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**October Meeting:**

Saturday, October 8, 2011

**Place:** Glenn City Community Center  
(10th Avenue & 16th Street,  
near Duran South School)

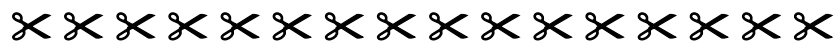
**Time:** 9:30 AM Refreshments  
& Social Time  
10:00 AM Meeting

**Fat Quarter for October:**

Fall color plaids

**Block of the month for October:** Towers of Camelot

(can be found at [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com))



**FUN, FUN, FUN** describes what went on at the September sew-in days! There was also lots of good food, sharing new ideas, and even some sewing going on. Thanks to all who helped in any way to make this such a great time. Now on to the quilt show!

*THANKS to all of you who at the last minute found extra quilts for us to display at our show. If you called and gave me quilt names, dimensions, etc. without a description, please write out a brief description/information and give to me at the October meeting. This info will be attached to each quilt that is displayed. If you have any questions, let me know.*

*Thanks,  
Irene*

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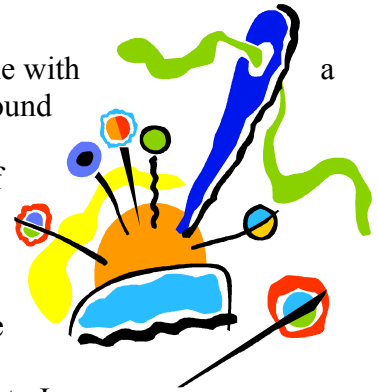
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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, PEGGY WILLIAMS

Good Day Quilters,

Aren't we blessed to be a part of such a wonderful group of people with passion for quilts? Wherever we go, be it in town, across the state, or around the world, we easily find quilters or lover of quilts and strike up a conversation about the craft we find so much joy in. Last week several of our members visited quilt shows in Gadsden and Collinsville. We were also able to visit the Gadsden Museum of Arts enjoying the display of more beautiful quilts. During the Collinsville Quilt Walk, we found 15 *Jane* quilts all displayed in one location, four of which were made by one lady. What a treat! Attending quilt shows is always inspiring, isn't it?



I want to personally thank everyone for sending in your quilt entry forms to Irene for Friendship Quilter's Show. You have beautiful quilts to display, and I'm sure the community will enjoy our show. It appears that we will fill the civic center to its capacity. Yes, I know that we still have labels and sleeves to attach, but we will get there. **Ask me about the "Bed Turning"**. We have already begun advertising, but keep getting those flyers out there. Pell City is not Paducah, but with everyone's help, we will make the first week of November "**Quilt Week**". If you know of anyone or a shop that would like to be a vendor, please contact Donna Nicholson, Irene Dison, or me. Vendor forms can be obtained at [www.friendshipquilters.net](http://www.friendshipquilters.net). We are in need of items for the Country Store. (quilts, pillows, pillow cases, aprons, placemats, Christmas ornaments, jewelry, bags, etc. whatever you would like to donate.) We may schedule a sew day if you would like. Likewise, if you are interested in having your own craft table, please contact me by the October 8th guild meeting to reserve your space.

I have asked Sarah Childress to head the 2012 Officer Nominating Committee. If you are interested in an office or would like to nominate someone for an office, please contact Sarah.

Mr. Rodney Haynes, a sewing machine repairman from Wellington, plans to be at our October 8th meeting to pick up machines and/or sergers that you would like him for to service/repair.

As you know, fall is officially here and on its heels is December. We have reservations at Sunset Inn for our Christmas Luncheon. The menu will be delicious as you well remember. The cost per member will be \$10. Brenda Franklin will provide a sign-up sheet for the luncheon. **The Challenge for this year will be announced at the October Meeting. Remember also the BOM Challenge.**

Happy Stitching,  
Peggy



Hello Quilty Ladies,

Hope all are doing what they love and spending time with loved ones. The weather is cooling off some and giving us time to concentrate on quilting. I look forward to seeing some beautiful quilts in the show. Since the show is coming up so fast, we will not have a program at the next meeting, but I have something for you to try. It is interesting and taste good. (See recipe at end of newsletter.) Try it, you might like it. Don't forget to bring your machine to be serviced.

Love,  
Sheila

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



17 Sally Day

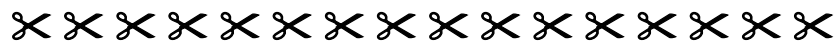
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19 Donna Crow



## BOM & FAT QUARTERS FOR OCTOBER

All blocks of the month are taken from [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com). This year you make all or any of the blocks in your own color choices and then make and keep the quilt yourself (that is after showing it off at our annual Christmas party). The October block is Towers of Camelot (12 ½"), and completed blocks will be displayed at the October meeting. The October fat quarter is fall color plaids. If you have any questions about the BOM or fat quarters, or have not received the lists of those for the year, see Shirley Sargent.



## QUILT SHOW NOTES

Good news! We have at least 43 Quilts of Valor entered for display and 137 other quilts that will be displayed in the gym. That is AMAZING!! Good job, all. This will be a great show. If you did not have quilt sizes when notifying Irene Dison of your entries, please get those to both of us ASAP. I need it to complete the floor display layout and she needs it for quilt numbering.

### COMMITTEES:

All committees, if you have any questions, or haven't started your planning and committee workers, please do it now and let me know who is on your team.

### WORKERS:

I hope to have the preliminary work schedule for the two days (after set-up) at the October meeting. In order to make the show run smoothly, we expect all members to work on Saturday and/or Sunday according to the schedule. We will need ALL members and any spouses/adult children on Friday for set-up.

### VENDORS:

At last count we have five vendor tables spoken for. Anyone else need a table?

Donna Nicholson

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## REFRESHMENTS FOR OUR MEETINGS (REVISED)

### October Meeting

Judy Boozer, Florence Kerr,  
Shirley Sargent

### November Meeting

Antonette MacMurdo, Terry Andrews  
& Jackie Crumley



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

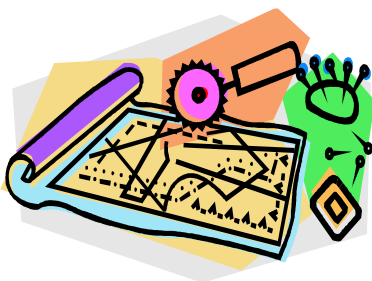
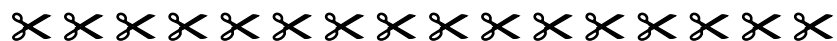
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Please add these names and addresses to your book.



If you ordered notions from Florence recently, she will have them at the next guild meeting.

## **FRIENDSHIP QUILTERS MEETING, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2011 GLENN COMMUNITY CENTER, PELL CITY**

Friendship Quilters meeting called to order by President Peggy Williams.

Inspiration by Gary Batson about “why I quilt.”

Brenda Franklin announced the many birthdays for September and passed out gifts.

President Peggy Williams told us that there is a half sheet on the entrance table of announcements, so that we can move on to our special guest speaker.

Terry Andrews moved and Mary Casey seconded that the minutes be approved as posted on the web site. Motion approved.

Donna Nicholson gave the treasurer’s report. Shelia Roberts moved and Carole DeGrenier seconded the treasurer’s report be accepted as presented. Motion approved .

Donna Nicholson said that the deadline for entering a quilt in the quilt show is Saturday, September 17. We can e-mail our entry forms to Irene Dison.

Shelia Robertson reported that we will open the building on Thursday, Friday and Saturday September 15-17 for our sew-in. Saturday, we will have a class on convergence quilts. Judy Boozer is in charge of the lunches for the three days, so we need folks to sign up so we know how much food to prepare.

Peggy had visitors stand to be recognized: Sherry Allan from Leeds joined and her friend Matalee Marks from Foley. Margaret Rose introduced Catherine Roberts, founder of Quilts of Valor Foundation.

Catherine gave a program about Quilts of Valor Foundation. She also accepted suggestions for improving the quilt of valor program. The web site is **govf.org**. To qualify for a Quilt of Valor Foundation quilt the service member must have been “touched by war.”

We discussed giving a presentation at our quilt show on Sunday afternoon. Carole DeGrenier suggested that it be for one of our own. We discussed various guild members’ family members.

Brenda Franklin won the fat quarters.

Next month, Jackie Crumley, Terry Andrews, and Anoinette McMurdo have refreshments.

There are quilts hanging at the Gadsden Museum of Art until October 19.

### **Show and tell:**

Jackie White made a baby quilt marked with a “B” for Bronson. She also did a Project Linus quilt.

Debbie Swann did a quilt of valor.

Donna Nichols did a broken nine patch quilt of valor and a Sisterhood of the traveling triangles.

Sally Day did a scrappy quilt of valor, a little flags quilt of valor and a Flags of Freedom quilt of valor.

Antoinette MacMurdo's Birmingham Quilt Guild did a just one star quilt of valor with 63 Moda star blocks.

Betsy Batson did a stars and stripes quilt of valor with the Piecemakers quilt group.

Aline Gardner did a strippy quilt in autumn colors.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Rose, Secretary.



### **SHEILA'S PINTO BEAN PIE**

- 1 cup cooked pinto beans (if using canned beans, drain and rinse the beans)
- 4 oz. (1 stick) real butter - NO margarine
- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 4 large eggs, well beaten
- 2 Tbsp. molasses or dark corn syrup
- 3 tsp. vanilla extract
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1 (9 inch) deep dish pie shell

Mash beans; set aside. Cream butter and sugar together in a medium-sized bowl. Add vanilla, molasses, salt and well-beaten eggs. Add the mashed beans; mix well. Pour into an unbaked pie shell. Bake for 45 to 60 minutes in a 350 degree oven or until pie is firm and a knife inserted into the middle of the pie comes out clean.

## SARAH'S EGGPLANT CASSEROLE (sent in by Linda Jimerson)

Recipe shared by Sarah Nuss, Jane Wilson's mom

Serving Size : 8

1 medium eggplant -- cubed

1/2 to 1 lb Italian sausage -- browned and drained---regular sausage works fine too

2 eggs or Egg Beaters equivalent to 2 eggs

3/4 cup milk

1/4 cup chopped onion

1/4 cup chopped bell pepper

1/4 cup chopped pimientos

1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce

1 tablespoon catsup

1 teaspoon salt

1/2 to 1 teaspoon oregano

1/4 cup butter or margarine -- melted

1 cup crushed crackers--Ritz or saltines, your choice, divided use

1 cup sharp cheddar cheese--use chunk cheese if you want melted cheese pockets or grated if you want it incorporated into the dish

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cut the eggplant into cubes. Boil or microwave until tender. Drain off any liquid and set aside in a mixing bowl.

Brown the sausage and drain. Add to the cooked eggplant. Mix in the eggs, milk, onion, bell pepper, pimientos and seasonings.

Melt the oleo and stir in the cracker crumbs. Add 3/4 cup of this mix to the casserole and reserve the other 1/4 cup for a crumb topping.

Chunk up the cheese into cubes if you want little pockets of melted cheese or add the cup of grated cheese to the dish. Pour the mix into a greased 7 x 11 casserole dish or two quart casserole and top with the remaining cracker crumbs.

Bake in 350 oven for 30 to 40 minutes or until the crumbs are browned and casserole heated through.

Description: "a good way to use the eggplant--other than the more typical eggplant parmesan"

*Linda says she is also looking for a butternut spice pie recipe for Shelia. Anyone have one?*



2011  
Blount County Quilter's Guild  
Quilt Show  
October 21 and 22, 2011

Admission \$5.00  
children 12 and under free

We will have our cottage FULL of quilts for viewing.

There will be vendors, including a scissor and knife-sharpening professional, on hand as well as a food concession. Come join us and you'll also benefit from the breathtaking view over the Palisades.