

# **Carolina Pine Quilters**

Meeting at
Trinity United Methodist Church
2724 Whiskey Road, Aiken

May 14, 2018 & June 11, 2018 7:00 PM



carolinapinequilters.com

# **Upcoming Programs**

Lucy Bureau

We have some fun planned for May and June starting with **Diane Knott's trunk show and workshop in May.** I will be accepting payment for the workshop at our May meeting – there's still time to sign up.

In June, we will usher in summer with ice cream and our yard sale so be sure to spring clean your stash and bring items you no longer need to the June meeting. Also at the June meeting, Paula Brown will give us a slide show on the major quilt shows she has attended and share helpful tips on attending.

Super Saturday will be June 16. Please save the date and consider signing up for one or two mini workshops held at Trinity United Methodist Church. This will be a fun time of learning for all who participate!

Meanwhile, I know you are all busy working on your quilt challenge. As a reminder, the unveiling of all your creative work will be at the August meeting.

**July Program** -- Donna Royson's Quilt In A Day trunk show.

**August Program** -- Unveiling of Quilt Challenge

**September Program** -- Dee Doebler's Fringe Sisters trunk show.

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President – Pat Jones
Vice President – Lucy Bureau
Secretary – Joyce Sinclair
Treasurer – Janet Laughlin
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# **President's Chatter**

Pat Jones

It was nice to see strong attendance at our April meeting even though our program was a departure from the norm with a presentation on cyber security by James Carston. The informational session covered a broad range of topics from protection of home internet to Facebook, email security, and internet scams. Numerous members augmented the speech with narrative of their own experiences using the world wide web. A good reminder that it is a brave new world out there.

Moving forward our spring and summer programs are quilt centric with enough breadth in topics to attract quilters of varying styles and interests. The guild is particularly excited to present a program and a workshop by Diane Knott in mid-May followed by our Super Saturday training event on June 16th and then Donna Royston's trunk show on July 9th.

For many of us the onset of warm weather diverts our attention from indoor activities to time in the garden, cookouts or out of town travel. Regardless of your summer schedule we hope that you the 2nd Monday of each month finds you at our CPQ guild meeting.

Pat

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**October Program** -- Tommy Litner will talk about sewing machine tension, needles, thread and give maintenance tips.

**November Program** -- Celebration of Quilts from CPQ Show

**December Program** -- Holiday gathering

## For Sale

Baby Lock Conture - Computer Quilting Machine that will accommodate King size.

\$ 7,500

Contact: Kitty Hall at

803-827-1580

# May & June Birthdays

05/17 Kathy Rachick

06/08 Maureen Massey

06/13 Pat Jones

06/14 Annmarie Gorensek

06/26 Nora May

# **Early July Birthdays**



07/04 Linda Pickwell 07/05 Lucy Bureau

07/05 June Yarborough

# New Member

Welcome to our newest member, **Kathleen Ezell.** She lives in Wagener and has been quilting for 20 years. She sewed garments and then got hooked on quilting. Her favorite technique is applique. Her hobby is driving her donkeys! We need to find out what the rest of that story is! ©

#### Welcome Kathleen!

# Cleaning in Your Crafting World Excerpts from aqsblog.com

Just do it!

Don't put it down, put it away.

Deep clean after every project.

Use a dryer sheet to clean the bottom of the iron.

Replace and sharpen dull cutting equipment as part of cleaning up.

Organize left over fabric from projects after every project.

Lint rollers are great for cleaning just about every flat surface in the sewing area.

# **Treasurer's Report**

Janet Laughlin

Balance on 04/29/18 \$ 6252.49
Receipts \$ 144.05
Disbursements \$ 40.00
Gen. Funds Bal. on 04/29/18 \$ 6326.54

Workshop Funds Bal. on 04/29/18 \$ 1517.39

# **CPQ Panera Drop-In**

CPQ's third flash mob event took place on Wednesday, April 25th at the Panera Bread on Whiskey Road. Participants included Janet Laughlin, Becky Carter, Sheryl Grainger and Pat Jones. Although the group was small, hand appliqué work was front and center and conversation was vibrant. Topics of discussion included the May Vintage Village workshop, the upcoming Pieceful Hearts retreat, CPQ 2018 quilt show planning and the 2019 Modern Quilt Guild conference, QuiltCon, that will be held in Nashville in February, 2019.

The next flash mob group will meet at 1:30 pm at Panera Bread on Tuesday, June 26. Bring some handwork or just come to socialize!

#### **President's Challenge Update**

In January the guild initiated a new fundraising initiative to raise additional funds for guild projects, programs and workshops. The evening of April 16th the *President's Challenge* campaign drew to a close. Donations have surpassed expectations and a summary of activity is shown below:

Original seed amount from guild president	\$215.75
*Donations from membership to match original amount *Donations from membership in excess of match amount *Supplemental donation from guild president equal to 50% of excess match	\$215.75 \$124.20
	\$ 62.10
Total collected 2018 President's Challenge	\$617.80

A hearty thank you to everyone who participated in this campaign. Please remember that the *Love Your Guild* donations program continues throughout the year so look for the red heart box at the hospitality desk and remember that no amount is too small.

# **CPQ Goes On The Road**

Members of Carolina Pine Quilters took to the road on May 1st in search of Bonnie Hunter. Bonnie was the guest speaker at the Lake Oconee Guild Meeting which was the siren song that attracted 10 Aiken based quilters to cross state lines in search of all things scrappy. Bonnie's presentation was fun, colorful and totally worth a day's drive to hear her thoughts on the joys and challenges of scrap quilting.

Guild attendees included Carolyn Gibbons, Marolyn Floyd, Susan Congdon, Peggy Hazell, Lynn Goldthorpe, Sally King, Donna Davis, Barb Taylor, Barb Candido and Pat Jones.



L to R: Sally King, Lynn Goldthorpe, Peggy Hazell, Susan Congdon, Donna Davis, Marolyn Floyd and Carolyn Gibbons.



Bonnie Hunter with "On Ringo Lake" quilt

# **Upcoming Events**

(new in bold)

May 20-24 QSC Spring Into Summer

White Oak, Winnsboro

May 31-June 3 NC Quilt Symposium

**UNC** Asheville

Ashevillequiltguild.org

July 20-21 QSC Quilt Exhibit & Vendors

Jamil Temple Columbia, SC

Fri: 9 - 5, Sat: 9 - 4, \$8 admission

## Committees

Community Outreach: Annmarie Gorensek

Comfort Quilts: Doris Leidheiser and

Diane Miller

Fundraising: Pat Jones

**Guild Ambassador:** Becky Carter

Historian: Janet Laughlin

Hospitality: Margot Salzman

Membership: Donna Powers

**Quilt Show**: Gary Davis

#### **Outreach**

Annmarie Gorensek

Thank you to all who participated in the triangle and fat quarter bag project. I will be putting them together in the near future.

Our next project will be donated to one of the local nursing homes in Aiken. We will be making pillowcases and walker bags. We will also accept lap quilts for the nursing home from anyone who would like to make one. This challenge will run in May, June and July.

Pillowcase Pattern

http://millionpillowcases.allpeopleguilt.com/images/millionpillowcases/2015/pdfs/Roll-It-Up-2015.pdf

Walker Bag Patterns

https://mellysews.com/2014/07/walker-caddy-tutorial.html

https://feltmagnet.com/textiles-sewing/Walker-Totebag

https://www.thesprucecrafts.com/how-to-sew-a-walker-bag-2977860

http://tolentreasures.blogspot.com/2010/04/walkerwheelchair-bag-tutorial.html

These are just a few of the websites with free patterns.

If you have a favorite, use it.

Happy Sewing!





# Quilt Exhibit in nearby Georgia

Looking for a road trip on a lovely spring day? Then consider taking a drive to Buckhead, Georgia, for a guilt exhibit sponsored by the Lake Oconee Quilt Guild. These Georgia guilters are currently displaying more than 50 of their best designs at the Steffen Thomas Museum of Art from now through June 2nd, 2018. Recently, some Carolina Pine Guild members visited the exhibit and enjoyed some delightful creations which featured intricate paper piecing, fascinating miniatures, delicate appliqué, plus whimsical children's designs. Every guilt show should have a raffle guilt and this exhibit is no exception. The lovely pieced and appliquéd raffle quilt was designed by Mary Kay Mouton, who presented a trunk show and lecture at our own CPQ Guild about 3 years ago.

The museum is a two-hour ride from Aiken and there are some lovely restaurants and antique shops in the Lake Oconee area to round out your activities for the day. You may visit the museum website for directions and hours of operation. Go to: https://steffenthomas.org



Raffle quilt designed by Mary Kay Mouton

On Sunday, May 20th, Cathi Gainey will be setting up her **Shakerwood Woolens** booth at Sally King's house and offering to members of CPQ, Pieceful Hearts and friends in the area, all the things she stocks her booth with for shows.



Cathi is known for her hand dyed wools, threads, books, kits and patterns, but has added 40 Primitive Gatherings homespuns as well as Jo Morton's reproduction print cottons to her shop, so there is something for every quilter.

You are all invited to drop by Sally's from 1pm to 4pm on Sunday the 20th to "look and feel" and enjoy a visit with quilty friends. Call Sally (803-641-9135) for directions if you need them and park anywhere when you get here. It's a farm! We park on the grass! Hope to see you then.

# FRIENDS, QUILTING AND OTHER NECESSITIES OF LIVING A letter from Marcy Huggins

It was always my theory that if you can find another quilter anywhere in the world you have met a potential friend. My newly retired husband and I decided to try for a milder winter location in Aiken, SC, in 2016. It was the first time we'd left MN for an extended time. I brought a Featherweight and had three easy quilts cut out and was ready to go.

My plan was to find a quilt shop near Aiken and look for a guild or a class to try to find women to visit with. In Minneapolis we are blessed with a large number of quilt shops within an hour in virtually any direction. I had assumed the South would be similarly filled with shops. I hadn't factored in the distance from a major population center and the collapse of many smaller shops all around the country.

In our first four weeks, I was missing family and friends from home and had a lot of time to reflect on the importance of my quilting guild and club sisters in my life. My main guild, the South Minneapolis Quilters (SMQ), has been my mainstay for more than 25 years. From SMQ I've joined two smaller subgroups. Combined, they account for many hours of quilting challenges and meetings each month. There definitely was an empty hole to fill.

My husband and I decided to visit the Aiken County Historic Society. We'd heard there'd been a quilt show there earlier in the year and I was hopeful we'd make a connection. No quilts in their permanent collection. I was starting to feel a little adrift but chatted up a couple of the museum docents. It only took two seconds for them to tell me about Carolyn Gibbons, another museum docent who was a quilter and an active member of the local guild. I am not ashamed to say I begged them to ask her if it would be all right for me to call. The rest of this story is like the end of the movie Casablanca, when the two men agreed it was the beginning of a beautiful friendship.

I was lucky the next guild meeting for the Carolina Pines Quilters (CPQ) was just a few days away. It is the same size as SMQ, has also been in existence about the same time, both groups spend a lot of time on charitable work, and show and tell was of the same excellent and inspiring quality. I'll try not to make my SMQ sisters jealous when I tell them Bonnie Hunter used to be a member of CPQ and their members have opportunities to be part of her lectures and workshops.

I just returned today from SMQ's annual retreat. I've loved attending these since I first joined, missing as few as possible. It made me think about a study on friendship I recently read about. It conjectured that it takes about 50 hours of time spent in the (non-work) company of another person to become a casual acquaintance. In about 80-100 hours you can call someone an actual friend. Then I reflected on how many retreat hours over the years I've spent sitting within chatting distance of so many women in my guild. These are impressive numbers and no wonder I'm always so happy to see everyone. I'm guessing both guilds would say the same about their own retreats.

I'm happy to report my theory of finding just one quilter is correct. It can help you get started in a new city and you never run out of activities or things to talk about. I thank you Carolyn and all your friends who have become mine as well. I also thank CPQ. I'm now in my second year at your guild. At my last meeting in SC I spent the social time talking with so many new acquaintances who had invited me into their lives throughout the month. It felt like home. I wish I could be in both places throughout the year (if we could all fix our extremes of weather)!

To the members of both guilds, thank you for being my guild sisters. I'm so inspired by each of you.

# Show and

Tell

**April**, 2018



James Carsten speaking on Cyber Security at the April meeting



Comfort Quilt made by guild members and presented to Brenda Trindle whose husband passed away in December.



Donna Yeskey



Paula Brown with the QSC Raffle Quilt



This wall hanging will be presented in June to a new homeowner participating in the Women Build program.



Quilters Gallery Joyce Sinclair



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## Key 2018 Quilt Show Dates

> Sept. 9-10: Submit entry forms and entry fee

> Oct. 28-29: Take in quilts

> Oct. 30: Judging

> Nov. 4: Set up and hang quilts

> Nov. 6-17: Quilt show open

> Nov. 18: Take down quilts

> Nov. 18-19: Pick up quilts

If you have ever needed yards of bias binding check out this video. After watching all the YouTube videos, I found this one to be the most useful.

Diane Miller

Search YouTube
then Baby Lock Sewing Machine,
then How to Make Continuous Bias Binding
Dec. 10, 2015 with Pam Damour