



Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Newsletter

September 2020

REGULAR MEETING DATE & STARTING TIME

The September meeting will be a Meet and Greet in church parking lot Monday, September 14th 6:30-8:00pm. Bring a book for the book swap. See details on page 4.

2020 - 2022 GUILD OFFICERS

President
Sandra Allred

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

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Can it be any hotter??? I've lived in Concord 26 years and the Charlotte area for 38 years. This is the hottest I remember. I am looking forward to Fall. I've even started making fall items. This is officially my first newsletter article as President. Lisa should be in St. Augustine as I write this Saturday evening, August 15th. Her new address is on page 5 – drop her a line.

I was disappointed our picnic was cancelled by weather. I was looking forward to seeing everyone since I missed the July meet and greet. I was at my parent's in July, celebrating my mother's 90th birthday. I'm looking forward to our September meet and greet. Hope to see you there.

I'm proud of our Guild. We are staying active even during this Covid event. Our committee chairs and board are working hard to keep everyone involved from home. We're starting to think about using Zoom for meetings at the beginning of 2021.

We are still looking for a VP. Until we have one, I'll continue with our Facebook Live drawings. Once we start meeting in person, I won't be able to do the raffles and president duties. I have lots of items for the raffle (probably enough for the next year and half), so it won't be hard to take over.

Angie Graeber and I are working on Christmas. Right now, we are planning a drive by event.

Couple of membership reminders – Sell those tickets for the Raffle Quilt! Get to work on your CVAN quilt, it's due in December.

Upcoming events:

- September 14 - Meet & Greet 6:30 - 8:00 pm - Book Swap
- October 17 (Sat) - Quilt Festival 2020 - Yard Sale (see new details below); Challenge Quilt voting!
- November 9 - Meet & Greet 4:30 - 6:00 pm - Secret Quilter Reveal & CVAN Drop off with photo op
- December 14 - Christmas gathering, Raffle quilt drawing, new Quilt Along revealed

Activities:

- BOM - collection in September
- Quilts of Valor blocks - contact Colleen Sain, if you have blocks to turn in
- Complete online survey to purchase "Splash of Color" t-shirts and canvas bags
- Secret Quilter - ongoing until November reveal
- July thru Dec - Quilt Along for all guild members – I will be mailing the patterns to those who have not picked them up yet.
- Challenge Quilt - due in October for voting at Quilt Fest
- Ongoing collection of quilts for hospice, Victory Junction, and Quilts of Valor

Sandra

PS – thanks to Lisa for our September Calendar. If someone could pick this up, please let me know.

Member Spotlight-Karen Bronkhorst



Tell us about yourself in 1-2 sentences.

I was born in Chicago, Illinois. I have lived in Pennsylvania, Alaska, Illinois, and Iowa before moving here about a year ago. I have 3 sons and 8 grandchildren. I taught school for over twenty years (kindergarten through junior-high). I moved here after my husband died to be closer to my son and family. It has been an "interesting" move!

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

I joined the guild shortly after I moved here about a year ago. I met a lady in a sewing shop here, and she told me about the Cabarrus Guild. Being an active member of the Eastern Iowa Heirloom Quilters (about 250 members) in Cedar, Rapids, I knew it would be a great place to make friends and improve my quilting.

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

I have been quilting for over forty years. I began in fiber arts with knitting and crocheting, then added weaving and spinning, and now I mostly sew and quilt.

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

My mom is an expert in quilting. My guild in Iowa had many fine quilters, and our guild was able to bring to Iowa some really great teachers.

What is your favorite part of the quilting process? What is your least favorite part? What is your favorite technique?

I enjoy all the quilting process. There is such a feeling of accomplishment when you see the finished product. I love all the planning and the quilting. I am sometimes bogged down with the sewing. (But that is a good time to catch up on those books on tape!) My mom says I am a log cabin junkie! But I think that is such a versatile pattern. I also enjoy stars and love to see them in my quilts.

I have lived in Iowa the longest, so that has effected many of the patterns that I sew. I haven't found many farm scenes patterns around here-no cows or pigs! I lived very close to an Amish-Mennonite community so the material choices and patterns there were different, too. I visited more quilt stores in Iowa (Just look at my stash!), but I am still looking here!

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?

I enjoy reading (mysteries mostly) and am always ready for a new book. I like to knit and have started some Christmas shawls. I am slowly finding my way around, so I get lost less. I haven't found many sheep, so I am not spinning or weaving as much as I was.



Karen Bronkhorst's happy place!

Member Spotlight-Marguerite Klaiber



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

I joined the guild in September 2000 which was just a few months after we moved here. I had belonged to a guild in Connecticut and was delighted to find some new quilting friends here.

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

In the early 80s, I took a few classes at a quilt shop in Simsbury, CT where I learned about cardboard templates, piecing, hand applique and hand quilting. Soon after that, life got busy with family, volunteer responsibilities, etc. and I didn't return to quilting until the "nest" was almost empty about 15 years later. I met a coworker who introduced me to her guild. I joined that guild to take a Hawaiian applique workshop from Faye Labanaris and stayed for the friendships.

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

My Nana sewed my mother's clothes when she was young and later clothes for my dolls. Also, my mother taught me to knit, but there were no quilters in my family that I know of. Besides quilting I also have done some needlepoint, cross stitch, crochet and sewed some clothing for myself & my 2 boys. I enjoy swimming and walking for exercise.

What is your favorite part of the quilting process?

My favorite part(s) of quilting are the beginning & the end. That is choosing fabric, planning the design and hand sewing the binding on (relaxing).

What is your least favorite part?

Least favorite – machine quilting on my home machine (very tense)

What is your favorite technique?

You may have guessed by now that my favorite techniques all involve hand work -- piecing or applique.

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

Little known fact: I was born and raised in New York City.



Last Meeting Minutes

August Meet and Greet

The August Meet and Greet was canceled due to inclement weather. Please see the information below for the September Meet and Greet.

Guild and Member News

SEPTEMBER MEET AND GREET

The September Meet and Greet is September 14th. The guild will have a “White Elephant” sewing related book swap! Bring one of your old books, or pattern booklets, that you are ready to donate....wrapped in no cost newspaper, brown paper, Sunday comics, etc with a note taped on the outside about what you liked/learned from your book (without revealing the title.) The rest of the game rules will be provided by Pat Hawkins at the meeting. It will conclude with a drawing for a new book!

OCTOBER MEET AND GREET “TAG SALE” EVENT

There was a good response from the survey to encourage us to move forward with the outdoor (White Elephant) tag sale on the 17th of October (rain date the 24th) in the church parking lot from 10:00 until 2:00. We envision a causal social distancing with masks gathering among friends. There was expressed concern over our current Covid-19 condition, and we do take that very seriously. The event will be called off if safety continues to be a concern. In the meantime, we want to be optimistic and plan the event in moving forward. There are three main goals for this event:

1. safety
2. a fun opportunity to get together to see our quilting friends
3. a chance to rid ourselves of unwanted materials that might be useful to others or shop for new ideas
4. a chance to make some money for ourselves, the guild or both.

Any money you collect from your sales is up to you where it goes. We want this to be fun event.

Even though the survey outlined what needed to be done, we feel it necessary to reiterate and add a couple of points:

1. You are responsible for preparation, set up (table and chairs) sales and materials not sold.
2. You are responsible for taking in money and providing change. (There will be no central cashier.)

Added notes:

1. Scraps should be bagged. This will probably sell better if they are bagged by color, theme or any creative ideas you might have.
2. We have some volunteers who are willing to help and give breaks so that people who set up can have breaks to allow time to shop and have fun beyond your own table.
3. Since keeping safe is a primary goal, masks and your own sanitizers will be needed.
4. If you don't want to set up your table by yourself, think about joining a friend.
5. If you already said you will set up a table on the survey, you will be contacted to confirm.
6. You may ask friends from other guilds to come and shop, but there will be no room for them to sell their goods.

If you would still like to do your own table and are not on the list or want to volunteer to help, call or email Connie or Marguerite so we can plan space.

Any questions, please feel free to contact us. We should know by the end of September if we can move forward with this event. We hope we can do this.

Guild and Member News

2020 RAFFLE QUILT



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

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. 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.

T-SHIRTS AND TOTE BAGS

There has been a request that the guild place a new order for "Splash of Color" t-shirts and canvas tote bags. Because we need a minimum order, a survey was sent out at the end of August. Please indicate what you would be interested in purchasing. T-shirts are about \$15.00 and the heavy duty canvas bags run about \$35.00. Thank you in advance for your responses.

GUILD LIBRARY

Quilters! I hear we are having a **book swap** at our meet & greet on **September 14th**. Let's make it a "White Elephant" sewing related book swap! Bring one of your old books, or pattern booklets, that you are ready to donate....wrapped in no cost newspaper, brown paper, Sunday comics, etc with a note taped on the outside about what you liked/learned from your book (without revealing the title.) The rest of the game rules I'll provide at the meeting. It will conclude with a drawing for a new book!

Stay safe & sew happy,
Your 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.

September Calendar



- 1st** September is "National Sewing Month" since 1982.
- 2nd** Consider serving as Vice-President for our guild. We need you!
- 3rd** Complete the "T-Shirt" survey.
- 4th** Finish piecing your BQ2 quilt along.
- 5th** Write a message for your secret quilter.
- 6th** Call a guild member with the initial "H"
- 7th** Labor Day - Enjoy!
- 8th** Choose a backing for BQ2 quilt along.
- 9th** Pick 1 or 2 books for Monday's Book Swap
- 10th** Choose a project to bring for Show & Tell
- 11th** Claudia Hoerner - Happy Birthday!
- 12th** Gather your items to bring to Monday's meeting
- 13th** Charlotte Doyle - Happy Birthday!
- 14th** Tom Richardson - Happy Birthday!
Meet & Greet with Book Swap 6:30 - 8pm
- 15th** Whistle while you quilt.
- 16th** View an on-line tutorial. Share on guild Facebook page.
- 17th** Challenge quilt due one month from now.
- 18th** Send a card to a quilt friend.
- 19th** Baste your BQ2 quilt.
- 20th** Email Marguerite Klaiber to say "Hello!"
- 21st** Change your sewing needle.
- 22nd** Autumn is here!
- 23rd** Select a quilting design and work on that BQ2 quilt.
- 24th** Find items to sell at Quilt Fest yard sale.
- 25th** Newsletter articles due.
- 26th** Email Karen Bronkhurst to say "Hello!"
- 27th** Sunday - Take a nap under a favorite quilt.
- 28th** Clean your iron.
- 29th** Call a guild member with the initial "H".
- 30th** Sell those raffle tickets. Quilt to be displayed at Quilt Fest next month.



Get Involved

VICE PRESIDENT BOARD POSITION OPEN

We need a member to serve as vice-president for the remainder of the 2020-21 term. Please send all inquiries or your offer to volunteer to cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS ELVES NEEDED

It's not too early to think about Christmas. Angie Graeber has some ideas to help us celebrate the holiday season. We need a volunteer to lead the event as well as a couple of helpers.

Please contact cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com if you would like to assist.

Thanks so much.



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. Sandra mailed patterns to members that have not picked one up.

Quilt Along Schedule

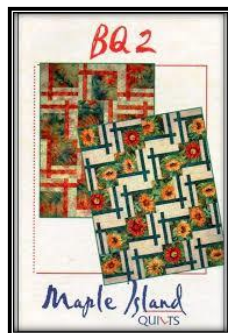
August - Piecing

September - Basting & Quilting

October - Binding & Label

November - submit for Show & Tell / CVAN

December - New Quilt Along



2020 PROGRAMS

Hope summer has been good to you all. Blueberry season was very busy for me. Been working on the Guild Quilt Along quilt project? I got carried away with mine. It was too big for me to quilt. I sending you these suggestions from my son's home in Tennessee. This video is for Green Mountain Quilts. She has a number of videos on Mini quilts that are easy to follow. The link for "Mini Mosaic Quilts Technique" on YouTube is <https://youtu.be/q6mdeFz1uew>. Another interesting site is <https://hqstitch.com/>. There are no videos, but new ideas and well taught such as a "climate quilt." Instructions would be clear with pics. Hope you enjoy.

At this time when you can't go quilt shopping in person, It is fun to "let your fingers do the walking". A site that I enjoy is the Missouri Star Quilt Company (missouriquiltco.com). They are located in Hamilton, Missouri. If you are ever out that way, stop in. The whole town is quilt stores-each with a different emphasis. There is even a "guy" store, so you can shop longer! They print several magazines, have many u-tube videos, and have an active website. Each day they send you a "daily deal"-that means that it is something great on sale just that day. They also do quilting and have on line classes. So when time permits, give Missouri Star a gander!

What did Captain Picard say to the quilting machine repairman?

Make it sew.

See you soon JoAnn.

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.

Get Involved

CALENDER OF EVENTS

September

Book swap at the Meet and Greet in church parking lot Monday, September 14th 6:30-8:00pm

October

QuiltFest 2020

Saturday, October 17th time 10am-2pm

Challenge Quilt voting

November

Meet and Greet in church parking lot

Monday, November 9th 4:30-6:00pm

Secret Quilter Reveal

CVAN Quilt Drop off

December

Christmas Gathering (Details coming soon)

Raffle Quilt Drawing

CVAN Quilts Due

ACTIVITIES

Block of the Month

Block of the Month has come to a close. Thank you so much for the mound of blocks. We are currently searching for ideas on how to turn the blocks into quilts for Hospice or Victory Junction. Anyone who would like to create the quilt tops please let me know. For all those that have turned in all 8 month's worth of blocks we have a surprise for each of you. Anyone a tad behind can still catch up. Come pick up your surprise at the next drive by/gathering.

Thanks for your participation.

Mary & Carol

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.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

We have turned in 57 quilts so far this year to Hospice. There are six more out to members for binding and six more that need binding. Even turning in close to 60 quilts to Victory Junction this spring, we have collected a dozen more ready for the 2021 year. Tom has been exploring new quilting designs with his updated QBBOT and is enjoying this. At this point, he needs new tops to do so bring them to our September meeting. Hope we are not rained out.

We miss you.

Connie Richardson

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.

Modern Quilt Guild- Quilt Con

An all online, virtual event taking place February 18-22, 2021

Quiltfest in Greenville, SC

Canceled/Postponed

Scheduled for April 29 – May 1, 2021

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

QUILT SHOWS WITH NO DATES

Eli Whitney Quilt Show

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

Summer Blooms Quilt Show

Postponed- Dates TBA

\$6.00 USD

Forsyth Country Day School, Childress Activities Center

5501 Shallowford Road, Lewisville, North Carolina

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

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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