



**From the President's Desk:**

Dear Guild Members,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to be your president. I have enjoyed my last two years. You have given me the support that was required for a rewarding guild. I could not have accomplished anything without your support and the support of the Board, Barbara Orr, Barbara Petraske and Ann Bolick. A new board will be elected at our November meeting. I hope you will welcome them with open arms.

This month we will have our CVAN cuddle quilt collection. We get to show off our talents again. Our quilts are a greatly appreciated. I had the privilege of delivering some of the quilts that were donated last year. The CVAN volunteers wanted to look at every quilt before they were put away. Makes you feel good that our quilts are appreciated but sad at the same time because the quilts are needed.

The leaves are turning their beautiful colors. Please find time to take a walk or drive to admire God's beauty. If you can take a walk, you won't have to sweat like we were a few weeks ago. That is one of the attributes of autumn. The weather may be warm but not to the point of breaking a sweat with a leisurely stroll. Maybe you will get inspiration for your next quilt. Be sure to take a friend with you. Even a four-legged friend will enjoy a walk too. Walks are always better taken with someone else.

With autumn means the holidays are just around the corner. We will be discussing our Christmas party. Start thinking how you can surprise that someone special. I've started thinking but that's as far as I've gotten. See you at the meeting.

Happy Quilting,

Carol Harris

**2014 SLATE OF OFFICERS TO BE VOTED ON IN THE NOVEMBER MEETING OF THE GUILD**

Pat Stedwell and Terry Patterson stepped forward as the Nominating Committee and presented candidates for the 2014 Guild Board of Officers:

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

**Guild Officers:**

*President – Carol Harris*  
*Vice President – Barbara Orr*  
*Secretary – Barbara Petraske*  
*Treasurer – Ann Bolick*

**Birthdays**



Juanita Williams	Nov. 11
Barbara Bruce	Nov. 15
Rosita Blackwelder	Nov. 19
Carol Eicher	Nov. 19
La Verne Kidd	Nov. 20
Pat Arndt	Nov. 28
Marilyn Cody	Nov. 29
Pat Cevaal	Nov. 30

## October Meeting - Minutes

The October meeting of the Cabarrus Quilt Guild was held on Monday, October 14, 2013. President Carol Harris opened the meeting by welcoming 2 new visitors and acknowledging 6 birthdays.

The slate of nominees for the following positions was announced for the second time. They are: President - Carolyn Sweet; Vice-President - Sharon Smith; Secretary - Nancy Miller; Treasurer - Barbara Bruce. Voting will take place at the November meeting.

BJ's memberships are due for renewal. The Guild is considered a business and the membership fee is \$25. Question was asked about adding a family member/addition to a guild member's membership. The fee would be the same as for a guild member - \$25.

A brown digital camera was lost at the show. The missing quilt was found.

Carol Harris presented a survey about continuing Sew Saturdays and asked members to turn them back no later than the November meeting. Connie Richardson suggested using a Sew Saturday to stuff bears for Victory Junction. Kits are available to pre-sew the bear and final stuffing could be done at a Sew Saturday. To date, 66 bears have been completed toward the goal of 100.

November's Sew Saturday will be final assembly of the Quilt of Valor.

A visitor to the Splash of Color brought a flyer for her guild's retreat next April. They are having Jenny Beyer teach a workshop on Saturday, April 26. This will be in West Virginia, details will be emailed to the members. The fee is \$90 and the maximum number of attendees is 50. If there is significant interest above this number, they will try to schedule her for an additional day. If interested, sign up early.

Guild retreat options - no decision as to where or when has been decided. Lisa is stepping down from leading

the retreats. Committee chairs remain the same except for Lisa.

Quilt show report: 1026 bracelets were given out. This does not include volunteers or vendors and determines parking paid to the arena. In 2014 the show will be held again on the first Friday and Saturday in October at the Arena. The show committee will be looking for new judges and will hold their first meeting in November to begin preparing for next year's event. The Silent Auction made as much or more than last year with 26 items versus 50 for 2012 and White Elephant made over \$2000. More folks came on Friday than Saturday. The sewing machine raffle was won by someone from Harrisburg. Final numbers are still being tabulated as the Arena bill and a couple other small items have not been paid yet. Connie and Tom thanked everyone who helped with the White Elephant, and asked for more space for next year. The Viewer's Choice first place award went to Laurianne Whitehead, a Junior Quilter.

Quilt Raffle: PLEASE return all tickets to Joanna BEFORE the December meeting as the drawing will take place AT the meeting. Joanna would like to have all tickets accounted for before the drawing occurs.

Election of Officers for the upcoming year will take place at the November meeting, as well as CVAN Cuddle quilts are due. To be a guild member in good standing the bylaws state you must do one quilt for the designated guild charity.

If you would like to make a block to be taken to the Quilt of Valor retreat, it is due by the January meeting. The block needs to be made on a muslin backing in one color family, red, blue or gold. See previous minutes for additional details. The pattern will be emailed to the members again.

Show 'n' Tell: Nine members shared 13 items with the group.

President's Tips: When constructing a quilt with multiple colors and multiple layers, place fabric selections on a template to stay organized. APQS had an article that color choices you make are based on emotions so if you find yourself staying with one color palette it might be fun to research what those colors say about you.

Meeting adjourned early due to the cancellation of the monthly speaker, Mickey Dupree, due to a medical emergency. The workshop for Tuesday was also cancelled.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Petraske

### Refreshments and Greeters

*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.*

#### November Greeters:      November Refreshments:

Cathy Gordon-Hallman	Terry Patterson
	Ona Phillips
	June Dale

### 2013 SPEAKERS & WORKSHOPS:

*2013 Meeting & Workshop Schedule  
Workshops cost: \$45 (payable to Cabarrus Guild)  
(Any kit fees are payable to individual instructors)  
Workshop hours: 9:30 to 3:30 (be there at 9:00 to set up.)*

#### **November 11 – CVAN Cuddle Quilts Due**

Don't forget that your cuddle quilt will be due at the November meeting to be presented to the CVAN representative. Terry Patterson will check off the quilts as they are presented.

#### **December 9 – Annual Guild Christmas Party**

Committee members are Sara Bemus, Becky Knauer, and Diane Thayer.

#### **Upcoming Programs in 2014**

Dottie Moore. February 13 & 14  
Karen Combs. April 14 & 15

#### **Visit our Newsletter Online:**

[www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org](http://www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org)

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#### **Membership Directory and Updates**

**Updates to member contact information will be sent to you periodically by email. Please contact Barbara Orr if you have any changes in your contact information.**

#### **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.

#### **Sew Saturday**

November Sew Saturday – Completing Quilt of Valor Project

December – no project scheduled due to holidays

Carol Harris distributed a questionnaire for members to fill out indicating what topics they would like covered and/or whether anyone would be interested in leading the group/teaching anything. The following suggestions have been made:

Double Diamond Ruler Technique – Dawn Hopkins  
Paper Piecing – **Need an instructor**  
Curved Piecing Technique – Carol Harris  
Square in a Square Technique – **Need an instructor**  
Night & Day (Eleanor Burns) – **Need an instructor**

If you have any requests or ideas, or if you would be willing to instructor or lead the group, please contact Carol Harris.

### **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 12 noon the first Tuesday and 9 am until 3 pm the third Tuesday. 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.

### **Guild Library:**

The Guild maintains an extensive quilting library list on our website. If you see any books that you would like to “check out”, contact Debbie Robb and request that she bring the book to the next meeting.

### **RETREAT NEWS:**

After 14 years of faithful service to the Guild in planning and implementing two retreats each year, Lisa Edwards has decided to step down from the position. With the closing of the Tabor Retreat Center, it will be necessary for the Guild to find a new location(s) for yearly retreats. If you are interested in pursuing this endeavor, please contact Carol Harris.

***2013 UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS – If you know of any other shows not listed, please contact Barbara Orr to include them in the newsletters.***

### **RANDOLPH QUILTERS GUILD QUILT SHOW XIV 2013**

November 8-9, 2013 (10 am – 5 pm)  
Asheboro, NC

### **2013 Committee Chairpersons**

**2013 Program Chair** – Linda Brimanson

**2013 Quilt Show Chair** – JoAnna Cupp

**Audit Commit 2013** – Juanita Williams and Bonnie Labadie

**2014 Raffle Quilt** – Art Quilt Small Group

**Community Outreach Chair** – Tom & Connie Richardson

**Historian** – Phares Sechler

**Humanitarian/Hospitality** – Bonnie Labadie

**Librarian** – Debbie Robb

**Membership/Newsletter** – Barbara Orr

**Sew Tuesday** – Mildred Lamb

**Sew Saturday** – Carol Harris

**Tabor Retreats** – **POSITION OPEN**

**BJ's Membership** – Pat Stedwell

**Webmaster** – Terry Patterson

### ***Sew Funny!***



## Sew What's For Dinner?



### Cracker Barrel Broccoli Cheddar Chicken

#### Ingredients:

- 4 boneless skinless chicken breasts
- 1 can of Campbell's Cheddar Cheese Soup
- 1 cup milk
- 1-1/2 cups Ritz Crackers (one sleeve)
- 4 tablespoons of melted butter (you can use more)
- 8 ounces frozen broccoli
- 4 ounces shredded cheddar cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon seasoned salt

#### Instructions:

Preheat your oven to 350 degrees. Make can of Cheddar cheese soup mix according to package directions (one can of soup mix to one can of milk). Place chicken breasts in a baking dish. Season with seasoned salt. Pour 3/4 of the prepared soup over the chicken breasts. Add broccoli to chicken that has been covered with the cheddar soup. Melt butter and combine with Ritz crackers, sprinkle buttered crackers over the broccoli. Add remaining soup mix, and bake for approximately 45 minutes or until the chicken is done. (Check chicken by cutting the thickest part and look to see that the chicken is uniform in color). When chicken has been removed from oven, sprinkle with shredded cheddar cheese.

## SEW HELPFUL HINTS

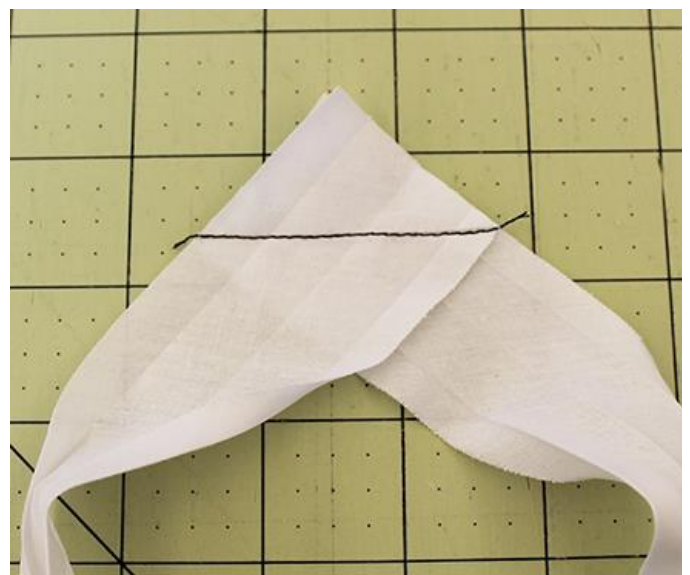
### **JOINING BIAS STRIPS**

***Sewing together two pieces of bias tape with a diagonal seam makes a sturdy seam that's less bulky and less noticeable than a straight seam. Here's how:***

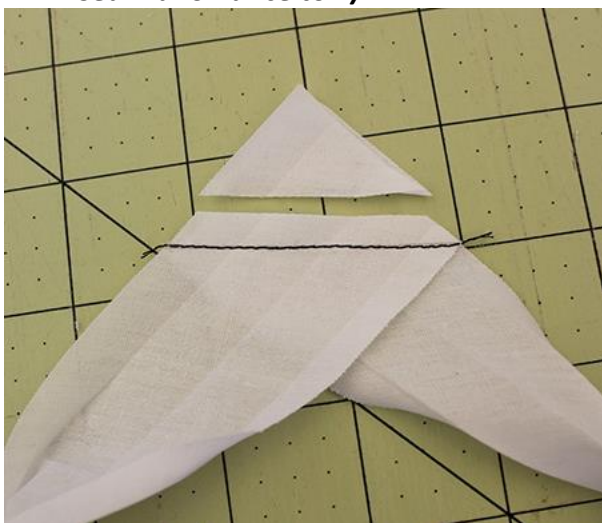
***Position and pin bias strips perpendicular to each other with right sides together and raw edges aligned. Draw a diagonal line on top bias strip from top left to bottom right.***



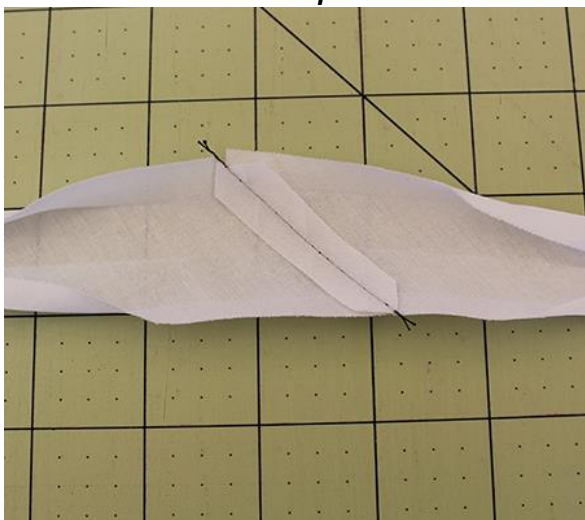
***Sew on marked line to make a diagonal seam.***



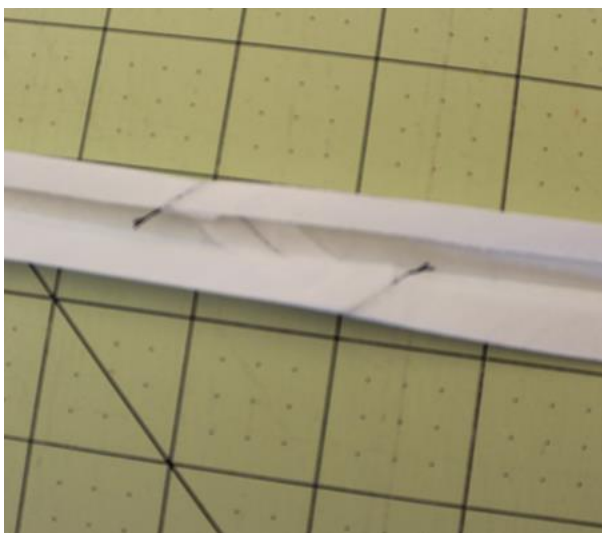
**Trim seam allowance to 1/4".**



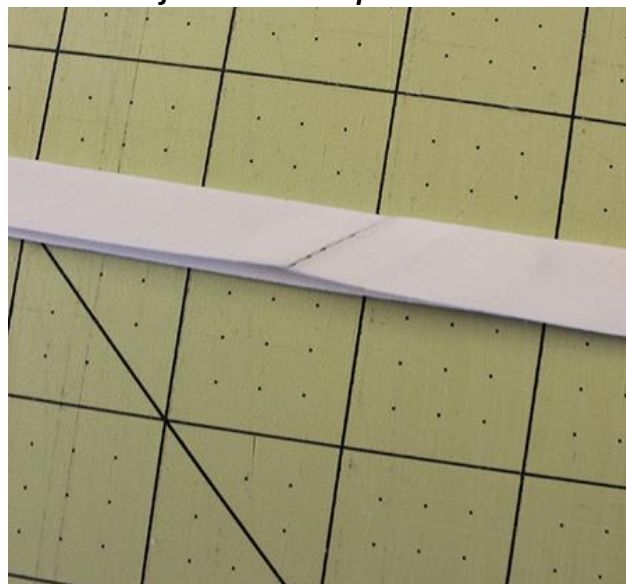
**Press seam allowance open.**



**Fold and press edges toward center of bias strip.**



**Fold pressed strip in half; press to make one continuous folded bias strip.**



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