

Cumberland Valley Quilters Association



MEETING NOTICES

Established 1981

May 2007

Tuesday, May 1, 2007

First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, TN

Assembly: 9:30

Meeting: 10:00

Program: Sharyn Craig Lecture

Hospitality: Karen Wiley, Barbara McCanless, Rhonda Rose, Peggy Frost, Nora Montgomery, Kathy Kuryla

Door Prizes: Jeannie Lausten, Margie Funk, Babs Knieriem

Membership: Donna Hasty

Welcome: Georgiana Bitzer

Evening Stars: May 15, 2007 Charity Quilts

Library Helper: None listed

Board Meeting: There is no Board meeting in May. The next board meeting is June 12, 2007

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:

- Please note that the July meeting has been moved to the 10th.
- Newsletter stories due May 15, 2007. Submit to Caryn Wariner and Judy Nichols.
- Please remember that no children under 12 are permitted at guild meetings.
- Please be sure to bring your Sharyn Craig class fee as well as the supplies listed on your class info sheets.

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi everyone,

This month is so exciting! Our new website is up and running, thanks to Cissy Walker and her husband, Johnny, and it looks great! Keep watching for new additions and photos as they are submitted. Great job, Cissy!!!

And...best of all...Sharyn Craig will be coming. Because she will be our guest speaker, the business part of the meeting will be exceptionally short, so be sure to thoroughly read this newsletter to know what's going on this

month. There are very few, if any, slots left for the second *Northwinds* class, so jump in, if you haven't already. It'll be a great class. I know a lot of you hesitate to start another quilt, but think of it as the perfect opportunity to come and learn new techniques from a true professional and better your own quilting skills. The class requires very little fabric and the quilt police won't come get you if you don't make a whole quilt.

FYI, one challenge

quilt did not meet the 25% fabric requirement so another was substituted in order to submit them to the AQS. Congratulations to Kim Steanson whose quilt has been added to the winners.

See you May 1st and bring a friend for a small fee.

Valerie

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 3, 2007 CVQA MEETING

Minutes of CVQA-Tuesday, April 3, 2007

The monthly meeting of the Cumberland Valley Quilters Association was called to order by President Valerie Curtis at 10:00 am at the First Presbyterian Church on Franklin Road in Franklin, Tennessee. Valerie thanked hospitality for their work. Doris Waldschmidt announced that there were 89 present including 1 guest and 1 new member (Pamela Olds). A motion to accept the March minutes was made by Ginny Meyer. Carole Shean seconded. Motion passed.

Suzanne Brodnax wanted to thank all those who helped her during her recovery from surgery. Sharyn Craig will be our speaker for the May meeting. Guests may attend the meeting for a \$5.00 fee. There are still a few openings for some workshops. Please see Suzanne or Betty Canfield. Thanks to Betty for helping with coordination of workshops. Please see Betty for maps and workshop information. If interested in having dinner with Sharyn during her visit or lunch after the May meeting please sign up so that reservations can be made. Books and templates for some of Sharyn's quilts will be available from her.

Evening Stars reported that 14 members were present at the March meeting. Next meeting April 17th to work on charity quilts. Batting minimum 21" x 30" needed for adult bibs. Anyone wishing to donate extra batting for this purpose please give pieces to Valerie.

Beverly Keyser announced that there will be a sit and sew workshop on May 24th at Rauwood to finish Sharyn Craig or any other projects. Sign ups are at this meeting and at the May meeting. The fee will be collected when the final number of participants is known.

The Studio tour is planned for the June meeting. Carmen Avary, Penny Archer, Babs Knieriem, Jacki Manfre, Ginny Meyer and Vicki Whaley signed up to show their sew-

ing studios. Volunteers are needed at all houses to provide food and stay to welcome guests. Those who have not signed up for hospitality will be assigned a month. Those who signed up for the July hospitality can be on the summer social committee if they wish.

Nancy Granner a guild member who moved to Iowa will be back to teach a class at a local quilt shop. Please see Carolann Laird for details.

Cissy Walker reported on the CVQA website which is up and running at www.CVQA.com. Thanks to Cissy and her husband, Johnny for all their work. The directory is on the website but password protected. Cissy discussed the security of the website. Please see Cissy or Johnny for questions or concerns or if you do not want your information in the directory. An email will be sent to members explaining how to use the website and password.

The library now has DVD's and CD's available to check out. Today's library donation/raffle collected \$139.91. Seven prizes were awarded. The money today will be donated to the Friendship Quilt Block fund to help purchase batting and backing. Friendship blocks may be turned in at any meeting at the Welcome desk. Chris Grayson will collect them and coordinate putting them together as quilts are needed. The block size has changed. Please make blocks 12 inches (12 ½ inches unfinished). Blocks don't need to be pink. Other colors are OK.

There will be a fall tour of New England with Phyllis Gatto. See Kathy Kuryla for details. See Suzanne Brodnax for TVQA membership forms. All are eligible to be members at large for \$20.00. Seminars, retreats and workshops are available through TVQA.

Kathy Kuryla reported that our quilt for the Ronald McDonald auction sold for \$1000.00. CVQA was mentioned and thanked for their continued support of Ronald McDonald house. This year's quilt was pieced by Valerie Curtis, quilted by Jill Zollinger and bound by Mary Jo Whitefield. Ginabeth Young and Jill Zollinger will organize the 2008 Ronald McDonald quilt.

There were 16 challenge quilts entered today. All were displayed in the room. Ballots were passed out for membership to vote during the break. A motion was made by Lauren Wade to change the size requirement for the challenge quilt to "no specific requirement". The motion was seconded by Caryn Wariner and approved. Nancy Garrison announced the 2008 CVQA quilt challenge today. It will be called "Side by Side". Rules were passed out and will be on the website. Please sign up to do a challenge quilt. Following the break the winners were selected based on a vote today. See newsletter for the names of all those who participated in this year's challenge and those selected to enter for the guild at the AOS show in Opryland this year. Thank you to Lauren Wade for coordinating this year's challenge.

Betty Horton has agreed to store the quilt frames in her garage. Meeting adjourned at 11:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Naeser,
Recording Secretary

2007 CVQA GUILD CHALLENGE WINNERS



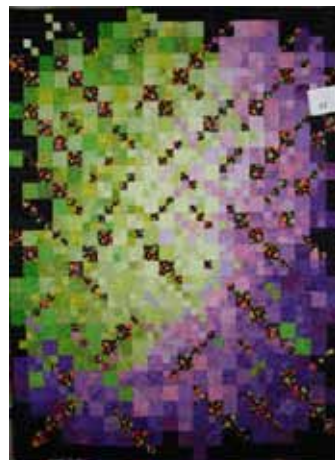
1st Place Connie Little



2nd Place Judy Weverka



3rd Place Lauren Wade



Betty Canfield



Nancy Garrison



Chris Grayson

CVQA OFFICERS



President: Valerie Curtis



1st Vice President: Suzanne Brodnax



2nd Vice President: Lauren Wade



Secretary: Rose Naeser



Treasurer: Carole Shean



Jan K Smith



Kim Steanson



Mary Jo Whitefiled

2007 Calendar

May 1, 2007	Guild Day	First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, TN
May 1 -3, 2007	Sharyn Craig Workshops	Various places
May 4- 5 2007	Tenth Annual Courthouse Guild Quilt Show Fri .8:00-6:00 Sat. 8:00-4:00	Walnut Street Church of Christ Dickson, Tennessee
May 15, 2007	Evening Stars	Barnabas Center
May 24, 2007	Sit n Sew on your Sharyn Craig project The more who sign up, the less the cost!	Rau-Wood. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
July 10, 2007	Guild Day Changed from July 3	First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, TN
Aug. 22-25, 2007	AQS Expo and contest	Opryland Hotel, Nashville, TN

Tenth Annual Courthouse Guild Quilt Show

Walnut Street
Church of Christ
201 Center Avenue
Dickson, Tennes-
see

Friday, May
4th, 8am to 6pm
and Saturday, May
5th, 8am to 4pm

Old and new quilts
and a special ex-
hibit of Jean
Odom's feed-sack
collection. This
includes textile
bags and the things
made from
them. Jean will be
discussing her col-
lection at various
times during the
day both Friday and
Saturday.

There are
some open-
ings for the
Northwinds
class on Wed,
May 2.

COMMITTEE NOTICES

NEWSLETTER

Please have your articles in to Caryn Wariner and Judy Nichols by the 15th of each month. Make sure to send to **both** email 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

DIRECTIONS TO SHARYN CRAIG WEDNESDAY WORK- SHOP

**Please go to the
CVQA web site to
print directions to
Harpeth Heights
Baptist Church**

GUILD DAY CHANGES

**Please note the July
Guild meeting is
July 10th not the
3rd!**

**In November it will
be November 13th
not the 6th due to
election day.**

MAY BRINGS NATIONAL TEACHER SHARYN CRAIG

You won't want to miss Sharyn Craig speaking at our next meeting (and yes, Valerie will keep other stuff short! Be sure to let her know ahead of time if you have news that absolutely must be addressed, thank you. For example, I will give any news I have to Val so I will speak to introduce Sharyn only.).

Her lecture topic is "Who Says Trees Have to be Green", "This lecture uses real quilts to introduce an innovative, playful approach to working with color--inspirational, educational and fun!"

Guests will be charged a \$5 fee to help offset speaker costs--this might be a fun meeting to bring a friend.

Workshops are Monday, April 30, Wed. May 2, and Thurs. May 3.. Any questions, email me or Betty Canfield, or call and we'll get back with you. Since the Northwinds book is out of print, please bring your camera because Sharyn is bringing lots of quilts! There are a few openings for the Northwinds class on Wed, May 2.

2008 GUILD CHALLENGE *SIDE BY SIDE*

WHO: TWO Quilters

Challenge yourself to work with a Surprise Sewing Sister. If that's too intimidating....then pair up with your Best Buddy!

WHAT: Make quilts! With a friend! Use a stripe!

WHEN & WHERE: April 2008 CVQA meeting

WHY: Deepen a friendship through quilting. Learn to see the process through another's persons eyes. Share each others skills, talents, experience.

HOW:

Each Pair of Quilters MUST create TWO quilts. Include a fabric with a recognizable stripe. Each quilter will supply all the fabric for ONE quilt. Each pair is challenged to develop their method of collaboration & tell what they did.

For example:
It could be Round Robin... Setting each other's blocks....

Working side by side on the same quilt.....

Only working on the quilts when they are together

DETAILS: Quilts must be FINISHED by April 2008 guild meeting.

Quilts must be available for CVQA to show them throughout 2008.

Each quilt must have a 4" hanging sleeve.

Quilts must have a label on the back with the names of all those who participated in its creation.

SIZE: Surprise us!

REGISTER: at CVQA meetings or call or e-mail Nancy Garrison or Lorraine Karl. Their numbers are in your directory.

Check out our new website at

CVQA.com

EVENING STARS NEWS, RAU-WOOD EVENT AND CHARITY

Evening Stars will be working on charity quilts at the May meeting. Please bring sewing machines and basic sewing supplies.

Save the Date:

Thurs. May 24: Sit n Sew on your Sharyn Craig project at Rau-Wood. 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. The more who sign up, the less the cost!

Sept. 27 and Oct. 25 have been reserved at Rau-Wood. If you have an class idea for a Rau-Wood program, send it to Beverly Keyser

April donations:

Graceworks: 10
Vandy Children's Hospital: 12
The Next Door: 10
Alzheimers Unit: 5

Thanks, ladies. These quilts are greatly appreciated by those who receive them.

Shirley & Shelby

MEET CVQA QUILTER

This month's featured quilter is Rita Stapleton. Rita has been a member of the guild for over 20 years. Rita attends both day guild and Evening Stars. She began quilting about 20 years ago after being introduced to guild by a neighbor who belonged to CVQA. Rita was introduced to sewing at an early age by her mother. She has been sewing since childhood. Rita realized that her mother had also quilted when she received a quilt top that her mother had made as a teenager. She still has this

quilt top. Rita's first quilting class was a class given at Hillsboro High School during the 1980's on hand quilting and piecing. Although Rita has not finished this quilt she has gone on to make and quilt many more. Her favorite quilt is a flannel log cabin quilt that came from a kit that she bought at Quilters Attic. Rita enjoys working with traditional quilt patterns but likes to use bright colors. Her future quilting plans include quilting several quilt tops that she has made using her short arm quilting machine and finishing her

unfinished projects. In addition to working part time as a nurse, Rita enjoys doing mission work with her church. She has been traveling to Haiti on medical missions for about the last 7 years. Thank you Rita for all your dedication to CVQA over the years.



Quilter Rita Stapleton

Article by
Rose Naeser

COMMITTEE JOB DESCRIPTIONS

CHARITY

Coordinate donating and making quilts for charity.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Plan all the fun and decorate for the guild Christmas Party.

DOOR PRIZES

Purchase and donate items to be given away at monthly meetings.

HANG QUILTS AT BRENTWOOD

LIBRARY

Help chairman to coordinate and hang member's quilts at the library monthly.

HOSPITALITY

Bring a dish, help set up before and clean up after for one assigned meeting a year.

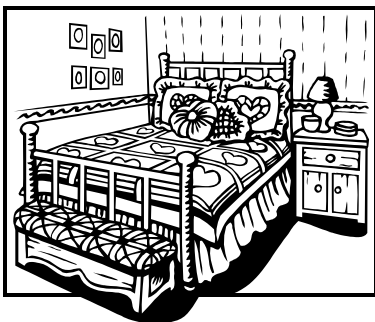
MEMBERSHIP:

Work at Membership Table by front door. Duties include assisting the Membership Chair with members' sign-in attendance form, collect dues for renewals and new members with the required paperwork, get visitors to fill out Visitor Information form, give temporary nametags to visitors and new members, nametag kit to new members, randomly select Door Prize winners. Chairperson introduces visitors during meeting.

CVQA STUDIO TOUR UPDATE

This year we have six studios; some just having a designated area as their sewing studio and others that have a room with plenty of light and space.

Come and see how these members set up their workspace!!



LIBRARY

Choose one month to help maintain the CVQA guild library. Set out and replace books. Contribute prizes for drawing.

NAME TAGS

Create packets of materials to make name tags along with finished name tags to sell.

PICNIC

Plan the yearly picnic.

PROGRAMS – WORKSHOPS

Help the Vice President plan programs and provide assistance by helping program presenter set up, show quilts and distribute handouts.

WELCOME

At one meeting greet visitors and introduce them to other guild members. Answer questions and explain what we do and how the guild works.

SOLDIER QUILTS

Helps chairmen with piecing, quilting, binding and labeling quilts to be sent to injured soldiers returning from the Middle East.

RETREATS

Work with retreat chair to plan guild retreats.

NEWSLETTER/HISTORIAN

Publish a monthly newsletter and store newsletters and pictures in a notebook.

PUBLICITY

Put notice in the paper with information about CVQA and special events.

SUNSHINE

Mail cards and flowers to guild members when necessary.

WEBMASTER

Maintain the CVQA website.

YEARBOOK/DIRECTORY

Collect and print out information for the directory once a year and put out quarterly reports in the newsletter with changes and additions to the directory.

Members homes that you will be visiting include:

Carmen Avary- Spencer Hall Subdivision

Babs Knieriem- Fieldstone Farms Subdivision

Jacki Manfre-off Arno Rd., near Rt 96

Ginny Meyer-Forrest Crossing Subdivision

Penny Archer-Maplewood Subdivision

Vicki Whaley- Riverview Subdivision

We will be meeting at 10:00am at the Factory at Franklin in the back parking lot, if it is **not** raining. If it is raining we will meet in the Atrium of the Factory. The Factory is located on Franklin Road. Refreshments will be available at every studio, so please do not stop for lunch. There will be maps available and we will form into groups. The tour begins approximately at 10:15 ending at 3:00pm.

Car pooling is requested.

Any questions? Call Kathy Kuryla at 791-8399.

We have several new books, DVDs and CDs. The new books are numbered in the 400 and 500 Series; the DVD/CDs are in the 1000 series.

Twosey-Foursey Quilts - Great Designs from 2" and 4" Units by Cathy Wierzbicki

Get Creative - A Beginner's Guide to Color and Design by M'liss Rae Hawley

Perfect Blocks in Minutes - The Make it Simpler Way - One-Piece Paper Foundations to Fold and Sew

Fast Quilts from Fat Quarters by Barbara Chaaney

Table Toppers by Thimbleberries (This book has been ordered; hopefully it will arrive before next meeting)

Twisted Classics by Jeanne Stauffer and Sandra Hatch

Classic Table Runners by House of White Birches

NOVEL -- The Run Away Quilt by Jennifer Chiaverini.

DVD - Ricky Tims Grand Finale.

Fine machine quilting and finishing techniques. This DVD covers everything once the quilt top is complete.

DVD - Beading on Fabric -- Mary Stori Teaches You

Like a private lesson; shows you exactly how to make dozens of beading stitches; lots of tips, hints and secrets to success.

DVD - Carol Doak Teaches You to Paper Piece

Learn from your favorite paper-piecing master; Carol shows you every step, including helpful close-ups.)

DVD - Becky Goldsmith & Linda Jenkins Teach You to Applique the Piece O' Cake Way.

One-on-one lessons; learn at your own pace; improve your skills at any level; use with ALL your hand appliqué books and patterns. Bonus: Reindeer Pattern as seen on Simply Quilts.)

CD - Hand Quilting with Jinny Beyer

Close-up video sequences of precise hand movements for 8 key techniques.)

Raffle Basket and Book Sale: Thanks to everyone who participated in the Raffle Basket this past month. The proceeds were \$139.91 and will go to the "Friendship Quilts" fund. Please participate in the Raffle Basket that is passed around each month; tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. THIS IS THE LAST MONTH FOR THE BOOK SALE. There are more new books for sale this month. The proceeds from the Raffle Basket and the Book Sale make the purchase of new books, DVDs, CDs and videos possible.

Reminder: Spoken without a Word and America's Glorious Quilts are now available to be checked out by all members. Members will sign a guideline statement that you will be responsible for the replacement if the book(s) are lost or damaged.

The library committee REALLY wants suggestions as to books, DVDs and CDs to buy. We would really like input into what other members would like to have in the library. Please submit your suggestions to them

Thank you again from the Library Committee for your support.

CLASSIFIEDS



The Quilting Squares Quilt Shop

We are in our new location!!!

107 Confederate Drive Suite # 1

Franklin, TN 37064

794-4769

Shop Hours:

M-F 10am-5pm/Sat. 10am-3pm

"NEW" fabrics- Chelsea Boutique by
MODA

"NEW" Moda Vintage Christmas and
Roman Holiday

The five inch squares and jelly rolls
have arrived.

Preview the newest Christmas collec-
tions, fabric bolts are arriving in May!!



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our breast cancer block supply unfortu-
nately has been depleted. We are in
desperate need of blocks to make a few
quilts ASAP. Please make a 12 inch fin-
ished, 12 1/2 inch unfinished block, sign
each block with your name and bring it
to the May guild meeting. We will have
a basket at sign in for the blocks!

(Please note the change in block size)

2007 RONALD MCDONALD QUILT



This year's quilt was presented to Ronald McDonald for their annual auction on March 31st. It raised \$2,000.00. The quilt top was donated by The Quilting Squares, Kay Roberts and Kathy Kuryla, the quilting was donated by Southern Creations owned by Jill Zollinger, and the binding was done by Mary Jo Whitefield. All are members of CVQA. The Ronald McDonald charity committee

next year is co-chaired by Jill Zollinger and Ginabeth Young.

SOLDIER QUILT NEWS

We had a really great work day after the last meeting. Thank-you everyone that stayed after to help work on a new pattern. That's right a new pattern is coming your way. It won't been ready for another month or so, but be sure and check with us. We had a great time!! ALSO Check out the photos (is that a back rub Mary Jo got)? Thank you ladies for all you do.

Hey the next few months are going to be a bit challenging . We are sooooo close to our goal of 100 quilts by the 4th of July. Be sure and check with us and get things back as soon as you can. We know things get in the way of sewing this time of year, but remember our soldiers are still working hard. Sharon and I will ALWAYS have things for you to do. Call one of us or see us at the meetings. I'm still getting donations, one of my neighbors Bob and Linda Rutherford gave us \$100 and Elizabeth Sulkowski sent \$150.00. YaYa, We need so much. Wow it's amazing how thing work. I'm still getting calls from people wanting to know more.

Thanks to all of you, this program would Not be possible without all your hard work.

Thanks for caring
Kathleen Sharon and Norma