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QUICK QUILTS BY MARIETTA JOHNSON



Donna Burges introduced our speaker Marietta Johnson, project manager for Project Linus in Pascagoula and Jackson County. Marietta is retired from the U.S. Army and is an avid quilter. She belongs to five Mississippi quilt guilds and two Louisiana quilt guilds. She loves to make "quick quilts" because they give her the opportunity to donate more quilts to her charities. Her ideas and varied techniques were inspired by many different books, magazines and authors.

Anne Esteve reported that we now have 146 members. Six ladies renewed their membership the day of the meeting. One was Mary Nell Cranford. She is doing

better but is currently not able to handle the duties of the Courtesy Chair. If you have any information news relating to illnesses and deaths in members' families, please contact Debbie Davis dcajun54@gmail.com or (601) 508-8663.

Betty Allen and her committee have been editing Pine Belt Quilters bylaws. They have cut out a lot of the legalize used by the lawyers who drew up the document for us. Debbie Davis did all the typing, and you should have received a copy by the same means as you receive your newsletter. Please be sure and read them and consider if additional changes need to be made. We will vote at the April meeting.

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Pine Belt Quilters' new website is up and running. We are now able to update the information by ourselves. Previously, that was done by our web person and took two or three weeks to accomplish. It will be extremely useful to have that capability, especially when information changes on short notice, as it often does for the quilt show. On the new site, you will find a copy of the meetings calendar, information on membership and the ability to download a membership form. You will find information about the monthly meeting, Children's Quilts meetings, Boutique meetings and workshops. Information about the 2014 show is included and will

be updated as needed. You can access PBQ newsletters and the blog. Martha Ginn has updated the blog to complement the look of the new website.

Betty Herring announced that she had received 17 walker totes and 6 catheter bag covers.

The Bingham's took in 38 pillows and 11 baby blankets.

Linda Basten and her group displayed notebook covers created for the Boutique and told us about a mistake which had been printed in the instructions. Contact

Driving directions to Heritage United Methodist Church.

Due to a scheduling conflict at University Baptist Church, PBQ's meeting will be held at Heritage United Methodist Church, 3 Baracuda Drive, Hattiesburg, MS 39402. The church is just off Hwy. 98, and can be seen from the highway. Baracuda is right next to Newpoint Shopping Center, directly across from the entrance to Woodstone.

From the intersection of Hwy. 98 and Hwy. 59 drive west on 98. After Approximately 4.9 miles turn right onto Baracuda Drive. Baracuda is right after Newpoint Shopping Center.

From the intersection of Hwy. 98 and Hwy. 589 drive east on 98. After approximately 3 miles turn left onto Baracuda Drive. Baracuda is right before Newpoint Shopping Center.

After turning off Hwy. 98, take the 2nd left onto the church property and park. Enter the church through the doors at the drive-thru overhang. That is the main entrance. After you are inside, there will be a sign leading the way to the fellowship hall. Doors will be open at 9 a.m.

Linda for the corrected notebook cover instructions. At the next meeting Betty Moore will teach us to make a zigzag table cover. She says it is a very easy project.

Forty four friendship blocks were turned in and divided among five participating members. Sharon Barnes, Jo-Ann Evans, Dianne McLendon, Kathy Houseal, and Debbie Davis were the lucky winners.

Beth McDaniel won the raffle for the bag of fabric scraps left over from the "Confetti Stars" quilt.

Mary Nell Magee announced that 3,400 tickets had been sold on the Wounded Warrior quilt which was won by Gary Fowler of Purvis.

At the beginning of the meeting, four members had not picked up their packets of raffle tickets, but by the end of the morning everyone had their tickets. You can contact Pat Routon patwhiterouton@gmail.com or (601) 582-0461 for more.

Snippet: Ellen Cox suggested using a hand bicycle pump to blow dust out of your sewing machine or computer. Many manufactures advise against using canned air.

The May meeting and following workshop will feature Planning a Quilt with PBQ member Frances Good. The June meeting and following workshop will feature Barn Quilts with PBQ member Sharon Barnes. Groups in Louisiana and Mississippi are trying to organize barn quilt trails in these states. Information on barn quilts can be found at several online sites such as americanquilttrail.com hosted by Suzi Parron and Donna Sue Groves. Suzi presented a very interesting lecture at the GSQA show last month.

Mississippi quilters, Juanita Ashley, Ann Fox, Billie Thompson and Betty Zehnder won prizes at the Pigeon Forge Quiltfest. PBQ President, Susie Jackson quilted Juanita's and Ann's quilts. It would be nice to see Pine Belt Quilters enter more outside shows. There are many throughout the southeast.

The Alabama Quilt Symposium will be held
June 5-7 at Bumpus Middle School, 6055
Fleming Parkway, Hoover, AL 35244
For more information go to
www.alabamaquilts.com.





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APRIL REMINDERS

April Birthdays:

Faye Barlow

Elvia Edwards

Sandra Davis

Connie M. Hitt

Joe Bingham

Jean Martin

Edna Walker

Anne Hindmarch

Stacy Clady

Marilyn Tucker

Doris Dunn

Elaine Magee

People with birthdays in April please remember to bring a small gift (quilt related) to be used as a door prize. It should be wrapped or bagged.

Group 4, Sally Henderson's group is in charge of refreshments for the April 16 meeting.

The April 10 Boutique meeting is a zigzag table cover taught by Betty Moore.

The April 23 workshop is Appliqué by Jo Ann Kenney.

The April fat quarter lottery is spring florals.

The program for the May PBQ meeting is "Planning a Quilt" with Frances Good.

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