

# **BETWEEN STITCHES**

**Crystal Coast Quilters' Guild**

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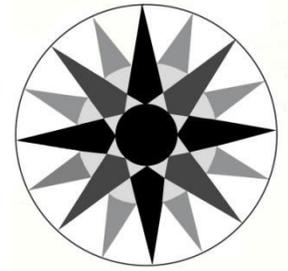
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## **A Message from Our President!!**

**October Greetings!**

Once again, we are entering the most active time of our year, and this year is no exception. We have lots of activities coming up from now until the end of 2017. They include getting our 2017 raffle quilt finished in time for the New Bern Day of Sharing, electing two new officers, learning at our November workshop, and having a wonderful time at our Christmas Party (Dec. 14).

Hurricane Irma threw a curve at us, but we caught it and blasted it back at her. Our September workshop had to be changed, since Linda Hahn needed to stay in Florida. Did our valiant workshop committee take a time out? NO! They dealt with the situation and organized a thoroughly delightful “SEWCIAL” for all! Patti Marraro pulled out directions for wonderful pillowcases, and we had a blast. The finished products will be donated to charity. (If you couldn't participate, perhaps Patti will pass along the secret instructions so you can play too.)

The workshop committee has grown! Cindy Moeller has been joined by Patti Marraro, Ginger Hoell, and Chris Pochwat. Cindy has done a marvelous job by herself and will be getting some well-deserved fresh troops to work along with her. Can't wait to see what they all come up with.

We will be electing two officers at our October meeting. Julie Aycock is running for Vice (President) and Karen Zaenker is striving to be Recording Secretary. We are very fortunate that these two ladies are in our guild and that they are willing to work hard to do their parts!

**Have fun quilting!**

**Carol**

## **UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS!**

**October 10 – Teresa Mayse    October 14 – Bonnie Sturdevant    October 18 – Susan Hawley  
October 19 – Lee Fredrickson    October 30 – Darlene Tracy    October 21 – Paula Johnson  
November 2 – Dawn Pickett**

***Wishing all of you a great birthday!!!!***

## **NEXT MEETING**

**October 19, 2017.....Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church, Atlantic Beach at 6:00. Holly Schultz will present the program in Nov featuring tips learned from a class taken from her scholarship.**

## **THANK YOU, ROSEMARY KLUBER!**

A BIG THANK YOU to Rosemary Kluber for helping with the distribution of the mailed copies of our newsletter for the past few years. She has been a huge help in picking up the copies from the UPS Store, addressing the envelopes, and getting them in the mail to members who do not have internet or prefer to receive a hard copy of the newsletter. Happy Ewbank has also been a big help in recent months, when Rosemary needed some assistance. Their contribution has been greatly appreciated!! Rosemary is "retiring" from her position, and Karen Zaenker will be taking care of the mailed copies in the future, starting in November. Thank you, Rosemary, Happy, and Karen!!!

## **BOOK REVIEW by Jan Willis**

#735 Beading Artistry for Quilts by Thom Atkins

This book will be enjoyed by any level of quilter wanting to explore, or continue, the use of beads on art quilts.

For the beginner, an excellent discussion is given on beads, tools, and materials needed. Mr. Atkins explains the options among these items and gives his preferences (plus the reasons for his favorites).

A chapter on basic stitches, fringes, and picots simplifies the task by offering well-written directions and excellent diagrams of the thread's pathway through the beads.

Once the basics are learned, the quilter must now decide how to use the beads:

- (1) Enhance the quilt's design,
- (2) Add a design element, or
- (3) Both enhance and add a design element.

Mr. Atkins provides photos of his wonderful quilts to explain how he accomplishes his goal(s) for beading. His examples will inspire and motivate any level quilter to be creative with beading.

## **2018 RAFFLE QUILT PROGRESS**

Work is progressing as I (Jan) type. The 5 rows of blocks for the main body of the quilt are coming along really well with the "lap quilting" method. Several members have volunteered their wonderful hand quilting talents; Mary Frankle is joining the rows by expertly sewing the tops and batting together; and Happy Ewbank is finishing up on the backing with her no-seam-showing stitching. It won't be long before we have all that accomplished!

The next step is to attach the borders- which are outstandingly beautiful from Carol Stens' piecing and machine quilting- followed by appliquéd petals in the corners- which Mary Frankle has made dozens with excellent turned, sharp corners. We will show you the progress at the next guild meeting in October!!!

## **2018 GUILD RETREAT**

The 2018 Guild Retreat is scheduled for April 6-8 at the Trinity Center. There is a \$50 deposit due by June 30th to Nancy Mathis. Please make your check out to the CCQG. The total cost will be approximately \$204. This price is all-inclusive, 2 nights and 6 meals. Space is limited to 16 members. Please contact Nancy Mathis, if interested.

## **WORKSHOPS**

NOVEMBER WORKSHOP will be taught by Karie Jewell of Two Kwik Quilters. She will teach her original 'Swirling Stars' block which will become a 22" pillow cover. Fort Benjamin, November 18, 9:30am, \$10. Supply list will be issued upon signup.

Linda Hahn has rescheduled for February. Date TBA.

## **2017 DAY OF SHARING INFO**

The Twin Rivers Quilters Guild will be hosting the 2017 Day of Sharing on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at the Tabernacle Baptist Church, 616 Broad Street (the corner of Broad and George Streets) in New Bern. Parking is at the back of the church, off of George Street. There is a large, double door entrance, off of that parking lot. Hours are from 9:00-3:00. Coffee and breakfast items, as well as lunch, will be provided.

## **DONATIONS NEEDED FOR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Cathy Crandell has the wonderful opportunity to volunteer with a sewing co-op in Cube for two weeks beginning October 28<sup>th</sup>. They have sent a Wish List for possible donations (see below). If you can make any donations, please call Cathy at 414-405-2089 and she will arrange for pick-up. Thank you!

### **Donation List**

**\*\*\*Most desired items**

**Fabrics (gingham especially) for making skirts, house dresses, and bags\*\*\***

**Crochet needles: No. 0, 2, 4\*\*\***

**Crochet yarn of different colors\*\*\***

**Knitting needles of all sizes**

**Sewing notions, including:**

**Thread (all colors), Velcro, Large sewing needles, Lace, Marking chalk, Double-fold bias tape, Beads or seed beads, Fabric measuring mat with grid, Buttons, Quilting rulers, Elastics, Fabric scissors, Zippers, Yarn ball winder, Knitting guides, Knitting patterns (especially for creating dish cloths, vests, scarves, bags), Unused dish cloths in bright colors for embroidering.**

## **AN ANNOUNCEMENT FROM EILEEN WILLIAMS**

Eileen Williams has recently opened an Etsy shop. So far, it is stocked with some of her small beach series quilts and her quilted brooches/lapel pins, which she has been making and selling for many years. If you go on line to see her shop, go to [etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com) and type Artquiltsbyeileen in the search box. Also, she is asking for a small favor. Would you (please?) mark the shop as a favorite to help her get it started? It doesn't cost anything, and it might give her a boost with the search engine. She sends out a big THANK YOU in advance! Check back from time to time, as she will be adding more items, as she makes them.

## **QUILT-A-MONTH VACANCY**

The Quilt-a-Month group has a vacancy for 2018! This is a hand quilting group that meets once a month. Each member gets an opportunity to pass out sections of a quilt that she has prepared. The sections can be pieced, appliqued, or wholecloth designs. The members baste and hand-quilt the section they receive. During the year, the group also designs and creates a throw-sized Christmas quilt that one of the members wins at our Christmas gathering. If you are interested in joining our group, please contact Laurie Mayo: 252-622-8658.

## **CHRISTMAS BLOCK EXCHANGE REMINDER**

Don't forget about our Christmas Block Exchange at our December meeting! To participate, make a 12 ½" unfinished block, using red, green, and off-white fabrics. (It is suggested that you make two blocks, one to exchange and one to keep for your own collection.) We had great participation last year! Let's see that again! Make that block, bring it to the December meeting, and go home with a block made by a fellow guild member! Any questions, call Laurie Mayo: 252-622-8658.

## **KIDS QUILTS**

We are planning a Kids Quilts workshop in January and February. You can come to one or both! We will demo the clocks at our November guild meeting. All completed quilts are donated to charity. There are a few kid quilts kits out. Keep working on them and hand them in, as soon as completed. Thank you. Holly.

## **NEW MEMBERS**

Be sure and make your name tag using our club logo, as soon as possible. A drawing is held at each guild meeting for those wearing their name tag! If you need a logo label, guild membership card, or guild info sheet, see Karen Zaenker at the next meeting.

## **2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWAL INFORMATION**

Bonnie Sturdevant will begin collecting the 2018 dues starting in October, with plans to have the new roster printed in January. Please be prompt in submitting your dues of \$25 in a check made out to CCQG.

## **DROP-IN QUILTING- EACH TUESDAY FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON**

All quilters are invited to Drop-In at Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church in Atlantic Beach each week for quilting and chatting. Bring your own projects(s) to work on, share information, and visit with fellow quilters. Non-guild members are welcome.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS (\* denotes CCQG event)**

\*Thursday, October 19.....CCQG Guild Meeting, Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church, Atlantic Beach at 6:00. Holly Schultz will present the program in Nov featuring tips learned from a class taken from her scholarship.

Oct. 28, 2017.....Day of Sharing sponsored by the Twin Rivers Quilt Guild, New Bern.

\*Thursday, November 16.....CCQG Guild Meeting, Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church, Atlantic Beach at 6:00. Program to be announced.

\*Saturday, November 18..... CCQG Workshop at Fort Benjamin at 9:30. Class will be taught by Karie Jewell of Two Kwik Quilters. She will teach her original 'Swirling Stars' block which will become a 22" pillow cover. \$10 fee. Supply list will be issued upon signup.

\*Thursday, December 14.....CCQG Guild Meeting, Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church, Atlantic Beach at 6:00. This is our annual Christmas Salad Supper meeting. Please bring a dish to share.