

Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter October 2013 CORRECTED

From the President's Desk:

Dear Guild Members,

The Quilt Show is finally here! We've been working all year long to create the quilts. Now we can show off our talents. When I tell people that I am a quilter, I almost always hear how their mother, aunt or grandmother was a quilter. Some even have their ancestors' quilting frame. The memories of spending time watching the quilting always bring smiles to their faces. It makes me sad that they did not follow in their footsteps. My own children have no desire to learn to sew more than an emergency button. How much they miss! I find it interesting that people will sit and talk to me while I'm quilting. I took a quilt to finish the binding when getting my oil changed. Even the manager asked about the quilt.

Quilts give the impression of simpler times. If people only knew what we go through to make a quilt! From the pattern conception, to fabric selection, to the time spent sewing the blocks, to quilting and binding. I must confess that before I started quilting I was fascinated with the finished quilts. Now, I search out each block. Only then can I appreciate the finished quilt. I have a bucket list of patterns that I want to make. Some are beyond my current abilities. I never want to be able to say that I have mastered quilting. That would mean I'm finished quilting. We all know that simply can't happen!

Let's gear up for the quilt show. Get ready to hear our visitors tell about the wonderful quilts they saw. Thank them for coming. Make sure they know our next show will be bigger and better.

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



Phares Sechler	Oct. 5
Bonnie Labadie	Oct. 12
Barbara Orr	Oct. 13
Terry Patterson	Oct. 18
Annette Whalen	Oct. 20
Linda McGlamery	Oct. 30

September Meeting - Minutes

The Cabarrus Quilters Guild monthly meeting was opened by President, Carol Harris on Monday, Sept. 9, 2013. One visitor and four birthdays were acknowledged.

There are 24 days left before we set up this year's *Splash of Color Quilt Show* and 25 days till the doors open as Quilt Show Chair JoAnna Cupp reminded us. She also announced sign-up sheets are available for the various functions needed to make the show an unforgettable experience. Members who volunteer to work have free admission to the show. Reminder - many hands make the event special.

Sew Saturday for September is canceled as the quilt judging will be taking place; and October's Sew Saturday will be canceled as well due to members being QUILTED OUT! (Post Show recovery). Sew Saturday will resume in November working on the Quilt of Valor currently in progress.

Guild retreats - a new location has not been chosen yet. Review the information in the August minutes and help select the new location.

All Committee Chairs are filled for this year. There were 4 items donated tonight for the *Splash of Color* Silent Auction.

Speaker and workshop leader for October will be Mickey Dupre. Seventeen people have signed up for the workshop. Please remember to pay for any workshops one month prior to the event. If there are kit fees, they are payable to the instructor at the workshop.

This month's presenter and workshop is being conducted by Susan Edmonson. She is calling the topic CREATIVITY! She explained what she has to have on hand in her tool box which goes with her everywhere; and showed many of her creations. She displayed an interesting small quilt hanger made from an old chair spindle - hopefully easy to find in flea markets and antique shops.

Ona Philips, Phares Sechler and Barbara Orr will be attending the Quilt of Valor Retreat in January. Ona asked for members to make squares using a family of one color – red, blue or gold. The technique is flip and fold and they will take all square donations to the retreat to finish into quilts. Barbara Orr will email directions for the squares to all members.

Show and Tell: Seven members showed their creations and Pat Hite won the Door Prize.

Tips from the President: To remove brown sediment from your iron, take equal amounts white vinegar and water and fill the iron's reservoir. Run the steam function until the reservoir is empty. Refill the reservoir with water and run the steam function until the water (steam) runs clear. If fusible web glue has accumulated on the bottom of your iron and it is **NOT** Teflon coated, use a fine grade steel wool and 'iron' the steel wool until the surface is clean, then iron a paper towel to finish removal. If the surface of your iron is Teflon coated, the glue will iron off onto a paper towel or other soft surface.

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.

October Greeters:

Dawn Hopkins Sonja Simmons

October Refreshments:

Lisa Edwards Barbara Petraske Carol Eicher Cindy Palazzo

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.)

October 14 and 15 Mickey Depre

Trunk show and lecture October 14th meeting; Workshop October 15th at Epworth UMC - "Colorforms for Grown Ups - Design Your Own Fabric" and "Fusion Collage Appliqué". Mickey Depre came up with a fun new way to use up the smallest scraps in your stash to create your own fabric. (Kit fee: TBA)

Please note that the \$45 fee for the October workshop is due at the September meeting.

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.

December 9 – Annual Guild Christmas Party

Upcoming Programs in 2014

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

Visit our Newsletter Online:

www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org

There is no longer a password needed to access the newsletter online. No personal information will be available in this copy of the newsletter.

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

October Sew Saturday – Canceled to give everyone a rest after the Splash of Color Quilt Show.

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.

SPLASH OF COLOR QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE:

SHOW CHAIR – JoAnna Cupp

SHOW CO-CHAIR – OPEN POSITION

QUILT CHAIR – Stephanie Newbrough

QUILT CO-CHAIR – Martha Jackson

MAPPING/HANGING QUILTS – Kathy and Jerry

Lock

VENDOR CHAIR – Will and Judy Ford

VENDOR CO-CHAIR - Bonnie Labadie

ADVERTISING - Ona Phillips

BED TURNING - Debbie Robb

DEMONSTRATIONS – Pat Stedwell

ADMISSIIONS – Carol Harris and Ann Bolick

SILENT AUCTION - Linda Brimanson and June Dale

WHITE ELEPHANT - Tom and Connie Richardson

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:

Many thanks go out to those of you that have made suggestions for a new retreat site. It's nice to know that so many of you value this time together and are interested in keeping this going.

Here are the suggestions. Take time to look at each one and consider which one would make the best venue for our retreat to call home. Here is the list along with some pros and cons on each one. The website for each one will be listed at the end of this so you can visit each site and see for yourself the amenities each site has to offer. There are three venues that cater to quilt retreats. Two of these are in the mountains of North Carolina and the other is across the NC/TN border.

- Summit Quilt Retreat is located in Maggie Valley, NC. This facility is owned by a Moda fabrics distributor. The drawback to this facility is that it can only accommodate 6 quilters at one time.
- Ponderosa Quilt Retreat is located in Waynesville, NC and is owned by the same people that own the Summit Quilt Retreat. This facility will accommodate up to 10 quilters at the same time.
- 3. Quilter's Inn is located in Cosby, TN. This facility asks for a minimum of 6 quilters and a maximum of 10. Holloway's Quilt Shop is located next door. It would be the farthest trip at almost 4 hours away from Concord.

More information on these three quilter specific venues may be found by visiting their website,

The following venues are conference centers located in either North or South Carolina and one in Virginia.

- 1. The White Oak Conference Center is located in Winnsboro, SC, about a 2 hour drive from Concord. The minimum number of participants is not known at this time.
- Camp Caraway is located near Asheboro, NC and requires a minimum of 20 participants.
- 3. Lutheridge is located near Asheville, NC and requires a minimum of 25 participants.
- 4. Lake Junaluska is located near Waynesville, NC. This location has two different facilities that would accommodate the group and has experience with quilt groups. Meals are available onsite as an option to cooking. And meeting rooms are utilized for our quilting needs.
- 5. Finally there's Volunteer Gap Inn and Cabins located in Fancy Gap, VA. This facility only offers cabins. Some cabins will sleep up to 6 participants at once. The meeting room requires a short walk.

Those are the suggestions so far. If you would like a more in-depth look into any of these venues, here are their websites.

Summit Quilt Retreat and Ponderosa Quilt Retreat share a site. It is www.summitquiltretreat.com

Quilters Inn can be found at www.hollowaysquilts.com

The website for the White Oak Conference Center is www.scbaptist.org.

Camp Caraway's website is www.caraway.org.

Lutheridge can be found at www.novusway.com.

Lake Junaluska Conference Center is located at www.lakejualuska.com

Volunteer Gap Inn and Cabins website is www.volunteergapinn.com.

If you have further suggestions or questions, please contact Lisa Edwards.

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

A HARVEST OF QUILTS JUDGED QUILTS

October 18-19, 2013

Presented by Hearts and Hands ECA Quilters Guild Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center, 1801 Nash St., Sanford, NC Admission \$5

www.heartsandhandsnc.org

RANDOLPH QUILTERS GUILD QUILT SHOW XIV 2013

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

2013 Committee Chairpersons

2013 Program Chair – Linda Brimanson2013 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 – Lisa Edwards

BJ's Membership - Pat Stedwell

Webmaster - Terry Patterson

Sew Funny!



Sew What's For Dinner?



Pumpkin Bread

1 3/4 cup flour

1/4 tsp baking powder

1 tsp salt

1 tsp soda

1/2 tsp cinnamon

1/4 tsp ground cloves

1 cup pumpkin, cooked or canned

1 1/3 cup sugar

1/3 cup butter, softened

2 eggs

1/3 cup milk

1/2 tsp vanilla

1/2 cup nuts, coarsely chopped optional

1-2 Tbsp pumpkin seeds, optional

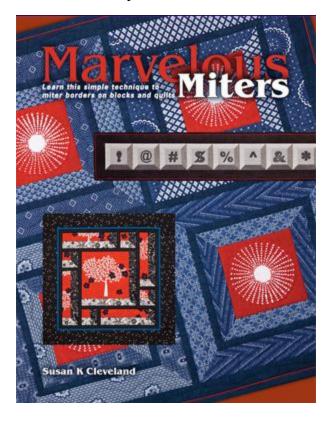
Directions

Sift flour, powder, salt, soda, cinnaoman, cloves and set aside. Cream sugarm butter and eggs. Blend in pumpkin. Alternate dry ingredients, milk and vanilla. Stir in nuts.

Pour into loaf pan, sprinkle top with pumpkin seeds. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour.

SEW HELPFUL HINTS

Marvelous Miters - Precision Matters By Susan Cleveland



Precision is Key

All too often, a quilt loses its visual appeal because the borders have been poorly sewn. Susan K. Cleveland's technique, as described in her book, Marvelous Miters, ensures that your quilts will lay flat and measure precisely. Here are a few additional tips to get you going on the right track:

Wash and starch fabric to achieve lots of

- body.
- Use freezer paper for block assembly.
 Freezer paper stabilizes the block to prevent stretching and distortion, and shows you exactly where to stitch so that you don't need to mark seam-line intersections. (This technique also aids in proper border placement.)
- Post-it notes can be used as a measurement tool for border placement.
- When neighboring blocks have mitered corners Susan suggest pressing miters in one direction (counter-clockwise from wrong direction) so that seams will nest where corner blocks meet.
- Straight-edged fonts are easier to applique and quilt than curved fonts.
- Rather than applique, use Shiva Paintstiks to stencil your letters. Leave lots of space between images so that you can cut the blocks.

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