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Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild

December 2022

Message from the President

Happy Holidays to all our members. We are definitely between two exciting holidays at this point. Next week will be our Christmas Luncheon see more details below. Please come and being a friend. We so enjoy being able to expand our acquaintances to include more quilters. And our brains love the new challenges of name to face and face to name.

If we don't see you at the Christmas Luncheon then please keep busy during the next two months!! No meetings in January due to historical school closings on our meeting dates. Stay safe and we will see you in February.

Chris

Programs.

December

we will not have a program or workshop but be sure to bring your " ugly fabric" challenge to our Holiday Luncheon on the6th.

2023 WORKSHOP DAYS SCHEDULE TO CHANGE IN FEBRUARY.

NO MEETINGS OR WORKSHOPS IN JANUARY

No meetings or workshops in January. February we will have regular meeting times on the first Tuesday of the month from 1:00 - 3:00pm. Workshop days will have their start and stop times altered. We will be having workshops on the Third Tuesdays of the month from 12:30 - 4pm. Please make note on your calendars. The rooms we currently use will not be available any other time.

<u>Minutes</u>

Chris Zimmer called the November 1st meeting of the Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild to order at 1:07 p.m. There were no visitors to recognize.

Last month's Minutes and Treasurer's reports were approved with no corrections.

November Birthdays were recognized.

Publicity ideas are welcome to be shared with the group. Shop News included Patty Blanton from Sew Original sharing that Bernina is giving away a dream studio to a lucky winner. She discussed the many interesting classes coming up in the shop. Sew Originals website is being updated to allow class sign up online but if it is not working yet you may call or come by shop to sign up.

It was announced that High Country Quilts has upcoming classes. Sign up at <u>highcountryquilts.com</u>.

Programs for next year were announced. List will be provided in newsletters.

Sue Corcoran announced that the Tangler Outlet Mall will host an Artist's market again the first weekend of this month. November 12 will also be the local artist's best second sale at Cove Creek Elementary School.

Darby Logan announced she had Blue Ridge Garden Club calendars for sale (\$10).

Patricia Cone from Sew Original presented a very informative quilt binding lesson. She answered many questions from members present about binding. Show and Share began with Amy Stewart displaying her prompt block quilt progress from an online group she participates in. She has 10 of the 12 months completed. Susan Sweet shared her progress on a Boy Scout quilt she is making for her grandson. She used the guild's AccuQuilt cutter to assist her assembly of the quilt. Susan also showed her homespun stand up Christmas trees. Gail Lund shared her work in progress baby quilt. Susan Stell displayed her 9 patch quilt. Patty Blanton displayed her landscape workshop wall hanging.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Joanna Roberts

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TREASURER'S REPORT

N/A

<u>Membership</u>

We currently have 41 members.

December birthdays: Patty Blanton - December 13 Brenda Murry -December 31

Shop News

The Mountain Thread Company will be open with extended hours until 8 PM on FRIDAY DECEMBER 9 for the Blowing Rock Holiday Stroll. More information about the event is available at <u>https://blowingrock.com/holidaystroll/</u>

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The Mountain Thread Company is a modern craft shop specializing in handcrafted rope baskets, DIY rope basket kits, contemporary & novelty fabrics, and locally sourced gifts & decor. We are located at 1098 Main Street, Blowing Rock NC.

One of the kindest ways you can support our business is to tell your friends about your experience! Share the love by tagging @themountainthreadcompany on <u>Instagram</u> or <u>Facebook</u> with a picture of your purchase. Or leave a review on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>TripAdvisor</u>, or <u>Yelp</u>. Thank you for staying connected with The Mountain Thread Company!

High Country Quilts

Fabrics ordered in the summer of 2021 continue to arrive in the shop. We have Moda FQ bundles and matching yardage for borders, a new blenders line, an expanding collection of Art Gallery fabric, and the latest Aboriginal prints – including a couple of "Australia only prints" obtained by swapping "US only prints" with a shop in Australia.

There will be a three part class starting in January that introduces machine embroidery. If you have a machine and have never touched it's embroidery component OR simply want to learn about features of an embroidery machine, stabilizers, embroidery designs, and the machine embroidery process then this class is a perfect starting place.

We have regular hours – still requiring an appointment – as I now have Dona Parkinson to help in the shop on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. We have new shop dogs – Cabot now has a sister, Grace and a foster Dixie. And perhaps the best surprise of all, the road is paved. Bring a copy of this email – electronic or printed and save 15% on all Northcott Toscana fabrics thru the end of January. All good things to start the new year. Merry Christmas from the Dry Hill gang.

Sew Original

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Donations

The donation quilts the members made have made their way to more private venues, but just as needful. We shall regroup in January and let you know the needs we see. You will be able to bring your donations to the February meeting or drop off on our shelves in the craft closet of the Lois Harrell Senior Center.

<u>Announcement</u>

My name is Lily Lipford, I am an intern with Blue Ridge Women in Agriculture and we host the Boone Winters Farmers Market. We have different events that we do at the markets and one of these events is a spotlight on Appalachian Artists. I wanted to have Quilting represented at this event, as it is a staple of Appalachian Folk Art. The event spotlight would take place on March 18th, 2023 from 10:00am - 1pm at the Agricultural Conference Center in Boone. We would invite y'all to have a booth where you could demonstrate the art of quiltmaking, sell quilts, or anything that you feel would highlight your craft. Let me know if you are interested, have any questions, or any other ideas! I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you!

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