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Honor Quilts

On Tuesday, September 6th, the Busy Bee Stitchers delivered 28 Honor Quilts to the Hampton VA Hospital. The majority of the quilts were delivered face to face in the Spinal Cord Unit. The balance were delivered by the hospital therapist to one of the medical units on another floor. This brings the total number of delivered quilts to 1014 since 2007, when we first took on this worthy project. The quilts were gratefully received and we were repeatedly thanked. It was very apparent that these men truly appreciated the time and effort taken to thank them for their service and sacrifice.

On another note, it is with mixed feelings that I am reporting I will be stepping down as the Coordinator for Honor Quilts in January. Effective January 1st, I will have been the chair of this effort for three years and feel a need to take a break from the lead. This will allow someone new to step in with new enthusiasm and ideas. Though I am stepping down from the lead, I do intend to continue making quilts for this ongoing effort. I can honestly say, with the multiple positions I have had in the guild, that this position has been the most rewarding personally. There is nothing like the feeling you get when you are hand delivering one of these quilts to the deserving men and women who have sacrificed so much for our freedoms. This is one of the most important and rewarding projects in the guild and we need someone to take point on it. It can be a single person, two people, or even a group of people. Please consider doing so in order to continue to support our military and safety professionals. I will be happy to assist with the transition and help with any information or advice needed.

I would like to thank the multitude of people in the guild who have supported me in this project for the past three years. I have been truly blessed to get to know so many wonderful,

generous and talented quilters. Thank you sincerely to all of those who showed up at workshops, took kits home, sewed pillowcases, took quilts to bind and label, and donated fabric, batting, time and money. To our long-armers – you ROCK! You absolutely made every single quilt look so much better with your talents and time. A special thank you to Gala Damato, who was my right hand the past couple of years and the Busy Bee Stitchers. I would have accomplished so much less without your help and support.

Currently I have eight more completed quilts ready to deliver. Please get any quilts you have to me by the October meetings. I would like to schedule one more delivery to Walter Reed Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland before the end of the year.

Sherry Behun

From the Challenge Committee:

All Challenge quilts are to be displayed and voted on at both the day and night meetings. The first PPQG meeting is at night October 11. The second is the PPQG day meeting on October 14, 2016. All quilts must be at the night meeting Tuesday and again at the day meeting on Friday.

I can store the quilts brought to the night meeting and bring the quilts back to the day meeting on Friday.

If you have not written an artist statement and wish your quilt to be displayed at the Mancuso show, please do so and bring it with your quilt. Include the name of the quilt and estimated value for insurance purposes.

- Kendra Palmer 757- 637-7408
- Gretchen Martin 757-898-5591 (my correct number)
- Janet Dyer 757-868-6247

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November's Newsletter

are due by October 20.

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Night Chapter

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Block of the Month	Denise Vassar	599-6285

Unless otherwise noted, area codes are 757



Please remember to wear your name badge to each and every meeting. There is a \$.50 fee for not wearing your name tag.



Raffle Quilt

Tickets are available to buy or sell to your friends. Tickets are \$2 each or a book of 5 for \$10. If you buy or sell 20 tickets (\$40), you get a thank you gift! Contact Pat McNabb at 596-3942.

“Raise the Roof” is the name of the pattern and it is a modified log cabin with stars. The neutral colors will go with any decor. Quilt was made by Tricia Lent, Yvette Cienski, Crystalann Duarte and Gala Damato. It is machine quilted by Georgene Huggett. Drawing will be November 11th.

UFO CHALLENGE

Twenty-four quilts were shown at either one or both meetings in September. There’s only one more UFO to turn in at the November meetings. That is your #4.

If you have not completed any of your UFOs try to get #4 done so you will be eligible for the end of the year prizes. We look forward to a great showing in November.

UFO Queens

Nancy Shroul 898-4174
Lois Bates 898-4640



October Birthdays

Barbara Gibson	10/6
Claire Arsenault	10/10
Kimberly Miller	10/10
Sue Winesett	10/13
Michelle Condon	10/14
Nannie Diggs	10/16
Netta Bott	10/18
Marianna Harris	10/19
Kitty Tully	10/19
Bonita Dodson	10/20
Donna Lambert	10/20
Pat Brazzale	10/21
Kathy Fortin	10/21
Sandy Barnes	10/25
Denise Galante	10/25
Ellen Wood	10/28
Carol Richardson	10/29
Jean Grant	10/30

PPQG DAY CHAPTER MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 9, 2016

The Day Chapter meeting for September 12, 2016 was called to order at 10:00 AM by Day Coordinator Linda Odell. There were 105 guild members in attendance. We had 5 guests: Nancy Carter, Aphrodite Christopoulos, Carol Safko, Alice Martin and Susan Anthony.

Minutes: Pat Sappenfield made a motion to approve the August minutes. Susan Virden seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Tricia Lent made a motion to accept the August Treasurer's report. Crystalann Duarte seconded. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Isobel Meekins thanked Linda Hahn for being the speaker for this month. She will speaking again at the night guild on Tuesday, September 13. She also announced that Sherry Behun would no longer be doing the honor quilts and that we need a replacement volunteer to handle this important project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Gala Damato announced that 28 quilts had been delivered to the spinal unit and were well received. A total of 1,000 quilts have been donated altogether. This includes lap quilts, bereavement quilts and NICU quilts. The approximate sizes for these quilts are on the website for those wanting to donate. She pointed out that 49 completed lap quilts had been returned from the quilt kits put together from the donated fabric. Janet Dyer won today's drawing from those returned.
- Susan Waddles is coordinating our booth for the Newport News Fall Festival and still needs volunteers to help in the booth for the two days, October 1 and 2. Free parking passes will be given to each volunteer. Quilts are still needed for display in the booth.
- Susan Virden presented the monthly minis. Gina Vivian donated a beautiful bag, won by Lois Bates. Kimberly Miller donated a thread catcher, won by Andrea Condor and a towel, won by Jeanne Vaul. Shirley Nolan handcrafted some greeting cards which were won by Rita Crawford. Joanne Gardner donated a glass heart, won by Kathy DeCarlo.
- **Block of the Month:** The block of the month for next month will be the Card Tricks Block in great fall colors. A vote was taken to increase the cost of the BOM to \$3 to help cover the cost of the fabrics needed for the kits. This month's BOM blocks were won by Vicki Marsh.
- Sharon Ahmed announced the following workshops. September 28 Loy Holt will lead a workshop on labels from 9-12. Cost is \$12. October 5 Yvette Cilenski and Tricia Lent will lead a class on Binding and Borders from 9-12. Cost is \$12. On October 20, Donna D'Amelio will have a full day class from 9-4 titled "Outside the Window" at a cost of \$18 for the class. All classes will be held at the Grafton Christian Church.
- Gretchen Martin informed all participants in the Quilt Challenge that the artist statements are due and that they can be emailed to Janet Dyer who will type them.
- Tickets for the Raffle Quilt are still on sale.
- Helen Heyes is coordinating the Winter Mystery and you can still sign up for this. The first instructions have been sent out with directions for three different sizes. Measurements for the required fabrics insure that there will be plenty of fabric to complete the quilt.
- Birthdays were announced and fat quarters were distributed.
- Door Prizes were drawn.

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Day Chapter Program for October

2016 Challenge "Borders Galore" and the challenges in quilting past and present. We are asking members to bring in their most challenging quilt and talk about it a little. It could be a previous year's challenge or just a quilt that challenged you.

PPQG Night Chapter Minutes for September 13, 2016

Sandra Combs, Night Coordinator, called the Night Chapter meeting for September 13, 2016 to order at 7:00p.m. She welcomed all members and visitors. We had 6 guests among us. Welcome!

BUSINESS

- **Attendance:** There were 82 members and 6 guests in attendance at the meeting.
- **Minutes:** Jeanne Surber made a motion to approve the August minutes. Pat Sappenfield seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Nancy ShROUT made a motion to approve the treasurer's report in the August minutes. Jeanne Surber seconded. The report was approved by a unanimous vote.
- **President's Report:** Isobel Meekins – Thanked Linda Hahn for being our Speaker and holding two workshops for the Guild. She thanked Sherry Behun for all her hard work over the last three years on Honor Quilts. She will be stepping down from her position at the end of the year. Anyone who is interested in taking her place should contact Sherry or one of the Guild Board members. Sherry gave a brief description of the position.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Monthly Mini:** Joy Duke announced that there were three Monthly Minis this month. Two totes – one donated by Carol Darby and one donated by Gala Damato. The third item was a picture scrap book also donated by Gala Damato. Debbie Moore won the picture scrap book, Pat Sappenfield won one of the totes and Lorraine Meadows won the other tote.
- **UFO's:** Reminder: #4 is due in November. There were a lot of UFOs completed this month! Good job ladies!
- **2017 Raffle Quilt:** Linda Odell reminded everyone that there are still tickets left for the Raffle Quilt. They are \$2/ticket. There will be prizes for the most tickets sold. The drawing will be held on November 12.
- **Service Projects:** Gala Damato and Joan Cochran showed some of the quilts they have gotten back for the Service Projects. To date 49 quilts have been delivered to Riverside and 17 have been delivered to CHKD.
- **Block of the Month:** Ernestine Rowe won the blocks this month.
- **Honor Quilts:** Sherry Behun said that this has been the most rewarding position to have held. Honor quilts mean so much to the recipients. She thanked all who have helped with the Honor Quilts. She delivered 28 to the VA hospital in Hampton. Total number of quilts delivered to date is 1,014! She will be holding one last workshop on September 29th at the Courthouse Way Community Center.
- **Winter Mystery:** Helen Hayes encouraged everyone to sign up for the Winter Mystery. Come join the fun!
- **Fall Festival:** Susan Waddles announced that the Fall Festival this year is October 1st and 2nd and passed around a clipboard for Volunteers to sign up and help at the booth. You will work in two hour shifts and you get free parking for the day! She also said they are still in need of quilted items to put in the booth. Please contact her if you would like to display some of your items.
- **Storage Unit:** Allison Twilley announced that she will be gone for the next two weeks and if anyone needs to get items from the storage unit to please see Isobel Meekins.

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Night Chapter Program for October

Our October evening program will be Jim and Carolyn Breeding from Chesapeake. They will do a program titled "Our Quilting Story". They will have a trunk show from the last 20 years of their quilting together. Bring a friend and be prepared to have a good time!

- Numerous completed UFOs were presented. Number 4 is due in November.
- The program presented by Linda Hahn focused on the New York Beauty Block and the variations that are made simply by the placement of colors. She had a workshop on September 8 on the Rock that Block Quilt and another workshop on September 10 featuring the New York Beauty. She explained the processes she had to go through to become a published designer and how she uses the backing of her quilts to make a personal statement. The entire program was both interesting and informative.
- Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Vicki Marsh, Day Secretary

Upcoming Local Workshops

September 28th Loy Holt will be teaching a class on making labels for your quilts. Cost is \$12 and it is from 9 -12 at Grafton Christian Church on Brick Church Road in Grafton.

If you are interested in this class, contact Gala Damato 872-6823 or email me at gala.damato@gmail.com.

PPQG Winter Mystery 2016

The mystery is a quilt pattern in 3 parts. The clues will be in September, October and November and hopefully you will have a quilt top to bring for show and tell in December.

The pattern uses 2 1/2" strips that can easily be bought at quilt shops or cut from stash. There are also three different sizes to the quilt. The directions for each of the quilt sizes have been written separately, which I hope makes them easy to follow.

Fabric wise anything goes - what ever your favourite type of fabric is. The quilt I made to test the pattern used a Minick and Simpson

jelly roll by Moda. I am planning on sewing along using some light batik strips with a dark blue background. You can even make it totally scrappy.

There is no sign up fee.

The first clue went out on the 1st September, but it is not too late to sign up! Even if you are not sure you will like it why not sign up and wait until the last clue to make up your mind?

If you can't make it to one of the guild meetings email me at hheyes@mac.com and I will add you to the list. (And my last name is really spelled Heyes!!!) You will get the fabric requirements and the clues.

If you have signed up but haven't received the first clue, let me know at hheyes@mac.com and I will correct the address on my list and make sure you get the clues.

Email me at hheyes@mac.com if you have any questions at all, I would rather answer questions than have you disappointed.

Helen Heyes

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- **Birthdays:** September birthdays were recognized with their choice of a Fat Quarter.
- **Challenge 2016:** The deadline for the Artist's statement has been extended to give everyone more time to come up with a statement for their challenge quilt.
- **Program:** Gala Damato introduced Linda Hahn from New Jersey. She had many beautiful quilts to show us on her method of making the New York Beauty block. She has written a couple of books on the method. She also showed us how to "rock that block" by switching the orientation and fabric color in the same block and you can make many different variations. Wonderful, informative and filled with eye candy presentation!
- Door prizes were given out by Sandra Combs.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:42p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lynn Watkins, Night Secretary

Small Service Project Update

Nine lap quilts were turned in at the September meetings made from the large fabric donation from Janet Baker. A total of fifteen lap quilts were turned in and were delivered to Riverside Hospital by Gala Damato and Maggie Haley on September 19th. Janet Dyer and Kaye Moore won the prizes for turning in quilts from the kits. More fabric kits are available to be signed out at the meetings and don't have to be completed until December. That makes a total of sixty-four lap quilts delivered this year at Riverside for cancer patients. Way to go and keep them coming. Christy Stafford from CHKD attended the night chapter meeting and took back fifteen comfort quilts, twenty fabric hearts and seven bereavement quilts. Thank you for supporting Small Service Projects in the following ways:

- Lap quilts approximately 32" x 38" for cancer patients at Riverside Hospital.
- Small comfort quilts approximately 24" to 36" for babies in NICU at CHKD and Portsmouth Naval Hospital that get to go home but don't have a good prognosis.
- Approximately 26-inch square bereavement quilts are needed at CHKD. Please use muted and pastel colors for these quilts that are appropriate for grieving parents.
- Fabric hearts for the parents of babies in NICU at CHKD, Portsmouth and Riverside Hospitals. The fabric hearts have been very popular and it is a good way to use left over fabric. The pattern is on the website under Service Projects. You can use cotton or flannel or both.

Gala Damato

PPQG President's Message

Having Linda Hahn visit our guild in September was fun, entertaining, and educational. Thank you all for attending her lectures and taking her classes. The great turnout at both meetings made Linda feel very welcome. Linda's visit took lots of planning and coordination with the Tidewater Quilt Guild, and thanks to Gala Damato and Yvette Cienski, it was a huge success.

Isobel Meekins

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September 2016 Treasurers Accounts

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CHAPTER ACCOUNTS		DAY CHAPTER	DAY YTD TOTALS	DAY BUDGET
Chapter Beginning Balance		\$ 2,853.68	\$ 1,554.99	
Income:	Block of the Month	92.00	694.00	800.00
	Executive Transfer	-	1,800.00	1,800.00
	Miscellaneous	-	-	10.00
	Monthly Mini	62.00	647.00	700.00
	Programs	-	-	-
	Total Income:	\$ 154.00	\$ 3,141.00	\$ 3,310.00
Expenses:	Block of the Month	-	537.90	800.00
	Door Prizes/B'day Ft Qtrs	-	126.97	500.00
	Historian	-	-	-
	Miscellaneous	-	-	100.00
	Programs	-	1,023.44	1,910.00
	Total Expenses:	\$ -	\$ 1,688.31	\$ 3,310.00
	Chapter Ending Balance	\$ 3,007.68	\$ 3,007.68	

NIGHT CHAPTER	NIGHT YTD TOTALS	NIGHT BUDGET
\$ 1,984.56	\$ 460.81	
12.00	485.00	360.00
-	1,800.00	1,800.00
-	-	10.00
34.00	378.00	490.00
-	130.00	-
\$ 46.00	\$ 2,793.00	\$ 2,660.00
-	40.12	360.00
-	5.00	400.00
-	-	-
-	8.47	25.00
-	1,169.66	1,875.00
\$ -	\$ 1,223.25	\$ 2,660.00
\$ 2,030.56	\$ 2,030.56	

EXECUTIVE ACCOUNT		EXEC TOTALS	EXEC YTD TOTALS	EXEC BUDGET
Executive Beginning Balance		\$ 13,117.71	\$ 14,622.82	
Exec Income:	Advertising	-	27.50	250.00
	Challenge	-	120.00	120.00
	Community Service	-	-	400.00
	Guild Programs/Workshops	280.00	1,745.00	1,800.00
	Library	-	148.00	115.00
	Local Workshops	66.00	410.00	720.00
	Membership	65.00	3,432.50	5,000.00
	Miscellaneous	-	1,871.26	200.00
	Mystery	-	-	100.00
	PPQG Honor Quilts	-	220.00	**
	Quilt Show/Symposium	-	3,995.00	**
	Raffle Quilt	60.00	504.00	1,000.00
	Sales	-	69.00	500.00
	UFO	-	50.00	40.00
	Total Executive Income	\$ 471.00	\$ 12,592.26	\$ 10,245.00

Exec Expense:

Challenge	-	-	100.00
Community Service	-	-	-
Facilities	-	350.00	750.00
Guild Programs/Workshops	2,683.26	3,051.90	2,800.00
Library	-	-	75.00
Local Workshops	-	220.00	500.00
Membership	-	144.34	228.00
Miscellaneous	-	468.62	100.00
Mystery	-	-	25.00
Newsletter/website	-	104.49	50.00
PO Box Rental	130.00	130.00	130.00
PPQG Honor Quilts	-	493.03	**
Quilt Organization Memberships	-	-	-
Quilt Show/Symposium	-	7,797.46	**
Raffle Quilt	-	41.00	150.00
Sales	-	-	100.00
Storage Unit	-	-	1,512.00
Sunshine	-	9.40	25.00
UFO	-	29.39	100.00
Transfer to Day/Night	-	3,600.00	3,600.00
Total Executive Expense	\$ 2,813.26	\$ 16,439.63	\$ 10,245.00
Executive Ending Balance	\$ 10,775.45	\$ 10,775.45	

**As of 20 September 2016, \$5,000.00 belongs to Show/Symposium and -\$21.73 belongs to PPQG Honor Quilts, of the \$10,775.45 in the Executive Account. These monies are to be used specifically for these activities.
Respectfully submitted by Rhonda Gianturco, Executive Treasurer.

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