

Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter

December 2015

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

In her last Newsletter, Carolyn Sweet thanked all the people who helped her while she presided from 2014-2015. That is the first thing I want to do as your new President, to thank all of you who graciously stepped forward to volunteer to head committees during my term.

With the holiday season upon us, Tom and I want to wish you the warmest of festive days ahead. It is the time for giving, not just for this time of year but for all year.

We have such a great reputation for being contributors in making our community a good place to be. This past year the guild contributed to Quilts of Valor thanks to the leadership of Barbara Orr. Through her group, 17 quilts were given to veterans in a special presentation last summer. Her group has 13 more quilts and is planning the next presentation, possibly before the end of the year. This program will continue under the guidance of Colleen Sain. Last year, we contributed 12 quilts to Hospice. Carol Graham did over half of these quilts. She will continue this in 2016 as the head of the Outreach Committee. Tom and I took 117 bears to Victory Junction (www.victoryjunction.org), a camp for seriously ill children. We plan to contribute in 2016 also. This is a reminder that if you make quilts for hospice or quilts of valor, the guild will provide the batting. And, there are members who will quilt the quilts for you. We will start making bears in January. The guild will provide the black and white check material and the batting for the bears. You may use your own material or ask Tom for kits that are precut. We can arrange to do a class on how to make the bears for any interested sewers.

A special thanks to the new Guild board and committee members who are willing to continue what Carolyn Sweet put into place. Because of all of these people, I am proud and pleased to be your new president.

Connie Richardson

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

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joan	Martinkovic	12/3
Jim	Smith	12/10
Ona	Phillips	12/23

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - MINUTES

President Carolyn Smith opened the meeting at 6:45 and recognized greeters Mildred Lamb and Sharon

Smith. Refreshments were provided Rosey Stein, JoAnn Han, Linda McGlamery, Pat Stedwell, and Nancy Miller. She also welcomed 3 visitors.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

Carolyn recognized the current board and all the volunteers who chaired committees during 2015 and thanked them for taking leadership positions and helping the guild prosper during this last year.

For the program, Deb Treece of CVAN presented a video about CVAN's clients, program, and goals. After the video, the guild put on a narrated quilt show of the CVAN quilt, with Pat Arndt as emcee.

Pat Arndt then went through the upcoming programs:

November 14 –Jane Hall will have a class for ½ day on paper piecing pineapples. \$20 class fee December will be the Guild Christmas party January is a business meeting with a brief trunk show by the outgoing board February will be a lecture by Susan Edmonson May, 2016 – Wendy Butler Berns

Carolyn announced the slate of officers, which was presented in August by the nomination committee, chaired by Melba Mick.

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A call was made for nominations from the floor, which were not forthcoming. A motion was made to elect all officers by acclimation, seconded and voted. The motioned carried.

Carolyn welcomed the new board and asked Connie to say a few words. Connie said she looked forward to the upcoming years, thanked those who had volunteered to take over positions, and asked for others to help where possible. This included Publicity. She thanked Sara Bemus, Diane Thayer, and Becky Knauer for

volunteering to head the Activities committee.

Immediately following, the members took a 10 minute break for refreshments.

Candy McManaway and Debbie Robb gave a small token to the 4 people that had completed all projects: Cathey Hooper, Rosey Stein, Nancy Miller and Barbara Orr. They thanked everyone in the guild for their participation and trying to make the meetings more fun and interesting.

Joan Martinkovik talked about the December meeting which will be a covered dish party. Members are also asked to bring something for the food bank (either food, cash, or both) and a "dirty santa" of a used item in a brown paper bag.

Nancy Miller announced that the 2016 Raffle quilt is at the quilters.

It was announced that Phyllis Grass' husband is in the hospital and that Laverne Kidd may be having surgery upcoming.

Carolyn announced the November birthdays.

Announcements:

A door prize was drawn and awarded to Trudy Pollard

Show and Tell: Two member showed some projects they had completed.

Reminder the next meeting is December 14. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Miller, Secretary

REFRESHMENTS AND GREETERS – DECEMBER 2015

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:

Refreshments:

Cecilia Estey Mildred Lamb

OPEN POSITIONS FOR 2016 & 2017

Notice for smooth sailing into 2016 for the Cabarrus Quilt Guild - these are the positions that still need to be filled for 2016. Most of these could be shared with a partner if someone is interested but doesn't want the full responsibility.

Carolyn has set the bar high and if I am elected as President I need all the help I can get to continue her legacy into 2016.

Connie Richardson, President

We need:

Christmas Party committee for 2016 Raffle quilt committee for 2017 2016 Guild Retreat Liaison

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

DECEMBER 14, 2015 – CCMA Food Pantry Truck – 5:30

Dinner – 6:00 Christmas Party – A Different Kind of Dirty Santa Game

How many of you have items that you bought at quilt shows, on trips, or at quilt shops that still have the plastic covers on them or items that you only used once or twice? How many of you have material that you "loved" at the time that you bought it, but now wonder why you ever thought you would use it? How many of you have books that you used for only one pattern and now they just gather dust?

Well, we have the answer for what you can do with them!! Each person is asked to search their quilting items, books, material, etc., and put his or her item in a plain brown paper bag – no decorations or fancy wrappings. The item should be worth about \$10 - DO

NOT BUY ANYTHING NEW!!

Some suggestions are: Rulers, special kits including tools, books, fabrics, 3 fat quarters of material, quilt patterns.

At the end of the game, if you received a gift that you can't use or you already own the item, we will put the items on a table and anyone can take what they want. This will be a great way for those unused and unwanted items to find a new home and someone to use them.

Donations to the CCMA Food Pantry will be collected again this year. A truck will be at the church at 5:30 for donations to be dropped off on your way in to the meeting.

JANUARY – Business Meeting/Trunk Show by outgoing 2015 Board Members

FEBRUARY – Susan Edmondson (lecture only so far)

MARCH - OPEN

APRIL – OPEN

MAY - Wendy Butler Berns (Lecture & Workshop)

JUNE - OPEN

JULY - OPEN

AUGUST – Guild Picnic

SEPTEMBER - OPEN

OCTOBER – OPEN

NOVEMBER – CVAN Cuddle Quilts due

DECEMBER – Christmas Party

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 June Dale 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.

2016 QUILT SHOW NEWS

VENDOR COORDINATOR NEEDED - Duties include: Contact old and new vendors, send contracts to vendors, record checks when contracts are signed and make deposit in bank, send necessary information to treasurer and quilt show chairman. Layout floor plan of vendors in room and place vendors in area. Contact 2016 Quilt Show Chairman Melba Mick to volunteer for this position.

SEWING TIPS AND TRICKS

For cutting out difficult angles, print first on freezer paper, then iron onto fabric. Once you cut it out you can re-use the paper.

In paper-piecing small pieces, use a glue stick to hold the first piece in place instead of pins. Pins tend to distort the piece.

When washing your material put small pieces in a pillowcase. It helps prevent those fraying edges.

If you have bias edges on patchwork pieces, use Starch or a starch alternative; such as, Best Press to help stabilize those edges.

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

Jan. 8 and 9, 2016 (8th – 9am-5pm) (9th – 9am-4pm) The Quilting and Fiber Art Marketplace Dennis Wicker Civic Center Sanford, NC

Jan. 29 and 30, 2016 9am-5pm

The Quilting and Needlework Extravaganza Statesville Civic Center Statesville, NC

Feb. 27, 2016

9am – 4pm University of SC, Lancaster, SC 476 E. Hubbard Drive, Lancaster, SC

March 4-5, 2016 10am – 5pm

A Celebration of Quilts 2016 Cobblestone Quilters Guild "Low Country Threads" Omar Shrine Temple 176 Patriots Point St., Mt. Pleasant, SC

March 11 and 12, 2016

9am – 4pm
"Just Spoolin Around"
The Charlotte Quilter's Guild
Metrolina Trade Show Expo, Charlotte

April 2016 TBD

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

April 8-9, 2016

(8th – 9:30 – 4:30) (9th – 9:30 – 4:00) Threaded Memories Foothills Piecemakers Quilting Guild Pelham Road Baptist Church 1108 Pelham Road, Greenville, SC

April 15-17, 2016

Warrenton Quilts <u>www.warrentonquiltdays.com</u>

April 2016 TBD

5th Annual Scenic Route Shop Hop Ladybug's Cottage - Wendell, NC 27591 Quilt Lizzy - Warrenton, NC 27589

April 29 & 30, 2016

(29th – 10:00 – 5:30) (30th – 10:00 – 4:00) First Baptist Church Ministries Center 223 N. Fulton St., Salisbury

May 2016 TBD

Annual Crystal Coast Quilt Show Crystal Coast Civic Center 3503 Arendell St, Hwy 70, Morehead, NC www.crystalcoastquiltersguild.org

June 2-5, 2016

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

June - September 2016 TBD

Row By Row Experience www.rowbyrowexperience.com

August 2016 TBD

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.cabarrusquiltersquild.org/Quilt Show.html

September 2016 TBD

Quilt! Carolina Quilt Tour Triangle to the Triad & Beyond www.quiltcarolina.com

September 2016 TBD

Quilting in the Pines V Biennial Quilt Show Historic Fair Barn, 200 Beulah Hill Road S, Pinehurst, NC

September 2016 TBD

Ashe County Piecemakers Quilt Guild Annual Quilt Fair
Jefferson Station, 20 E Ashe St, W Jefferson, NC
For info raholbrook@wilkes.net
www.ashequilters.org

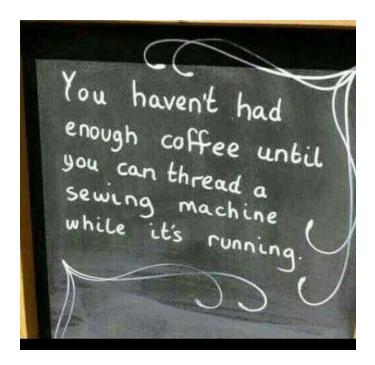
October 2016 TBD

Biennial Smoky Mountain Quilt Show Ramsey Center Coliseum, Western Carolina University Cullowhee, NC 28723 www.smokymtnquilters.org

October - November 2017 TBD

Biennial Quilt Show presented by Twin Rivers Quilters Guild New Bern Riverfront Convention Center 203 South Front St New Bern, NC 28563

SEW FUNNY



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Cabarrus Hospice - If you have quilts for Cabarrus Hospice call Carol Graham – 980-781-4170.

Quilts of Valor - If you have red, white, blue fabric, or gold fabric that you are not going to use, please donate this fabric to the Quilts of Valor team. It doesn't have to be patriotic. It can be plain or printed. The only requirement is that it is cotton fabric. Thank you in advance for donating to our

team. You can bring it to our monthly meeting or contact Colleen Sain for other options.

SEW WHAT'S FOR DINNER?



Betty Crocker's Heart Healthy Cookbook shares a recipe! Pineapple juice, coconut and rum added to ice cream create a cool tropical paradise.

Ingredients

- **1** % cups graham cracker crumbs (about 16 squares)
- 4 cup butter (melted), or canola or soybean oil
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 quart (4 cups) vanilla no-sugar-added, reduced-fat ice cream, slightly softened
- 1 can (8 oz) crushed pineapple in juice, undrained
- teaspoons rum extract or 1/4 cup rum
- 2 teaspoons coconut extract, if desired
- 24 cup flaked coconut, toasted*

Directions

- 1 Heat oven to 350°F. In small bowl, mix cracker crumbs, butter and sugar. Press into ungreased 8inch square (2-quart) glass baking dish. Bake about 10 minutes or until dry. Cool completely, about 1 hour.
- 2 In large bowl, beat ice cream, pineapple with juice and extracts with electric mixer on low speed just until blended. Spread in baked crust. Freeze about 6 hours or until firm.
- **3** Remove dessert from freezer about 5 minutes before serving. Sprinkle coconut over top.

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/

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

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

2016 Christmas Committee – COMMITTEE NEEDED

2016 Quilt Show - Melba Mick, Chair

2016 Raffle Quilt – Nancy Miller & Committee

2017 Raffle Quilt – COMMITTEE NEEDED

Audit Committee Nancy Miller, Tom Richardson, Bonnie Labadie

BJ's Membership - Pat Stedwell

Community Outreach – Carol Graham
Facebook (Business Page) - Nancy Miller
Guild Activities – Sara Bemus, Becky Knauer &
Diane Thayer

Guild Retreat - POSITION(S) OPEN

Historians – Phares Sechler & Sonja Simmons

Humanitarian/Hospitality – Sharon Smith

Librarian - June Dale

Newsletter – Sonja Simmons

Membership – Linda Brimanson

Name Badges – Rosey Stein, Paulette Lundy Nomination Committee – Bonnie Labadie (we

need 2 more)

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

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.

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 <u>free</u> for guild members

(If you have a business that you would like to advertise be sure to give Sonja Simmons 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

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