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**November Meeting:**

Saturday, November 12, 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 November:**

Thanksgiving Theme

**Block of the month for November:** Squares and Oblongs

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



**It's almost here – our 2011 Quilt Show!** And we're so excited to share our love of quilting with others! With all the quilts, vendors, demos, opportunity quilt, and Quilt of Valor presentation, it promises to be a GREAT show. Continue to spread the word!

**Don't forget to watch Donna and Peggy on Good Morning Alabama on Thursday, November 3!**

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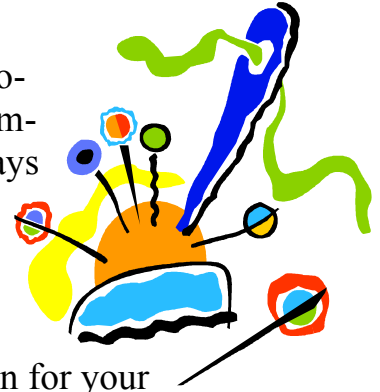
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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, PEGGY WILLIAMS

Good Day Quilters,

The Quilt Show is almost here! Thank you, Donna for coordinating this event. We also want to thank in advance all members and their families and friends who are helping in many ways to make this major event in our community possible. After November 6, we can take in a deep breath and relax.



But you say, “There are less than 60 days until Christmas. There’s lots of sewing, crafting, and baking to be done.” But these are always fun projects, so enjoy your passion for your craft and this time of thanksgiving and sharing. We are so blessed.

If you haven’t signed up for the Christmas luncheon at Sunset Inn, see Brenda. She will also be collecting our \$10.00 at the November meeting. We will need to get a final count to Sunset by the first week of December, so don’t delay.

Please remember also to give Sarah your 2012 Interest Sheet. Plan to be involved during 2012. I would like to encourage each of you to step out and do what you can to be an active member of Friendship Quilters. Consider your talents and go out on a limb; tell yourself, “I can do that.”

Of course, our work continues into 2012 on the Quilt of Valor project. We have much work to do. We are already planning a Sew In for February to jumpstart the year.

Keep Others in Stitches,  
Peggy



Hello Quilty Ladies,

I know all those machines are on the roll everyday and moving fabric at about 100 miles an hour. So, take a break and come to guild meeting. We will be having Mr. Haynes there to give us pointers about cleaning and maintaining those machines to give us more service. We have talked to Mr. Haynes and come up with a hands-on deal where you can bring your machine (if you want to) and follow along with the cleaning. Then if you have any questions, he will be there to answer. For those of you that want to participate, remember to bring your machine with its manual, a machine brush or toothbrush, machine oil and if there is anything you feel necessary. Come and enjoy! Even if you know how to clean your machine, you can pick up small tips to make life easier.

Happy Quilting,  
Shelia

## QUILT SHOW UPDATE

Time is getting really close and things are shaping up nicely. We will begin taking in quilts at the weekly sew day on Thursday, November 3. You can check in your quilts then, if you want, or bring them with you on Friday morning at 8:00 AM. Setup of the show floors will begin as soon as possible after quilts are checked in. There will be check-in activities occurring simultaneously with preliminary layout of the show floors. Please **recruit anyone who can help with setup or take down** as we have 200 quilts to hang. Work schedule for Saturday/Sunday will be available on Friday and all weekend long.

We have six vendors who will present many hand-crafted items, fabrics, sewing machine repair services, and scissors sharpening. And don't forget the Guild Country Store. Please bring any hand-crafted or craft-related items on Friday to be added to the store's wares.

Committee chairs, if you have any supply receipts, please bring them with you for reimbursement.

**Watch Fox 6 at around 8:30 on Thursday, November 3, for our guild's promotion of the show.**

I'm looking forward to a wonderful show (one of the largest in the area, based on the number of quilts we have entered.) Let's show Pell City and the surrounding communities that Friendship Quilters are making a difference!

### **Quilt Show Vendors:**

- Linda Giddens (guild member) with fabric
- Ashville House Quilt Shop
- Janice Harrell – hairbows, bottle cap jewelry, crochet and other handmade items
- Kyra Butler – Quilter's Fabric Stash
- Sew Bizz – Brother and Bernina sewing machines
- Bill Woodard – scissor sharpening (see below)
- Friendship Quilters Country Store (see information below)

Mr. Bill Woodard will be sharpening scissors and knives. He does not charge a flat fee, but will be taking donations for the Mountain Chapel United Methodist Church Mission Fund. He provides tax deductible receipts and 100% of the donations go to the mission fund. Mr. Woodard sharpens all types and sizes of fabric/paper cutting scissors, pinking shears, (no hair/barber scissors) and straight edge knives (no serrated knives). Please roll up scissors and knives in a towel or newspaper and place in a bag or box for safe transport.

If you have any handcrafted items that you would like to donate to the county store, please contact Peggy Williams or Jackie White.

Suggestions:

- Aprons, potholders, coasters, table runners, etc.
- Christmas items
- Left over fabric or fat quarters, sewing or quilting notions
- Crochet thread or knitting yarn
- Stuff a zip-lock bag with scraps from your stash

We cannot sell anything made with Alabama or Auburn fabric since this is licensed fabric. Please put a sticker on your items with the selling price.

Don't forget to get your tickets sold for the Opportunity Quilt. We will be drawing for the winner on Sunday, 4:00 PM.

On Sunday afternoon we will be having a Quilts of Valor presentation.

Donna,  
Show Chairperson



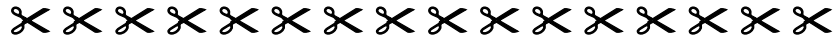
If you have any **Project Linus quilts**, there will be tables set up for displaying them at the quilt show. No hanging sleeves required. After the show, these quilts will be given to Bitsy Rodgers for distribution, as she usually has many requests at Christmastime.



## REFRESHMENTS FOR OUR MEETINGS

### November Meeting

Antoinette MacMurdo, Terry Andrews  
& Jackie Crumley



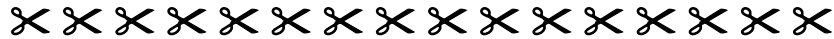
## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Terry Ware
- 5 Carol Bentley
- 17 Rita Donahoo



## BOM & FAT QUARTERS FOR NOVEMBER

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 November block is Squares and Oblongs (12 1/2"), and completed blocks will be displayed at the November meeting. The November fat quarter is Thanksgiving theme. 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.



## CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas Party will be at Sunset Inn in Southside on December 10. Lunch will be \$20, with the guild paying \$10/member and members paying \$10. If you have not already signed up, do so at the November meeting. Our show and tell will be quilts and projects based on something you have learned at guild this year.



**FRIENDSHIP QUILT GUILD  
OFFICIERS FOR 2012**

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR INTEREST AND/OR NOMINATION FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS WITHIN OUR GUILD. NOMINATIONS WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED FROM THE FLOOR. PLEASE REPLY TO SARAH CHILDRESS, JACKIE CRUMLEY OR JACKIE WHITE BY OCTOBER 30TH.

NOMINATIONS:

PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

VICE PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

TREASURER \_\_\_\_\_

COMMITTEE INTERESTS: I WILL SERVE ON THE FOLLOWING.....

BIRTHDAYS \_\_\_\_\_

BLOCK OF THE MONTH \_\_\_\_\_

HISTORIAN \_\_\_\_\_

LIBRARIAN \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

NEWSLETTER \_\_\_\_\_

PRAYER QUILTS \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAMS \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLICITY \_\_\_\_\_

QUILT SHOW \_\_\_\_\_

RETREAT \_\_\_\_\_

SECRET PAL COORDINATOR \_\_\_\_\_

SUNSHINE TEAM \_\_\_\_\_

WAYS & MEANS \_\_\_\_\_

## **FRIENDSHIP QUILTERS MEETING, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2011 GLENN COMMUNITY CENTER, PELL CITY**

Friendship Quilters meeting called to order by President Peggy Williams at 10:10 AM.

Guests: Mr. Haynes who came by to pick up sewing machines to work on. Jill brought Suzette Scout who does beading and jewelry. Margaret Rose brought Walt Hebert who joined the guild. Dixie Terry is a new member. Janice Luster is a new member. Karen Dawson is a new member from Alpine. Sherry Allan came by way of Denise Boshell.

Shirley Sargent read our inspiration about a Friendship Quilt and shared that she is glad that we have a Friendship Quilters.

Aline Gardner thanked us for participating in the Gadsden Quilts at the Falls. She also said that the troops overseas are very appreciative of the gifts and packages that they receive from quilters and the inspiration we give the community. Peggy Williams said that it was a really nice show.

Thanks to Judy Boozer, Shirley Sargent and Florence Kerr for refreshments.

Florence Kerr passed out gifts for October birthdays to Sally Day, Celisia Burke and Donna Crowe.

Sew-In News: We had record numbers participate and a great Convergence Quilt class. Thanks to Judy Boozer for taking care of the outstanding lunches. Thanks to Shelia for the “make it and take it” projects. We have spoken with Nancy at Pell City Recreation about a spring Sew-In. She will work with us to have a larger room at the Civic Center for that.

Minutes of the September meeting were posted in the newsletter. There were no additions or corrections. Jackie White moved, Donna Nicholson seconded that the minutes be approved as posted. Motion carried.

Donna Nicholson gave the treasurer’s report. Margaret Rose moved, Jackie White seconded the treasurer’s report be accepted. Motion carried.

Opportunity Quilts: Shelia Robertson has tickets and pictures for the opportunity quilt. Please pick some up and sell them. Mentioning our participation in Quilts of Valor is a good way to sell tickets. Drawing will be Sunday, November 6, 2011.

Show and Tell:

Linda Jimerson showed a blue and white disappearing 4-patch quilt top and a red white and blue skinny strips (or line) quilt top.

Jackie White did four “Project Linus” quilts. Two were quilted by Denise Boshell, and two were quilted by Judy Boozer.

Beth Staples showed her completed Convergence Quilt which she also quilted and a Quilt of Valor quilted by Margaret Rose.

Carole DeGrenier showed a black, white, and pink “take 5” Wedding Quilt quilted by Margaret Rose.

Debbie Swann showed a southwestern looking quilt started by Carole DeGrenier who does not like paper piecing and gave it to Debbie to finish. It is done in autumn colors.

Terry Russell showed two convergence quilts with cat themes. She appliquéd cats on it.

Shirley Sargent told us about the block of the month for next month.

Peggy Williams and others paid \$0.25 fines for not having name tags.

Peggy Williams told us about the Christmas party at Sunset Inn just south of Gadsden off of Highway 77. We are challenged to bring a completed project for show and tell at the quilt show. We will not exchange ornaments at the Christmas party because we are very busy doing other projects.

Terry Andrews won the fat quarters. Secret pal gifts were distributed.

Sarah Childress is chairman of the officer nominating committee. Jackie Crumley and Jackie White volunteered to help her. Our by-laws state that Officers can hold office for two years. Margaret Rose is completing her second year as Secretary. Because we voted to make an exception last year, Donna Nicholson is completing her third year as treasurer. Sarah will especially be looking for replacements for these two offices.

QOV update: Margaret Rose told us about the retreat that is being sponsored by Alabama Quilts of Valor, Heart to Heart Quilt shop and Magnolia Springs. It will be at Magnolia Springs the weekend after Valentines Day. We will have a QOV presentation at the quilt show for a Coast Guard serviceman from Gadsden who is currently in Bethesda Naval Hospital.

Donna Nicholson gave a quilt show report. We have over 200 quilts to show and need all members and their significant others or adult children to assist with set up and take down. Be at Civic Center at 8:00 AM. (or even a few minutes earlier) to help set up. Last time we started at 8:00 AM and were done by 2:00 PM. This time we have more to do, but with enough workers we should be able to do it in the same time. Take down is Sunday at 5:00 PM. Quilts can be picked up at 6:00 p.m. Donna passed around a workers schedule. There will be a country store for the guild. If you have anything to donate, please remember the country store. Saturday the show will be 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 PM. Sunday will be Noon until 5:00 PM. We need ladders, piano carts, hand trucks, pairs of saw horses, trucks and trailers. Donna checked with those whose supplies we used last year. We plan on having a bed turning for vintage quilts. Shelia Robertson explained what that would entail. She needs to know how many vintage quilts will be shown and a write up about the history of the quilt. For advertising the show, we will have a streamer on Coosa Cable network for 10 days preceding the quilt show. Peggy Williams and Donna Nicholson will be on Good Day Alabama, Fox 6, at 8:30 AM on November 3rd to advertise the quilt show. The show is already advertised at the Civic Center and on Pell City's internet page.

Door Prizes were won by Peggy Williams, Shelia Robertson, Jackie White, Mary Casey, Sally Day, Jane Wilson, Donna Nicholson, and Judy Boozer.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Rose, Secretary.