## Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter - December 2016

# To instill in future generations the love and art of quilt making.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

2016 has been a learning experience for me as your president. Learning, I'm told is what keeps us young and I guess I became younger through this opportunity (although my body doesn't always agree). I certainly have been enriched by getting to know you. 2017 should be much easier in the responsibility of being your President as I have learned from my mistakes. As a teacher, I always told my students that mistakes can be their best teacher. I had some good teachers, not just from my mistakes but from all of you.

We had many successes this year but one of the most rewarding is the number of people we reached and encouraged to be part of the guild. We have added 26 new members as was noted by Rosey Stein and Paulette Lundy who were kept busy making name tags for the new members. Thank you Rosey and Paulette. You have been busy. This is making us aware of a need to teach beginning quilting. In a meeting with the board including the program and activities chair members, we discussed how to fulfill that need. In 2017, we would like to offer opportunities to teach some beginning steps. It was suggested that all of us could think about a step we learned in our beginning classes that allowed us to become motivated and move forward and offer some teaching and sharing opportunities. We are open to suggestions and would like for you to give this some thought as we move forward to the new year. Having opportunities to share these ideas could help us all and help beginning quilters to gain confidence.

I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of you for making 2016 a great year. Have a blessed holiday and enjoy the Holiday Season.

Connie Richardson, President

#### MEMBER NEWS

#### Welcome to our new members!

Jo Anne Fisher came from Reidsville, NC before moving to Concord. She has two sons and a daughter. She was a nurse and worked as a cardiac ultrasound technician. A friend at work introduced her to quilting by teaching her and some friends using the quilt as you go technique. After retiring, she decided to go back to quilting and started on five different quilts. She just finished quilting the first one using the long arm at Anderson's Sewing Center. She would like to learn paper piecing and free motion quilting.

She is open and willing to try anything. She learned about the guild through the newspaper, Facebook, and through Jo Anna Cupp and Sylvia Stancil.

Mona Burtz moved here from Lakeland, Florida and has been here about a month. She wasted no time in connecting with the guild here as she was in the guild in Lakeland before moving here. She felt this was a good way to meet new people. Mona works for Saddle Creek Logistic Marketing. She has a daughter and two grandsons. She was motivated to started quilting when her daughter was born as she wanted to make a baby blanket. She took a class *Quilt in a Day* using the "Sunbonnet" pattern. She has a dye cutting machine and loves to do applique on piecing patterns. She would like to learn more hand work such as wool applique and hand stitching. She learned about us through our last quilt show.

REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

Monday, December 12

# Special Holiday meeting. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Festivities start at 6:30.

Christmas Potluck and Fun organized by Barbara Hinson and committee

Remember to bring your covered dish and can goods, non-perishable food items or paper products for Coordinated Christian Ministries.

## 2016 GUILD OFFICERS

President – Connie Richardson Vice President – Cecilia Estey Secretary – Debbie Morse Treasurer – Colleen Sain

#### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joan MartinkovicDec. 3Anita BlackDec. 12Jim SmithDec. 20

## NOVEMBER, 2016 - MINUTES

President Connie Richardson began the meeting at 6:45Pm. She welcomed new member Joanna Fisher from Concord who will officially join the guild when our new year begins in January. Six visitors and two new members were welcomed and introduced. Members celebrating birthdays in November were recognized and received their fat quarters. Greeters and those who provided refreshments were thanked. A motion was made by Tom Richardson to accept the minutes of the October meeting, seconded by Bonnie Labadie and approved by majority attending.

## Program:

Pat Arndt introduced speaker Deb Triece representing CVAN (Cabarrus Victims Assistance Network) Ms. Triece spoke about ~ The services provided by CVAN:

- Hotlines are always available 24 hours
- Shelter provided for women and families who must leave an abusive environment

- Trained counselors are available and also speak to women in jails
- There is a program for teens in H.S. (may also be extended to JHS)
- CVAN is funded by proceeds from their store, the state, grants, federal, but... mostly from the public.

The women and families they help:

- 50% of all women will be affected by abuse
- Every 15 sec. a woman somewhere will be battered
- Approximately 1/3 of all H.S. students will be impacted by an abusive situation
- Abuse is NOT your fault
- Abuse affects all socioeconomic levels How we can help in addition to the quilts for children that we donate each year:
- In order to maintain secrecy and security visiting the shelter is rarely permitted.
- Occasionally a volunteer can help with the children while their mothers are in a meeting
- CVAN operates a resale store on Rte. 29 (in the front of the K-Mart parking lot)
- Shop and/or donate items to be sold at the store
- Volunteer in the store contact Rebecca Moffet
- If you have things such as a doll, toy, or gift card that you would like to donate directly to the shelter, they can be left at the store with the request that they be given to the shelter.

Following Deb Triece's informative talk a Parade of Quilts was performed culminating with the presenting of 64 quilts to be given to the shelter children.

#### Other business:

Carol Graham showed a top made from some of the strips members donated to Quilts of Valor at last month's meeting. There are more strips still to be used.

Melba Mick is seeking feedback about our recent quilt show. We do not have all the cost accounting completed yet. Next year's dates are Oct. 13-14 with set up on the 12th. No dates in Sept. were

available. In the future we will have to book dates more than a year in advance.

Re: BJ's memberships please contact Tom Richardson.

Barbara Hinson – Our Dec. Meeting will be a potluck holiday celebration with lots of surprises. Please bring a covered dish or dessert. Once again this year we will have the opportunity to donate canned goods and/or nonperishables for the food pantry.

Oakboro Historical Society is holding a Craft Show on Dec 3. They are seeking quilts to display or items for sale.

Connie asked for suggestions for ways we can provide more learning opportunities for new quilters. The guild has welcomed 26 new members this year alone and many of them are new to quilting as well. For example, mini lessons on quilting tips, techniques or short lessons could be done on Saturday through the Creative Hands group which meets at Covenant Christian Church in Harrisburg.

Activities committee thanked everyone for their enthusiastic participation and recognized with another charm all those who had contributed 5, 6, or 7 times. Thank you to Diane Thayer who made ALL of those charms that we received all year! These clever creations that we saw our members bring in each month can be beautiful things to show at our Quilt Show next year.

Carolyn Sweet reported that Pat Stedwell had a good result from her PET scan. On another note Carolyn's husband suffered a broken leg and has long recovery ahead.

Diana Gange won the door prize.

Respectfully Submitted by Marguerite Klaiber for Debbie Morse

REFRESHMENTS AND GREETERS - November

NOTE: As you plan which months you will help with refreshments and greeting, we ask that you do not sign up for both volunteer jobs in the same month. The signup sheets will be available at each meeting for you to sign up until full.

**Greeter:** Cecilia Estey, Connie Richardson **Refreshments**: Everyone! Potluck

(*Note:* You can start signing up for the 2017 guild meetings.)

## 2016 – PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

Reminder: Sign up early for workshops. Pay workshop fees by the <u>month prior</u> to the workshop. Pay kit fees for workshops to the instructor on the day of the workshop.

## Dec 12 Christmas Party

Lectures and workshops are a big part of our budget. We need at least 10 participants for each workshop. Please sign up for workshops and come to the workshops. Payment must be received one month prior to the workshop.

All suggestions are welcome! Charlotte and Ona

## ACTIVITIES

Thank you for your participation in 2016. Look foreward to a fun 2017.

## FACEBOOK PAGE

Remember to visit the page as often as you cannot just the day after our meeting. <u>LIKE</u>, <u>COMMENT</u>, and <u>SHARE</u> things. Look for our monthly meeting EVENT on Facebook.

If you have questions or something you want posted email nancymiller217@yahoo.com.

## GUILD LIBRARY

I will not be bringing any books to the December meeting. If you have checked out a book, you can return it or keep it until January. Merry Christmas to all!

If you'd like a book e-mail me at <u>Junedale@hotmail.com</u>. If you have suggestions for new books, please let June know.

## SEW TUESDAYS

Sew Tuesdays are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the Cabarrus County Senior Center, 331 Corban Ave., SE, Concord, NC. Hours are 9 am until 3 pm on the first Tuesday and the third Tuesday of each month. You may bring anything to work on. If you need help with a technique or project, someone will be able to help you. If you need information contact Mildred Lamb.

## RAFFLE QUILT – 2016

All monies and ticket stubs for the 2016 raffle quilt should be turned into Nancy Miller before the drawing at our December meeting.

Thank you, Nancy Miller

## SEWING TIPS AND TRICKS

Submit a sewing tip or trick for this section by sending it to <u>cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com</u> and title it Sewing Tips.

## 2017 UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

If you know of any other shows not listed, please contact the Newsletter Chairman to include them in future newsletters.

Ongoing
Quilt Trails of Western North Carolina
www.quilttrailswnc.org

March 10-11, 2017 Charlotte Quilters Guild 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary "A Walk Down Memory Lane" The Union County Agricultural Center, 3230 Presson Road in Monroe, NC. http://charlottequiltersguild.org

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

If you have any questions for: QOV, please contact Colleen Sain at collen.sain63@gmail.com, questions about the port pillows for cancer patients, contact Martha Austin at maustin207@twc.com, hospice quilts, Carol Graham at grahammail77@twc.com and Victory Junction Bears, Tom and Connie Richardson at clrich39@gmail.com.

## QUILTING CLASSES (All Levels)

Looking to expand your quilting skills? There are classes available at most of the local quilting stores. Dawn's Sewing & Embroidery – Albemarle, NC www.dawnsfabrics.com

Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Concord, taught by Carolyn Sweet. For the next starting date, contact Carolyn at 704 782-3052.

We're Sew Creative – Concord, NC https://www.weresewcreative.com/classes/sign-up/

Anderson's Sew & So – Rockwell, NC <a href="http://www.ansewso.net/">http://www.ansewso.net/</a>

Sew Much Fun – Lowell, NC <a href="http://www.sewmuchfun4you.com/classes.htm">http://www.sewmuchfun4you.com/classes.htm</a>

## COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

**2016 Christmas Committee** – Barbara Hinson

**2016 Quilt Show** - Melba Mick, Chair

**2016 Raffle Quilt** – Nancy Miller & Committee

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<u>Audit Committee</u> – Nancy Miller, Tom

Richardson, Bonnie Labadie

**BJ's Membership** – Pat Stedwell

**<u>Community Outreach</u>** – Carol Graham

Facebook (Business Page) - Nancy Miller

<u>Guild Activities</u> – Sara Bemus, Becky Knauer & Diane Thayer

## **Guild Retreat** - POSITION OPEN

<u>Historians</u> – Phares Sechler & Sonja Simmons

**Humanitarian/Hospitality** – Sharon Smith

**Librarian** – June Dale

Newsletter – POSITION OPEN

**Membership** – Linda Brimanson

Name Badges – Rosey Stein, Paulette Lundy

Nomination Committee – Carla Garceau + 2

**POSITIONS OPEN** 

<u>Programs/Workshops</u> – Charlotte Doyle, Ona Phillips

**Publicity** (Guild/Quilt Show) – Cecilia Estey

Sew Tuesday – Mildred Lamb

**Visitor Welcome** – Adrienne Phelan

**Visual Aids for Meetings** – Tom Richardson

Webmaster – Terry Patterson

## NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

# **Days of the month to remember:**

22<sup>nd</sup>—articles that need writing, contact Connie at clrich39@gmail.com

25<sup>th</sup>—completed articles, send to

cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com

1<sup>st</sup>--newsletter will be sent by email.

Paid members receive the newsletter by email. For US mail, there is a \$10.00 charge to defray the cost of paper and postage. It will also be available on the guild website for everyone.

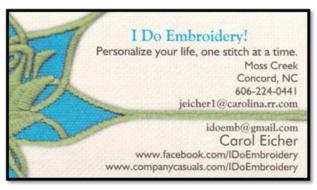
**NOTE:** All guild member addresses and phone numbers are available in the most recent pictorial

Guild Directory as well as the membership roster periodically emailed to members.

## NEWSLETTER ADVERTISEMENT SPACE

Business card size \$7.00 per issue
Half page size \$15.00 per issue
Business card size is free for guild members

To advertise, contact Cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com





Note Change of Address: Dawns Sewing and Embroidery, Dawn P. Hopkins, 1439 East Main St., Albermarle, NC 28001. 704-985- 3501. Hours: Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri 9:30 – 5:00 Wed and Sat 9:30 – 1:30.

The following businesses have donated long-arm quilting services and/or workspace to the Cabarrus Quilters Guild Quilts of Valor Creative Piecers Group efforts:

Anderson's Sew & So LLC 10104 Old Beatty Ford Road PO BOX 219 Rockwell, NC 28138-0219 704 - 279- 3647

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