



The Piecemakers News

Peninsula Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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Slate of Officers

The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate for the 2015-2016 term.

President - Isobel Meekins
Vice-President-Jeanne Vaul
Exec. Secretary-Norma Sims
Exec. Treasurer-Rhonda Gianturco
Day Coordinator-Linda Mitzel
Day Secretary-Susan Waddles
Day Treasurer -Gala Damato
Night Coordinator-Jeanne Surber
Night Secretary -Barbara Linde
Night Treasurer-Lorraine Meadows

There were no nominations from the floor at either April meeting so voting will be held at both May meetings for the above nominees.

Thank you to these volunteers willing to serve our guild. As members we need to support the board and continue to make PPQG even better

Lois Bates, Patricia Winters, Susan Waddles and Pat Brazzale, Chairman

Night Chapter Speaker

Abigail Dolinger will be our speaker for the Tuesday night chapter meeting in May. Then on Thursday, she will teach a workshop on Buzz Saw Quilt Blocks at the Grafton Christian Church, 9 am to 3 pm, 14 May. Ten have signed up so far for the workshop, but there is still room for a few more. Please call Kitty Tully (851-8726) if you are interested. Abby spoke to the day group last spring and was well received. Those who took her workshop reported it was a good one.



May Birthdays

Kathy Senn	5/2
Jenny Ballou	5/3
Carol Darby	5/4
Kate Luke	5/5
Crystalann Duarte	5/6
Tricia Lent	5/7
Felicia Mason	5/8
Shelley Flint	5/11
Trishia Madrid	5/12
Debra Stebbins	5/15
Norma Sims	5/16
Nan Losee	5/18
Carol Nourse	5/19
Jacquelyn Weyant	5/24
Ruth Reiss	5/27
Frances Stennett	5/31

New and Returning Members

Kendra Palmer
Darlene Massey
Susan Carmean
JoAnn Garner
Brenda A Kasnic
Patsy Bowman



GUILD BOARD AND VOLUNTEERS

Board Members 2014-2015

President	Tricia Lent	238-9976
Vice President	Yvette Cienski	234-0232
Executive Secretary	Toni Wood	439-5990
Executive Treasurer	Mona Hendrickson	353-0991
Night Coordinator	Allison Twilley	851-4325
Night Treasurer	Lorraine Meadows	868-4110
Night Secretary	Theresa Baker	851-4325
Day Coordinator	Kitty Tully	851-8726
Day Treasurer	Gail Damato	872-6823
Day Secretary	Susan Waddles	886-0728

Volunteers 2015

Membership	Debbie Moore	874-4323
Newsletter	Donna D'Amelio	826-1031
Circulation	Debbie Moore	874-4323
Property Management	Natalie Hutchinson	867-6761
Sunshine	Susan Carmean	269-0354
Service Projects	Paul Elmore	286-4349
Patriotic Service Quilts	Sherry Behun	850-2222
Challenge 2014	Michelle Rives	763-8074
Webmistress	Donna D'Amelio	826-1031
Workshops	Sharon Ahmed and Joanne Paryz	969-1538 890-0946
E-tree	Donna D'Amelio	826-1031
Winter Mystery	Susan Virden	277-9343
Fall Festival	Susan Waddles	886-0728
2015 Symposium	Kitty Tully Raquelle Hill	851-8726 223-1232

Day Chapter

Day Monthly Minis	Susan Virden	277-9443
Day Block of the Month	Toni Wood	439-5990
Day Hospitality	Pat Sappenfield Janice Ward	224-0427 877-3198
Day Programs	Debra Stebbins	369-4021
Day Parliamentarian	Pat Winters	877-8824
Day Historian	Georgene Huggett	868-9785
Day Librarian	Claire Arsenault	(603)978-3154

Night Chapter

Night Monthly Minis	Joy Duke Nancy Garnett	838-1043 838-1716
Night Block Drawing	Jeanne Surber	719-6676
Night Greeter	Sandy Barnes	833-8233
Night Hospitality	Goldie Fields	766-8503
Night Parliamentarian	Susan Kopczyk	766-9294
Night Librarian	Norma Sims Theresa Baker	596-0548 851-4325
Night Historian	Linda Odell	869-6314
Night Programs	Kitty Tully	851-8726
Scrappy Therapy	Gail Lockheart	356-0830
Border Exchange	Janet Dyer	868-6247

Unless otherwise noted, area codes are 757

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Please note PPQG newsletter

in subject line of emails so

I don't delete it accidentally.

Articles and Ads for

June's Newsletter

are due by May 20.

Advertising Rates

(Payable in Advance)

Full Page - \$50

Half Page - \$25

Quarter Page - \$15

Business Card - \$5

Personal Classified - \$2.50

Celebrating Thirty Years - A Look Back at Past Presidents - Sandy Barnes

PPQG is celebrating 30 years so we're asking our past presidents to share their memories of when they held office. Sandy Barnes is next.

PPQG has been my home away from home since 1990, when Margaret Wood, our very first Day Chapter Coordinator (but long before the Day Chapter began), talked me into getting into quilting. She drug me to a guild meeting (we were meeting in the Warwick Center Shopping Center in Newport News, in a building that used to be a Church of some sort at the time), and instantly I was hooked. Then however, before Margaret would let me work with a rotary cutter pattern, she "made" me cut out every piece after making a template (are you kidding!?) using scissors to cut the pieces! (What??? I guess that's where I got my love of scissors) Anyway, I wanted to a make a pillow, so she "made" me hand piece every single piece and then hand quilt the entire top! And to this day, I thank her (even though she is no longer with us) every time I work on anything quilt related. Along with all that, I have met soooo many wonderful people/friends – ladies and gentlemen, who have truly changed my life.

At first I didn't volunteer much because I didn't think I knew enough about quilting to contribute anything. But in 1994 I was asked to be the Treasurer and after being "elected" I took over Nancy Garnett's position. It's just gone on from there. I was President from June 1997 to May 1999, at which time I had 2 fantastic boards – 97-98: VP-Alicia Tucker, Ex. Secretary-Sally Taylor, Ex Treas.-Susan Kopczyk, Day Co.-Lois Bates, Day Sec.-Connie Lovett, Day Treas.-Pat Miller, Night Co.-Isobel Meekins, Night Sec.-Joy Insley,

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Upcoming Guild Workshops!

Save the Dates for the following:

- Toni Wood and Sharon Ahmed
45 & 60 degree angles
7 May 2015

Classes are held at Grafton Christian Church
9 a.m. to noon.

Contact: Sharon Ahmed @ 969-1538 to sign-up!

NATASHA House

We received this great letter from Karen Brown of the NATASHA House thanking the Guild for the donations we made to them. Here's her letter:

It is with deepest gratitude that I express my appreciation for your continued support of NATASHA House and for your donation of the wonderful quilts for our residents. Your contributions and loving support are a blessing to me and even more so those who benefit from our services and your wonderful gifts.

The NATASHA House would not exist without the support and generosity of wonderful people like you and your willingness to serve helps create a special place for our families to call home. Your gifts make such a difference in their lives as they progress to become self-sufficient, family oriented career women able to provide and maintain permanent housing for themselves and their children.

We have several exciting fundraising and community building events taking place this year. To find out more please go to our website at www.natashahouse.org or check us out on Facebook.

Again, thank you for all you do to bless our families. You are a part of their lives too.

Agape,
Karen Brown
Executive Director

Gala Damato

Star Quilters Guild 2015 Quilt Show

The Berglund Center Exhibit Hall
(formerly the Roanoke Civic Center)

710 Williamson Road

Roanoke, Virginia

Friday, May 1 9am-6pm

Saturday, May 2 9am-5pm

Admission: \$7.00, Children 12 and under free

Find out more: www.starquilters.org

PPQG Day Chapter Minutes for April 2015

The Day Chapter meeting for April 10, 2015 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Day Coordinator, Kitty Tully. There were 79 members and no guests in attendance at the meeting.

A motion was made by Susan Virden and seconded by Mona Hendrickson to approve the March minutes.

A motion to accept the treasurer's report in the March minutes was made by Linda Tyler, seconded by Loy Holt; the report was approved and filed for audit.

Announcements

- Kitty Tully reminded everyone that the April Night meeting's program was "The Modern Quilt Movement" with a display of modern quilts and a slideshow by Peninsula Modern Quilt Guild's President Joy Manoleros.
- The speaker at the May Night meeting is Aby Dolinger. On May 14, Aby will hold a workshop on the Easy Sawtooth block made with Layer Cakes. It is an all day workshop and there are still openings. Contact Kitty if you want to join in the fun.
- Kitty passed around a signup sheet for the Symposium, which is scheduled for April 9th, 2016. If you want to volunteer and have not signed up, please contact Kitty Tully or Raquelle Hill.
- Mona Hendrickson has PPQM Guild flyers that are available for distribution. Members have volunteered to take them to Nancy's Calico, Fabric Hut, Bella's and A. C. Moore's for distribution. She also passed out Guild business cards to any members that wanted them.
- Nominating Committee—Pat Brazzale presented the slate of officers for the 2015-2016 Guild year. There were no nominations from the floor.
- Nancy's Calico will be moving at the end of May to Route 17, in the shopping center behind Burger King.
- Trisha Lent—President thanked the nominating committee for their hard work; and thanked the new Board members for volunteering to take their positions.
- Monthly Mini—Susan Virden—Today's Monthly Mini was donated by Yvette Cienski. Susan still needs one more item for the month of October. If you would like to donate an item, please contact her.
- Workshops—Sharon Ahmed—The classes are held at Grafton Christian Church.
On April 16th the Machine Appliqué class will be taught by Gretchen Martin. She will provide a kit for this class, cost for the kit is \$4.00.
On May 7th the 45 degree angle and 60 degree angle class will be held, Tony Wood and Sharon Ahmed will be teaching this class.
- 2015 Challenge—Yvette Cienski (for Crystalann Duarte)-The Artist Statement for the 30 X 30 - 2015 Reproduction Print Challenge is due next month.
- Service Projects—Gala Damato-Thirty bereavement quilts were given to Gala for distribution to local hospitals. Two of the quilts that were displayed at Show and Tell also were donated to Natasha House.
- Block-of-Month—Tony Wood-BOM's are available for \$2.00 each. Tony would like to have a volunteer to help her with the Block Of The Month.
- The 30th Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for April 25th from 10:00-1:00 at the Yorkminster Presbyterian Church in the gym/covenant hall. Yvette asked members to be sure to bring their Show and Tell to the Celebration. See the monthly Newsletter to see your food item to bring.
- Lorraine Meadows has the T-shirts that were ordered for the 30th Anniversary Celebration, she will be passing them out at the Day and Night meetings.
- Honor Quilts—Gala Damato-The next Honor Quilt workshop is planned for May. Because Nancy's Calico is moving, the date is unsure; members will be contacted by the e-tree with the date. The workshop is from 10am-3pm, volunteers are not required to stay all day, and any help is appreciated. If you don't have a portable sewing machine, you can help by cutting fabric or ironing. Each quilt is given with a pillowcase, if members would like to make a pillowcase at home or at the workshop, it would be a great help. She has several quilts that need to be quilted and a few that need the binding attached.
- Birthdays for the month were acknowledged and fat quarters were distributed
- Program—Debra Stebbins-For today's program, guild members were asked to bring the first quilt they made. The quilts were displayed one at a time and each came with a delightful story. What a great idea Debra! Next month the program "Making T-Shirt Quilts" will be by Paula Harr.
- Door prizes were drawn.
- Monthly Mini winner today was Susan Waddles
- Block of the Month winner was Tony Wood.
- After Show and Tell, the meeting was adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted
Susan Waddles, Day Secretary

**Next Day Chapter Meeting
"Making T-Shirt Quilts" by Paula Harr**

PPQG Night Chapter Minutes for April 14, 2015

Meeting of April 14, 2015 was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Allison Twilley, Night Coordinator, called the meeting to order. Allison welcomed 47 members and 1 guests. Allison presented the minutes of the March meeting. A motion was made by Trish Madrid and seconded by Pat Sappenfield to accept the minutes. The motion passed. A motion to approve March's treasurer's report was made by Nancy Shrout and seconded by Trish Madrid; the motion passed.

April Birthday's were acknowledged and fat quarter gifts were distributed.

Announcements:

- The 2015 Challenge will be "30x30" in honor of our 30th year Anniversary. The requirements will be 30's fabric and no larger than 30". Be thinking about your project! It is due at the June meetings. Check your newsletter for more info.
- Mona Hendrickson announced that the t-shirts guild members ordered were available to pick up. Brochures and business cards have been printed to promote membership. Members are encouraged to carry info to share with a prospective new member.
- April 25, 2015: PPQG annual picnic will be a potluck from 10-1 at Yorkminster Presbyterian Church. Check the newsletter for items you will need to bring. Please wear your Anniversary t-shirt and come join in on the fun!
- Pat Brazzale: Nominating committee presented the slate of officers for the 2015-2016 year. Thank you all who accepted the request to serve our Guild. They will be voted on at the May meeting.
- Patriotic Service Quilts: Sherry Behun announced that the participation at the workshop was poor and there will not be a workshop until September.
- Symposium 2016: The Symposium Chairs, Kitty Tully and Raquelle Hill need helpers. They encouraged members to sign up to help work the Symposium. The date is April 6, 2016 at Thomas Nelson and they need your help to make it a success.
- Program: Joy Manoleros, the President of the Modern Quilt Guild, gave a lecture and trunk show explaining the "Modern Quilt Movement". It was very informative and the quilts were beautiful!
- Show and Tell: Many beautiful projects were displayed and were inspiring.
- The Monthly Minis: There were 2 winners; Theresa Baker and Allison Twilley.
- Door Prizes were given out.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted – Theresa Baker

**Next Night Chapter Meeting
"It's Not About the Quilts" by Abigail Dolinger**

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Night Treas.-Zerita King and Newsletter Editor-Gillis Wilson.

1998-1998 we were fortunate to have VP-Susan Gatewood, Ex. Sec.-Pat Miller, Ex. Treas.-Leslie Sommerlot, Day Co.-Lois Bates, Day Sec.-Connie Lovett, Day Treas.-Madonna Brink, Night Co.-Debbie Moore, Night Sec.-Connie Long, Night Treas.-Terry Grigorian, and Newsletter Editor Cheryl Morris.

I was Day Coordinator til May 2001.

Somewhere along the line I was Vice President twice, Natalie and I were the Program Chairs, Susan Koczyk and I were the Challenge Chairs a couple of times, several times I was the Coordinator for Fall Festival, I was on most all the Quilt Show and Symposium committees in one position or the other, on the Nominating Committee several times, and various other "duties as assigned". I have been given so much from the Guild that I wanted to give back in any way I could. Being involved is not only fun and rewarding, but as I already said, I have the most wonderful friends because of it.

I began the Presidency in 1997 (with approximately 130 members) on the last day of our Quilt Show that year, and ended it a week following Symposium 1999 (with approximately 215 members). In those days we had an "Education Committee" of which Pat Miller was instrumental in starting. The Education Committee had booths at Blue Bird Gap Farm in Hampton, Jubilee on the James & Fall Festival in Newport News, and Smithfield Olden Days in Smithfield (duh!). We set up a booth in the Coliseum for a Home Improvement/Decorating event, at which time we met Sue Rodgers, who later came and gave lectures and taught workshops for the guild.

I could probably go on for a month, but I believe Donna is already yelling for me to STOP! So, just let me end with this – if you are on the fence about getting involved in guild activities – please get off on our side, you will never regret it.

Celebrating Thirty Years - A Look Back At Past Presidents - Janet Dyer

Here's what Janet Dyer had to say about her presidency:

How long have you been a member of PPQG?
Since about 1998

What big event happened during your term as President?

We celebrated the Guild's 25th anniversary with a picnic, good food and lots of fun. It was the first time both Chapters had a joint event.

We had a terrific Symposium chaired by Arlene Anderson. We had lots of great classes taught by members as well as guest instructors. We had Rachel Pellman as an evening speaker talking about differences in Amish quilts in different parts of the country.

We also hosted a VCQ meeting with classes and fellowship.

Share a favorite memory during your term?

The way so many NEW younger members volunteered in so many ways - as chairs for Program, short term charity projects and planning the anniversary picnic.

What service projects do you remember doing under your terms as President?

We continued Quilts of Valor and added short term projects such as mastectomy pillows, prayer shawls for St. Mark's Church (where QOV workshops were held, backpacks for foster kids, figit quilts, pillowcases for Wounded Warriors, and ugly quilts for the homeless.

Approximately how many PPQG members were there?

260-295

How long have you been quilting and what is your favorite kind of quilting?

My first quilt was made in 1966. My second quilt was made in 1992. But I have been quilting for real since the late 90's. I love picking the fabrics and piecing quilts

30" x 30" Challenge

Please send your artist statements to Yvette at yvcienski@cox.net by May 22 to include the following:

- Quilt Maker
- Machine Quilter
- Quilt Name
- Quilt Size
- Quilt Value - needed for Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show
- Artist Statement - what inspired you to make your quilt.

We will print these out for the showing at our June Meetings! Looking forward to seeing all your quilts! Thank you for participating!

Yvette Cienski & Crystalann Duate

Honor Quilt Announcements

I hope everyone is having a good week and looking forward to the PPQG celebration tomorrow. Unfortunately, I am unable to attend. So, I want to pass on some information about our Honor Quilts. Some of this was announced at our meetings, however, I know everyone is not able to attend, so bear with me if you have heard the information already.

- Due to low attendance (2 + me) at our last workshop, there will be no additional workshops scheduled until September.
- We have presented 926 quilts to recipients since beginning this project as a guild, 40 since January 2014.
- We have 20 completed quilts on hand ready to be delivered, with 6 more that only need labels.
- We will raffle small items at the PPQG celebration in order to raise funds for the Honor Quilt Project.

The Busy Bee Stitchers will be delivering all quilts on hand to Walter Reed Hospital in Bethesda, MD on May 14th. The reservation for a room at the hospital for the presentation has been confirmed. Consequently, I am asking that anyone who has any quilts that are almost completed try to do so and get them to me prior to that date. If they are turned in to me with

labels sewn on already, I have cases made for them, so we would be able to include them in the presentation. I have spoken to the Marine Family Coordinator at Walter Reed and she expressed to me that word is already spreading about our visit, due to the quality of the quilts we delivered there last fall.

Once again, I would like to express my appreciation to all who have been so dedicated to this effort, whether it be cutting, piecing, quilting, or making cases. Our combined efforts are making a difference.

If you have any questions please let me know.

Sherry Behun
Honor Quilt Coordinator
Sherry.behun@verizon.net
757-850-2222

Service Project Update for 2015

PPQG members continue to bring in the bereavement quilts. At the April meetings 35 small quilts were donated. Ten more were sent to Portsmouth Naval Hospital in April. The total delivered so far is 143. We have been asked to make quilts 22 to 24 inch squares for CHKD and Portsmouth NICU. CHKD could also use some regular sized baby quilts for babies that get to go home but that don't have a very good prognosis. For these you could use brighter fabrics and sizes could be 24 to 36 inches. Thank you all for supporting Service Projects and sharing your love of quilting.

NATASHA House still needs 2 bunk bed quilts. Susan Smith made a quilt using the flowers Guild members appliquéd at Joy Duke's program last year. This quilt will be given to NATASHA House possibly for a Raffle Quilt. Quilts as well as pillow cases for all the children and mothers currently living at the house were delivered in March.

Thanks for all you do. If you have questions, contact Gala Damato at gala.damato@gmail.com

Peninsula Piecemakers Quilt Guild Treasurer's Report April 2015

CHAPTER ACCOUNTS				DAY CHAPTER	DAY YTD TOTALS	DAY BUDGET	NIGHT		
				CHAPTER	TOTALS	BUDGET	CHAPTER	YTD TOTALS	NIGHT BUDGET
Chapter Beginning Balance				2007.58	505.77		1566.35	591.05	
Income:	Block of the Month	70.00	288.00	\$950.00	0.00	0.00	\$550.00		
	Executive Transfer	0.00	1,925.00	\$1,925.00	0.00	2,225.00	\$2,225.00		
	Miscellaneous (no name tags)	0.00	0.00	\$25.00	10.75	10.75	\$25.00		
	Monthly Mini	70.00	242.00	\$700.00	20.00	112.00	\$400.00		
	Programs	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00		
	Total Income:	140.00	2,455.00	\$3,600.00	30.75	2,347.75	\$3,200.00		
Expenses:	Block of the Month	41.74	390.47	\$950.00	0.00	0.00	\$550.00		
	Door Prizes/B'day Ft Qtrs (correction)	0.01	314.47	\$500.00	0.00	127.96	\$500.00		
	Historian	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	\$0.00		
	Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	\$150.00	0.00	0.00	\$150.00		
	Programs (Meekins night)	25.97	175.97	\$2,000.00	150.00	1,363.74	\$2,000.00		
	Total Expenses:	67.72	880.91	3,600.00	150.00	1,491.70	3,200.00		
	Chapter Ending Balance	2,079.86	2,079.86		1,447.10	1,447.10			
EXECUTIVE ACCOUNT				EXEC TOTALS	EXEC YTD TOTALS	EXEC BUDGET			
Executive Beginning Balance				\$12,273.05	\$15,257.76				
Exec Income:	Advertising	0.00	0.00	\$150.00					
	Challenge	0.00	0.00	\$0.00					
	Community Service	0.00	0.00	\$400.00					
	Guild Programs/Workshops	200.00	360.00	\$1,000.00					
	Library-fines	0.00	0.00	\$50.00					
	Local Workshops	70.00	195.00	\$1,000.00			move \$160.00 from local to Guild programs		
	Membership-dues	75.00	2625.00	\$5,800.00					
	Miscellaneous (Anniversary T's)	349.60	740.40	\$145.00					
	Mystery	0.00	0.00	\$0.00					
	PPQG Honor Quilts	0.00	100.00	**			check never cashed #2630		
	Quilt Show	40.00	0.00	**					
	Raffle Quilt	0.00	0.00	\$1,500.00					
	Sales	0.00	0.00	\$100.00					
	UFO	0.00	0.00	\$0.00					
	Total Executive Income	734.60	4,020.40	\$10,145.00					
	Exec Expense:	Challenge	0.00	15.88	\$0.00				
Community Service (quilt stand)		79.99	79.99	\$25.00					
Facilities		0.00	100.00	\$750.00					
Guild Programs/Workshops		0.00	0.00	\$1,600.00					
Library-book		0.00	0.00	\$100.00					
Local Workshops		100.00	190.00	\$400.00					
Membership (stamps)		49.00	175.18	\$200.00					
Miscellaneous (website) (AP 740.88)		847.10	2,014.54	\$100.00					
Mystery		0.00	0.00	\$160.00					
Newsletter		0.00	0.00	\$200.00					
PO Box Rental		0.00	0.00	\$128.00					
PPQG Honor Quilts		0.00	339.76	**					
Quilt Organization Memberships		0.00	0.00	\$120.00					
Quilt Show/Symposium		0.00	0.00	**					
Raffle Quilt		0.00	0.00	\$150.00					
Storage Unit		0.00	0.00	\$1,512.00					
Sales (pins deposit)		144.87	426.12	\$550.00			moved pin purchase from Miscell to Sales		
UFO		0.00	0.00	\$0.00					
Transfer to Day/Night		0.00	4,150.00	\$4,150.00					
Total Executive Expense		1,220.96	7,491.47	\$10,145.00					
Executive Ending Balance		11,786.69	11,786.69						

**As of 21 April 2015, 5,133.21 belongs to Show/Symposium and 19.30 belongs to PPQG Honor Quilts, of the \$11,786.69 in the Executive Account. These monies are to be used specifically for these activities. Respectfully submitted by Mona Hendrickson, Executive Treasurer.

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