



High Point Quilt Guild Newsletter

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Please join us the second Thursday of every month at 6:30pm at Northwood Community Center, 2409 Ambassador Ct, High Point, NC 27265. This site is on the corner of Eastchester and Ambassador, very near to the old Dragonfly Quilt Shop. Our meetings are virtual (online through an email invite) in January, February and March. They are in-person at the above address from April through December. To receive an invite to a virtual meeting, please call or email an officer in the guild before the next meeting.

From our President, Sherri:

Happy Thanksgiving! This year has flown by. It seems like the older I get, the faster time goes. This month's meeting is November 14, and features Carl Stevens. Carl has been with us before – he's the speaker who told us about all the neat sewing gadgets we can get from hardware stores and then proceeded to give a lot of them out. This time he'll show us his quilts and demonstrate some different binding techniques. It should be fun and entertaining.

December will be our Christmas party. Members bring finger foods, and the guild provides the drinks and paper goods. We also play Dirty Santa – and more information will follow about how many fat quarters to bring.

Looking on to 2025, don't forget to bring your check or cash for your dues next year.

Dues remain at \$35 and we have some exciting plans for next year! Some of these plans will be announced at the December party and others a bit later on in the year.

One thing for sure is, you don't want to miss a meeting!

The 2024 Fall Quilt Retreat was a huge success! Projects were finished, progress was made, and shenanigans were afoot! We had a blast.

The 2025 Fall Quilt Retreat registration is open! The retreat is October 16 – 19, 2025 at Haw River State Park. Please fill out the attached registration form and get it back to me as soon as possible. Deposits are due in January and the balance can be paid anytime before the September guild meeting.

Don't forget the President's Challenge! It's due next month at our holiday party. Remember the quilt or knitted/crocheted object must reflect a favorite recognized holiday and have the color purple on the front. This will be a Viewer's Choice award, so bring on the pretty! Prizes will be awarded.

Don't forget we're collecting soup and crackers for Northwoods Community Center this month.

See you in November!

Sherri

Vice President, Juanita:

Time for a Round Robin! Look over the following information:

- 2 CATEGORIES: BEGINNER OR ADVANCED
- BEGINNING JAN 2025 AND PARTICIPANTS WILL BRING BACK EVERY OTHER MONTH FOR EXCHANGE TO NEXT PERSON IN MARCH 2025, MAY 2025, JULY 2025, SEPTEMBER 2025 AND NOVEMBER 2025
- BEGINNING SQUARE SHOULD BE NO SMALLER THAN 18X18 AND NO LARGER THAN 24X24
- PLEASE INCLUDE ALL FABRIC YOU WANT IN YOUR QUILT IN A BAG/CONTAINER
- PLEASE LIST ANY LIKES FOR FABRIC CHOICES FOR THOSE WORKING ON YOUR PROJECT (COLORS, FABRIC DESIGNERS, PATTERNS) AND THOSE YOU DO NOT LIKE

IF YOU AGREE TO DO THIS PROJECT, PLEASE REMEMBER IT IS FOR SOMEONE ELSE AND TO BE CREATIVE, NOT JUST ADD PLAIN BORDERS. IF YOU NEED HELP, YOU CAN ASK OTHER GUILD MEMBERS.

ONE LAST THOUGHT: IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR QUILT TOP AFTER IT IS FINISHED, THIS COULD BE SOMETHING THAT WE CAN GIVE TO OUR CHARITY QUILT PROGRAM FOR HAYWORTH CANCER CENTER.

Juanita

Officers, Chairs and Committee Reports:

Secretary, Wendy –

High Point Quilt Guild

Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2024

President Sherri called the meeting to order at 6:30pm welcoming members and 2 visitors, Lisa and Gail.

There were 3 sets of minutes submitted for approval. All minutes were accepted with no corrections or misinformation.

Treasury report: \$20,582. Minus the retreat payment, the balance is \$16,365.95

A donation of \$23 is suggested for Mendenhall Home Place. All members agreed.

Raffle quilt still has tickets to sell. So far \$2,451.80. The drawing will be at the December meeting.

Still time to sell or buy more tickets.

November is election month; the following positions are open for nominations:

Treasury, 1 st Vice President (moves up to President after one year)

2nd Vice President (membership)

Anyone interested contact Juanita or Susan

Charity Quilts: Angie informs us that Keepsake Quilting is collecting donations of quilts/blankets/Afghans for the people in the West counties.

Also, she has supplies for the Charity quilts, if you need something get in touch with her.

Program: Gloria Stickney: Square in a Square Technique.

A technique for rotary cutting and strip piecing that allows quilters to achieve perfect points with improved accuracy. It begins with a square piece of fabric and strips of fabric are attached and cut in a very special way with a rotary cutter using a special ruler, Square in a Square ruler.

Gloria also has a long arm service and teaches classes for square in a square technique. You can visit her website for classes and supplies.

Show and Tell: Pink quilt, Tennis Shoes and Scrappy quilt were shown.

President Sherri adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm.

Treasurer, Alicia – Treasurer's report sent separately.

Programs – Kelly –

November – Carl Stevens in person

December – Party potluck, fun and games

January – Robin Thomas, Virtual

February – Superior Threads Part 1

March – Superior Threads Part 2

Raffle Quilt –

I'm sure by now most of you know that Keepsake Quilting/Pineapple Fabrics is closing its retail store and moving everything to online. Their last warehouse sale is Nov. 14-16. This will be our absolute last chance to sell raffle quilt tickets with them. We have received permission to set up INSIDE the building (so no wrestling with the canopy) and sell tickets for three days - Nov. 14-16. If you can sell tickets any of those days, could you please let me or Alicia know? You don't have to stay all day; a few of us working a few hours here and there is great coverage. If you can't work a shift, but are at

the sale, could you please stop by the quilt and see if the members that are selling tickets need a break to use the restroom or peruse the sale themselves?

Thanks! Sherri

Charity Quilts, Angie –

Three quilts were donated to western North Carolina relief. As of today, I have three that will going to Hayworth Center.

Angie

Additional Announcements –

Through Pop-Up Sewing Lessons, UK Street Stitching Movement Tackles Fast Fashion



Courtesy of Mary Morton

In this age of fast fashion, many people don't give a second thought to tossing a torn shirt or ditching a pair of pants with a broken zipper. But go back in time a few decades, and simply mending what needed repairing would be far more commonplace. With her posse of street sewers who gather under the motto "Stitch It, Don't Ditch It," Mary Morton is encouraging a return to form.

The 67-year-old and her crew post up about once a month from April to October in Edinburgh, Scotland, their brightly colored signs beckoning passersby to stop and learn how to wield a needle and thread. While having the happy consequence of saving people money, the sewing lessons are really about saving the environment.

"I considered my skills and realized that making people aware that textiles contribute about 10% of global carbon and use about 20% of clean water while passing on skills to extend the life of their clothes was something that I could do," Morton explained to Nice News.

The Street Stitching movement got its start in 2021 in London, helmed by "craftivist" Suzi Warren and defined as "an act of gentle disruption that demonstrates the pleasure and necessity of garment repair in areas of fast fashion chains where consumers are already thinking about replacing or adding to their wardrobe."

Morton followed suit the following year — but rather than aiming to intercept people in the process of shopping for clothes, her group often sets up in the city's parks. "We found that folks had more time to engage if we were in parks rather than street locations," she explained.

"I enjoy talking to people to make them aware of the climate and environmental impact of their clothes, and I really enjoy helping them to learn basic garment repair skills," the former pharmacist shared, adding: "Beginners are rightly so pleased with themselves when they complete their first mend, so it's a joy to share that moment with them."

From Nicenews.com, September 25, 2024

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**NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

This is the slate of officers so far: Karen Tooley - First Vice President, Jeanne Wall - Second Vice President (membership), Sherri Fields - Treasurer  
There is still time to add your name to the ballot. It would be great to see more than one person running for each position. Please contact me if interested. We will also be taking nominations from the floor at the November meeting. Voting will be by paper ballot.  
Susan

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**Upcoming Shows –**

**Monday, October 28, 2024 6:30 PM - 8 PM**

**Gaston County Quilters Guild  
1101 North Main Street, Lowell, North Carolina, 28098**

Members were challenged to make a 3-yard quilt for our group's 20th anniversary. They will be on display. Some quilts will incorporate ...

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Friday, March 14, 2025 9 AM - Saturday 15, 5 PM \$10.00

**Kerr Scott Building, NC State Fairgrounds
1025 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27607**

This Annual Quilt Show features quilts and quilted items from Guild Members and showcases a myriad of styles and skills across the art of q...

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- Quilt and Craft Show - Tucson, AZ Nov 7 – Nov 9
- Pioneer Quilters Guild Show Roseville, CA Nov 8 – Nov 9
- Original Sewing & Quilt Expo Detroit – Novi, MI Nov 14 -Nov 16
- Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival Puyallup, WA Nov 14 – Nov 16
- Lake County Fantastic Quilt Show Leesburg, FL Nov 15 – Nov 16
- Quilted Treasures of Tampa Bay Tampa, FL Nov 15 – Nov 16

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**Attachments – Haw River 2025 Registration Form**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly