



ACQ Views

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Newsletter of the Arapahoe County Quilters

Meeting Agenda

January 12, 2017

Doors Open:

6: 50pm

Board Meeting :

January 7th at 11:00 am

Pat Syta's House

7287 Meadow View

Parker, CO

Committee Chairs are requested to attend. Board Members unable to attend should contact at Pat Syta at 303-797-0414 or email at pres.acq@gmail.com in advance to confirm.

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Happy New Year 2017!

January 12, 2017

Demo Night

Bring in the new year by learning new skills!

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In the 5-10 minute break between the demos, we'll meet in the middle, visit and snack.

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But if you'd like to contribute to the snack table, bring a finger food that's easy to grab and go.

See additional details on Page 3!

We are a group of individuals who already like to quilt, or would like to start, who want to grow and learn more about quilting, and who want to enjoy the fellowship and friendship of other quilters.

This group is not exclusive to the makers of quilts, but includes all who find interest and worth in the collection and preservation of our fiber arts and heritage.

From The President by Kelly Collins

Hello to all our ACQ members,

Thank you for putting your trust in me. I'm proud to be your 2017 President. First I'd like to tell you a little about myself. I've been quilting for approximately 27 years and love to learn new techniques. I would call myself a traditional quilter, but I love the bold new colors that keep coming out and would love to challenge myself to use them. I recently moved into "our forever home" as my husband likes to call it and I have lots of space to introduce those colors. So we'll see. My husband Steve and I have been married 31 years and have a 30yr old son who lives in Loveland.

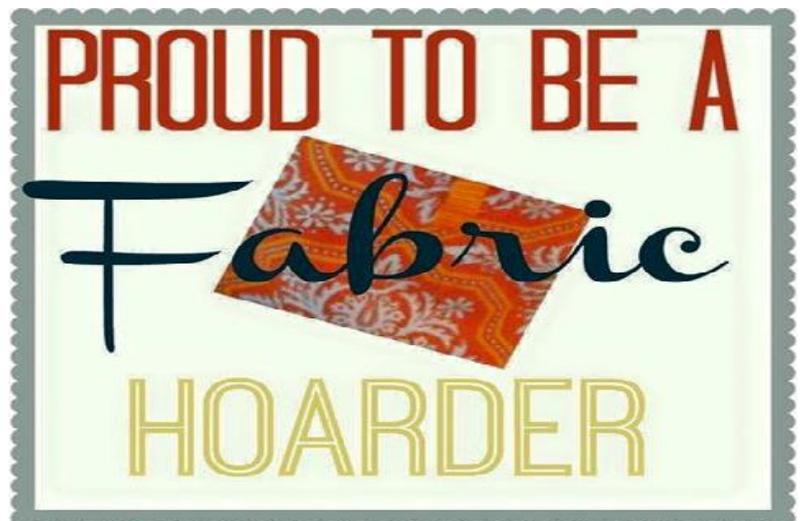
I've been a member of ACQ for 10 years. In that time I've been the Treasurer and Program Chair and President-Elect. It's the best way to get to know people in the guild. As I work my way through president I hope to get to know more of the membership however as some of you know I've undergone Breast Cancer treatment twice and do have some residual memory issues from the treatment so **please wear your name badges!** It really helps us all to know whom we're speaking to. I'll get it eventually be patient.

I'm the first to admit that I haven't been the president of anything since High School. I'm going to give this my best shot. I'm open to new ideas and I hope the guild is too. My number is 303-913-8096 please call me any time with ideas, questions or concerns and I will do my best to address them. I'd love to see us have fun, learn, share and grow as a guild. I'd like to see the Business portion of the meeting be short and the show-n-tell be long. I'd like to see more socializing during our breaks and spend that time meeting new friends and learning from each other. I'd love to see members get more involved in the running of the guild. None of the positions are extremely challenging or time consuming and I'm sure there are some talented people in the guild who could lend their talents or a new perspective to our organization. Please let us know what you're interested in and spend this year watching and asking questions of the board so you're ready to step up in 2018.

So whether you're a snowbird or live here full time I want you to know it's going to be a great year. I look forward to meeting more of you, working with some of you and working hard for all of you. Here's to having a great year of quilting in 2017.

Live, Love and Laugh

Kelly Collins



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Leslie Courtnage: Thread Painting.

Come see how thread painting can add detail and interest to any quilt project. Using only thread and a straight stitch many things are possible. This technique has been used for years, starting with treadle machines. You can create appliqués to add to quilts as well.

Kate Colleran: Ice Dying.

Chill out at this table for a bit to watch as Kate shares an ice dying technique with us to make one of a kind fabrics for quilting. Winter is coming – you can use snow for this technique as well!

Tracy Kreiling: Machine Embroidery.

Watch Tracy create magical motifs and beautiful ways to use thread with machine embroidery!

Amy Flynn: Spoon Quilting.

Who knew a common kitchen utensil could be used for an innovative way to quilt? For those interested in hand quilting, come see Amy spoon feed us a unique way to stitch our layers together.

Angie Nofziger & Jane Dumler: Quilt Finishing Techniques.

See a demo on four techniques you'll need to finish your quilts prior to submitting to the ACQ 2017 Festival of Quilts Show! You pick which of the two groups of techniques you want to learn about. In each rotation, at one end of the table, Angie Nofziger will demonstrate how to make a sleeve and ideas on how to bind your quilt and at the other end of the table, Jane Dumler will demonstrate how to create a label and make a cloth bag to be used to transport your quilt to the show (both are required for all Quilt Show submissions). If you are interested in learning about all four techniques, visit this table through two rotations. Demos, instructions, and tips will be provided for each technique.

Ellen Palmer: Judging Your Quilt.

Have you ever wondered how quilts are judged? What are judges looking for? What kind of feedback will you receive to help improve your quilts? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then don't miss this rotation. Ellen Palmer an ACQ member and a CQC qualified judge will be our guide. The 2017 FOQ Committee has provided 6-8 quilts (not all their best work) that will be used to demonstrate how quilts are critiqued and what type of feedback can be expected.

Raffle Committee by Patricia Graham, Stephanie Smith & Donna Hankinson

Thank you, members, for a terrific fund-raising year in 2016!

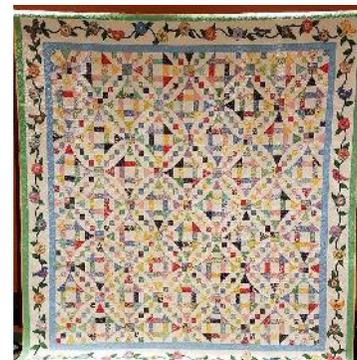
We raised \$577 at the December meeting, and \$6514 for the year. The winner was Jessica A from Longmont, CO.

Jessica is from Longmont, and bought her winning ticket at Quilt-A-Fair in September. She is a quilter; making quilts for family, friends and cancer patients undergoing treatment.

Look for a link soon for volunteer sign-ups for 2017 events!

We are excited to announce the 2017 Raffle Quilt appraised for \$9285!

Patricia Graham, Stephanie Smith & Donna Hankinson



Membership Update by Tracey & Jan

Happy New Year. Membership is due. As you know, membership had increased and the amount of \$35.00 covers year 2017. Please mail in your completed form and check to ACQ, PO BOX 5357, ENGLEWOOD, CO 80155. You may also join us January 12th 2017 for the DEMO Night.

If you have any questions, please contact either Tracy Kreiling at gosew@yahoo.com or call her at 303-973-8899 or Jan Wolfgram at wolfgramjc@gmail.com or call her at 720-550-7690. Thank you

Announcements

Bylaws Change

The Arapahoe Country Quilters membership unanimously passed a change to increase the dues \$10.00 at the September 8, 2016 meeting. The dues will go from \$25.00 to \$35.00 for the year 2017 and those following. Your understanding into this change was appreciated and will enhance results in your monthly programs and meetings. We will vote on the change to the bylaws at the October 13, 2016 meeting. The change is in red as follows:

Article IV: Dues

Section 1: Dues are \$25.00 per year (January 1 through January 31).

Change: Dues are \$35.00 per year (January 1 through January 31).

Charitable Quilts by Sheila Clark

We are so proud to report that our ACQ Charitable Quilts committee **Sew~Along** day was a wonderful success. Eight ACQ members sewed for hours and finished 10 quilt tops. Thank you to: Shirley Lee, Kelly Collins, Mary Gholson, Angie Nofziger, Terry Swanson, Kate Smith, and Linda Wilson. If you would like to join us for the next time, please email me.

At the January 2017 meeting we will not have a table set up but if you want to turn in finished projects, we will gladly accept them and say **thank you**.



Sheila Clark sheila-clark@comcast.net

Linda Wilson lwilson6215@gmail.com

New Name Badges Available to the Membership

If you are interested in purchasing a new name tag, envelopes will be available for you to fill out at each General Meeting. Please request one at the Membership table as well. You will be able to fill out your own envelope, put the correct money inside and we will get the tags made and back to you at the next monthly meeting. The tag has a magnetic backing and if you have a pace maker should not wear this style. We can get you a pin on style if you need one. You will need to let us know that.

Prices are as follows:

Name Tag \$7.00

Position Bars from previous offices held \$3.00 each

Folks did not always put their name on the cloth style tags we gave new members. These new tags will help us remember folks names better as they will be easily visible. The board encourages you to purchase a new name tag and wear it proudly at our meetings. Also, why not wear it proudly to other guild meetings and share that we have a great guild with ACQ.

2017 Festival of Quilts by Sandy Christiansen

The dates of the ACQ 2017 Festival of Quilts (FOQ) are **June 9 and 10, 2017** which seems like a long time from now, but is only about five months away. You can enter any two quilts that were finished since our last show in June of 2015, or that was finished too late to enter in the 2015 show. So now that the holidays are over and winter has arrived, it is the time to start working on your quilts for the show. We can't have a fabulous Festival of Quilts without your quilts!

The FOQ Committee has very busy preparing to begin registration in February. This year you will be able to enter the registration form online! You will still need to pay the registration fee at a meeting or mail it to an address to be provided. All the specifics will be provided in the February newsletter and on our FOQ webpage to be populated with 2017 FOQ information by February 1, 2017. You will still be able to fill out a paper registration form and submit it at a meeting from February 9, 2017 – April 13, 2017 if you are having difficulty with the online form. Both online and paper registrations will close after the April meeting.

We will continue to use an online signup for volunteering as well. A link to that sign-up will be available in the February newsletter and on our FOQ webpage by February 1, 2017. You can also signup at meetings beginning in February.

Opportunity to Learn or Improve Quilt Finishing Techniques- January 12th Demo Night

Instead of providing demonstrations of various quilt finishing techniques at multiple meetings from January through April as was done in 2015, all the demonstrations will be offered as part of the January 12th Demo Night. **Please don't miss this opportunity!**

The ACQ 2017 FOQ Committee will be sponsoring two tables at the January 12th Demo Night.

Quilt Finishing Techniques with two groups of techniques demonstrated by Angie Nofziger and Jane Dummer simultaneously at different ends of the table:

- Making a sleeve and binding your quilt
- Creating a label and making a cloth bag

If you are interested in learning about all four techniques, visit this table through two rotations.

How are Quilts Judged?

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The FOQ committee could use some help in the following areas.

Focus on using our Facebook page to help advertise the Quilt Show

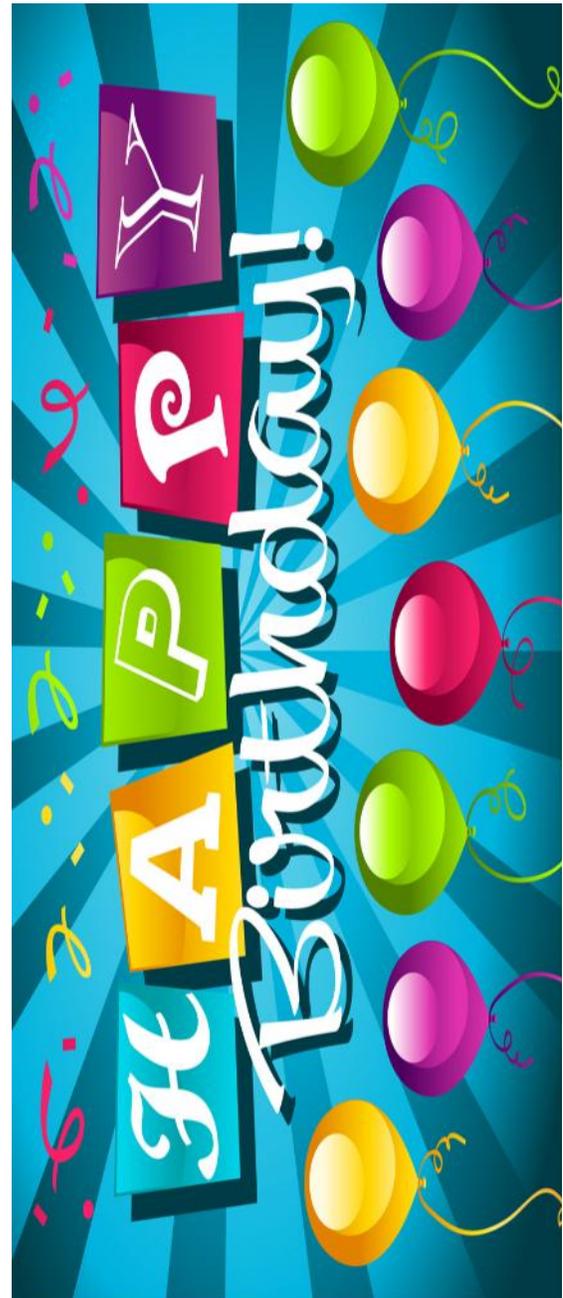
Be part of a small team to help organize and prepare for the sew a block for Quilts of Valor (QOV) activity.

Mary Papich an ACQ member and former home economics teacher with 14 years of experience of teaching sewing has volunteered to lead this effort but needs some help to design blocks and pre-cut material.

If you would like to assist Mary with the Facebook portion of publicity or making this QOV sewing station a reality, please contact her directly at mpapich@prolynx.com or Sandy Christiansen at s.christiansen@comcast.net.

January Birthdays

Diana	Barry	1/1
Mary Lou	Carter	1/1
Ellen	Palmer	1/1
Nancy	Williams	1/1
Patty	Hoerr	1/2
Rhonda	Cushatt	1/5
Debra	Neese	1/5
Ann	Petersen	1/5
Penny	Stanaford	1/5
Carol	Cassidy	1/7
Loraine	Kreznar	1/7
Kelly	Collins	1/14
Annette	Burbach	1/17
Sharon	Frame	1/18
Amy Ann	Peterson	1/18
Judy	Houser	1/18
Jan	Routh	1/18
Jacquelyn	Baker	1/22
Gloria	Bright	1/24
Carol	Balmer	1/27
Lynne	Fussell	1/27
Sharon	Osborne	1/29



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**Next Meeting will be Held on:
Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 6:50 pm**

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The next deadline for newsletter submissions is: **January 20, 2017**

All submissions are subject to editing for space and content. Articles and information should be delivered to:

June Dudley, Editor

Preferably by email: acq.views.newsletter@gmail.com

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Dues are \$35.00 per year, January 1 through December 31.
 Make checks payable to ACQ. Mail your payment and completed form to the above address or bring it with you to the next meeting. **All memberships are due no later than January 31, 2017.**

New Member ___ Business Member ___ Renewal ___ Cash ___ Check # _____

Name _____ Today's Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Birthday (month & day) _____

I authorize ACQ to utilize photos of me or my fabric creations on the website or within the ACQ newsletter.
 Please indicate by signing here: _____

E-Mail and/or Business Website address: Please PRINT NEATLY. This is how you will receive the monthly newsletter.

For those without an email address, the newsletter will be available at the meetings or for an additional \$12 the newsletter can be mailed to you.

_____ I would like to include an additional contribution of \$ _____ to assist the guild, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax-exempt organization, in its mission of promoting the art and appreciation of quilts and quilt makers. Some companies offer matching gifts to charitable organizations. Please consider challenging your company to match your gift.

 _____ I am interested in participating in a bee.

I would like to be involved or learn more about the following areas of ACQ:

_____ Serving as an officer (position) _____

_____ Becoming a committee chairperson (committee) _____

_____ Programs

_____ Membership

_____ Newsletter

_____ Quilt Challenge

_____ Charitable Quilts

_____ CPNLS(Fetal Loss)

_____ Hospitality

_____ Library

_____ Raffle Quilt

_____ Web design

_____ Quilt Show

_____ Hosting speakers

_____ Demo Night

_____ Silent Auction

 Received By _____

Gave/Made Card _____

Entered _____

Updated Oct 2016

Scrappy Happy Ohio Star

Block Exchange Fundraising Party!

May 11, 2017

Happy 30th Birthday ACQ!!!



From now until the May meeting, make 12.5" Ohio Block Squares. You may choose to make three, six or nine blocks to exchange on game night. For each block you make, you will donate \$2 to the guild for the rights to play the round(s) and buy back fellow quilters' squares. (for example, if you make six blocks, you will donate \$12 and can play two rounds of the game...) If you make all nine and donate \$18 – thank you! You will receive a 4-piece fat quarter bundle to continue making blocks!



Each block will use 5 different fabrics (look close at these blocks). The secret to making super cute blocks is to fussy cut. **Fabric 1:** 4 outer corners (fussy cutting if you can); **Fabric 2:** a motif for the middle square; **Fabric 3:** the 4 triangles surrounding the center; **Fabric 4:** the 8 star points; **Fabric 5:** a contrasting fabric for the 4 outer triangles in between the points. Use any fabric from your stash: florals, calicos, reproductions, geometrics, etc. The only rule is no solids.



If you use clear templates for the blocks, it is easier to fussy cut the parts. All five squares are 4.5" and were cut using a 4.5" Creative Grids square ruler. All the triangles are cut from a template made by drawing out a 5.25" square on a piece of paper. Draw a diagonal line corner to corner and use that to trace the triangle on clear quilters template material. Place that triangle on your chosen fabrics (and/or motifs on the fabric) and draw around it with a Frixion or gel pen. Cut them right out on the line. The seam allowance is included.



Once all pieces are cut, lay them out in block formation as shown. Assemble all 4 quarter-square triangle sections first, then place them back where they go. Sew corner blocks to their adjacent pieced patches, then sew the two side pieced patches to the center square. You will now have 3 rows. Stitch the rows together. Press and trim the block to 12.5" Write your name with Micron pen on a WS seam. Make more blocks. It's highly addictive and you'll be using up stash!



The Party:

There will be tables of 10 set up. Find a table and fill in where you can.

We will have our general meeting with show and tell, etc.

This will be a picnic style county fair 1930's food potluck evening.

More details to come as we get closer and

Nathlia and I have a chance to come up with a plan.

The Exchange Game:

EXCHANGE 1 - ROUND 1:

One card from a 1-10 numbered deck will be dealt to each person.

There will likely be a leftover table with a random number people.

That's okay. That table will play with however many participants seated.

Everyone will have 3 of their own blocks in front of them.

- 1.) Number 1 will start the game by rolling a 10 sided die.**
- 2.) They will choose one block from the person who has that card number.**
- 3.) That person will choose one block from the roller. Keep your blocks in front of you.**
- 4.) If you roll your own number, WILD! You can choose anyone's block.**

Then they would choose from yours.

- 5.) It is possible within the round that a previously-traded block might be taken.**
- 6.) The round will end when each person has had a chance to roll the die.**
- 7.) After Round 1, choose your favorite acquired block and pack it away. It's YOURS!**

EXCHANGE 1 - ROUND 2:

Cards are shuffled and new cards are dealt out.

Repeat all directions for Round 1, packing up your favorite block at the end.

EXCHANGE 1 - ROUND 3:

Cards are shuffled and new cards are dealt out.

Repeat all directions for Round 1.

If anyone at the table has their own original square, they may roll again and trade.

Pack up your newly acquired square and the round is over!

IF AT THIS POINT YOU MADE JUST THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENT OF 3 SQUARES AND \$6 DONATION (THANK YOU!), YOU WILL GET TO TAKE HOME 3 NEW SQUARES FROM FELLOW GUILD MEMBERS AND CAN NOW GATHER AROUND REMAINING TABLES AND WATCH THE NEXT ROUNDS WITH BLOCK ADMIRATION, ENTHUSIASTIC CLAPPING AND CHEERING.

IF YOU MADE 6 SQUARES AND DONATED \$12 (THANK YOU!) YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SECOND EXCHANGE WITH 3 MORE ROUNDS OF PLAY.

EXCHANGE 2 – ROUNDS 1-3:

Find a place at a new table and fill in so all 10 spots are taken.

Same rules for previous exchanges are applied.

At the end of this round you'll have 6 blocks from fellow guild members.

IF YOU MADE 9 SQUARES AND DONATED \$18 (THANK YOU!) YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE THIRD EXCHANGE WITH 3 MORE ROUNDS OF PLAY! THAT'S 9 SQUARES AND ALMOST 1/3 OF THE 30 SQUARE QUILT I MADE TO SHOW.

LOOK FOR A YOUTUBE VIDEO ON MY "QUILT AS INSPIRED" CHANNEL IN THE COMING MONTHS TO SEE HOW TO ADD SASHING BORDERS, QUILT THE BLOCKS INDIVIDUALLY, AND THE ASSEMBLY.

THANK YOU!!! ANN MYHRE

News from the Library Corner

January marks the beginning of the New Year and we want to let you know of changes with ACQ's library. First of all, we offer a huge thanks to Kate Smith for her years of service as ACQ's librarian and organizer of the annual book sale. She did a great job and the library is in excellent shape, with good documentation of library procedures and responsibilities. Kate has spent the last several months training two new librarian recruits: Marianne Duer and Ann Roman. It does not go unnoticed that it is taking 2 recruits to fill Kate's shoes. Kate – thank you for your service!

Marianne and Ann are relatively new members to ACQ and we appreciate their answering the librarian call. Please be sure introduce yourself to them when they are managing the library table at our monthly meetings.

At the December meeting, Kate, Marianne and Ann completed an inventory of our library books. A complete list of the books in the ACQ Library is available on the ACQ website. Go to the ACQ Information tab. In the Library section select "By Title" or "By Author". If you are interested in a particular title, please contact Marianne or Ann.

Library Reminders:

Books can be checked out for up to 2 months.

Please be sure to return books in the marked box at the library table at the back of the room.

Due to the space needs of the demonstration activities for January's meeting, the library table will not be set up for this meeting. We will have the book return box available.