



Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter August 2015

From the President's Desk:

It seems as if this year is rapidly picking up steam. What may have seemed like long months in the winter are now summer months that pass quickly. In August, the next guild meeting, not only will we have a picnic, we will be showing our challenge quilts – one of my favorite activities. It seems I always struggle with what to make to both be creative and to meet the rules of the challenge. Even so, I believe some of my best work has been in response to the challenges. Right now I am working hard to complete the one for this year. Debbie and Candy definitely made it a real challenge as they created my “fortune” and put it in a cookie.

September brings the quilt show with an opportunity to show the work we have been doing this year. It is exciting to see everyone's quilts. There are always wonderful surprises as we have an opportunity to view the various styles and creative talents of our members. The quilt show also means a lot of work as we set up, man the show, and then take it down. Of course, that is minor compared to the work that Joanna and her committees have done in preparation for the show.

October brings a favorite quilter of mine, Eileen Williams, to present our guild program and provide a workshop. I can hardly wait to see the collection of quilts she brings and to take part in the workshop she will provide.

In November we will show the cuddle quilts we have made for the children at CVAN and will give them to a representative from that organization. It is very heartwarming to know that we have made quilts to be cherished by children who have gone

through personal upheaval and sadness. November also brings the election of officers for our guild. It is at that time I will pass the gavel to those who will lead our organization for the next year. I look forward to learning what exciting things they plan for us.

December comes with a celebration. The party we have is always a treat that I look forward to. What a wonderful way to end the year with good friends who share an interest in quilting.

Carolyn Sweet, President

REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

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 ([Directions](#)). **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.

2015 Guild Officers:

President – Carolyn Sweet
Vice President – Sharon Smith
Secretary – Nancy Miller
Treasurer – Barbara Bruce

NEW GUILD DIRECTORY PROJECT

The new directory will be sent out by email to all members sometime in August.

August Birthdays

Gail Hartman	8/3
Pat Ott	8/5
Martha Austin	8/6
Phyllis Grass	8/8
JoAnn Hahn	8/10
Will Ford III	8/11
Connie Richardson	8/19
Merle Clifford	8/24
Diane Thayer	8/25

July 13, 2015 - Minutes

President Carolyn Sweet opened the meeting at 6:45 by welcoming visitors and new members. Greeters were Rosey Stein and JoAnna Hahn. Refreshments were provided by Sharon Smith, Barb Bruce, Pat Arndt, Pat Stedwell, and Paulette Lundy.

Carolyn announced that the August meeting will be our picnic. We will eat at 6:45 pm. Drinks will be provided by the board. Just bring a dish for potluck.

Pat Arndt introduced Scott Murkin who shared more detail on the term "Quilt as Desired". He discussed general principles of quilting design, potential sources of quilt designs, how to alter designs and find/use options and resources, and the overriding principle of "Quilt by design, not by construction".

Pat outlined the upcoming meetings:

August – Guild challenge

September – Karen Lee Carter "Express yourself" Workshop on crazy quilting. \$25 kit

October – Eileen Williams. "Under the sea workshop" wall hanging workshop

November – Will be a narrated quilt show of CVAN quilts.

November 14 –Jane Hall will have a class for ½ day on paper piecing pineapples. \$20 class fee

December – Christmas party

January—Another quilt judge

February—Susan Edmonson will show us how to make artsy post card quilts.

May—Wendy Butler Burns

Nancy Miller gave a brief report on the retreat at Seabrook Island, SC. 21 people attended and had a lot of fun and got a lot of sewing done. There was a small amount of money left over that will be used for future retreats. Sharon Smith awarded Nancy a gift certificate from the participants to show their appreciation for organizing the retreat.

A 10 minute break was taken.

Debbie Morse showed some of the items that have been donated to silent auction.

Joanna Cupp talked about the quilt show.

Reminder that August 14th quilt entry forms are due—that is 27 days. They are available on the web site. Booklets will be made ahead of time and inserts will be made for prize results. We still need vendors. Contact Pat Stedwell or Bonnie Labadie if you know of any. Flyers are available if you go to show or quilt shop. We're Sew Creative has donated a Baby Lock sewing machine to raffle. Money from this raffle will pay for prizes. Tickets are now available to sell. Contact Joanna.

Candy McManaway and Debbie Robb had everyone bring up their "Orphan blocks" and a variety of things were shown from scrap catchers, pincushions, bags, pillows, and table runners. Next month is the guild challenge; bring your quilt in a bag and on the outside of the bag, you need write the number of your fortune. If you don't have your number, contact Candy or Debbie.

Announcements:

Carol Harris announced that she is moving and there will be no more Sew Saturday at Bonitz Flooring. Carolyn asked for a volunteer to take

over, but we'll need to find a new place. If you are interested, contact Carolyn.

Carolyn recognized members with July birthdays. Eleven members participated in show and tell with various projects for the members to enjoy viewing. The door prize winner was Paulette Lundy. Reminder the next meeting is August 14. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Miller, Secretary

Refreshments and Greeters

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.

August Greeters:

Cecilia Estey
Joan Martinkovic

August Refreshments:

Annual Covered Dish Picnic
Beverages provided

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Melba Mick has been appointed as Chairman of the Nominating Committee. She and her committee will be contacting members to fill open positions for the 2016 Board of Officers. If you are interested in serving on the board or know of someone you think would be a good candidate, please contact her. In August, the nominating committee will present a slate of candidates and additional nominations may be solicited from the floor. Elections will be held at the November meeting with the new board assuming their duties in December 2015.

SPLASH OF COLOR QUILT SHOW UPDATE

Just a reminder: White Elephant Booth
We are still collecting for White Elephant for the Quilt Show. It's a good time to go through your stash of fabrics. Cotton material in particular goes quickly. Your trash may be someone else's treasure! We will bring our van to the next guild meeting so we can take all you give. Any questions? Call Tom or Connie Richardson -- 704-870-1788

2015 – PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

Remember it is important to sign up early for workshops and pay the workshop fee by the month prior to the workshop. NOTE: Kit fees for workshops are payable to the instructors on the day of the workshop

AUGUST 10, 2015 – Annual Picnic (bring a covered dish to share) and **Guild Challenge** is due.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 – Speaker – Karen Lee Carter
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015 – Workshop “Contemporary Crazy Quilt by Machine”

www.KarenLeeCarter.com

Karen Lee Carter's topic for the lecture is “Express Yourself” and her workshop is “Contemporary Crazy Quilt by Machine”.

OCTOBER 12, 2015 – Speaker – Eileen Williams

OCTOBER 13, 2015 – Workshop “Beginning Art Quilt”

www.eileenfiberartquilts.com

Eileen Williams' lecture will be her journey as an art quilter with slideshow. The topic “Beginning Art Quilt” and focusing on under the sea will probably be the workshop, with emphasis on design principles.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 – CVAN CUDDLE QUILT DUE

Saturday Workshop on November 14, 2015 –Jane Hall will have a class for a half day on paper piecing pineapples.

DECEMBER 14, 2015 – Christmas Party
(More information to come)

2015 Guild Challenge

Challenge inspiration comes from the fortune cookie you selected. Whatever way this fortune inspires you to go is fine; make it funny, make it beautiful, make it artsy, make it personal, but remember, guild members will be encouraged at the August picnic to base their vote on the best interpretation of the fortune. **NOTE:** Bring your entry in a brown paper bag with your fortune number clearly marked on the outside of the bag. Be sure to cover up your name on the back of the quilt. All entries will have their fortunes printed out and pinned next to their quilt.

Guild Library:

New books have been added, stop by and take a look at what is available! A list of library books is also available on the guild website. If you see a book you would like to request, please let Debbie Robb know via her email address or call her (contact information available in your Guild Directory), and she will bring the book to the next meeting.

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.

KUDOS AND CONGRATULATIONS!

Two of our guild members recently received Honorable Mention awards for quilts entered in the National Quilting Association 46th Annual Quilt Show in Little Rock, AK on June 18-20, 2015.

Great Northwestern Alligator II - Nancy Miller,
Quilting Through the Year - Martha Jackson

Well done ladies!

Sewing Tips and Tricks

More Tips for Finding Inspiration

Carry a camera or sketchbook. Record patterns made by bricks, windows, trellises, and grids; flower petals, vines, and tree branches; collections and assortments of objects.

Pin It! Use Pinterest to keep track of quilt blocks and patterns you like. Lots of quilters and sewing enthusiasts pin ideas, quilts, quilt patterns, and images that can help spark ideas

Visit a quilt show, museum, or gallery. Just looking at other works of art—even if they're not out of fabric—can give you many ideas for quilt designs and color combinations.

Sort your stash. Sometimes, an hour of folding and organizing fabric can replenish the creative well. You might see a fabric combination you like or maybe the process will relax your mind and some new idea will just pop in.

Look at blocks. One block can lead to another, so flip through your quilting magazines and go online to your favorite quilting website for inspiration.

Scott Murkin Workshop – July 14, 2015

Nothing beats learning a technique you thought you knew from a master and finding new insights and tips to improve your skill level! Everyone thoroughly enjoyed Scott Murkin's workshop on "Finish Finesse". Pat Arndt has done an outstanding job bringing us speakers and workshops that have been informative, fun and a great way to get to know each other better.



Sew Here's Neat Idea!



A daily pill box makes a handy storage unit for all those feet we have!

2015 UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

If you know of any other shows not listed, please contact Barbara Orr to include them in the newsletters.

August 14-15, 2015 (9a-5p)

Lake Norman Quilters Quilt Show
Talbert Recreation Center, 210 Talbert Pointe Dr.,
Mooreville

August 15, 2015 (9a-4p)

High Point Quilt and Vendor Show
YMCA- 150 W. Hartley Dr., High Point, NC

August 21-23, 2015 (9-5 Fri/Sat – 10-4 Sun)

Prickly Fingers and Electric City Quilters Guilds
"A Celebration of Quilts"
Civic Center of Anderson, SC
3027 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Anderson, SC
\$5 admission

September 11-12, 2015 (9-6 Fri/9-4 Sat)

Quilts – Reflections of Love
Wilkes County Quilters
The Stone Center, 613 Cherry Street
North Wilkesboro, NC

September 25 & 26, 2015

Cabarrus Quilters Guild Annual Fiber Art & Quilt Show – “Splash of Color”

Cabarrus Arena & Event Center
4751 Hwy 49 N, Concord, NC 28025

www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org/Quilt_Show.htm

October 2-3, 2015 (9-6 Fri/9-5 Sat)

Rainbow of Quilts - UpCountry Quilters Guild
Pickens View Wesleyan Church
744 Bethlehem Ridge Rd., Pickens, SC 29671

October 2-4, 2015 (Fri and Sat 9-5, Sun 10-4:30)

33rd Annual Asheville Quilt Show
Quilts: From Inspiration to Creation
WNC Agriculture Center
1301 Fanning Bridge Rd, Fletcher, NC 28732

www.ashevillequiltguild.org/show.html

October 8-10, 2015 (10am-4pm)

High Country Quilters Annual Quilt Show
Maggie Valley Town Hall
3987 Soco Rd, Maggie Valley, NC
Free admission, Free Parking

October 9 & 10, 2015 (9a-5p Fri. / 9a-4p Sat.)

Foothills Quilters Guild 2015 Quilt Fest Show
Leona Neal Senior Center, 100 T R Harris Dr.,
Shelby, NC

www.foothillsquiltersguild.org

October 16-17, 2015 (10a-5p Fri. / 10a-4p Sat.)

Hearts and Hands ECA Quilters Guild Quilt Show
Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center
1801 Nash St., Sanford, NC

www.heartsandhandsnc.org

October 16-17, 2015 (9a-5p)

Quilts of the Valley – Autumn Expressions
Catawba Valley Quilters Guild Quilt Show
Hickory Metro Convention Center
1960 – 13th Avenue Dr., SE; Hickory, NC
\$5 admission – free parking

www.catawbavalleyquiltersguild.com

Sew What’s for Dinner?



Stuffed Meatloaf Roll

- 2 pounds lean ground beef
- 1 cup dry bread crumbs
- 2 eggs beaten
- 1 chopped onion
- 1 chopped bell pepper
- 1 cup chopped mushrooms
- 1 cup chopped black olives
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon leaf oregano
- 1 8 oz can tomato sauce
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 cans crescent rolls

In large bowl, combine beef, crumbs, egg, onion, salt and oregano. Stir in 1/2 tomato sauce; set aside. Cut 2 pieces of waxed paper 15 inches long. Unroll crescent roll dough and don't separate. Lay end to end on top of wax paper and place second piece of wax paper on top. Now take rolling pin and roll the dough out till it's half the thickness that it was originally. Remove top piece of waxed paper. Place meat mixture in center and spread out over dough. Sprinkle meat with cheese, bell pepper, mushrooms and olives; top with remaining tomato sauce. Roll up meat, jelly-roll fashion, starting at narrow end; use wax paper to help. Place seam side down in non-stick 9-1/4-in. x 5-1/2 in. x 2-3/4-in. bread pan. Bake at 375 degrees F for 30 minutes. Drain off any fat that accumulates; return to oven for 30 minutes.

Sew Funny



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

If you have quilts for CVAN or Hospice but do not plan to have them judged, we would love to put together a display to show how generous the Cabarrus Quilt Guild is for our community.- Any questions? Call Tom or Connie Richardson -- 704-870-1788.

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

We're Sew Creative – Concord, NC
<https://www.weresewcreative.com/classes/sign-up/>

The King's Threads (formerly Circle Sewing Studio)
– Concord, NC
<http://www.circlesewingstudiosnc.com/>

Anderson's Sew & So – Rockwell, NC
<http://www.ansewso.net/>

Judy Lea's Quilt Studio – Concord, NC
<http://judyleasquiltstudio.com/classes.php>

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

2015 Committee Chairpersons

2015 August Guild Challenge – Adrienne Phelan, Candy McManaway, Debbie Robb

2015 Christmas Committee – Joan Martinkovic & Donna Johns

2015 Programs/Workshops –
Pat Arndt, Candy McManaway

2015 Quilt Show – JoAnna Cupp, Chair

2016 Quilt Show - Melba Mick, Chair

2015 Raffle Quilt – Debbie Morse & Committee

2016 Raffle Quilt – Nancy Miller & Committee
Audit Committee - Debbie Morse, Charlotte Doyle,
Donna Johns

BJ's Membership – Pat Stedwell

Community Outreach – Tom & Connie Richardson

Facebook (Business Page) – Donna Johns

Guild Activities – Candy McManaway, Debbie Robb

Guild Retreat - Nancy Miller

Historians – Phares Sechler & Sonja Simmons

Humanitarian/Hospitality – Sharon Smith

Librarian – Debbie Robb

Membership/Newsletter – Barbara Orr

Nomination Committee – Melba Mick

Publicity (Guild & Quilt Show) - Donna Johns,
Cecilia Estey

Sew Tuesday – Mildred Lamb

Sew Saturday – POSITION OPEN

Visitor Welcome – Adrienne Phelan

Webmaster – Terry Patterson

Newsletter Information:

Every paid member will receive the newsletter in an e-mail early in the month. If you wish to have your newsletter mailed, there will be a small \$10.00 charge to help defray the cost of paper and postage. It will also be available on the guild website for everyone. If you have anything you would like included in the next newsletter, contact Barbara Orr.

NOTE: All guild member addresses and phone numbers are available in the most recent pictorial Guild Directory as well as in the Membership Roster that is sent out periodically to the members.

Newsletter Advertisement Space

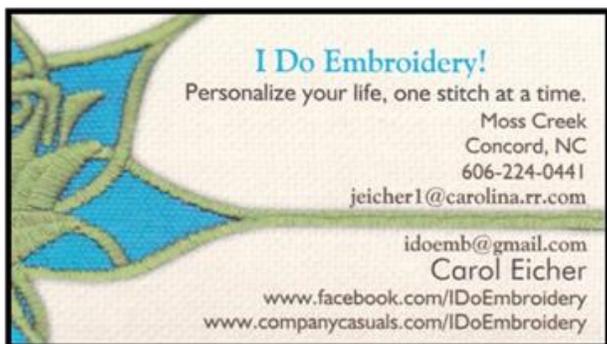
Business card size \$7.00 per issue
Half page size \$15.00 per issue
Business card size is free for guild members

(If you have a business that you would like to advertise be sure to give Barbara Orr a business card so you can be included in this feature – free of charge to members).



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 CHRIS WHITEHEAD





8637 Concord Mills Blvd.
Concord, NC 28027
704-971-0351
info@weresewcreative.com

Monday ~ Friday: 10-6
Saturdays: 9-4

www.weresewcreative.com