



# The Scrap Bag

**Calico Cut-Ups Quilt Guild  
Of Bella Vista, Arkansas**

April, 2023  
Volume 30, #4  
calicocutups.com



## President's Message

This year is the actual 30 th Anniversary of Bella Vista Calico Cut-Ups Quilt Guild. In 2021 when Rebecca Logsdon was President she researched the history of our guild and wrote about the 30 th Anniversary. Here is the story.

Early in 1991, Ardith Winters Wharry, an enthusiastic quilter, offered some quilting classes to be held at Riordan Hall. These classes resulted in many new excited quilters, eager to learn more. Friendships grew and it was decided to form a club called the "Quilting Compatriots". Within a year, they decided to form a guild and named themselves the Bella Vista Calico Cut-Ups Quilt Guild," with Ardith leading the group and Margeann Ahnquist as her assistant.

Mary Pumphrey (our member Linda Pumphrey's mother) was the first elected guild President in 1993 and by the end of the year, the Guild had 77 members. In 1993 and 1994, the guild donated many baby quilts to Gravette Medical Center and created beautiful handmade quilts to raise money for the new Bella Vista library building fund. Kay Gaudian who joined the group in 1992 and was President in 2005 is still active in our guild. Ardith Winters Wharry lives in Fayetteville and is active with the Quilt History Group.

Thus, both Rebecca and I are correct: The Guild started in 1991 and actually became Bella Vista Calico Cut-Ups Quilt Guild in 1993.

Here are some highlights from 1995 to 1998. In 1995 the members again made a beautiful quilt that was raffled off at the Spring Arts and Crafts Festival with \$3000.00 proceeds donated to the Bella Vista Library. In 1996 the first quilt show at the Bentonville Boys and Girls Club with proceeds of \$3001.00 which were used for charitable giving and guild activities. In 1997 we had grown to 129 members and outgrew Riordan Hall so we moved to St Theodore's Episcopal Church. Guild members also taught sewing classes at the Boys and Girls Club.

Moving to 2005, (the year of Hurricane Katrina) when Kay Gaudian was President, the members made and sent 42 quilts to the survivors of the hurricane. In 2008 we moved to the First United

President's Message Continued:

Methodist Church of Bella Vista where we held an April Quilt Show "Spring into Quilting" which benefited the Bella Vista Animal Shelter and the Benton County Sunshine School. Mary Pumphrey won Best in Show with her winning entry, "Homespun". In 2010 we had another quilt show, "Ozark Memories," at St. Bernard Church. The show raised \$11,800.

In 2017 we held our first kid's camp, a project spearheaded by guild member Bob Harmon (deceased 2019). The camp, now known as Bob's Kids Quilt Kamp, has continued in the ensuing years. We now regularly have 10 kids participating in the weeklong experience using 10 sewing machines purchased by the guild in 2019. In 2018, under the leadership of President Laurie Davis, the guild held a successful quilt show "Blessed are the Piece Makers." Laurie Davis also spearheaded the development of a scholarship fund which was established and named in memory of our first President Mary V. Pumphrey, to provide financial assistance to one or more individuals pursuing an education (at any level) in textile related arts.

And then the global pandemic of 2020 hit! The last group activity we were able to hold was our guild retreat, in February. By mid-March, the world was shutting down; schools, churches and businesses "temporarily" closed and our guild meetings were cancelled. For the rest of 2020 we used our enforced "stay-at-home" time to continue to sew and create, as evidenced by our donations of quilts still going out to those in need, and by the thousands of masks we made and gave to local hospitals, clinics, businesses and others. Our guild president, Sue Wagner, along with member, Ava Harrold, scheduled regular meet-ups in the parking lot of Allen's Groceries, where we could drive up and exchange finished masks and quilts for additional supplies, as well as having a brief, masked and socially distanced outdoor human contact. We began sending weekly emails to everyone on our mailing list to keep members informed and involved in remote guild actives, and we learned to use Zoom for our executive committee meetings.

When the Covid shutdown was over we met in outdoor pavilions in Bella Vista and then went back to St. Theodore's Episcopal Church where we remain. This year (2023) we moved our retreat to Camp Egan in Tahlequah, OK and we will have our 3<sup>rd</sup> online Quilt Auction in October.

Thank You to Rebecca Logsdon who first published this information in 2021, the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the beginning of a Quilt Guild in Bella Vista.

SEW ON and ON

Mary Kalin, President

The guest speaker for the April 24 meeting is Merrie Ford from Brown Town Quilts, Kansas City, Mo. Her presentation, "I LOVE CHOCOLATE" showcases the color Brown in a wide variety of quilts. While polling a group of quilters she found that brown was the least favorite color to use in a quilt for about 80% of the group. She will talk about why we are attracted to certain colors and discuss ways to challenge ourselves as quilters to see colors in fresh ways. The Program is personal, fun & informative, and consists of both slides and a trunk show. Merrie will have a Collage workshop on April 25, teaching the Laura Heine collage method. During the workshop she will discuss color and value, movement and ways to make your work unique even when following a pattern.

## Merrie Ford Program for April







## Quilt Shops and Sponsors

### Sew Graceful Quilting

479-372-7403 or 479-531-7874

14094 Pleasant Ridge Rd, Rogers

### Arkansas Quilter

479-586-1417

1005 N E 2nd St, Bentonville  
OR 5 W. 3rd St.  
Grove, OK

### Country House Quilting

479-451-8978

16324 N Hwy 94, Pea Ridge

### Vintage Heartfelt Quilting

Linda Crandell

479-340-3976

12303 Georgia Hills Dr

Gravette, Ar. 72736

### Sew N-Sew Quilt Shop

479-451-1685

346 Lee Town Rd, Pea Ridge

### Sager Creek Quilts

479-524-5244

304 East Central, Siloam Springs, Ar. 72761

### Becky's RagBag Treasures

479-756-8763

823 Spring Creek Rd, Lowell, Ar. 72745

### Allen's Foods

479-876-6190

Sugar Creek Center,

60 Sugar Creek Center, Bella Vista

### Machine Service

Rogers Sewing Service

479-636-8240

1802 South 8th St, Hwy 71B

Rogers, Ar 72757

Applications are available on the CCU website for 2023 Kids Quilt Kamp June 19th - 23rd. We have 4 participants returning from previous years so we plan to offer a second quilt project for them.

We could use one more volunteer if you are available in the mornings the week of Kamp. Questions should be directed to Gail Storm at [gljnstorm@gmail.com](mailto:gljnstorm@gmail.com).

Join us June 15-17, 2023  
Watch for details at [kcrqf.com](http://kcrqf.com)



## Small Groups

**Sew Many Friends** small group will be meeting in Sengal Hall at St. Theodore's Episcopal Church on Wednesday, May 10th, from 9:30am - 1:00pm

**Dog Beds** small group will be meeting in Sengal Hall at St. Theodore's Episcopal Church on Wednesday, April 26th, 9:30am - 1:00pm

**The Quilt Study Group** will be meeting on April 19th, 2023 at the Rogers Historical Museum at 313 S. 2nd St. in Rogers, AR from 1PM to 3PM. We will meet in the Hawkins House, (the little house on the corner) No dues are required. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month except for November and December. Call Alice McElwain 479-644-1813 for more information.

No changes as far as meeting dates/time/place for small group **Applikatz**. We're back to meeting in each other's houses as usual, but frankly would request only vaccinated individuals at this time. Nancy Brennan

**QUILTERS ON THE GO (PREEMIES)** will meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 12pm to 3 pm. The next meeting will be April 20th in Sengal Hall at St. Theodore's Episcopal Church.

**Quilts of Valor** small group will be meeting in Sengal Hall at St. Theodore's Episcopal Church on the first Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be May 3rd, 2023 from 9:30-12:00.

**Special Projects Small Group** We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, from 10:00 - 2:00, April 17th in Sengal Hall at St. Theodore's Church. Each month we work on a different project, with instructions and materials provided. Projects are beginner-friendly but also interesting to more experienced quilters, and are chosen to meet specific needs identified by our community. Come whenever you can, bring your lunch, and stay for as long as you want. Everyone is welcome!

## April Fat Quarters Pink

Please bring  
**GOOD QUALITY**  
fat quarters from your stash to the  
May meeting. You will get one  
chance for each fat quarter you  
enter up to 3 entries. You may win!

## Upcoming Events

**04/24/2023 Merrie Ford CCU**

### **Program**

**04-25-2023 Laura Heine Collage workshop**

**05/22/2023 Ice Cream Social**

**06/15-17/2023 Kansas City**

### **Regional Quilt Festival**

The NWA Heritage Button Club will meet April 21 at the Bentonville Public Library from 12pm till 2pm. We are developing a club in this Northwest area of Arkansas. We are formed from the National Button Society (<https://www.nationalbuttonociety.org>) to enable participants to preserve and educate ourselves and future generations about the historical aspects of sewing buttons. Come one come all to enjoy the fun of buttons. For more information contact Robin Schrad at [sparrow3749@yahoo.com](mailto:sparrow3749@yahoo.com).

## Guests

Our membership meetings have a \$5 guest fee that helps defray program costs if we have a paid speaker. This fee is applied to your membership if you choose to join our guild the same day you visit. **No charge for your first visit.** Membership of \$25 is half price July through December.

## Sunshine and Shadows

Do you know of a Calico Cut-Ups member that could use a card for good news, a celebration or some sad news? Please contact Allison Totten at 501-912-8808 or email [tots2@yahoo.com](mailto:tots2@yahoo.com). Thank you for your help.

## Minutes of The Guild Meetings

The minutes of each meeting can be found on the website [www.calicocutups.com](http://www.calicocutups.com) on the **MORE/MEMBERS ONLY** page. To access this page you need to login with the Calico Cut-Ups id and password found on your membership card.

If you have renewed your membership, but do not have your new membership card yet, pick it up from Sharon Caton (New members table) after the meeting. It has the 2023 password for the "members only" section on our website.

### MEMBERS, VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS:



Feel free to arrive early to guild meetings. We are set up and ready to go about Noon. You will have a chance to:

- Shop at the vendor's booth;
- Learn details about classes and retreats;
- Browse the free table and take whatever you want;
- Enter the library book silent auction;
- Pick up a kit or fabric to make a donation item;
- Bring a fat quarter and enter the fat quarter drawing;
- Check out library books;
- Read all the sign-up sheets;

Visit, get acquainted and socialize.

There is a lot going on before 1:00

**Welcome New Member**

Kim Hale

The following books are the Library Auction books for April. Please come early to each guild meeting to view the silent auction books and to bid. During the business meeting, the highest bidders will be announced, and you can pay for your book immediately following the meeting. Thank you.

1. Machine Quilting Made Easy by Maurine Noble

Practice simple techniques, easy to follow instructions and exercises, guidelines for

Planning your quilt and five charts for selecting needles, thread, and batting.

2. Scrap Patchwork and Patchwork Quilting by Marti Mitchell

Included in the chapters are general instructions, finishing information, and illustrated text with easily to follow line drawings.

3. Hand Appliqué by Mimi Dietrich  
Easy instructions for six projects, secrets for stitching curves, and techniques for Using thread basting or starch.

4. Open a Can of Worms by Debbie Caffrey.

Sew dozens of scrappy quilts simply and quickly with 2 1/2 wide strips.

5. Hand Quilting by Alex Anderson  
Six projects. Basic instructions. Traditional hand quilting.

6. Spectacular Scraps by Judy Hooworth and Margaret Rolfe

Create scrap quilts from your fabric starch using four patch blocks made of simple

Half- square triangles. 15 projects.

7. Quilting Made Easy by Rodale  
Beginning quilting with chapters on cutting made easy, easy piecing, appliqué, Sets, borders, and bindings.

8. Quick Triangle Quilts by Oxmoor House  
12 easy to make full size patterns with step by step instructions

Hope to see you there. And—— don't forget we always have the door prize books.

## Weather Policy

In the event of inclement weather, members will be notified by email of the cancellation.

### St. Theodore's Episcopal Church

Supports the Church World Service a non-denominational organization. They need supplies for the buckets they fill with cleaning supplies for those experiencing disasters.

Needed now for April:

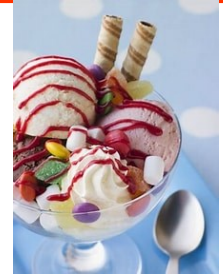
Bottle of Liquid Detergent like Tide

50 oz or 25 oz.

Bring your donations to the guild meeting and receive an extra door prize ticket.

It is time to start working on the quilt(s) for this years Calico Cut-Ups Quilt Auction. Auctions dates are yet to be confirmed but will be the first part of October. This year we are accepting various size projects Bed Quilts, Throws, Wall Hanging, Bed Runners, Table Runners, Table Centerpieces, Pillows and Placemats (set of least 4). There should be a project size for everyone. Ideally, we want to have a great mixture of the above-mentioned types of quilts, especially bed quilts as they bring in the most dollars. We cannot wait to see the impressive items you create. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Linda Pumphrey 479-367-9354.





Happy 30 Years!!

Let's all celebrate with an Ice Cream Social Birthday Party!

Please sign up at our meeting for the May 22<sup>nd</sup> party!  
Just \$5.00

We need a good count so that the fun can be shared with all our members!!

May 22<sup>nd</sup> is our normal meeting date. Dust off your party hats and let's have some fun!

### Special Projects

Thanks to everyone who brought in donations to the March meeting, and to the group who met at the church on March 20<sup>th</sup> to make 11 adult clothing protectors for the Veteran's Home in Fayetteville.

Remember, our April workday will be on Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00-2:00. We will be making fidget mats for memory care programs. Bring your lunch and your own machine along with sewing necessities, or if you want to use a guild machine let me know ahead of time ([rebeccalogsdon@outlook.com](mailto:rebeccalogsdon@outlook.com); 206-940-5984) and I will get them set up before the meeting.



Our May workday will be Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, and we will continue making fidget mats and clothing protectors.

Hope to see you then-Rebecca



## March Show and Tell







Kathie Eubanks Program March 2023

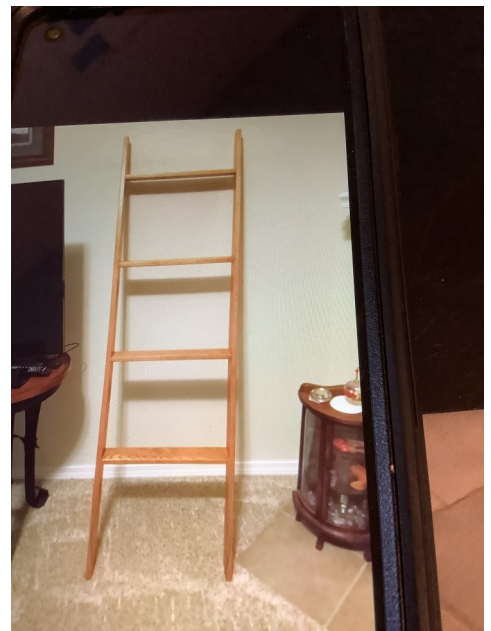
“What the Judge Sees”



This beautiful oak quilt ladder is made by a local wood crafter. . The cost is \$40.00 for this beautiful oak quilt ladder. It's a great way to show your beautiful quilts plus a lovely piece of furniture. If interested please call Sharon Caton at

479. 319.4789.

Thank You.





Check out the members in our quilt guild  
who have a birthday in May.



## May

Penny Baltau  
Carolyn Carter  
Joanna Carter  
Judy Davis  
Star Hamilton  
Loie Hudak  
Jean Justice  
Roseanne Lacy  
Marilyn Lee  
Audrey Skopp  
Lisa Sullivan  
Peggy Thompson  
Lori Trautwein  
Jeanene Weiland



## CALL FOR ENTRIES IN THE 2023

### SMOKY MOUNTAIN QUILTERS OF TENNESSEE SHOW

You labored for hundreds of hours on your latest creation, so why not share your quilt with others who will appreciate it? You may also get some well-deserved recognition for your hard work. The Smoky Mountain Quilters of Tennessee will offer more than \$6,000 in awards at their show on June 23 and 24, 2023 at the Knoxville Expo Center in Tennessee. There will be 14 categories, including juniors, in which to enter your quilts and an additional 13 special awards. Deadline for entries is April 22, 2023, so you have plenty of time to complete your masterpiece. Please visit [www.smokymtnquilters.com](http://www.smokymtnquilters.com) for more information on the competition and for entry forms.

# QUILT SHOW ENTRY DEADLINE APRIL 22, 2023 - SCROLL DOWN

## SMOKY MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' QUILT SHOW #42

### Knoxville Expo Center

June 23-24, 2023

- June 23, 2023 ..... 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- June 24, 2023..... 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- More than \$6,000 in Prize Money
- **Quilt Turnings by Merikay Waldvogel** - Friday, June 23, 2023
- **Vendor Sales** and Demonstrations
- **Boutique Gift Shop** by members of Smoky Mountain Quilters
- **Quilt Appraisals by Cindy Stuart** - for an appraisal appointment please call 865-386-0940
- **Quilt Scavenger Hunts** for the young ones and the young-at-heart
- Admission: \$10 Adults; Children under 12 are free; Two-day pass \$15; Group admissions - Call
- Free Parking

## SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULES

Friday, June 23, 2023 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM

QUILT TURNINGS OF ANTIQUE QUILTS with MERIKAY WALDVOGEL

admin@calicocutups.com

Today



May 2023



Print

Week

Month

Agenda



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	May 1	2	3	4	5	6
	Silver Needles Quil		Applikatx 9:30am Quilts of Valc			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	1pm Board Meeting		9am Sew Many Frier		10am busy	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Silver Needles Quil 9am busy		12:45pm Quilt Study	12pm Quilters on the		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	1pm General Membe		8:45am Dog Beds			
28	29	30	31	Jun 1	2	3

Events shown in time zone: Central Time - Chicago



Google Calendar