

President's Note

We're nearing the end of a full year of quarantine and I'm guessing that you're as tired of it as I am. Ben and I got our second shots last week so we feel like there's light at the end of the tunnel. Hopefully, that light is sunshine as we're ready for some of that too. We were lucky that the power outage at our house lasted only 8 hours last Saturday and I hope that all of you who had to persevere during outages are now warm, too. The groundhog, Punxsutawney Phil, said that we have six more weeks of winter but maybe we can avoid more ice storms.

Have you started your quilt for the quilt show yet? It's not too soon to start – or at least think about it, which is what I'm doing. I'm waiting for inspiration to point me in the direction for mine. I've pretty much decided on the colors but can't seem to settle on a pattern. Tempest fugit, though, so I need to get going.

Looking forward to seeing your smiling faces on March 1!!!

Happy Sewing,
Marty



March 1st Zoom Meeting

Threads and Embellishments by: Kevin Womack

Decorative threads and embellishments can add extra pizzazz to your quilts.

March



5 Ellen Hart
11 LaWonne McCoy
18 Sherri Lamb

THANK YOU

I want to thank every member who messaged, texted, called, or commented on Facebook when I was sick with Covid and in the hospital in Georgia. It sucked not being able to have visitors, but I was okay compared to others. Your messages really kept me going when I was scared and alone. I cannot thank you enough for making me feel loved. I will never forget that. Thank you!

Tracy Burkart

TREASURER REPORT

Beginning Balance 1/17/20		\$14,879.97
Deposits	\$ 00	
Checks Written		\$ 50.00
Debbie Stoltz – Feb Program	\$50.00	
Ending Balance 1/5/2020		\$14,829.97

QUILTS OF VALOR

Since our Quilts of Valor committee is good on quilts right now, we request that you support our Community Outreach committee by helping make quilts for Novant Oncology in Kernersville. Cancer never stops and our quilts are so appreciated by those who receive them.

Quilts of Valor Foundation's Annual National Block Drive helps to get quilts completed around the country. This year's blocks are Eight Point Floating Star (we did this block in 2019) and a Wonky Floating Star. (No points to worry about. How freeing is that?) Both patterns are on our website, hottqg.com. We will provide fabric for these blocks if you would like to help.

Some areas of the country have more than a two-year wait for a quilt to be completed and presented to a veteran. Since we have recently received 9 quilt tops for our QOV veterans, we are in good shape as far as requests for quilts go. We plan to send our blocks to South Carolina where they will be distributed to the areas of the country most in need. (We received blocks from the Foundation when we were in need and would like to 'pass it forward' now that we are able.) Our goal is to send 75 blocks by the end of the year. Please help us if you can.

Tracy Burkart

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Long time- no see.

The pandemic has prevented all of us from many activities. The pandemic has not prevented cancer. Our guild community outreach program donates quilts to Novant Oncology in Kernersville.

At this time, there are 12 quilts ready to be bound and 30 quilts ready to have the piecing/quilting finished. The quilts in need of binding are trimmed and the binding fabric is provided. Desperately needed are guild members to take on the piecing/quilting phase. If you are not familiar with the procedure, I will happily give you a private lesson in my home. In under 2 hours, you can get the piecing/quilting done! Let me know how many quilts you want to work on for the guild.

Our community outreach committee has received a large donation of fabulous fabric from the estate of former member Karen Ciener. Through the diligent efforts of Cindy Sullivan, we have had a generous donation of batting.

NEW PROGRAM- Would you like to design and create a quilt for community outreach? All the materials will be provided. These are lap quilts- the finished size should be 55-60" wide and 60-70" long. Most of this beautiful fabric is oriental which will challenge your design skills. Marty Smith has generously offered to do the long arm quilting. Please contact me if this new program interests you.

Please support this guild committee. How proud would we be if we could announce that there is 100% participation in our community outreach program.

Linda Fishell

2020-2021 Officers and Committee Chairs:

President – Marty Smith
Vice President – LaWonne McCoy
Secretary – Julie Bodford
Treasurer – Tracy Burkart
Membership – Alice Wise
Hospitality – Shirley Sink
Newsletter – Ellen Hart
Community Outreach – Linda Fishell
Door Prizes – Jeanine Holder
Quilts of Valor – Tracy Burkart
Facebook – Gloria Stickney
Historian – Open
Quilt Show Chair – Shirley Sink



Feb 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Marty Smith. 25 members were present. There were no new members this evening. Our visitor was Betty Kuppusami.

January's meeting minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report – there has been no new activity since the last newsletter.

Tonight's Door Prize winner was Margaret Kreis.

February birthdays were announced.

Program - LaWonne McCoy introduced Debbie Stoltz. A member of the Forsyth and Surry quilt guilds, Debbie shared her quilt inspirations and presented a trunk show of 30 quilts.

Announcements/Concerns – Tracy Burkart is recuperating from COVID. Teri Craven's former mother-in-law has passed away.

Committees:

Membership – Alice Wise reported no changes.

Community Outreach – Linda Fishell reported she received a phone call from a quilt recipient to thank us and wanted to show appreciation by making a dish for the guild. Since we are not meeting, she brought a native Filipino dish for Linda.

Quilts of Valor - Anyone interested in working on a block for the square drive should let Marty know. Linda and Alan Nichols presented three quilts in January. Linda currently has 13 quilts to bind and 24 to quilt.

Facebook - Gloria Stickney reported no updates.

Opportunity Quilt – Alan and Linda Nichols have tickets available for purchase. Cindi Sullivan has been in contact with Hobbs and “Warm and Natural” who have donated three rolls of batting.

Show and Tell – Janet Downing showed three Red, White and Blue projects.

Marty Smith – Quilt of Valor and “Intertwine”

Ann Everett – Brimfield block quilt, Rhombus, appliqué blocks

Joan Jamrog – Journey to Nebula Series quilt, Gazebo quilt

Mary Jo Wimberly – Art quilt

LaWonne McCoy - Wall hanging for her daughter's office

New Business – Marty Smith discussed thoughts about members who have businesses. She suggested the possibility of a notation in the membership list to showcase those businesses, even for non-quilting businesses.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

Julie Bodford