

Riverwalk Quilt Guild Newsletter

October 2021

From the President's Desk

Hello Everyone!

I hope you are all enjoying the beautiful fall weather and planning to go out to view the leaves. Fall is my favorite season and I love it here in the High Country where you can go up or down the mountain for an extended time of leaf peeping! It also reminds me of cooler days ahead where all you want to do is make a quilt or cuddle up in one.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our October meeting. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 14th at 6:00 pm at the Newland Christian Church located at 2800 Miller's Gap Hwy in Newland.

Fall is in the air, the leaves are falling, let's see some pumpkins show up at Guild. Bring a needle and see what happens! The program this month will be presented by Vicki Stansbury.

Thank you to the volunteers who took backpacks home to complete! Please bring the backpacks to the meeting so we can get them ready for delivery.

We will have our workday on October 16th at the Newland Christian Church from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. (Note the 3rd Saturday is the weekend immediately following our meeting this month.) We will be working on Veteran's quilts or bring a project of your choice. It's always fun to get together and see what others are working on and to bounce ideas off each other. (and we usually order in lunch 😊)

We have confirmed our Veteran's Day presentation for Saturday, November 13th at 2pm. If you are working on a quilt for a veteran, please have it completed and to Leslie Laws by November 1st. If you would like to help with this meaningful cause, but are intimidated by quilting, please feel free to donate a quilt top only. The guild will pay to have it backed, quilted and bound.

Piece and Blessings,

Tiffany

Cindy Booth has generously donated some unwanted quilting and sewing items and we will be doing a giveaway drawing at the meeting. If you have any fabric, notions, patterns etc. you no longer need – please bring them along so they can find a new home!

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
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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

8/31/2021	Balance	\$2,858.39
	Deposits	0.00
	Expenses	(0.00)
9/30/2021	Balance	\$2,858.39

Service Opportunities

Veterans Quilts....

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

It's that time of year again – a chance to become more involved in your Riverwalk Quilt Guild!! We are calling for volunteers and nominations for all Board positions for 2022. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please let me know as we will be discussing this during the meeting. All positions have been revised to only be a 12-month term, so the commitment level is not as great (no excuses accepted!). Here is a breakdown of the positions and their main duties:

- President – Drafting agenda and leading meetings
- Vice-President – Coordinating educational program for each meeting
- Secretary – Taking notes and writing minutes for each meeting
- Treasurer – Check writing, bank reconciliation and membership cards for the Guild
- Photographer/Newsletter Distribution – Maintaining membership email list and visually documenting meetings
- Community Outreach – Acting as a liason between the Guild and the community – determining opportunities for giving that align with our Mission

Please consider serving in this capacity to keep your Guild going strong. If you are interested but unsure about a position, grab a friend – co-chairs are welcome!



All Carolinas Shop Hop
October 1 thru November 30th


The **All-Carolinas Shop Hop** brings together sewing and quilting enthusiasts from across North and South Carolina as well as neighboring states. The event will run October 1 through November 30 in 2021.

The **All-Carolinas Shop Hop Magazine** is your guide to all things about the event, participating stores and sponsors. The Magazine also includes valuable patterns, projects and articles along with the official passport and map. The magazine acts as your passport and is available to purchase for \$9.95 at any participating store. Each participating store offers the exclusive Shop Hop fabric, along with other giveaways, raffles and prizes. Stores in our area include:

- Sew Original – Boone
- The Last Stitch – Lenoir
- The Cotton Quilt – Granite Falls
- Bill's Sewing Machine Co - Hildebran

Participants have their passport stamped at each store they visit to qualify for additional prizes. There are over 100 prizes being given away, with multiple levels of prizes to win. Entry level prizes start at just 5 stamps being required. Check out their website at <https://allcarolinasshophop.com/event/> or purchase a Magazine for more information.



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OCTOBER 7 - 15, 2021

Notice of the Second Annual Fantastic Fall Quilting Festival presented by the Grace Company. This FREE online event kicks off LIVE Thursday October 7th at 11 am MDT. Quilters and lovers of fabrics from around the globe can look forward to quilting workshops, giveaways, product demonstrations, tutorials, a Quilt Show and Tell, and LIVE events packed full of games, and community interaction! Visit the website below: <https://events.graceframe.com/landing/fall-festival>

Minutes from the September Meeting

Riverwalk Quilt Guild
Minutes of the Meeting of September 9, 2021

Tiffany called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm. Cindy is welcomed as a new member and Lynn is recognized as having joined last month. Suzi Robertshaw, also a new member, brought gifts of kits with fabric and patterns.

Old Business

The Treasurers report and the minutes from last month were both approved.

We have done a good job in fully completing 24 backpacks. Tiffany thanked those who had taken them home and those who had come to the workday. Cindy corded a couple more during the meeting for a total of 26. An estimated 35 kids are in foster care, so we are at least two-thirds of the way toward our goal. BJ may find out the exact number needed and may also help with delivering them to the foster care agency.

New Business

The workday for September 18th is canceled. We may plan to have one in October. Stay tuned.

We have nine Veterans quilts completed for the presentation in November. There are 12 Veterans on the list. Mary Noble dropped off a quilt and is working on two now. We will let Leslie choose the recipients. Leslie also got in touch with Anthony Pollygus about being the speaker at the presentation. He is happy to do it for us.

Making a donation to Newland Christian Church was brought up for discussion. Linda checked the financial record and informed us that we had given \$300 in April. It was decided that we will wait until April 2022 before giving another gift. Before giving another gift, we will also ask Leslie to talk to the pastor to assess the Church's need so that we can make a wise decision regarding a gift.

Program

Sheri Elderfield gave a wonderful hands-on program about tessellation quilts complete with handouts and a computer presentation.

Show and Tell

Barbara- Dinosaur quilt with orange, green and blue



Minutes from the September Meeting cont...

Grace- Batik strips



Jo Marie- Veteran Quilt- big red star with flag in middle made with half-square triangles

Pene- encouraged everyone to go to the Fair in the daytime, no charge to get in.

Mary Nolte- Statue of Liberty panel

Tiffany- America the Beautiful panel with Liberty Bell

Door Prizes were won by Pene, Sheri, and Mary Noble and the Birthday basket was passed around.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Grace Ingram, Secretary

October Birthdays

Melanie Graening	October 4
Vicki Stansbury	October 10
Mim Kibelbek	October 12
Flo Rushton	October 15
Abby Moody	October 18
Esten Medlin	October 23



Classified Ads

Long-Arm Quilting Services

Lavender Blue Memories by Sheri Elderfield

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