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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

From the President:

Can you believe it? April already! What happened to winter? Someone asked me if I took a break from sewing during the summer months. My response was Oh, No! My air conditioned sewing room is my haven in the summer. I am often reminded when I was a child and Mom would say "Go to your room". That would be such a pleasure to hear today. Right now, I am trying to enjoy as many of these beautiful spring days as possible and taking inspiration from the beautiful colors. This just goes to show that quilting is an all seasonal enjoyment.

The board voted to send a \$1,000.00 check to CVAN from the profit made by the 2016 Raffle Quilt which will be sent the first of April in the name of our Guild. Thanks to all of you who made this possible by selling your raffle tickets. The rest of the profit is set aside for the materials needed for the 2018 Raffle Quilt. The expenses for the 2017 Raffle Quilt were at a minimum since donations of fat quarters not used in the 2016 quilt were used in the 2017 quilt, a beautiful creation from Colleen Sain and her committee. April is the time that a committee needs to be formed for the 2018 Raffle Quilt. We need someone or a group to step up and take charge so that we can get this project started. It is a contributing part of what makes our quilt show a success. This also leads into someone stepping up to take leadership for the 2018 Quilt Show. This is an opportune time to take advantage of Melba Mick's expertise and shadow her through the process. By having these two events in process this month, it will ensure our growing reputation of being a great contributor to our community. If you have an interest in any new committees or any on-going committees and do not know who to contact, contact me at clrich39@gmail.com or call me at

704-870-1789 and I will send you to the right person.

I am sorry that we had to cancel our two day workshop to make hospice quilts. However, we are looking into other possibilities. One, which opened up from a non-member, is to do a one day workshop at First Wesleyan Church in Kannapolis on March 27th. The church was willing to give us space since we are doing charitable work - our thanks to this church for opening their doors to us. Since I am writing this on the 24th, I'll let you know how this worked out at our next meeting. We received a thank you for the six quilts we sent to Hospice and Palliative Care of Cabarrus County and as of this week, we have contributed a total of 16 quilts. Again, thank you to all of you who have contributed to this worthy cause, either by making quilts or contributing the materials.

The board wants to recognize those of you who completed all the projects stated in our by-laws for 2016. If you sold all your quilt raffle tickets and made a quilt for CVAN in 2016, please let us know if you did not fill out a slip at our last meeting. You may send this information to me via e-mail before the next meeting and you will be entered in a drawing for a \$50 gift certificate which we will do at the April meeting. Send this information to clrich39@gmail.com – title it "drawing."

I am sure you can all relate to this: "Asking a quilter to mend is like asking Picasso to paint your garage."
Connie Richardson

NEW MEMBERS

Correction of errors in the March Newsletter:
Sara's last name is Presson, not Preston. There is no S in Sandy Winter's last name.

Julie Love (I don't think I can misspell this one but wait for the next new member) comes from Delaware originally. She has a son and a grandson. She has always sewn clothes and has even done some tailoring. She enjoys needlework of any kind. Her first quilt was in 1976 for the bicentennial – a red, white and blue log cabin pattern. She learned to quilt by watching a PBS program called “Lap Quilting” with Georgia Bonesteel from Ashville, NC. This was before rotary cutters, using templates.

Julie retired from working in an insurance company a year ago and is now an active volunteer as the unit manager for East Cabarrus Girl Scouts. This is how she met Carol Harris, a former member and president of our guild. She learned more about us through the internet. Also, she has connected with Lisa Schreck and Natalie Swilley at the Tuesday quilting group. She is looking forward to new workshops and meeting more guild members.

Janneke (“J” pronounced as a “Y”) **Bahamon** (copied right from her membership form) grew up in Gainesville, FL and came to Charlotte by way of Raleigh. Her husband teaches at UNCC. She is a stay at home mom with her 2 year old son. Previously, she was an ESL teacher at a community college in Jacksonville. While there, she took some quilting classes. Her interest stemmed from her mom’s quilting – mom now does weaving. She is interested in all aspects of quilting but has a particular interest in English Paper Piecing. She is interested in “hanging out” with people who share her interest in quilting and making new friends. She thanked Melba in particular for answering her questions. She could use a quilting buddy.

REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

Monday, April 10

We 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 ([Directions](#)). 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

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Cathey Hooper	Apr 3
Cecilia Estey	Apr 12
Lynn Green	Apr 12
Sylvia Stancil	Apr 18
Melba Mick	Apr 22

LAST MEETING MINUTES

Cabarrus Quilters Guild
 Minutes of General Membership Meeting
 March 13, 2017

President Connie Richardson opened the meeting at 6:45pm and welcomed a guest and two new members. She also recognized the new members listed in the newsletter from February. She read a letter from Charles Fox, who donated his late wife’s quilting tools to the guild. New members from January 2016 to present should see Connie at break to enter in a drawing to choose one item from the bag Mr. Fox delivered to Connie. Sharon Brown was the greeter tonight and Connie asked members to sign up for upcoming months. Connie changed her request for mentors to “Quilt Buddies” to provide direction to new members learning to quilt. She read the list of March birthdays and reminded all members with birthdays from January to March to see C.C. for a fat quarter. Mattie Johnson asked her birthday to be changed to March 5 th . Connie recognized Barbara Hinson, Stephanie Mayes, Mattie Johnson, Alice Springs, Anita Black

and Johnnie McCallum who provided refreshments. A date correction to the minutes printed in the March newsletter was announced. Melba Mick made a motion to accept corrected minutes. Terry Patterson seconded and a vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Charlotte Doyle thanked all members who participated in the mini workshop held in February and said this will become an annual event. Existing members learned much from new members in attendance and everyone had a great time. April's workshop requires a kit purchase for \$20. Sewing machines are not needed and a supply list is available. May's workshop will be Judy Heyward and she sent a sample project.

Charlotte thanked the guild for allowing wonderful programs to be presented for all members. Ona introduced Laura Blanchard for her program "Tips & Tricks for Stress Free Quilting". Laura, with help from her husband Ray and guild members, displayed many quilts from her pattern company, Plum Tree Quilts.

C.C. announced the March 24-25 th workshop at Covenant Church in Harrisburg will be to work on Hospice quilts and asked those planning to attend to add their names to the sign-in sheet. Connie asked members to bring fabric for tops and backing. The guild will provide batting. Connie reminded members to add their names to the can at the entry table if they met all requirements in 2016 (member dues, CVAN cuddle quilt and raffle ticket sales). A drawing will be held in April for a gift card. Melba reported that Natalie Swilley has samples and order forms for guild t-shirts and tote bags. Connie asked for volunteers for the board and quilt shows for 2018-2019 terms. Charlotte announced the workshop will begin at 9am and members can set up beginning at 8:30, with lunch from 12-12:30. Connie reminded members to see Terry at break to have their pictures taken for the directory. Linda Brimanson announced she has new member cards available. Before the break, Connie reminded new members to see her for the drawing of donated items.

After the break, Connie provided more information for the Hospice workshop that is free to members. She said some Hospice quilts will be displayed at Show and Tell. Darlene Woodham held a drawing for members who brought in 1 of the 3 items listed in the newsletter and wrote their name on the provided slips. Martha Austin won the prize for March. Next month members are to bring in a 12" finished quilt block made with solids or prints that read as solid to be in the prize drawing. The block will be used for May's activity. Mystery Quilt clue#2 is on the back table, and members are to pick up their items and return the clothespins. Show and tell included several Hospice donations, Ona's 10 Victory Junction bears and many other items. Martha Austin won the Door Prize drawing. Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Morse, Secretary
3/16/17

REFRESHMENTS /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.

Greeter: Barbara Hinson

Refreshments: JoAnna Cupp, Becky Knauer, Sara Bemus, Martha Austin, and Joan Soeth

2017 & 2018 RAFFLE QUILTS

Here is our 2017 raffle quilt "Colorful Dreams".



Remember to pick up your raffle quilt tickets if you have not done so. See Colleen Sain to get your tickets. Thanks to Colleen and her committee for making this beautiful raffle quilt for 2017!

We are still in search of a 2018 Raffle quilt committee.

2017 – PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

Workshop reminder: Sign up early. Pay fees by the month prior to the workshop. Pay kit fees to workshop instructor.

From Charlotte and Ona:

We had a great time with Laura Blanchard who showed us how to do the Shadow play pattern. She was a great teacher and we all learned some new ways of sewing our quilt blocks. Please bring your samples to our next meeting for Show and Tell.

Reminder: We will meet with Bonnie Shropshire for supper at O'Charlie's at 4:30.

Apr 10 – Lecture: Bonnie Shropshire Working Hands

- Apr 11 – Follow your Dreams
Workshop:Bonnie Shropshire Working Hands-No Sew Stained Glass (**see article**).
- May 8 – Lecture: Judy Heyward Trunk Show
- May 9 – **Workshop:** Judy Heyward Machine Applique Workshop (**see article**).
- Jun 12 – Lecture: Annette Ornelas Dimensional Curved Piecing Peeled-Back Patchwork
- Jun 13 – Workshop: Annette Ornelas Waves of Glory-Homage to our Flag
- Jul 10 – Lecture: Ricki Selva World View
- Jul 11 – Workshop: Ricki Selva Dangerous Curves
- Aug 14 – Picnic- No Workshop
- Sep 11 – Lecture: Ann P. Shaw Line, Shape and Design
- Sep 12 – Workshop:Ann P. Shaw-Flowers
- Oct 9 – Lecture: Levi Henson- Quilts and their Story
- Oct 10 – Workshop: 101 Bootcamp
- Nov 13 – CVAN presentation - No Workshop
- Dec 11 – Christmas Party - No Workshop

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.

All suggestions are welcome!
Charlotte and Ona

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS*

April Workshop

Our April Lecture/Workshop will be with Bonnie Shropshire.

Bonnie will sell us the complete "No Sew Stained Glass" kit for \$20 which includes the pattern and all the fabric, including the background fabric.

Bonnie wrote: The patterns are \$8. If there is someone who cannot afford the full kit, I will work with them.

I will bring my mini store to the lecture so they can choose their patterns and or kit.

Supply List:

- "No Sew Stained Glass" kit
- Ultra fine Sharpe - black
- 3/4 yard fusible of choice
- Small sharp scissors
- Tweezers (for placing small pieces)
- Clover iron (I will bring some extras)
- Lightbox (I will bring a couple extras)

I will do a demo on raw edge applique and, if time permits a demo on quilt labels.

Check out Bonnie's work under:
<http://www.workinghandscrafts.com/>

May Workshop

Our May Lecture/Workshop will be with Judy Heyward, a former Houston winner.

From Judy: This class will cover the basics of making quilt tops with fusible appliqué techniques—including the use of an appliqué pressing sheet, tracing paper, wonder-under and other tools to prepare the design fabrics for fusing to the background fabric.

Afterwards, we will talk about using tear-away stabilizer for stitching and emphasizing the overall effect the same fabrics that were fused earlier.

There are many methods of appliquéing but this is my favorite. Using the proper tools can provide excellent results very quickly and I hope you enjoy it as much as I do.

ACTIVITIES

Come to the Activities Table to pick up the final Clue for the Mystery Quilt and keep working on it. The top will be due at the June meeting.

To get a Quilt Stamp you must bring in your 12" square that is a named traditional Quilt block. Use solids or fabrics that read as solids.

What you need to bring to the meeting.

Note 1: Bring in a snapshot of your front door or text to Diane Thayer at 980-833-2037 or e-mail Becky Knauer at rdknauer52@gmail.com.

Note 2: Bring in a monthly project and/or donate a new or slightly used item for the stamp redemption store, which allows you to enter your name for the monthly drawing.
All name slips will remain in the jar unless pulled at the drawing.

See you in April.

Activities Committee

FACEBOOK PAGE

Remember to visit the page as often as you can—not just the day after our meeting. **LIKE**, **COMMENT**, and **SHARE** things. Look for our monthly meeting **EVENT** on Facebook.

In a little over a year, we have more than 50% more people following our page. More followers will increase the interest in our quilt show!

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

GUILD LIBRARY

This month the library will be bringing books on paper piecing. Becky Knauer donated the first four novels in Jennifer Chiaverini quilt series. If you haven't read them, they are excellent. Once you start reading you'll want to read the whole series. The Concord Library has the series. Please check the library list on the web and let June know if there is something you would like her to bring.
junedale@hotmail.com.

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.

SEWING TIPS AND TRICKS

Submit a sewing tip or trick for this section by sending it to cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com 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

April 7-8, 2017

“A Symphony of Quilts”

Entries are being requested

Tarheel Quilters Guild, Fayetteville, NC

QuiltFest2017@gmail.com

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.

June 8, 9 and 10, 2017, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m

(4:00 p.m. Saturday)

Landrum Quilt Show

Landrum Middle School
Landrum, SC

June 21 through September 5, 2017

Row by Row Experience – “On the Go” is the theme this year.

<http://www.rowbyrowexperience.com/start-here.htm>

July 21 through 29, 2017

Carolina Shop Hop – 10 shops are in Shop Hop this year.

<http://www.carolinashophop.com/>

August 27-31, 2017

2017 Quilting Friends Retreat

Camp Caraway Conference Center

www.caraway.org

Asheboro, NC.

For information Carol Baucom at

snakemagnet@gmail.com or call (704) 788-8425

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Update on Hospice Quilts

Hospice would prefer quilts with widths of 30-44 inches and no longer than 60 inches. However, all contributions are appreciated.

Tom Richardson will quilt tops. Donations of material are accepted for backing.

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.

All Community Outreach contact information:

- **QOV:** Colleen Sain
(colleen.sain63@gmail.com)
- **Port pillows for cancer patients:** Martha Austin (maustin207@twc.com)
- **Hospice quilts:** Debbie Morse
(mlmssplus@ctc.net)
- **Victory Junction Bears:** Tom & Connie Richardson (clrich39@gmail.com)
- **CHS Northeast Hospital Art project:** Judy Yandle (judithyandle@outlook.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
<http://www.ansewso.net/>

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

NEW: Quilt Show Judging Classes: If you are interested, contact Melba Mick

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

2017 Christmas Committee – **POSITION OPEN**

2017 Quilt Show - Melba Mick, Chair

2018 Quilt Show - Chairperson and Committee – **POSITION OPEN**

2017 Raffle Quilt – Colleen Sain & Committee

2018 Raffle Quilt – **COMMITTEE NEEDED**

Audit Committee – Nancy Miller, Tom Richardson, Bonnie Labadie

BJ's Membership – Tom Richardson

Community Outreach – Colleen Sain, Ona Phillips, Tom and Connie Richardson, and Debbie Morse

Facebook (Business Page) - Nancy Miller

Guild Activities – Sara Bemus, Becky Knauer, Diane Thayer, and Darlene Woodham

Guild Retreat – **POSITION OPEN**

Humanitarian/Hospitality – Sharon Smith

Librarian – June Dale

Newsletter – Nancy Miller, Tom and Connie Richardson

Membership – Linda Brimanson

Name Badges – Rosey Stein, Paulette Lundy

Nomination Committee – Carla Garceau, Debbie Morse + **1 POSITION OPEN**

Programs/Workshops – 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.

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

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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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