



# Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter

## June 2020

### REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

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The guild meeting for June has been cancelled due to Covid-19 recommendations.

The July meeting will be an outdoor "Meet & Greet" in the Forest Hill United Methodist Church parking lot on Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00pm. Please see page 4 of the newsletter for details.

### 2020 - 2022 GUILD OFFICERS

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President  
Lisa Schreck

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

### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Hello, everyone! I hope you are well and ready for summer! While much has changed in the past months, we as quilters, remain committed to family, friends, and our ever faithful sewing machine.

Please use your newsletter to stay current with guild activity and program information. Additionally, you may receive occasional email blasts from myself or our webmaster. The guild website is also updated regularly.

Click [www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org](http://www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org) to check it out.

The board continues to meet monthly, and our committees are working hard to develop activities and gatherings that meet current Covid guidelines. We've had to make some big changes this year, and that's OK. Please participate as you are able. Find highlights listed below with additional information provided throughout this newsletter. As always, feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, or ideas. I'd love to hear from you.

#### **Meetings:**

- + June meeting - cancelled
- + July 13 - Meet & Greet in church parking lot 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- + August 10 - Annual Picnic - outdoor park pavilion - location TBD
- + September 14 - Meet & Greet 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- + **NEW** October 17 (Sat) - Quilt Festival 2020 - Outdoor quilt fun! Challenge Quilt due!
- + November 9 - Meet & Greet 6:30 - 8:00 pm CVAN Quilt turn in
- + December 14 - Christmas gathering, Raffle quilt drawing

#### **Activities:**

- + Secret Quilter - ongoing through November
- + July thru Dec - Quilt Along for all guild members
- + BOM - collection in July/August
- + Quilts of Valor blocks - collection in July/August
- + Raffle Ticket Sales - tickets and money due in December
- + CVAN Quilt - due by end of December
- + Ongoing collection of hospice quilts, Quilts of Valor quilts, and port pillows

I also encourage you to use the calendar on page 6 to stay involved and stay connected. I have found that all forms of communication are a welcome distraction. So, mail a note, write an email, send a text, post on Facebook. Keep sharing, caring, and creating!

Lisa

# Member Spotlight-Carol Eicher



## ***Tell us about yourself in 1-2 sentences.***

I live in Concord and have been married to Jack for almost 49 years. We have 3 married adult children and 9 grandchildren, I taught Family & Consumer Sciences at the high school level for 21 years and worked with a GEARUP grant at Eastern Kentucky University for 3.5 years. I now run an embroidery business from my home.

## ***How long have you been a member of the Cabarrus Quilt Guild? Why did you join the CQG?***

I have been a member of CQG for 10 years. I attended the CQG Quilt Show in October of 2010 and decided I wanted to be a part of a quilting group that put a show on so well.

## ***How long have you been quilting? How did you start quilting?***

I have been quilting for 21 years, but I have been sewing seriously since my junior year in high school. I always loved looking at and admiring quilts. When I was teaching, I had a sewing class. We sewed shorts, sweatshirts, pillows or stuffed animals. Sewing seemed to be less and less popular at that time, so I was looking for something else to give my students more depth and a different skill. A teacher at another school told me she had her students making quilts from Quilt in a Day, and they loved it. I had found my answer. I turned my class into making Quilt in a Day quilts. By incorporating Arts and Humanities and entrepreneurship into my curriculum, I had found the depth I wanted for my students. Of course, I was then hooked on making quilts myself.

## ***Were there other crafty people in your family that inspired you?***

My grandmother was blind since I was 6 months old. She always had us describe in great detail any new clothing item we had gotten. She always would feel the texture of it. I have always thought she had much to do with my love for fiber, thread and fabric. My mother sewed a lot when I was young. She and my aunt would get together and sew while the cousins played. My mom also did hand embroidery and taught me to do so. We did make some doll clothes together. However, she never made any quilts. I have a cousin that taught me to knit when I was in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. I knitted for years.

## ***What is your favorite part of the quilting process? Least favorite? Favorite technique?***

I enjoy the piecing of quilts the most, but love all of it. My least favorite is sewing on the binding before the hand stitching and mitering the corners. I really enjoy quilting the quilts I make on my embroidery machine.

## ***What's something about you (a fun fact) that not many people know? Do you have any other interests or hobbies in addition to quilting?***

Something many in the Guild would not know about me is the fact that I love riding my bicycle on Rails to Trails across the country. My husband and I have ridden in 18 states. That fact also says I love to travel. I am also a hiker and will hike anywhere I can find a forest with a trail. I adore my 9 grandkids and love being active with them – hiking, biking, travel.



# Member Spotlight-Darlene Woodham



## ***Tell us about yourself in 1-2 sentences.***

I am originally from Spokane, Washington, but I have lived in North Carolina for most of my life. I have one son and one grandson, and I live in Concord with my husband and my poodle Eva.

## ***How long have you been a member of the Cabarrus Quilt Guild? Why did you join the CQG?***

I joined the Guild in 2016. I joined, so I could learn more about quilting.

## ***How long have you been quilting? How did you start quilting?***

I have been quilting about 30 years. I took a class at a fabric store in Fayetteville, and I made a 4 block sampler quilt, which I then hand quilted.

## ***Were there other crafty people in your family that inspired you?***

No one else in my family that I know of was a quilter, but my mother sewed. She let me use her sewing machine, and I taught myself (mostly) to sew clothing for myself.

## ***What is your favorite part of the quilting process? Least favorite? Favorite technique?***

Piecing is the most satisfying part of quilting for me. I don't really have a least favorite part, but I would say the machine quilting part has been the most challenging for the last few years, and I have been working at developing my skills in that area. I like paper piecing and machine applique. I like learning new things too.

## ***What's something about you (a fun fact) that not many people know?***

The most fun thing I ever did was a tandem skydive. (Jumping out of an airplane). It was spectacular!

## ***Do you have any other interests or hobbies in addition to quilting?***

I really enjoy walking on the beach looking for shells and other interesting things. I also like to read. This years goal has been 3 books a month, and so far I am on schedule. Since I retired in 2015, I have a lot of time on my hands and quilting has kept me busy and for that I am grateful.



# Last Meeting Minutes

The May guild meeting was canceled due to Covid-19.

The June meeting has also been canceled.

The July meeting will be held in the Forest Hill United Methodist Church parking lot. It will be from 6:30-8:00pm on Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. Please see the paragraph below for more information about the July Meet & Greet.

## Guild and Member News

### COVID-19 CRISIS

Any member needing non-emergency assistance can contact the guild via our website [cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com](mailto:cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com). Messages will be forwarded to appropriate board members. Continue to follow best practices as outlined by local, state, and federal officials. Your health and well being are important to us.

### JULY MEET & GREET

In place of our regular meeting the board has decided to offer an outdoor "Meet & Greet" in the Forest Hill United Methodist Church (265 Union St. N, Concord, NC) parking lot from 6:30 to 8:00pm on Monday, July 13. This will be an opportunity to chat, drop off finished blocks for BOM and Quilts of Valor, purchase a color directory (\$3.00), leave a message for your secret quilter, pick up your Quilt Along Pattern, check out a library book, and participate in Show and Tell. Bring your own chair and refreshments. We'll find a shady spot and enjoy each other's company...while social distancing, of course. Please feel free to just do a drive by if you are hesitant to gather. We'd love to see everybody.

### VIRTUAL SHOW AND TELL

Show and Tell is going virtual for the next few months. Please share your latest quilt projects with a picture and caption sent to the email address [CQGshowandtell@gmail.com](mailto:CQGshowandtell@gmail.com). This address belongs to Cabarrus Quilters Guild and is managed by our Public Relations Chairperson, Terry Patterson. Pictures you share will be posted to our guild webpage with periodic links sent to your inbox. What fun to see what you have been creating in spite of our current Covid-19 restrictions.

### 2020 QUILT SHOW

The 2020 Quilt Show has been cancelled. The committee chairs reviewed your survey responses and considered several options, but ultimately the best decision is to postpone this event until 2021. In its place, we are looking to create an outdoor quilt festival. See article below for more details.

### QUILT FESTIVAL 2020 - NEW

New for 2020...Mark your calendars for our first ever outdoor Quilt Festival. The event is in the early planning stages, and we are currently looking at October 17<sup>th</sup> with a rain date TBD. Quilt Festival 2020 will allow the guild to have a day of quilt fun while raising money for our ongoing activity and outreach programs. The day would include our annual White Elephant Sale, a "not-so-silent" auction, raffle baskets, Challenge Quilt voting and display, and 2020 raffle quilt ticket sales. Many thanks to Marguerite Klaiber and Connie Richardson who are organizing this event. Watch for additional information in future newsletters.

### MASKS FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS

At this time, Atrium is no longer collecting masks. A big thank you to all the members who have been sewing masks for our local healthcare workers. Thanks Terry Patterson for leading this effort. Thank you guild members for your continued support of our community, and please keep donating your time and talent.

# Guild and Member News

## QUILTS OF VALOR® 2020 BLOCK DRIVE

The 2020 Quilt of Valor block pattern has been posted to the QOVF.org website. There is also a link on the guild website. However, please do not mail the blocks in. Please bring completed blocks to the July Meet & Greet or August Outdoor Picnic. All donated blocks will be put into quilt tops for our local veterans. Our Quilt of Valor group is very appreciative of the efforts our Guild members have made to help support Quilts of Valor, and they thank you again (in advance). If you have any questions, please contact Ona Phillips.

## 2020 RAFFLE QUILT

Pending cancellations we will sell tickets on the following dates:

Salisbury Quilt Show – August 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>  
The Depot – TBA

Please contact Debbie Morse if you have any questions.



Please remember that each member is responsible for selling 25 raffle tickets each year as stated in our by-laws.

## GUILD LIBRARY

Hey Quilters - have you explored the updated list of our guild library books yet? And, if you didn't win a QuiltFolk edition during the Facebook live event, there are some available in the library to read. Don't forget I am more than happy to arrange delivery if you see a book you want to study. Stay safe & sew on!

Librarian,  
Pat Hawkins



For a complete list of our books, please go to <http://www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org/Library.html>  
If you have any request for books, please email Pat Hawkins.

## FACEBOOK PAGE

Contact Cynthia Belton to be added to our private guild facebook page.

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

## GUILD GARAGE SALE

If you have a sewing related item that you would like to sell, please send the request to [cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com](mailto:cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com). There is no cost, but if the item sells, a donation to guild of 10% of the sale is requested. Please give the money to Julie Love. The item will only run in one newsletter unless the guild member emails requesting that it be in the newsletter a second time.

# June Calendar



**1st** Thank Janneke Bahamon for creating our monthly newsletter



**2nd** Mail a message to your Secret Quilter - include a recipe

**3rd** Cut 5 inch squares to make your own charm pack



**4th** Mildred Lamb – Happy 90th Birthday!



**5th** Intentionally stretch before and after quilting

**6th** Email Carol Eicher to say "Hello!"



**7th** Clean out your quilting stash for White Elephant

**8th** Carol Diaz - Happy Birthday!



Carol Yandle - Happy Birthday!

**9th** Check out Missouri Star's Daily Deal



**10th** Make BOM - Log Cabin

**11th** Becky Knauer - Happy Birthday!



**12th** Practice hand embroidery - chain stitch



**13th** Call a guild member with the initial "A"

**14th** Flag Day - celebrate with red, white, and blue



**15th** Check out Cabarrus Quilter's Guild Facebook page



**16th** Explore website (or visit the store) of "We're So Creative"

**17th** Write a poem about a favorite quilt



**18th** Practice free motion stars

**19th** Watch Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting - PBS 4:30pm



**20th** Summer has officially arrived



**21st** Father's Day

**22nd** Jo Anna Cupp - Happy Birthday!



**23rd** Make a nine-patch Quilt of Valor block

**24th** Email Darlene Woodham to say "Hello!"



**25th** Make BOM - Flying Geese



**26th** Call guild member with initial "B"

**27th** Not too late to start your Cabarrus Challenge Quilt



**28th** Email a picture to [CQGshowandtell@gmail.com](mailto:CQGshowandtell@gmail.com)



**29th** Kathy Coble - Happy Birthday!

**30th** Karen Knapp - Happy Birthday!



# Get Involved

## GUILD QUILT ALONG

You asked for it, so here we go! This year's Quilt Along will be a pattern from Debbie Bowles of Maple Island Quilts. This pattern will allow you to make a quilt from crib to queen size...your choice. Your pattern (no charge to you) will be available for pick up at the July Meet & Greet gathering in the church parking lot. This is a fun quilt. Big blocks. Easy to construct. Just 3 coordinating fabrics. Perfect to make for yourself, personal gift, CVAN, Hospice, or Victory Junction. Below are examples of the quilt created by Sylvia Stancil.



## FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT'S HOME

Hope you have all made the most of our isolation by being creative! I'm still working from home, so I don't feel like much as changed except not being able to attend church and gather with friends.

I hope most of you by now have seen the Facebook live video I did in May. Quiltfolk sent us a box of goodies, and I gave away 5 calendars as well as some other goodies. I have 2 more sets to give away.

I plan to continue the Facebook drawings until we are able to meet in person again. I have collected several items and kits to give away.

I miss seeing your faces and your creations! Take care and stay in touch with each other.

Sandra

## 2020 PROGRAMS

The programs committee had planned on having Kathryn Zimmerman share with us her insights on making award winning quilts; however, their plan now is to have her come and share her experiences with us next year. It gives us another thing to look forward to!

I miss not be challenged with new ideas, so I have turned to the internet more. (It's not the same as meeting in person, but I am getting some new ideas.) I have just found the Jordan Fabrics website ([jordanfabrics.com](http://jordanfabrics.com)). Besides material, this website has a free pattern section and a videos section. I am going to try the "curvy jelly roll log cabin" pattern I found there. It looks like fun! I also found a good video on machine applique on you tube (Machine Applique Basics with Sara Gallegos). This was put out by Quilty and had a lot of good information. So while we can't meet in person, have fun with your quilting this month. Some meeting soon we will have great show and tell! Right?!!

Karen Bronkhorst

## CALENDER OF EVENTS

### June

No meeting

### July

Meet and Greet in church parking lot  
Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00pm

### August

Outdoor Guild Picnic  
Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00pm (Location TBA)

# Get Involved

## September

Meet and Greet in church parking lot  
Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00pm

## October

QuiltFest 2020  
Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> time TBA

## November

Meet and Greet in church parking lot  
Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00pm  
Secret Quilter Reveal  
CVAN Quilts Due

## December

Christmas Party (Details coming soon)

## ACTIVITIES

### Block of the Month

Hello BOMers. To keep everyone safe & to stay on track the Activities Committee has decided to continue the BOM and allow you to use your own SCRAPs. Use scraps only...no yardage from your stash. Even if you do not like your block please add it to the collection. BOM is meant to be a learning experience/refresher for the guild members. Scraps will also be available at the July Meet and Greet.



To verify the BOM:

- February – Rectangles / Triangles
- March – Squares / Diamonds
- April – Hexagons / Strips
- May – Dresden / Crazy Patch
- June – Log Cabin / Flying Geese
- July – Pinwheel / Applique or Paper Piecing

Happy quilting.  
Carol & Mary

## Guild Challenge

The Guild Challenge for 2020 is Cabarrus County. What is your favorite thing or place about Cabarrus County? Your family? History? Grandchildren's activities? Your activities? Your church? Maybe a memory from your childhood for the Cabarrus County natives. Your quilt must be finished, quilted & bound. You can make any size you wish but we request an approximate size, so we can be prepared to display your quilt in **OCTOBER** (not August) at QuiltFest 2020.

## Secret Quilter

Dear Secret Quilter,

*I hope my letter finds you and your loved ones doing well. I am fine, but a little sad. Maybe even disappointed. You see, I haven't heard from you since February. No letter. No note on the front door. Nothing. I want to learn more about you and have fun guessing who you might be.*

*Perhaps, when the guild gets together again there will be a message just for me. But, can I wait that long? I hear of other quilters who have heard monthly from their secret quilter. I shall be patient.*

*In case you have forgotten, or have questions about the program, please contact Carol Harris. She can help you reconnect with your secret quilter.*

*I hope you have a great summer, and I look forward to hearing from you soon.*

Regards,

Your Secret Quilter

*P.S. Feel free to use the guild's post office box as a return address. Cabarrus Quilters' Guild, PO Box 1883, Concord, NC 28026*





# Get Involved

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

We did it! We have 100 bears and 56 quilts ready to send to Victory Junction. Terry Patterson is coming to our house this week and take pictures to put on Facebook and Show and Tell so be sure to check it out. You should be proud. I will arrange for delivery the first week of June. Thanks to all of you who made this possible. We will now concentrate on hospice quilts or if you are really into childrens quilts, we will get a head start for 2021.

Miss you, Tom and Connie Richardson

PS - Black and white checkered fabric is available to include in your Victory Junction quilts. Let Connie know if you'd like a yard or two. Free to guild members.

### 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.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH CONTACT INFORMATION

Quilts Of Valor: Colleen Sain

Port pillows for cancer patients: Martha Austin

Hospice quilts: Debbie Morse

Victory Junction Bears: Tom & Connie Richardson



## Upcoming Quilting Events

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

### Eli Whitney Quilt Show

Show will be rescheduled in the fall. TBA on the new date.

### Salisbury Rowan Quilters Guild

30th Anniversary Show

Rescheduled for August 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

[www.SROG.net](http://www.SROG.net)

1935 Jake Alexander Blvd W

Salisbury, NC 28146

### Quilters Trek (formerly Row by Row)

June 21st-August 31th

<https://rowbyrowexperience.com/quilters-trek/>

### Summer Blooms Quilt Show

Postponed- Dates TBA

\$6.00 USD

Forsyth Country Day School, Childress Activities Center

5501 Shallowford Road, Lewisville, North Carolina

### Quiltfest in Greenville, SC

Canceled/Postponed

Scheduled for April 29 – May 1, 2021

<https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/quiltfest-greenville-sc/>

### Mid Carolina Shop Hop

June 13-20th

More info at [midcarolinarunshophop.com](http://midcarolinarunshophop.com)

# Guild Committees



**Activities** - Anna Lopez  
**Community Outreach** - Connie Richardson  
**Hospitality** - Kathy Lock  
**Librarian** - Pat Hawkins  
**Membership** - Colleen Sain  
**Newsletter** – Janneke Bahamon  
**Programs** - Jo Ann Hahn & Karen Bronkhorst  
**Public Relations** - Terry Patterson  
**QuiltFest 2020**- Marguerite Klaiber & Connie Richardson  
**Quilt Show 2021**- Tom Richardson & Stephanie Newbrough  
**Raffle Quilt 2021** - Debbie Morse & Ann Weaver  
**Welcome** - Cynthia Belton

# Quilting Resources

**Dawn's Sewing & Embroidery** – Albemarle, NC [www.dawnsfabrics.com](http://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/>

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

# Newsletter Information

Days of the month to remember:

22nd—articles that need writing, contact Janneke Bahamon at [cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com](mailto:cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com)

25th—completed articles, send to [cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com](mailto:cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com)

1st—newsletter will be sent by email.

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

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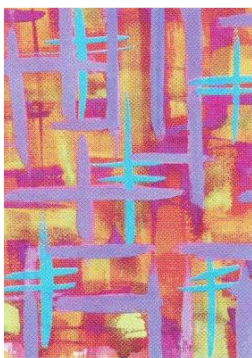
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