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December Meeting

We had a wonderful meeting giving away 125 Community Outreach quilts, 100 stockings, and stocking stuffers to area agencies. There were three quilts given to a recipient of a Habitat for Humanity home. We also enjoyed playing Quilt Bingo and exchanging hand made Christmas ornaments while Dianne McLendon read the Sue and Santa story.

January 11th Meeting

Maria Zeringue of the Mississippi Arts Commission will be our speaker.

We will elect a new board member. A nominee must have been a member of the guild in good standing for three years. Our current board members are Betty Allen, Margie Hancock, Dianne Herrington, Shirley Wiltshire, Linda Flanders, Missy Lee, and Joe Bingham.

Sue Allmon will present the proposed 2023 budget.

Patterns

In order to clear out some unneeded items from the PBQ storage unit, we have removed about 10 boxes of patterns--adult's and children's clothing, costumes, dolls, animals, etc. If anyone is interested in looking at these before they go into recycle, they are in Martha's garage (from now until a week following our January meeting). Call, text or email Martha Ginn to arrange to see them.

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2023 PBQ Membership

In 2022, our average attendance was 43. Those with perfect attendance are Joe Bingham, Kaye Christensen, Linda Ginn, Martha Ginn, June Guthrie, Ellen Hall, Marietta Johnson, and Missy Lee.

As of December 21, 2022, our 2023 membership is 88 members.

Member information, contact group list, and the new member directory will be distributed by email on January 12 or 13, 2023.

If you have not renewed your membership by the January 11 meeting, this will be your last newsletter you will receive.

2022/2023 Crossword Puzzle Sew Along Challenge

August 2023 will be the last of the clues. December 2023 is the completion of the challenge. The quilt must be quilted, bound, and labeled. Membership will vote for the best quilts. First, second, and third place prizes will be given.

Quilts of Valor

Quilts of Valor meets monthly at the Stitchin Post. For more information, contact Linda Hudson at 601-408-4821 or granhudson@comcast.net .

2023 Block of the Month (BOM) Class is January 18th

This is taught by Linda Flanders on the third Wednesday of each month at 9:30 at Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 3600 W Arlington Loop, Hattiesburg.

Community Outreach Sew Day is February 7th

Thank you to Rhonda Mowry and Karen Weinberg for taking the position as our new CO coordinators!! Thank you to Bonnie Bolt for her continuous work on putting together quilt kits. She does a wonderful job!!

The next sew day will be February 7th from 9:30 – 1:00 in the Choral Hall.

For more information, contact Rhonda at 870-718-6287 or mowry.2you@aol.com OR Karen Weinberg at 828-712-7155 or KarenJWeinberg@gmail.com.

2024 Pine Belt Quilters Showcase

We will have an exhibit April 20, 2024 at the Hattiesburg Cultural Center sponsored by the Hattiesburg Arts Council. Make your plans to participate in the Pine Belt Quilters Showcase and showcase a quilt!

PBQ Library

We have an online catalog for our PBQ library. You can see the books here

<https://www.librarycat.org/lib/PineBeltQuilters> and check them out at the meeting.

Newsletter Submission Information

If you have anything that needs to go in the newsletter OR events for Facebook, send the information written out, with dates and time, to **pbqnewsletter@gmail.com**. Thank you! ~ Jo Ellen

Upcoming Events

January 11 – 9:30 – 11:30, Regular guild meeting with speaker Maria Zeringue.

January 18 – 9:30 - 12:30, Block of the Month, Episcopal Church of the Ascension.

February 7 – 9:30 – 1:00, Community Outreach Sew Day, Choral Hall

October 7, 2022 – January 14, 2023 - Quilt Tales: Stories Through Fabric exhibit, Waveland Ground Zero Hurricane Museum, 335 Coleman Ave, Waveland, MS, Tues - Sat, 10:00 – 3:00.

The Stitchin Post in Hattiesburg will give guild members 20% off your purchase on the monthly meeting days. Be sure and tell them you are a member.

Community Outreach Projects

We have ongoing projects that you can work on throughout the year.

- Receiving blankets are used in NICU units at local hospitals. They can be cotton or flannel, 18-21" x no larger than 26". Use two pieces of fabric, sew together, turn and sew closed, or if using a single piece, sew a decorative stitch or you can crochet around the edges.
- Mother pads are used for mom or dad to place inside their shirt to get their scent on it and then placed next to their baby in NICU. Use flannel, minimum 4 x 4", max 5 x 5" They can be rectangle, i.e. 4 x 5". Cut two squares, sew together leaving opening, turn and sew closed. Children's pillows are 6-8" square up to 12", lightly stuffed and are given to children who are in the hospital. It's something for them to hold so it doesn't have to be tightly stuffed. See Joe Bingham for guild labels that need to be attached to the back of the pillows.
- Walker totes and catheter bag covers are made from heavier fabric than cotton, like denim, twill, etc.
- Community Outreach quilts need to be minimum size 40" x 40" and max size 54" x 70". Quilts can be made using any pattern. Guild members are to make at least one quilt each year. See Rhonda or Karen for guild labels for the quilts.

December Show & Tell



We gave away 125 Community Outreach quilts and 100 stockings and stocking stuffers to area agencies.

Three special quilts were given to a recipient of Habitat for Humanity house. She was excited to receive the quilts.





We had fun playing the Sue and Santa game with our hand made ornaments.





Quilt made by Linda Ginn.



Stocking purses made by Teresa Weaver.



Quilt made by Charlett Hollomon.



Quilt made by Jo Ellen Carr.



Quilt made by Linda Lowe.

Quilt made by Missy Lee.



Quilted jacket made by Missy Lee.