

Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild

November 2023



Presidents Message November 2023

Thankful, Grateful, Blessed

Greetings Friends,
Seems that we should include thankful, grateful and blessed throughout the entire year (and I'm sure most do)) but I like that we give special recognition to what we have and who we are during this season. It's wonderful to spend a holiday such as Thanksgiving with family. I am thankful, grateful and blessed to be able to do that very thing and hope the same for you.
I'm also thankful for those of you who make up the members of Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild. Your generosity of supplying our community with quilts of warmth and comfort is truly a blessing to many. Thank you to Sherri Stout who presented our October program and Kathy Heisler who led our October workshop on use of the Sew Kind of Wonderful curved ruler. We are grateful for new tools and how to use them! The guild purchased one small ruler for member use, and I hear Sue S. is already busy planning another workshop!

Please mark your calendars for our December 5 luncheon at Grace Lutheran Church. Our theme is anything related to Gnomes so get busy with those projects and bring them to share. And speaking of grateful, the guild has received two large donations from friends clearing out sewing rooms and moving to warmer climates. We have several already begun quilt projects if anyone is interested in completing and bringing back quilt donations. Let me or Sue C. know of your interest.

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We'll have the projects available for you. In the meantime, Sue C. and I are working on organizing the fabrics we have been given. If you would like to make a donation quilt but aren't in the position of purchasing fabrics, we can fix you up!

While we organize the fabrics, I'm thinking it might be helpful to have an inventory of items the guild owns. This list would benefit members who might want to borrow items or use them at a workshop. For instance, we recently received a Brother sewing machine so if you forget to bring yours, you could borrow it for a workshop. We have other quite helpful tools too numerous to mention here but look for an inventory list coming to you soon.

Lastly, I am frustrated some of you received phishing emails from me. I hope you recognized it for what it was. Please know that in this digital age, we are all at risk of being hacked and please take proper actions to protect yourself.

Until we meet, I am thankful, grateful, and blessed to know you all,

Beth

"The fires burn and the kettles sing,
and earth sinks to rest until next spring."

Clyde Watson

October Minutes

Minutes from October 3, 2023 - Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild Meeting

Beth Reavis called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. There were no changes to the newsletter.

Lee Ann Williams: The bank balance is \$5,406.63.

Sally Hills – 34 members. See her if you haven't received your membership card.

Announcements:

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Beth Reavis:

Signup sheets will be on the table so members should sign in when they come to the meetings.

Send quilt photos to Patty Dale for the website.

The guild's publicity flyer is being updated. Sue Stell is chairing the committee, and the goal is to have them printed by our December meeting.

The Guild voted to approve at least \$100 could be spent on Sew Kind of Wonderful curved rulers.

Kathy Heisler will teach the October workshop on Curved Piecing and the meeting and workshop on quilts of Valor. She gave the Sew Original report. This week on Friday, the 6th from 2 -5 pm, they will have "meet the teachers" for workshops there in Oct., Nov., and Dec. Suggestions for workshops are welcome and there will be food and door prizes.

Irina Robinson - Showed a star quilt in reds, creams, and blues. Information is available from IraRobiQuilts@gmail.com.

Gail Lund: The Grace Lutheran Church is scheduled for our Christmas luncheon at 11:30 on Dec. 5. They have plenty of decorations. Members should sign up for food and work on gnome projects. Sue Corcoran displayed some gnomes that she had made. Sue Sweet will demonstrate how to make one in November.

Lynda Steele, Donation Report:

6 quilts - 3 baby quilts and 3 crib or toddler

Some of the shawls with sleeves were delivered to the Foley Center

4 donations delivered to the hospitality house

Gretchen requested some lap top quilts with a Christmas theme. We have had fabric donations from a couple people. Beth Reavis and Sue Sweet will go through our stored fabric and see if there's any Christmas.

Sue Sweet took two donations to give to the Red Cross. Sandy Hicks collected today's donations.

Show and Share:

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Sue Stell – Three donation quilts: Patchwork quilt, churn dash shirt fabric quilt, puppy quilt

Betty Minick- donation quilt with a collar-type attachment at the top of the quilt with doll included.

Elmyra Morris- split rail fence set on point with some rabbit blocks.

Sally Hill – donation baby quilt

Lois Stewart – Metro Ring bed runner made with Quick curved ruler, connected stars wall hanging.

Beth Reavis- Bookshelf quilt she designed for her grandson with some applique (spider and bookworm).

Our program was conducted by Sheri Stout and Kathy Heisler both from Sew Original on how to use the Sew Kind of Wonderful Quick Curve Ruler. They showed amazing blocks made from the ruler, demonstrated how the pieces are cut, and described how to use the ruler. Kathy brought the poinsettia sample that she will teach at the Workshop on October 17th. One block can be made for a table topper or 2 or 3 blocks for a table runner. More info will be sent out prior to the workshop.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois Stewart, Secretary



Elmyra Morris- split rail fence

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Lois Stewart with star runner quilt



Sandy Hill with the donation baby quilt

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Lois Stewart with metro ring bed runner



Beth Reavis- Bookshelf quilt

Donations

MLQG donations in October were to Green Valley Elementary School. Two quilts to each of the two Pre-

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K classrooms and two quilts to the school counselor for students experiencing trauma events.



Thank you to everyone who donated.

Sandy Hicks – Diane Ward – Lynda Steele – 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 only what you absolutely need.

Membership: No changes from membership, still 34 members. If members haven't picked up their membership cards, I will have them at the November meeting, along with name tag directions and kits for those that need them.

Treasures Report:

Checking account Balance \$ 5406.63

Birthdays:

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Beth Reavis	Nov. 17
Chris Zimmer	Nov. 18
Joanna Roberts	Nov. 20

Upcoming Programs

November - Kathy Hill has a conflict and will not be presenting her previously scheduled program on Quilts of Valor at the November meeting but will be rescheduled for some time next spring. Instead, Sue Corcoran will present everything Gnomes and will have several patterns and a few materials to take with you so you can make and bring your very own gnome to our gnome themed holiday luncheon in December.

December – Christmas Luncheon

We will meet at Grace Lutheran Church Tuesday December 5th at 11:30. Sign up for what you want to bring, either a casserole, salad, or dessert. The theme this year is Gnomes. If you have any questions, call Gail Lund 264-1943

Publicity

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.

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The MLQG Workshops - No Workshops in November

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Generally, the 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

SHOP NEWS:

The Cotton Quilt, Granite Falls:

Countdown to Christmas event where I send out things for 12 days will begin soon. Watch for the email or post on Facebook for start dates.

The Mountain Thread Company, Blowing Rock:

The Mountain Thread Company has new fabric collections arriving weekly from RJR Fabrics, Clothworks, Moda, FreeSpirit, and more. There are still some fall and Christmas themed fabrics in stock for quick, seasonal projects. Pick up a DIY rope basket kit for a speedy one- or two-hour project that will be sure to delight everyone on your gift list! The Mountain Thread Company is open Mondays through Saturdays, 10-5.

High Country Quilts, Butler, TN:

Take advantage of a fantastic sale that starts Monday, October 16. 25% off all fabrics on a bolt, 30% off for the end of bolt – 3 yards or more, 25% off kits, \$5.25 for all Christmas Fabric, \$4 on select whites. Anything not sold must be moved. Last Monday's shop motto, "If you don't buy a bolt worth of fabric, I will add your name to the packing/moving brigade". This price level will remain in effect until we close.

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• SEW ORIGINAL

- Did you miss the recent Guild workshop on the "FUN POINSETTIA" from SEW KIND of WONDERFUL ??? Not to worry, Sew Original will be holding this same workshop during our December DEMO days for FREE! STAY tuned for Dates and More info!
 - We have added 2 new instructors holding classes you won't want to miss: AJ is doing ONE Block wonder and a great color theory class. Lynn is doing wool applique classes
 - We are currently preparing for a HUGE SAMPLE Sale! Stay tuned for more announcements!
 - Are you a Bonnie Hunter fan? Each year she does a mystery quilt that starts Thanksgiving weekend. We would like to have a FREE group meet weekly to do this mystery together! Please let Kathy Heisler know if you are interested ASAP (cell 727-992-7983) or email heislerkathryn@gmail.com
 - Kathy has decided to come out of retirement and manage SEW Original again ! (But I've enjoyed getting involved in the Guild again so I am not giving that up!)
 - Are you interested in teaching classes at SEW Original?? If so, please contact Kathy!

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Professional Art Quilters Alliance-South announces
Call for Entries -- Art Quilts Renewal

Submit art quilts December 1, 2023 - February 2,
2024

Three \$500 prizes will be awarded April 26, 2024

FULL DETAILS HERE [Art Quilts Renewal
Prospectus](#) and
<https://www.paqa-south.org/>

Please share this with your Guild! Thank you,
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