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Catawba Valley Quilters Guild

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CALENDAR MEETINGS

BOARD MEETING MAY 5, 2022 6 PM
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church via Zoom

GUILD MEETINGS, MAY 12, 2022 10 am & 6 pm
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

PROGRAM: CARL STEVENS PAPER PIECING & SPECIAL PIPING. Award winning paper-piecer Carl Stevens will show us his technique and will also demonstrate his "hot" piping

SIT 'N SEW THURSDAY MORNINGS 9:30 to Noon
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church — *Welcome back to Sit 'n Sew*, an informal session to work on personal projects or to just connect with others, sometimes followed by lunch out. [Masks no longer required.]

MISSION DAY / May 21, 2022 (9 AM TO 3 PM)

Help us 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!

QUILTS OF VALOR PRESENTATION

May 17, 2022, 1 pm Hickory Police Department at the Police Training Annex. 320 3rd Street SW (the old Rescue Squad). Lunch: 11 am—2 pm. Presentation 1 pm. All members welcome.

EVENTS

IN HOUSE WORKSHOP

July 13 (evening) July 15, 2022 (daytime)
Chocolate Feathered Quilt Nancy Mahoney's 6-hour workshop on Chocolate Feathered Quilt kit. Sign up at meetings.

QUILT SHOWS

MAY 13-14, 2022 SALISBURY-ROWAN QUILTERS' GUILD SHOW PEARLS OF WISDOM 30th ANNIVERSARY
Waterworks Visual Arts Center
123 E. Liberty St., Salisbury

MAY 20-21, 2022 WESTERN NC QUILTERS GUILD A GARDEN OF QUILTS SHOW
Bonclarken Conference Center
500 Pine Drive, Flat Rock
<https://www.facebook.com/GardenofQuiltsShow>

JULY 8-9, 2022 22nd ANNUAL ALLEGHANY QUILT SHOW — QUILTING IN THE MOUNTAINS
Alleghany Cnty Fairgrounds US Hwy 21 N, Sparta

OCT. 21-22, 2022 CATAWBA VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD STARS OVER THE VALLEY
Hickory Metro Convention Center
1960 13th Ave. Drive, SE, Hickory
see more: www.catawbavalleyquiltersguild.com

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BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Officers & Worker Bees

| | Day | Night |
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| President | Debbie Swartzel | Mary Long |
| Vice Presidents | Debra Rubin Dianne Black | Tammy Gillespie Jan Carpenter |
| Secretary | Cindi Williamson | Cathy Starnes |
| Treasurer | Frances Allen | |
| Members-at-Large | Janice Setzler | Joy Mease |

8 Kathleen Sigmon
10 Connie Bumgarner
Erwin Karan
14 Lavina Smith
23 Peggy Poe
23 Martha Annas
23 Mary Ann Hopkins
29 Joyce Lutz
29 Barbara Mahnke

Membership – Elle Clemens daytime
Co-Chair Jan Carpenter evening Co-Chair;
Joy Mease

Newsletter – Diana Weber
Newsletter deadline: fourth Monday of prior month

Webmistress – Amanda Truett

Meeting Dates / Times

Second Thursdays 10 am/6: pm Holy Trinity Lutheran
Church, 547 6th Street NW, Hickory, NC
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[@CVquiltersguild](https://www.instagram.com/CVquiltersguild)



MINUTES APRIL 14, 2022
MORNING MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

At 10:08 am, the meeting was called to order with 50 members present and 4 guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as written.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

- Dianne Johnston is home and doing well.
- Teena McRary's grandson has had two collapsed lungs due to a rare complication of rapid growth.
- Cathy's 7 year old grandson is doing well after his 3rd open heart surgery.

OLD BUSINESS

- Nancy Mahony workshop still has openings.
- If you have raffle tickets to turn in, please see Kathleen Whiddon
- Mission day is 4/13
- Reminder that challenge quilts (stars) is due in June
- There is free batting (poly hi-loft) available for preemie quilts

Remember to turn in blocks from the paper piecing workshop if you have them.

Quilt Show Update

Judging/Entering Quilts — Quilt show entry forms are due September 1st with a picture

Design Wall — Signature Squares The signature blocks are due soon

Raffle Ticket Sales — The next raffle ticket sale will be April 22-24 at the Statesville Catawba Valley Festival of Arts. If you see any quilt show or raffle ticket ads please share them on your social media pages.

Silent Auction — Thanks to the combined efforts of Joy Mease and Terry Townsend, the guild has a new Janome 3160 QOV machine that they will auction or raffle off.

DOOR PRIZES

Homemade Nametag: Janice Setzler
Attendance: Millie Kaufman

SHOW AND TELL

- Dotty Williams--10 pillow cases and 1 string pieced quilt for Sunshine projects
- Elle Clemens--1 personal project, "Seasons of the Son"
- Debra Eckard--Personal Project--Pillow covers for Etsy shop
- Jennifer Kay--2 personal projects
- Lisa Echerd--1 preemie quilt
- Sue Button--1 personal project
- Judy Folden-1 QOV and 1 sunshine project
- Cindi Williamson--2 baskets for Lily Boutique
- Sherry Huffman--3 preemie quilts
- Lynda Benfield--Lily Boutique project
- Candi Gordon--Personal Project
- Anne Becker--Lily Boutique project

PROGRAM

Quilt show judge, Scott Murkin M.D. presented a workshop on what judges look for in quilt show quilts. [The handout is attached to this newsletter.]

Respectfully submitted,

Cindi Williamson





MINUTES EVENING MEETING APRIL 14, 2022

WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Jan Carpenter at 6:01 pm. (Mary Long is recovering from knee surgery). Fifteen members were present; no guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Joy Mease made a motion to accept the March Minutes, Mary Whipkey 2nd the motions, all members presented voted to approve the minutes as reflected in the newsletter.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

- Mary Long had foot surgery.
- Thursday sit and sew is no masks!

NO OLD Business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In House Workshop: Gigi Miller announced the upcoming workshop with Nancy Mahoney (who has been published in Fons & Porter) is July 13 for the night-time members. \$35.00 / Friday – 6 hours \$45.00 – pattern included. You can sign up for both after the next meeting – limited seated on Thursday evening.

Free to a Good Home: We have polyester batting – please take it. Needlepoint sets free, please take. Free quilt labels.

Quilts of Valor

Amanda Truett announced future Mission days April 23 (9-3 pm) May 21 & June 25.

There will be a QOV presentation on May 17 for Hickory Police Department retired officers. Dottie Williams donated Eagle/ Mt Rushmore QOV. Over 300,000 QOVs have been donated so far. Each guild will be able to designate its 300,000th quilt. If you know a Vietnam Vet, please tell Amanda. Special gift pins are available and can be requested, so make sure to contact Amanda.

2022 Quilt Challenge -- will be displayed at the June joint meeting. Theme is STARS

June meeting will have items for sale (retired quilters: Rosemary Dietrich/Carol Robinson) have donated their sewing room items for resale. Proceeds to go to Holy Trinity. Please bring cash to June meeting.

QUILT SHOW

Turning-in Quilts We have our first 3 entries for the quilt show, don't forget to include a photo of your quilt.

Design Wall – Signature Blocks Please bring your 15" signature block – name on the front.

Lily Boutique items for sale Items are now being accepted, Gigi can store at the warehouse.

Raffle Ticket Sales & Quilts Raffle tickets are for sale on the 22nd and 23 at the Catawba Festival of Arts. Raffle tickets were also sold at the Statesville Art Crawl.

Committees Mary Bucy- sign up sheets available to chair or join a committee. Hospitality needs helpers on the floor.

Advertising Quilt show flyers and post cards are available for distribution by the membership.

Silent Auction: we have a sewing machine that will be available for silent auction at the show. Terri Townsend secured this donation prior to leaving Bill's Sewing - Thanks Terri!

DOOR PRIZES

Homemade Name Tag: Mary Whipkey

Attendance: Wanda Bombyk

SHOW AND TELL

Shelley Thompson – Preemie – Fish Quilt I:

Update from last month's Show and Tell. Omitted: Sue Fontyn and Anna Holloway had a memory quilt for Anna's daughter in law (personal project) – sorry for the oversight.

PROGRAM

Mary Bucy introduced our guest speaker for the evening, Scott A. Murkin, a NACQJS quilt judge. He will be judging our quilts in October.

Program: How judging occurs? What goes on in the Judging room? Judging Philosophy? What I did well? How I can do better?

First of all with life it is a miracle you got the quilt to the show in the first place, even if you were finishing the binding in the car on the way to the drop off.

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Objective of the quilt – it should be well designed and well made!

The judges criteria – remember the judge has 3 minutes per quilt to either hold or let go.

There are 2 main types of point systems – 1 grading points available (10 of 10 points) then add up all the categories and get the score. Pro – gives the appearance of getting a number. Downfall it is not flexible. So if you have a border score and the quilt does not have a border you automatically lose 10 points. And embellishments cannot be awarded either.

No 2 type - elimination system – is more common. Quilts are laid flat on top of each other and judged. Each category of quilts is reduced until a winner is selected. Strong quilts are judged side by side and a winner selected.

Other variables include hung vs. flat quilts. So if the your show is being judged hung, put the weak spot at the top of the quilt. Everyone chuckled at that! Hung quilts are way more work for the judge to see all the sides and feel the quilt for construction.

Another type uses multiple judges - that each judge casts a vote and the quilt with most votes is the winner. You also could receive feedback from more than one perspective.

Evaluating the Quilt

1 – Show readiness: quilt is finished, all thread tails cut, smells ok, no pet hair.

2 – Overall visual impact – WOW factor! – made you stop and look again

3 – Design and workmanship – quality of machine stitching, design and well made, all the parts of the quilt work together.

Please think about each step of the quilt.

Problem Areas:

Construction of Quilt top: 1 – consistency, if you

make a mistake, make it everywhere go BIG; 2-points should match; 3-seams not bulky; 4-piecing thread should not appear on the front; 5-applique good and consistent; 6-machine vs hand quilted (stops and starts, should not be visible); 7 fits the quilt, density across the quilt needs to be similar.

Solid craftsmanship – even the binding. Batting all the way to the edge

Embellishments should be consistent.

Block the quilt – wash and lay flat to dry before binding, tightens up all the stitches, check for squareness

Judges' comments: critiques vs comments – when you get the sheet back – think about it (take the advice or don't). You can improve the work without getting your spirit crushed.

Use a shorter stitch length – fudge on the lower edge of points, not as noticeable. Take some risks with your quilts!

Most quilts are judged in advance of the show

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Starnes

FAT QUARTERS STILL NEEDED FOR QUILT SHOW

By Sue Fontyn

We are still collecting Fat Quarters and Baskets for the show! Please check your stash and contribute what you can. If you have yardage seeking a new home, we're happy to cut it.

There will be a collection box at meetings near sign-in area.. Donate Early, Donate Often!"

Thank you!





NEW MEMBERS

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Upcoming Events at Bill's Sewing by Jennie Cook

June 11th—June 18th we will be part of the Mid Carolina Run Shop Hop. Bill's Sewing Machine Co. has passports on sale now. With the purchase of the passport (\$3.00) you get a free pattern, choice of fat quarter and door prizes.

The Grand Prize is a weekend retreat for winner and 3 friends. 2nd Grand Prize 120 fat quarters. Each participating shop will have a basket valued at \$150. to give as well.

The passport has the addresses, maps, contact information to each shop involved. You can pick up your passport at Bill's or Morganton Sewing.. We appreciate the support of our guilds.

Jennie Cook

QUILTS OF VALOR

James Starkey, USAF. Pieced, quilted and bound by Dotty Williams.



William Lowe, Army (L)

James Wright, Army (R)

Pieced and bound by Peggy Poe;
quilted by Kathleen Dukelow

Presented April 15, 2022



QUILT SHOW BIZ BY GIGI MILLER



Show planning is progressing very well. At the April meeting we had great participation signing up for committees. We will have sign-up sheets for working the days of the show at the

combined June meeting. Show judge Scott! did a wonderful job getting us excited about showing our quilts. He encouraged everyone to enter a quilt knowing that someone who comes to the show will really enjoy seeing it.

Mary and Gigi are meeting with the Metro Center this week to sign final contracts for the show.

Some cute items were turned in for the Lily Boutique. Thank you to everyone who has contributed items. We have so many lovely things to sell. Keep them coming!

Several members turned in their Signature squares. These squares make up the design wall as you enter the show. You can recycle the last show's squares or make a new one.

Kathleen Dukelow is working hard on the publicity committee getting the word out about the show. If you have ideas or places you can spread the word let her know and she will give you postcards, pens or posters. We all have our places of influence.

Blackberry festival is July 15th and 16th. If you have not been able to help with raffle ticket sales, this is the show for you. We not only sell tickets, but we promote the show and get to hear many people telling their quilt stories. Sign up with Mary Bucy. If several people take a couple hours than it goes quickly.

Thank you to Joy Mease, Terrie Townsend

and Bills Sewing Center for securing an incredible sewing machine to auction off at our show.

Keep bringing in your fat quarters and making your quilts.

Quilt turn in is Sept 30 and Oct 1, but remember we are preregistering the quilts on or before Sept 1.

We got the first 3 registrations at the April meeting! Please pre-register your quilts on or before September 1. They do not have to be complete, but please attach an image of the quilt to help us identify and classify quilts. Final quilt turn in is September 30th and October 1st.

Mary & Gigi

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| 9/1 | Register your quilt with entry form and photo. Entry forms are available at meetings and are on our website under the 2022 Quilt Show tab. |
| 9/30 - 10/1 | Turn in your quilts |
| 10/10-11 | Quilt judging days |
| 10/21-22 | Our 'Stars Over the Valley' Quilt Show |



**OPENINGS AVAILABLE FOR SPRING RETREAT**

By Sue Fontyn

Hey Ladies!

Looking for a getaway in May to complete some UFOs or start a new project with a fun bunch of gals??? We have a few spaces left at Camp Holston in Banner Elk.

Arrival is the afternoon of Sunday, May 15th and we will leave after Breakfast on Friday, May 20th. Four and a half days of quilting bliss with meals included!

Throw in a couple of campfires, a shopping trip or two and a huge screened in porch with rocking chairs over a babbling brook and you've got a winning combo for a retreat sure to lift your spirit!

For more details, please contact me ASAP.

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