



Prickly Fingers Quilt Guild Newsletter August 2009

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 12, 2009
Anderson County Museum
9:30 a.m.

Sue Twilley will be the greeter at the door from 9:00 until 9:30.

Important Notes: If you come to help set up the room 8:30 - please DO NOT arrive before that time - apparently there have been some problems with this special negotiated early entry time. This will be our last meeting at the museum - due to budget cuts, they are now going to have to charge more than we can afford for meeting space. We will return to the library in September.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET to turn off your cell phones prior to the start of the meeting!



August Program (Debby Stone, Chair): Salad Social & Fabric Bingo.

Members are asked to bring a salad or dessert. We'll also be playing Fabric Bingo, which is always fun. I e-mailed the instructions for making the cards a couple of weeks ago (attached for those in my regular mail list). The blocks will be made into Linus quilts.

Upcoming program: In September, Dixie Haywood will talk about "Adjusting Traditional Blocks for Foundation Piecing". Dixie has authored eight books with her writing partner, Jane Hall. Their new book, "Every Quilter's Foundation Piecing Reference Tool", will be available at the meeting. We will enjoy a program about Hand Applique in October. In November, we'll have a workday to make Christmas stockings for the DCEC preschool. In December, we'll vote on our Challenge Quilts and enjoy our Holiday Social.



Attendance & Guests Last Month (Judy Fields, Chair): We had 31 members present and 2 guests (Nancy, guest of Anne Medlin, and Cindy Starowesky's niece).

NOTE: Please let Judy know of any address, phone, or e-mail changes so they can be included in the newsletter.



Care & Concern (Janice Bean, Chair): No cards or correspondence this month.

NOTE: Please let Janice know of any member health concerns so she can send a card from the guild and that includes any health concerns you yourself may have - let us know if you need help or visitors ☺



Philanthropy Quilts (from Suzanne Walters, Chair): Thank you to Connie Bennett, Diane Schonauer, and Sue Twilley (2) for their Linus quilt donations at the July meeting. Thirty quilts have been distributed; twenty to DCEC and ten to the veteran's home. The philanthropy group met at Donna Pike's "workshop" on July 21st to assemble kits from the many fabric donations we have received. Please consider adopting a kit and adding your special touch (and maybe a little fabric from your stash) to create a Linus quilt. The group will be meeting on Tuesday, August 18th, at Donna's to sew quilts using our fabric bingo squares from the August meeting. Please join us! Call Donna at 332-4685 for directions.



Other News/Information:

- **Challenge Quilt (Kathy Weeks, Chair):** The challenge is to use black, white, and/or grey with one crayon color which is picked out of a bag. Complete details are on our web site. Please see Kathy Weeks if you would like to participate. We will vote on these quilts at the December meeting.
- **Mystery Quilt (Kathy Sowder, Chair):** The third set of instructions was handed out at the July meeting (please see Kathy Sowder for a copy).
- **Belton Heritage Days:** An income opportunity for members. October 1-3. They're looking for someone to demonstrate traditional methods and materials (hand piecing, applique, and/or quilting). The individual(s) must dress in period costume. You'll receive \$100/day plus breakfast and lunch. The hours are Thursday and Friday from 9:00 to 2:00 and Saturday from 10:00 to 5:00. Contact Alison Darby at 296-5216 if interested.
- **Allyson Brooke Shop in Iva:** A new gift shop is opening on Hwy 184 between Iva and Antreville. They will sell quilts on consignment at a price you determine; they will receive a commission. A couple of "watch-outs" that were mentioned - have an agreement signed to get your quilts back if the store closes; leave the items for a certain length of time; and keep in touch with them. Contact Tessa Burnette at 1-800-825-4533 if interested.

- **Quilting Events:**
 - **Asheville Quilt Show** at the NC Arboretum on Hwy 93, August 7-9. This is an excellent show. There's a concurrent rotary Quilt Show at the Biltmore Square Mall.
 - Diane Schonauer and I attended the AQS (American Quilters Society) Quilt Expo in Knoxville this weekend. We'd highly recommend it - only 3 hours away; very nice quilts and excellent vendors (more than 100!). They're having another one next July 14-17. We stayed at a nice hotel just 10 minutes from downtown.

Ongoing

- **Door Prizes:** Doorprizes are awarded at each meeting. Members are asked to bring a \$10 value wrapped prize in your birthday month.
- **Library:** Dee Ross is providing a library for members. The books are listed on the web site - there are about 150. If you'd like to borrow a book, e-mail Dee your selection. All books are due back at the following meeting.
- **Show & Share:** Ribbons are available at every meeting to pin on your nametag for each item you bring in for Show & Share. **When you hold up a quilt for Show & Share, please make sure to state your name.** Please also sign the sheet provided - this helps in doing the minutes. There is also a separate book to sign if you donate a Linus quilt.

Lynn Brill, Newsletter Editor

PRICKLY FINGERS QUILT GUILD MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 by president, Pat Jones.

Officers Reports:

Secretary – Cindy Starowesky – Minutes approved

Treasurer – Diane Schonauer - \$1,376.98

Vice President: Debby Stone – August Program to be Salad or Dessert and Bingo

Membership – Judy Fields – Guests – 2, New Members – 0, Members Present – 31

Announcements:

1. Thank you to Wendy Wolff for being Greeter this month.
2. Sue Twilley volunteered to be greeter for August meeting.

Committee Reports:

- **CARE AND CONCERN:** Lynn Brill's sister is gravely ill. Keep her in our prayers. Lois McCoy's niece is having a kidney transplant.
- **CHALLENGE QUILT:** Kathy Weeks (minimum size is 18" square).
- **HISTORIAN:** Mary Oulette assisted by Karen Augsburger – Will bring books to meeting for us to look at.
- **LIBRARIAN:** Dee Ross – Call or e-mail her to check out books.
- **MYSTERY QUILT:** Kathy Sowder – next chapter of mystery quilt given out
- **PHILANTHROPY:** Suzanne Walter assisted by Connie Bennett – Orphan blocks needed. Meet Tuesday July 21st to work on quilt. Be sure to sign book when bringing in quilts.
- **PUBLICITY:** Ann Williams – changes made too late for publication to be corrected.
- **WEB DESIGNER:** Debbie Stone
- **DOOR PRIZES:** Marcella Brown and Helen Holliday – Winner was Marcella Brown
- **SHOW AND TELL:** Someone took the list – I will include it next month. Theme for Show and Tell was Christmas related items.

Old Business: Field Trip planned for September with Karen Augsburger chairing. Meeting planned 9/9/09 to discuss trip for middle to end of September.

New Business: 43 signed up for retreat. Lois McCoy gave a great presentation on making Christmas ornaments with Styrofoam balls. Opportunity to make money discussed at Allyson Brooke Store in Iva. If interested call 800-825-4533. PFQG board will meet at 10:00 on July 15th at the museum. Pat Kerko won 2nd Place on her quilt. Sewing is ongoing at the Pendleton Library.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Starowesky, Secretary