



Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter

May 2020

REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

Guild meetings for May, June and July have been cancelled due to Covid-19 recommendations. Please know that we care about your health and safety during these stressful times. Please reach out to friends and family. Stay in contact with loved ones.

Your monthly newsletter will continue to be delivered by email each month.

2020 - 2022 GUILD OFFICERS

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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! Have you ever before spent so much time with your sewing machine? What a great time to be a quilter!

The board and committee chairs have been working hard to update activities that meet distancing recommendations while keeping members engaged, connected, and safe. We will be sending our periodic surveys to collect ideas and responses as we develop virtual platforms. Your feedback is important as we create programs and activities given the new Covid reality. Your comments are always appreciated and can be sent directly to me, or through our guild web page. Please see highlights of our revised guild activities listed below.

- ❖ Meetings for May, June, and July are cancelled.
- ❖ August picnic may be a "Drive Thru" format. Watch for details. Challenge Quilts to be displayed for voting.
- ❖ Quilt Show Entry forms will be available mid-May. Judging, Ribbons, Prizes... Fun, fun, fun!
- ❖ The 2020 Quilt Show is on!!! Tom Richardson is working with Terry Patterson to create a virtual show...an electronic exhibition. Pictures, vendors, voting, silent auction...it will all be online.
- ❖ Continue to send clues to your secret quilter. Have fun with that. For the month of May, send a story about your first quilt.
- ❖ Bears & quilts for Victory Junction are due to Connie Richardson by end of May.
- ❖ BOM - Finished blocks of the month will be collected in August and used to make hospice quilts.
- ❖ Quilts of Valor blocks (nine-patch 12 inch finished) are due to Ona Phillips in August.
- ❖ Check out our library and request home delivery. All books are listed via link on our web site.
- ❖ Post pictures and captions to our guild's "Show and Tell" page. Send all pictures to COGshowandtell@gmail.com
- ❖ Visit our guild's Facebook page often.
- ❖ CVAN (cuddle) quilts are due by end of year.
- ❖ Raffle tickets and money is due in December (each member to sell 25).
- ❖ Hospice quilts, port pillows, and face masks are still in high demand
- ❖ Monthly Activity Calendar (new) posted on page 6 of newsletter. Challenge your quilt friends to complete.
- ❖ Member Spotlight (new) - opportunity to learn about individual members. Be sure to say, "Hello!"
- ❖ Guild Quilt Along to start in June.

STAY CONNECTED & INVOLVED! I am so proud to part of this vibrant and active guild. Let's keep sharing, caring, and creating!

Lisa

Member Spotlight-Sandra Allred

How long have you been a member of the Cabarrus Quilt Guild?

This is my 3rd year.



(My First Quilt)

Why did you join the CQG?

I thought about it for years and finally visited a meeting. I wanted another outlet to meet more quilters☺.

How long have you been quilting?

8 years this August. I took a beginner class at Judy Lee's Quilt Store. I'm still friends with several ladies I met there in classes.

How did you start quilting?

I have always loved crafting and wanted to learn how to quilt. I decided when my son started college, it was time.



(Pixel Cyclist – my first original design)

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

My maternal grandmother made all her grandchildren a quilt. My paternal grandmother sewed and crocheted doll clothes for me. My mother sewed and made my childhood clothes and insisted I learn how to sew at 12 years old. I cross-stitched, did macramé, hooked rugs and sewed a little while growing up. Cross-stitch was my favorite and I continued it into adulthood. But what inspired me most were 2 elderly ladies my husband and I befriended our first year of marriage. They were both seamstresses and both made quilts. That's when my interest in quilting started.

What is your favorite part of the quilting process?

Piecing

What is your least favorite part?

The actual quilting part and in the last year, I've decided picking out fabric is my least favorite. Kits are becoming my friend☺.

What is your favorite technique?

I like applique and paper piecing. Just sewing is fun for me☺.

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

I'm from the low country of South Carolina – Summerville, SC – it's just north of Charleston. My low country accent becomes more pronounced after visiting my parents☺.

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

Working with Pre-schoolers at church, scrapbooking, making cards, gardening, reading, making new friends.



(My Small World by Jen Kenwell - This is truly my small world. I created a journal explaining the story in the quilt.)

Member Spotlight-Natalie Swilley



This is my first sampler quilt.

Tell us about yourself in 1-2 sentences.

I have lived in North Carolina for almost 17 years. I was born and raised in Arkansas. We had lived in Texas for about 18 years before moving to NC. My Husband and I have two grown sons – The older one is married and lives in Texas and the younger one lives in Cary, NC.

How long have you been a member of the Cabarrus Quilt Guild?

About 8 years – I joined in January 2012.

Why did you join the CQG?

I was quilting with Mary McNight and Libby Tolar, previous guild members, and they encouraged me to join.

How long have you been quilting?

I made my first quilt about 11 years ago.

How did you start quilting?

I joined a new quilting group that was formed at church. I made my first sampler quilt in that group.

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

My mom and grandmother were sewers. They made all of our clothes including prom dresses.

What is your favorite part of the quilting process?

I really like to pick out quilt patterns and shop for the fabric then I guess the piecing.

What is your least favorite part the quilting process?

I think actually quilting the quilt because it seems to take a long time!

What is your favorite technique?

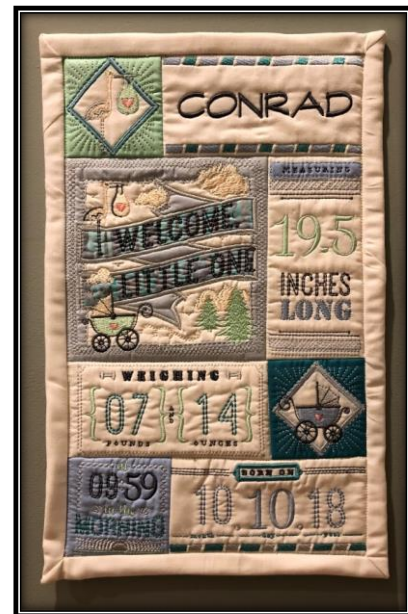
My favorite technique is In-the-hoop projects.

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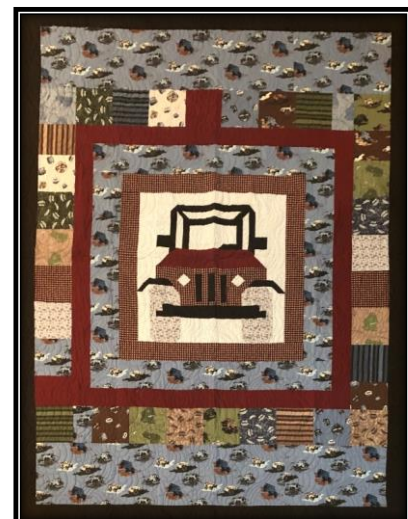
We have recently purchased a travel trailer and are enjoying the RV Life! - As much as we can right now!

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

I enjoy reading, scrapbooking, and card-making.



(Embroidery/Applique Baby Quilt wall hanging made for a friend's grandson.)



(Jeep Quilt made for my Husband.)

Last Meeting Minutes

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

Guild meetings for May, June, and July have also been canceled. August is TBA.

Guild and Member News

COVID-19 CRISIS

Any member needing non-emergency assistance can contact the guild via our website 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.

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. 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.



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 keep the blocks until you are able to bring them to the meeting and give them to Ona Phillips. All donated blocks will be put into quilt tops for our local veterans. Ona will be collecting blocks until August. 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.



MASKS FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS

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.

Guild and Member News

2020 RAFFLE QUILT

Pending cancellations we will sell tickets on the following dates:

Salisbury Quilt Show – August 21st – 22nd
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

So hoping to see you all soon at a guild meeting once we are cleared to have a meeting! Meanwhile, please remember my offer to arrange Covid compliant methods of getting books to you that you wish to check out. I can be reached through the guild email address or the gmail address in our membership listing.
Stay safe & well! Happy sewing! Pat Hawkins, Librarian

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.

Start doing this now to increase the interest in our virtual quilt show!

GUILD GARAGE SALE

If you have a sewing related item tht you would like to sell, please send the request to 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.

Get Involved

During these difficult times, you can still remain an active member of our guild. On the following page, there is a calendar with an activity to do each day!

May Calendar



1st May Day- How many flower basket blocks can you name?



2nd Mail a message to your secret quilter

3rd Karen Bebout - Happy Birthday!



4th Cut 2.5 inch fabric strips - make your own jelly roll

5th Cinco de Mayo - eat some nachos after a day of quilting



6th Make BOM-Dresden

7th Stephanie Newbrough - Happy Birthday!



8th Call a guild member with your same initial

9th Bessie Ketner - Happy Birthday



10th Mother's Day! Enjoy!



11th Take a picture of your latest quilt and send to CQGshowandtell@gmail.com



12th View an online tutorial

13th Sing while you quilt



14th Lisa Schreck - Happy 50th Birthday!

Pat Stedwell - Happy Birthday!



15th Quilt Show Entry forms available - check website cabarrusquiltersguild.org



16th Carol Harris - Happy Birthday!



17th Do some hand sewing

18th Practice free motion pebbles



19th Change your sewing needle

20th Take a nap under a quilt you made



21st Make BOM- Crazy Patch

22nd Wind a bobbin



23rd Pat Hawkins - Happy Birthday!



24th Change your rotary blade

25th Memorial Day



26th Make a nine-patch for Quilts of Valor

27th Clean your sewing machine



28th Watch "Quilting Arts" on PBS at 4:00pm

29th Post a quilt tip - serious or not - on Facebook



30th Dawn Hopkins - Happy Birthday!

31st Victory Junction bears and quilts due to Connie Richardson



Get Involved

ACTIVITIES

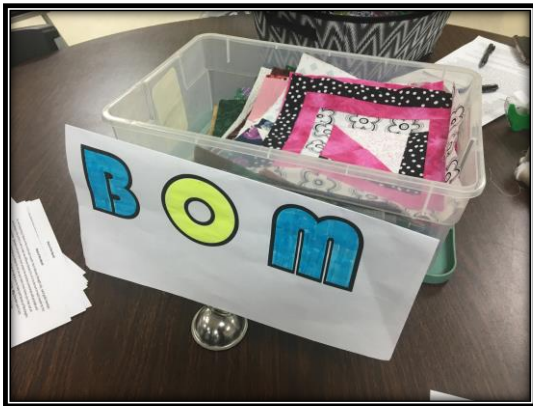
Block of the Month

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. For those who were unable to attend the March meeting please this applies to you as well.

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 in July meeting so we can be prepared to display your quilt. The organizers are currently working on a way to display and judge the quilts. More details to come in the June newsletter.

June Quilt Along

Check out the next newsletter for a guild quilt along.

2020 QUILT SHOW

To all our guild members,

As your quilt show chairman, I have recently had a conversation with our president, Lisa Schreck. She is a pharmacist by profession and is rightly concerned that most of our guild members are in the high risk category for this virus. Because the time frame for continued distancing is unknown, we have decided to move this year's quilt show from Gibson Mills to a "virtual" format that is accessible through the Cabarrus Quilters website.

We will still have judging and prizes for the "best quilts" in each category. The only difference is that the quilts will be shown "on line" at our web site as a virtual quilt show.

I know you will have lots of questions about the different phases that have been a part of our previous quilt shows, such as vendors, silent auction, and other topics we have discussed for this year's show. One of the new areas we talked about is for you to sell quilts and the details still need to be worked out. Hopefully by August we will be able to get the committees together and work out all details. In the meantime, we will communicate by email or phone calls. Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you for your participation! Stay safe.
Tom Richardson

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Like many of you, since we are all staying in, I am missing guild meetings, members, family, and friends. I know what we are doing is helping each other to stay safe and that is the biggest gift we can give each other. We do have one thing going for us and that is our talents in creating through our sewing. Terry Patterson has just emailed me to say that the guild has created over 5000 face masks for Atrium Health Care. What a feat in itself. I just sent 7 finished quilts for Hospice with Debbie Morse. Since these can not be shared at the guild meeting I will put the pictures on CQGshowandtell@gmail.com. This gives us a total of 25 quilts we have given to Hospice so far in 2020.

Get Involved

I finally got through to Victory Junction and as everyone else is doing, they are working from home. The summer programs will be done by virtual camp on the internet. She said that one child has the virus and of course they rely so heavily on volunteers that this can not be controlled. However, the Director of Special Events said that they will be sending out care and love packages to the campers and was excited that we are continuing our contribution of bears and quilts. At this time, I have 60 completed bears at my house but I know of at least 30 that are done by members and I am sure the other 10 are covered by members who took kits at the last meeting. Tom has been kept busy quilting hospice and Victory Junction quilts and has only one more to do. So guess who has been binding them although I did have a couple of members come by and take some home. At this time I have 40 finished quilts here and 6 others who are with volunteers. There should be close to 50 when we are done. I told the Director of VJ that I would have them all collected by the beginning of June and we will make arrangements for delivery at that time. I will be using the "show and tell" website to share the finished work.

I know that some of you have finished bears and quilts at your house and Tom and I will arrange a collection time either by dropping them off to us or coming to you or planning an exchange spot that is convenient for you and us. We will continue to quilt for you if you have tops for either organizations. However, since June is our delivery date for VJ quilts and bears and you want to start a new quilt, I would encourage Hospice quilts. The size for these are approximately 38 inches to less than 60 inches.

I want to thank everyone for their contributions and wish I could name everyone by name but you would be reading forever. Whether you gave material for the projects or worked on the projects everyone should feel pride in being a part of this organization. Stay safe. "Until we meet again." (Who said that? Was that Gene Autry? No matter. It just dates me.) Connie Richardson.



2020 PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

Workshops are \$30.00 to be paid by cash or check. Guests (non-members) may register for \$45.00.

August

Guild Picnic and Challenge Quilts

No workshop

September

Book Swap / Show and Tell / Activity Fun

Tuesday workshop - Christmas - details to follow

October

CVAN quilt presentation

No workshop

November

Suzi Parron, author and painter - Following the Barn Quilt Trail barnquiltinfo.com

Tuesday workshop - Barn Quilt Painting

December

Christmas Party

No workshop



Get Involved

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 21st – 22nd

www.SRQG.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

Rescheduled to June 4th-6th

Greenville Convention Center

General Admission: \$15.00 (includes re-admission)

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

Mid Carolina Shop Hop

June 13-20th

More info at midcarolinarunshophop.com

Guild Committees



Activities - Anna Lopez
Community Outreach - Connie Richardson
Hospitality - Kathy Lock
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Membership - Colleen Sain
Newsletter – Janneke Bahamon
Programs - Jo Ann Hahn & Karen Bronkhorst
Public Relations - Terry Patterson
Quilt Show - 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

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

25th—completed articles, send to 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.

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