

# Cabarrus Quilters Guild Membership Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 14, 2025

The April 2025 membership meeting was called to order by President Debra Mills at 6:30 PM.

Program: April's program was an overview by guild member Brenda Smith on the collage quilting technique that she will be teaching on Tuesday. Her program will demonstrate using pages from a coloring book as the template. Black lines of thread are sewn between pieces to give it the coloring book look. The designs can be altered to exclude or include pieces of the template as desired. Bring your small irons to the workshop on Tuesday if you have them.

Approval of February 2025 and March 2025 Membership Meeting Minutes:

February 2025 minutes were approved with two changes. Evelyn made a motion to approve the minutes as amended and it was seconded by Brenda.

March 2025 minutes were approved as written. Ona made a motion to approve the minutes, and it was seconded by Carol E.

Membership: 0 New members. 0 Guests. 5 on Zoom. 55 members in person.

Programs: Debra addressed upcoming programs for 2025. Debra reminded the members that the programs and activities along with supply lists when available are posted to the website.

May program will be the Carole Carter Scrap Dancing Pattern. This is the class was moved from 2024 due to Hurricane Helene. Information on the program with class requirements can be found on the guild website under May Programs. Carole wants everyone to come to the program with their squares cut out and ready to sew to save time.

June will be Quilt show prep with Tuesday being the quilt drop off and scrap collection day.

August Program will not be the Picnic this year. Debra has planned for Natalie Doan of the Missouri Star Quilt Company to give the guild both a program and workshop. The program is limited to Paid Members Only per the contract. The Tuesday workshop will be open to members through May then opened for non-members. Information on the quilt for the workshop will not be available until May. Member workshop price is \$50 and non-members is \$65.

Janet-Marie was available for sign-ups.

The September Program will be a speaker from Project Linus. Project Linus will be providing quilt kits to sew on Tuesday for Project Linus if anyone is interested. Tuesday will be an open sew day.

The September Quilt Retreat will be September 25-27. Cost is \$175 for members and \$200 for non-members. Registration is open for members at this meeting. Room charges are additional.

There is a special rate for those attending the event. Hampton Inn at Concord Mills on Weddington Road. The guild will start advertising the show to non-members at the June quilt show. The room will be available from 8AM Thursday through 8PM on Saturday. Keys to the room will be held by Debra and Janet.

2025 Raffle Quilt: Mary Shea is handing out tickets and collecting the money at each membership meeting.

Debra will be taking care of the sales events. The upcoming raffle sales are May 1-3 at the Sewing and Quilting Expo in Raleigh; May 17 at Earnhardt Days in Kannapolis if there is any interest from the members; and June 20-21 at the Guild Quilt Show. Let Debra know as soon as possible if you sign up for a slot and cannot make it.

Activities: The activity for April is pillowcases. Please fill out a card with your name and the number of pillowcases submitted to assist activities in keeping track.

The activity for May is to bring in orphan blocks – any size or color. Turn in the blocks to the activities table at the beginning of the meeting and enter the drawing. After the break, sets of blocks will be drawn for the winners to make a charity quilt.

Community Outreach: Members were reminded to turn in the charity quilts.

Ona announced that she is collecting QOV blocks anytime through August. Do not square up the blocks or cut them down. The QOV group will square up the blocks for consistency. If you want activities credit for the blocks, you need to turn them in at the July meeting. All QOV quilts made with the blocks will remain in the community.

Quilt Show: Entry forms began to be collected at this meeting. Don't forget the check/cash and a picture taped to the back of the entry form. The final meeting to submit entry forms is the May membership meeting. Guidelines need to be followed when filling out the form.

Silent Auction submissions will be taken at any time but the sooner the better. There was a display of the types of items being collected. This is the first year it will be a boutique. Unlike a boutique, items donated are for the guild and not being sold as a commission. They need new items or items that can be sold. Unsold items will be returned to the submitter. Terry is not keeping the items for the next quilt show.

The White Elephant will be working with anyone who wants to participate in creating bags of scraps on the quilt turn in Tuesday at the church.

Sponsors and Vendors have been finalized.

Publicity has bookmarks and other handouts available anytime someone needs them. Let Mary know if you need anything.

New Sew Day Opportunity: Julie announced that the Afton Ridge Active Living Center behind the Target at Afton Ridge, will have an open sew on Thursdays from 10-5. This center is co-located with a library and is managed by Cabarrus County. You must be a member of the center to participate. The goal is to have this weekly long term.

Misc Business: New Board Members are needed for 2026 due to time limits on the positions. Please see Debra if you are interested in becoming a board member next year.

A Programs Co-Chair is urgently needed. Planning for 2026 needs to begin now.

Donna Cox has volunteered to Chair the 2025 Christmas Party. If anyone is interested in assisting her, please contact her.

April Birthdays were announced. Fat quarters will be available for these members at the May meeting.

There was no door prize for this meeting due to a moving issue.

The last event of the evening was Show & Tell by the members.