



# The Piecemakers News

Peninsula Piecemakers Quilt Guild  
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## PPQG President's Message

What fun it was to have Cheryl See come back "home" to PPQG this month! I hope you all enjoyed her programs and classes. Thank you so much to Jackie Gaskins for hosting Cheryl and for being a great helper in the classes and during the programs. Thank you also to Gala Damato for planning and organizing Cheryl's visit with us and making sure everything went off without a hitch.

*Isobel Meekins*



***Happy Spring!***



## The BEE Hive

### Day Chapter Program

Bees are a buzzing within our Guild.

At the April meeting we will have a few of our Bees give us the history of their Bee and share what they have been doing as a Bee.

We will also have sign ups for those interested in forming new bees. So come join the buzz.



## Slate of Officers

The Nominating Committee presents this final report of volunteers (who have agreed to serve the Guild in the upcoming year according to the Guild Bylaws below) to serve the Guild for nomination and election. We thank those in advance for agreeing to serve if elected.

### *Bylaws*

The committee shall submit a slate of officers in April and publish the slate in the April and May Newsletters. Nominations made by the general membership will be received at the April meeting. Elections will take place during the May meetings by a show of hands unless a ballot is requested. Absentee ballots may be mailed to the Nominating Committee Chairperson. They must be received at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the second May Chapter meeting. Elected officers will begin term at the June meeting.

## PPQG Nominating Committee Recommendations for June 2017-June 2018

Positions	Current	Nominations
President	Isobel Meekins	Candy Byrd
Vice President	Gala Damato	Gala Damato
Exec. Secretary	Norma Simms	Loy Holt
Exec. Treasurer	Rhonda Gianturco	Vicki Marsh
Day Coordinator	Linda Odell	Linda Odell
Day Secretary	Vicki Marsh	Gina Vivian
Day Treasurer	Joy Insley	Tricia Lent
Night Coordinator	Sandra Combs	Sandra Combs
Night Secretary	Lynn Watkins	Susan Waddles
Night Treasurer	Allison Twilley	Allison Twilley

## Georgene Huggett Presents to Night Chapter in April

One of our fabulous long-arm quilters, Georgene Huggett, will present tips and tricks to getting your quilts looking amazing! Working together, quilters and long-arm quilters make beautiful images come alive! Be sure to attend this presentation!

## April Birthdays

Madonna Brink	April
Jackie Gaskins	April
Joan Kelly	4/8
Denise Vassar	4/8
Lori Murdock	4/10
Robin Urban	4/10
Joyce McKeel	4/16
Yvette Cienski	4/21



Sara Ware	4/23
Sandy Jenkins	4/25
Sandra Combs	4/29

*Happy Birthday to You!*

## PPQG DAY Chapter Minutes for March 2017

The Day Chapter meeting was called to order by Day Coordinator Linda Odell. There were 103 members present with three guests: Stephanie Gianturco, Marilyn Barr and Adline Warren. Two new members: Vanna Upchurch and Sherry Cowler were in attendance.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Candy Byrd to approve the February Minutes; seconded by Tricia Lent. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** A motion was made by Pat McGough and seconded by Nancy Shrout to approve the February Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:** President Isobel Meekins welcomed all those present for the meeting. She thanked all the members who volunteered and participated in the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival. She welcomed our guest speaker and former guild member, Cheryl See.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**BOM:** Mona Hendrickson presented the Block for next month which would be the Irish Chain in honor of St Patrick's Day. There were 28 Courthouse Steps Blocks turned in from last month and the winner was Gala Damato.

**Monthly Mini:** Gala Damato donated a scrappy photo album, won by Crystalanne Duarte; Jackie Gaskins donated a wool appliqued handbag, won by Kaye Pelley and Carolyn Evanoff donated a Candle Mat that was won by Lillian Deloney.

**Honor Quilts:** Terry McHenry announced that there would be a workshop on April 27 at Courthouse Way Community Center from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

Janet Dyer thanked those who displayed their quilts from the Quilt Challenge at the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival.

Rhonda Gianturco reported that the Guild did really well at the Quilt Show. The number of tickets sold was 582 resulting in \$1,035 collected.

Gala Damato announced that there would be a workshop on March 23 at the Courthouse Way Community Center from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. We will be working on various service projects. Everyone is welcome to come.

Jenny Ballou reported that we have 46 participants signed up for this year's Quilt Challenge (Not Your Gramma's Quilt). She will be accepting sign ups through April.

**Membership:** Cathy Fowler reported that membership cards are available for those who have paid and that renewals are still being taken.

**Election Committee:** Pat McNabb reported that we still need to fill positions for the coming year and encouraged members to get involved in the guild. Contact Pat if you are interested in helping in any capacity.

Birthdays were recognized and fat quarters distributed.

Door Prizes were drawn. Cheryl See, our guest speaker for the program, donated two of her patterns which were won by Carol Richardson and Rhonda Gianturco.

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# PPQG Night Chapter Minutes for March Meeting

Sandra Combs, Night Coordinator, called the Night Chapter meeting for March 14, 2017 to order at 7:04p.m. She welcomed all members and visitors. There were two guests attending. Welcome!

## BUSINESS

**Attendance:** There were 68 members in attendance at the meeting.

**Minutes:** Gail Lockhart made a motion to approve the February Minutes. Donna D'Amelio seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Carol Pittman made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report in the February newsletter. Nancy Shrout seconded. The Treasurer's Report was approved by a unanimous vote.

**President's Report:** Isobel Meekins thanked everyone who helped out at Mid Atlantic Quilt Festival with the various volunteer duties. She also announced that door prizes will be conducted differently with names being written on the back of the tickets. This initiative is a cost savings as well as a way getting to know each other by name. Mark Fowler has agreed to put the 365 Day Quilt pattern on a thumb drive for anyone who is interested in the pattern. Bring him a thumb drive and he will return it to you the next meeting.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Monthly Mini:** Joy Duke announced that the Monthly Mini this month was a handmade fabric bowl donated by Barbara Linde. Pat Winters was the winner!

**2017 Raffle Quilt:** Rhonda Gianturco and Yvette Cienski reported on the success of selling raffle tickets at Mid Atlantic for the gorgeous raffle quilt. They sold 582 tickets and brought in to the Guild a total of \$1,035.00. There are still plenty of tickets left to buy and sell. They are \$2.00 each or six for \$10.00. Let's support our Guild and buy some tickets!

**Service Projects:** Gala Damato announced that there will be a Service Project Workshop in March 23<sup>rd</sup> to work on projects for Riverside and CHKD. It will be held at the Courthouse Way Community Center.

**Block of the Month:** Denise Vassar and Jeanne Surber announced that there will be two BOM projects for this coming year. The first one will be a Churn Dash Block and the cost will be \$12.00 (\$1/month) and the second one will be Houses and the cost will be \$16.00 (this is a 16 month project).

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## 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 not wearing their name badges will be fined fifty cents.



PPQG  
Name  
Member Number



## Day Chapter Minutes *continued from page 3*

National Speaker Cheryl See was introduced and presented an excellent program and trunk show. She said she began sewing when she was three or four but didn't start making and designing quilts until later. She is a self-taught quilter. She enjoys trying and designing new techniques and using various fabrics for her quilts and spending as little as possible in creating them. Cheryl received the Best in Show Award at the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Fest with her creation of Hawaii Improv which took her two years to complete.

Respectfully submitted,  
Vicki Price Marsh, Day Secretary

## Libraries

Lisa Hartman and Kris Steil have switched libraries to give you an opportunity to check out different books.

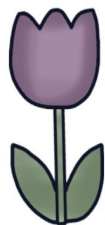
Some new books have been added and some additional ones will be available for sale in the near future.

**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.



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## Night Chapter Minutes continued

**Membership:** Debbie Moore announced that the new Roster is out and reminded members to pick up their current membership card from her at the table.

**Honor Quilts:** Karen Whitley announced that there will be an Honor Quilts workshop in April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Courthouse Way Community Center.

**Challenge 2017:** Gala Damato stepped in for Jenny Ballou and was accepting sign ups. It is called "Not Your Grandmother's Quilt". Sign up now for \$2.00 and the deadline is September 2017.

**Birthdays:** January and February birthdays were recognized with their choice of a Fat Quarter.

**Historian:** We are still in need of a Historian for the Night Chapter. The responsibilities of this position is to take pictures of the quilts shown and send them to the Website manager to have them put on the PPQG Website.

**Librarian:** Kris Steil has volunteered to be the Night Librarian! Thank you Kris.

**Program:** Gala Damato introduced the speaker, Cheryl See, from Ashland, VA. She is a past member of PPQG. Her program was called "Anatomy of a Quilt". It was a very entertaining program. I don't think we will look at or think about our quilts the same way as before. Thank you Cheryl.

Door prizes were given out by Sandra Combs.

There was an extra door prize of a goody basket and Kathy Fowler was the winning recipient!

Meeting adjourned at 9:03p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynn Watkins, Night Secretary



## Volunteer Openings

We have three open positions that need to be filled at this time.

Due to the continued vacancy of the Night Historian, there will be no pictures of Show and Tell at the night meetings on the web site. Night Historian takes photos of Show and Tell and submits them to the Webmistress.

Block of the Month for Day Chapter: We need a Block of the Month leader or group to take over starting **June 1**. You will choose the Block of the Month for the Day Chapter. You may use the current process or create something new. You get to be creative and shop for

fabric. This is a fun job and makes money for the Guild. Please call Linda Odell if you are interested in helping with Block of Month.



Local Workshops: One or more members to set up and coordinate workshops taught by Guild Members. We have many talented members willing to teach. The chair or committee can choose from a variety of workshops and attend them too.

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

## Service Projects Update

Thanks to everyone that brought in quilts and hearts in March. Four baby quilts, 49 fabric hearts, and five lap quilts were turned in at the March meetings. I will make deliveries to Riverside Hospital and CHKD after our workshop on March 23rd. If you weren't able to join us at the March workshop we plan to have another one during the summer. Members of the Service Project Committee include Maggie Haley, Pat Winters, Joan Cochran, Ellen Wood and Brenda Smith. Thank you for supporting Small Service Projects in the following ways:

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

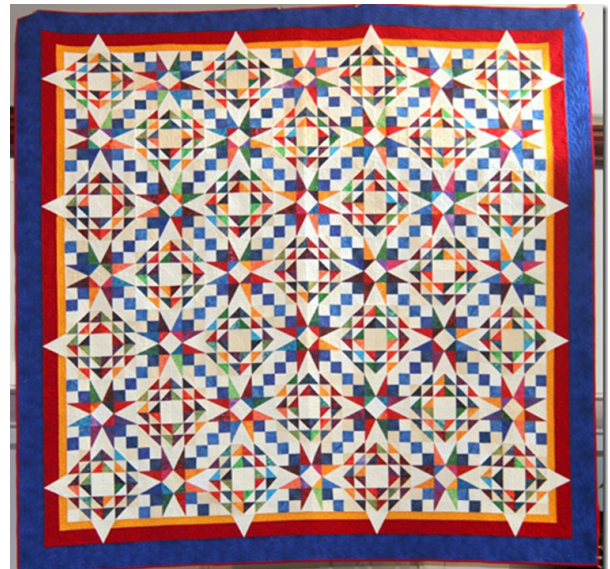
**Small baby quilts approximately 30" to 36" for babies at Riverside** who don't have a blanket to go home in. CHKD can use quilts for babies that get to go home but don't have a good prognosis.

**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](mailto:gala.damato@gmail.com)



## 2017 Raffle Update:

We would like to give a big shout out to all those who have made our raffle quilt a success so far. We raised \$1035.00 at Mid-Atlantic! We would like to go bigger and sell the rest of our tickets! We are asking ALL members to sell 18 tickets (3 packs of 6) to family, friends, coworkers, and anybody wishing to win a fabulous, queen-size quilt! You can sign out tickets at the day and night meetings.

Thank you again.

Raffle Committee,

Rhonda Gianturco

Yvette Cienski

Karen Komatz

## Night Chapter Block of the Month



Impressive turn out from those that participated in the 2016 Block of the Month. Great job by Denise Vassar, Jeanne Surber and Terry Hanson for changing up the Block of the Month. Thanks to all that participated and don't forget to sign up for this year's Night Chapter Block of the Month.



## Quilts of Honor Workshop

Quilts of Honor (QoH) Coordinators, Karen Whitley and Terri McHenry are ready for you to join them at their very first, QoH Workshop!

The date is **April 27th** from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the **Newport News Courthouse Community Center** at 14302 Old Courthouse Way.

They have loads of fabrics. So, all you need to do is bring your sewing machine, thread, tools (rotary cutter, scissors, needles, etc.) and brilliant smiles! It promises to be a fun day, making these quilts for those who serve.

## 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!

### **Sign up no later than the April meeting!**

The rules are simple. Just choose a pattern, technique or even fabrics that wouldn't have appeared in your Grandma's quilt and go for it! Were there embellishments in her quilts.? 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 [jtankersleyballou@gmail.com](mailto:jtankersleyballou@gmail.com) with any questions!!



## Guild Board and Volunteers

### Board Members 2016-2017

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Day Coordinato Linda Odell 879-6314  
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234-0232  
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Karen Whitley 254-6442  
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Winter Mystery Open  
Nominating Committee Pat McNabb

755-1888, Rita Crawford 766-1895, Tricia  
Lent, 371-9539  
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2017 Raffle Quilt Rhonda Gianturco  
833-1677

Yvette Cienski 234-0232

### Day Chapter

Monthly Minis Amy Mazich 867-7667  
Kathy DeCarlo 875-2931  
Block of the Month Mona Hendrickson  
353-0991

Tricia Lent 371-9539

Loy Holt 564-0980

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Programs Pat McNabb 755-1888

Parliamentarian Pat Winters 877-8824

Historian Georgene Huggett 868-9785

Librarian Lisa Hartman 810-8157

### Night Chapter

Monthly Minis Joy Duke 838-1043

Nancy Garrett 838-1716

Greeter Sandy Barnes 833-8233

Hospitality Goldie Fields 766-8503

Parliamentarian Pat Winters 877-8824

Librarian Kris Steil 357-2456

Historian Open

Programs Gail Lockhart 356-0830

Block of the Month Denise Vasser 599-6285

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# Thank you!

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English Paper Piecing Workshop



Do you see what I see in this watercolor technique?



Carol Richardson, Sherry Cowley, Kaye Pelley and  
Cathy Fowler with their Show and Tell Hexie Bowl.

## **Cheryl See Workshops a Huge Hit**

I hope everyone enjoyed the workshops they attended with Cheryl See in March. I want to thank everyone who signed up, especially those that took Saturday's workshop and more than one workshop. Two members from the Tidewater Quilt Guild and two guests of PPQG members attended the workshops. The costs of Cheryl's workshops were covered. Our by-laws state that we must charge enough to cover the costs of all workshops held. Many members have expressed an interest in attending a workshop on quilting basics, binding techniques, or a certain quilt pattern. The Guild will start these workshops again when we have one or two people step up to chair Local Workshops. We have a list of members that are willing to teach a variety of workshops at a small fee. So we are able to only charge members \$10 to \$15 per workshop. Workshops can be held at Grafton Christian Church and as often as determined by the chair person. We are willing to help anyone interested in chairing Local Workshops get started. Please contact Gala Damato at 872-6723 or [gala.damato@gmail.com](mailto:gala.damato@gmail.com) if you're interested.

## Peninsula Piecemakers Quilt Guild March 2017 Treasurers Accounts

Mar 2017	CHAPTER ACCOUNTS				NIGHT		
	DAY CHAPTER	DAY YTD TOTALS	DAY BUDGET	CHAPTER	NIGHT YTD TOTALS	NIGHT BUDGET	
	<b>Chapter Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,417.87</b>	<b>\$ 2,100.22</b>	<b>\$ 1,281.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,450.00</b>		
<b>Income:</b>	Block of the Month	156.00	276.00	416.00	416.00	460.00	
	Executive Transfer	-	-	-	-	1,800.00	
	Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	
	Monthly Mini Programs	74.00	125.00	36.00	36.00	490.00	
	Programs	-	-	-	-	-	
	<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$ 230.00</b>	<b>\$ 401.00</b>	<b>\$ 462.00</b>	<b>\$ 462.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,760.00</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>	Block of the Month	-	-	-	-	300.00	
	Door Prizes/B'day RI Qtrs	-	-	-	-	450.00	
	Historian	-	-	-	-	-	
	Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	100.00	
	Programs	-	50.00	-	-	1,900.00	
	<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,760.00</b>	
	<b>Chapter Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,847.87</b>	<b>\$ 2,461.22</b>	<b>\$ 1,883.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,802.00</b>		
	<b>EXECUTIVE ACCOUNT</b>				<b>EXEC YTD TOTALS</b>		
	<b>Executive Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 14,938.37</b>	<b>\$ 12,381.48</b>				
<b>Execo Income:</b>	Advertising	2.50	152.50	150.00			
	Challenge	20.00	45.00	120.00			
	Community Service	-	-	450.00			
	Guild Programs/Workshops	430.00	1,000.00	1,800.00			
	Library	-	-	150.00			
	Local Workshops	-	-	500.00			
	Membership	625.00	2,500.00	5,000.00			
	Miscellaneous	-	12.00	100.00			
	Mystery	-	-	-			
	PPQG Honor Quilts	-	112.00	**			
	Quilt Show/Symposium	-	-	**			
	Raffle Quilt	1,195.00	1,195.00	1,500.00			
	Sales	-	15.00	300.00			
	UFO	-	-	-			
	<b>Total Executive Income</b>	<b>\$ 2,272.60</b>	<b>\$ 6,032.60</b>	<b>\$ 10,070.00</b>			
<b>Execo Expense:</b>	Challenge	-	-	100.00			
	Community Service	-	-	25.00			
	Facilities	-	-	750.00			
	Guild Programs/Workshops	1,869.79	1,869.79	2,900.00			
	Library	35.00	35.00	75.00			
	Local Workshops	-	-	300.00			
	Membership	-	-	142.20			
	Miscellaneous	-	-	100.00			
	Mystery	-	-	-			
	Newsletter/website	75.73	89.46	100.00			
	PO Box Rental	-	-	130.00			
	PPQG Honor Quilts	122.75	122.75	**			
	Quilt Organization Memberships	-	-	-			
	Quilt Show/Symposium	-	-	**			
	Raffle Quilt	-	169.39	250.00			
	Sales	-	-	50.00			
	Storage Unit	-	-	1,522.80			
	Sunshine	-	-	25.00			
	UFO	-	-	-			
	Transfer to Day/Night	-	-	3,600.00			
	<b>Total Executive Expense</b>	<b>\$ 2,103.27</b>	<b>\$ 2,288.28</b>	<b>\$ 10,070.00</b>			
	<b>Executive Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 16,107.80</b>	<b>\$ 16,107.80</b>				

\*\*As of 21 March 2017, \$5,000.00 belongs to Show/Symposium and \$73.52 belongs to PPQG Honor Quilts, of the \$15,107.60 in the Executive Account. These monies are to be used specifically for these activities.  
Respectfully submitted by Rhonda Gianterco, Executive Treasurer.