

CABARRUS QUILTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

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

August 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
President	Wendy	Moffitt
Vice President	Janneke	Bahamon
Treasurer	Julie	Love Freeman
Secretary	Debra	Mills

From the President's Desk

Hello Everyone! Can you believe it's already August? I can't even fathom the idea that we will soon be preparing for school to start back. Where did Summer go? I'm soaking every last minute of it, that's for sure, and I hope you are as well.

We have some great plans in the works as we lean into the 2nd half of 2026. This starts with our August picnic this month! This is a great time to gather with our fellow guild members and enjoy a great time getting to know one another a little more. Apostle 'Que will be catering the meal for the monthly meeting. The meal will include a bbq sandwich, coleslaw, baked beans, and corn fritters. For our vegetarians, there will be vegetarian baked beans to go with the coleslaw and corn fritters. The guild will provide bottled water, so bring your own drink if you prefer something other than water. A sign up was sent out to ask for volunteers to provide a dessert. I'll include the link here in case you missed it. Janneke Bahamon will be leading the meeting and I know she has something prepared that will bring a good time with lots of laughter, so don't miss it!

In other news, Karen Bronkhorst and JoAnn Hahn need to step down from the Outreach Committee. I would like to thank them for the work that they did to get our Outreach off to a great start for 2026. Debra Mills and Connie Richardson have graciously offered to fill their positions. You will be hearing more from them soon.

Charity Sew Day will be Friday, August 14. Bring your machine and work on your charity quilt or just bring yourself and help stuff bears for Victory Junction. It's an awesome time of socializing!

I hope you have a blast at the Monthly Meeting on August 10. I wish I could be there, but you will be in good hands with Janneka, and I'll be enjoying time with my family in Italy!

Blessings,
Wendy

By-Laws

As discussed during the July Guild Meeting, the assigned Committee has completed their review of the current bylaws, and has proposed changes. As required by the bylaws, the proposed changes are published here in the newsletter for member review for two sequential months prior to any vote held to approve/not approve the recommended changes. This is the first month of publication. If you were not at the July meeting, please read the recommendations carefully, so that you can make an informed decision. Any questions can be directed to Janneke Bahamon.

Bylaws Proposed Revision

According to the guild bylaws, “intent to amend the Bylaws shall be published in the next two monthly newsletters, and voting on the proposed amendments shall take place at the first Guild meeting following such publication at which a quorum is present. Amendments require approval of the majority of a quorum to pass.”

Therefore, the following proposed changes will be published in the August and September newsletters. The membership will vote on the proposed revisions at the September meeting. The proposed changes are underlined.

Article II: Motto & Purpose (Purpose)

Current By-laws:

We encourage excellence of craftsmanship and foster a sense of beauty in color and design by providing programs, workshops, and classes for Cabarrus Quilters Guild members, other quilt guilds, and/or members of the community. Our guild meetings and quilt shows provide opportunities for the exchange of ideas/information and promote interest in quilting as an art within the community. Our guild’s community outreach program creates and distributes comfort quilts to local non-profit organizations that serve the community.

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Article III: Membership, Section 1: Membership

Current By-laws:

Membership is subject to the payment of dues. Each member is responsible for making a comfort quilt and selling raffle quilt tickets to remain in good standing. Membership will be granted to any person regardless of race, creed, color, sex or national origin, who is interested in the art of quilting.

Members have access to the guild library, workshops, newsletter, and are encouraged to participate in board and committee roles.

Proposed Change:

Membership is subject to the payment of dues. Each member is responsible for selling raffle quilt tickets. Members are encouraged to participate in the guild's charitable efforts. Membership will be granted to any person regardless of race, creed, color, sex or national origin, who is interested in the art of quilting.

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Article III: Membership, Section 3: Comfort Quilts

Current By-laws:

Section 3: Comfort Quilts:

Each member including junior members shall be responsible for one comfort quilt per year.

Proposed Change:

Section 3: Charitable Efforts

Each member, including junior members, is encouraged to participate in the guild's charitable efforts.

Experienced members are encouraged to assist new quilters in participating in the guild's charitable efforts.

Article III: Membership, Section 4: Raffle Tickets (Grammatical Change)

Current: Each adult member shall be responsible for selling the minimum of number of raffle tickets.

Proposed Change: Each adult member shall be responsible for selling the minimum number of raffle tickets. (Take out the extra word "of".)

Article IV: Officers, Section 2: Nominating Committee (Grammatical Change)

Current: This committee will serve to represent the membership of the Cabarrus Quilter's Guild through the election process by abiding by the guild's established nomination and election by-laws.

Proposed: This committee will serve to represent the membership of the Cabarrus Quilters Guild through the election process by abiding by the guild's established nomination and election by-laws. (Remove the apostrophe in the word "Quilters".)

Article VII: Committees, Section 1: Committee Chairs

Current By-laws:

Committee chairpersons shall be appointed by the President and will include activities, audit, community outreach, hospitality, librarian, membership, newsletter, programs, public relations, quilt show, raffle quilt, webmaster and any other which is deemed necessary. All chairpersons are responsible for appointing committee members to assist with committee projects if needed.

Proposed Change:

(Remove committee chair positions from bylaws)

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Article VII: Committees, Section 2: Duties of Committee Chairpersons

Current By-laws:

Audit Committee Chairperson

Audit the Treasurer's accounts at the close of the fiscal year and report findings at the January Business meeting.

Proposed Change:

Audit Committee Chairperson

Audit the Treasurer's accounts twice annually at mid-year and at the close of the fiscal year, and shall report the year-end findings at the January Business Meeting. An audit shall also be conducted whenever there is a change in Treasurer, regardless of when it occurs within the fiscal year.

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Current By-laws:

Hospitality Committee Chairperson

Coordinate refreshments for the monthly guild meetings and send special occasion cards to members.

Library Committee Chairperson

Create and maintain a practical and inspirational library collection for the membership's use.

Proposed Change:

Remove committee chair positions from bylaws

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Article X: Amendment of the Bylaws, Section 1: Review

Current By-laws:

Bylaws shall be reviewed by a committee appointed by the president every two years .

Proposed Change:

Bylaws shall be reviewed by a committee appointed by the president whenever updates are needed to ensure clarity, consistency, or alignment with the guild's current practices.

2027 QUILT SHOW

The 2027 Splash of Color Quilt Show will be June 4-5 at 601 Milestone Venue, 595 Warren C Coleman Blvd, Concord; with set up on June 3. Thank you to everyone that participated in the discussion and voted on the plans for future shows. Sandra Allred has already started reaching out to vendors for next year's show. I will be looking for volunteers to be the chairs for Sponsors and Silent Auction. Please ask me about what is involved in each committee.



I have started to think about themes for the Challenge Quilts next year. Currently I am thinking about Black and White and one other color. This could be a fun way to highlight our Splash of Color theme and see the creativity of our members. So again, I am open to suggestions on other themes or what your thoughts are about this.

Debra Mills

2026 Raffle Quilt

Collected at Ticket Sales Venues TD
\$ 74 Cocktails & Crafts - December 2025
\$ 193 Quilting & Fiber Arts Marketplace, Sanford - January 2026
\$ 393 Salisbury Quilt Show

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

2026 Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales Opportunities- see Sign-up Genius Invitations:

Venue	Location	Date Range
Asheville Quilt Show	Asheville, NC	August 13-15, 2026
Sewing in Carolina Reclaim Treasure Market	Kannapolis, NC	August 29, 2026
Cabarrus County Fair	Concord, NC	September 11-19, 2026
Greensboro Quilt Show	Greensboro, NC	October 16-17, 2026

To Dos & Activities (rolling 3 months):

Month	To Dos	Activities
August	• Dog/Cat Bandana for charity • Pack for Retreat (don't forget snacks) • Sign up to sell raffle Quilt tickets	1. Meeting/Picnic if you are not going to Laurel Ridge 2. Charity Sew Friday

September	• Snap Bag • Sign up to sell raffle Quilt tickets	1. Bring your Snap Bag 2. Charity Sew Friday
October	• Mug Cozy • Sign up to sell raffle Quilt tickets	1. Bring your Mug Cozy 2. Charity Sew Friday

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2026 Programs & Workshops

Month	Program	Workshop	Fees
August	10 – Indoor Picnic/ Laurel Ridge Retreat	11 – Open Sew	\$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 or one block	\$30 members / \$45 non- members
December	14 - Christmas Party	15 - Open Sew to finish up Christmas gifts	\$5 for Open Sew

August: No program this month. Enjoy socializing at the Guild indoor picnic and open sew the next day.

September: Margaret James will be presenting our program on Art Quilts. The workshop will include a digital tutorial/workbook for participants. All supplies and materials will also be provided. Don't forget to sign up.

October: Guild member Natalie D’Aiello will be presenting Triangles & Beyond for our program. Our workshop will be learning how to make a triangle quilt. During a meeting, visit the programs table for a supply list.

Sandra Allred

UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

Date	Name	Location
8/10-8/14/2026	CQG Guild Retreat at Laurel Ridge Retreat Center	Laurel Ridge, 124 Pendry Drive, Laurel Springs NC 28644
8/13-8/15/2026	Asheville Quilt Show Asheville Quilt Guild - Quilt Show	WNC Ag Center, Davis Event Center, 765 Boylston Hwy, Fletcher, NC 28732
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 (TQGV)	Bayside Baptist Church, 1920 Pleasant House Road, Virginia Beach, VA
9/11-9/12/2026	Wilkes County Quilters Stars Strips Quilt Show QUILT SHOW	The Stone Center, 613 Cherry Street, North Wilkesboro, NC
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
9/25-9/26/2026	Quilting in the Pines Quilt Show in Pinehurst Quilting in the Pines — Sandhills Quilters Guild	Historic Fairbarn, Pinehurst, NC
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
10/6-10/11/2026	AQS SEAM Quilt Retreat – Session 1– instructors Joyce Hughes, Michelle Renee Hiatt, Stacie Spradlin, Marge Tucker Seam Quilt Retreats - American Quilter's Society	Holiday Inn Downtown Paducah, Paducah, Kentucky
10/12 – 10/14/2026	Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild 2026 Fall Retreat – Open to nonmembers Retreats - Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild	Haw River State Park, 393 Conference Center Drive, Browns Summit, NC 27214
10/13- 10/18/2026	AQS SEAM Quilt Retreat – Session 2– instructors Linda J. Hahn, Heather Kojan, Sally Manke, Christa Watson Seam Quilt Retreats - American Quilter's Society	Holiday Inn Downtown Paducah, Paducah, Kentucky
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

Cabarrus County Fair, September 11 – 19 at Cabarrus Arena Events. You can enter quilts, pillows, crochet, knitted items, scrapbooks, and many other items. You do not need to live in Cabarrus County, they accept entries from counties that do not have an agricultural fair, which includes most of the surrounding counties. Quilts are in categories K-5 (Hand) and K-6 (Machine). Quilts must have been made within the last year, you can only enter one quilt per category, and there is no fee to enter. Please consider entering so we can show off our wonderful talents to the county. Entries are due August 24. Rules and categories are at [2026-fair-book.pdf](#) You can enter online at [Blue Ribbon Online](#).

Outreach

Many thanks to those that have turned in one or more charity quilt(s). We have received 45 quilts to date. At the August 10 meeting quilts can be turned in to Connie Richardson.

Our Charity Sew day will be August 14 at Concord Fire Station No. 9, 1020 Ivey Cline Rd, Concord from 9 – 3. This event is open to anyone, and participants can work on any project for charity. This is a come when you can day, so if you can only come for a few hours that works. Starting in September we will have kits available if you would like that as an option.

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 Debra Mills or Connie Richardson

Volunteers Needed

Jackie Sabo still needs volunteers to sell raffle tickets for the 2026 Raffle Quilt. You should have received sign-up invitations via e-mail. Remember, these sessions are opportunities to sell your own raffle tickets as well.

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.

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.

Laura Feeney: *Sleep in Heavenly Peace* provides beds and bedding to children without a bed. In need of twin sized quilts.

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.

GuildCommittees

Committee	Chair
ACTIVITIES	Co-chairs - Marsha Petrin, Jackie Sabo
CHRISTMAS PARTY	Wendy Moffitt
COMMUNITY OUTREACH	Co-chairs - Debra Mills, Connie Richardson
DOOR PRIZES	Veronica Mayer
MEMBERSHIP	Brenda Smith
NEWSLETTER	Barbara Horne-Stead
PICNIC	Wendy Moffitt and Janneka Bahamon
PROGRAMS	Co-chairs - Sandra Allred, Julie Love
PUBLIC RELATIONS (WEBSITE, FACEBOOK & EMAIL)	Janneke Bahamon
QUILT SHOW 2027	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.

Newsletter Advertising Information

Business card size \$7.00 per issue

Half page size \$15.00 per issue

Business card size is free for guild members

To advertise, contact
cabarrus.quilters@gmail.com Advertising



The following business(s)/Individuals have donated long-arm quilting services and/or workspace to the Cabarrus Quilters Guild Quilts of Valor.

Debra Mills

Jessica Dunning of Scryptacular Stitchery

