

Cumberland Valley Quilters Association



MEETING NOTICES

Established 1981

January 2007

Tuesday, January 2, 2006

First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, TN
Assembly: 9:30
Meeting: 10:00

Program: Lessons I've Learned from Jane Stickle's Quilt (Dear Jane blocks), presented by Suzanne Brodnax.

Hospitality: Nancy Rutske, Gloria Reasons, Nancy Moss, Beverly Keyser, Peggy Frost and Judy Nichols

Door Prizes: Nancy Rutske, Judy Weverka

Membership: Nancy Moss

Welcome: Carol Brown

Charm Swaps: Please bring the rest of the Charm Swaps needed to be turned in to the January meeting.

Evening Stars: January 16, 2007

Library: January

Board Meeting: January 9, 2007 Valerie Curtis' home. Board meeting open to members. If you would like to speak call Valerie Curtis to be put on the agenda.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi everyone,
I'm so excited and looking forward to this next year. I'd like to thank Libby, Connie, Linda and Emily for all their hard work over the past two years.

The new board has already met and plans are in the works for lots of programs and activities. Be on the lookout for a Ways and Means project for later in the year. We need to have a larger cushion in our budget to have bigger and better programs and

teachers and we'd like to subsidize the daily fee for national teachers to make it more affordable for everyone.

The one thing I've heard over and over is "Shorten the business part", so, beginning in January, I will be asking the major committees to set up a table to display their finished quilts and hand out kits for soldier and charity projects, etc and have an article in each month's newsletter. So be

sure to check out the tables and displays and read your newsletters carefully. We have a wonderful newsletter, thanks to Caryn and Judy, and we need to rely on it for most of our information. This will give us lots more time for the fun stuff at the meetings.

Please be patient with us as we find our way and suggestions are welcomed.

Valerie

OFFICERS:

President
Valerie Curtis

Vice President- Programs
Suzanne Brodnax

Vice President-Member Services
Lauren Wade

Treasurer
Carole Shean

Secretary
Rose Naeser

Newsletter Editors
Caryn Wariner
Judy Nichols

Snow Policy
CVQA will not meet if Williamson County schools are closed.

Special points of interest:

- Happy New Year!
- Newsletter deadline is January 15, 2006. Submit to Caryn Wariner and Judy Nichols.
- Please remember that no children under 12 are permitted at guild meetings.
- 2007 Guild Challenge info on our website at the following link. **You have 4 months left!**

[2007 Guild Challenge](#)

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MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 5, 2006 CVQA MEETING

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Libby Smith hands over the job of president to Valerie Curtis. (Note the smile on Libby's face)

Minutes of CVQA-Tuesday, December 5, 2006

The monthly meeting of the Cumberland Valley Quilters Association was called to order by President Libby Smith at 10:00am at the First Presbyterian Church on Franklin Road in Franklin, Tennessee. Libby thanked J.R. and his assistant, Peter, for setting up the chairs every month. Libby asked that members continue to sign up for committees for 2007 and to do so by the January meeting.

Committees reporting: Kathleen Hardin thanked members who have donated and worked on soldier quilts. A box of finished quilts will be shipped this week. Quilts needing binding and some needing quilting are available in kits. See Kathleen for these kits. A soldier quilt has been presented to a local family.

Suzanne Brodnax spoke of upcoming program for January meeting. A sign up sheet went around for anyone interested in helping a small interest group within the guild to get started. There will be more about this at the January meeting.

Lauren Wade encouraged members to continue/start working on their challenge quilt. The deadline for the finished quilt is the April meeting.

Carole Shean asked that all new membership forms and money be turned over to Doris Waldschmidt and then Doris will get her the checks.

Special thanks and recognition were presented by Libby Smith to Susan Savage, Sharon Hohmann and Lucille Branham for their work organizing and running the library; Kathleen Hardin, chair of summer social committee; Sharon Brewer, charm swap; Loretta

Mitchell, webmaster; Sharon McLaughlin, membership; Lauren Wade, guild challenge; Chris Grayson, door prizes; Kathy Anderson, Brentwood library quilt hanging; Alyson Ordnung, May retreat; Paula Mulvihill, Christmas party chair; Kathy Kuryla, Williamson County Fair; Shirley Garth and Shelby Boyd, Charity quilts; Caryn Wariner and Judy Nichols, newsletter; and Mary Jo Whitefield for making the coffee every month and cleaning up. Mary Jo would like help next year with the coffee and cleaning up. When doing hospitality be sure to help her with coffee and cleanup.

The new library chairman is Barbara Sullivan. There will be a full library at the January meeting. No fine for not returning books today. Chairperson is needed for summer social committee. Cissy Walker will be next webmaster. Doris Waldschmidt is next membership committee chair.

Libby also extended special thanks to the outgoing officers; Linda Huneryager, VP for membership; Connie Stowers, VP for programs; Emily Pickens, Treasurer; and Valerie Curtis, Secretary. Linda Huneryager also assumed responsibility for programs in Connie Stowers absence. Meeting was turned over to Valerie Curtis, incoming president. Valerie introduced the following officers; Suzanne Brodnax, VP programs; Lauren Wade, VP membership; Carol Shean, Treasurer; and Rose Nae-

ser, secretary. On behalf of the guild, Valerie thanked Libby for being president over the past 2 years.

There are currently 149 members of CVQA. The 2006 and 2007 boards have been working on Standing Rules for 2007. This requires changes to the By-Laws. The proposed Standing Rules and Proposed By-Laws will be in the January newsletter. Please come prepared to discuss and vote.

Paula Mulvihill announced that seventy five (\$75) dollars was collected for today's raffle. A wall hanging made by Stephanie Blaney and a quilt rack were donated for the raffle. The winners of the raffle were Rhonda Rose and Doris Waldschmidt. Seventy nine dollars (\$79) was collected to donate to the boy scouts for setting up the tables for the Christmas party.

Door Prizes were awarded to Marilyn Thompson, Marian Palmgren, Ann Brown, Libby Smith, Nancy Moss, Jackie Watson, Hazel Richards, Amy Gordon (visitor), Chris McBryan, Sharon McLaughlin, Connie Little, Angela Leach and Carol Shean. In addition awards were given for "most glitzy" attire. Those winners were Shelby Boyd, Judy Weverka, and Jackie Watson. Mary Lou Montague, Pam French, Mary Dono, Frances Sieber, Sybil Stinson, Vanessa Gordon and Gail Miller.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Naeser,
Recording Secretary

CVQA TREASURERS REPORT DECEMBER, 2006

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Opening Balance			5201.87
Income:			
	November	Membership	120.00
		Rau-Wood Retreat	24.00
	December	Membership	280.00
		Name tag/fines	6.00
		Christmas Raffle/ornament sale	117.00
		Collection for Boy Scout Troop	81.10
		Postage donation	20.00
			648.10
Expenses:			
	November	L.Huneryager-Christmas party	47.76
		V.Curtis-Historian	103.82
		L.Smith-Rau-Wood Retreat	55.39
	December	Donation-Boy Scout Troop	81.10
		J.Wright-Christmas party	86.88
		V.Gordan-Christmas party	16.38
		V.Curtis-Book-Robert's Rules	6.83
		C.Shean-Christmas party	42.55
		L.Huneryager-Christmas party	13.08
		J.Nichols-Dec. newsletter	40.07
		1st Presbyterian Church-rent	25.00
			518.86
Total Assets			5331.11

Submitted by Carole Shean, Treasurer
Dec. 14, 2006

Please note:

Please note if there are any outstanding receipts, bills or money due the Treasury, please turn it into Carole Shean at the next meeting. If you can't be at the next meeting please contact her so we can arrange someone to pick it up. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated!

CVQA OFFICERS



President: Valerie Curtis



1st Vice President:
Suzanne Broadnax



2nd Vice President:
Lauren Wade



Secretary: Rose Naeser



Treasurer: Carole Shean

2006 Calendar

January 2, 2007	Guild Day	First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, TN
January 9, 2007	Board Meeting	Valerie Curtis' home
January 13, 2007	Soldier Quilts 10:00	Stitcher's Garden Franklin, TN
March 1-3, 2007	Indiana Heritage Quilt Show	Bloomington, Indiana
March 14-18, 2007	Mountain Quilt Fest 2007	Pigeon Forge, TN
April 25-28, 2007	AQS Show and Contest	Paducah, KY
June 8-10, 2007	NQA Quilt Show	Columbus, Ohio
Aug. 22-25, 2007	AQS Expo and contest	Opryland Hotel, Nashville, TN

COMMITTEE NOTICES

NEWSLETTER

Please have your articles in to judynichols2@comcast.net and cwariner@bellsouth.net by the 15th of each month. Make sure to send to **both** addresses to ensure we get the articles. Please help us out by not making extra work for us in trying to track you down. If everyone gets articles in on time we will have a great newspaper! Also send any tips, recipes, photos and ideas to us.

CHARM SWAP

Please bring ALL of your outstanding 2006 charms to the January meeting. If you will not be able to attend, please send them with someone else or mail them to Sharon Brewer to arrive before the meeting. We will be closing out the 2006 swap. As of now there is no one to chair the 2007 swap. If you would like to please contact Valerie Curtis.

SUNSHINE

Please keep Sarah Webster in your thoughts while she is with her mother who is very ill.

Sharon Hohmann sent a thank you note to the guild for everyone's support during her difficult time away from home. She misses her CVQA friends and her quilting.

EVENING STARS

Evening Stars will meet Tuesday, Jan 16 at 7:00 at Barnabas Center (part of St-Paul's Episcopal Church). sending even pre-cut pieces. All CVQA members are welcome to our evening meetings.

Sarah Webster will present a program about Marie Webster (no relation). Marie was the first published quilter, and ran a mail-order business out of her home,



Out going Membership Sharon McLaughlin and incoming Doris Waldschmidt.



Christmas party helper Vanesa Gordon.

THESE COMMITTEES NEED YOU

We still need chairmen for the following committees:

Summer Social

Publicity

Guild Challenge for 2008

Ronald McDonald Quilt for 2008

Suzanne Brodnax needs more input on planning the programs and seminars.

Signup sheets will be available for hospitality and library at the meeting. Spaces are still available for several committees.

Reminder: This guild is only as good as the help it gets from its members. Joining in is the best way to get to know others.



Most glitzy winner Judy Weverka. Love those gold teeth!

RAU-WOOD RETREAT PLANNED

If you saw Kathleen Hardin's casserole holder at the Christmas party you are going to want to make one!

Come join us on Tues. Jan 23 at Rauwood Retreat Center and learn how to make this cute and easy sewing project to fit your favorite casserole dish.

This will be a daytime only event. Facilities cost for

the day is \$12.00/pp, non-refundable. Sign up and pay at the Jan. 2 meeting.

Rau-Wood is a large meeting hall located on the corner of Hwy. 96 and Hwy. 100 and is about 25 minutes from Franklin. See www.lutheransonline.com/lo/rauwood for pictures. We need your input. We can schedule hands-on programs and/or schedule dates for "Sit-n-sew" with no set program. What would you like? The facility currently costs us \$125/24 hour

period. We need a minimum of 10 committed people (at \$12 per person up front) in order to schedule a specific date.

If you would like to participate this year please e-mail me at [Beverly Keiser](mailto:Beverly.Keiser) and let me know what type of a program (s) you would like to see us host at Rau-Wood.

I look forward to seeing you at Rau-Wood.

Beverly Keyser

MEET CVQA QUILTER VALERIE CURTIS

This month's featured quilter is Valerie Curtis. Valerie is no stranger to sewing and quilting. She has been sewing since the age of 12 when she started sewing at home and for the 4-H club. Valerie was an art major in college and has put her knowledge of color to great use in her quilts and for our November program on Color. Although Valerie did not start quilting until the early

1980's, she was inspired as a child by her grandmother and aunt in Oklahoma who made beautiful quilts. Valerie's first quilt was a Double Irish Chain quilt which she made by hand using cardboard templates for the squares and scissors to cut out the pieces. This quilt took years to hand piece and quilt. It was after making this quilt that Valerie took

her first quilting class and discovered the rotary cutter and ruler. Valerie loves to do hand appliqué and although she doesn't have a favorite quilt, she finds herself using more and more purple fabrics in her quilts. In addition to quilting and teaching quilting classes, Valerie likes to paint, (watercolors mostly), and do scrapbooking. Please welcome Valerie as our new CVQA president!



Quilter Valerie Curtis

Article by Rose Nae-ser

These are the proposed changes to the By-Laws to accommodate the Standing Rules and other changes to make the guild operate more efficiently. Below will show the changes and the reasons we have for making them. Please consider carefully and be ready to vote at the January meeting.

BY-LAWS CUMBERLAND VALLEY QUILTERS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I. Name

The name of the organization shall be Cumberland Valley Quilters Association (CVQA).

ARTICLE II. Objectives

Section 1. To sponsor and support quilting activities,

Section 2. To encourage quilt making for charitable donations,

Section 3. To share knowledge of quilting techniques, textiles, history and quilt makers,

Section 4. To promote fellowship

ARTICLE III. Policies

Section 1. The CVQA shall be non-partisan, non-sectarian and non-commercial. No candidate and no commercial enterprise shall be endorsed by it except as outlined in Article II Objectives.

Section 2. In the event of dissolution of the CVQA, the assets will be disposed of by suggestion of the Executive Committee and Committee Chairmen with the approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the membership present and voting, due notice given.

ARTICLE IV. Membership and Dues

Section 1. The voting body of CVQA shall consist of every member in good standing.

Section 2. There shall be annual dues of membership due, no later than, December meeting of the previous year. An increase in dues shall be approved by the majority of members present.

ARTICLE V. Officers and their Elections

Section 1. The officers of CVQA shall be President, First Vice President/President Elect, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary. The officers are elected for a term of one year and may not serve for more than two consecutive terms, with the exception of the President and First Vice President which are only one year terms.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall consist of voting members: First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary. The President votes only to break a tie vote.

Section 3. In the event of a vacancy in any office or committee chair, the position shall be filled for the remainder of the term by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI. Duties of Officers

Section 1. The President shall preside at general meetings and Executive Board meetings and delegate duties to the Committees.

Section 2. The First Vice President/ President-Elect shall be responsible for scheduling programs, workshops, seminars and procuring a location for any CVQA activity. The First Vice President shall assume the responsibilities of the President in her absence.

Section 3. The Second Vice President shall be responsible for membership and all membership related activities. The Second Vice President shall assume responsibilities of the President in the absence of the President and the First Vice President.

ARTICLE VII. Voting

Section 1. Those members in good standing constitute the voting body at a regular meeting

Section 2. A quorum of 2/3 of the membership must be present for voting at a specially called meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. Committees

Section 1. Committees shall be appointed and discharged as needed by the Executive Board.

Section 2. Committees shall provide a year-end summary of activity. Committees shall submit all monies collected to the Treasurer when collected. They shall also submit all receipts and forms of all expenses and expense forms to the Treasurer for reimbursement before years end.

ARTICLE IX. Budget

Section 1. A yearly budget shall be submitted by the Executive Board and accepted by the majority of the members present at the January meeting.

Section 2. No money shall be spent beyond the budgeted amount without prior approval of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE X. Amendments

Section 1. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of CVQA by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present in good standing. Amendment proposals must be distributed to all CVQA members in writing thirty (30) days before consideration.

ARTICLE XI Parliamentary Authority

Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern CVQA in all cases in which they are not consistent with these By-Laws.

Changes:

Article IV - changed December 1 to December meeting. Dropped the word "October". Felt members should be able to change the dues when they see fit, not only in October.

Article V - changed term of office and added a board member. In most organizations, the President has no vote, except to break a tie. If there is a President and four board members, there is more of a chance to have a tie. This will also give the board a liaison to the newsletter.

We felt it would be easier to get board members if they agreed to one year, with an option for a second, in most cases. The First Vice President would move into President, keeping continuity.

Section 3 needed to be one or the other.

Article VI - Sections were changed to define each position=s duties.

Article VII - moved to Standing Rules. Replace with Voting to define what happens if a special meeting is called for a special vote.

Article VIII - a line was added to define how committees are to handle money.

Article IX - changed November to January so the incoming boards would have input on the Proposed Budget for the next year.

Everything else stayed the same.

Proposed Standing Rules 2007

1. Monthly meeting will be held in the first Tuesday of each month. The location, time and any alternate date will be determined by the Executive Board and announced at the previous meeting and/or in the previous newsletter.
2. The newsletter will be available for members at least one week prior to each meeting. Submissions for publication must be received by the 15th of the previous month and sent to: [Caryn Wariner](#) or [Judy Nichols](#).
3. There will be a program in conjunction with each guild meeting, unless another event is scheduled: i. e. picnic, Christmas party, etc.
4. Seminars with out-of-town teachers will be presented at least once per year. A 50% deposit is required to hold a member's place. Retreats/local workshops will require full payment at time of registration. Members are not considered registered until the deposit/payment is paid. The remainder is due at the time of the activity, or before, even if the member is not present. If there is no waiting list, a member may sell her slot to another member. Refunds will be given with a minimum 30 day notice prior to the activity. Fees will be determined by the Executive Board based on proposed expenses. Fees and availability to non-members will be based on a space available basis.
5. Workshops will be presented several times per year after the regular monthly meetings. Cost of workshops and sign-up sheets will be available at least one month prior to the workshop.
6. Annual dues will be \$20 per year for the year 2007. Dues will be prorated after July 2007 to \$10. Anyone joining in December will pay dues for 2008 only. Visitors are allowed one time before being required to join or may pay a fee of \$5 per visit. Fees may be higher based on the cost of the speaker.
7. Each member is expected to actively serve on at least one committee plus at least one month of hospitality.
8. CVQA nametags will be worn to all CVQA activities, or a fine of \$.25 will apply. Replacement name tag kits will be available at a cost of \$5. Pre-made nametags will be available for purchase at a cost of \$20.
9. The sympathy policy shall be to send flowers, or make a donation in lieu of flowers, not to exceed \$50, for a current member or member's spouse. Cards of condolence shall be sent for other family members, or past members.

10. Library Guidelines:
- a. Only members in good standing may check out items. A maximum of 4 items may be checked out at one time per person.
 - b. All items are due at the next regular meeting.
 - c. In the event an item is not returned on time, there is a one month grace period. After that, there will be a \$1 penalty per month. As a reminder, an overdue list will be printed in the newsletter.
 - d. Member borrowing an item must put their name, month and year on the file card and place in the basket.
 - e. Checked out library items are the sole responsibility of the borrower, until returned to the library. In the event of damage or loss of an item, the borrower is financially responsible for the replacement of the damaged or lost property at a value deemed appropriate by the Librarian and/or the Executive Board.
 - f. Borrowers acknowledge their responsibility for each item checked out by filling out the library card.
 - g. Fees paid to the Library shall be used for the purchase of new items for the Library.
 - h. A donation basket shall be passed at each meeting where the Library is present. A \$1 donation is suggested.
 - i. All funds collected shall be turned in to the Treasurer and accounted for separately in the general fund.
11. Evening Stars Guidelines:
- a. The Evening Stars shall meet on the third Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Barnabas Center on Fair Street in Franklin.
 - b. Any member in good standing may attend the Evening Stars meetings and programs.
 - c. The Evening Stars group will operate under the same By-Laws and Standing Rules as the day group. They will have a Chairman, Membership Chairman and liaison to the Executive Board. The Chairman or her designated replacement is responsible for contacting the newsletter editor with information for the newsletter each month. The Membership Chairman shall collect all dues and submit with appropriate information to the Treasurer. They will enforce all membership rules and keep a copy of attendance at all activities.
12. The advertising rates for the guild newsletter are as follows:
- | Full page | Half page | Fourth page | Eight page |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| \$25.00 | \$15.00 | \$9.00 | \$5.00 |
- Ads must be camera ready and turned in to the Treasurer with payment. . "Free to good home" ads are at no charge Ads will be on space available basis or money will be returned.
- The guild quilting frame is available for rental by members for \$5 per month.
13. No one under the age of 12 is allowed at guild meetings or other guild activities. Guild activities are educational and adult social functions and the presence of infants and children is not appropriate.
14. No smoking is allowed at any guild activity.
15. Volume for cell phones and pagers should be turned off.
16. These Standing Rules may be amended at any time by a majority vote during any meeting where at least ½ of the membership is present.