



The Thimbleful

Capital Quilters Guild

Raleigh, North Carolina

March 2020

Next Meeting

Thursday, March 19, 2020

6:30 Social

7:00 Meeting Starts

**Speaker: David Martelli,
Martelli Enterprises**

Location:

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Raleigh, NC 27612

Bring:

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**New Membership Forms and
Dues**

Show n Tell

Comfort Quilts

Block Party

A Quilting Friend!



It's March! What happened to the first two months of the year? Having said that, as a guild we have done so much this year.

- ♣ The comfort quit donations keeps on rolling in and each is so beautiful. It shows the quality of work this guild does. So many people worked at the comfort workshop. The Bees are just outdoing themselves with their generosity.
- ♣ Then the silent auction. What can I say? Everyone dug in their sewing room and closets and made room for more quilting things. We brought into the guild \$694. Thank you one and all, those who donated things and those who purchased said things.
- ♣ Of course, there was the weather that made for no guild meeting in February. I'm not sure what it was like where you live but here it was not a good night to be out unless you were a duck.
- ♣ The next big thing is the Quilt Show. I cannot wait to see all your work hanging up with those pretty ribbons on them. And then the night before the show is our guild meeting that I hope people will attend. After not having a meeting last month I am looking forward to seeing everyone and enjoying the night.

With rain again in our future please be safe out there or better yet stay inside and quilt.

Your President,
Alma Mellish

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Please Volunteer Today!

There are slots available for volunteers for the Quilt Show. Ask your friends, ask your neighbors, ask future quilters needing volunteer hours! Volunteers receive one free ticket to the show.

You can sign up right here! Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: <https://signup.com/go/cJgrVnZ>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone.

Questions? email me: Laura at information@capitalquilters.org

Membership

We are thrilled with all the new members joining the guild. Be sure to say “hello” to any new faces you see at the meetings. And don’t forget to invite your friends to join us!

Debby Femia and Nancy Honeycutt,
Membership co-chairs



Secret Sew-ciety Swap

Join us for the revival of the very first Secret Sewciety Swap; **PINCUSHIONS!** There are loads of tutorials and patterns online, many of them free! Sign-up through the April meeting, check-ins due at the May meeting, and a fabulous reveal in June! –Lanakila

Quilt Show Boutique

Please create small, medium or large items to donate to the Boutique for the Quilt Show. This is a fund raiser for the Capital Quilters Guild. Items for donation can also be brought to the March guild meeting and given to Jenine Wells or Cherie Brugler.

Thank you for your generosity .

For more information contact Cherie at information@capitalquilters.org



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Meet Our March Speaker

MARTELLI ENTERPRISES IS PLEASED TO INTRODUCE YOU TO:

DAVID MARTELLI!



If you haven't met David at one of our hundreds of attended quilt shows over the years, now is your chance. David is the son of John and Marsha Martelli, who are the masterminds behind Martelli Enterprises in Pensacola Florida. Alongside David are many other family members who play roles in their business's success, both in the office and on the road. David's social communication style and knowledge of quilting has brought him into the spotlight with a few networks.

- The Home Shopping Network (HSN), where he served as On-Air Guest Presenter for 6 years.
- QVC, where he served as On-Air Guest Presenter for 4 years.
- Co-Host of Quilt Central a Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) production for 3 years.

David has always had a hand in product design and production. His father, John, holds over 50 patents, with a majority tying into the quilting industry. David and John try their best to listen to the problems and complications that come with sewing and quilting. Using that feedback from customers and friends, they are always developing new innovations to make sewing and quilting a more user-friendly hobby.

The Martelli name is recognized worldwide for their ergonomically designed tools and are only ever expanding and adding new unique products to the market. Our events come packed with special pricing that is only offered to guild members, as well as demonstrations on how to make a quilt with 100% accuracy without ever having to take a single measurement. Yes....not one single measurement with our tools and will produce better results than you have ever seen before. Aside from learning how fun and simple quilting can be with our tools, you will also be educated on the ergonomic benefits of the Martelli system. This will, in turn, help you to produce quilts in an easier and quicker manner, while ensuring accuracy, and drastically lessening the aches and pains associated with any repetition type projects.

Dave Martelli is excited to come to our guild meeting March 19 and do a live demonstration of Martelli ergonomic tools and techniques that reduce or eliminate pain and increase accuracy. He will educate and give members the opportunity to acquire products at reduced prices.

David is truly looking forward to entertaining you at your upcoming meeting!

BUZZY-BEE NEWS

Hope everyone has been buzzy-buzzy, machines roaring, with items for quilt show. There are some bee openings in North Raleigh. Please leave me a message or come by the beekeeper table at meeting.

See you!

Your Beekeeper, Maria



WORKSHOPS & TEACHERS

Workshops/Teachers March Report

What a fun time we had in both workshops with Pat Delaney, on Friday & Saturday, February 21st-22nd at Cary Quilting Studio Space!

The snow may have cancelled the guild meeting on Thursday night, but not the enthusiasm of all who took her workshops! Those who had signed up, got to see her trunk show of gorgeous quilts! Wow, her award winning quilting was amazing! All free motion on her domestic machine!
Thank you, Pat for two very informative days of design and quilting!

There are no workshops for March...just the Quilt show! So I hope you all take the time to volunteer to help in some way for our show!

Next up...April workshops with Cynthia England! There are still only 7 slots left in the Friday, April 17th workshop....so if you are interested, DO NOT DELAY! Mail your check and registration form to me ASAP!

Cynthia's Saturday, April 18th workshop is full and there is a waitlist only...ALSO that Saturday, April 18th workshop will be moved up one hour (8am to 2:30pm) due to Cynthia's flight back to Houston leaving RDU at 5:10pm that day. Thank you for understanding the need to do this for her.

Come see us at the workshops table at the March guild meeting!
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Connie



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CQG Member fee: \$50. Non-Member fee: \$60

Teacher:	Class:	Date:	Amt: Cash/Ck#/Chg
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*Cynthia England	Blue Heron or For the Birds.	April 17, 2020	
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**Cynthia England.	Smoky Mtns or Life's a Beach.	April 18, 2020	FULL-Wait List Only
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Quilters Gallery.	Kaleidoscope.	May 22, 2020	
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Quilters Gallery.	15 Degrees.	May 23, 2020	
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**** Please circle which pattern you want to make for Cynthia England's class**

***** Time change for Cynthia England's Saturday, April 18th class is: 8am-2:30pm**

Total: _____

Payment: Due when you sign up.

(Payment with charge card/cash available at monthly guild meeting only.)

Make your check payable to : **Capital Quilters Guild**

Mail your check and registration form to:

Connie Upshaw
2135 Cowper Drive
Raleigh, NC 27608-1323

Location: Highland United Methodist Church
1901 Ridge Rd Raleigh, NC 27607.

Most Class hours: 9am-3:30pm **Be sure to pack a bag lunch!**

Refund Policy: Full refund will be made if requested 30 days prior to the workshop. Without 30 days notice, you will only receive a refund if space can be filled from the waiting list. If not, you will receive a credit for a future class.

Inquiries: Connie Upshaw, Workshop Registration at information@capitalquilters.org



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Ads are due on Guild Meeting
Night for the next month's issue.

\$5—Classified

\$5—Business Card

\$10—Quarter Page

\$20—Half Page

Block Party

Now that your show quilts are finished, do some scrapbusting with January's *Coffee Cup* block .

Coming in March: the *House* block, in keeping with our “**Things of the Home**” theme for 2019-20.

We will still be accepting tree blocks to send to Australia for quilters to use for folks who've lost their homes in the wildfires.

Tree blocks of any type should measure a generous 12.5” square, untrimmed to send to Australia for the *Wollongong Modern Quilt Guild in New South Wales*. They will put the blocks together into quilts for Australians affected by the wildfires. They chose the tree block because trees are a symbol of growth and nourishment. For more information and some tree patterns see the *Wollongong Modern Quilt Guild* post at <https://wmqg.tumblr.com/post/190118420413/australia-is-burning>

From the Wollongong FAQ sheet:

BLOCK CONSTRUCTION:

- Fabric - #bushfireblocks are to be made with 100% cotton quilting fabric
- Thread – personal choice
- Batting – none. No quilt as you go blocks please, we'd prefer fabric only blocks to be made into quilts
- Block Size - Finished blocks are to be a generous 12.5 “ (inch) square (0.25-0.5” larger is fine). PLEASE DO NOT trim your blocks to less than 12.5”. We strongly emphasise the requirement for blocks to be a generous 12.5”. This will allow us to trim and square the blocks before piecing Quilt tops together.
- Background - plain white, grey or low volume. Low volume fabrics are light coloured fabrics that may have small subtle prints, this serves to emphasis the trees which are the focus of the quilt.
- Block Content - The focus of the #bushfireblocks is to be a tree.
 - o Can we incorporate animals into our tree blocks? YES
 - o Can we make animal blocks instead of tree blocks? NO
 - o Can we include wording? YES
 - o Can we make embroidered blocks? YES
 - o Can we incorporate a symbol of where the block has come from? YES
 - o Can we use colours other than green for our trees? YES, please do, the more colour the better!
 - o Be creative, be inspired, be brave and have fun making your tree blocks.

See you in March!

Thanks, Anne, Beth, and Joni



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Raffle Quilts and Thank You!

It's time for the Quilt Show! Thank you so much to Nora Bailey and Karen Wahle for their leadership for the 2020 Capital Quilters Guild Quilt Show. The committee has been hard at work the past months and is ready to go. Please check various emails and the Guild website for drop off dates, or contact me. Many thanks to all who are getting quilts ready, submitted quilts, and volunteering over the next three weeks. Please invite all your friends and family to the NC State Fairgrounds on March 20 and 21, show times 9 AM to 5 PM both days.



And that means the winning raffle ticket will be drawn at 4 PM on Saturday March 21 for the *Hearts in Flight* quilt. **Please return to me all the outstanding monies and the ticket stubs before the drawing.** The next raffle quilt, predominantly blues and whites, is entered into the quilt show. It needs a name; a name before it's first public road trip to...

The first outing of the new raffle quilt will be to The Town of Cary Annual Spring Daze festival at Bond Park on Saturday April 25, 8:30 set up until 5 PM. We sold lots of tickets last year and got to speak with folks about the work of our Guild and the Quilt Show. I will need help on that day for all day.

Thank you! Sue Ann Jatko, chair Fundraising
information@capitalquilters.org

Spotlight on Comfort Quilt Donations

Charity	Goal	Received this Month	Received this Year	Drawing Winners
Quilts on Wheels	300		193	
Walker Bags			0	
Quilts for Kids	300		240	
Newborn Hats			16	
Flannel Rec. Blankets			0	
QFK Pillow Cases			18	
Crocheted Blankets			12	
SAFEchild	300		291	
	900		724	
Hurricane Relief Quilts			0	

Charity and Community Outreach

Grrr.... keep forgetting! No numbers this month. Thanks to all of you who keep working so hard to provide quilts to our community. Since we missed our February, I hope we can catch up at our March meeting. I will be bringing kits, flimsies, and quilts just needing binding.

Special thanks to Vera Beers for joining me at the History Museum for our last hand quilting demo.

See you in March!

Lois McCoy information@capitalquilters.org

Sunshine and Shadows

As **the Sunshine and Shadows** Chairperson, I will send out cards as needed to Guild members on behalf of the entire Guild. These cards are to express congratulations, get well wishes or condolences. Contact me at:

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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



Quilt Show 2020



Friday, March 20 and Saturday, March 21: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Kerr Scott Building, North Carolina State Fairgrounds

Volunteer Sign-Ups

Volunteer Sign-Ups continue at every Guild Meeting until the show in March. We currently have about one quarter of the slots filled. Attached to this article is the list of volunteer descriptions. Please review the descriptions so that you know what will be required of you. If you volunteer you will receive one free ticket to enter the show.

Please see the next two pages for Volunteer information and descriptions. **Volunteers are still needed!**

Silent Auction – SPCA Wake County

Create a small quilt of any animal theme to be auctioned off during the Quilt Show. All proceeds will be given to the charity that was selected by the Guild Membership. Guild and non-guild members may submit as many quilts as they like for the silent auction.



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2020 Quilt Show Volunteer Descriptions

All volunteer slots are 2 hour shifts unless otherwise specified in the description.

Shifts are 9:00 to 11:00; 11:00 am to 1:00 pm; 1:00 to 3:00 and 3:00 to 5:00.

All volunteers are requested to arrive 15 minutes prior to their shift.

All volunteers will receive a maximum of one free ticket to the show.

Entry tickets can be used before or after their volunteer slot.

Below are listed most of the volunteer descriptions for the tasks needed for the quilt show. Please read through them and see which ones might match your interest in preparation for sign up night at the February and March Guild Meetings.

Quilt Review Day – Saturday, March 14 – 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Kirk of Kildaire Pres Church, 200 High Meadow Dr, Cary

A total of 12 volunteers are needed for this.

Each quilt must be reviewed and compared to the quilt submission form (includes measuring quilts, verifying the quilt is in the correct category, check for pet hairs, odors, etc.)

Quilt Judging Day – Wednesday, March 18 – 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

A total of 15 volunteers are needed for this.

Scribe (4 volunteers) -- A scribe writes down the judge's comments on the judging form. This is a sit-down job that requires legible handwriting. Scribes are paired and alternate writing to give each other a writing break, but must be able to pay attention to the judge for each quilt to help the writing scribe

Fanner (4 volunteers) -- Fanners will assist at the judging table by flipping the stack of quilts for the judge to see, lifting each quilt by the corners for the judge, straightening the quilt as needed while it is on the table, and handing quilts to the runner when the judge is finished. Should be tall, strong, and able to be on their feet for most of the day.

Runners (2 volunteers) -- Runners- Accept quilts from the fanners and carries them to hold table or release table. Must be able to carry quilts. Mix of stand and sit.

Stackers (2 volunteers) - Prepares the judging table by stacking quilts in numerical order and by category. Must be able to carry quilts. Mix of stand and sit.

Recording Secretary (2 volunteers) - Sit down job. Records the numbers of ribbon winning quilts. Accepts judging forms after each category is judged and files them in a file box.

Quilt Set Up and Hanging – Wednesday, March 18; 12:00 – 5:00

A total of 4 volunteer slots are required for this.

Setting up and hanging quilts on the poles

Quilt Set Up and Hanging – Thursday, March 19; 9:00 – 12:00

A total of 8 volunteer slots are required for this.

Setting up and hanging quilts on the poles



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Quilt Take Down – Saturday, March 21; 4:45 – 7:00

A total of 18 volunteer slots are required for this.

Taking down quilts at the end of the show; checking them out at pick-up time.

Ticket Sales, Friday and Saturday

A total of 16 volunteer slots are required for this.

Will be taking money, making change, and be the first smiling face the public will see when coming to the show. Will also exchange Volunteer vouchers for tickets to the show. Sit down job, 2 people working together.

Ticket Takers; Friday and Saturday

A total of 24 volunteer slots are required for this.

Will be greeting people at the door, taking tickets, handing out show brochures, and answering questions about the show and the layout of the show, including where the restrooms are, all with a smile. Mostly standing, with chairs available, 3 people working together.

Vendor Set Up and Support, Thursday, March 19; 8:00 to 12:00

A total of 2 volunteer slots are required for this.

Assist booth vendors. Coordinate with Lanakila/Ann with signing in vendors, taking vendors to their booth space and answering any vendor questions.

Silent Auction; Friday and Saturday

A total of 8 volunteer slots are required for this.

Silent Auction - one person to man the area during the show hours on Friday and Saturday.

Guild Quilt Raffle Sales; Friday and Saturday

A total of 16 volunteer slots are required for this.

Sitting at a table in the entry way to sell raffle tickets for our quilt raffle.

Sit and Sew; Friday and Saturday

A total of 20 volunteers are required for this.

Sit and Sew - we will need three people in the booth during show hours all three days to help the participants sew their blocks.

Boutique; Friday and Saturday

A total of 16 volunteers are required for this.

Manning the booth to assist customers in purchasing boutique items. There are 2 people required for each shift.





Capital Quilters Guild Membership Form

July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

Help us **confirm** that our records are accurate by completing **all** the information below:

Name: _____

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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.

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Optional donation (tax deductible)\$_____

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2019-2020 Guild Leadership

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Sunshine & Shadows: Carol Swanson
Quilt Show: Nora Bailey

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Quilt/Vendor Shows

March 20-21	Capital Quilters Guild 2020 Quilt Show <i>Kerr Scot Building, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC</i>
April 25	Colonial Quilt Lovers Day of Sharing <i>Corinth Baptist Church, 1035 Hwy 17, Elizabeth City, NC</i>
May 1-2	Salisbury Rowan Quilters' Guild: 30th Anniversary Show 1935 Jake Alexander Blvd W, Salisbury, NC
June 5-6	Summer Blooms Quilt Show, <i>Forsyth Country Day School, Childress Activities Center, 5501 Shallowford Rd, Lewisville, NC</i>
July 10-11	Alleghany Quilt Show <i>Alleghany County Fairgrounds, US Hwy 21 N, Sparta, NC</i>
August 20-22	Original Sewing & Quilt Expo <i>Raleigh Convention Center, 500 S Salisbury St, Raleigh, NC</i>
Sept. 25-27	Asheville Quilt Show <i>WNC Ag Center, 765 Boylston Hwy, Fletcher, NC</i>
October 9-10	A Celebration of Color Quilt Show <i>Congregational United Church of Christ Greensboro, 400 W Radiance Dr, Greensboro, NC</i>