

Riverwalk Quilt Guild Newsletter

August 2021

From the President's Desk

Hello Everyone!

I hope this reaches you all well and that you are enjoying your summer.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our August meeting. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 12th at 6:00 pm at the Newland Christian Church located at 2800 Miller's Gap Hwy in Newland.

The program this month will be on Shibori stitching by Barbara Aycock. Shibori stitching is an ancient Japanese art form dating back to the 8th century. The fabric is tied, bound, folded, or twisted in various ways to create a resist so that the dye will only penetrate certain parts of the material, leaving behind a beautiful pattern.

Please bring scissors, a needle, non-white thread and a marking pencil.

My apologies for not getting the newsletter out on time last month, so let's try this again. **We will do a UFO/Ugly Fabric Exchange this month!** Your trash might just be someone else's treasure! Please bring a project you don't think you will ever finish, or you can't remember why you liked to begin with. Or if you have fat quarters or yardage you don't plan to use, bring it along. Books, patterns, fabric and notions are all welcome. Everyone in attendance will have a chance to take home something fabulous! We will do a random drawing for choice order (think Dirty Santa but without the "Dirty" 😊) There will be a prize from the birthday basket for the ugliest fabric and the craziest UFO.

We held our monthly Quilting Workday on July 17th at the Newland Christian Church. We had 6 sewers present and concentrated on backpacks. I'm pleased to announce we have 12 backpacks either done or in-process. The fabric for the remaining backpacks has been cut and is available for volunteers to take home to complete.

We will plan to meet at the Christian Church again on Saturday, August 21st from 10am to 3pm. Hope to see you there!

Piece and Blessings,

Tiffany

Our Mission

- To preserve our mountain heritage of quilting
- To be a source of education and inspiration for quilters
- To encourage excellence in quilting and related arts
- To be of service to the community
- To provide fellowship to people with a common interest

Guild Leadership

President – Tiffany Melchers
Vice-President – Vicki Stansbury
Secretary – Grace Ingram
Treasurer – Linda Campbell
Photographer – BJ Mickel-Close
Community Outreach – open position

Treasurer's Report

Respectfully submitted by Linda Campbell, Treasurer

6/30/2021	Balance	\$3,059.30
	Deposits	20.00
	Expenses	(162.26)
7/31/2021	Balance	\$2,917.04

Service Opportunities

Drawstring Backpacks for Foster kids.....

Veterans Quilts....



Shopping and Learning Opportunity!!!!



The Expo opens next week. Here's everything you need to know...

August 5, 6 & 7, 2021

Exhibit Hall Hours:
Thursday & Friday 10:00am-5:30pm
Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm

Registration Desk Hours: 8:00am-5:00pm

[Raleigh Convention Center](#)
500 South Salisbury St | Raleigh, NC 27601
919-996-8500 | [Directions & Parking](#)



[Original Sewing & Quilt Expo > Events > Raleigh, NC \(sewingexpo.com\)](#)

Upcoming Competitions



Online Entry Deadline: September 15, 2021, at 11:59 p.m.

HOME FURNISHINGS

CLASS 101: QUILTING

Articles must be the sole work of the exhibitor and completed since the 2019 NC State Fair

- Entry registration deadline is Wednesday, September 15, 2021.
- Entries accepted Saturday, October 9 and Sunday, October 10, from 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Exhibits will be released Monday, October 25, between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm.

Minutes from the July Meeting

Riverwalk Quilt Guild

Minutes of the Meeting of July 8, 2021

Tiffany called the meeting to order at 6:05. She introduced Susan Sweet and her friend Darlene.

Susan gave the program on a reversible quilt as you go quilt and had a handout of the instructions. Susan also invited anyone who could come to join the Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild for their meetings on the first Tuesday at 1:00.

The approval of the minutes and Treasurer's reports were postponed to the next meeting as the newsletter had just gone out today.

Old Business:

Leslie informed us about the guild's Facebook page. It is called the Avery County Riverwalk Quilt Guild. The webpage currently has 15 members and 4 friends. Leslie creates a post to inform these people of happenings in our guild.

Some members met last Saturday to work on the backpacks for Foster children. We currently have 10 made we need 35. We will obtain the number of girls and boys as well as the number of older and younger children so we will be able to better meet the needs.

New Business:

Tiffany welcomed Robin Morgan from the Avery Chamber of Commerce. Robin spoke about the networking events found on AveryCounty.com. The Chamber attempts to be a leader and an educator for the people of Avery County. A membership for a non-profit is \$ 85.00 per year. Leslie asked what the obligations are to be a member. Robin encouraged us to read the e-mails as they reach over 1700 distinct e-mail addresses currently. The read rate is over 24% at this time. Tiffany pointed out that joining would give the guild some exposure. Cindy made the motion to join, and Eston seconded. A vote was held, and the motion carried. Robin invited us to the next event which would be held on the top of Beech Mountain on July 22.

A motion was made seconded to have a workday to work on Backpacks on July 24 from 10- 3. This motion was also approved in a vote. We will also work on Veterans Quilts. Leslie volunteered to bring an iron and ironing board. Tiffany showed a backpack which she had made. Sherri agreed to research ordering cords, rings and zippers for the backpacks.

Cindy had brought some quilt items at a yard sale to donate which included some quilt books and some GO dies. Members appreciated and enjoyed the opportunity to go through these items.

Tiffany asked if we wanted to do an ugly fabric exchange next month. We agreed to do one.

Show and Tell

Sherri- 3 pair of oven glove potholders with Insulbright in them



Minutes from the July Meeting cont...

Mary - tumbling block quilt in orange to give and Linda took it to finish it



Diane- panel in bright colors with butterflies



2) Mommy and Me Elephant pattern



3) quilt with small blocks in red and brown



Minutes from the July Meeting cont...

Grace- a piece made with artificial flowers



Barbara and Betty - finished needle cases from last month's program



The Birthday basket was passed around. Door prizes were won by Vickie, Grace and Diane.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Grace Ingram, Secretary

August Birthdays

Terri-Lynne Poppe	August 4
Mitzi Moody	August 8
Amy Moyer	August 16
Jo Marie Roberts	August 30



Classified Ads

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