

Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter – January 2017

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

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Welcome to 2017. Now that the holidays are over, it is time to think of deeds or goals you want to achieve in the New Year. It is not too early to think about the projects ahead of us. When cleaning out your sewing room, check your stash of materials and supplies you haven't used or don't have a plan for anymore and think White Elephant for the 2017 Quilt Show which will be October 13th and 14th. Also it is not too early to plan and start those projects to enter into the show. This is the time to receive the recognition you so deserve.

Tom and I want to start the Victory Junction Bears in January and our goal is 100 by April. Two members have already created over 25 bears, a great start. I know that some of you do not like to complete this project on your own, so this year you will have the option of being part of an assembly line. You can just sew one section such as arms or legs or heads or neck scarves. You can stuff bears or close the stuffed bears – anything will help. I will be bringing kits or arms and legs (if you want to use your own material) to the January meeting or you can join us at Covenant Christian Church in Harrisburg on the third Saturday in January (Jan 21st). Tom and I will demonstrate how we put the bears together. Nancy Miller has an alternate method that eliminates much of the hand sewing. This is a great group project and a chance to get better acquainted with our members. The children who go to the Victory Junction truly appreciate all of our efforts – to learn more about Victory Junction go to www.victoryjunction.org.

Another much appreciated project is the quilts we donate to Hospice. Carol Graham reported that we contributed 29 quilts to Hospice Palliative Care of Cabarrus County. Thank you, Carol for organizing this project. Carol will not be able to continue this

project or her title of Chairman of the Community Outreach Program. Since Ona Phillips and Colleen Sain take care of Quilts of Valor, I just need someone to continue the Hospice Program or any charity that might be of interest to the Guild. Contact me if you are interested. Tom and I will continue the Bear program for this year.

Our Guild had 106 members in 2016. We added 26 new members, some of whom are also new quilters. We would like to share our beginning experiences with these new quilters and offer them beginner lessons and tips. The Program Committee is planning a workshop with stations showing some of the beginning steps in February. They want to use guild members as teachers. We have many talents in our guild and we can all learn from each other. This workshop will be on a Saturday in February to accommodate our working members. A confirmed date will be given at the January meeting.

I want to thank all of you for making 2016 such a successful year and I look forward to new adventures in 2017!

Connie Richardson, President

REMINDERS

Membership dues of \$30 for 2017 will be collected at our January meeting.

MEMBER NEWS

Jim Smith and Andy Brunhammer's quilt "Elation in Wings" has been accepted as finalists in the 2017 Florida Quilt Competition at World Quilt Florida. This will take place in Orlando, FL on January 19th thru January 21st, 2017.

REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

Monday January 9

We meet 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 opens at 6 o'clock. From 6:15 to 6:45, enjoy refreshments, greet friends, sign up for upcoming activities, workshops, check out program displays, get a book from our library, etc. The meeting will begin at 6:45 and have a short break.

2017 GUILD OFFICERS

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

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Joan Soeth	Jan 2
Marguerite Klaiber	Jan 5
Alice Springs	Jan 10
Prudence Robinson	Jan 14
Angela House	Jan 17
Stephanie Mayes	Jan 18
Sharon Smith	Jan 30
Carla Garceau	Jan 31

DECEMBER, 2016 - MINUTES

President Connie Richardson began the meeting at 6:30 pm with a welcome to all and recognized several visitors and new members JoAnn Fisher and Mona Burtz. The meeting was our holiday pot luck supper and she thanked Barbara Hinson and her committee for the Christmas decorations. Connie asked members to turn in any raffle tickets to Nancy Miller so the drawing could be held later in the evening.

Birthdays were announced and fat quarters chosen by those in attendance. Connie asked for approval of minutes for November. Nancy made a motion to approve, Mattie Johnson seconded, and a vote was taken to approve the minutes. Connie then turned over the program to Barbara.

Barbara recognized her committee members – Melba Mick & Danielle Hutchinson and all the members that helped make the decorations at the Creative Hands meeting. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and asked everyone to write their name on the card on the gift box to be collected for prizes later. She asked everyone to be sure to have fun and enjoy the games after dinner. Barbara then said a prayer and Rosey Stein asked if anyone had any more donations for CCM.

After dinner two new visitors were introduced and Connie presented a quilt made of the heart blocks made for Pat Stedwell. The quilt was wrapped around Pat to provide her lots of warmth. Barbara announced that Melba has received 2 vendor contracts for the 2017 show and asked members to take postcards made to advertise the show date. Everyone then opened the gift boxes and each member received a beautiful scarf made by Barbara and Tom received a Christmas tie. Barbara then asked members to look under their placemats for stars that would indicate the prizes they could choose from the table decorations. Names were drawn for other prizes. Santa word games were played with the winner at each table receiving a table decoration. All the angels and tree decorations were given away as prizes.

Connie then announced the last chance to buy raffle tickets before the drawing. While Nancy was collecting tickets and money, Rosey announced that the guild members had provided about 450 pounds of food and \$425 in cash donations that would purchase another 2,361 pounds of food. She said a final tally would be provided tomorrow. Connie announced that Carla Garceau needs two volunteers to work on the nomination committee for 2018-2019 officers. Several members had show & amp; tell items and

Connie said Sharon Smith was collecting spools for her daughter's class.

Nancy announced about \$2500 sold in raffle tickets. The raffle quilt drawing took place and Barbara Haywood won and was contacted by Mattie Johnson. Connie told everyone to be sure to take their utensils and food containers and wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Description of the sure to take their utensils and food containers and wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Description of the sure tickets.

The meeting was adjourned about 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Morse, Secretary

REFRESHMENTS / GREETERS JANUARY

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: Joan Soeth

Refreshments: The Board: Connie, Debbie, Cici,

and Colleen

2017 – 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.

Jan 9 — Budget, Membership Dues. Along with Activities Committee, sharing of beginning quilt stories from guild members

Feb 13 – Trunk show to be announced

Mar 13 – To be announced Apr 10 – To be announced May 8 – To be announced Jun 12 – To be announced Jul 10 - To be announced

Aug 10 – Picnic

Sep 11 – To be announced Oct 9 – To be announced

Nov 13 – CVAN presentation Dec 11 – 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

To start off 2017, we are asking you to Share from your beginning sewing/quilting years. Bring a Sewing/Quilting project, Memory, or Item

you cherish, to the January meeting for display at the Activities Table. Receive credit for our new promotion-Quilt Stamps!

Examples: Your first quilt/sewn item, sewing box, button box, special scissors, any photos of you at that age, etc. Please add an index card that tells about what you are bringing.

We can't wait to see what treasures you will share with us all.

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

If you have been in Ashe County, you have probably seen quilt blocks on barns and other buildings. They have a trail that you can follow to see 31 quilt blocks.

We have a new book. Following the Barn Quilt Trail. It has information on North Carolina trails as well as trails in many other states. There are pictures of the blocks and stories on how they were chosen. It is a great book and may inspire you to take a trip and see how many you can find. Check the library list and see if there are books you'd be interested in checking out.

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

2016 Raffle quilt results: Total income from the Raffle quilt ticket sales was \$2,697.25. Our cost was \$511.48. Thanks to all who helped us make it such a great success!

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

January 13th and 14th
The Quilting and Fiber Arts Marketplace
9 to 4 at the Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center, 1801
Nash St, Sanford, NC 27330

January 27th and 28th The Quilting and Needle Art Extravaganza 9 to 5 in Statesville Civic Center, 300 S. Center St., Statesville, NC 28677

Note: I have 2 free tickets for either event that will be given away at our January meeting.

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

May 10th - 13th

The Old Baldy Lighthouse 200th Birthday "Celebrates the Quil". Quilt dying techniques with Old Baldy Quilters. Whole cloth painting and surface design with Susan Brubaker Knapp. Antique folded log cabin with Pepper Cory. And more! Needs preregistration! Learn more at www.oldbaldy.org. 910-457-7481.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

If you have any questions for:

- QOV: Colleen Sain (colleen.sain63@gmail.com)
- Port pillows for cancer patients: Martha Austin (maustin207@twc.com)
- Hospice quilts: POSITION OPEN
- **Victory Junction Bears**, Tom & Connie Richardson (<u>clrich39@gmail.com</u>)

Note: the guild will provide batting for Hospice quilts, Quilts of Valor quilts, and black and white check cotton fabric for arms and legs for Victory Junction Bears.

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 http://www.ansewso.net/

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

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

2017 Christmas Committee – POSITION OPEN

2017 Quilt Show - Melba Mick, Chair

2017 Raffle Quilt – Colleen Sain & Committee

2018 Raffle Quilt – COMMITTEE NEEDED

<u>Audit Committee</u> – Nancy Miller, Tom Richardson, Bonnie Labadie

BJ's Membership – Tom Richardson

Community Outreach – POSITION OPEN

Facebook (Business Page) - Nancy Miller

Guild Activities – Darlene Woodham

Guild Retreat - POSITION OPEN

Guila Refreat - POSITION OPEN

Historians – POSITION OPEN

Humanitarian/Hospitality – Sharon Smith

Librarian – June Dale

<u>Newsletter</u> – Nancy Miller, Tom and Connie

Richardson

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

<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:

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

<u>25th</u>—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 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 **HUSQVARNA VIKING and JANOME MACHINES NOTIONS FABRIC** SOFTWARE WWW.ANSEWSO.COM **BECKY ANDERSON**



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