



Quilters Chatter – July 2026

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President's Message

Hi Everyone! And Happy 4th of July! This year is flying by. As this is a busy time of the year and vacations and family get-togethers, I wanted to share our June meeting. I had asked Kristi Byers from the Burke Chapter of Sleep In Heavenly Peace to come and talk to us about goals. Kristi is an In-Home Health worker that follows up on the Preemie Babies born at Grace Hospital. She is very familiar with our quilts that we make for these babies. At a home visit last year she was asked by an older brother, 13 years old, if she could find him a bed. He was currently sleeping in a laundry room, on the floor. Kristi started looking at resources for this young man. She found him a bed through a church that had a surplus of furniture from Helene. In her search, she came across an organization called Sleep In Heavenly Peace. This organization helps children under the age of 17 with a bed, mattress, pillow and bedding. To date, Burke County has received 11 beds and have applications for 3 more. This has happened without any advertising or reaching out to other agencies such as Social Services or county schools. Kristi hopes to have her charter up and running by September and is asking for our help. Ways to help are twin size quilts, made 50"-60" wide by 75"-90"; bedding, twin size sheets and pillow case; or a monetary donation. They ask that the quilts be quilted and not tied; no holiday or religious themes; and no embellishments. They have a wish list on Amazon.com also. If you are able to help in any way, I'd like to encourage you to do so. I wholeheartedly agree with their motto: No child should have to sleep on the floor.

We also were honored to have Reba Brewer. Reba had wonderful ideas on how to restore old quilts and what to do with our orphan blocks. I look forward to see how you've used yours!

July will be another fun and informative time. Therapy Day on July 13th will be Gloria Voden teaching "Sliced 4 Patch". Then on July 27th Patty Blanton from Boone will be doing a truck show. And just around the corner on August 24th will be the start of our quilt show. Mark your calendars!

I wish all of you a happy and safe 4th of July! There's a lot of special celebrations as we acknowledge America turning 250.

Happy Quilting! Patsy Renfro, PresidentBurke Quilt Guild

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Happy Birthday to You July

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.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace brochure

WHO IS SHP?

Founded in Kimberly, Idaho in 2012, Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is THE ONLY charity providing hand-made bunk beds to children who don't have beds of their own. Not only do we deliver these beds to kiddos in need, but we partner with organizations, churches, businesses and individuals like you to build them at events called Build Days! With so many great charities providing clothing, meals and toys, little help goes to something as permanent as providing suitable beds and bedding. SHP is a group of volunteers dedicated to finding those young children living without the luxury of sleeping on a bed or even laying their heads on a pillow. Through the wonderful efforts of volunteers and generous donations, bunk beds are built, assembled and delivered to those children who are otherwise sleeping on couches, blankets or even floors. At SHP, we have a mission:

NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!

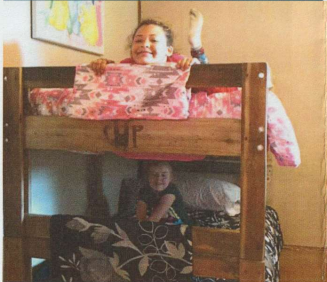
HOW CAN I HELP?

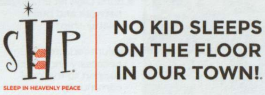
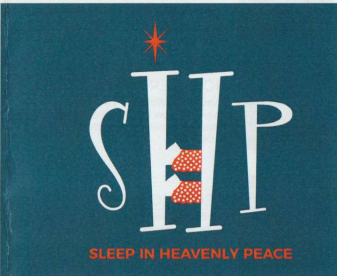
Everybody we build is handcrafted and constructed by volunteers willing to donate their time to help children in their community, funded by the generous donations of many. The joy that comes from delivering our beds to a child that otherwise doesn't have one is a life-changing adventure that our volunteers and sponsors can experience firsthand. Visit our website or give us a call and find out how you can donate, volunteer or host a Build Day!

CONTACT INFORMATION

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MORGANTON, NC

(828) 413-0498
@Sleep in Heavenly Peace-NC, Morganton
@SHPbedsmorgantonnc
@SHPbeds
SHPbeds.org



NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE BEDS

THE IMPACT OF OUR MISSION

ALL-TIME
581,954
APPLICATIONS

APPLY

ALL-TIME
1,237,869
BEDS REQUESTED

ALL-TIME
342,397
BEDS DELIVERED

 **NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!**

86,744
BEDS DELIVERED

2025 was a record year in so many ways, not least of which were deliveries!

48 NEW COMMUNITIES ADDED IN 2025

553K
VOLUNTEER HOURS

7,290 SHP EVENTS

SHP Chapters delivery & build events in 2025!

236 BEDS DELIVERED EACH DAY IN 2025

94+ MILLION PEOPLE COVERED

SHP Chapters cover almost 28% of the US population

Welcome: President, Patsy Renfro opened the meeting and welcomed our visitors, Gay Saunders, Pam's friend, and Kristy Byers.

Announcements:

Kristi Byers told us about the organization, Sleep in Heavenly Peace and distributed flyers. This organization provides beds for families. She began the chapter in Burke County and they have built 13 beds and have four families waiting for ten beds. She would like to have twin-sized quilts for the families. This is another way that our guild can serve the community.

Angela Mason showed us three different notebooks. She will do the therapy day in August. More info will be provided soon.

Notebooks that have not been picked up will be mailed.

Minutes: May 18th minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer: Joanne Hinkle reported a beginning balance of \$10,266.43, paying a total of \$721 for program fees, leaving a balance of \$9545.43.

Sunshine and Shadows: It is good to have Carolyn Hall back today. From January to the present time, she has sent 27 e-birthday cards, mailed 1 birthday card, sent 3 get-well cards, 1 sympathy card, and one thinking of you card for Barbara Whipple.

Wee Care: Nine quilts were delivered to the NICU.

Veterans Quilts: Two quilts will be sent to the VA. There is fabric, 12&1/2 inch squares and strips available to help complete quilts in the cabinet.

Newsletter: Announcements are due by Thursday. Quilt show entry forms are available online.

Programs: Angela Mason will be doing notebook covers for the August therapy day.

Show and Tell: Opal Woody showed many baby quilts she has finished, others had baby quilts to donate also. Shirley Speagle also had donation quilts, one which she gave to Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

Program: Reba Brewer-Old Quilt repair. She is a member of the Pine Needles guild. Began sewing in 1981 when her husband gave her a sewing machine and supplies. She says that she "takes the ugly out" of old quilts. Many times she will take an old quilt apart and make a miniature quilt. She had a great deal of large and small quilts to share. When she redoes the quilts, she tries to match the period. She uses hot water and dishwashing pods to get the stains out, leaving them in the solution overnight. She shared a wedding ring quilt which she used to make a family heirloom from her mother's quilt. She receives old quilts from many different places. Her advice about redoing old quilts is "make it different, make it yours". She also showed us how to do prairie points on the back of your quilt for hanging. Excellent presentation, interesting and entertaining!

The meeting adjourned at twelve o'clock.

Respectfully yours,
Glenda Huffman



**Calling all
writers
and
creative
types!**

I am finding it more and more difficult to get the newsletter out on time with other activities, travel, visitors, etc. I am looking for someone who would like to learn how to do it and eventually take it on. I use a powerpoint like tool and most information comes in electronically. I would estimate that most months it takes about 5 hours total to create and produce. If you think you might be interested even if it is just helping out once in a while, please let me know. (PS, August articles are due July 29.)

Gratefully, Nancy Harris

AMERICA 250-monthly update. The response is still disappointingly low for submissions for the October / November America 250 quilt display in City Hall. I am hoping that members are planning to participate, but just haven't taken time yet to text their quilt submission to Cindy Konarski.



Call for quilts: If you wish to submit a quilt for the America 250 display, please take a picture of your quilt and submit the picture, including the size specifications of the quilt, along with label information to Cindy Konarski (c.konarski57@gmail.com). If you are a challenge winner, the committee wants to automatically use all winning entries with your ribbon attached as part of the final display (1st, 2nd, 3rd and honorable mention). The final selection of quilts will happen the first of September. The committee will collect the quilts chosen for hanging at the main September guild meeting.

Judy Cobb Abernethy

This link will take you to a Google form where you can enter the information about your quilt.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd8KoXkr2z1w40uW0u2_YRfPLj1ICWfO7t93xQkULzlfc3SpQ/viewform?usp=header

Quilt Show – It's Time to Start Entering Your Quilt Information

Like last year, we have a Google Form which you may use to enter your quilt information. Entering it directly without using a paper form, insures that your information is submitted exactly as you intend without someone deciphering your handwriting. Paper forms will be produced so that you may check your information as you are turning in your quilts.

The Google form is here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe9pEzfBSVQWC72U_lphEf8kEhLL5Unq5boTCA BZlQ6XouplQ/viewform?usp=header

I am more than happy to help anyone navigate the form. Remember that you must submit one form per quilt entered. We only have one form, so make sure that you identify your category correctly based on guidelines in the yearbook. Thank you for your help with this.

Nancy Harris

Therapy Day Information

ON POINT BLOCKS WITH NO WASTE July 13th Therapy Day- Gloria Vodan

The finished quilt top will be a square quilt top with each block on point.
The original squares must all be the same size. It is recommended that squares be between 4" - 8".
The pieces blocks wide will be sewn in a rectangle that **MUST BE** twice as long as it is wide.
Example: 8 blocks long by 4 blocks wide; or 10 long by 5 wide; or 12 long by 6 wide, etc.
I used 5" square blocks.

Total squares $12 \times 6 = 72$ Around the World Layout.

Using 6 colors:

(It is possible to make it a 2 color quilt.

If 2 color quilt, the 'A' squares are a different color.)

A - 12 squares- these are the $\frac{1}{2}$ triangles border

B - 20 squares

C - 16 squares

D - 12 squares

E - 8 squares

F - 4 squares These are the center 4 blocks



Supplies:

Sewing Machine, Thread

Quilt top or blocks

Rotary cutter and/or Scissors

Ruler

Iron on stabilizer to go behind diagonal cut

Notebook Covers August 9, Therapy Day- Angela Mason

Big Notebook	
10 ½ x 6 ½	Cork – Leather – Faux Leather
10 ½ x 9 ½	2 - Fabric pieces outside
10 ½ x 15 ½	Inside cover
10 ½ x 15 ½	Batting or flannel

Small Notebook	
9 x 5	Cork – Leather – Faux Leather
9 x 6 ½	2 - Fabric pieces outside
9 x 11 ½	Inside cover
9 x 11 ½	Batting or flannel

Just Hide Large Notebook	
10 ½ x 27 ½	Hide
10 ½ x 15 ½	Inside cover
10 ½ x 15 ½	Batting or flannel

Pocket Notebook (I have 28)	
5 ¼ x 3	Cork
5 ¼ x 4 ¾	2 - covers
10 ½ x 15 ½	Batting or flannel

Composition Books 9 ¾ x 7 ½ (1 have 28 \$2.00ea)

Small Notebooks 8.3 x 5.5 (I have 72 @ .60 ea)



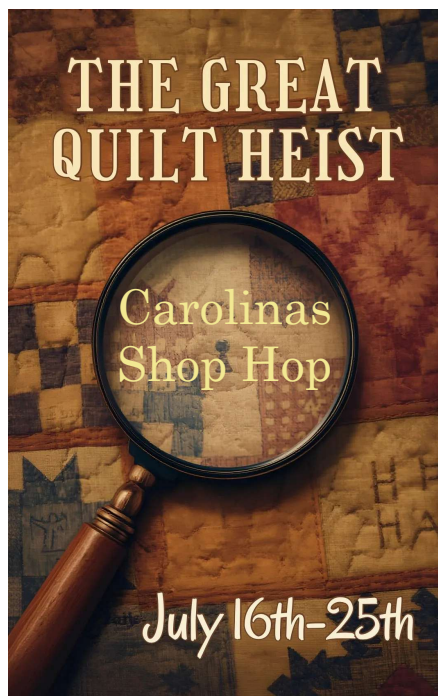
Other needs:

- Sewing machine
- ¼" foot, walking foot, top stitching foot
- Thread to match fabrics
- Scissors
- Pins
- Cutting mat if you don't cut at home
- Rulers, rotary cutter

I have a lot of faux leather and cork for binding of the notebooks.

If any question, you can call me (Angela) at (828) 303-6446

Local Items Of Interest



A Celebration of Quilts

Anderson Area Quilt Show

Friday July 17, 2026 10am - 5pm	\$7 Daily Admission	Saturday July 18, 2026 10am - 4pm
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Anderson Civic Center
3027 Martin Luther King Blvd., Anderson, SC
Tickets will be available to purchase online at andersonevents.com/events

Over 200 Quilts
Exciting Categories
Regional Vendors
Quilt Raffles
Silent Auction

Sewing Machine Cleaning
& Solder Sharpening
Service On Site

Boutique with
Handcrafted Items
Raffle Baskets
Secondhand Shop
Book Nook

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE QUILT!
JUNIOR QUILTERS SHOWCASE
DISPLAYS OF PAST WINNERS & ANTIQUE QUILTS

Discounted hotel room blocks available - Check website for details

andersonscquilters.org
Supported by Anderson County and City of Anderson ATAX Funds

**2026
Asheville
Quilt Show**

August 13 & 14 9-5 ★ August 15 9-4

- *Over 300 quilts on display
- *\$13,000 in prize money
- *25+ Vendors
- *Gift Shop
- *Silent Auction
- *Quilts for Sale
- *2026 Opportunity Quilt Raffle
- *Demonstrations by Expert Quilters
- *Special Exhibits
- *Sewing Station for Kids

WNC Ag Center,
Davis Event Center
766 Boylston Hwy
Fletcher NC 28738

Admission \$10
Students (13-18) \$5
Children 12 and under free
Credit Cards accepted

Handicap Accessible
Free Parking

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AshevilleQuiltShow or find us online at www.AshevilleQuiltGuild.org/quilt_show

2026 Opportunity Quilt "INCANDESCENCE"
Raffle tickets available online at www.ashevillequiltguild.org

We are thrilled to announce the Sandhills Quilters Guild 2026 Quilt Show and invite you to share your beautiful creations with our community! Whether you are a master quilter, a beginner, or a modern textile artist, we want to see your work on display.

Show Details:

Dates: Friday and Saturday, 9/25 and 9/26 from 10 AM to 5 PM

Location: Historic Pinehurst Fair Barn, 200 Beulah Hill Road South, Pinehurst, NC.

Submission Guidelines:

Eligibility: All skill levels welcome! All submitted quilts must be clean, completed, and feature a hanging sleeve.

See <https://www.sandhillsquilters.org/s/2026-Quilt-Show-Rules-Final.pdf> for quilt show rules.

Entry Limit: Up to 4 entries per person.

Entry Fee: The fee is \$7 per entry for guild members and \$12 per entry for nonmembers if submitted by August 18, 2026. After August 18 2026, the fee is \$10 per entry for guild members and \$15 per entry for nonmembers. There is no fee for Junior Entries.

How to Submit: Complete and submit the official registration form online at <https://pci.jotform.com/form/260934364826060>.

Please email Patricia Stack at pstack01@centurylink.net with any questions.

We can't wait to celebrate your craftsmanship and creativity.



June Show and Tell

Full size, non-cropped images are available on our web site, burkequiltersguild.com. Images from the program are

