Half Page - \$25

Quarter Page - \$15

Business Card - \$5

#### Cheryl See is coming to PPQG



Cheryl See is coming as our National Speaker in March 2017. She is a former member of PPQG and her Mother Jackie Gaskins is a current member. Cheryl is the author of two books and the winner of several awards for hand workmanship. She is often referred to as the "Hexpert". Sign ups for her workshops will began in December. Look for more information on the PPQG web site or visit Cheryl's Web site at www.cseesquilts.com.

Workshops are as follows:

Friday 10 March 2017 from 1 to 4 "English Paper Piecing" Cost is \$25.00.

Saturday 11 March 2017 from 9 to 3:30 "Hexie Daisy" Cost is \$40:00.

Monday 13 March 2017 from 9 to 1:30 "Jewel Bowl" Cost is \$25.00.

All workshops will be at Grafton Christian Church. If you have any questions, contact Gala Damato at 862-6823 or gala.damato@gmail.com

## Day Program Speaker for January Announced

PPQG's own Georgene Huggett is speaker for the Day Chapter in January. Bringing a wealth of experience from the quilting world, Georgene is well known for her designs featured in many local, national and international recognized quilts.

Among her tips and tricks in quilting, Georgene will share her secrets for successful long arm quilting techniques. We look forward to hearing from her at the January meeting!

#### Peninsula Piecemakers Quilt Guild December 2016 Treasurers Accounts

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