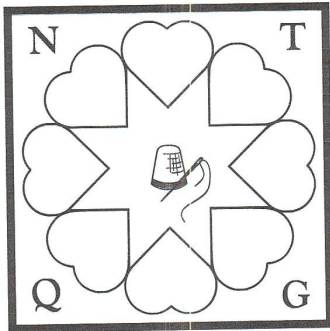


Nimble Thimbles Quilt Guild

The Guild with heart—www.ntquiltguild.com



President's Message

Words of thanks do not seem to convey my feelings about the wonderful quilt you gave me at our last meeting. It is true that as President, the quilt is not a total surprise. But I was deeply touched by the beauty and emotions that I felt as I held it and read the sentiments. This is truly the Guild with heart!

I look forward to another year ahead and new challenges. My work has completed for the summer and I now have more time to spend on quilting. It's a great hobby for the air conditioning. There is still time this summer to squeeze in quilt classes before the school year begins and our normal routines begin anew.

Suzanne DiCarlo
President

Board Meeting

There will be a Board meeting before our regular Guild meeting. It will start at 4 p.m. The main topic will be the Budget for the next Guild year. If you can not attend, please contact Suzanne. A draft budget will be mailed out to Board and Committee chairmen before the meeting.

News from the VP – Programs

Our speaker for August will be Karen Pharr from Tennessee. Mrs. Pharr was a teacher at Paducah this past spring and was also recently the head speaker for the Studio Art Quilt Association. Mrs. Pharr will be giving a lecture at our Monday evening meeting and then a workshop titled "Opening Doorways" will be given on Tuesday, August 9 from 9:00 until 3:00 at Messiah Lutheran Church.

This workshop will focus on the many different techniques used to create this wonderful little wall hanging. The techniques used are (but not limited to) fused appliques, couching, beading and many others. Mrs. Pharr was highly sought after in Paducah and also assures me this workshop is beginner friendly. I will bring an example the workshop to the meeting. The cost of the workshop is \$25 and a kit will be available for \$20. Class size is limited to the first 25 people. If you are interested in this workshop, please call me at 918-4445 or see me at the August meeting.

Don't Forget to bring:

Name Tag
Block of the Month
Show and Share
Philanthropy Quilts
Library Books

to the next Meeting

Happy Quilting!
Susan Perham

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August Birthdays

Betty Kiraly	11th
Suzanne DiCarlo	13th
Debbie Fenton	16th
Rosemary Brytus	21st
Becki Kauffman	23rd



Treasurer's Report

As of July 23, 2011:

Beginning Balance	\$8,105.11
Ending Balance	8,055.11

Income:	
Expenses:	\$50.00

Pam Loburk,
Treasurer

Thimbles @ Work

We **will meet** before the meeting in August. Bring a project to work on or make items for the Boutique. Bring patterns to share. We will go out to eat dinner at 5 p.m., or you can bring something to eat at the church.

Current Quilting Bees

Thimbles@ Work

Meets before each Guild Meeting at MLC starting at 2 pm. We will get to know new members, work on Guild and Philanthropy projects, and learn/tray new techniques.

Bee Hive

Meetings are the First Friday of the Month. Check with Ruth Bartholomew for availability.

UFO Busters

Meetings are held on the Monday immediately following the NTQG meetings. Always open. Check with Joan Derylak for location.

Website

Be sure to browse our Photo Gallery on our website for pictures of Guild activities. You will find pictures from our meetings, workshops and more. Feel free to send pictures to the site administrator, Gloria, at webmaster@ntquiltguild.com, of any Guild related activities.

Philanthropy


There are two dedications coming in August for Habitat. Both are in Travelers Rest. If you are interested in going to one or both, contact us for times and addresses.

We do truly appreciate all of your help and support in making it possible for our huge philanthropy project in this its 4th year. Thank you, our members, who have kept the quilts coming so we can give them away! If you haven't already gone to a dedication, you owe it to yourself to do so. It is so heartwarming to see the faces light up as we open up each quilt. The quilts are always a big hit at the dedications.

We are still in need of quilts suitable for older boys. Teen boys are tall and we do get several. It is harder to find fabrics that are more for young men, but we have faith that you all will come through yet again!

Many thanks,
Sue and Susan

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Calling all Wantobe Quilters?

"Hello friends and followers, I would love to welcome you to a Wantobe Quilters Campaign over here. (<http://stashmanicure.blogspot.com>) They are having quilting supplies to giveaway 5 x a week for 12 weeks. Supplies that will have you quilting before you know it...From sewing machines to irons, to die cutters, to mats, to rotary cutters, sewing baskets, scissors, batting, needles, rolled sewing machine bags, patterns, books, magazines...everything you could imagine to assist you in being a NEW Quilter. Even if you are already part of this community you can win quilting stuff too...Tuesday and Thursday are days for us.. All you have to do is give me your name and phone number and email sew I can submit this to the organizer, because if you win anything I can win something too. All you have to do is be my follower and a follower over at Sew We Quilt @ Stash Manicure.... That is all! There are over 49 Sponsors involved. I am pretty excited to be part of this, sew should you. I love being a QUILTER! (p.s you will not be eligible to win anything if you do not register *with a blogger where you see this message*)

From Blogland ... this is a serious, huge, big giveaway that is coming up. My blog will be participating (yes, self-promotion) stitchin-therapy.blogspot.com. Stop by, sign up, and hopefully win! This is perfect for beginning quilters, daughters, granddaughters, friends or new members to enter.

Happy Stitching!
Debbie Clarke

Fat Quarter of the Month

Our new monthly drawing will start in August. Here's the info: For each fat quarter you bring, you put one ticket in the hat. One winner will take home all of them. They may be blenders, tone on tone, stripes, prints or batiks that reflect the shades of one or both the scents for the month. Each month you have two scents to choose from. There will be a basket marked on a table each month to deposit your fat quarters.

MONTH	SCENT
August	Peach or Coconut tanning oil
September	Blueberry or New Car
October	Licorice or Pumpkin
November	Cedar chest or Blue ocean
December	Pine or Poinsettia
January	Cocoa or Smoke
February	Vanilla or Cherry
March	Eucalyptus or Fresh Air
April	Daffodil or Lilac
May	Strawberries or Bay Leaf
June	Baby Powder or Grape

Joanna McLucas and Margaret Seel



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Membership

Thanks for those who renewed their membership this month. We want to welcome the following new members to our Guild. Please add them to your directory. Remember your renewal must be turned in by our September meeting to be included in the new Directory.

We were excited to have so many visitors for our program in June. We hope they will come back to see us again and hopefully join us!

**Fabric Strip Swap**

We're off to a great start with the fabric strip swap! There are two groups. The category/theme from July was sunrise-yellow/gold. Those strips will be distributed to participants at the August meeting. For August, the category is sunset-gold/orange. Participants should bring their 12 strips to the meeting or mail them to me. A big THANK YOU to participants for turning in their strips on time.

Yvonne Stiefel

Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild

2011 Membership Form

www.ntquiltguild.com

Name _____ Date _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
Birthday (month/day) _____ New _____ Renewal _____
Newsletters will be sent by e-mail unless you do not have an account.
Check one: By Mail _____ Online _____
E-Mail Address _____

Membership Dues are for JULY 1 – JUNE 30, 2012 \$15.00

Circle one: New Renewal Date _____ Check # _____ Cash _____

Dues must be received by the September 12, 2011 Guild Meeting to be included in the Directory. Members who join after that date will be listed on roster to receive monthly newsletter and will be noted in the newsletter under membership report.

Make checks payable to Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild. Mail to: Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild, 22 Heather Stone Court, Simpsonville, SC 29680

Please place an asterick (*) next to any changes from last year's information, if renewal.

Participation

Please include any areas of special interest to you that would contribute to your enjoyment and participation in NTQG. This is a group of very creative quilters at all levels of skill and we will function at our best when we share our ideas, time and talents with everyone. In doing so, you will enjoy another wonderful, educational and fun-filled year.

Please circle one or more of the following Committees of interest to you. Many hands working together make for little work and much more fun!

Bees	Habitat for Humanity	Donation Quilt '12	Directory	Guild Sales	
Historian	Hospitality	Website	Library	Membership	Newsletter
Programs	Workshops	Tours/Retreats	Quilt Show Committees	Swaps	
Secret Sister	Round Robin	Audit Committee			

Any Suggestions are Welcome: _____

Do you have any special skills that might benefit OUR Guild? Some examples are:

Graphic Design _____ Education _____ Sales/Marketing _____ Accounting _____
Desktop Publishing _____ Other _____

Would you be willing to teach a workshop or round robin? Topics: _____

Information to: Treasurer _____ Membership _____ Newsletter Editor _____

Dues paid on: _____ Added to roster/e-mail: _____

Block Quest August 2011

We are going to make some string pieced blocks. These are versatile blocks. Visit Bonnie Hunter's website for more inspiration. www.quiltville.com. I recycle old phone book pages to make string blocks. We are going to use our scraps to make these blocks.

First start with your foundation, either the provided phone book pages or use newspaper or foundation piecing paper etc. Cut your foundation 6 ½ inch square.

Now rummage through your scraps and find 2 pieces that are long enough to go across the diagonal length of the block. Place the first piece right side up on the paper and the second piece on top of the first right side down. Now sew a seam down the side of the strips. Flip and press.



Now keep adding strips and pieces to both sides until you have covered the entire paper foundation.



Now you have made a new piece of fabric to build your quilt from.

Now turn the block face down on your cutting surface and trim to 6 ½ inches square. Use the paper as your guide. (depending on piecing the 6 ½ inch square may be larger than the paper foundation. That is fine, just make sure your piece is 6 ½ inches when you are finished trimming. Make as many as you want. You get one chance for every block you make and bring in for the drawing at our August meeting.

Happy Piecing,
Shelia Chandler

QUILT SHOW

The Quilt Show Registration form is now available on line. Go to our website ntquiltguild.com and click "Aunt Het 2011 Quilt Show Registration Form". We appreciate your online registration as it saves us lots of data entry time. Becky will send you a confirmation when she receives your entry. If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact Becky. If you would rather fill out a form by hand, print out a copy, call, or email Becky Kaufman 299-6539, (auen50@gmail.com), or snail mail: 6 Crested Spring Ct., Greenville, SC, 29605. Please read the rules and make sure you enter your quilt in the correct category. We are also asking for a few extra hands to help us take in the quilts on September 29.

We also have posters, flyers, and bookmarks for distribution, so help spread the word.

Boutique: Want to donate items to the Boutique but don't know what to make? Sorry about the previous workshop. To make up for it "Thimbles @ Work" have offered to host a Quilt Show Workshop before the meeting, August 8, from 2:00pm to 5:00pm. Ruth will have patterns and ideas, or bring your own. Projects to make mesh bags, cupcakes, baby cakes, hip pockets, and humbug bags are planned. The "cupcakes" take scraps of fabric...12x 12", interfacing, stuffing and embellishments.

The "Baby Cakes" take coordinating fabrics, the largest one is a "fat eighth", and embellishments: ric~rac, ribbon, lace (13 1/2 inches to go around the "cake")

The mesh bag is a 12" zipper, 3 1/2" strip of decorative fabric, and interfacing.

The "Hip Pockets" take 1/4 yard of two coordinating fabrics, 1/8 of another coordinating fabric, and two 7" zippers. Also, if anyone is thinking of doing/bringing anything else that will be ok, too.

Bring your helping hands, sewing supplies, and a sewing machine if you can.

Thanks again!

This year I would like to offer something a little different to our members and Quilt show attendees. Along with quality donated items for the boutique, I would like to offer a venue to NTQG members to sell some of their excellent hand crafted wares.

The guidelines will be as follows:

1. Members must register as sellers before the show. Once registered, you will receive a "seller code". This code is to identify your merchandise and distinguish it from the other items for sale.
2. Members will be responsible for pricing and coding their own items. (It would also be helpful if you could bring your items with some kind of display packaging, i.e. hanger, shelf, plastic tote ~ be sure your display items are labeled to show ownership.)
3. "For Sale" items must be delivered to the Senior Center before noon on set up day, correctly priced and coded.
4. Members who are selling their items must work a minimum of 2 hours in the boutique; either in set up and/or during the show.
5. Unsold items are to be picked up by the member at the close of the show.
6. Checks for the items sold by the seller will be issued by the guild treasurer at a later date - minus 10% of the seller's sale total - which will be donated to the guild.
7. By registering to sell your items, you agree that NTQG will not be held liable for any lost or stolen items.

Contact: Ruth Bartholomew 288-3123, thewoodenewe@gmail.com.

Admissions: For the door prizes, we are making small rolls of 5 piece, 6 inch squares to give away to everyone who has a dot on their program. Please donate 6 inch squares, or fabric we can cut. Contact: Edna Burch 963-1486.

Fat Quarter Basket: We have a big basket to fill so start bringing fat quarters to fill it. As you find fat quarters and fabric on sale buy extra to donate to the basket. Contact: Helen Hinkle 593-3150,

hhinkle@gmail.com.

Still needed are chair people for: Children's Corner, Set up, and Take Down. So please search your hearts and join us to make this a fun and fabulous quilt show. Thank you to Vince DiCarlo for volunteering his truck and time to help get the stands to and from the show. Let's find a few more trucks or trailers and helpers for him.

THANK YOU! Debbie Fenton 864-963-1213, robule25@hotmail.com and Marion Coleman 864-369-0301, tceng1@bellsouth.net.

Challenge Quilt - 2011 - A Song in Your Quilt

In just a few short weeks our September meeting will be here and it will be time to share our 2011 Challenge Quilts. There are just a few things to remember:

1. Put a hanging sleeve on your quilt if it is larger than a lap size quilt.
2. Put a label on your quilt - include: your name, the song title, the crayon color you used, and anything else you would like.
3. Cover your label with a piece of cloth and safety pins.
4. Bring your quilt in a pillowcase or a non-clear bag.

The Challenge quilts will be revealed and voted on at the September meeting.

Don't forget to submit your Quilt Registration form for the quilt to hang in the Quilt Show in October.

If you haven't provided me with the song name that your quilt tells the story of, please do one of two things. Let me know at the August meeting or Call me at 864-297-0949 and leave a message with your name, the name of your song, your crayon color, your quilt's size, and your phone number.

I hope you have had as much fun as I have in creating this year's Challenge Quilt and I look forward to seeing yours!

Thank you.....Betty Kiraly

Commercial rates for advertising in the NTQG Newsletter are \$75 per year. Eleven newsletters are issued per year. This rate applies to 11 consecutive newsletters. Commercial rates for advertising in a single issue of the NTQG newsletter are \$10 per newsletter. All advertising must be submitted and paid for by the 20th of the previous month. This purchases a business card sized (2"x3") advertisement. Please provide a clean black ink on white background copy for your advertisement or an electronic file. Non-commercial advertising from Guild members is accepted by the 20th of the month.

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Upcoming Programs

August: Karen Pharr

September : Challenge Reveal

October: Lynn Parker

November: Quilter's Gallery (The Pizza Girls)

December: Social & Quilt Drawing