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Hill 'N Hollow Newsletter

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President's Corner

Salutations!

Off to a great start to our year, we are already heading into the month of March. So, hang on to your fabric and seam rippers because we're set to have a fun and exciting year of quilting! We've got our retreat just around the corner and fun programs with sew-ins planned. Class schedules for Members-Teaching-Members are coming together and a very nice workshop, too! Other potential fun surprises on the horizon. And in case you were wondering..... YES, we are going to have a fabulous Quilt Show in October. Come to the March guild meeting and join us in the revelry of the Mod Squad's creative work for this year's Raffle Quilt. Let's kick off our fundraising ticket-selling efforts with a hot start and keep the beat going all year long. With that said, are we going to have a raffle quilt for 2024? We need a Production Chair to lead the way. If you would like to take this on with a group of quilting enthusiastic members/friends, let me know as soon as possible because time is of the essence. And if I've learned anything, TIME FLIES. Be brave, step up to the challenge and let the creative juices flow.

Remember that this year we celebrate our 40th anniversary as a guild. Hmmm, what does that word mean? GUILD? here's a dictionary definition.

guild [gild]

NOUN

1. a medieval association of craftsmen or merchants, often having considerable power.
 - o an association of people for mutual aid or the pursuit of a common goal.

That's us folks! A place where we come together to inspire and encourage each other. Let us therefore be a place of camaraderie with a fun welcoming atmosphere. If you see someone you don't know, go over and say "hello" and introduce yourself. Here's a quote from Douglas Pagels, "A friend is one of the nicest things you can have, and one of the best things you can be." Go. Be.

Sew on and sew forth!

Rosita Forster

Memorial

Debbie Stanuch, former host of KTLO's Talk of the Town program, passed away Feb. 1 following a massive stroke. She wasn't a guild member, but she was an amazing supporter of quilting and our guild. She was always willing to give us air time to promote the quilt show or special programs, always encouraging and always helping people to make connections that would improve our community. A few weeks before she died, she set up a virtual "meet" between me and Helen Mansfield of the Baxter Bulletin, something that has netted us some really nice exposure in the local paper. We in Mountain Home knew Debby as a media and theater presence. Gracious and warm, Debby's concern for those in need led her to board positions with the Food Bank of North Central Arkansas and Serenity. She will be missed, and her absence leaves a large hole in our community. She is survived by her husband Don.

A celebration of Debby's life will begin at 11 a.m. Friday, March 10, at First United Methodist Church in Mountain Home. Memorials may be made in Debby's name to the Food Bank of North Central Arkansas, Serenity, Inc., or the Donald W. Reynolds Library Serving Baxter County.

Membership

After the February 2023 meeting, the Guild has 90 paid members for 2023.

A big welcome to new members this month: Janice Duffy & Kim Wallace. Be sure to seek them out to say hello.

EVERYONE, please check your listing on the website, under the Member's Tab. Let us know if there are corrections, keeping in mind we're waiting for completed membership forms from some of you. Those membership forms are really very helpful to the membership committee, so please complete and return them to Rita Bergstrom, 19002 Hwy 5 South, Calico Rock, AR 72519

Carol Lewis
Judith Erickson
Rita Bergstrom

Hospitality

We had an exciting February guild meeting, there were 56 members, 5 guests and 1 new member in attendance. Elaine Byng and Sharon Crozier won the door prizes. Randy Bolen was the lucky winner of the 50/50 drawing and went home with \$33.50 in his pocket and a big smile on his face. Don't forget to get in on next month's drawing.

Please remember to bring a treat when you have a birthday so we can celebrate with you.

Gail Hillyard and Ann Maus - Hospitality Committee

Make and Take

What do you call a carrot with four sides? A square root. We are Making and Taking carrots. When: March 10th after our regular meeting. Where: Community Room of the Mountain Home Christian Church. We will have patterns available or you may go the Shabby Fabric website and download your own pattern. <https://www.shabbyfabrics.com/> Go to the bottom of the home page - click on video and free downloads - go to page 2 Scan down the page and you will find the carrot tutorial. Watch the video and make a copy of the pattern. We will take an hour lunch break after our meeting. Then begin making vegetables. Supplies: Ignore the "Notions used in this video" section Regular sewing supplies: sewing machine, thread, scissors, etc. 5" X 21" of (4) orange fabrics for carrots 5" X 21" of (4) green fabric for leaves 12 chenille stems (pipe cleaners) 12" long Fiber-fil for stuffing. Optional - pinking shears for carrot tops

Ann Wilson

Quilt Show Committee Meetings and Quilt Show Info

Planning Meetings:

March 10th right after the guild meeting to trouble shoot.

May 12th we are meeting at the storage unit after a lunch break after the guild meeting.

An hour after the meeting is over.

July 14 right after the guild meeting

August 11th right after the guild meeting

September 8th right after the guild meeting

After that it will be as needed and you might get sick of seeing my face, but oh well lol.

As always, we are a team and I love how we are all working together to make this work.

I am always here for you in whatever you need. You can email me, call, text or come by my home.

ALSO, If anyone knows where the binder for The Country Store/Garage Sale for the Quilt Show is, please let Jonna Butler or Mona Bolen know.

If anyone has Things belonging to the Quilt Show, please let me know. If we could keep it all together that would be great.

We need a lot more helpers to volunteer to make this a successful show. PLEASE sign up at the next general meeting.

Go team quilt show Jonna Bloodworth

UP COMING CLASS

Hello fellow quilters, piecers and sewists:

I would like to tell you about "Picture Piecing" and the classes and services I offer.

"**Picture Piecing**" is a unique technique developed by Cynthia achieve detailed quilt imagery. This is not Paper Piecing or foundation piecing in the traditional England to sense. This technique is much more! While you do use paper and Straight seams, Picture Piecing has several differences, allowing quilters to achieve detailed imagery more efficiently, with less frustration and fabric waste. Best of all there is no paper to pick out, no curved or inset seams, patterns are reusable and you can CHEAT!

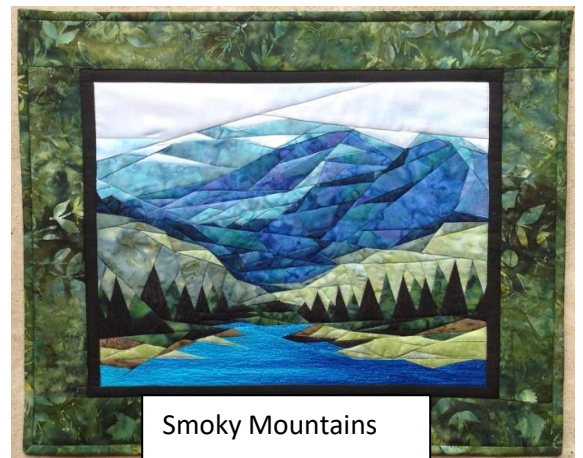


Life's a Beach

As a certified teacher for Cynthia England, I can teach you this technique along with tips and tricks I have learned from Cynthia herself. Also, we can cover the basics of how you may create your own masterpiece from your favorite Photograph. See more on englanddesign.com

Cynthia England is an international fiber artist, pattern designer and author. She is known for the technique she developed called "Picture Piecing". One of her quilts, "Piece and Quiet" was distinguished as one of "The Twentieth Century's Best Quilts". Cynthia has received many awards for her work; including THREE Best of Show awards at the prestigious International Quilt Festival held in Houston Texas. She travels around the world teaching others the joy of Picture Piecing.

My name is Callie Hargiss. I have been sewing, piecing, quilting, and crafting much of my life. I have enjoyed teaching others to sew for many years. I create custom quilts for my clients, am a consultant and pattern writer for a textile company, as well as helping my husband with our vintage car restoration business. Through my guild and my church, I make quilts for veterans as well as local shelters and donate time and efforts to other charitable organizations.



Smoky Mountains

As a member and current President of our local quilt guild, I have learned from some of the best quilters and National teachers. This is where I met Cynthia England. She taught me her "Picture Piecing" technique and asked me to become a teacher for her. I was thrilled to have this opportunity and take pleasure in teaching others this great technique.

This workshop class will be held at Christian Church of Mountain Home [same place as our guild meetings], on May 11th . Cost of the class will be \$45 and in addition to that the kit cost will be \$45. You will have your choice of either the beach scene or the mountain scene. We would like for 15 to 20

people to sign up in order to make this workshop go. Thanks for your support. See you at the next guild meeting.

Roxine Burch

Communications

Because this is the 40th anniversary of our guild, and with input from several of you who reached out, our month of August Sheid Gallery Quilt Show at ASU will be "Hill N Hollow Quilters 40th Anniversary--from beginners to experts, from yesteryear to today. I know, long. I combined our anniversary with trying to recruit new members. I imagine the flow at the gallery to be early and simple block quilts, progressing as you walk through to more intermediate patterns and skills, to the award-winning quilts one can aspire to at the last corner of the space.

I'm **calling** out especially (but not limited) to our 20+ years members to find quilts that may fit into the 3 categories--beginners, intermediate, to expert. I need a few volunteers to help me with the show (gathering quilts and hanging them on Sept 30. That same month of August, I will also need a few volunteers for our display case at the Baxter Co Library that will show off quilting items--fancy and historic tools, little projects (3-D and wall hangings). At both public events, we will have our quilt show flyers urging the community to come see and participate in the show.

March is also the month that I will be sending out the password for the Members Only section of our website. Look for that email. Hope to see many of you at Retreat!

Peggy Moody Chair

Quilt Challenge Info

The Quilt Challenge for 2023 will be Bags to be given to the Into the Light organization to be given to children rescued from sex trafficking. I've seen a lot of bags made by Hill 'N Hollow members and I know that we can make bags that are beautiful, fun, and will bring a little joy to these kids. We will display and vote at our September general meeting, so that they can be displayed at our quilt show in October.

RULES:

- ✚ Bags should be no bigger than 30 x 40.
- ✚ Bags can have handles, drawstrings, or straps (could even be made as a backpack style)
- ✚ Bags may have zippers, buttons, or flaps for closures.
- ✚ Bags must be quilted.
- ✚ Bags may be embellished.
- ✚ Bags may have compartments like pockets on either the inside or the outside.
- ✚ **ADDED CHALLENGE:** Make the bag multi purposed!

Thank you all!! Diane Siddons

Hill N Hollow Guild Minutes - February 10, 2023

The Guild Meeting started at 9:32 a.m. by President Rosita Forster recognizing visitors. Birthdays and Anniversaries were acknowledged. Birthday members received fabric cupcakes.

Approval of January 6, 2023 Board of Director Minutes

Vicki Kauth motioned to accept the minutes and Mona Bolen seconded this motion. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

Rosita mentioned that this report would be found on the website every month and could be viewed by all members prior to the Guild Meeting. She also mentioned that Celine would have a hard copy of this report. A motion was made by Roxine Burch to accept the Treasurer's Report and Angie Lindberg seconded the motion. All accepted. Report will be filed for Audit.

2023 Budget

Rosita stated that the Board is going over the budget and it would be presented to the Guild next month.

New Treasurer forms

New Reimbursement and Deposit Treasurer forms have been updated and approved. Please discard old forms and use the new ones from now on. Rosita reminded everyone that the forms are needed to receive their reimbursement within 60 days of purchase.

Community Quilts

If you have any community quilts that need to be quilted, please get them to Sandy Beasley or Wanda Kelley. Please do not take your quilts directly to Charity Beckley at Ditsy Fish. Only the President, Vice President or Chair of Community Quilts may drop off quilts to Charity from this point forward.

Membership Registration

Membership registration date was January 15th, but please get them turned in. This is just a reminder to do so.

Quilt Retreat March 6th through 9th

Rosita stated that the Quilt Retreat is full, but if anyone would like to come, please contact Ginger Alexander. She may have someone who cancels.

Education

Members Teaching Members Policy for the Year:

\$10 per student per class with a minimum of 10 students (to cover rent at CCMH \$25 half day, \$50 full day). Guild pays rent from fees gathered, and remaining funds go to the teacher. Any additional expenses for handouts and/or patterns will be the responsibility of teacher for collection from the students.

Member Teaching Members class sign-ups will be available at the March Meeting, so bring your cash or check! Members interested in teaching a class please sign up with Linda Langseth starting today so that she can put together the MTM class schedules.

March Program – Make & Take- Ann Wilson

March 10th (following guild meeting) Make and Take project will be Easter Carrots. Ann suggested that if you want to just bring your own project, you certainly could. This is all going to be about fun and camaraderie. She also mentioned t-shirts for \$20 and having our own guild shirts so that when we traveled together it would be easy to spot each other. Rosita will present the t-shirt suggestion to the board for discussion at their next meeting.

Quilt Outside Instructor Workshop

Planning for a two-day quilt workshop by Callie Hargiss on May 10 & 11 was presented. There will be two kits to choose from per day. The cost is \$45 for kit and \$45 for instructor. The projects are landscape scenes similar to paper piecing but not paper piecing. Roxine Burch (Chair of Education) will have sign ups at the Education Table. The packet of information and samples were received just prior to the guild meeting so Rosita recommended the information be sent out to members via e-blast or newsletter.

Quilt Show – Peggy Moody

Table for people to sign up as volunteer to help for show was available. Peggy has secured the display case at the Baxter Co Library for the month of August and needs contributions and volunteers to display the items. She also coordinated with the Ozark Regional Arts Council for a quilt exhibit. She presented three ideas for that exhibit:

- Pandemic quilts—“Creativity and Generosity in Isolation”
- Hill N Hollow Quilters 40 years anniversary— “Preserving, Promoting, Sharing and Teaching the Art of Quilting.” Honoring the 20+ members across the years
- Fostering new membership—“Techniques of Quilting—from beginners to experts”

Quilt Challenge Queen Betty Pulver (Carol Lewis presiding)

Carol and Betty spoke about when they began quilting, the beginnings of Hill N Hollow Quilt Guild. They talked about and showed samples of the quilt challenges that Betty participated in. Betty showed 30 items she had made ranging from quilts to clothing. They inspired and entertained us all.

Challenge Quilts from other members

Other guild members shared their challenge quilts along with their experiences. Members were encouraged to enter this year's challenge.

2023 Challenge Quilts – Diane Siddons

Diane said several members recommended this year's challenge be bags that could meet the needs of last month's presentation from Into The Light organizations. Rules will be posted in the February Newsletter and on the website—bags could be 30"x40" with handles or drawstring. She encouraged everyone to make the bags multi-purpose. The judging will occur in September and the bags will appear in our Quilt Show in October. They will be donated afterwards.

Show and Tell

Members showed their projects and stories about them. Again, very encouraging to see the beautiful works of our members.

Door Prizes

The lucky winners of our door prizes this month were: Elaine Byng and Sharon Crozier.

50/50 Drawing

Randy Bolen won the drawing for \$33.50.

Adjourn

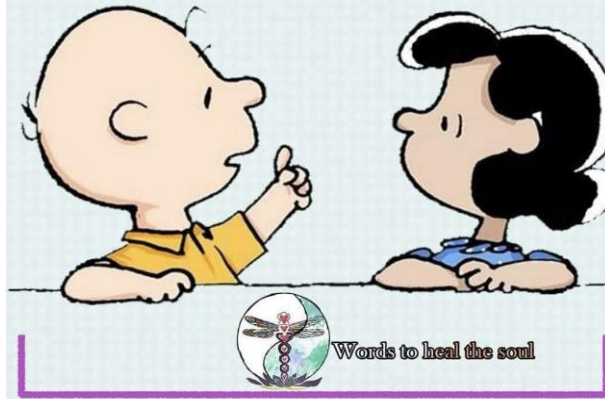
A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Gail Lunn and seconded by Dianne Petty. All approved. Time was 12 p.m.

Members present- 56 New Members- 1 Guests- 5

You know what else is highly contagious?

Kindness, patience, love enthusiasm, and a positive attitude. Don't wait to catch it from others be the carrier.

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Bring a Snack and SAVE THE DATES

NWA Quilt Workshop @ Durand Center Harrison AR



March 2 8:30-1 Shiloh Quilt Museum & Memory Quilt Projects

2023 Mystery Quilt Design, and Rules

Vendor: Remember Me Quilt Shop (Mt. Home)

March 16 8:30-1 Landscape Quilts & Applique—"The GQ's"

Vendor: Grandma's Front Porch (Conway)

Afternoon Session 12:30-3:30—Free Sewing all Levels

March 23 8:30-12 Missouri Star Quilter's Academy— Courtney Walters

Quilted Walker bags/Project bags - Country Corner Quilt Shop

Afternoon Session 12:30-3:30 Curved piecing class/MSQ / \$50

March 30 8:30-1 Dresden Plate and technique / Quilt Show Judging

Vendor: Sew Simple Quilt Shop (Ozark, MO)

April 6th 8:30 -1 Quilt Bed Turning/Mystery Quilts Judging

Barn Quilt Trails & Don't Be a Quilt Snob —Hill N Hollow

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Tina High, T-Shirt Coordinator 870.480.3114 (front of this Card)

Katenia Allen, Pro. Mang. 870.577.9218



Pre register for afternoons : ehcquiltcollege@gmail.com



"Northwest Arkansas Extension Homemakers Quilt Workshop"