



Stich in the Ditch Club

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. Our meetings are virtual (online through an email invite) in January, and in-person at the above address from February 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, Juanita:

Happy September! Is anyone else ready for a long holiday weekend? I was so blown away by our last meeting and all I learned. It was great getting to see how Melissa would spin the wool into yarn.

This month's meeting will be on Organizing Your Sewing Room by our own Alicia. We also will have a small presentation by Susan regarding UFOs. I am looking forward to gaining more knowledge to tackle my fabric piles.

Round Robin: Please keep working on your projects for the beginner category.

Do not forget that September 13th is our next Sew Day. Each session costs \$5 per person and we have the community center from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. to sew and have fun. Please join in on the fun. Also remember starting in January 2026, Sit and Sew will be paid for by the Guild. Also, in September Kyle will be back at Sit and Sew to clean and service the other machines for the persons who signed up.

Our donation for August to Northwood Community Center is coats, gloves and hats.

President's Challenge: Please remember to continue working on your challenge. This is for anything you haven't learned before or you want to master a new skill. Don't forget we will have the following ribbons and prizes:

Quilting: 1st place- \$25 gift card 2nd place- Ribbon 3rd place- ribbon

Knit/ Crochet: 1st place- \$25 gift card 2nd place- Ribbon 3rd place- Ribbon

We are one month closer to our retreat. Have you started planning what you want to work on? I would suggest that you try to cut out things and pre-package projects in project bags to be ahead of the game. There are 52 days left until then but who's counting right?!

Lastly, we have a lot of new people in our Guild, and I would like for all to please think about Elections. We will be having some open spots, and those officers really would like to tell you about what the office is and how rewarding serving can be. I know this year so far for me as the President has been a total blast! I certainly have learned a lot. I also have gained even more friendships and excelled in my quilting adventure. I love being able to attend meetings with you all and seeing where our guild is going and growing.

Happy Sewing,

Juanita

Vice President, Karen:

NAME TAGS: Remember to wear your nametag to our meetings. It is so helpful to all of those who don't remember names well. The first 20 who sign in this month wearing their name tag will receive a small gift! Also, those with name tags are eligible for door prize drawings. Let an Officer know if you need assistance making one. Kits are available.

TEMPLATE STAMPS: Stamps and ink will be available for your use. Bring your own fabric.

MEETINGS ARE NOW AVAILABLE ON ZOOM: We did a trial run last month and we are now able to ZOOM our meetings. A link will be sent to members by email each month, a day or two before the meeting. These are **for member use only**, not to be shared. No meetings will be recorded.

For more information, contact Karen (karentooley54@gmail.com)

ELECTIONS: In November, we will be having elections for 2026 Guild Officers. Up for election this year are:

1st Vice President

2nd Vice President (Membership)

Secretary

If you are interested in running for an office, the nominating committee will be seeking names of willing individuals to put on the ballot. See Juanita or Karen if you are interested.

Officers, Chairs and Committee Reports:

Secretary -

High Point Quilt Guild

August 14, 2025

President Juanita called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm welcoming members and guests, and August birthday wishes were given.

July Meeting Minutes - A motion by Ellen, seconded by Alicia approving the July 2025 minutes was submitted. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report, July 2025 - Alicia - Beginning balance \$16,824.67, deposits \$652.37, checks cleared \$673.03, leaving a balance of \$16,804.02. A motion by Nancy seconded by Julie, approving the July 2025 Treasurer's Report was submitted. All in favor.

Zoom - Karen introduced her husband, John, who has set up the equipment for a trial Zoom meeting for those that cannot attend in person. Zoom Guild Meetings will allow members to not miss the monthly meeting. Sarah and Sherri participated in the trial via Zoom. It was a success.

Program - President Juanita introduced Melissa Johnson, Wool Spinner. Melissa is an avid crochet and knitter that spins her own yarn. She has been spinning approximately 10 years. Samples of silk and different wools were shown before and after they were spun, along with a demonstration of how she spins them. Melissa also showed beautiful knitted and crocheted items that she has done using the yarn she has spun. Melissa stated spinning your own yarn is time-consuming, but the results are amazing. Thank you to Melissa for a great program.

Charity Quilts - Joann will take any quilts needing to be quilted, along with those completed. For persons in need of labels, please email Angie and she will mail them to you. Angie has asked that anyone using Hobbs batting to cut off the UPC labels and send them to her. Discounts are given if labels are included when she purchases batting for the Charity Quilts.

Raffle Bundle - Alicia - To date: ticket sales are \$833.00. Tickets are available at each meeting. Please see Diantha for pickup or return of tickets. Susan has contacted several Guilds where we can display the bundle and sell tickets at their monthly meeting. She has sent an email with the scheduled dates. Please contact her ASAP if you can volunteer.

Fall 2025 Retreat - Alicia - The final payment for the 2025 Fall Retreat is due by the September meeting. You can also mail your final payment to HPQG PO Box 2036, Jamestown, NC 27282.

Sit and Sew, Saturday, August 16 and September 13, 2025. 9:00 to 6:00p Northwood Community Center. \$5.00. Hope to see you there. Guaranteed a fun time.

Alicia has also arranged with Inbetween Stitches, Kyle Schleter to service our machines at our August and September dates. She has emailed the schedule to those who signed up. Thank you to Alicia.

President's Challenge Reminder - Due at our December meeting. Enjoy learning a new or old skill. You will be required to show what skill you have tried and how your project was done. There will be prizes for both Quilting and Knitting entries. Winners are decided by Viewer's Choice.

Round Robin Exchange - An amazing show and tell. Very creative and beautiful job, ladies.

Getting to Know You Interview - Karen interviewed the member, Elaine. Thank you to Elaine for participating. Each month, a different member will be interviewed.

Vice-president -Karen

Name tags - For those members that do not have a name tag, there are kits available at the Membership table. They are free. It is suggested everyone wear a name tag with your name and the HPQG logo ("Friendship Star") on it. At our September meeting the first 20 members through the door with their name tag "ON" will receive a prize.

Programs 2026

January 2026 Meeting - Guild meeting will be held on Zoom. Featherweight Maintenance.

February 2026 Meeting - Charity Quilts - Joann

March 2026 Meeting - Dear Jane Party - Gail

Carolina Classic Fair - Registration to enter items at the fair is now online only. Categories have changed. If interested in entering an item, go to the Carolina Classic Fair website and look for Competitive Entries.

Show and Tell - Amazing - Thank you all for sharing your beautiful projects.

President Juanita adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

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Treasurer, Sherri – Treasurer's report sent separately.

Additional Announcements –

Sewing Machine for Sale

SINGER ELITE ME457 - \$150.00

Only used a few times. Box, packing material and instructions included. If you are interested, contact Susan.

Attachments –

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly