

Charlottesville Area Quilters Guild

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President's Message

The year is divided into four seasons, but for many of us there are really only two important seasons- After the Holidays and Before the Holidays. The first of these begins in early January, after the house guests have left and decorations have been put away. The living room is no longer strewn with toys, discarded clothing, dirty dishes and half full glasses of water. (I love my grandchildren!) Some people use this season to get an early start on next year's holiday season, and while I admire these people I will never be one of them. I cherish this carefree After the Holidays time, when I can work on whatever project I like without any looming deadlines. During these six months I concentrate on making things just for fun, and I put off thinking about what I will do next year. Then comes Before the Holidays, which starts around mid-July. This is when I start to plan what I will be making for my friends and family, and I mentally set up a schedule for myself. I'm sure many of you can relate. Other projects at this time of year include holiday quilts, table decorations, tree skirts, stockings and ornaments. I think we all love making these things because we know they will be cherished for many years. The culmination of all this effort is enjoying the fruits of our labors as our families gather to celebrate and enjoy the holidays.

By the end of December, though, I am ready for this festive time to be over! Of course I am looking forward to the arrival of my daughter's family next weekend, and I anticipate a week of baking, crafting and playing with grandchildren. But I'm not ashamed to admit that I am looking forward just as much to mid-January and the CAQG retreat.

Season's Greetings to all of us in the Charlottesville Area Quilters Guild!

Moira MacAvoy CAQG President



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Charlottesville Area Quilters Guild (CAQG)

The CAQG is an umbrella group serving quilters in the area surrounding Charlottesville, Virginia. The CAQG Board meets four times yearly on the first Saturday of March, June, October and December. We sponsor a biennial quilt show and a yearly workshop plus special events throughout the year. The four chapters of CAQG meet as given below. There are currently 188 members. If you have questions about membership in the CAGQ or would like to join the guild contact Kirsten Niemann, membership chair, at kirstenquilts@gmail.com or complete the membership form found on the CAQG web site, http://caqg.weebly.com, and mail it to the address given on the form.

Chapter Meetings

Crozet Quilters

2nd & 4th Monday 10 am - Noon Tabor Presbyterian Church 5804 Tabor Street, Crozet.

Moonlighters

2nd & 4th Wednesday 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm The Center at Belvedere, 540 Belvedere Blvd, Charlottesville

Grateful Threads

Every Monday 10 am - Noon The Center at Belvedere, Rio Rd

Nelson Quilters

1st & 3rd Monday 7pm - 9 pm Calvary Baptist Church, Lovingston, VA



Chapter News

Crozet Quilters – Adrienne Granitz – We recently wrapped up the 2022 "Teachable Moments" series with a discussion of favorite quilting tools. The TM Committee has already outlined discussions, demos, and workshops for the 2023 series. Our last "Meet the Quilter" presentation for 2022 was with Kris Hebert Califano who offered just a portion of her rich quilt journey. We look forward to learning much more from her expertise. Dates have been set for 2023 for the next group of new members to present their quilt journey to the group. We continue making quilts for Bright Star, Hospice and Meals on Wheels quilts as well as planning our 2023 Quilt of Honor and our biannual thank you quilt to Tabor Presbyterian Church, our host venue. We will celebrate the upcoming holidays with a pot-luck luncheon and Dirty Santa fabric exchange on December 12th. Wishing everyone a happy holiday season and a wonderful New Year

Moonlighters – *Melinda Smith* – Moonlighters have had a busy Fall. We've continued to have great attendance, new members, and are settling in at The Center at Belvedere. We enjoyed hosting Fall Fest and hope everybody enjoyed our speaker, door prizes and catching up with quilting friends. We have a themed show and tell during our 2nd Wednesday meetings and our recent topic was "Our Favorite Quilting Websites". Our 4th Wednesday has a themed scrap swap, and a Block Exchange starts in January. In October Ellen MacAvoy presented a Collage Basics demonstration discussing the basics of materials, design, techniques, and a trunk show of her many fabulous collage quilts. Our 5th Wednesday meeting was a mini workshop to make Fidget/Sensory blankets for dementia residents at a local assisted living facility. Our Christmas party on December 14th, hosted by Janet Saulsbury at her home, will be a potluck dinner with a handmade ornament exchange.

I will be stepping down as Chapter President of Moonlighters at the end of December and am passing the reins to the very capable Moira MacAvoy. Thank you Moira!

Nelson Quilters – Debbie Speilman – Nelson Quilters has finished several projects for the community and added fun activities to our meetings. The annual quilt donated to the Piney River Fire department raised \$1821.58 in raffle ticket sales. Several members have made naptime quilts for the Nelson County Bright Stars program. We continue to make sure that every child in the program has a quilt each year. In addition, the quilters finished, as a group effort, a quilt top for a community quilt to be given to a family in need. That quilt has been sent to a longarm quilter.

Looking toward the new year the pattern has been selected and fabric purchased for the 2023 Quilt of Valor to be completed in the spring. At every first meeting of the month, we have a short demonstration during the 15 minutes before the meeting starts. Our first was a hand applique demonstration. At each second meeting of the month, we have added a game which was started with a sewing related Word Scramble. Additional activities have been a contest to see who could identify quilting acronyms from a list of 25 and a Thanksgiving word scramble.

Tuesday Morning – Corinne Conlon – Tuesday AM members continue to share techniques. Janet Saulsbury talked about the importance of making labels for quilts and different ways to create them. Rea Mueller showed us how to make fast flying geese blocks. Our Christmas party will be held on December 13 with the sharing of delicious food and fabric.

Beginning on January 9, 2023, our chapter will be meeting at The Center at Belvedere on Mondays from 10-12. There was no room available at the Center on Tuesdays, so the name of our chapter required a change. Members were asked for suggestions. Thirty-one possible names were submitted! A committee of three members chose five of these suggestions. We voted by written ballot at our November 1st meeting. Our new name is Grateful Threads. We look forward to this new meeting place with better acoustics and more parking



Meals on Wheels

I am happy to be the "new" CAQG representative for Meals on Wheels. For those of you who don't know me, I am a CAQG member since 1989 and belong to both Grateful Threads (formerly Tuesday Morning) and Moonlighters chapters.

In this first year guild members contributed over 100 quilts to the Meals on Wheels program. Currently, MOW has a sufficient number of small quilts ready for distribution. Going forward somewhat larger quilts, measuring roughly 40" x 50" or larger, would be appreciated. Also, pinning a simple note saying "larger" would makes it easier to separate/identify those larger quilts in the closet and pull them out when needed.

Please drop quilts off to me at Grateful Threads (weekly Monday morning meetings, 10-12 at The Center at Belvedere on Rio Rd) or contact me to arrange an easy pick-up spot.

Thank you!

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Fiber and Stitch Art Collective

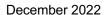
Fiber and Stitch Art Collective meets monthly, usually on the third Sunday of the month at 2 pm. We meet at the Charlottesville Waldorf School (120 Waldorf School Rd). Our next meeting is on Sunday January 22 (the 4th Sunday), since many of us will be going on the CAQG retreat to Smith Mountain Lake.

We have three shows scheduled for 2023.

Two collections are travelling to Hampton Roads for the MAQF in Feb. 2023. Rock, Pebble and Stone will be shown in the Fall at the Virginia Quilt Museum in Harrisonburg. In August, we will hang a show at UVA Commerce School of new work inspired by Georgia O'Keefe

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Workshops 2023

There will be two workshops in 2023! The first will be in May in conjunction with Spring Fest featuring Alice Ridge (<u>aliceridgequilts.com</u>). Brita Nelson will present a lecture and demo on September 8th and 9th (<u>thequestioningquilter.com</u>).

More details to follow!

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Mini Workshops 2023

We are in the planning process for upcoming mini workshops. Workshops will include English Paper Piecing with Debbie Jungling, Blended Fabric Collage Landscapes with Linda Boone and Karen Titus' Faker Shaker Cards with Janet Saulsbury. We are currently exploring a variety of locations in which to have the workshops.

More to follow!

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Schedule for Future Fests and Hosts

Spring 2023: Tuesday Morning Quilters

Fall 2023: Nelson Quilters
Spring 2024 Crozet Quilters
Fall 2024 Moonlighters

Spring 2025 Tuesday Morning Quilters

Fall 2025 Nelson Quilters Spring 2026 Crozet Quilters Fall 2026 Moonlighters



Quilt Show 2024

Hello everyone! I'd like to introduce myself. I'm Debbie Jungling and I have volunteered to chair the 2024 Quilt Show! I've been a quilter for about 40 years. I've been a member of 4 quilt guilds, including CAQG. I am a member of Grateful Threads (Tuesday Morning) and Moonlighters. I live in Barboursville, and we've been there about 7 years.

I NEED YOU! I want to start filling my volunteer spots for the Quilt Show. I would appreciate it very much if you could volunteer sooner rather than later. Please contact me, debbiejungling@yahoo.com, with your lead position of interest and/or any questions you may have regarding what the job entails.

More information will be forthcoming in February.

Almost all lead positions are available including the following:

Awards

Demos

Equipment (probably needs access to a truck or ability to rent one)

Food

Photography

Program sales

Publicity

Quilt Check in and out

Quilt Registration

Raffle baskets

Raffle quilt ticket sales

Safety

Show Designer (design layout)

Signage Special Display Coordinator

Take-down

And we need all the people who will be helping these lead persons!

I am not a big meeting person, so will keep our meetings short. Right now, I am working on securing the venue, and I have not planned any meetings until sometime in the spring. Please consider helping in this important and fun activity.

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