



# The Postage Stamp

## Country Roads Quilt Guild

### May 2018

<http://countryroadsquiltguild.org>

#### A Note from Jane

I'd like to remind everyone to make sure you turn in your quilt squares for the opportunity quilt. **Please bring them to the May meeting.** It's going to be exciting to see everyone's work and exciting to move on to the next step of joining together the blocks. If you have some last minute stitching to do, the church will be open at 4:00 pm. Come sew. We'd love to see what you're working on.

**Mark May 22 on your calendar.** We're super excited that Pat Knoechel is returning to Morgantown. **Please spread the word** or bring a friend. Details of her show are elsewhere in this newsletter. You must rsvp for us to set up the room with enough chairs. Members attend free.

I hope you'll come to the meeting with your quilt stories. We want to hear where you're going and what you're doing quilt-wise.

Jane



1. **Bring your "Wonky Star" blocks.** Please bring your completed Wonky Star Blocks for the opportunity quilt to the May 10th meeting. For last minute stitching the church doors will be open at 4pm.
2. **Fabric Painting.** The next meeting program is Fabric Painting. Please bring any acrylic, fabric paints, watercolor pencils, or any other items of preference to work with. Laura S. is also bringing lots of materials as well.



**Next Meeting:** May 10, 2018

**Program:** Fabric Painting

**Location:** Harner Chapel Church

**Time:** 6:30pm (church open at 4:00 for sewing)

**Hostesses:** Ruth Ann R.

Linda R.

Diann C.

**Novelty:** Laura S.

### Upcoming Events

May 5 Quilters Yard Sale- Smithtown Community Center 9am -2pm

June 13-16 Southwestern PA Shop Hop

June 21-23 WV Quilt Festival – Summersville <https://wvquilters.org/>

July 14 New Deal Festival Quilt Documentation – Arthurdale, WV <http://newdealfestival.org/>

October 19-21 - Mountaineer Quilt Show

#### 2017-2018 Officers

**President** – Jane L.

**Vice President** – Patty L.

**Treasurer** – Linda F.

**Secretary** – Laura S.

## *April 12, 2018 Minutes by Laura*

The April 12, 2018 meeting was called to order by President, Jane L. The meeting was held at Country Roads Quilt Shop. There were 17 members present and two guests, Susie C. and Robert R. This month's mini was provided by Jane L. It was won by Carol S.

As the meeting began, Peggy E demonstrated the 60 degree ruler. She showed many examples of the application of this ruler, from table toppers, and runners, to full size quilts. One quilt pattern she showed was "Bungle Jungle," a free pattern on the Moda site. The ruler comes in two sizes 9 ½" and 12 ½". She also reminded everyone of upcoming Featherweight maintenance classes, "Teach Me Thursday" with the Binding Tool Star Ruler on April 26<sup>th</sup>, and the Mason Dixon Festival on October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from sales at the Mason Dixon Festival will be donated to the school Snack Pack program.

There were no corrections to March's minutes and Carol Spears moved to accept them, with a second from Karen S. The Treasurer's report from February was accepted with a motion from Carol S and a second from Kathryn G to be filed.

Jane thanked Judy C. for doing the April newsletter. The next newsletter will be done by Cheyenne C. Articles are due to Cheyenne by April 27<sup>th</sup>. Jane encouraged members to sign-up for committees for the coming year. The sign-up sheet is complete for monthly novelty. There are still openings for refreshments and for the newsletter. These sheets will be available at the next meeting. She also reminded members to donate loose change to the quilting for charity fund.

Kathryn G. reported that both the Picnic and Christmas committees are making progress on plans for these events. Do you have a grass skirt? You might want to show it off at the July picnic.

Linda F. reminded everyone to pay their dues and provide information sheets so that Directory information will be up to date. Brenda E. agreed to audit last year's financial statement. One Rare Bear pattern is still available for \$6.00. Contact Linda if interested.

Jane reminded everyone to bring their completed Opportunity Quilt blocks to the next meeting. Several members have already turned in their blocks. There will be a sewing session prior to the May meeting if members would like to work on Opportunity quilt or Wounded Warrior blocks.

The sewing session will begin at 4:00 pm.

Carol S. reminded members that Pat Knoechel would be doing two workshops in Morgantown on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. They will again be held at St.

## A Quilter's Journey

Fellow Guild member Brenda E. recently went on a trip to Amish country in Berlin, OH with her sister and her sewing group from Grafton, WV. "We had a wonderful time, great prices, good materials."



Pictured above from L-R is Diane (Brenda's sister), Jane, Mary, Linda, Cheryl, Pat, and Brenda.

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Our very own, Nancy S. won Viewer's Choice award at the Millennium Quilt Guild Show. Pictured below is Nancy With her Dresden Plate quilt. Congrats Nancy!



Thomas a' Beckett Church from 1:30 to 3:30 and from 6:30 to 8:30. There will be no fee for CRQG members, but for others, there will be a \$5.00 fee. She will be showing quilts, patterns, and talking about Eleanor's new book. Carol has informational fliers that can be posted in locations. If you can post a flier, please contact Carol. If members are planning to attend either session, please let Carol know by E-mailing [quiltwithpat@gmail.com](mailto:quiltwithpat@gmail.com) Send your name and the names of any guests who will be attending.

Members agreed that they are still interested in Pat F. checking about having a Featherweight maintenance class in August.

The next meeting, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at Harner Chapel Church.



### Quilt Bus trip to Pigeon Forge, TN By: Betty C.

I didn't get the time to post this last month, but wanted to include something about my quilt bus trip to Pigeon Forge, TN in March. The tour was sponsored by Beckley, WV Hands All Around Quilt Guild. I had to drive to Beckley to take this tour, I left the day before and stayed overnight. I arrived at the bus pickup point at 6am. Wouldn't you know, it was snowing that day, but roads were clear for driving. Breakfast was served on the bus as we motored to our 1st quilt shop stop--Heavenly Stitches in Kingsport, TN. Because the shop didn't open until 10:00 a.m., the bus driver stopped at the Heartwood Artisan Center in Abingdon, VA so we could shop there first. Heavenly Stitches is small but large on fabric and pattern selections. I purchased several wool applique patterns. We arrived at the Dream More Resort, Dolly Parton's hotel around 1pm. The luggage was unloaded and taken to our rooms by the hotel staff; while we went to the Mountain Quiltfest at the LeConte Center in Pigeon Forge. The venue was huge. Being there only 3 hours, didn't allow time to see everything, but I did take pictures and purchased patterns and wool at some of the vendor tables. The bus picked us up and took us back to the hotel to get ready for a dinner & show at Dolly's Smoky Mountain Adventure. It was a wonderful show.

Next day, some quilters wanted to visit the Tanager Outlets vs. going to the quilt show again (for 6 hours), so I chose to go with them since I'd already seen most of the quilt show. We lunched at the Pigeon Forge Margeritaville Restaurant. While walking the downtown area, we viewed their huge Ferris wheel, the lighted water feature and even dropped in at the Ole Smoky Mountain Moonshine store. They served thimblefuls of flavored moonshine that burned on its way down--needless to say, I didn't purchase any. Dinner was at the hotel's eatery. We attended an excellent Smoky Mountain Opry variety show that night.

Saturday morning the tour scheduled us to go to the quilt show again, but guild members chose not to because there was the threat of snow in Beckley once again. On the way back to Beckley, the bus stopped at the Tennessee Quilts shop in Jonesboro, TN. A large selection of fabrics. I didn't buy many, but did purchase a panel I liked

## ~Spring Snacks~

### 2 Minute Salad Recipe By: Cheyenne C.

My grandmother makes this desert all the time, and it would be perfect for a Hawaiian Luau picnic. Wink! Wink!

- 1 medium can of crushed pineapple, drained
- 1 jar of maraschino cherries, drained and halved
- ½ of cup of chopped walnuts
- 1 can of Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk
- 1 Large container of cool whip
- ½ cup of Lemon juice

Put all the ingredients together in a big rectangle Tupperware (a cake pan with a cover works too) in the order given. Next pop it in the fridge to get cold. Then enjoy!

### Cocada: Mexican Candy By: Cheyenne C.

This is one of my favorite quick desserts.

- Nonstick cooking spray or coconut oil for baking dish
- 5 ½ cups (one 14 ounce bag) sweetened or unsweetened shredded coconut
- ½ cup sweetened condensed milk

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Spray or rub backing dish with your choice of grease. Mix coconut and condensed milk in a bowl until well combined. Spread mixture evenly in prepared baking dish. Bake until the coconut is completely browned on the edges (~20 mins). Let it cool slightly, and then cut into squares. Serve warm or at room temperature.

and backing yardage to go with it. During the trip to and back from Pigeon Forge, the quilt guild had played games which resulted in prizes (I won a couple). We also got a wonderful goody bag at the beginning of the tour. The organizer, Peggy DeHart was a wonderful hostess. She had made goodies to snack on during the tour. We arrived back in Beckley at 5:00 p.m. to 3" of snow. My car looked like a snowball! I stayed overnight at the hotel. Next morning, drove home--10 minutes out of Beckley, not a speck of snow on the ground.

On a more bittersweet note, I will be moving from the Morgantown area sometime in the next few months. There are many milestones in life, retirement being one of them. Right now I'm facing the prospect of embarking on a new way of living--moving on to Greencastle, PA, a town closer to my son's family in VA. I have found a house to rent and need to focus on packing up my Smithfield house for the move and putting it up for sale. I have moved many times in my life, but the prospect is still daunting. I belonged to a quilt group in NH before coming to work for the CDC in Morgantown. I didn't know much of quilting then and have much to learn still. I joined the Country Roads Guild hoping to learn from its seasoned quilters. I have learned much and am grateful and blessed to have met such wonderful ladies who are willing to share their craft. I hope to find such a group in my new location. Blessings to you all.

Betty C.



*Happy Birthday!*

May 28 Jane F.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: April 2018  
by Linda F.**

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| <b>Beginning Balance</b>   |                | <b>\$6,747.90</b> |
| <b>Income</b>              |                |                   |
| Dues                       | \$50.00        |                   |
| Donations                  | \$ 5.00        |                   |
| Novelty                    | \$13.00        |                   |
| No Nametags                | \$ 1.25        |                   |
| Charity                    | \$21.00        |                   |
| Interest                   | <u>\$ 0.29</u> |                   |
| Total Revenue              | \$90.54        |                   |
| <b>Expenses</b>            |                |                   |
| Off. Depot-Newsletter      | \$ 5.76        |                   |
| Pavilion Rental for Picnic | <u>\$25.00</u> |                   |
| Total Expenses             | \$30.76        |                   |
| <b>Ending Balance</b>      |                | <b>\$6,807.68</b> |

## Quilt Shop News

### Stitch Morgantown

22 Commerce Dr.  
Morgantown, WV 26501  
(304) 943 7137  
Owner: Angie M.

A new sewing shop with fabric, machines, and classes has opened. It is located in the shopping plaza near Big Lots in Westover.

### Quilters Yard Sale

Smithtown Community Center- May 5, 9am-2pm.

Mountain Heritage and Millennium Quilters Guilds will be set up as vendors, as well as others. There should be plenty of fabric, books, patterns and notions for all. Come and enjoy a lot of new finds.

