

HIGH POINT QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MUSINGS

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear HPQG,

October is a special month for the High Point Quilt Guild. It is Retreat month! Every year since the fall of 2012, we have packed up our quilting "stuff" and made our way to Haw River State Park for a 4-day stay - usually Thursday-Sunday of the third week. (One exception: In 2020, it lasted only a few hours because the electricity died! Everyone had to pack up and go home.)

Amazingly, some members have attended every year. We are all set for this year, but keep it in mind for 2027.

Other things this month::

* Our program this month is **YoYo Night!!**

Ellen will be showing us how to make a 20-minute table runner with YoYos. We will have materials for you to learn to make a YoYo.

For a fabric YoYo: **you bring** scissors and thimble; we will supply fabric, thread and needle.

For a crocheted YoYo: **you bring** an "I" crochet hook; we will supply scrap yarn and directions.

Also we would love to see what YoYo items you all might have so please bring them for a **special YOYO Show-n-Tell** in addition to our regular Show-n-Tell.

* Remember, the President's Challenge Stockings are due in November.

FREE knitted children's hats will be available at this meeting for you to have to stuff your stockings.

Karen, President

GUILD

INFORMATION

MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month. Social time begins at 6:15 p.m.; the meeting and program begin at 6:30 p.m.

Members unable to attend the meeting in person may log in via Zoom.

The Link is emailed to members ahead of the meeting. If you are not a member or have trouble, email

karentooley54@gmail.com to get the link

LOCATION

The guild meets for meetings and Stitching Saturdays at Northwood Community Center. The address is 2409 Ambassador Ct., High Point, NC 27265. Please park away from the clothing bin on meeting nights.

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P.O. Box 2036 Jamestown, NC 27282

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Website: www.highpointquiltguild.com

Facebook: [High Point Quilt Guild](https://www.facebook.com/HighPointQuiltGuild)

NORTHWOOD NOTES

Donations for Northwood Community Center:

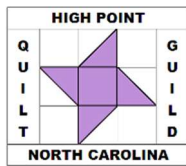
October: Soups, cracker

November: Canned meats, stews

December: Staples

(flour, sugar, salt, oil, spices, etc.)

**Personal care items are needed every month.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 8 | 6:30 p.m. Monthly Meeting

The program will be "YoYo Night."

Oct 10 | 9am to 5pm Stitching Saturday

Members free, guests \$5.

Oct 22-25 | 4 Day Retreat at Haw River State Park for those who signed up.

Nov 5 | 7:00 pm Board Meeting

Zoom link will be sent to board members and committee chairmen. All members welcomes. To join us, just request the link from Karen.

Nov 12 | 6:30 pm November Monthly Meeting has LOTS happening!

Election of 1st VP

UFO Finale!

President's Challenge due. Bring stockings for showing and awards will be given.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

5- Debbie

ONGOING GUILD ACTIVITIES

PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE**

November's meeting on the 12th is the deadline for the President's Challenge - making a Christmas Stocking for the Northwood Community Center Clothing Closet.

Stockings will be judged in several categories. It will be fun to see what everyone has come up with. You can pick

up a tag at the Membership Table to put on your stocking that indicates the gender and

age of the child your stocking is made for. When you arrive on the 12th, put your stuffed stocking in the designated area so it can be included in the judging.

****For more Guidelines and details on the stockings, refer to the end of this newsletter.**

UFO TRACKING

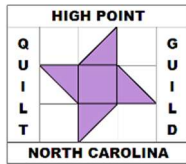
Tracking UFOs will take place until November. In order to get credit for completing a UFO, members must show Susan and Diantha. Susan is leading that effort and can answer questions.

FALL QUILT RETREAT

This year: October 22-25

Next year: October 21-24, 2027

If you have never been to one, here is a peek at what we do on a daily basis. At your motel-like room, some of us rise and shine at 6:15, shower, then get to the main building when the door is unlocked at 7:00. We are all set up in the largest conference room. There are two adjoining sitting/work rooms - one housing a very hefty snack table! Sewing (or knitting/crocheting) begins immediately and continues until 8:00 when we all mosey to the dining room down the hallway for breakfast. (Some of us who sleep longer are just arriving!) There is always a nice selection of breakfast fare. We chow down and return to begin a morning of cutting, stitching, knitting, sewing, pinning, ripping, crocheting, sharing, teaching and of course LAUGHING! About 12:00p, someone will



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say it is time for lunch and back we go down the hall to the dining room for lunch.

As we finish eating, we wander back to the main room to continue working on lots of awesome projects....until 6:00p when someone says, "Dinner!" Then we head to the dining room, eat a great dinner, then return to our projects. About 8:00p some start heading back to their rooms to bed. After that there is a slow trickle of tired stitchers calling it a day. Then, there are the few who last into the wee hours of the night. If you have never gone, I encourage you to give it a try next year. Lots of fun, fellowship, sharing, making new friends and getting to know the old ones better. I always learn something new and love seeing what others are doing. On top of that I get so many things done!!

COMMITTEE NEWS

CHARITY PROGRAMS

-Charity Items for Hayworth Cancer Center:

Help us make quilts/blankets/hats for patients at the Hayworth Cancer Center in High Point. Patterns, fabric and printed labels are available. Joann is happy to longarm your quilt tops. She also has batting available. Turn in finished quilts at any meeting. PLEASE refer to the Guidelines for Charity Quilts and Joann's sheet of guidelines for preparing a quilt for the longarm. All guidelines are available at the Charity quilt table. **Quilts MUST be well- pressed on the front AND back.

-Potato Chip Quilts for Hayworth:

Potato chip blocks: pieces can be picked up and finished blocks can be handed in at the Charity table at any meeting.

-Charity Items for Hospice of the

Piedmont: In addition to our items for Hayworth, we are taking donations of pillows and bibs for the Hospice of the Piedmont. Patterns and instructions are available on the Charity table or contact Karen.

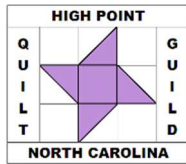
If you make any bibs or pillows, they must be washed and ready to use when you turn them in. Guidelines: Fabric: wash-and-wear, smooth, cotton-like fabrics, nothing glittery or metallic; no embellishments. You can turn them in at the Charity table at any monthly meeting.

CHARITY REMINDERS:

1. If you are cutting out pieces, make sure they are accurately measured and cut.
2. Make sure that seams are sewn at $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Accurate seam allowances are critical to the size of the block.
3. Tops and backings **MUST be pressed well (front and back)** before giving them to Joann to quilt.
4. Please make sure that the final size of your charity quilt measures: 42" - 50"wide by 54" - 60" tall.

SEPTEMBER CHARITY DONATIONS:

Hayworth quilts: 11
Hayworth blankets: 0
Hayworth hats: 0
Hospice pillows: 4
Hospice adult bibs: 4



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THANK YOU ONE AND
ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO OUR
CHARITY ENDEAVORS!

guests. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bring
lunch or go out. Lots of fun and
camaraderie!!

MEDIA

Newsletter items due to Kelly by the last
week of the month.

MENTORS-BASICS CLASS

We have a BASICS CLASS mini-course
during Stitching Saturdays, for anyone at no
cost. The class runs from 10:00am until
11:00am. See Susan for more information
about when they are scheduled.

***If you are making potato chip blocks for
the charity quilts and are having
difficulty with them coming out to the
correct size, then this month's class is
for you.***

***I will demonstrate accurate cutting,
sewing a consistent seam allowance and
proper pressing.***

STITCHING SATURDAY

...is a day to come and stitch, knit, crochet,
embroider or whatever you like on the
Saturday after our guild meetings, January-
December. Free for members, \$5 for

QUILT/FIBER ARTS ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA

Check out what quilt and fiber arts activities are happening in the area by visiting:
ronatheribbiter.com

Gate City Quilt Show

"A Celebration of Quilting"

October 16 and 17, 2026

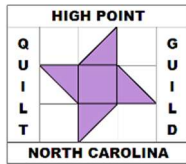
Congregational United Church of Christ
400 W. Radiance Drive, Greensboro, NC

Show Hours:

Friday, October 16---9:30-5:00

SUNSHINE

Remember to help our sunshine committee
reach out to members. If you know of
someone who is ill or lost a loved one,
please inform MaryBeth.



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Saturday, October 17---9:30-5:00

For more information go to: www.gatecityquiltguild.org

2026 PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE GUIDELINES

***Make** a Christmas stocking to donate, using the material/fiber of your choice for the November 12, 2026 meeting. You can sew, quilt, knit, crochet, embroider...just use something in the fiber arts.

*** Choose the** gender and age of the child to receive your stocking; record your choice at the membership table (or use the link given in this newsletter for online sign up), so we can track what we have and be sure we have a variety of genders/ages.

***After** you make the stocking, stuff it with items for a child of the gender and age you chose. Due to allergies and storage conditions, please do not stuff with liquids, perishables, candy, food, nuts, or dated items.

***Attach** the small tag with the **gender** and **age** written on it. Attach with a string or ribbon, no pins. Tags can be picked up at the Membership table.

***Stockings** will be displayed at our November meeting.

Categories for awards will be:

Most Likely to be an Heirloom (Classic).	Most Awesome Embellishments
Most Colorful	Most Original
Most Intricate Design	Most Likely to Be Fought Over

***Stockings** will be donated to Northwood Community Center Clothing Closet to distribute.

***OPTION:** You may make more than one stocking, for different genders and ages if you like. You may work together.

Additional Stocking Information:

DONATIONS: HATS!!! We have 40 children's knitted toboggan hats that were donated by a woman from Providence Place. You may pick one up to stuff in your stocking if you like. They will be available at the October meeting.

\$\$\$: Someone asked about a dollar limit for purchasing items to stuff the stockings. Suggestion is \$25 or less. If that is over your budget, just make the stocking and turn it in. We have some extra items donated.

Some SUGGESTION LISTS for items to stuff stockings can be found in a previous email and on the counter near the Membership Table.