

CABARRUS QUILTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

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

May 2026



Meeting Information

We meet the second Monday of the month at Harrisburg Presbyterian Church (4815 State Hwy 49, Harrisburg, NC 28075). Socializing begins at 6:00, and the meeting begins at 6:30.

Workshop Information

We meet the second Tuesday of the month at Harrisburg Presbyterian Church (4815 State Hwy 49, Harrisburg, NC 28075). The workshop is from 9:30am - 3:00pm; with setup beginning at 9:00.

2026 - 2027 GUILD OFFICERS

| Office | First Name | Last Name |
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| President | Wendy | Moffitt |
| Vice President | Janneke | Bahamon |
| Treasurer | Mary Jo | Ward |
| Secretary | Debra | Mills |

From the President's Desk

I hope this newsletter finds you enjoying this beautiful season of Spring and the amazing temperatures we've had the past week or so. I've been enjoying time sitting in my rocking chair on the front porch or grilling on the back deck. When I'm not outside, I've been working feverishly to finish up a quilt using the Phoebe pattern by Splendid Speck (Suzanne Jackman). This quilt will be a wedding gift for a friend's daughter and she chose the Sun-Drenched fabric by Sweetfire Road for Moda Fabrics. I'm SO in love with the colors and patterns of this fabric line that I may just have to use it again to make something for myself!

Have you decided what you're entering in our Splash of Color Quilt Show? I'm hoping I can enter the Phoebe quilt I'm finishing now, and my daughter is going to part with her Boat Day quilt long enough for me to enter it as well. I'm still debating on what else I want to enter. I'd love to hear about the quilts you are entering. And, share with your quilting friends outside the guild so that maybe they will join us as well. I get so excited to go to quilt shows and find even more ideas to put in my wish list!

I want to extend a heartfelt thanks to everyone that participated in the Workshop Survey, either in person or online. Many of you took the time to express your thoughts and share ideas, and they were very much appreciated. I personally read every single survey and I'm already putting thoughts together for how to make our guild better serve you. What good is the guild if we are not serving the desires of our members? I hope you always feel welcome to reach out to me to discuss any concerns you have within the guild. I will be a listening ear and try my best to work to find solutions that are best for the good of the guild.

The May program will be the Sulky Rep, Nancy Sapin, presenting free motion quilting using templates. This could be a great time to learn a new skill, so be sure to join us. There is still time to sign up for the Tuesday class, so let Sandra know if you'd like to join. Also, don't forget to bring your paint chip blocks from the May activity. I can't wait to see what everyone creates!

If you're free on Friday, May 8, come join us at the Charity Sew Day. The ladies are currently using this day to stuff bears for Victory Junction. So, even if you don't have a charity sewing project you want to work on, you can come stuff bears and help a great cause!

I look forward to seeing each of you at our Monthly Meeting on May 11.

Blessings,
Wendy

2026 QUILT SHOW

The 2026 Splash of Color Quilt Show will be June 19-20 at 601 Milestone Venue, 595 Warren C Coleman Blvd, Concord, set up on June 18. There is a Papa Johns, coffee shop, and Chinese restaurant in the same plaza. We have confirmed our Food Trucks for the show. ApostleQue (Pork Barbeque, Brisket, Mac & Cheese, and other sides) is Friday, and Plated Palette (Turkey Cranberry Melt Sandwich, London Broil Sandwich, Chicken and Vegetarian Quesadillas, Burritos, and other items).



We are down to six weeks until the show. Checklist:

- Complete entry forms. Online at [2026 Splash of Color - Online Order Form](#) until May 18 or printable form at [2026RegistrationandEntryformFinal.pdf](#) can be turned in at the meeting on May 11. I will be there at 5:45 pm to take forms before the meeting and will stay after the meeting if needed. Your quilt does not need to be completed until turn in June 8 and 9. If no picture for the entry, use a picture of the pattern or the fabric and turn in a final picture at quilt turn-in.
- Order T-shirt(s): the choices are light purple and light blue. Pre-order price of \$15 at the May meeting or \$20 at the June meeting and the Quilt Show.
- Start signing up for volunteer activities. Forms will be at the meeting on May 11 – Sign up genius online will go up shortly after that. Opportunities:
 - Quilt turn-in – June 9 – Harrisburg Presbyterian - assistance with checking in quilts – 2 – 3 volunteers
 - White Elephant scrap sorting scraps – June 9 – Harrisburg Presbyterian – come join the fun of sorting scraps into related groupings for bags or bring scraps for White Elephant
 - Judging Set-up – June 15 - Gilwood Presbyterian – we need 10-15 volunteers (free admission to show)
 - Judging Day – June 16 - Gilwood Presbyterian – We need 15 – 20 volunteers. Lunch will be provided (free admission to show)
 - Show Set-Up – June 18 – 601 Milestone Venue – We need 20 – 30 volunteers to set up pipe and drape, hang quilts, set up white elephant and silent auction, set up admissions, etc. Lunch will be provided. (free admission to show)
 - Show – June 19 – 20 – 601 Milestone Venue – Volunteers will be needed for admissions, guild table, raffle quilt table, working the floor and talking to visitors, White Elephant, Silent Auction, other activities (free admission for 2 hours worked)
 - Show Take Down – June 20 @3:30 pm – 601 Milestone Venue – Volunteers will be needed to take down quilts – fold and sort quilts for return to entrants, take down pipe and drape, and pack everything up to go back to storage. The more people we have the faster we get quilts returned and get out of there.
- Show time – June 19 – 20 at 601 Milestone Venue - Volunteer, shop and enjoy all of the wonderful quilts on display.

The Quilt Show funds many of the Guild activities. But we need your help with making show successful:

- Silent Auction – Chair Terri Patterson – needs donations of quilted items – think table runners and table toppers from workshops that you no longer need; quilts (any size), wall hangings, or other items. Quilt kits, furniture or quilt related items may also be good items for sale. Terry

wants items before the show so that she can inventory and prepare the bidding sheets. Bring items to any meeting or talk to Terry about options on what she needs and when you can drop it off. You can also enter the quilt in the show and on the entry form on the Pick-up line enter Silent Auction and let Terry know what you are entering. You will receive judge's comments and any ribbons.

- White Elephant – Chair – Julie Love – needs donations of fabric, scraps, notions, machines, patterns, quilting magazines, and other items from your quilt room that you no longer need. Fabric is to be measured and labelled with length to the nearest $\frac{1}{4}$ yard below your length. So if you have 1 yard 6 inches it needs to be labelled as 1 yard. For notions (rulers, storage systems, etc) mark with what you think is a good price. For scraps these should be in 1 gallon zip loc bags, if possible grouped by colors, type (novelty, flannel, holiday, etc) or cut (a bag of left over 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, selvages, squares, etc). If you have lots of scraps but are not sure how to sort, we will be doing a work day on Tuesday June 9 at the church to sort and bag scraps. Bring your scraps and add them to the collection so we can make lots of bags for the sale. All other items for the White Elephant sale should be brought to the venue on set up day, Thursday June 18.
- Guild table – Last year we had a Guild table highlighting our programs, outreach activities, and the benefits of the Guild. We signed up many new members as a result of having someone at the table to talk to visitors about the Guild. We will be adding this to the list of volunteer opportunities for this year.

We are still looking for sponsors for the show. Sponsors help us cover the cost of the venue. Do you know of a business that would benefit from having their name in front of our visitors? Sponsors will have their names posted at 2 different spots in the show area, in the show booklet, and on the website. Sponsorship does not count as advertising but rather as a donation to a non-profit. Let Debra know if you need more information.

Debra Mills

Challenge Quilt

This year's theme honors the 140th anniversary of the first patent of the gasoline powered automobile. So the theme is Car. The size is a maximum perimeter of 100", this could be 25" x 25", 20" x 30" or even something smaller like 15" x 15". It must be three layers and quilted. After that it is your creativity. This could be imaginary (think Flintstones or Jetsons), your favorite car, or car themed, such as Route 66 or NASCAR. You may do embellishments to the quilt. All Challenge Quilts will be entered in the Quilt Show at no charge. Please complete an online entry or paper form for the Challenge Quilt. Ready, Set, Go – let your creativity roll.

Debra Mills

2026 Raffle Quilt

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| Collected at Ticket Sales Venues TD |
| \$ 74 Cocktails & Crafts - December 2025 |
| \$ 193 Quilting & Fiber Arts Marketplace, Sanford - January 2026 |

If you have not already done so, please pick up your tickets to sell for the raffle quilt.

Potential ticket sale locations that I have already contacted are listed in the table below. The table will be updated as possible locations are added, and venue names will be marked in bold as they are confirmed.

If anyone knows of any other venues that would be good, please let me know.

Jackie Sabo

Other 2026 Quilt Ticket Sales Opportunities being explored:

| Venue | Location | Date Range |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Catawba Valley Quilters' Guild Show | Hickory, NC | April 17-18, 2026 |
| Foothills Piecemakers Quilt Show | Greenville, SC | April 24-25, 2026 |
| 2026 Central Carolina Quilt Fair | Salisbury | May 1-2, 2026 |
| WNCQG - A Garden of Quilts Show | Flat Rock, NC | May 15-16, 2026 |
| Asheville Quilt Show | Asheville, NC | August 13-15, 2026 |
| Cabarrus County Fair | Concord, NC | September 11-19, 2026 |

To Dos & Activities (rolling 3 months):

| Month | To Dos | Activities |
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| May | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 X 10 blocks made from the paint chip colors found in your envelopes • Sign up to sell raffle Quilt tickets • Sign up for classes • Work on 2QUFO | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Turn in your paint chip quilt blocks 2. Charity Sew Friday 3. TURN IN QUILT SHOW ENTRIES |
| June | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hanging Dish Towel • Sign up to sell raffle Quilt tickets • Sign up for classes • Volunteer for the Quilt Show | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bring your Hanging Dish Towel 2. Show your 2QUFO 3. Charity Sew Friday 4. Splash of Color Quilt Show |
| July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quilt of Valor Blocks • Sign up to sell raffle Quilt tickets | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bring your QOV Blocks 2. Charity Sew Friday 3. Ask any questions re: Guild retreat in August |

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2026 Programs & Workshops

| Month | Program | Workshop | Fees |
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| May | Nancy Sapin Sulky Rep: Template free motion quilting | 12 - Sulky free motion template class – partial kit fee \$5; full kit fee \$20 (<u>preorder</u>) | \$30 members / \$45 for non-members |
| June | 8 - Quilt Show Prep | 9 - quilt show prep | |
| July | 13 – QOV Presentation | 14 - QOV blocks or quilts | \$5 members & non-members |

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| August | 10 - Picnic 10-14 Laurel Ridge Retreat | 11 – Open Sew or Member class | \$5 for Open Sew |
| September | 14 – Margaret James: Art Quilt Design | 15 - Color Confidence - Hand-Painted & Hand Colored Quilt Techniques | \$30 members / \$45 non-members |
| October | 12 – Natalie D’Aiello: Triangles & Beyond | 13 - Triangle Quilt | \$30 members / \$45 non-members |
| November | 9 – Lisa Alley – Calming the Chaos | 10 – Cactus Flower quilt | \$30 members / \$45 non-members |
| December | 14 - Christmas Party | 15 - Open Sew to finish up Christmas gifts | \$5 for Open Sew |

UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

| Date | Name | Location |
|----------------|---|--|
| 5/1 – 5/2/2026 | Central Carolina Quilt Fair Salisbury-Rowan Quilters’ Guild https://www.salisburyrowanquilters.net/ | West End Plaza, Cardinal Room, Salisbury, NC |
| 5/9/2026 | Central Harmony Quilt Show Magic Needle Quilt Guild | Van Wyck Presbyterian Church, 5140 Old Hickory Rd, Van Wyck, SC |
| 5/15 – 5/16 | Garden of Quilts Show Western North Carolina Quilters Guild Western North Carolina Quilters Guild - Home | Bonclarken Conference Center, Youth Activities Building, 701 Kinross Dr, Flat Rock, NC |
| 6/8-6/11/2026 | A Mountain Quiltfest A Mountain Quiltfest - Quilt Show in Pigeon Forge, TN | LeConte Center Pigeon Forge, TN |
| 6/19-6/20/2026 | Splash of Color Quilt Show Cabarrus Quilt Guild | 601 Milestone Venue, 595 Warren C Coleman Blvd, Concord, NC |
| 6/19-6/20/2026 | Smoky Mountain Quilters of TN, 45 th Annual Quilt Show QUILT SHOW - SMOKY MOUNTAIN QUILTERS TN | Knoxville Expo Center 5441 Clinton Hwy, Knoxville, TN |

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| 7/17 - 7/18/2026 | A Celebration of Quilts, Anderson Area Quilt Show Quilt Show | Anderson Civic Center 3027 Martin Luther King Blvd, Anderson, SC |
| 8/10-8/15/2026 | CQG Guild Retreat at Laurel Ridge Retreat Center \$25 deposit due by February 1 to Jackie Sabo | Laurel Ridge, 124 Pendry Drive, Laurel Springs NC 28644 |
| 8/19-8/22/2026 | AQS Quilt Week – Grand Rapids | DeVos Place, Grand Rapid, MI |
| 8/21-8/22/2026 | Tidewater Quilters' Guild Quilt Show Quilt Show 2026 - Tidewater Quilters' Guild Virginia (TQGVA) | Bayside Baptist Church, 1920 Pleasant House Road, Virginia Beach, VA |
| 9/25-9/27/2026 | DOQ Quilt Show- The Threads that Bind Us Durham Orange Quilters Guild Quilt Show 2026 – Durham Orange Quilters Guild | Mebane Arts and Community Center, 633 Corregidor St., Mebane, NC |
| 9/23-9/26/2026 | AQS Quilt Week – Columbus | Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, OH |
| 10/3/2026 | Gee's Bend Airing of the Quilts Airing of the Quilts Festival • Gee's Bend, AL | Gee's Bend Welcome Center Boykin, AL |
| 10/16- 10/17/2026 | The Greensboro Quilt Show: A Celebration of Quilting Gate City Quilt Guild https://gatecityquiltguild.org/QuiltShow.shtml | Congregational United Church of Christ 400 W. Radiance Dr. Greensboro, NC |
| 11/12- 11/15/2026 | International Quilt Festival – Houston | George R Brown Convention Center, Houston, TX |

Outreach

Sewing on your 2026 charity project can be worked on at firehouse #9 (1020 Ivy Cline Road, Concord) on Friday, May 8. We meet from 9:00 to 3:30, but you can come and go as your schedule allows.

2026 Outreach Partners

As part of the membership requirements, each member needs to complete one comfort quilt for the benefit of those in need in our community. CQG provides numerous options to meet your creative interests and size requirements. Members may provide more than one quilt throughout the year. When bringing a quilt to the Outreach Committee at the monthly meeting, plastic bags will be available and please put your name and organization you are designating on an index card in the bag with the quilt(s).

- **Hospice of Cabarrus County** (helping cancer patients through life's last stages) wants quilts 45" x 60" or 56" x 60"
- **Cabarrus Victims Assistance Network - CVAN** (battered women shelter) wants quilts that are bed sized.

- **Jeff Gordon Children's Hospital / Atrium NICU** wants quilts 34" x 45" up to single bed size. Quilts are for newborns to teenagers.
- **Levine Cancer Institute – Concord or University City** wants quilts lap sized (45"x60" or larger).
- **Church of God Children's Home – Kannapolis** wants quilts large lap sized
- **Victory Junction** (camp for medically challenged children) wants lap sized quilts (36"x44" or larger). Quilts are for children 6 to 17.
- **Quilts of Valor** (quilts to be presented to veterans). Quilts should be sized between 55" x 65" to 70" x 92"
- **Other** – a member may choose to donate a finished quilt to another non-profit organization but must provide a receipt as proof of donation to the Outreach Committee.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Bronkhorst or JoAnn Hahn

Volunteers Needed

Sponsor Chair, Quilt Show - This person or committee identifies potential companies or individuals to sponsor categories for the quilt show. Coordinates signage for the sponsored categories / quilts to be displayed at the show.

Picnic and Christmas Party Chairs are also needed.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

Connie Richardson: *Meals on Wheels* needs placemats to provide to clients on their birthday. Holiday or themed placemats are acceptable. Size is large enough to hold a plate and silverware, can be rectangular or round.

Martha Austin: Port Pillows for chemo patients in Cabarrus County. Free and easy patterns are available from many sources, this is an example of one site: [Free Patterns: Port Pillows, Mastectomy Pillows, and Cancer Support Accessories - Create To Donate.](#)

Ona Philips and Colleen Sain: *Quilts of Valor*: Requesting completed quilts to meet QOV requirements. Will also accept quilt tops, donations of blocks, batting, or backing materials.

Brenda Smith: *Project Linus* - collecting blankets / quilts suitable for children up to age 18. Minimum size 36" x 36" up to 60" x 72" Can be crochet or knitted, fleece, or quilted. Donations can be turned in at Dee's We're Sew Creative.

Connie Richardson: *Victory Junction* needs lap or throw blankets (quilted, crochet, or fleece) 36" x 44" suitable for ages 6 - 16. They prefer quilted donations. We also supply bears, talk with Connie about kits or needs for making bears.

[Facebook Page](#)

Look for the Cabarrus Quilters' Guild Group on Facebook and request 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.

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 the Treasurer. The item will only run in one newsletter unless the guild member emails requesting that it be in the newsletter a second time.

Guild Committees

| Committee | Chair |
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| ACTIVITIES | Co-chairs - Marsha Petrin, Jackie Sabo |
| CHRISTMAS PARTY | Need |
| COMMUNITY OUTREACH | Co-chairs - Karen Bronkhorst, Jo Ann Hahn |
| DOOR PRIZES | Veronica Mayer |
| MEMBERSHIP | Brenda Smith |
| NEWSLETTER | Barbara Horne-Stead |
| PICNIC | Need |
| PROGRAMS | Co-chairs - Sandra Allred, Julie Love |
| PUBLIC RELATIONS (WEBSITE, FACEBOOK & EMAIL) | Janneke Bahamon |
| QUILT SHOW 2026 | Debra Mills |
| RAFFLE QUILT 2025-2026 | Jackie Sabo |
| RAFFLE QUILT 2026-2027 | Sandra Allred |
| WELCOME | Connie Richardson |

NOTE: All guild member addresses and phone numbers are available in the most recent pictorial Guild Directory.

Newsletter -Due Dates

22nd - articles that need writing, contact Barbara Horne-Stead at cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com

25th - completed articles, send to cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com

1st - newsletter will be sent by email.

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