

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

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Meeting Date: TBD

From the President: Happy New Year everyone! It is my wish for all of you to stay well in 2021. If you are a resolution maker, I hope that is going well. My goal is to finish more quilting projects that I did last year! There are so many wonderful fabrics and patterns in the sewing room!

My goal is to have a Zoom meeting before the month is over. Donna has made all the screen shots for me, however she may have to create the meeting.

The committee chairmen have been asked to use the same list of committee members for this year. If you'd like to join other committees, please contact the chairmen of the committee. Those chairmen are:

Community Service: Libby Whittington Scrapbook: Judy Martin Library: Laurie Love Newsletter: Donna Greene Publicity: Martha Myers Quiltmakers: JoAnn Nichols Special Events: Nila Johnston Sunshine: Patsy Clanton WebSite: Terry Staley Ways and Means: Kathy Hamby Quilt Show: Theresa Sirman and Lynn Osborne Membership: Becky Ball Intraguild: Ellen Rhyne Programs: Terri Jo Ingram

Brenda

Membership: Well everybody, it's that time of year again.... time to renew your membership. Membership dues are still \$25.00 for the year. Some of you let me know that you wanted your 2020 dues to roll over to cover 2021 dues. Some had said to donate their 2020 dues to the guild. Some we did not hear from. PLEASE EVERYONE, let me know (even if you have already) how you would like your 2020 dues handled. If you want to donate your dues for 2020 to the Guild and need to pay for 2021, you may mail your dues to Wilkes County Quilters, P.O. Box 563, North Wilkesboro, NC 28659. Please make your checks out to Wilkes County Quilt Guild. If you have any questions, please email me at <u>drbball1968@yahoo.com</u>

Becky Ball

<u>Ways and Means</u>: I could never understand why Mama preferred staying home all the time. She never wanted to go anywhere. 2020 has given me a new appreciation and understanding of HOME. The more time I'm here, the more I like it. I do miss seeing my family and friends, though. But let's be optimistic about 2021 and use this extra time to make items for our next Quilt Show Boutique! My suggestion for January is Fabric Lanyards. You can find many YouTube videos on how to make these. I liked the Crafty Crafts by Deanna. JoAnn Fabric and Crafts also has a good one.

Fabric Lanyards:

Pick out some pretty fabric and thread to match. Cut a 3" strip x width of fabric. Fold in half and press. Open and fold each side to middle, press. Fold and press again so fabric measures 1"xWOF Top stitch open side 1/8" to 1/4". Repeat on other side.Insert D ring and fold up 1" from bottom on each side and sew securely. (I have ordered some of the D Rings from Amazon, if you need them.). You can zig zag over raw edges. Also sew close to D Ring to keep it in place. Have fun making these. Kathy Hamby



Member Bio's: And Here's Joanie Taylor!

I was born in Wisconsin and raised on a farm in the south central part of the state. I'm the youngest of four girls. Now one sister lives in Bozeman, MT and the other two live in the WI and Northern IL areas along with much of my extended family.



I married my high school sweetheart while we were both attending UW-Madison where I earned a degree in education. I moved to Cherry Point, NC when my daughter was two months old. After four years, when my son (my youngest) was 18months old I moved to Alaska. After 3 years when my husband and I split I moved back to the Milwaukee area of WI. I taught Special Education classes mostly at the high school level until I took early retirement in 2008. I moved here in 2011 to be closer to my daughter and two grand-daughters. My son married a military woman and currently lives in the panhandle of FL.

I started sewing as a kid for 4-H where I became well acquainted with the seam ripper. Sewing to be judged kind of killed the joy of it for me and I still don't enjoy sewing garments. I started a quilt for my son's 1st birthday and finished it when he was 25. I finished a hand quilted king-sized quilt for my daughter in 2013. I do make smaller projects for gifts each year but am not a quick or prolific sewer or quilter. I love the look and feel of fabric and work mostly on traditional quilts. My family would describe my quilts as made with love. I joined the guild after speaking with the ever enthusiastic Linda Phillips at the Farmer's Market booth. My favorite part of guild is getting together with the Hand Group and just chatting as we work.

Some of my other activities are: doing and teaching yoga, meditating, walking with my dog and reading.

