

Quilters Chatter – October 2025

President's Message

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Linda Myers

Fall is definitely in the air. I am thankful for the cooler weather and the rain. It's time to be thinking about finishing up all those special projects for Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas (or hurry up and start them in my case.) We are quickly running out of "year".

Thanks for voting at our September meeting to approve the slate of new officers for 2026-2027. These ladies will be officially sworn in at our Christmas luncheon in December. Here is your line up: President - Patsy Renfro First VP- Programs - Glenda Huffman Second VP -Membership - Judy Salchow Treasurer - Joanne Hinkle Secretary - Marcie Bandy

A special thanks to Cindy Konarski who agreed to take on the Christmas tree skirt project that the hospital has asked the guild to create for them. If you would like to volunteer to assist Cindy, please let her know.

Our next therapy day is October 13 at 10:00 am at the Senior Center. Glenda Huffman will be teaching us to make a tote bag using two placemats. This project is fun, easy and makes up quickly. If you decide not to keep your project, this would be a great item to go in our auction.

Don't forget our upcoming fundraiser auction on October 27 at Calvary Lutheran church (which takes the place of our October monthly meeting). The senior center is not available that day due to early voting. Please remember what you signed up to help Linda with- set up, baked goods, items for sale, selling our goodies, take down, etc. A big thank you to Linda Meyers who has spearheaded this project and for all of the hours she has spent to organize and to make sure everything is running smoothly. I know this will be a great success.

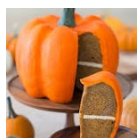
It is time to pay your annual dues for 2026, which remain at \$25. Please give your dues to Judy Pearson, Treasurer, either cash or check during October and November.

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Linda Henson is already working hard on next year's yearbook. Please make sure that all your information (including your birthday) is correct, especially if you changed address or phone numbers since last year.

Judy Cobb Abernethy, President Burke Quilters



Happy Birthday to You October



11- Barbara W
13 - Nancy H
15 - Debra H
23 - Sharmon K

27 – Connie Y
28 – Susan B
30 – Sarah G



Newsletter articles for November are due no later than Thursday Oct 30th.

The Burke Quilter Guild meets the first (sometimes), second, and fourth Monday of each month at the Burke Senior Center, 501 N Green St, Morganton, NC, 28655. See burkequiltersguild.com for current schedule.

BURKE QUILTERS GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 22, 2025

Welcome: President, Judy Abernethy opened our meeting at 10:00. Judy welcomed special guests, Danette Brackett and Linda Johnson, from UNC. Danette asked if the Quilt Guild could make a very large tree skirt in red and gold for a tree at the hospital. Cindy Konarski volunteered to head a committee to make the tree skirt by Thanksgiving.

Visitors/Guests: A recent new member, Karen Wiggins, stood and was introduced.

Minutes: The minutes of the August 25, 2025 meeting and luncheon were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Judy Pearson reported a beginning balance of \$7,214.05 with \$345.00 income and \$379.61 in Quilt Show expenses. That leaves us with a balance of \$7,179.44. The annual dues of \$25 will be collected beginning in October.

Special Announcement: Judy Pearson invited members of the Guild to her wedding here at the Senior Center on Saturday, October 11th at 1:00.

Officers for 2025-26:

Nancy Harris read the By-laws and after discussion, the group concluded that Judy Pearson cannot serve an additional term. Judy explained the roles of the duty and gratefully, Joanne Hinkle volunteered to serve as treasurer.

The proposed officers were asked to stand. We voted to accept the new officers.

President: Pasty Renfro

First Vice President: Glenda Huffman

Second Vice President: Judy Salchow (Membership Secretary)

Secretary: Marcie Bandy

Treasurer: Joanne Hinkle

Publicity: Gloria Voden volunteered to head this committee with the help of Susan Briggs.

Sunshine and Shadows: A former member, Fletcher McNeil, passed away on September 8th. She was 100 years old! Carolyn Hall asked that members notify her by calling or text messages.

Wee Care Quilts: Dinah reported that 14 quilts were delivered to the NICU and she has more.

Veteran Quilts: Cindy Konarski said that they need more veteran quilts. Dinah gave Cindy labels for donation quilts. Judy Abernethy said that she will bring more donated batting to the next therapy day for those who need it.

Newsletter: Nancy asked that all articles should be turned in by Thursday this week.

Programs: The October 13 Therapy Day is changed to making tote bags out of two placemats. The November 24 program will be a Trunk Show by Nolita Wacaster.

Other Announcements:

Patsy asked for ideas for the "challenge" next year.

Linda Henson thanked all the Quilt Show members. She reminded members to help take down quilts and sign out quilts on Monday, September 29, between 9:00-11:00 a.m. There will be a "Post-Show" meeting on Monday, October 6 at 10:00 here at the Senior Center for those on the Quilt Show Committee.

Judy Salchow's ladder is missing at Comma.

After asking how we could be more proactive about publicizing the Quilt Show, suggestions were made for flyers at local (50 mile radius) quilt shops, advertising in "Downtown to you" on line and to reach out to the Morganton Festival committee.

Judy Abernethy mentioned that Michael Burley asked for quilts for "Art in the Hall" to be displayed at the City Hall for "America 250". The quilts will be displayed during October and November 2026. Karel Johnson said the Historical Society has a special display and that might be a great place to get an idea for a quilt.

A White Elephant Fabric Sale will be October 10-11, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Cool Spring Community Church, 1902 Mocksville Hwy in Cleveland, NC.

MEETING MINUTES - cont

Linda Myers will get auction times from the Auctioneer as soon as possible. The Sale and Auction will be at Calvary Lutheran Church, 119 North King Street, Morganton. Set up will begin at 8:00. Bring items by 9:00. The auction time will be posted soon.

Show and Tell: We enjoyed seeing crocheted animals, a quilt for a granddaughter, a few donation baby quilts and a framed batik donkey. Thanks for showing your work!

Guest Speaker: Jenny Cook, of Bill's Sewing, applauded the members of the Guild for all the beautiful quilts at the Quilt Show! Jenny joined this guild in 1987 when they were meeting in homes. Jenny showed us how a Serger machine can be a fast way to make donation quilts. She stressed the importance of pressing seams to the same direction. She also explained ways to square a quilt, measuring from the middle and both sides then averaging the distance. Other tips she gave us were: Use the same ruler for cutting throughout a project and make sure you have a new blade when cutting your quilt pieces! Jenny showed us how to cut fabric straight using a two ruler method. Thanks for your tips, Jenny!

Respectfully submitted,
Marcie Bandy

Upcoming Fundraiser – Auction and Sale – October 27

We will meet at the Calvary Lutheran Church at 119 N King Street. Park in the large city lot. A balloon will mark the entry door to the fellowship hall. 8am-9am set up. 9am doors open for sales. 10:00 – 10:30 am auction begins. Clean up by 2:30 or so. Linda Hoke will again be our auctioneer.



We will have a bake sale table so start thinking about what goodies you can make, and how you want to price them.

- Package your items for sale. Cookies in small baggies; larger items such as pies and cakes in some kind of box.
- Packages of Halloween candy might sell.
- Price your item on the container. Don't make us guess.
- Sources of packaging:
 - Hobby Lobby in Hickory
 - Michael's in Hickory
 - Walmart
 - Amazon

Your handmade items will be on longer tables in the room. **Be sure to individually price them.** You may take anything back home that doesn't sell.

Suggestions:

- Hats, mittens, scarves as we are getting into winter.
- Small kitchen items like bowl cozies, napkins, place mats, table runners.
- Whatever you can make that might sell.



All auction items should be clean and in good working order. Larger quilts, artwork, bundles of fabric all sold well last year. The auctioneer will let us know if we need to put a starting bid on an item.

Anything that does not sell can be returned to you.

Membership Announcement

GUILD DUES, \$25.00, are due in October. This ensures your copy of the 2026 YEARBOOK in January 2026. PLEASE have cash in an envelope with your name, clearly written on the outside. Judith Pearson and Judy Salchow will be collecting the dues. If your name, address phone number, or email has been changed in the last year, please contact Judy Salchow (252-2411532) or Linda Henson (828-4439566) before December 1. This will allow changes to be made to the roster before printing!

Your membership chair is asking all of you to remember to wear your name tags. We have nine new members this year and as a courtesy to them they would like to know who you are. If you come to a meeting and forgot your name tag Judy will be happy to provide you with a temporary day tag. If you have not been issued a name tag please contact Judy Salchow or Judy Brittain.

Supplies for the October 13 bag class

Glenda Hoffman will lead the October 13 Therapy Day.

You will need:

2 placemats, strap for handle, sewing machine with a walking foot, thread, scissors, and ruler.

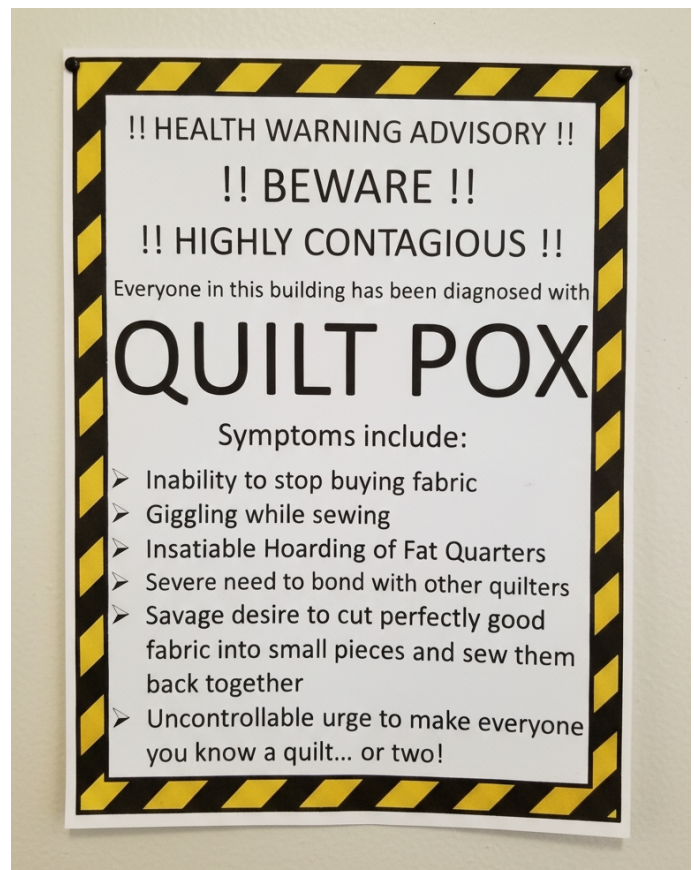


The
Cashiers Quilters
Quilt Show
at the
Cashiers Library
249 Frank Allen Rd
Saturday,
October 11th
10am - 4pm



WIN
This Quilt, Pillow,
& Pillow Shams
Raffle Tickets
ON SALE
At The Show
Drawing at 3pm
During The Show

This month's cartoon:



Show and Tell - September

All images are posted on the Quilters Guild Web site in their full size and uncropped. This is just a sampling of the work shown at the July meeting. See www.burkequilters.com and click on Newsletters for the full set of images.

