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MEETINGS FEBRUARY

BOARD MEETING, Thursday, February 6, at 6 pm
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

GUILD MEETINGS Thursday, February 13, 10 am
& 6:30 pm Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Morning Program: Kelly Zellers program "Sew
Much Fun, Collage Quilts"

Evening Program: Gigi Miller, will demonstrate
how to capture our fur babies in Pet Portraits.

SIT 'N SEW Thursday Mornings, 9:30—Noon,
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church — an informal
session to work on personal projects or to just
connect with us, followed by lunch out.

MISSION DAY Saturday, Feb. 15 9 am to 3 pm
Want company while you quilt? Come and
make quilts for our service projects: Preemies for
the local hospitals, Sunshine Quilts for the Family
Guidance Center and Children's Advocacy
Center, and Quilts Of Valor for local veterans, or
work on a project of your own.

Bring lunch and stay all day or just drop by for
a while. We have everything you need to help
with these worthwhile projects: kits, machines,
thread, etc., including expert guidance from the
group!

GUILD EVENTS

MISSION DAYS

FEBRUARY 15, MARCH 14 from 9 am to 3 pm

In House Workshop March 14, 2020 9 am to 12 noon
Coiled Rope Basketry, Katherine Lila, Mountain
Thread Co. \$22 includes kit. To register:
gigim@charter.net

**THIRD ANNUAL GUILD SPRING RETREAT, April 26-
May 1, 2020** Sun. to Fri. (includes an extra day).
Camp Holston, Banner Elk. Price TBD. Stay tuned for
more information.

QUILT SHOWS

**March 6—7, 2020 Carolina Quilters' Guild
Carolina Lily Quilt Show**

Union County Ag Center, 3230 Presson Rd., Monroe
www.charlottequiltersguild.org

**March 20-21, 2020 Capital Quilters Guild
2020 Quilt Show**

Kerr Scott Building, 1025 Blue Ridge Rd
Raleigh, NC

www.capitalquilters.org/quilt-show-2020/

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hello february

Birthdays

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Meeting Dates / Times

Second Thursdays 10 am/6:30 pm Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 547 6th Street NW, Hickory, NC
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MINUTES EVENING MEETING JANUARY 9, 2020

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

President Mary Long called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm and welcomed everyone. There were 30 members present and no visitors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the joint meeting in December were printed in the January newsletter. Amanda Truett moved, seconded by Lennie Sever, to approve the December 2019 minutes. The motion carried.

FINANCIALS

The current financial report is printed in this newsletter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Quilting & Needle Art Extravaganza will be on January 24 & 25, at the Statesville Civic Center.

The next three Mission Days are on Saturday, January 18, February 15, and March 14.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

- Libby Sigmon's husband Rex died on New Year's Day.
- Members were happy to see Diana Weber at today's morning meeting. In addition to her own health issues, an earthquake occurred in Puerto Rico, where some of her family lives. Their homes suffered no obvious damage but others were left homeless.
- Peggy Poe has a broken arm, after being kicked by her horse.
- Maureen Teague's husband is having surgery in Asheville.
- Fletcher McNeill fell recently and moved for rehab. She will likely remain there, and the new address is on p. 6.

WORKSHOPS

Gigi distributed 2020 workshop brochures, and discussed the four workshops. Katherine Lile's "Introduction to Coiled Rope Basketry" is on Saturday, March 14, 9 am to 12 noon, with only 6 spaces remaining. Everything needed is included in the \$22 fee, just bring a sewing machine. In August, nationally-recognized quilter Nancy Mahoney will present two workshops, "Dot to Dot" (strip piecing and appliqué) on Friday, August 14, and "Chocolate Caramel Stars" (paper piecing) on Saturday, August 15. For now, members may only register for one of her two workshops. The final workshop planned is on Saturday, October 3, "Free Motion Quilting" with Gregg Colson. It is filling up very fast, with only 5 spaces open. Gigi said Rebecca Mullins is interested in teaching a workshop on machine embroidery for 5 members. If interested, contact Rebecca.

OLD BUSINESS

Cathy Starnes shared a slide show of her photos from last year's bus trip to Missouri Star Quilt Co. and beyond, with 32 quilters on-board. Guild members on the trip had a great time and said it was well worth the money – they even enjoyed a visit with Jenny Doan herself. Christian Tours provided transportation for their 2,000 mile trip, and received high marks for service. They arranged some extra fun for the quilters, such as the stops for fabric shopping along the way, visiting 12 quilt shops in 7 days. They will offer the same trip to Missouri soon, rolling out on May 17 for 7-days. Mary Bucy said a 4-day bus trip to Quilt Week in Lancaster, PA is planned this summer, beginning on August 4, 2020. Anyone interested



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should Visit the Burke Christian Tours website.

Debra Rubin discussed the Taylorsville Barn Project. In late February, she and Jan Hutchinson will paint a barn quilt for the guild's entry in their beautification project. It will be about 24-inches square, and include the CVQG logo.

The 2020 Guild Retreat dates are Sunday, April 26 to Friday, May 1, at Camp Holston in Banner Elk, NC with lots of quilting, great food, and free time activities. The price is not firm, but is likely around \$75 per day. A sign-up sheet was started, and further info will be shared next month.

The sale of Carol Robinson's sewing room fabrics and supplies was postponed and will be held during the guild's joint meeting in June.

NEW BUSINESS

Challenge Co-Chairs Jan Carpenter and Barbara Mahnke discussed the 2020 Challenge – it's all about the tree/s this year! Members may make any quilt inspired by, or representing anything related to a tree; a whole tree or any part of a tree, multiple trees, a tree product, tree fabric, etc. It can be any size, any style, or any technique, but it must be completed by December 1 for display at the joint meeting on December 10, with prizes awarded. A handout with details was distributed, and more will be shared in the newsletter.

CVQG was invited to participate in the Ashe County Piecemakers' Guild Challenge, July 23-24, 2020 during their annual Quilt Fair. The challenge to CVQG members is choosing one quilt to enter in their Challenge. Mary Long

reminded members that various member quilts will be hung in the Fellowship Hall during both of the March meetings, with a Viewer's Choice vote held to determine which quilt goes to the Ashe County competition. Members with a quilt they would like to be considered will need to provide them prior to the hanging. Amanda will put more information on the guild's website.

Hickory Mayor Hank Guess attended the morning meeting today with a special request: that the guild make a quilt to help celebrate Hickory's 150th Anniversary during 2020. He asked members to think it over. Mary Long and Debbie Swartzel have discussed it, and will present their ideas to members. If members choose to make a quilt, he said it would be displayed at the library or another City building.

A change was made to the 2020 Program Schedule. In October, Jennifer Rycroft will present both programs on "Deb Tucker Rulers." Gigi's program, "From Photo to Art," will be re-scheduled to another month, TBA.

Members were asked to update their handbooks.

DOOR PRIZES

Attendance – Teena McRary

Homemade Nametag – Lennie Sever

Service PROJECTS:

Quilts of Valor – Lennie Sever (1), Lennie Sever & Dottie Williams (1), Judy Goble (2), Susan Bisulca (1)

SHOW & TELL:

Two guild members each shared a personal project they recently made, Dottie Voss and Janet Hunt.

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2021 QUILT SHOW

Kay Dwyer, 2018 Quilt Show Chair, discussed the previous quilt show and the possibility of holding one in 2021. She recapped the 2018 quilt show, which made more than \$14,000 and had attendance of 1,500 even though there were various event conflicts that weekend and storm-related issues. The number of quilts was a record, and it was a beautiful display. All participants were surveyed after the show – guild members, vendors, and attendees. One question was whether the guild should hold a quilt show in 2021, and the overwhelming answer was yes. Kay said there were many comments, some saying that the quilt show had grown too big, and suggesting it should downsize, while others thought it was the best show ever.

Kay distributed a short survey of three questions, and explained the intent of each. She asked each member to complete a survey and circle yes or no:

1. Should we have a quilt show in 2021?
2. Should the quilts be judged or non-judged?
3. Interested in chairing the Quilt Show?

Regarding #3, Kay said she would serve as the Chair in 2020, or as a Co-Chair and mentor during 2020. There could also be a small leadership team in 2020, but she will step back in 2021 and they will take the lead. She explained her thoughts on how a small team could effectively lead the process.

Kay has spoken with Hickory Metro Convention Center and tentatively reserved October 21-23, 2021 (Thursday, Friday & Saturday) for the quilt show. Some questions now exist

regarding the pipe and drape rented by the guild for hanging the quilts. Valley Rentals of Hickory recently closed, but they still have a location in Lenoir. If a show will be held in 2021, Kay suggests having co-chairs for every committee, noting that three of them need to start right away, the Vendors, Raffle Quilt, and Publicity Committees.

Various comments and questions were shared. Barbara Mahnke discussed how much she learned about quilting while assisting in the judging process for the past two shows. Besides learning about various techniques, she learned they are evaluating each quilt rather than “judging” them.

Gigi asked why the show is always in October. Kay said that could be changed, but since the CVQG show would be a week later, it will likely be one of the last fall shows. A suggestion was made to hang the 2020 Challenge quilts (“Tree/s”) in the 2021 show. Possibly the number of quilts each member enters should be a set number, rather than unlimited. A suggestion was made to start-up all committees now, rather than only three of them. Another suggestion was to provide a list of the committees, and their “job descriptions” so the members could think them over.

Kay said the wall of 15-inch signature blocks had received high praise on the 2018 surveys, from the attendees, vendors, and members. She asked Gregg if he would do it again. He still has everything from 2018, so only the new members would need to make a new block.

YEARLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Teena McRary distributed copies of the 2019 End-of-Year Financial Report and

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2020 Proposed Budget. She discussed details of the 2019 income and expenses, and 2020 proposed budget. The guild's expenses in 2019 came mainly from programs and workshops, and Quilts of Valor supplies. She noted the miscellaneous line item is high, due to the 2019 Quilt Retreat expenses, but this has equal income to balance it at zero. The 2020 Proposed Budget column shows expenses of \$13,331, but it is closer to \$10,000 total after the Quilt Retreat income balances it out. The 2021 Proposed Budget provides funds for the VPs to contract with future program speakers well in advance, when needed.

Actual income of \$12,592.90 came primarily from membership dues in 2019. Again, the 2019 Quilt Retreat income under miscellaneous will balance out against the expenses. Workshops income was \$2,015 and the QOV program received \$3,365 in donations. Teena noted the workshops almost pay for themselves. The 2020 Proposed Budget is very similar, with the majority of income coming from membership dues, workshops and Quilts of Valor donations. Teena directed everyone to review the ending balance of \$18,456.66 as of December 31, 2019, which is the current bank balance. For anyone interested, she also provided copies of the detailed line item budget report from 2019, including every check written, every deposit made, etc.

Cathy Starnes asked if the guild could film a workshop and put the video on the website. Anyone interested could pay a fee to view it and the guild would receive the proceeds. Gigi Miller said most teachers would not allow this, but Cathy suggested guild members could serve as the teachers. Amanda manages the

website, and Gregg has expertise in this field; they agreed the guild's website is not set up to do this. An upgrade would be required and a merchant account would be needed to accept credit card payments, etc.

There were no further questions. Mary Long called for a vote to approve and adopt the 2020 proposed budget, as presented and discussed. By a show of hands, the 2020 proposed budget was approved and adopted.

Mary thanked Teena for the great work she does as the guild's Treasurer, and everyone applauded her.

OTHER BUSINESS

Peggy McCosh has reviewed the 2020 handbook, and said the guild lost 23 members from last year. Since 17 of them were new members, she encouraged everyone to reach out to the guild's new members.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Starnes, Evening Secretary





Date	Programs And Workshops 2020
January 9, 2020	Morning/Evening Program: Looking Forward and Looking Back." Budget 2018 Quilt Show Video, 2019 MSQC Bus Trip Video, Quilt Show Kick-off
February 13, 2020	Morning Program: Kelly Zellers program "Sew Much Fun, Collage Quilts" Evening Program: Gigi Miller, will demonstrate how to capture our fur babies.
March 12, 2020	Morning/Evening Program: Katherine Lile, Mountain Thread Company "Rope baskets"
April 9, 2020	Morning/Evening Program: Polly Blanton – "Fabric Manipulation"
May 14, 2020	Morning Program: Carl Stevens – morning, "Foundation Paper Piecing" Evening Program: Diane Holley – "Needle Punch" needle punch projects
June 11, 2020	Semiannual Joint Meeting: Covered dish dinner, Quilters Yard Sale
July 9, 2020	Morning Program: "Pillow Case Party" bring your machines Evening Program: Terrie Townsend– her meet at Holy Trinity – at 6 pm for a "Field Trip to Bills Sewing Center"
August 13, 2020	Morning Program: Nancy Mahoney – "Block Wonders" Evening Program: Nancy Mahoney – Scrap Quilt Trunk Show
September 10, 2020	Morning Program: Evening Program: Free Spirit Fabrics
October 10, 2020	Morning/Evening Program: Deb Tucker Rulers – Jennifer Roycroft will present on better piecing with studio 180 rulers.
November 12, 2020	Morning Program: Lee Monroe lecture Evening Program: Lee Monroe Trunk Show featuring modern quilts by this internationally know quilter.
December 10, 2020	Semiannual Joint Meeting: Covered dish dinner, 2020 Quilt Challenge Reveal



MINUTES MORNING MEETING JANUARY 9, 2020

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

President Debbie Swartzel opened the meeting welcoming members and guests: Maria (last name inaudible), Jean Williams, Lucy Kearns and Mayor Hank Guess. Mayor Guess told the guild that he loves attending our quilts of valor presentations. He appreciates all we do for those deserving individuals. He had no idea how talented our group was. He also enjoyed attending his first quilt show in 2018. He came to present a challenge to our membership to help create a guild project to be part of the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the City of Hickory (in 1870) which will be celebrated all year long. June 4, 5, and 6 will be a major celebration. He displayed the logo that has been designed so far and commented that it could be used in conjunction with any project we may come up with or we don't have to participate at all. We were most appreciative of his interest in our guild and taking time to attend our meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Debbie Swartzel wanted assurance that all members are receiving the newsletter via email or snail mail.

Mary Long made a motion we accept the minutes from the last meeting, Peggy Poe second. Minutes were approved.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

- Lorraine Yount's brother passed away.
- Libby Sigmon's husband Rex passed away.
- Diana Weber appreciated the prayers, cards and phone calls as she is recovering from her illness.
- Peggy Poe broke her arm.

- My husband, Wilson Teague is having back surgery at Mission Hospital in Asheville.
- Candi Gordon is expecting another grand-baby, a girl.

DOOR PRIZES

Attendance – Evelyn Bradley

Homemade Name Tag – Chris Appenzeller

OLD BUSINESS

Thank you to Debbie Abernethy for our membership books.

The sale of Carol Robinson's sewing room fabrics and supplies will be held during our next joint meeting in June.

Ashe County Piece Makers Guild Challenge: Invitational Guild Challenge – members are encouraged to present quilts for consideration at the March 2020 meeting and we will have a viewer's choice vote to determine the quilt that will represent us in July at the Ashe County Piece Makers Show.

Guild Retreat: April 26-May 1 at Camp Holston. Signups and deposits are to begin in February.

NEW BUSINESS

Next Mission Days are January 18, February 15, March 14, 9-3

The 2020 quilt guild challenge – presented by Barbara Mahnke, announced the theme: "Trees." Make any quilt that included or inspired by or represents anything trees. A whole tree, part of a tree, a lot of trees, a tree product, tree fabric.....

Gigi Miller announced the 2020 program including meeting programs and workshops

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offered this year. Signups could begin at this meeting.

2021 QUILT SHOW

Show discussion was led by Kay Dwyer. Many topics of discussion were vocalized by members. Should we have a show or not. Kay requested a co-chair to be assisted who would then step in to chair. Should quilts be judged or not? Should we form a committee to approach Klingspor because if there is another show of sort going on it will bring in more visitors? Will we make a raffle quilt? A survey sheet was given to each member present with three questions. Kay asked that we sign our name to the survey.

Elle Clemens distributed the 2020 membership directories.

SHOW & TELL

SERVICE PROJECTS

- Rebecca Mullens – 2 quilts of Valor for the owners of the Wild Birds Unlimited Store
- Dianne Johnston – premie quilt
- Carol Carman- One QOV quilted by Dotty Williams;
- Lennie Sever one QOV quilted by Dotty Williams.

PROGRAM

Teena McRary presented the budget and distributed copies for members to review monies that come in to the guild and monies that go out. Several questions were asked that Teena was able to clarify for questioning members. Reba Walden made a motion we accept the

budget, Susan Fontaine seconded. The budget was approved.

A slide show of our 2018 quilt was projected during the meeting. Mary Busy reported on the trip to Missouri Star. Cathy Starnes put together the slide show of that trip. Mary announced Christian Tours is putting together another tour on August 4. More information as the year progresses.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maureen Teague

AUSTRALIA RECOVERY SERVICE PROJECT

By Sue Fontyn

We are at 80+ blocks and counting! I will collect blocks through our meetings on February 13th and plan to mail them on the 14th so they arrive by the end of February as requested.

Everyone has made such creative and fun blocks! I hope you'll get a chance to see them at the meeting.

Thank you to all who participated! The families who have lost everything and will be receiving the quilts being made by the Wollongong Modern Quilt Guild will be so blessed to receive them.





2021 QUILT SHOW UPDATE

JANUARY 27, 2020

**ON YOUR MARK,
GET SET,
Go !!!**

By Kay Dwyer

It's Quilt Show Time! Not a race but certainly a competition of demand on your time, priorities and busy lives! A balance for each and every one of us! Thankfully, we voted as a guild to support having a Quilt Show (QS) in 2021. I am grateful and appreciate your enthusiasm and passion to do so! If we all work together, we can help balance the work and demand for a successful QS in 2021.

Now We Begin!

At our February meeting, we will discuss ideas for our QS theme. The theme can be anything we want so feel free to be creative. I will share a few proposed ideas for our raffle quilt and bed turning activities. I will distribute a handout of all the QS proposed committees, briefly explaining their activity and responsibilities.

Volunteers Needed Now, Priority Committee Chair Positions

Each of these committees require 2 people to serve as chairs:

- Vendor
- Judging
- Publicity
- Quilt Raffle



I will provide handouts detailing responsibilities for each of these committees. Filling these chairs is a necessary priority for us going forward. Please consider volunteering. We will help you be successful!

February 15 (Thursday) and 23rd (Saturday) at 11:30 at Church – Overview

I am planning a one hour overview on all things Quilt Show! Will explain in greater detail aspects of our quilt show and what it takes for a successful show.

There will be an opportunity to also ask questions. We will meet for one hour only. Brown bag lunches welcome. Will share more details at upcoming February Guild Meeting, open to all guild members. If you are a new member since our last QS, would encourage you to participate.

Save The Date:

**October 22 and 23, 2021 for our Quilt Show
Hickory Metro Convention Center**



**NEW MEMBERS &
DIRECTORY CHANGES**

Honorary and charter member,

Fletcher McNeil has moved to: 6053 Wilora Lake Road Apt 1117, Brookdale East, Charlotte, NC 28212, where she is undergoing rehab.

Welcome our New Member



Jean Williams (Woody)
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June 10



FEBRUARY PROGRAM NOTE



February’s evening meeting will be a lecture and demonstration “Pet Portraits”. Gigi Miller will show wall quilts made from images and demonstrate how to turn your favorite picture of your pet – or anything – into fiber art. She will cover choosing an image, making a pattern from that image, selecting fabrics and composing and finishing the quilt. Bring a picture you want to make into a wall quilt for discussion.

About other workshops

There are a couple spots available for the program on Rope Baskets. There are several spots available for the Nancy Mahoney workshops in August. Gregg’s workshop in October on free motion quilting is full. See Gigi Miller for more information on workshops or to sign up.

THIRD ANNUAL GUILD SPRING RETREAT, April 26-May 1, 2020 Sunday to Friday (includes an extra day). Camp Holston, Banner Elk. Price TBD. Stay tuned for more information. We are waiting for a response from Camp Holston regarding cost for this season.



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