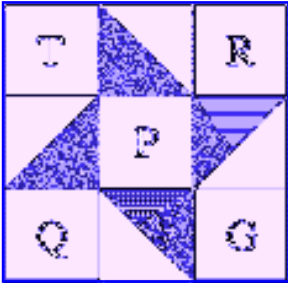


President's Letter



My thanks to all of you for your support in voting me in as your President. I know you didn't have a choice ☺ but, I hope to do my best to represent our Guild in the next year! I'm looking forward to it and I hope it will be a fun year filled with creative events and the sharing and giving that makes our Guild so special!

I thought the September Birthday Party was a lot of fun and I hope you enjoyed it too! Susie Crumpler made a delicious cake and I heard many comments about it. Thank you Susie! The items you all bring for sew-n-tell are just wonderful! Be sure to check out the website for the pictures and updates. It can be found at: <http://www.trpqg.org>. Also the mystery quilts were very nice! Thanks again to Kathy Bass for coordinating the mystery quilt for 2011!

We had a great turn out for the meeting and I hope to see more people at our meetings! There are a lot of quilters out there who may not know about us - or they may have been members before and haven't been for awhile. I've already called the Art Center to ask for more tables and chairs so, we should have plenty of room for you to bring a friend!

In October, I'm looking forward to hearing Danny Gaux from My Sewing Shoppe talk about EQ (Electric Quilt)! In November we'll have some great new Mini-workshops on some last minute holiday ideas.

Don't forget, December we will be doing the drawing for our wonderful Civil War Opportunity Quilt. Some one person is going to receive a terrific quilt!! There are several ladies that put in a lot of time to make our beautiful Opportunity Quilt, which is one of our biggest fund raisers! With this great quilt, I hope we can set a new record for ticket sales!! We hope every member will sell at least \$25 (30 tickets @ 6 for \$5). If you have not already sold (or purchased) your 30 tickets, please do your part to support their efforts in making this Civil War Quilt and to help your Guild.

Please be sure to renew your membership - just \$15 and complete the information sheet!

It takes a lot of people doing a lot of wonderful things to keep our guild going. Your help is always appreciated. Next year we'll have many opportunities for everyone to help out with our great annual Auction, a new Opportunity Quilt, and a Day of Sharing that I hope will be a wonderful event for many. Thank you for what you do to keep our Guild going and making it a great group that makes a positive difference in the lives of many. I'm proud to be part of our Tar River Piecemakers Quilt Guild!!

Gayle B. Helm

Quilting Times



Our Next Meeting Saturday, October 8

At the Arts Center

9:00 am - Social

9:30 am - Meeting

- **Wear Your Name Tag !**
- **Bring a Friend!**
- **Charity/Patriotic Quilts**
- **Show & Tell**
- **Fat Quarter for the drawing!**
- **Food to Share!**
- **Overdue Library Books!**

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Minutes
Meeting September 10, 2011

President Karen Batts opened the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

A motion to approve the minutes as written in the newsletter was made by Nancy Knapp and seconded by Jane Seegar. Minutes were accepted.

President Batts announced the Grand Opening of a new quilt shop in Warrenton. Quilt Lizzy is located at 110 E. Macon Street in Warrenton. The hours of the shop will be Tuesday 12 – 6, Wednesday 10 – 5, Thursday 11- 7, Friday and Saturday 10 – 5 and the 2nd Sunday of every month from 1 – 4 p.m.

Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Ramona Orzell installed the new officers for the year. Gayle Helm was installed as President, Sherri Daniels as Vice President and Virginia Adams as Secretary.

President Gayle Helm presided over the remainder of the meeting. President Helm took a moment to remember those who lost their lives during the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001 and their families.

President Helm wished the guild a Happy 11th Birthday and recognized the founding members. She also thanked Suzie Crumpler for making our beautiful birthday cake.

Committee Reports:

Membership: 40 members were present and 3 guests. Chairman Debbie Quitquit reminded all current guild members to renew their membership.

Library: Chairman Virginia Ward urged everyone to use the guild library whenever it is open.

Outreach: Chairman Maryann Rettino was absent due to knee surgery.

Newsletter: Angela reminded everyone to submit items for the newsletter.

Vice President: Sherrie Daniels reported that ticket sales for the Opportunity Quilt are coming along. She announced that a prize would be awarded for the most tickets sold at the end of October. The prize is a gift bag of goodies including a handmade scarf.

Wendy Ferguson updated the members on the upcoming quilt show at the Dunn Center. She has 22 quilts so far. She could use a few more. Postcards have been sent out by the Dunn Center and there are flyers available on the sign in desk. The opening reception for the show will be on Friday October 7 at 7 p.m.

Bees: Pam Kowalk informed the members that the Fat Quarters Bee meets the 4th Saturday of the month at the Arts Center. They are taking new members.

Hospitality: Sally Thorpe encouraged the members to sign up for refreshments for next month. She reminded members that there is a prize drawing each month for those who bring food.

Treasurer's Report was given by Mae Carroll. The beginning balance was \$ 8571.96. \$68 was received for raffle tickets, \$315 for dues, and \$100 for class fees. \$585 was spent for our speaker last month, \$37.95 for prizes for our challenge and \$17 for prizes for our birthday party. Ending balance was 8,800.51. We have \$365.50 in our emergency fund.

President Helm announced that Virginia Ward has a display of quilts at Via Cappuccino through the month of October.

Members were encouraged to vote during the break for our Mystery Quilt entries. Many thanks went to Kathy Bass for organizing the challenge. The winner was Kathy Bass who received a \$45 gift card, 2nd place went to Gayle Helm who received a \$25 gift card and 3rd to Betsy Freeman who won a \$10 gift certificate.

Upcoming Guild events: October - Danny from "My Sewing Shop" will present EQ quilting.

November – mini workshops

December – our annual Christmas party and potluck.

After Sew and Tell our monthly prize drawings were held. Refreshment winner was Beverly Couch. Sew and Tell winner was Betsy Freeman.

Debbie Quitquit invited the members to a quilt show in Emporia on September 24 and 25 in conjunction with the Peanut Festival.

After several exciting rounds of Quilto our meeting was adjourned by President Helm

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Adams, Secretary

REGIONAL QUILT CHALLENGE

You are invited to participate in a quilt challenge sponsored by Studio-e Fabrics of Greenville, SC and Foothills Piecemakers Quilting Guild. Purchase a kit of four Studio-e fabric fat quarters and apply your creativity to produce a quilt, wall hanging or quilted item. All entries will be displayed at the April 20-21, 2012 Foothills Quilt Show in Greenville, SC and winners will be announced at that time. Quilt entries will be judged in one of the following categories; appliqué, pieced, mixed techniques, and creative use of fabrics.

Copy this link <http://www.foothillsqilts.com/2012challengeform.pdf> for complete rules and an entry form and how to order your Challenge Kit today.

Opportunity Quilt Information

Approximately 950 tickets are sold of our goal of 3,000 by December 10, 2011. Kudos to Kathy Bass and Gayle Helm who attended the Day of Sharing in Washington, NC and sold \$184 in tickets. Way to go girls! Showing the quilt is an excellent way to make sales and I am looking for more opportunities to do so. See me if you have ideas about marketing the quilt. A gift awaits the person who sells the most tickets as of end of October and don't forget the grand prizes too!



Let's support our quilt show!

Please come to the opening reception Friday, October 7 at 7pm at the Dunn Center in Rocky Mount.

Tell (bring) your family, friends, neighbors, strangers ... Everyone!!



Tar River Piecemakers Quilting Guild
Presents

“Healing Hearts and Hands”

A quilt and fabric art show honoring
survivorship, courage and strength

October 2011

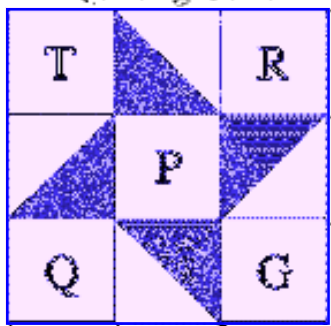
Mims Gallery at the Dunn Center
Wesleyan College
Rocky Mount, NC

Opening Reception

7:00 p.m. Friday, October 7, 2011



**Tar River Piecemakers
Quilting Guild**



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DATE	UPCOMING QUILTING EVENTS
Oct 7-8	Concord, NC "Splash of Color" Fiber Art & Quilt Show Hours: Fri – 10:00 am – 5:30 pm, Sat 10:00 am – 5:00 pm? Admission: 1 Day \$5/ 2 Day \$8. Visit http://www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org/Quilt_Show.html .
Oct 7-9	Shelby, NC "25 Years and Still Stitchin" Quilt Show by the Foothills Quilters Guild. Cleveland County Arts Council, 111 Washington Street. Admission \$4 Fri-Sat 10-5, Sun 1-4. Visit www.foothillsquiltersguild.org .
Oct 13-15	Smithfield, NC Heritage Quilt Show Jo Co Ag Center 919-989-5380 for more info
Oct 21-22	Sanford, NC—Hearts and Hands/ECA Quilters Guild "Pieciful Garden" Quilt Show. Dennis A Wicker Civic Center 1801 Nash Street. For more information go to: http://heartsandhandsnc.org
Oct	Virginia Ward is showing at Via Cappuccino
Oct	Rocky Mount, NC "Healing Hearts and Hands" Quilt show by the Tar River Piecemakers Quilt Guild. Mims Gallery at the Dunn Center. Opening reception 7 pm October 7th.

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Secretary: Virginia Adams	442-5277
Treasurer: Mae Carroll	443-2828
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Library: Virginia Ward	443-4554
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Newsletter: Angela Fleming	230-6610
Web Site: Kathy Bass	314-0283
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Maryann Rettino	823-4378
Sue Fry	823-7527
Sandy Harris	296-0084
Gayle Helm	315-1329
Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales:	
Sherrie Daniels	236-1542
Quilt Show: Wendy Ferguson	291-5333
Hospitality: Dinah Shearin	443-6945
Sally Thorpe	537-3419

All area codes are 252 unless listed with the number

Please keep these ladies in your prayers.

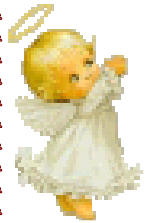
**Mae Carroll's daughter BJ—recovery after surgery for breast cancer.
Barbara-Jean Shafer's 1/2 sister Janice & her niece, Sarah as both have serious illnesses.**

Maryann Rettino as she continues to recover from knee surgery.

Juanita Horn is back home.

Carolyn Evans—recovering from recent surgery.

If you have anyone you want remembered, please let me know (a.fleming64@yahoo.com).



<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	
Opening Balance	\$ 8,800.51
Income:	
Opportunity quilt ticket sales	\$ 25.00
Newsletter Ad	\$ 10.00
Dues	\$ 405.00
Expenses:	
Christmas Party	\$ 92.23
Box Rent	\$ 96.00
Mystery Quilt Prizes	\$ 91.00
Less Total Expenses	(\$ 279.23)
Balance as of June 20, 2011	\$ 8,961.28
(Balance Includes \$365.50 Emergency Fund)	

Blogging Quilters:
Lori Richardson <http://talkischeapquilts.blogspot.com/>

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

**We now have 94 members who have renewed -- keep spreading the word about our guild.
We had 40 members in attendance at the meeting and 5 guests: Rita Schunck, Kaitlyn Hill, Joan Joans, Alice Joans, Mamie Battle. We have a new member, Pam Millinder.
Invite your neighbors, relatives, or even a stranger to come visit with us.
Please contact Debbie Quitquit with any questions - quitquit@hotmail.com or 434-594-7254.**

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Upcoming seminars:

 * "Stabilizer Fun & More" plus Trunk Show featuring Linda Holmes, a
 * Husqvarna Viking Educator.
 * If you embroider or use stabilizers you need to be here.
 * October 26th from 10 am to 1 pm or 2 pm to 5 pm. Cost is \$15.00
 * Learn the proper way to embroider and what stabilizers to use. It
 * doesn't matter what machine you own—this seminar is for you.
 * ***** DOOR PRIZES—FREE GIFT—DOOR PRIZES *****
 * ***** You must pre-register *****



Ramona Orzell installing the new officers: (from left to right) Virginia Adams, Secretary; Gayle Helm, President; Sherrie Daniels, Vice President. Congratulations ladies!

 * "Hooray for the Holidays" featuring Husqvarna Viking freelance Edu-
 * cator Barbara Moore.
 * November 9th from 10 am to 4 pm. Cost before November 1st is
 * \$20.00. After November 1st, cost goes up to \$25.00.
 * Come learn and see what's new. You don't have to have a Viking, this
 * is for everyone. Bring a friend and enjoy the day. Everything on sale
 * for participants.
 * ***** Lunch is included *****
 * ***** DOOR PRIZES *****



The Guild birthday cake was so good we couldn't wait for the photo to be taken!! Susie Crumpler did an excellent job! Thanks Susie!



The mystery quilt entries. Everyone did a fabulous job!

Misc.

Shout Color Catchers—great for all those multi-color quilts we make!

Pilot Erasable Gel Pens "Frixion" - write on fabric, erase with your iron **note writing may reappear if frozen.**

Newsletter Items
 Deadline is the 20th of each month.
 Email your newsletter information to a.fleming64@yahoo.com with Newsletter in the subject line .

- A Big TRPQG Thank You to:**
- Everyone who brought a guest!
 - Everyone who brought food!
 - Everyone who brought Sew and Tell!
 - Susie Crumpler for the delicious birthday cake!
 - Everyone who made a mystery quilt!
 - The nominating committee Ramona Orzell and Virginia Ward!
 - Our new Board members for accepting their new posts!