Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter - April 2016

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

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

From the President:

Tom and I took advantage of the opportunity to meet at Covenant Christian Church of Harrisburg last Saturday thanks to the guild members who attend there. We worked on bears but there were other projects being done also, such as Quilts of Valor, hospice quilts, and personal projects.

Rosey was working on name tags. Watching what was involved in putting them together renewed my respect and appreciation and made me proud to wear mine. Thank you Rosey and Paulette.

One ten year old girl, a granddaughter of one of our members became interested in watching Tom and I put the bears together. She wanted to learn so we took the opportunity to teach her. I taught her how to cut out a bear and told her to bring it back at the next Saturday event on April 2nd and I would show her how to put it together. Whether she does or doesn't come back, we sparked an interest, the first step in creating an experience that may lead to and interest in sewing as she gets older. Little steps lead to exploration. Steps such as these will help us fulfill the guild's motto. I think she had fun as did Tom and I.

I cooked today. I made a quilt sandwich!

Connie Richardson, President

REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

Monday, April 11 @ 6:15 pm

The Cabarrus Quilters Guild meets on the second Monday of each month in the basement fellowship hall at Forest Hill United Methodist Church, 265 Union St., N., Concord, NC (<u>Directions</u>). VISITORS WELCOME! The building will be opened at 6 o'clock and refreshments will be available from 6:15 until 6:45. This is a time to greet your friends, sign up for upcoming activities, check out program displays, and sign up for workshops, etc. The meeting will begin at 6:45 and have a short break.

2016 GUILD OFFICERS

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

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 2
April 3
April 12
April 12
April 18
April 21
April 22
April 22

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We have four new Guild members who signed in March. Johnnie McCallum, a new member in January, is also featured here as she was not introduced in last month's newsletter.

<u>Johnnie McCallum</u>: Johnnie comes to our guild with about 30 years of quilting experience. She has belonged to different quilt guilds in Tennessee. She

was a member of the Zunie Quilting Circle in Nashville, Murany Quilting Guild in Columbia, and the Tennessee Valley Quilting Association. She was an RN by occupation and is now retired. She has moved to N. C. to take care of her mom and still travels back to Tennessee (the reason I couldn't get her in the last newsletter.) She looked us up on the Internet and she has attended our quilt shows. So, she joined us in January. She will be a good source for giving us ideas that worked in her other guilds. She wants to have fun, meet new friends, and work on a charity project when time allows while she cares for her mom. She is talking to a friend that will possibly join us next month and they are both interested in becoming involved with the raffle quilt.

Prudence Robinson: Prudence came from near Goshen, Indiana (Tom's and my area). She has two girls here and one in Virginia and two grandsons. She has been an off and on again quilter. She retired from working 27 years for Walmart spending most of her time working in the fabrics department which encouraged her interest in quilting. She enjoys traditional quilting, especially log cabin and star patterns. She is ready to expand her skills and is especially interested in learning more about quilting by machine.

Darleen Woodhaven: Darleen came from Spokane, WA and has lived in Alabama. She lived in Kannapolis for 22 years and recently moved to Concord. She is an Army veteran and worked as a medical tech in Concord for over 21 years. She has a son who is on Army active duty at Fort Campbell, KY. Now that she is retired she wants to sew more and is looking forward to expanding her skills, especially in machine quilting. She likes traditional patterns and is willing to learn new techniques. She would like to get involved especially with Quilts of Valor and has volunteered to work with the Activities group.

<u>Lynn Green</u>: Lynn has lived in Concord all her life. She is a hairdresser by profession and loves to quilt

in her spare time. She did paper crafting and many of her collages reminded her of quilting. She made the transition to quilting through a client and has been quilting for 2-1/2 years. She has entered the Cabarrus County Fair with her own quilt designs and has won several ribbons. One of her winning quilts was an applique design of high heeled shoes. She finds it easier to design her own quilts than reading and following a pattern. She said that she is left handed and following patterns can sometimes be challenging to her. (I can relate to this.) However, she wants to learn traditional quilting, following a pattern, and learn more about machine quilting. She has done some YouTube classes but is looking forward to classes we offer. She will miss her mentor and former client, Carol Yandle and so will we.

Maria "Dawn" McGinnis: Dawn lives in Matthews, NC and has lived in NC all her life. She has a daughter who lives here also. She retired from DSS in Mecklenburg County where she worked for 31 years. She has quilted with a group at Hickory Road Baptist Church where they quilt for several organizations – Florence Crittenton, a home for pregnant women, Doves Nest, a woman's addiction program, and the Alexanders Children's Home. Her friend, Candy McManaway, has also encouraged her and brought her to our guild. She is interested in all forms of quilting but has been encouraged thru the artistic talent of Candy. She joined our guild to get her feet wet and wants to grow in all forms of quilting. She would like to make baby quilts for gifts.

MISC ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Good News:</u> Colleen Sain has volunteered to organize the Quilts of Valor quilters to make the 2017 Raffle

Quilt. Thank you Colleen and the Quilts of Valor group!

<u>Veterans</u>: Contact Colleen Sain if you are a veteran.

Name Tags: Please wear your name tags. Starting in May we will start the "quarter bucket" for those who aren't wearing their name tags.

<u>Absences</u>: Please contact Linda Brimanson by email (lsbrimanson@gmail.com) if you know that you will be gone for 3 consecutive meetings. Otherwise she will call you to ensure that you are OK.

MARCH 14, 2016 - MINUTES

President Connie Richardson welcomed everyone to the March meeting at 6:45pm. She thanked members and said she was proud of our community work. Two new members were introduced; Lynn Greene and Prudence Robinson and five guests were introduced. Fat quarters were given to members with March birthdays as Connie announced their names. Connie thanked our greeters and refreshment providers.

C.C. reported for publicity that the Coffee News, Independent Tribune and Cabarrus Magazine included announcements for our monthly meetings and asked members to give her any ideas for additional publicity. She also announced that Sew Saturdays will be held at Covenant Church in Harrisburg and notices will be posted in the newsletter. Connie added that May Sew Saturday would be to work on Victory Junction Bears and July would be Quilts of Valor. Members will be able to work on guild or individual projects.

Colleen Sain presented a purple PowerPoint look at Budget "Fund" amentals. Two-thirds of previous members have renewed in 2016, and unpaid members will be contacted to determine if they plan to renew. Unpaid members will soon be removed from the roster and email distribution lists. Colleen said the Raffle Quilt provides one-fifth of the program budget funds, and bylaws require members to sell tickets. A volunteer group to prepare the 2017 Raffle Quilt is needed. She suggested a group of 3-4 quilting friends could use batiks left from 2016 or other fabrics, and the committee could ask

all members to make a block once a pattern is chosen. The committee would combine the blocks and assign one member to organize sale of tickets. Colleen will also collect "tickets out the door" for ideas to raise money. She suggested all ideas are welcome and they could be a modification of something we already do.

Connie announced February meeting minutes were in the newsletter. Melba made a motion to approve,

Esta seconded, and a vote approved the minutes. She gave a thank you from the Activities Committee who said they are having fun getting things ready for members to do and asked members to pick up a ticket from the dinner party for next month's activity.

Martha Austin gave an update on Sonja, who sends her texts every day. She asked members to send prayers and said Sonja appreciates the prayers and cards from members. Ona introduced Ann Bolick, a former guild member, for a trunk show. Ann has been taking weekly Bible study classes with her husband on Mondays. She gave a history of her life and quilting, including the first quilt she made in Illinois and the top she completed last week. Ann showed many different styles of the quilts she has made over the years.

Ona reported on upcoming programs that will be included in the newsletter. Barbara Hinson asked members to look at the Christmas program sign-up sheet during break. Nancy reported that two recent 2016 Raffle Ticket sales events have almost covered the costs and another sale will take place at Mary Jo's this weekend. Nancy also asked for 2017 Raffle Quilt volunteers and said 10-12 yards of batiks are available. She also reminded members to Like, Share and Add Comments on the Guild FaceBook page.

Connie read a list of names of members that need to see Terry Patterson for Activities group during break.

After break, Connie reminded members to take their tiny quilts and leave the clothespin at the Activities tables. She recognized Carol Harris, former member who was in town and will be moving to South Carolina, and Carol Yandle, who attended her last meeting before she moves to Asheville. Connie asked if any veterans were present and three visitors/prospective members were recognized. Ona announced that the April workshop has homework required and suggested that the Galaxy Star workshop would make a possible raffle quilt.

Melba asked members attending quilt shows to let her know if they see anything they like. She announced Carolyn Sweet will be our featured quilter, and a wall will be provided to show other handcrafts beside quilts.

Barbara Hinson won the door prize.

At Show and Tell Merle donated a string pieced quilt top for Hospice, Ona turned in thirteen Victory Junction bears, Tom and Charlotte showed their projects from Susan Edmonson's workshop, Rosie showed her tote bag, and Trudy showed a Dr. Seuss quilt made for another organization's silent auction.

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Morse, Secretary

REFRESHMENTS AND GREETERS - APRIL

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.

Greeters: JoAnna Cupp and Linda McGlamery **Refreshments:** Angela House, Melba Mick, Lisa Edwards, Joan Martinkovic, Sharon Brown

We need people for refreshments in May and both greeters and refreshments for June and July.

2016 – PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

Our April speaker will be Anita Bowen who will tell us how to JumpStart your creativity

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.

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April 1	Lecture by Karen Kay
	Buckley/Machine and Hand
	Applique
April 11	Lecture by Anita Bowen/Jumpstart
	your Creativity
April 12	Workshop by Anita Bowen
	Galaxy Stars
May 9	Lecture by Wendy Buttler
	Burns/Creating Captivating Colors
May 10	Workshop by Wendy Buttler Burns
	Textured Tweety
June 13	Deb Heatherly/ Deb's Cats N Quilts
	Lecture: Everything you ever
	wanted to know about Creative
	Grids®Rulers and Tools
June 14	Deb Heatherly/Deb's Cats N Quilts -
	"Sampler B" Workshop
July 11	Quilts of Valor Presentation
July 16	Saturday Workshop /Quilts of Valor
August 8	Guild Picnic
Sept 12	Lecture Shannon Shirley/Once in a
1	Rabbit Moon-Electrix Mix
Sept 13	Workshop Shannon Shirley/Once in
1	a Rabbit Moon- Introduction to free
	Motion Quilting
Oct 10	Lecture Judy Lilly/The Joy of
	Landscapes
Oct 11	Workshop Judy Lilly/Beginners
22011	Landscape Class
Nov 14	CVAN Cuddle Quilts due
Dec 12	Christmas Party
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If you can't make Karen Kay Bucklery's Lecture on April 1, or if you are wanting to take a class, she will be in Greensboro, SC on April 2 and 3. You

can register for her classes there at: http://www.callalilyquilts.com/classes.htm

ACTIVITIES

Bring your Who's Coming to Dinner décor/accessory to this month's meeting to display and get your charm. Remember: it does NOT have to be completed, bring as is. I hope you have all had fun with this.

We will be playing a group game which will ultimately reveal the GUILD CHALLENGE 2016. Here are some more hints: Glacier, Naval base, Olympic Rings, Pyramid, Volcano

We have several reminders: You can still bring in your Tiny Quilts for a charm. You can still bring in your completed valentine for a charm. Make sure you have filled out your activities survey. You can still bring in your fat quarter to get your incentive pin.

Please remember to wear your name tag with your incentive pin and charms.

Looking forward to April fun.

Becky, Sara, Diane Activities Committee

ACTIVITIES - PICTURES

Have you noticed the pictures being creatively used in the various displays by our activity committee? Please stop by (front of the room near piano) to have your picture taken for their fun activities. Many of you have asked why the directory photos cannot be used - well it is because of the way they were compressed when I published the directory as a PDF. And many of the original pictures are long gone from my computer. Please stop by - the pictures I still need include:

Anita Black, Diane Thayer, Pat Arndt, Linda Briminson, Dawn Hawkins, Angela House, Mildred Lamb, Linda Leano, Lisa Schreck, Juanita Williams, Johnnie McCallum and Karen Knapp - plus any new members who recently joined.

Thanks ~ Terry Patterson

FACEBOOK PAGE

Remember to visit the page <u>weekly</u>—not just the day after our meeting. <u>LIKE</u>, <u>COMMENT</u>, and <u>SHARE</u> things. Commenting and including a picture is also a great way to rouse more interest! If you have questions or something you want posted email <u>nancymiller217@yahoo.com</u>.

GUILD LIBRARY

The guild library has 200 books, CD's and magazines. The list is on the website. Take a look and see if there is something you'd like to read. If you see a book you would like to request, please let June Dale know via her e-mail (junedale@hotmail.com) or call her (contact information available in the Guild Directory) and she will bring the book to the next meeting.

If you have suggestions for new books, please let her 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

Please pick up your raffle quilt (2016) tickets from or turn in money to Nancy Miller at the monthly meeting if you have not already done so. About half our members have not picked up their raffle

tickets! Please contact Nancy if you would like to sell your raffle quilt tickets at an upcoming Quilt Show, or if you have contacts for a venue to sell tickets.

<u>Sell your raffle tickets:</u> We have some upcoming dates for selling raffle tickets:

- April 3, 2016 "The Airing of the Quilts" at Eastern Cabarrus Historical Museum (Sun 2-5) VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
 1100 N. Main Str. Mt. Pleasant NC
 http://www.echsmuseum.org/
 CALL CONNIE if interested in this one!
- April 29-30, 2016 Salisbury-Rowan Quilters Guild Spring Quilt Show (Fri 10-5:30, Sat 10-4) We currently have volunteers, but could always use a couple more!
- We can sell at The Depot almost any date. Contact Nancy

To volunteer: contact <u>nancymiller217@yahoo.com</u>

SEWING TIPS AND TRICKS

Sewing Tips – Storage Tips from Lisa Edwards

- 1. Store thread spools in clear plastic egg cartons. These are also great for stacking.
- 2. Cut strips from inexpensive vinyl/cling wrap and wrap it around a thread spool and bobbin to keep the thread from unraveling.
- 3. Buy medium and large pizza boxes for storing quilt blocks (new boxes only, please). They are easy to stack and your blocks are organized.

Anyone who wants to submit a sewing tip or trick for this section, send to cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com and title it Sewing

2016 UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

Tips.

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

April 8-9, 2016 (8th – 9:30 – 4:30) (9th – 9:30 – 4:00) Threaded Memories Foothills Piecemakers Quilting Guild Pelham Road Baptist Church 1108 Pelham Road, Greenville, SC

April 15-17, 2016 Warrenton Quilts www.warrentonquiltdays.com

April 2016 TBD 5th Annual Scenic Route Shop Hop Ladybug's Cottage - Wendell, NC 27591 Quilt Lizzy - Warrenton, NC 27589

PQA (Professional Art Quilters Alliance – South) "Art Quilt Voices", Apr. 27 – Jul 2, 2016 (Reception Friday, April 29th, from 6-8PM) Professional Art Quilters interpreting concepts of "Voices"

Page Walker Arts & History Center, 119 Ambassador Loop, Cary, NC. Call 919-460-4963 to confirm visiting hours.

April 29 & 30, 2016 Sunny Days and Starry Nights Quilt Show (29th – 10:00 – 5:30) (30th – 10:00 – 4:00) First Baptist Church Ministries Center 223 N. Fulton St., Salisbury

May 12-14, 2016 Biennial Quilt Show Rutherford Quilt Guild's Isothermal Community College, Student Union 286 ICC Loop Road (off Route 74 Alt), Spindale, NC

www.rutherfordquiltguild.org

May 2016 TBD Annual Crystal Coast Quilt Show Crystal Coast Civic Center 3503 Arendell St, Hwy 70, Morehead, NC www.crystalcoastquiltersguild.org

June 2-5, 2016 North Carolina Quilt Symposium "Quilting with the Stars" hosted by Capital Quilters at William Peace University, Raleigh

June - September 2016 TBD Row By Row Experience www.rowbyrowexperience.com

August 2016 TBD
The Mountain Piecemakers Annual Quilt Show
Burnsville Town Center
6 South Main Street, Burnsville, NC 28714
Contact Dorothy at 828-678-0221
mountaintainpiecemakers@blogspot.com
www.mountainpiecemakers.blogspot.com

September 30 & October 1, 2016
Cabarrus Quilt Show
Cabarrus Arena & Events Center
4751 Hwy. 49
North Concord, NC 28025
http://www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org/Quilt_Show.html

September 2016 TBD Quilt! Carolina Quilt Tour Triangle to the Triad & Beyond www.quiltcarolina.com

September 2016 TBD Quilting in the Pines V Biennial Quilt Show Historic Fair Barn, 200 Beulah Hill Road S, Pinehurst, NC

September 2016 TBD

Ashe County Piecemakers Quilt Guild Annual Quilt Fair
Jefferson Station, 20 E Ashe St, W Jefferson, NC
For info raholbrook@wilkes.net
http://www.ashequilters.org

October 2016 TBD
Biennial Smoky Mountain Quilt Show
Ramsey Center Coliseum, Western Carolina
University
Cullowhee, NC 28723
http://www.smokymtnquilters.org

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

"Bear" Facts

We will meet on Saturday, April 2 and again on Friday, April 15th, at Covenant Christian Church in Harrisburg to make or stuff bears. If you want to learn how to make the bears, Tom and Connie will be there to show you. If this isn't your thing, we need people to stuff and hand sew the bears closed. We will also do this on Saturday, May 7th. We hope to finish our 100 bears at this time. We will bring them to the May

Guild meeting to take a picture of the bears and their creators. Tom and I will schedule our trip to Victory Junction and give you a date as to when the bears will be delivered. If you haven't done a tour of this facility it is well worth the trip. You can plan to go with Tom and me.

Contact Colleen Sain for questions concerning Quilts of Valor.

Cabarrus Hospice - If you have quilts for Cabarrus Hospice call Carol Graham – 980-781-4170.

Any material that you feel might be useful to others who are making quilts for Quilts of Valor, Hospice or Victory Junction bears can be put on the back table to be used for that purpose. Any material not claimed by members of the guild will be put in the White Elephant collection.

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 from time to time. 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 http://www.ansewso.net/

Sew Much Fun – Lowell, NC http://www.sewmuchfun4you.com/classes.htm

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

2016 Christmas Committee – Barbara Hinson

2016 Quilt Show - Melba Mick, Chair

2016 Raffle Quilt – Nancy Miller & Committee

2017 Raffle Quilt – Colleen Sain & Committee

Audit Committee – Nancy Miller, Tom

Richardson, Bonnie Labadie

BJ's Membership – Pat Stedwell

Community Outreach – Carol Graham

Facebook (Business Page) - Nancy Miller

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

Guild Retreat - POSITION OPEN

Historians – Phares Sechler & Sonja Simmons

Humanitarian/Hospitality – Sharon Smith

Librarian – June Dale

Newsletter - Nancy Miller

Membership – Linda Brimanson

Name Badges – Rosey Stein, Paulette Lundy

Nomination Committee - Bonnie Labadie and

COMMITTEE NEEDED

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

Publicity (Guild/Quilt Show) – Cecilia Estey

Sew Tuesday – Mildred Lamb

<u>Visitor Welcome</u> – Adrienne Phelan <u>Visual Aids for Meetings</u> – Tom Richardson <u>Webmaster</u> – Terry Patterson

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Days of the month to remember:

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

25th—completed articles, send to cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com

1st--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 <u>free</u> for guild members

To advertise, contact Nancy Miller (Cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com)





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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