

**WILKES COUNTY**

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**QUILTERS  
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**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**January 24, 2012**  
**RAINBOW CENTER**  
**1:00PM and 6:00PM**

**REFRESHMENTS**  
**DAY EVENING**

**Officers of the Guild**

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WCQ Quilt presented to Past President  
*Terry Staley*

2011 Golden Needle Award presented to  
*Betty Brame*



2011 Raffle Quilt Winner Lara Yanes

2012 WCQ Officers Installed

**Special Events Committee Report**

Everyone who attended the guild Christmas party left a winner! We had lots of fellowship, good food and fun. Officers for 2012-2013 were installed. We really surprised Terry Staley with her blue/white president's quilt, and drew the winner of our raffle quilt. The raffle quilt winner lived in Wilkesboro and came by the party to pick up her quilt and get her photo taken. Linda Phillips gave the photo to the local papers for publication. We played dirty santa with gifts donated by the vendors at our quilt show and some guild members. We opened the gifts this year and several "takes" took place, but all in good fun. Adrienne Sherrow won the Christmas wall hanging made by Jo Scorof. We had a good turnout and everyone enjoyed themselves. A thank you to the committee members assisting with this event: Myrtle McIntyre, JoAnn Nichols and Debbie Sebring. Chairman, *Jo Scorof*

***January Birthdays***

*Marianne Beamon 28<sup>th</sup>*

***Community Service:***

The donations of 2011 are as follows: 232 Booties -- Baby Quilts 66 – Wheelchair Bags 40 – Pillowcases 8 – Rainbow and Ebenezer Quilts 28 – Baby hats (for Social Services 4 – and Social Services (adults) 14.

These are all of the things that have been delivered. I want to thank all that made this possible. *Carroll Curtis*

***Thank you note from Terry:***

Dear Quilting Friends, I am so blessed to be a part of the Wilkes County Quilters. To have served as president of this great group was a privilege and a blessing. And on top of a privilege and a blessing I receive a most beautiful quilt that could not have been any more representative of my quilting history than if I had designed it myself. I understand it was a Georgia Bonesteel pattern and she is my guru. It is a star pattern and the very first quilt I ever made was a star sampler. It is in my very favorite color combination of blue and white. And finally it was made by my favorite group of quilting sisters! I will always treasure this quilt and my association with this group. I thank each of you for your contribution to my quilt and for your support and efforts on behalf of the Guild in the past two years. With all my Gratitude, *Terry*

***Comments from Jo:***

Happy New Year and Welcome to 2012! We're going to have lots of fun this year learning different techniques and sharing tips and ideas with each other. My goal is to have time to work together on our community service projects as well as our own and to mentor those new quilters who may want help with their quilting skills. Our first order of business is to fill the committees with chairmen and workers to aid in the smooth running of our guild. "Many hands make light work" is very true when it comes to a group the size of our guild. When one of us succeeds, we all succeed.

We all know there are many elements of quilting and needlework – some of us are talented enough (not me!) to do it all, and others pick an area we enjoy doing and stick with it. We do value and respect all the elements whether we do them or not and admire those who are very good at what they do. That's why our programs are geared to inform as well as making "quilting" fun to do. We have a quilt show to literally "show off" what we're accomplished over the last year. As a member of the guild it is your right to display your work for others to admire. Keep in mind that we all were "beginners" at one time. The feedback from your fellow members is invaluable to expanding your area of expertise.

We have two upcoming focus groups: Art Quilt Group and the handwork Group. They will advertise to the guild their meetings and locations for all who are able to do so to participate. Most Tuesdays, you may find from 2 to 5 of us sitting and sewing at the Heritage Museum (live heritage craft demo) from 10am to 2pm on our own projects. We also cut out fabrics for quilts, share tips and help each other when it's needed. Everyone is welcome to come, sit and sew.

As with every new "administration", there will be some changes from what we've done in the past during the guild meetings. More news to come at the January meeting. If you ever have a question about anything relating to the guild, please ask either me or any other officer. This is our guild. We started in 1998 with 18 members and this is our 15<sup>th</sup> year and I'm hoping it will be a memorable year. We have lots of past members to thank for where we are today. Last summer, I spent the afternoon with Carmela Peters, the daughter of our founder Rowena Peters, and she said that her Mom would be so proud of what we've accomplished and in her mother's memory to "keep up the good work". Please wear your name tags to each meeting and greet your fellow members with a smile. I'm sure they will return it with one of theirs. Plan to join in the fun with us!

*Jo Scorof*

**Board Meeting set for February 7<sup>th</sup>, 6pm to 8pm** at Wilkes County Extension Office, Curtis Bridge Road, Wilkesboro. This is the budget board meeting and all officers are expected to attend and all committee chairmen need to be present to present their goals for the year and the estimated amount of money they will need to accomplish that. If the chairman cannot attend, they must give that information to the officers prior to the budget board meeting. All board meetings are open to the full membership although the officers, including the Members At Large and Program Chairman, and past President are voting members for this purpose. All input is appreciated.

**Please come prepared to vote on these changes to WCQ, Inc. Bylaws at the January Meeting.**

**Non-Profit Filing Status Update**

As we have reported in the past, we have accomplished our filing for incorporation and we are getting closer to filing for non-profit status with the IRS. Acting upon the recommendation of our CPA advisor, there are still two Bylaw items that need to be addressed. The first has to do with the addition of a statement in the objectives that states we do not undertake activities with regard to making a gain. We recommend your voting to add this statement to Article II of the Bylaws.

**ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES**

*The objectives of the gild shall be*

- \*\* Dedicated to the art of quilting.*
- \*\* To further knowledge of quilting by providing a forum for members to enjoy encourage and promote quilting.*
- \*\* To preserve the tradition, culture, and history of quilting.*
- \*\* To actively engage in charitable community projects.*
- \*\* To sustain a common interest in fabric, needle and thread.*
- \*\* To hold day and evening meetings in order to increase opportunities for membership.*

**Activities undertaken to accomplish these objectives are done without intention of realizing any financial gain on behalf of WCQ, Inc. or its members.**

The second item we need to address concerns a policy concerning conflicts of interest. The recommended amendment for Article XII is attached to the newsletter. Basically it says that any financial or for-profit arrangement between the Guild and a current officer must (1) be disclosed to the Board, (2) the Board must decide if any more favorable arrangement can be made with other providers, (3) and all such discussions must be documented in the minutes of the Board meeting. Additionally, each officer must sign that they are aware of the conflict of interest party and review it each year.

We don't believe these amendments to the Bylaws have any material impart on the operations of Guild activities and are recommended in order to satisfy the IRS requirements. We will discuss the amendments in more details at the January meeting and will try to answer any questions members may have. If you have questions you would like to ask before the meeting, please contact Terry Staley at 667-0202 or ttistal@aol.com..

**Calendar**

<b>January 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>WCQ, Inc. Monthly Meeting Vote on Bylaws Changes</b>
<b>February 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Board Meeting 6pm to 8pm Wilkes County Extension Office</b>
<b>February 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>WCQ, Inc. Monthly Meeting</b>

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**Wilkes County Quilters Officers:** **President:** Jo Scorof – 984-4008  
**Day Vice President:** Debbie Fuller-957-4188 **Evening Vice President:** Jenny Hiatt-921-4732  
**Secretary:** JoAnn Nichols- 828-754-5153 **Treasurer:** Carroll Curtis-973-0103  
**Director at Large:** Terri Kuneyl- 921-2414 and Ellen Firestone-704-607-4581  
**Program Coordinator:**

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Thank you to everyone who contributed to the newsletter this month. Please send announcements, information or your favorite quilting tip to [sgdance@wilkes.net](mailto:sgdance@wilkes.net) or call Linda at (336) 973-3223 or (336) 957-0448