

MARCH NEWSLETTER

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Meeting Date: Mar. 27, 2018 Kulynych Family Life Center Courthouse Dr. Time: 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm (across from the courthouse) Wilkesboro, NC

<u>From the President</u>: A *celebration* can be defined as a joyful diversion to observe an event. It is an event designed to commemorate something or make something special and enjoyable.

On Friday, March 23, 2018, Wilkes County Quilters, Inc. will come together at Wilkes Community College - Alumni Hall to recall; in a special way, how our Guild was founded and how we continue twenty years later to promote and perpetuate the art of quilting. Our Guild is still making the world a warmer place by continuing to make and donate our quilts to local charities.

Congratulations, Wilkes County Quilters, Inc. on Turning 20!

Kathy Hamby WCQ President

<u>Program Coordinator</u>: Thanks to our guild member, JoAnn Nichols, we had a great program in February. The Accuquilt Go is a tool to help make your piece cutting accurate and quick. For more information you can go to the website <u>www.accuquilt.com</u>. Our March lecturer will highlight another important part of making exciting quilt masterpieces.

Our **Trapunto Quilting** workshop will be **March 24**th at the Agriculture Center. The **doors will be opened at 8 a.m.** in order to allow everyone to bring in their sewing machines and get set up. Please plan to be there as early as possible so we can get our workshop started at 9 a.m. Please bring **extension cords and surge protectors** for your machine. Mark suggested an open toed walking foot. For clarification.......bring an open toe foot that you would use to do free motion quilting. Some machines call the foot a walking foot. Yours may be called something else. Basically a foot would feed the fabric easily while using the open toe. Be sure you know how to use your machine in free motion mode. Please bring your own thread to match your fabric, scissors, extra needles, seam rippers and any other sewing supplies you might need. Bring **two fat quarters** in solid colors (no prints). You can purchase hand dyed fabric from Mark if you want.

Most importantly, **bring your own lunch**. Our workshop is from **8-4 p.m.** Look forward to a day of learning something new to make your quilts more exciting.

Please remember to complete and return your mystery quilt blocks. I need all the remaining blocks to complete the quilt tops. At our regular guild meeting, remember to tell me if you turn in any charity quilts or items for the boutique. The items you turn in will earn an extra chance to win one of the mystery quilts.

Shirley Camenzind, Program Coordinator

<u>Membership</u>: Our guild is growing! We have had several new members join since January: Nell Holmes, Mari Gruber, Carol Luke, Vickie McInnis, Becky Ball and Cassie Stone. Welcome quilters!

What quilter couldn't use more fabric?? Bring a fat quarter to the meeting For One Lucky Draw (FOLD). Our theme this month is Characters. As always, participation is voluntary.

Membership fee is due by March 31, 2018. If you haven't paid your dues, please see Joanie (afternoon meeting) or Donna G (evening meeting)

Thanks! Joanie and Donna

<u>Community Service</u>: Community Service committee is having another workshop with Ways and Means. Everyone can come and work on either committee or both! It is Sat. April 14 from 9:00 - 3:30 at the Ag Building. Come join us. Thanks to everyone who worked last Wednesday. Betty Brame

Intraguild:

Reminders- Please turn in your **Project List**. We will put these in the binder so we can check them off each month. Remember to bring in your #3 project for show and tell this month!

Also, please turn in your **Secret Pal** form this month as well. I will give you your secret pal in April.

If you missed the February meeting and need the forms or information check out our website. The forms are there for you to print off

Note for those going to retreat: if you want to play the LeftCenterRight game bring 12 2.5 inch strips of fabric (jelly roll strips) to retreat. They can be all the same fabric or a mixture of different fabrics. I think it will be a fun game to play at retreat! I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting!

Thanks, Laura Reavis

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Refreshments: Day Meeting, Joanie Taylor and Brenda Willis

Eve Meeting, Carol Carroll and Theresa Sirman

SPECIAL NOTE: THE DAY MEETING WILL START AT 2:00 PM FOR THIS MONTH ONLY, DUE TO A SCHEDULING CONFLICT WITH THE CENTER. THE EVENING MEETING STAYS THE SAME AT 6:00 PM.

Hand Group for March is Wed., March 21st from 10-2 at the WC Library. Please bring a hand project and your lunch. Hostesses are Jerri Greene and Joanie Taylor.

Hand Group for April is Wed., April 18th from 10-2 at the WC Library. Please bring a hand project and your lunch. Hostesses are Shirley Camenzind and Theresa Sirman.

This is the FOLD list for the year:

Feb Geometrics July Neutrals
Mar Characters Aug Animals
Apr Florals Sep Activities
May Holidays Oct Circles/Dots
June Stripes Nov Seasons