

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

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

From the President:

Thoughts from the President:

Spring is upon us with trees and flowers in bloom. The windows are open in my sewing room and I'm enjoying my newest project while I feel and smell the fresh air. What an inspiration for trying new ideas.

I took Anita Bowen's class and am in the middle of my "Galaxy Star" quilt and loving every minute of it. At the class, Anita helped us with each step to complete and 18" x 18" finished block using an easy step by step method developed by her. One of her comments struck home for me. She said not to worry so much about the points in the blocks always coming together. They can get lost in the design. Anyway, it is better to complete a project rather than become discouraged over each tiny mistake. She even had pins which said, "I have completed a "Galaxy Star" quilt" which we can pin on our name tags when we finish. Her teaching goal was for everyone to have fun and everyone in the class did. While I am working on my quilt I am constantly reminded of the philosophy of many Native Americans when weaving blankets. They leave an intended error in each blanket to remind them that only God's work is perfect. I have no problem with this and I don't even need to make an intended mistake. I am having fun with this quilt noticing that I am getting better as I complete each block. Tom and I have made our share of mistakes. One I would like to share with you is a design you see below. We were making guest towels for a friend with a monogrammed letter "D". Tom accidently put it on the towel

upside down. I thought the towel was ruined but soon realized by turning it around, we had a TC (for Tom and Connie) interlocked and are now using it as one of our guest towels. Here is to all of you in making lemonade when life throws you a lemon and have fun doing it.





Connie Richardson, President

REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

Monday, May 9 @ 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

Shelley Lenhausen	May 2
Paulette Lundy	May 4
Stephanie Newbrough	May 7
Ann Ashworth	May 8
Bessie Ketner	May 9
Debbie Robb	May 11
Rosey Stein	May 14
Cathy Gordon-Hellman	May 17
Sonja Simmons	May 17
Sharron Brown	May 24
Adrienne Phelan	May 26
Dawn Hopkins	May 30
Janine Kinney	May 30

HIDDEN TREASURES

I wanted to share a hidden jewel in our community. On April 3 rd, Eastern Cabarrus Historical Museum at 110 N. Main St., Mount Pleasant, held "Airing of the Quilts." They devoted an entire room to works

of three of our quilt members – Candy McManaway, Debbie Robb, and Sylvia Stancil. An invitation is extended to come on Sunday, May 1, 2016 for our "May Day Tea" from 2-5PM. You can view tea sets, cups, pots, table settings for special occasions and tea parties. Enjoy sampling teas and tasty treats.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Joan Soeth became a new member at our April general meeting. She and her family moved to Salisbury a year and a half ago from Rochester, NY. She retired from a medical practice as an accountant and as the billing department manager. After retirement she walked into a local quilt shop who was offering beginning classes. Now she is interested in applique techniques and hopes to do a "Baltimore Album" quilt.

Joan is a member and co-president of the "Starry Night" Chapter of Salisbury and Rowan County. She attended the Karen Buckley lecture in April and became interested in our guild. She likes our programs, monthly challenges, and wants to extend her knowledge beyond just reading patterns. She is looking forward to getting to know us.

UPDATE ON SONJA

Sonja sent an email thanking us for all our prayers, words of encouragement, and the "Heart Quilt." She was quite touched by our show of love. She has resumed her chemotherapy – an accomplishment as she could not do it when she was fighting the infections. This is a very positive step for her and she is encouraged by the fact that her cancer did not spread during the time she was fighting the infection.

We miss you Sonja and will continue our prayers.



Connie Richardson

APRIL 11, 2016 - MINUTES

President Connie Richardson welcomed everyone to the March meeting at 6:45pm. She recognized new members and visitors. She asked anyone not receiving the guild newsletter to see Cecilia Estey (C.C.). Visitors were introduced and greeters and refreshment providers were thanked. Connie said May had 3members signed up for refreshments and more could be added. Fat quarters were given to members with April birthdays by C.C. as Connie announced their names. C.C. and Colleen Sain told Connie they had no announcements. Connie announced March minutes were included in the newsletter and asked for acceptance. Nancy Miller made a motion to accept, Marguerite seconded, and a vote was taken to approve the minutes as printed. Debbie Morse gave the Row By Row start date as June 21 st and Connie said dates for other events will be updated in the newsletter.

Connie asked Martha Austin to update members on Sonja Simmons, and asked members to sign the

card at the front table. Nancy and Connie presented the quilt made with heart blocks donated by members and quilted by Shelley at The Quilted Bicycle. The quilt will be presented to Sonja.

Charlotte Doyle introduced our program provided by Anita Bowen – Jumpstart Your Creativity. Anita had all members take a test to determine if we are left or right brain and gave examples to help inspire us to use our creativity. The quilt Galaxy Stars was displayed as the sample for Anita's workshop Tuesday.

Announcements were made after the program. Nancy Miller announced raffle tickets sales will be at The Depot April 23 rd, and at the Salisbury Quilt show April 29 th -30 th. Connie reported that the Eastern Cabarrus Historical Museum Airing of the Quilts held April 3rd included quilts from members Candy McManaway, Debbie Robb and Sylvia Stancil along with other quilters.

Charlotte Doyle invited members to attend the Quilt-In- A-Day presentation by Pat Knoechel, Eleanor Burns' sister. The program will be held in Mooresville on Monday, May 2 nd from 10am. Charlotte will have more information emailed to members.

Connie asked that anyone interested in making T-shirt quilts to see her during break. She gave an update on Victory Junction bears and said about 65 are complete. Sew dates at the Covenant Church in Harrisburg are Friday, April 15 th and Saturday, May 7 th and a date for the trip to deliver the bears will be scheduled later in May. Members were invited to join on the trip. Connie and Tom will be available to help anyone that needs instructions on the sew days to sew or stuff bears.

Debbie Morse announced that Silent Auction completed items were on display at the front right of the room and thanked everyone for their donations. Items that need to be completed are also on display and can be signed out to be returned the week before the quilt show.

Connie made an announcement for the Activities committee that "Getting to Know You" is the theme for this year and to be sure to stay after the break to hear more. After a short break, contestants were chosen for a "Quilters Price Is Right" with prizes awarded. Contestants then helped to introduce the Challenge for 2016 – "Anchors Away" and all members chose a destination to be used for their inspiration. Many Show and Tell items were displayed and the meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Morse, Secretary

REFRESHMENTS AND GREETERS - MAY

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: Juanita Williams and Sharron Brown **Refreshments:** JoAnna Cupp, Barbara Henson, and Marguerite Klaiber

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.

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
	Rabbit Moon-Electrix Mix
Sept 13	Workshop Shannon Shirley/Once in
	a Rabbit Moon- Introduction to free
	Motion Quilting
Oct 10	Lecture Judy Lilly/The Joy of
	Landscapes
Oct 11	Workshop Judy Lilly/Beginners
	Landscape Class
Nov 14	CVAN Cuddle Quilts due
Dec 12	Christmas Party

We are excited to be able to bring Big Name Artists to our lectures and workshops. In order to be able to continue to do this, we need your help. The lectures and workshops are a big part of our budget. We need at least 10 participants for each workshop. Your board voted to keep the cost down to \$30 per workshop to make it affordable for all. Please sign up for workshops and come to the workshops. Payment must be received one month prior to the workshop. We always learn so much and come away with a new project, many good ideas and new friendships. Give a workshop as a gift to a quilting friend and bring her/him along. Let us know, if you have someone special in mind that you would like to come to YOUR GUILD.

All suggestions are welcome! Charlotte and Ona

OUR JUNE WORKSHOP

Deb Heatherly has been sewing since the age of 3 and quilting for more than 30 years. She is a former freelance writer and designer for QUILT magazine and for the past 11 years added shop owner to her resume.

Deb's Cats N Quilts is located in the beautiful mountains of western North Carolina in the town of Franklin, and her shop got its name from an article Deb wrote for QUILT magazine entitled "All I

know about Quilting I learned from my Cats." (A copy of that article can be found on her web site www.Debscatsnquilts.com.)

Deb has been designing her own patterns for more than 15 years and loves to create quilts that look intricate, but can be made by even a beginner once broken down into easy steps.

Her new Creative Grids® Cat's Cradle Tool and Creative Grids® Strippy Stars Tools are just two examples of how she has taken complex blocks and made them easy enough for everyone.

Deb is married and has one daughter and a randson. She is also the 'furless' mom to 3 rescue kitties: Gracie, Lily, and Lacey, and a rescue dog named Maggie. As you can see from this photo, Deb has always loved cats.

She will bring several of the rulers required - and students share them in class. (Students do not have to purchase any of the rulers beforehand) They would be learning the 5 block techniques in the workshop and could then purchase rulers and companion patterns for the rulers they enjoyed most. This type format teaches a variety of techniques and many groups like it because they get to "try before they buy"

Go to Deb's web site to see pictures. www.Debscatsnquilts.com

ACTIVITIES

A special thank you to Marguerite Klaiber for hosting "The Quilted Price is Right.

Thanks too to: Rosita Blackwelder, Carol Eicher, Louise Lewis, Colleen Sain, and Pat Stedwell for being contestants to help us reveal our August 2016 Guild Challenge—Anchors Away!

The Activities committee had a lot of fun disclosing our 'challenge destination'. You can still sign up to participate. May is 'catch up' month for activities. You can bring in any of the projects, finished or not, to receive a charm.

We look forward to seeing you at the May meeting. Don't forget to stop by the Activities Table.

Remember to wear your name tags, displaying your charms.

Let me know if you need anything.

Thanks,
Becky---Activities

FACEBOOK PAGE

You have forgotten about Facebook, haven't you? Volume is down! Remember, if our page looks fun, people will KNOW we are FUN!

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 <u>including a</u> <u>picture</u> 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. 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> Upcoming dates for selling raffle tickets:

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!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THIS SATURDAY!

• We can sell at The Depot almost any date.

To volunteer: contact nancymiller217@yahoo.com

SEWING TIPS AND TRICKS

Quilting Supply Storage Tips from Lisa Edwards

- 1. Cut out large pieces from a flannel-backed tablecloth, lay quilt blocks on them and roll them up for storage.
- 2. Store sewing tools in a silverware basket from an old dishwasher and hang it up on a pegboard. A revolving pencil holder is also great for tool storage.
- 3. Store glue sticks in the refrigerator to keep them from drying out or molding.

Anyone who wants to submit a sewing tip or trick for this section, send to

<u>cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com</u> and title it Sewing Tips.

2016 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

PQA (Professional Art Quilters Alliance – South) "Art Quilt Voices", Apr. 27 – June 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

June 2-5, 2016

North Carolina Quilt Symposium "Quilting with the Stars" hosted by Capital Quilters at William Peace University, Raleigh

June 2-11, 2016 East Tennessee Shop Hop 12 shops $\underline{https://www.facebook.com/EastTennesseeShopHop}_{/}$

June 21 - September 6 2016
Row By Row Experience
www.rowbyrowexperience.com
Shop map and lists to be posted after May 15th

July 15-23, 2016 Carolina Shop Hop 12 shops in Western NC & SC http://www.carolinashophop.com/

August 5th, 2016 10am-4:30pm
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

Sept 16-17, 2016 Coming of Age Quilt Show – York County Quilters Guild Fri 10-7, Sat 10-4 Events @ Manchester 1965 Cinema Drive Rock Hill, SC http://yorkcountyquilters.org/events/biennial-quilt-

show/
September 16-17, 2016

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

Sept 22-24, 2016 Smoky Mountain Splendor Quilt Show Liston B. Ramsey Regional Activity Center Cullowhee, NC 28723 http://www.smokymtnquilters.org September 23-24, 2016 10-6 Quilting in the Pines V Biennial Quilt Show Historic Fair Barn, 200 Beulah Hill Road S, Pinehurst, NC

http://www.visitnc.com/event/2016-quilting-in-the-pines

Sept 30-Oct 2 Asheville Quilt Show 34th Annual Fri-Sat 9-5, Sun 10-4:30 WNC Ag Center Davis Event Center http://ashevillequiltguild.org/quilt-show/

October 6-15th, 2016 Quilt! Carolina Quilt Tour "Fall In Love With Quilting" Passports available Triangle to the Triad & Beyond www.quiltcarolina.com

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

"Bear" Facts

We are getting close! There are some kits still out but we should be close to 100 bears for Victory Junction. Please bring finished bears to the next general meeting. We will still meet May 7 th at the Covenant Christian Church in Harrisburg to work on bears. Tom and I will be there to teach you how to make them or finish any bears you have started. We would like to have more than 100 so that we have them for display at our quilt show in the fall.

We will bring all the bears to our May meeting so they can have their pictures taken with their makers. We will also set a date in May to take the bears to Victory Junction. If you are interested in a tour of Victory Junction (an amazing facility) let us know at the May meeting so we can set a date. NOTE: The little girl that joined us at Covenant Church came back for the April Saturday workshop. She worked on her own bear and helped to stuff ours. Her enthusiasm is a reminder in what a gift children can be.

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

<u>2016 Christmas Committee</u> – 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

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

<u>Humanitarian/Hospitality</u> – Sharon Smith

<u>Librarian</u> – June Dale

Newsletter - Nancy Miller

Membership – Linda Brimanson

Name Badges – Rosey Stein, Paulette Lundy

 $\underline{\textbf{Nomination Committee}} - \textbf{Bonnie Labadie and}$

COMMITTEE NEEDED

<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:

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.

<u>NOTE:</u> 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 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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WWW.ANSEWSO.COM
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