



President's Note

It is liberating to get a second Covid vaccine and I hope you've had an opportunity to either get or schedule yours. Getting the vaccine and having a few days of sunshine with a promise of spring soon makes these dark days much brighter. We can talk about retreats again too!!

Here are the By-Law changes/amendments recommended by the Executive Board:

- Article VI, Section 2, we will add: Such meetings do not require advance notice to the membership.
- In Article VI, Section 3, reference to a special meeting is removed and the section will read: The President shall provide notice of regular meetings of the Executive Board at least ten days prior to the meeting. The notice shall be sent by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail to each Executive Board and regular member at his/her address as shown by the records of the Guild. Such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the USPS mail in a sealed envelope so addressed with postage prepaid. If sent by facsimile transmission or electronic mail, such notice shall be deemed delivered when confirmation of delivery to the designated number or mailbox is received.

The By-Laws with changes tracked are also attached to the newsletter email. Since changes to the By-Laws require a 30 day notice, we will vote on these during the May meeting.

The following advertisement policy was adopted by the Executive Board during the first quarter meeting on February 23:

1. Newsletter advertisements for quilt shows are placed at no charge.
2. Newsletter advertisements for individuals are placed at no charge.
3. Newsletter advertisements for all businesses are placed at the following rates:
 - \$5 for business card size
 - \$10 for ¼ page
 - \$20 for ½ page
 - \$40 for full page

The current Board has scheduled its' regular meetings for 3 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each quarter. I will send the Zoom link prior to the meeting but this newsletter will serve as notice of the April 13 meeting.

No word yet on when we will be able to meet in person again but we'll let you know as soon as we know. In the meantime, keep those machines running.

Marty

April



- 10 Mark Craven
- 10 Renita Gray
- 16 Joanne Saunders
- 30 Alice Wise



April 5th Zoom Meeting

Our April presenter is Betty Kuppusami from Bluefield, Va. She will be teaching us how to make a versatile 5 Minute Block. Everyone will need to be in near their sewing machine. Please choose 3 different fabrics. From each fabric cut 4-blocks $3\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$. You will end up with 12 blocks, $3\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$. (4 of each fabric). Please join the fun.

LaWonne McCoy



Community Outreach

Community Outreach Sew Days will start soon at the Forsyth Tech Swisher Center in Kernersville. Watch your e-mail for details. There are discussions with the facility regarding having our guild evening meetings return to that location.

I have quilts to bind and quilts to piece/quilt. You can arrange a pick up from me- calling is best.

We have a ton of fabric for Community Outreach. If you would like to design your own quilt, come over to my house and "shop".

Let's make an effort to continue the success of the guilds Community Outreach program.

Linda Fishell

QUILTS OF VALOR

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

March 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Marty Smith. 22 members were present. There were no new members this evening.

Program - LaWonne McCoy introduced Kevin Womack from Lynchburg, Virginia. He presented, "Threads and Embellishments", with many great tips and techniques.

February Minutes – Statistics for Community Outreach need to be moved from the Quilts of Valor information. Minutes are approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report – The quilt guild account has a balance of \$14,829.97, after paying a program fee of \$50. The Quilt Show account has no update for this month.

Birthdays – March birthdays are: Ellen Hart – 3/5; LaWonne McCoy – 3/11; and Sherri Lamb – 3/18.

Announcement – Cindi Sullivan reported that there is a television special about the life and work of Nancy Zieman now showing on Explorer TV.

Committees:

Membership – Alice Wise reported no changes.

Community Outreach – Linda Fishell thanked the members who have volunteered to complete quilts. Currently, there are 14 to bind, 24 to quilt. Please contact Linda to participate. It takes less than 2 hours to complete a quilt top using the "quilt as you go" technique. Alternately, members can get fabric from Linda to make a top and Marty Smith will quilt it.

Linda is looking into the possibility of having Sew Day at the Swisher Center in Kernersville. If it's reinstated, Linda will inform the members via email. Currently, Sedge Garden has no availability. Marty Smith suggested that if we are able to use the Swisher Center for a Sew Day, we should make it a "Charity Sew Day" since our charity work has been curtailed with COVID.

Quilts of Valor - Tracy Burkart has received two quilts back from Linda Nichols that need to be bound. She has not received any new recipient names recently. Members can still volunteer to make star blocks. Contact Tracy to assist.

Facebook - Gloria Stickney reported no updates.

Newsletter – Ellen Hart reported no updates.

Quilt Show – Shirley Sink was absent.

New Business – Executive Board met last week. There was discussion about business information being added to the membership list and the website. Ellen Hart motioned to make this change. It was seconded by Tracy Burkart. In a vote, there were 22 Yea and 0 Nay votes. With that approval, members should provide their info to Alice Wise.

Marty Smith reported the tweak to our by-laws regarding scheduling for the Executive Board Meetings. This info will appear in the newsletter. Additionally, the advertising policy in the newsletter will appear in the next newsletter. The ad policy will not pertain to 'pass-along' info that member share (i.e. personal items for sale, etc).

Show and Tell – Mark Craven – Several scrap and Pop Art style quilts.

Teri Craven – Abstract and Gee's Bend style quilts.

Ann Everett – Community Outreach quilts.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

TREASURER REPORT

Beginning Balance 1/17/20	\$14,829.97
Deposits	\$ 00
Checks Written	\$ 400.00
Kevin Womack – Mar Program \$400.00	
Ending Balance 1/5/2020	\$14,429.97

ZOOM MEETING TIPS

Once the meeting starts, **please** keep yourself muted unless you are speaking to the whole group.

To mute yourself (or un-mute yourself when speaking), find the “mute” button in the bottom left-hand corner of the Zoom window on a computer. You can also hold down the space bar to unmute.

Keeping your video on is good, but if you’re going to do something other than watch the presentation, please turn off your camera. Watching people move around is very distracting to other viewers.

At some point, you may have a question. There are two ways to ask a question during a Zoom meeting. The first option is to type the question in the chat bar.

To find the chat bar, click on “chat” on the bottom center of the screen. When you click on the “chat” button, a chat window will open up. If you would like to ask a question, type your question in the chat here. Note that everyone will see your message unless you choose a specific person listed under participants. The other option for asking a question is to raise your hand and have a board member call on you—not unlike a normal meeting.

Click on the “participants” button on the bottom of the screen. This should cue up the “participants” menu. Then, click on “raise hand.” This will put a hand icon next to your name on the participants list so the host will see your name and know to call on you.

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