

Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter February 2018

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

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Just wondering how many of the resolutions were broken this month; I know I broke a couple. Being snowed in for a few days did not help. I did, however, get a bit of sewing done, and that is a good thing. The view out of my sewing room window was wonderful. Now looking onward to spring, warm temperatures, and lots more sewing. I did get the February project done and am so excited about seeing the person see what I made. I hope she loves it, and I also can't wait to see what was made with my scrapes (what a fun activity). Remember that we have a great trunk show at the February meeting. In addition, please read the budget in the newsletter and have questions ready for meeting before we vote.

February is the month of love, so I would like to send a valentine challenge out to you all. Sometime during this month, send a note to someone who you do not know very well. They do not have to be in the guild. In the note, send an encouraging message for the new year such as hope you have the best year, and it is filled with love and happiness. You are great and can make a positive effect on someone. Do not sign your name and don't put your return address on it. Be a "Secret Valentine" if you will; it will make their day better.

See you at the meeting ready for lots of fun, friends, and family (quilt family that is).

Lots of love to you all, Barbara Hinson

IMPORTANT GUILD ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUILD T-SHIRT AND BAG SALE

Guild t-shirts and bag orders will be placed twice a year as long as there are enough orders. The next orders will be taken at the Guild meetings in March and April with the t-shirts being delivered at the May guild meeting. We will take orders again before the quilt show.

PINAPPLE FABRICS CHARITY QUILTS

Claudia Hoerner made this beautiful charity quilt from charm squares donated by Pineapple Fabrics.



NEW MEMBERS

Karen Bebout joined us in January. She has lived in the area for 9 years and works as a shelf merchandiser. She visited the guild a few years ago to hear a speaker and met other quilters so she decided to join the guild. She is one of 15 children and learned to sew out of necessity. She prefers contemporary quilts and has done a lot of applique lately. Karen is interested in learning more about thread painting. She has a degree in Fine Arts and is interested in jewelry, clothing, restoring furniture and anything craft related.

Diane Viera joined us in January. She has lived here for 32 years and is retired. She also came to hear a speaker at a guild meeting and decided to join the guild. She used to teach long stitch and cross stitch. She has sewn almost all of her life. Diane is currently working on a Diamondhead pattern quilt. She likes bold colors for her quilts. Her favorite hobby is riding her Harley Motorcycle with her husband. She has been on rides in 45 of the 50 states and has ridden over 100,000 miles.

REGULAR MEETING DATE AND STARTING TIME

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

We meet on the second Monday of each month in the basement fellowship hall at Forest Hill United Methodist Church, 265 Union St., N., Concord, NC. VISITORS WELCOME!

The building opens at 6 o'clock. From 6:15 to 6:30, 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 6:30 and have a short break.

2018 GUILD OFFICERS

President - Barbara Hinson Vice President - Melba Mick Secretary - Claudia Hoerner Treasurer - Genevieve Van Loan

LAST MEETING MINUTES

Cabarrus Quilters Guild Minutes of General Membership Meeting Monday, January 8, 2018 President Barbara Hinson began the meeting at 6:30 and wished everyone a happy new year and welcomed everyone back. The guild is sorry to hear of the lost of Fay Esther White West; she was the founder of the guild.

As of today, we have 27 people signed up for the Missouri Star trip. We need to have everyone get the word out to get as many people as we can to go. Barbara asked for approval of the minutes for December. Connie Richardson made a motion to approve, Debbie Morse seconded, and a vote was taken to approve the minutes. Darlene Woodham passed out questioners for ideas on activities they would like to do for the next two years. We were reminded to pick up our raffle tickets. We still need volunteers for the new quilters work shop at Widen House. All of the workshops will be there and done on Saturdays. Darlene has the 2018 quilt and if someone wants to display it contact her. Connie Richardson has all the patterns for the quilt in the library and can sign out one at a time. Merle Clifford will be giving a trunk show in February. The 2018 quilt show will be September 21-22. It will be at CFA Concord First Assembly. Stephanie Mayes has found a printer to do our advertising cards. Mattie Johnson will be doing the food service; it will be called Mattie's Café. Stephanie still needs all the help she can get, and we need more vendors. Judging will be the week before the show. Janie MacGown has made a humanitarian box for you to place slips of paper for members of the guild who know of other members who are going through a difficult time and you feel a little encouragement could brighten their day. Please put their name and a few words of information that Janie and Karen would need on a slip of paper and sign it. Check the list of what can be done on their board. Karen Swart read out the birthdays and thanked them for the wonderful refreshments and reminded them to get their fat quarters. Connie Richardson talked about making bears for Victory Junction; they have about 20 bears made and still need more. She wants black and white material on the arms and legs and use whatever color for the rest of the body. For the Victory Junction quilts,

they should be twin size around 36x70. They can be crocheted. They are getting low on quilts. Natalie Swilley announce the visitors, Karen Bebout and Diane Viera. She reminded everyone to pay their dues for the year. Barbara Hinson welcomed the guests.

Genevieve Van Loan gave a treasury report. Checkbook balance 1/1/17 \$23,227. Balance at 12/31/17 \$22,335. which is a negative of \$893. She made up a chart and a copy of that will be in the February newsletter. She stated we need to be more frugal and if anyone has any suggestions to make extra income for the guild let everyone know. Carolyn Sweet says the past two years have been an asset to the community. Connie Richardson was a successful leader. Carolyn gave Connie a small quilt from the guild and gave Tom Richardson a quilt for being a force behind the president.

Gail Toliver had everyone pick up their mug rug and pick up a bag of scraps. Something needs to be made from the scraps that is not flat, NO QUILTS. Explore and expand your knowledge, think outside of your box. Get out of your comfort zone. Project will go to person whose name is on the bag and put your name on it too.

The vote on the budget will be in February. This gives members time to look over the budget in the February newsletter. Melba Mick is still checking into a new sound system.

After break, Melba Mick drew out the name for the door prize. Natalie Swilley was the winner of the \$99.99 gift from Pineapple Fabrics. Show and tell took place.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

Respectfully submitted, Claudia Hoerner, Secretary 1/9/2018

REFRESHMENTS/GREETERS-FEBRUARY

GREETER: Carolyn Sweet

REFRESHMENTS: Anna Marie Lopez, JoAnne Fisher, Valerie McGarity, Julie Love, Peggy Overcash, Sandy Winter, Sara Bemus, Shelly Winger, and Janneke Bahamon

Please remember to sign up to be a greeter for our guild meetings!

Don't forget to bring refreshments next month if your birthday is in March!

2018 & 2019 RAFFLE QUILT

If you haven't picked up your 2018 Raffle Quilt tickets, please do so at the next meeting. Also, if anyone has suggestions for places to sell tickets please contact Darlene.

A big thank you to Anita Black who voluneteered to be the 2019 Raffle Quilt Chairperson.

2018 – PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

BASIC SKILLS WORKSHOP:

The Basic Skills Workshop will be from 9am-noon on February 17th at Epworth United Methodist Church(1030 Burrage Rd NE Concord, NC). It is not only for new quilters, but for anyone who wants a refresher in some basic techniques. Please sign up for this *free* workshop at the February guild meeting. Darlene will have a handout at the meeting with the instructors and skills and what to bring to class. Please contact Darlene at if you have any questions. The workshop will cover the following skills.

- 1. Basic supplies, straightening the material, different grains of fabric and accurate cutting
- 2. How to sew an accurate 1/4" seam
- 3. Pressing versus ironing
- 4. How to square up a block
- 5. How to make the binding
- 6. How to attatch the binding (including joining)
- 7. How to square up a quilt
- 8. Easy blocks
- 9. ½ square triangles
- 10. Stitch in the ditch

FEBRUARY PROGRAM:

Merle Clifford, our own resident quilt artist, will have a trunk show for February's lecture. Merle made her first quilt around 1983. She made a few quilts after that, mostly baby quilts, until she retired. She has no record of how many or where they are. She made clothing for herself and her children when they were young. She has done embroidery, crewel, counted cross stitch, latch hook, needlepoint, and knitting. Since she retired in 2000, she has done very little sewing otherthan quilts. She joined the Cabarus Quilters Guild in 2001 and was president in 2004-2005. Most of the quilts she will show belong to her daughter, her granddaughter and herself. She will also show some pictures of quilts she no longer has in her possession.

PROGRAMS:

You can sign up for the March and April Workshops. The cost for all workshops this year is \$35, plus the cost for kits/patterns/etc. that the instructor may charge. Workshops will be at Epworth United Methodist Church (1030 Burrage Rd NE Concord, NC) and are fro 9:30am-3:30pm.

March - Amy Stewart Winsor, Lecture and trunk show "Confessions of a Precision Impaired Quilter" Workshop, "Log Cabins in a Modern Setting" April - Michelle May, Lecture and trunk show - "Folk Art Fusion and my adventures down the rabbit hole". Workshop - "Beekeeper" Pincushion Class with the Crazy Bunny Lady.

May- To be arranged
June- To be arranged
July- To be arranged
August - Quild Picnic
September- To be arranged
October - To be arranged
November - CVAN program

December - Christmas Dinner

ACTIVITIES

THE 'UNQUILT'

What is an 'unquilt'? It is any and everything NOT A QUILT. That's right.....you've quessed it!!! This activity will focus on NOT making quilts. You

cannot make anything remotely resembling a quilt. With that said, you cannot make quilts, table toppers, table runners, mug rugs, door hangers, bed runners, pot holders, those cute mini seasonal quilts that hang from miniture frames, wall hangings, placemats, coasters, or anything resembling a quilt.

What you CAN make is a tote bag, tissue box cover, personal size tissue packet; fabric covered clothes hanger, wallet, coin purse, no-sew fabric covered box; wallet, coin purse, no-sewfabric covered box, pillowcase, pillowsham; sofa/chair pillow cover (pillow forms not included, just the sewn covers); pincushion, microwave safe hot bowls, no-sew gift bags, wine tote, zippered pouch; key fob, luggage tag, cell phone charger pocket, eyeglass case, mug organizer; soft-sided fabric bins, fabric bowls, oven mitt, thread catcher, tea cozy.

These are just a few ideas. Look through your quilt books, quilt patterns, magazines, and stroll the web. The possibilities are endless - you might stumble on a new technique or a favorite go to hostess gift.

Requirements:

- (1) Always use good quality, quilt shop caliber cotton
- (2) Whatever you make, half of the project must contain "baggie" fabric; try to incorporate as much "baggie" fabric as possible that's the main element of this activity
- (3) You can use your stash to complement the "baggie" fabric in your project
- (4) RETURN ALL UN-USED FABRIC
- (5) Get out of your comfort zone
- (6) Learn something new
- (7) Have fun with it
- (8) Produce a quality creation that you would want to receive
- (9) Finished project is due at February Guild meeting

DONATIONS FOR THE QUILT STAMP STORE

Any unwanted/unneeded sewing notions, patterns, books, anything related to sewing, quilting, or needlework of any type would be greatly

appreciated. Every monthly donation earns an entry for a prize at year's end. An unwanted item can find a loving and useful home.

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. Start doing this now to increase the interest in our quilt show! Mark that you will be attending the quilt show and forward the event to friends!

GUILD LIBRARY

Welcome to JoAnn Hahn as our new librarian. If you have any request for books please email her.

SEW DAYS

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. 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.

Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at First Wesleyan Church at 301 Bethpage Road in Kannapolis from 10-4pm. This location is open to everyone to work on any items. A donation of \$5 per month from those that can contribute goes towards the church's expenses for utilities. Contact Debbie Morse.

Saturdays from 9am to 3pm at Crescent Heights located at 240 Branchview Dr NE, Concord, NC 28025. Contact Cecilia Estey.

2018 UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

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

QUILT RETREAT

Join Lisa Edwards with quilting friends on a retreat at the Caraway Conference Center in Sophia, NC from Sunday, June 3rd to Thursday, June 7th. Check in as early as 9am, and check out by 5pm. The cost is \$440 for a single room and three meals a day are included. Please contact Lisa.

Pineapple Fabrics Winter Sale-open to the public Thursday-Saturday February 1st-3rd (9-5pm T-F, 9-4 S) 505 Aztec Drive Archdale, NC 27263 www.pineapplefabrics.com

Quilts & Chocolate Retreat
February 22-25th
Historic Brookstown Inn at Old Salem
in Winston-Salem, NC
Contact We're Sew Creative for more information
Optional all day Thursday 2/21 workshop
or call 336-631-5356 to reserve your space

Charlotte Quilt Show
Mar 9-10 9-4 \$5 admission
Union County Agricultural Center 3230 Presson
Road Monroe, NC
Quilting from the Heart Quilt Show
Sponsored by The Capital Quilters Guild
March 16-18 Kerr Scott Building
NC State Fairgrounds Raleigh, NC
www.capitalquilters.org

86th Annual Uncle Eli's Quilting Party April 6, 2018 – 1st Thursday in April Eli Whitney Recreation Center 4110 E. Greensboro Chapel Hill Road Burlington, NC 27215 Take a dish for Pot Luck lunch & bring a quilt to display 8:30 to 1pm Call 336-376-6376 for more information or 919-259-8510 & 919-595-6224 to volunteer Burlington Carousel Quilters Guild will draw for their raffle quilt at this event Contact Debbie Morse for a road trip

Salisbury Quilt Show May 4-5 F 10-5, Sat 10-4 First Baptist Ministry Center N Fulton Street Salisbury

For more information email srqg85@yahoo.com

NC Quilt Symposium Co-hosted by Asheville Quilt Guild

May 31-June 3

University of North Carolina @ Asheville Campus www.ncqsi.org and www.ashevillequiltguild.org

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 for Hospice and Victory Junction. Donations of material are accepted for backing.

<u>NOTE:</u> 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.

<u>ALL COMMUNITY OUTREACH CONTACT</u> INFORMATION:

- QOV: Colleen Sain
- Port pillows for cancer patients: Martha Austin
- <u>Hospice quilts:</u> Debbie Morse
- Victory Junction Bears: Tom & Connie Richardson

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 <u>www.dawnsfabrics.com</u>

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

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Darlene Woodham

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Raffle Quilt 2019: Anita Black Guild Publicity: Cecilia Estey

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MacGown

Librarian: Jo Ann Hahn **Membership:** Natalie Swilley **Website/Directory:** Terry Patterson

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

DAYS OF THE MONTH TO REMEMBER:

22ND—articles that need writing, contact Janneke Bahamon

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

To advertise, contact cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com



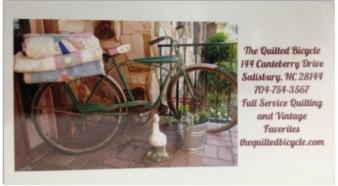






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