

# Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild

## July 2023

### **Presidents Message**

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36 YEARS! Can you believe that the Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild of Boone, NC has been organized for 36 years!?! On this lovely Sunday afternoon, in the last of the days of Spring, I'm thinking of those 36 years and how much they have meant to our community and beyond. I'm wondering about the number of donation quilts created and given; about how many programs presented; how much knowledge shared; how many newsletters published; how many blocks assembled (and how many seams ripped out!); how many luncheons attended; how many exquisite and inspiring show and share pieces; and how many friendships have come from the simple fact that a group of women got together 36 years ago and forged a plan, created by laws and established a chain of fellowship that remains unbroken.

I am grateful to those of you who have supported this organization and kept it and its mission alive so that a "newby" like me can share in your joys and cares, in your talents and knowledge and especially in your company. I'm looking forward to continuing what has become a way of life for some. I'll need your help and support and I'm confident that you are willing to share. After all, you have been sharing for 36 years!

On a somber note, our hearts are heavy as we lost long time member, Adrienne Sharrow in June. Adrienne was always crafting and sharing her talents and was the Membership Committee for a number of years. We grieve along with her friends and those who knew her well.



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#### **Officers & Committee Members**

##### **President**

Beth Reavis

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##### **Workshops**

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I invite you to continue this journey of sharing your gifts with each other and the community. I hope you'll want to join in the fellowship and service and that you'll support the officers and committee chairs as we walk through this year together. 36 is a great number. 37 looks pretty exciting too!

Sincerely,  
Beth Reavis

“Creativity is intelligence having fun.”  
Albert Einstein

### **June Minutes**

Minutes for Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild

June 6, 2023 Meeting, 11:30 am

The meeting began with a delicious potluck luncheon. The tables were decorated in a flamingo theme with lovely, cheerful pink dining decorations. In the back of the room, tables displayed a generous number of flamingo quilts that were made by various guild members. The quilts were all made of different patterns or designs for donations, and members voted for their favorites in a contest.

#### **The winners of the flamingo quilt contest were:**

1<sup>st</sup>place – Pat Miller

3-way tie for 2<sup>nd</sup>place: Pat Miller

Lois Stewart

Betty Minick

All received fat quarters or other fabric for prizes.

Business:

Treasurers Report: Checking Account Balance -  
\$5,415.81

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Installation of new officers, Susan Sweet presiding:

President – Beth Reavis

Vice President – Sue Corcoran

Treasurer – Lee Ann Williams

Secretary-Lois Stewart

Membership: Sally Hills- Sally collected dues and at this time we have 24 paid members. Dues are \$20.

Donation Distribution & labels:

Diane Ward

Lynda Steele

Sandy Hicks

Workshops: Susan Sweet

Website: Patty Dale

Shop News:

Patty Blanton – Mentor and Provides Up- to-date information on workshops and activities from Sew Original.

Pat Miller - Cath at High Country, Mountain Threads

Other Information:

June Birthdays: Sandy Hicks- June 5<sup>th</sup>

Diane Goff – June 8<sup>th</sup>

Susan Stell-June 13

Linda Seamster-June 19

Keep in your thoughts and prayers, our dear member, Georgie McKenzie, who had her bladder removed recently.

Workshops/Meetings

Tuesday, June 20, 12:30 -4:00. Susan Sweet will bring her patriotic pinwheel quilt. If you would like to make it, look for patriotic cream or white, red and blue

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fabrics. She will send out more info prior to the meeting.

No guild meeting in July.

July program on Tuesday, July 18, 12:30-4:00. Darby Logan will teach how to make a doll and pocket for donation quilts.

Show and Share:

Lynda Steele

FOUR donation quilts: 3 children or baby size and 1 twin size (fun cat).

Susan Payne

2 modern quilts with angular cut pieces, & different color waves

2 beautiful art quilts, one of her daughter's dog and a landscape

Betty Minick

Lovely hand pieced wall hanging that she free motioned with some feathers and had an unusual hanging treatment made with prairie points

Beth Reavis

Gorget – a collar to wear around the neck with dresses or garments with an interesting history

Lastly but importantly, last year's officers and others in our guild were thanked verbally or with flowers or gifts for all they did to keep our guild alive and make it better.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Stewart

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### **Donation News and Opportunities:**

Quilt donations for June:

Three quilts to Children's Advocacy Center of the Blue Ridge.

Two quilts to the Homestead Recovery Center.

One quilt to Hospitality House for their auction.

Thank you to everyone who donated.

Sandy Hicks – Diane Ward – Lynda Steel – Chris Zimmer will be your contacts to get labels and batting. Labels are available at the Senior Center in an envelope taped to your shelving. They are available when the senior center is open. Please take what you absolutely need.

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### **Membership: 25**

Membership renewal period will end July 31. At that time those who have not renewed will be removed from all email communications and our private FB page. If you wish to renew please send 20.00 membership fee to Chris Zimmer 125 Tweetsie Lane East Banner Elk, NC 28604. On a separate piece of paper please list name, address, telephone number, email address and month/day of birthday. Also include which committee you will be participating on.

### **Treasures Report:**

Checking account Balance \$5,415.81

### **Birthdays:**

Diane Ward July 4

Pat Miller July 13

Susan Payne July 17

Pat Gustafson July 24

### **Publicity**

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The Mountain Times has a standing order for our ad. They do not need for us to contact them unless we have a change to our meeting time or want to change our ad in some way.

The Mountain Times  
584 State Farm Rd., Suite 105  
Boone, NC 28607

**Phone:** 828-264-6397

### **Upcoming Program**

**July** No meeting but Darcy Logan will be at the workshop on July 18 to show us how to make a rag doll to tuck into a pocket on your donation quilt.

**August.** Program to be determined. Ideas welcome.

**September.** Quilt appraisals. How they are done. Presented by Cynthia Stuart a professional appraiser. More on this program to come.

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### **The MLQG workshops**

Third Tuesday of each month from **12:30 - 4:00 pm.** At any workshop, you are welcome to come and participate in that month's project or bring something you are working on. It is a great time to get together and get to know your fellow quilters, so don't miss the opportunity to sew with friends. If you have any questions about workshops, email Susan Sweet at [sssweet@bellsouth.net](mailto:sssweet@bellsouth.net)

### **Shop News**

#### **High Country Quilts:**

Our regular summer sale begins July 10 and runs through the end of the month. All fabric on bolts, including Art Gallery and our Aboriginal prints from

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M&S, and selected precuts will be 10% off discounted prices. Yarbies (4 one yard cuts) and 3Bs (3 yards – Northcott Toscana Solids) and backings - buy 3 get 10%, buy 5 get 15%. And of course, there will be a door prize too!

While Cath is gone to Newfoundland and Labrador with the dogs in August and September, the shop will remain open on Mondays 9-3 by popular request. Dona would appreciate a heads up in an email – [dona@highcountryquilts.com](mailto:dona@highcountryquilts.com) so that she can know that you are coming.

### **The Mountain Thread Company:**

Fall and Christmas fabrics have arrived at The Mountain Thread Company - come get started on your seasonal inspiration with fresh colors, beautiful prints, and gorgeous coordinating fabrics. The Mountain Thread Company is located at 1098-5 Main Street in downtown Blowing Rock and is open Monday - Saturday 10-5 and Sundays 1-5. Look for the big yellow house next to the park!

### **The Cotton Quilt :**

The Cotton Quilt is a NEW addition to our SHOP NEWS this month. They are located in the foothills at 4900 Troy Rd, Granite Falls, NC. We carry a wide variety of fabrics from reproductions to modern. Hours are Thursday through Saturday 10-3 each day. Always call to check before driving a distance. Our number is 828-244-7797.

You can always shop online at [www.thecottonquilt.com](http://www.thecottonquilt.com) , and for the month of July

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use the code ML10 for a 10% discount on our already low prices.