

PRICKLY FINGERS QUILTERS GUILD

AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Lou Ann Martin, President

Did you get a chance to participate in the Carolina Shop Hop? I needed fabric for the August Goodnight Star workshop, fabric for the background on the opportunity quilt, and fabric for a table runner I'm making for a friend, so I had lots to look for on my hop! Also found some good deals on thread, Best Press, and other notions. I'm sure it's a challenge for small quilt shops to make a go of it these days, so I always feel like I'm killing two birds with one stone when I shop the hop...I'm getting quality fabric/notions for my projects and supporting small business owners.

Just a reminder that there are two retreats to look forward to this fall. Our own guild retreat is scheduled for Oct. 20-24 in Black Mountain, NC, and the Quilters of SC's Pieceable Retreat runs from Oct. 23-26 in Myrtle Beach. In both cases you can bring your own projects to work on while enjoying the company of fellow quilters while, in Myrtle Beach, classes are offered as well. For more information about the guild retreat, contact Linda Reeves. For more information about the QSC retreat, you can contact me, Lou Ann Martin.

And don't forget the "Purple Watermelon" challenge! We'll be showing our creations during Show and Share at next month's meeting!

This Month's Meeting & Workshop

Meeting time: August 12th at 9:30am ~ 2nd Wednesday each month. Presentation is by *Josephine Keasler* of Draper, Utah who has been an avid quilter for many years. Josephine has made more than 200 quilts in just the past fourteen years. She teaches at Empty Spools and also teaches in Bend OR the week before Sisters. This is an excellent opportunity to work on your paper piecing skills with a Judy Niemeyer certified instructor.

Workshop time: 'Goodnight Stars' will be a nine hour workshop today and tomorrow, Aug.14. Tuition: \$30; Supply list available. Choose from two sizes to work on this pattern and paper piecing techniques. Great scrap-buster project.





Bring your Purple Watermelon Quilt to the September Meeting

Time to put the finishing touches on your blocks to share at the September meeting. "Purple Watermelon" is an 18" square quilt where purple is the dominant color and include a watermelon of any color in the block. Can't wait to see your creativity during September's Show & Share!





Upcoming Programs & Events

Aug. 23: Electric City Quilters Guild welcome *Nancy McNally* for this exciting Saturday trunk show and *Thing-A-Ma-Jig* class. Read more about Thing-A-Ma-Jigs on her <u>blog</u> or contact Kathy Koon to register.



Sep.10: September Guild Meeting & Workshop, 9:30am with quilt artist *Joyce Walton*. The Watercolor Florals workshop is a two day class is Wednesday, 9/9 and today, 9/10. Tuition: \$25, plus \$8 kit fee. Supply list provided.

FALL RETREAT - October 20-24 is in Black Mountain, NC! Reserve your space for this fun weekend of exciting programs. Scholarships available. Contact Linda Reeves for info.

Programs are open to the public. Please help spread the word, so our instructors will have a full class. For more information on programs please contact Dona Haun.

2026 Quilt Show Volunteer Opportunities

- Silent Auction
- Hospitality
- Demonstrations
- Book Nook



Please consider helping with one of these committees, all of which are important to the success of our show. We have so many talented people in our guild who could easily work on any of these important committees. Contact Kathy Koon or Linda Reeves to volunteer.

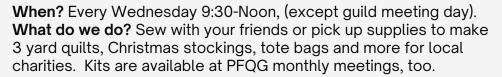
Philanthropy News

Join us for a morning of sewing fun to work on philanthropy projects.



Sew Inn





Contact *Stamie Cline*, Philanthropy Chair, for more info on how you can contribute or visit the website, <u>andersonscquilters.org</u>. Thank you sew much!



8/5 - Lora Lambertsen 8/8 - Lynda Hempel David Lewis 8/9 - Debbie Hydrick 8/10 - Kim Price 8/17 - Linda Reeves 8/19 - Gwenn Rives



Please send newsletter submissions by the 25th of the month to christine.drais@gmail.com

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