

The Postage Stamp

Country Roads Quilt Guild

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<http://countryroadsquiltguild.org>



A note from Jane

We have accomplished so much this year as a guild. Our quilt for the Appalachian Warrior Camp is completed and we will be coordinating with them to get it delivered soon. I am so proud of our group for stepping up to this additional project. Thanks to everyone who worked on it.

We have also finished work on our Opportunity Quilt for this year. You will want to see this beautiful quilt! This fund-raising project is critical to the operation of the guild. Another BIG thanks for your investment of time to get it finished. It's going to look amazing hanging in our show.

October means we will be concentrating on getting entries and workers for The Mountaineer Quilt show. It will be on us before we know it. Show off what you've worked on this year and plan to join us at the Mountainlair. It's always great to see our many creations on display.

Jane

Programs Update by Vice President Patty L.

Due to a schedule conflict, we've had to rework the program schedule for October through January.

- October, Repurposed items* show-n-tell
- November, Carol S. will present how she made a toiletry bag from a pattern she developed from a toiletry bag her husband had worn out.
- December, we'll celebrate with a Christmas party as we've done in the past.
- January, we'll have a hand quilting demonstration by Jane L. and Linda F.

We're also working on a weekend class on how to make a mug rug, intended as a way to introduce quilting to beginners. Stay tuned!

Next meeting: Oct 11, 2018

Location: Harners Chapel
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Program: Repurposed items*

Novelty: Maggie F.
Hostesses: Karen S.
Patty L.

**Please bring in item(s) that you use for sewing that weren't intended to be a sewing item. These are household items that were manufactured for purposes other than sewing.*

October Birthdays

7 Lydia G.
11 Carolyn G.
26 Linda F.
28 Hope C.

September 2018 Minutes by Jane

The September meeting was called to order by President Jane L., who reminded members to get their tickets for the novelty item donated by Pat F. She also welcomed a guest, Ruth B., to the meeting.

Officer reports

Jane asked if there were any additions or corrections to the published minutes. Monica M. moved that they be accepted as published. Linda F. 2nd the motion and the motion carried.

No one had any questions about the treasurer's report. Carol S. moved that they be filed. Monica M. 2nd the motion.

Committee reports

- Newsletter - Jane thanked Linda F. for doing the September newsletter. The Oct. newsletter will be done by Kathryn G. Information is due to her by Sep 28.
- Appalachian warrior quilt – Binding is finished. All that remains is the label, which Rhonda B. is doing. Jane will inquire about delivery of the quilt. Several members volunteered to help with the delivery, if needed.
- Opportunity quilt – Carol S. reported that the quilt has been taken to the quilter. Donna H. was recommended by Fabric on a Roll. Cost is estimated at \$45.
- Featherweight class – Carol reported on the class which was held Aug. 18. Members and non-members took the class taught by Karen B.
- Mountaineer Quilt Show –
 - Sign up sheets were passed around to: (1) choose work shifts; (2) hang quilts and (3) enter quilts. Patty L. reported on a new method to enter a quilt.
 - 3 Quilt delivery choices – next meeting, Sunday, October 14 at noon at Harner's Chapel, OR Tuesday, October 16 at the Mountainlair
 - Hanging sleeve directions are on our webpage
 - Workers are still needed for all show dates.

Old Business

WVQI meeting – We are still looking for a location to suggest to WVQI. Francis will check her church.

Directories and membership cards – Patty had these available for pickup.

Webpage – We need someone to take over the responsibility of updates to our webpage. Terry will continue this job only until the end of the year.

Botanic Garden update – Patty reported that officers had met with the Botanic Garden representatives to discuss auction items to benefit the garden. A decision was made to not proceed with the idea.

New Business

McCall's Quilting magazine – if interested talk to Carol S.

Novelty drawing – won by Patty L.

Refreshments – Thank you to Cheyenne C. and Carol S. for providing us with delicious refreshments for the meeting.

Program followed the meeting – Machine quilting using rulers by Patty L.

Patty showed many of them to quilt with your home machine. Machines were set up to allow examples of rulers and explained how to use members to try the process.



SHOW AND TELL



TREASURER'S REPORT

By Linda F.

Beginning Balance **\$ 7,094.90**

Income

Novelty	\$ 9.00	
Membership	15.00	
Charity	4.50	
No Nametag	.50	
Interest	<u>.31</u>	
Total Revenue		\$ 29.31

Expenses

Kathryn G.-Picnic	\$ 43.27	
Harner Chapel-June/Aug/Sept	75.00	
Rhonda B.-QOV quilting	51.75	
L.F.-Ju/Jul/Aug Newsltr.	14.76	
USP - PO Box Rental	70.00	
Jane L. - Binding for Opp. Quilt	6.36	
Donna H. - Quilting of Opp. Quilt	<u>49.82</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>\$ 310.96</u>

Ending Balance **\$ 6,813.25**

Educational Fund Balance	\$ 2,770.28	
Charity Fund Balance	<u>\$ 100.99</u>	

Remaining Operating Budget **\$ 3,941.98**

Member News and Travels

Last month when Lou D. was in Harrisburg, Pa, Lou and her sister visited "**Half Moon Handwerks**," a needlework/quilt shop in New Cumberland, Pa. it's really a great little shop just packed with fabrics, needlecraft needs, beading, unusual buttons, books, quilt and needlework books and patterns. They focus on the unique, and customer service is enthusiastic and helpful. The shop is located across the river from Harrisburg and is easy to locate. It was a great "find" and, because I found all the 'hard to find' materials for a complicated cross stitch pattern that she's attempting, it saved Lou a trip to Lancaster.

Patty L., Carol S. and Linda F. attended the WV Quilters Fall meeting in Berkeley Springs. While there, they took a fabric painting class using watercolor crayons and a fabric medium taught by Jackie Perry. It was a new technique for all three and lots of fun. The program for the meeting the next day was a trunk show by Jackie. She is a wonderful teacher and an awesome quilter. She is an award winner in many major shows including winning first place for hand quilting in Paducah this year.



Patty, Carol & Linda's fabric paintings

Jane L. participated in another quilt documentation on Saturday, 29th in Hardy County. It was held in conjunction with the Heritage Weekend which also included a quilt show by the Highland Star Quilters. Every year they host the Hoffman Challenge winners which travel around the country and are included in their show. You can see pictures of the Hoffman quilts in an album on Jane's Facebook page.

From Betty C.

I have just returned from a whirlwind trip to NH. With this trip and still packing for my move, I have not been sewing of late. I got my Christmas gifts sewn during the 1st 4 months of this year.

Sept 25th was a challenge to drive through a windy rainstorm and to try and navigate standing water on roadways; hard to avoid hydroplaning. The low tire light came on in the car in Franklin, NH. It was another challenge to find an air hose that actually worked. Finally I found an actual service station where they gave me the air for free. I made it to the **Dorr Wool Mill** and spent way too much money on wool applique patterns. Then it was on to **Keepsake Quilting**, in Center Harbor, NH where I spent more money. Then I stayed overnight with my cousin in Littleton, NH.

Sept 26th Drove to Errol, NH to spend the afternoon with a quilting friend and rode with her to attend their annual fall quilt supper, quilt show and 'show & tell' of my former quilt group. It is held in a church in Colebrook, NH. So many beautiful quilts and talented quilters. I always enjoy the stories of how their quilts came to be; some are pretty humorous. One lady had been traveling in Europe and bought fabric in London. But her fabric didn't make it home with her. It traveled to Rome, Italy and Germany before she got it back. She worried because she had plans to make a baby quilt for a baby being born this month. She did get the top done, so it'll likely be ready when the baby arrives. This year they had a silent auction and I won 3 large bundles of wool for my growing interest in wool applique, not that I need more. My friend graciously hosted me overnight after the show.

Sept 27th I drove back to Littleton and had lunch with a VT cousin. She found out it was my birthday and gave me lunch as a birthday gift. Couldn't beat that! Once again, I stayed overnight with my Littleton cousin.

Sept 28th on the road back home, stopped at the **Quilt-Away Quilt Shop** in Westminster, VT. They have unique, easy-to-accomplish patterns, and I found a couple more from the last time I was here. Listening to another lady talking with the store clerk, my bionic ears perked up and learned of another quilt shop in VT a few more miles down the road. So, on the way to the motel, my car just steered its way to the historic **Norton House** in Wilmington, VT, with its creaky floors and walls covered with so many quilts. Going through West Brattleboro and Wilmington was like driving through picture postcards of quaint New England towns—tall white church spires, village greens and country stores. After purchasing a couple of patterns at the Norton House, the clerk told me I could go to the Country Store next door and get either a free cookie cutter or a small block of fudge with my Norton House receipt. I chose fudge as I hadn't had lunch and it was after 3 p.m. There was a scenic overlook going to Wilmington, but fall colors had barely started so there wasn't much to look at except the beautiful green mountain state mountainsides. The Berkshires in MA weren't anything to write home about either.

I typically have a lead foot, but tried to keep it safe this time, while trying to keep out of others' way—on I-68 a box truck nearly creamed me when I was passing and he tried to pull over in my lane.

I've spent enough money during this trip, so driving back home my car just steered a straight path home.

Bonus: no speeding tickets the entire trip!

Pumpkin Dip Submitted by Cheyenne C.

Ingredients:

Can of pumpkin
Big container of cool whip
Vanilla pudding mix
Pumpkin pie seasoning

Directions:

Mix the pumpkin, seasoning, pudding mix together. Then add the cool whip. I used an electric mixer for convenience. Chill in the fridge until cold. Serve with vanilla wafers, graham crackers, pretzels, apple slices, or anything else that sounds yummy.

Lesley K. submitted the Mini Wallet Tutorial found on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FcjceajtswM>

She did change the size to 4 ½ by 6 ½, which is much easier to use. There are many others with all sorts of embellishments – snaps, Velcro, zippers, etc.



Featuring:

- Two Trunk shows (free with daily admission)
- Cindy Page and Patti Cline (from Quilter's Gallery) on Friday at 2 pm
- Lee Chappell Monroe (modern quilt designer & teacher) on Saturday at 2 pm
- Special Exhibits
- Bonnie Hunter's mystery quilts
- 2017 AQS Semifinalist Ania Reich's art quilts
- Triad Modern Quilt Guild's modern quilts
- Beecasso's Quilt Group art quilts & quilts by members of the Delta Arts Center
- Hall of Champions quilts by professionals or quilts juried in a national show

Also:

- Juried show of over 150 quilts
- Vendors and demonstrations covering a variety of topics and techniques
- Two for One Quilt Raffle: one ticket, two drawings for raffle quilts
- Quilts for sale
- A boutique of handmade gifts, door prizes, Granny's attic and silent auction

Friday Nov. 2nd (9 am to 5 pm) & Saturday Nov. 3rd (9 am to 4 pm)

at Gateway YWCA, 1300 S Main St, downtown Winston-Salem

Admission: \$5/day, \$7 for a 2-day pass (children under 12 free)

Parking is free, and show is handicapped accessible

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Berlin, Ohio Quilt Retreat

Eight members of CRQG attended a luxurious quilt retreat at the *Berlin Grande* September 16-19, 2018 hosted by the Plaid Sheep Company. Pat F. celebrated her birthday on the first day of the retreat along with Linda T., Maggie F., Debbie S., Gitta J., Deloris R., Kathryn G. and Patty O. This venue is a favorite for Patty and her sister, Peggy, from Cleveland. They have already reserved their space for the April retreat. The Berlin Grande lodging includes breakfast from 7-10 am and a salt water pool. Our rooms were above the sewing room with an elevator very close.

Beginning on Sunday afternoon, the attendees unpack and set up to sew as late as they want. All day Monday and Tuesday the room was open for sewing with each participant having an 8 feet table to claim as their own. Anytime you wish to take a break, you can go shop! There are plenty shops in and nearby Berlin. One shop Pat, Kathryn, Maggie and Debbie went to after leaving the Berlin Grande Wednesday afternoon was ***Somewhere sewing***. We discovered they have a nice classroom available for retreats as well! The owners husband suggested a local farmer has a dormitory type setting for close lodging.