



# Patchwork Press

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### C A L E N D A R

#### MEETINGS

**BOARD MEETING APRIL 3, 2025 6 pm** via Zoom

**GUILD MEETINGS APRIL 10, 2025 10 am & 6:30**

**pm** Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

**PROGRAM:** Wax On Batik & Dyeing Fabric

#### MISSION DAY

**APRIL 12, 2025, 9 to 3** Holy Trinity Lutheran Church —Help us make charity quilts for local hospitals and charities, and Quilts Of Valor for local veterans, or a project of your own.

#### SIT 'N SEW

**THURSDAY MORNINGS** (except meeting days)

9:30-11:30 am Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

**4th THURSDAY EVENING** April 24, 2025 6-8 pm

Community Room C. Bring your own projects, a small group project will be offered to make items for the Lily Boutique or personal use.

#### QOV PRESENTATIONS

**SATURDAY APRIL 15, 2025**

**AMERICAN LEGION 48 FAIRGROUNDS**

Dinner at 6p, presentation around 6:45 before the 7p meeting.

**SUNDAY, May 4, 2025 3 pm**

Hickory Fire Station 7

465 Catawba Valley Blvd SE Hickory

*[12 QOVs will be awarded; we need volunteers to help.]*

### QUILT SHOWS & EVENTS

**MAY 1-3, 2025 ORIGINAL SEWING & QUILT EXPO**  
Raleigh Convention Center. 500 S. Salisbury St., Raleigh

**MAY 2-3, 2025 STITCHERS SHOWCASE QUILT SHOW,**  
Winston-Salem Fairgrounds, Bolton Home & Garden Building. Gate 9 on W. 27th St.  
[forsythquilters.org](http://forsythquilters.org)

**MAY 23-24, 2025 FOOTHILLS QUILTER'S GUILD, QUILTFEST 2025,** Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1207 W. Dixon Blvd., Shelby

**JUNE 6-7, 2025 THE BLUE RIDGE FIBER FEST**  
Higgins Fairgrounds 1375 US Hwy 21N Sparta  
[www. Blueridgefiberfest.com](http://www.Blueridgefiberfest.com)

**JUNE 20-21, 2025 CABARRUS QUILTERS GUILD SPLASH OF COLOR QUILT SHOW**  
West Cabarrus High School, Common Area  
4100 Weddington Road NW, Concord  
[www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org](http://www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org)

**AUG. 14-16, 2025 ASHEVILLE QUILT SHOW**  
WNC Agricultural Center, Davis Event Center  
765 Boylston Hwy, Fletcher  
[www.ashevillequiltguild.org/quilt\\_show](http://www.ashevillequiltguild.org/quilt_show)

**APR. 17-18, 2026 OUR SPRING CELEBRATION OF QUILTS** Highland Recreation Center

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Catawba Valley Quilters Guild  
2425 North Center Street #222  
Hickory, North Carolina 28601

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

8 Kathleen Sigmon  
10 Connie Bumgarner  
14 Lavina Smith  
16 Nancy Price  
17 Petra Weishaupt-Smith  
22 Elaine Mauney  
23 Peggy Poe  
29 Joyce Lutz  
29 Barbara Mahnke

## Officers & Worker Bees

	Day	Night
<b>President</b>	Nancy Garchek	Dawn Cole
<b>Vice President</b>	Barbara Mahnke	Terrie Townsend
<b>Secretary</b>	Chris Appenzeller	Jill Wells
<b>Treasurer</b>	Joyce Gates (	
<b>Members-at- Large</b>	Michele Hester Jan Carpenter	Janet Hunt

**Membership – Millie Kaufman, Chair / Melissa Shaw**

**Newsletter – Diana Weber / Judy Edberg**

*Newsletter deadline: third Monday of prior month*

**Webmistress / Quilts of Valor – Amanda Truett**

**Workshops – Debra Eckard / Lisa Echerd**

### Meeting Dates / Times

Second Thursdays 10 am/6:30 pm / Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 547 6th Street NW, Hickory, NC

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Instagram @CVquiltersguild



## MINUTES, EVENING MEETING, MARCH 13, 2025

### CALL TO ORDER—WELCOME

President Dawn Cole called the meeting to order at 6:30 and welcomed new member Jan Higgins. There were 27 people at the meeting.

### SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

Sunshine and Shadows followed with both Dawn Cole and Cathy Starnes facing upcoming medical procedures.

Laurie Skinner's husband passed in January.

Shirley Britton passed recently. She was a prior member of the guild.

Sunshine news was Terrie Townsend's brother does not require another biopsy, as his cancer is shrinking. Also for a little good/bad news, Debby Rubin is moving to Raleigh to be closer to family.

### DOOR PRIZES

**ATTENDANCE:** Jan Higgins

**HOME MADE NAMETAG:** Judi Eller

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Susan Fontyn moved that minutes of the last meeting be accepted as printed in the newsletter; Lisa Eckard seconded. Motion passed.

### OLD BUSINESS

Dawn discussed the two upcoming trips. The Lancaster trip, to be held Sept. 12-19, still has openings but the Holston Retreat, being held, Sept. 9 – Oct. 2, is full and a waiting list has been started.

Dawn is collecting empty spools and bobbins.

### NEW BUSINESS

The Pizza Girls are holding a White Elephant Sale

of fabric and notions, etc. on March 28 & 29 to benefit Western NC, at Cool Springs Community Church, 1902 Mocksville Highway, Cleveland, NC. From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Amanda Truett put together fabric bundles to make quilts for preemies and sunshine projects. There was a list for who took one so we can get them back for donation in a timely fashion.

Amanda also displayed shirts that are on sale to support the Quilts of Valor by helping to pay for longarm services, postage and etc.

There will be a QOV presentation Sunday, May 4 at 3 p.m. for the Hickory Fire Fighters that served in the Armed Forces, mostly Marines. This will be held at Hickory Fire Station #7. If you would like to help Amanda please be there at 2:30.

### QUILT SHOW

Shelley Thompson discussed the upcoming Guild quilt show, which will be held, April 17 & 18, 2026. Members must wear name tags to get free admission. Kate Dwyer has the pattern if members want to make their own. Hands are going to be stamped for re-entry.

Raffle quilt tickets are for sale, every member is being asked to sell some. Tickets can be picked up from Terrie Townsend and money can be turned into her or Sherry Huffman.

Tickets will be sold at the Hickory Library Festival on the SALT block, on Saturday, April 12th from 10 – 5. If you can help please contact Terrie or Sherry.

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The Cabarrus Quilter's Guild are holding their quilt show, Friday and Saturday, June 20 & 21 at the West Cabarrus High School. Admission is \$8.

#### SHOW AND TELL

- Cathy Stearns, a Grinch quilt and a bag.
- Lisa Eckard, a personal quilt.
- Janet Hunt, a Bonnie Hunter Mystery Quilt which she is donating to QOV.
- Amanda Truett, Mouse Trap Blocks and a quilt she has been working on and finished.
- Judy Edberg, bunny treat bags she made.
- Jill Wells, 2 preemie quilts and 3 Sunshine Project quilts.

#### PROGRAM

After a short break Barbara Mahnke led the evening's program—Your first or earlier quilt and what you would like to pass on to new quilters and who influenced your journey. Presenting were Barb, Terrie Townsend, Mary Whipkey, Susan Bisulca, Dawn, Amanda, Susan, Melissa Shaw, Nancy Price, Hope Estepan and Judy. Many people shared stories on their quilting journey.

Upcoming programs are Wax On Batik & Dye from Asheville in April. The Pizza Girls in May showing quilts and kits.

Cathy Stearns needs good used 100 – 500 piece puzzles for the Juvenile prisoners from the Dept. of Juvenile Justice.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Wells, Secretary

### MORNING MINUTES, MARCH 13, 2025

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Nancy Garchek called the meeting to order at 10:01. There were 45 in attendance, including new member Sylvia Walker and guests Donna Johnson and Kathy Stafford.

#### SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

- Peggy Poe's sister and Jan Carpenter's aunt both passed away last week
- Kathleen Whiddon's daughter Katie is having surgery on March 14.
- Dawn Barbersek is home from the hospital after having pneumonia.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ann Becker moved to accept the February minutes as printed in the March newsletter. Deanna Weis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### DOOR PRIZES

**Attendance**—Dotty Williams

**Homemade Name Tag**—Candi Gordon

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Joyce Gates reported a balance of \$19,654.37 at the end of February. Shelley Thompson moved to accept the treasurer's report as printed in the March edition of Patchwork Press. Michele Hester seconded. Motion passed.

Joyce requires all monies for deposit into the guild account be placed in an envelope labeled on the front with the member's name and phone number and a note identifying what the deposit is for. This includes money for sold raffle tickets, workshop fees, etc. Joyce has envelopes available for this use.

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### CORRECTIONS

Page three of the CVQG directory: Treasurer for the guild is Joyce Gates. Chris Appenzeller is the secretary for the morning group.

The correct new mailing address for the guild is 2425 N. Center Street #222, Hickory, NC 28601.

When writing the box number, do NOT write the word "box," and DO use the number sign (#).

### QUILT SHOW

Shelley Thompson reported that show chairs will meet immediately after the meeting.

Members are asked to look for their CVQG lanyards from previous shows or get new ones. The lanyards will be required of members for free admission to the show. Names should be written large enough to be easily read and worn so that show visitors can ask those members for assistance. Lanyards will also hold 2026 guild ID cards.

Sherry Huffman announced that the guild acquired permission to sell quilt raffle tickets at the Hickory Literary Festival at the Salt Block on Saturday, April 12. Members are needed for set-up and sales of tickets. Set up is from 9-11 a.m., and tickets will be sold from 11-5. Contact Sherry to select a shift time.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Lancaster Trip, Sept. 9-12, 2025** — Sign up as soon as possible so an accurate count can be made. Contact Dawn Dole or Cathy Starnes for information.

**Sep. 29-Oct. 2, 2025 Guild Quilt Retreat at Camp Holston, Banner Elk** is currently at capacity, but a

waiting list is available. Contact Nancy Garchek or Dawn Cole.

Dawn is collecting empty thread spools and empty, disposable bobbins for a camp project.

**Programs** — Barb Mahnke said that the Program Committee is open to suggestions for program ideas. Coming soon: the Pizza Girls and a speaker from Asheville who will talk about dyeing fabric and maybe also do a workshop.

**Three Yard Quilt Kits** — Amanda Truett has put together bundles of three yards of donated fabric with a selection of appropriate patterns for members to make quilts for our Mission Projects. In order to keep track of the kits, please sign them out with your name and phone number.

### SHOW AND TELL

**Quilts of Valor:** Dawn Barbersek and Kathleen Dukelow

**Pillowcases:** Jan Hutchinson

**Personal Projects:** Catherine Caswell, Joyce Gates, Susan Deal, Michele Hester, Kathleen Whiddon, Diane Gantt, Ann Becker, Kathleen Dukelow, Deanna Weis, Tanya Hodge, Karen Miller, Maureen Teague

**Sit and Sew Strip Quilts, Charity:** Mary Bucy

**Lily Boutique:** Dotty Williams "Spring Celebration" quilt for auction at quilt show, pieced by Chris Appenzeller from extra Raffle Quilt blocks, quilted by Nancy Garchek

### PROGRAM

Vice-Presidents Barb Mahnke and Terrie Townsend introduced the program, "Your First Quilt." Members showed their very earliest quilts and shared the stories behind them.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Appenzeller, Secretary



Are you having any fun?

What you getting out of living?

Who cares for what you got if you're not having any  
fun.



Are you having any laughs?

Are you enjoying living?

If other people do, why can't you HAVE A LITTLE FUN?



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