



# The Thimbleful

Capital Quilters Guild

Raleigh, North Carolina

May 2020

## Next Meeting

Thursday, May 21, 2020

**CANCELLED**



**Bring:**

**Name tag**

**Membership pin**

**New Membership Forms and Dues**

**Show n Tell**

**Comfort Quilts**

**Block Party**

**A Quilting Friend!**

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**Well it looks like another meeting is going to be missed.**

I know that all of you are keeping busy, but still, missing the social interaction with family and other quilters is hard. Words of encouragement are heart-felt but only go so far. We as quilters need action to keep us sane.....Or as sane as someone who takes a very good piece of fabric cuts it up and then sews it back together, can be. There are requests out there for face masks and comfort quilts. When this is all over, the hospitals, nursing homes, and Safe Child are going to need quilts because I am sure that they are running low if not out of them. Think of this time at home as a way to do one of two things. You can finish off all those UFO's that you never get around to finishing because your life is way too busy OR you can make more UFO's because you always wanted to try *that* quilt, and well it's not what you thought it would be.

**If you as a guild member can think of something that you would love to see or do when we start meeting please let me know.** We as a board are trying to come up with new and interesting things for the meetings.

Our first meeting back is going to be jammed back with things going on. First the new slate will be put out and then the voting on the new board. Then everything to do with membership as the new year starts on July 1st.... come heck or high water. Of course I am expecting the show and tell to be awesome with all the quilts that you are making in your spare time. The comfort quilts should be busy as they take in all the quilts that have not been received in the prior months. And I think the President is going to work on the board to have a welcome back party for everyone but haven't figured that part out yet.

**I know some of you are still working either from home or still going in.**

My job requires me to do both, I get to stay home a week and then have to go in. I have not decided if it is easier to work from home or not because I think my boss just comes up with more stuff because of course being at home I have time to do more. The biggest problem I have is my quilting is so close but yet so far away. Could not put my work computer in my office which is part of my sewing room because I would never work, just play with machines or fabric. I will admit that I am not getting enough sewing done and am missing it so I am thinking about all of you out there in your sewing room doing what I cannot right now.

**Please remember your neighbors, friends and other quilters that you might just have a passing acquaintance with.**

Give them a call. Remember your board is here. If you need anything please give us a shout. One of the privileges of being President is that all the emails to the Guild come to me so if you need anything or just want to talk to someone, email me, Alma, at [information@capitalquilters.org](mailto:information@capitalquilters.org)

You all stay safe and healthy and we will get through this.

God Bless,  
Alma Mellish, President



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## Membership

As our Guild year is starting to wind down, we do want you to think ahead toward the new year starting in July. We've included the new membership form on the next page in this month's newsletter, and will start collecting dues beginning in July. We hope to see all of you at a meeting sometime soon! In the meantime, please let us know if we can help you connect to one of your quilting friends.

Nancy Honeycutt & Debby Femia  
information@capitalquilters.org



CAPITAL QUILTERS  
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The nominating committee has nominated these candidates to be voted on in an election at our next scheduled meeting according to the Capital Quilters Guild Bylaws.

### *Proposed 2020-2021 Officer Slate for Open Board Positions*

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## Capital Quilters Guild Membership Form

July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you a member of CQG's Facebook page? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a member of a bee, what is the name of your bee? \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like to join a bee, tell us your preference (please circle ALL of your preferences): Day/Night Weekday/Weekend North/South/East/West/Any Region Art/Hand/Charity/other \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Fees:

Please note that **all** members are required to pay dues.

Regular Membership .....	\$40.00
Quilters aged 70 or older (prior to, or on June 1, 2019).....	\$25.00
Junior Membership (18 years and younger; full scholarships are currently available).....	<del>\$25.00</del> 0.00
Printed CQG Membership Directory (to be picked up at the November meeting).....	\$5.00
Optional donation (tax deductible) .....	\$_____

**Please bring this form with payment to the next meeting or mail to:**

**Capital Quilters Guild**

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**Raleigh NC 27619-0031**

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# WORKSHOPS & TEACHERS

## Teacher/Workshop Update

*Again, the bad news and the good news!*

**The May workshops are now cancelled** due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the State's "stay at home" orders. Not a surprise and the right call!

**I want to thank all of you that had signed up for their workshops.** You will all get a refund for your registration fees soon and remain on the list for another chance when they return!

**I have spoken to Patti Cline and we can reschedule Quilters Gallery at a later time.** They are only two hours away and will be glad to come to Raleigh when we can safely meet and both of our schedules allow. Patti said she and Cindy are taking their "stay at home" time to sew, make kits, cleanout and rearrange their fabrics and supplies in their storage areas. They want to stay safe, too and hope we all are doing the same.

**What are you working on?** If you are like them and like me, you are doing the exact same thing! I have found several projects to finish in my sewing room! Even cleaned out my pantry and freezer! So some good does come from the bad!

**Remember Cindy Grisdela's Bargello class from last fall?** Well, mine has been on my design wall since September. I finally decided how to finish it and a little differently from Cindy's pattern and now I am trying to "big stitch" quilt it! Of course, I have made many masks, too! Now need to put together some of the comfort quilt kits I have!

**Stay home, safe and well** and look after your family, friends and neighbors!

**Try something different! Learn something new! Happy sewing!**

Connie Upshaw

*A few pictures of my Cindy Grisdela workshop "Bargello" ....big stitched with Size 8 Pearle cotton...would love to see others, too,!*



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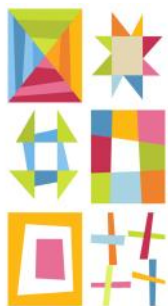
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## Block Party

We hope everyone is well and using their time to thin their fabric collections some. We have lots of fun blocks planned for whenever we can get back together. Happy Sewing!

Thanks,  
Anne, Beth, and Joni



## Raffle Quilts

Our next quilt has been named *Indigo Dreams*. It is a blue and neutral quilt, 97x97 inches, quilted by Angela Clark. When we met again, I will have raffle tickets available. Meanwhile, stay safe. Thank you!

Sue Ann Jatko, Fundraising Chair  
information@capitalquilters.org



*Indigo Dreams*

## President's Challenge!

The challenge is to take 1 or 2 pieces of fabric pictured, which is cut in 2.5 and 4.5 strips WOF. You must use a full strip of fabric in the quilt. It can be cut into any shape or form that you want just so you use the whole strip. There is no changing of the color. The quilt must be at least 36 in sq. or bigger. It must be finished including the binding. You have until the June meeting to finish. Happy Quilting!



Alma Mellish, President Capital Quilters Guild  
information@capitalquilters.org

### President's Challenge Q & A from the Facebook page:

**Q:** For the president's challenge quilt can we use more of the focus fabric or just what we were given?

**Alma Mellish:** You can use as much as you want.

**Q:** What is the name of the print?

**Lanakila Alexander:** I believe that it is called Effervescence and is produced by Kaufman.

**Q:** The president's challenge quilt needs to be at least 36" square. Can it be rectangular as long as the total perimeter is at least 144"?

**Alma Mellish:** It can be as big as you want just not smaller than 36 in sq.

**Q:** So it could be, say, 30x42? Same perimeter?

**Alma Mellish:** If it is done I will be happy and close to 36 as we are not going to measure anything.

## 2020 Quilt Show Update

I want to thank all of the members for their quilts and donations to the Quilt Show. I also want to give an enormous thank you to my Committee Members for all of their hard work and commitment over the past two years and for the Board for their tremendous support. I will give a complete update on the Show at our next meeting, whenever that may be. Stay safe and healthy.

Nora Bailey, Quilt Show Chairman.



## Charity and Community Outreach

**Hello, everyone!** I want to thank all of you for the quilts that have been turned in despite not being able to have our meeting! Since most of us are confined to our homes and our quilting rooms, we can stay busy with UFOs, I am sure!



**I still have a good bunch of kits** that need to be made into quilts. If you would like one or several, please contact me and I will be happy to meet you somewhere to let you pick some up from me!

Lois McCoy  
[information@capitalquilters.org](mailto:information@capitalquilters.org)

## Newsletter Ads

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*Masks, Comfort Quilts, Pandemic Quilts and UFOs from the  
Capital Quiltes Guild Facebook Page*



*UFOs-- Cheryl & Jan*



*President's Challenge-- Katie*

*Masks for Safe Child*

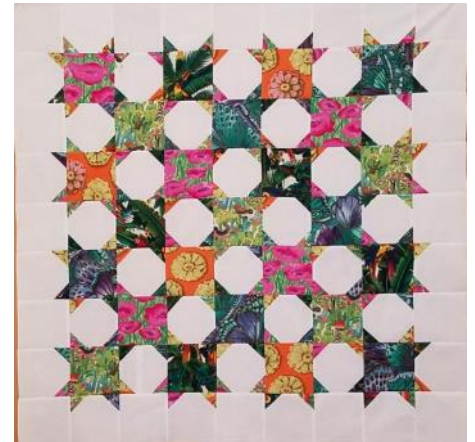
I would love to know how many masks  
our members have sewn in all!



*UFO-Ruth*



*Comfort Quilts-- Carolyn*



*Not a Snowball's Chance in Hell (we'll be  
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## Committee Members

**Bee Keeper:** Maria Kleinman  
**Block Party:** Anne Allen, Beth Van Vooren & Joni Amerson  
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**Quilt Show:** Nora Bailey

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## Quilt/Vendor Shows

**Please check online to see if any shows have been cancelled.**

<b>June 5-6</b>	<b>Summer Blooms Quilt Show,</b> <i>Forsyth Country Day School, Childress Activities Center, 5501 Shallowford Rd, Lewisville, NC</i>
<b>July 10-11</b>	<b>Alleghany Quilt Show</b> <i>Alleghany County Fairgrounds, US Hwy 21 N, Sparta, NC</i>
<b>August 20-22</b>	<b>Original Sewing &amp; Quilt Expo</b> <i>Raleigh Convention Center, 500 S Salisbury St, Raleigh, NC</i>
<b>Sept. 25-27</b>	<b>Asheville Quilt Show</b> <i>WNC Ag Center, 765 Boylston Hwy, Fletcher, NC</i>
<b>October 9-10</b>	<b>A Celebration of Color Quilt Show</b> <i>Congregational United Church of Christ Greensboro, 400 W Radiance Dr, Greensboro, NC</i>
<b>October 16-17</b>	<b>Cabarrus Quilters Guild: A Splash of Color Quilt Show</b> <i>Concord City Club at Gibson Mill, 325 McGill Ave, NW, Concord, NC</i>