



# Gate City Quilt Guild Gazette

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## September 2025 GCQG Presidents Message



There has been precious little time to sew lately. Our move to Colfax is imminent, with packing tape and boxes as strong deterrents. The trips to non-profits have been many and I truly hope that someone will enjoy each item with the same enthusiasm we have had for it. Not to worry, I'm holding on to my quilts, machines and accessories. What has been in the back of my mind is my need to do something creative. My sewing collection brings me joy and I miss it.

We don't just make quilts and such for the sake of being productive. Often our goal is to make the world a more beautiful place. Some of what we make is useful in our daily lives. More importantly, we make items that enrich others' lives. The work we so gently performed on the quilt from a long lost ancestor is to impart the love it holds for future generations. Often we do more good than we know.

Each charity quilt is made to wrap someone we will probably never know in a warm and gentle embrace. Whether you cut out the kits, piece the tops, or have a hand in the making of them in some other way, you are changing lives. Juli Hurin, Charity Quilts Chair, assures me that we are surpassing a milestone soon. Thank you all for your wonderful show of love. I can't wait to get back to helping in my small way and look forward to seeing you all soon. Michelle

**September 4, 2025**  
**Meeting at Fellowship Hall at C.U.C.C.**  
**(6:30pm visiting, meeting begins at 7pm)**



Nicole and Kelsey from Village Fabric Shop in Winston-Salem, Indigo Dye, [www.VillageFabricShop.com](http://www.VillageFabricShop.com)

Kelsey and Nicole became co-owners of Village Fabric Shop in late February 2021. They follow in the footsteps of 4 other Winston Salem crafters, sewists, and quilters who who had craft and fabric shops in the Reynolda Village since 2009.

They met as Textile Instructors at [Sawtooth School for Visual Art](#) and dreamed up a community space and textile shop while picking, carding, and spinning sheep and alpaca fleeces in the Appalachian mountains - little did they know that dream would become a reality just 6 months later.

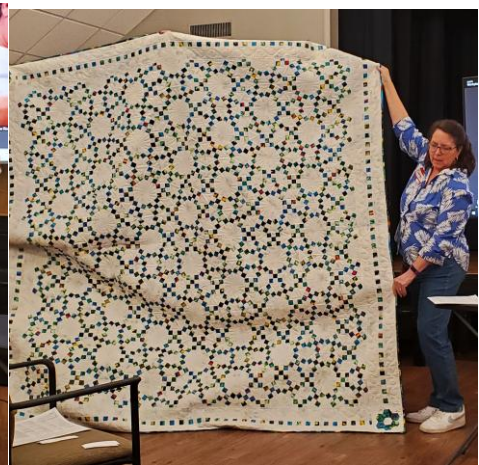
Nicole moved to Winston-Salem after receiving her Master's in Art and Design from North Carolina State University in 2018. She is a textile artist and educator with over 10 years of teaching experience. She teaches classes in art and design fundamentals, textile design, weaving, natural dye practices, and leather working. In her artwork she is focused on eco-based techniques and using traditional textile practices to tell unconventional stories. Nicole loves helping people find their fiber passions. Check in with her if you need help selecting a color palette for next project.

Kelsey moved to Winston-Salem in late 2015 to work as a Coordinator and Art Teacher with Arts For Life, a non-profit that supports pediatric patients and families through arts education and engagement at Brenner Children's Hospital. She's seen the joy that creating brings to people and loves to spread the joy. She has been teaching weaving, natural dying, sewing, and fiber processing for over 9 years. Kelsey loves being scrappy with her materials, and mixing up traditional processes with new and modern ones. She's been sewing for as long as she can remember and as a lover of everything hand-made she has a experience with most textiles' crafts. She volunteers with the Boys and Girls Club Garden in WS growing natural dye and fiber plants, and teaching youth how to dye with the plants they grow.

**Show and Tell pictures from our August meeting**







# List of Program Presentations for 2025

(All programs are carried over Zoom)

## September (In Person)

Nicole and Kelsey from Village Fabric Shop in Winston-Salem, Indigo Dye, [www.VillageFabricShop.com](http://www.VillageFabricShop.com)

## October

Karen Tooley, *Antique Quilts Plus Generational Quilting*  
Workshop: **Pin Cushion Workshop - October 10**

Come and enjoy this 4-hour class and leave with a finished product - the cutest little pin cushion you've ever seen!! Perhaps best of all = no sewing involved - means you don't have to bring your sewing machine!

Lesley Storts will be teaching us how to make these pin cushions. She is the owner of Storts Market, a small business focused on quilting. She provides professional longarm quilting services, creates up-cycled pincushions from antique glass, has published patterns, and teaches. Lesley is also a registered nurse, providing skilled and compassionate care to her patients.

The workshop will be held in the church fellowship hall - hours are 10am - 2pm. The cost is \$45.00 (cost of kit is included). I will be sending out the short supply list later.

Please come ready to sign up for this fun outing - hope to see you there!!



**November**

Connie Brown, vintage quilts from North Carolina

**December - Holiday Party**

*Please let Michelle or Phyllis know if you have speaker recommendations you think would be of interest to our group.*

**HELP NEEDED**

You arrive for a guild meeting and the room is set up and ready to go. After the meeting you say your goodbyes and head home. It's not magical chairs that suddenly appear, Laurie and I show up early to set up chairs and the TV for Zoom and are the last ones to leave after everything has been put away.

We NEED HELP. If you are available (and able) to set up chairs at 6:00 p.m. we could use your help. The same with after the meeting. Thanks to those of you who have helped in the past to put away chairs and tables after the meetings. We would like to see others get involved with set up and breakdown to share the load. Give it some thought and join us at 6:00 or hang around after the meeting. We know some of you are not able to lift and carry so think about how you might help out at the meetings.

**2026 Quilt Show Committees**  
**Quilt Show Dates: Oct. 16-17, 2026**

Chair and Co-Chair – Karen Cartlidge, Jane Weinstein

Challenge Quilts - Kathy Haver, Barbara Wolfe

Layout - Valerie Paterson\*, Kathy Haver

Publicity - Judie Bringhurst Lisa Cooper

Printing - Melissa Dessent\*

Judging - Juli Hurin Mary Puckett

Ribbons - Sandy Gardner\*, Lynn Magyar

Cashier - Laurie Shaw, Linda Grogan

Volunteers Registration - Michelle Puzio\* Joan O'Donnell\*

Silent Auction - Bea Mandel\*, Eileen Kane

Yard Sale - Phyllis Griffin, Darcy Benson\*

Boutique - Betsy Bopp\*, Donna Paulson\*

Raffle Baskets - Debbie Walsh, Carol Lejda

Signs - Esther Mayo, Lisa Cooper

Raffle Quilt Inside Sales - Barbara Wolfe

Family Reception - Sue Roth

Quilt Registration - Debbie Feulner\*, Heather Brandon

Admissions - Harriet Smalls

\* Indicates people who have been on this committee before.

**Special thanks** to those that participated in the creation of our 2026 Raffle Quilt  
Phyllis Griffin, Lucille Amos, Karen Cartlidge, Sigrid Kenny, Darcy Benson, Debbie Feulner,  
Carol Lejda, Joan O'Donnell, Harriett Holt, Patty Tomatore, Laurie Shaw, Barbara Wolfe, Valerie  
Paterson, and Kathy Haver



## **Activities / Sew Hours**

Don't forget about sew hour coming up. The last one for this month will be August 28th, Thursday from 1-3.

REMINDER: We meet the first Tuesday, the second Sunday, and the 4th Thursday.

September 2nd 1-3 Tuesday  
September 14th 2-4 Sunday  
September 25th 1-3 Thursday

Linda Grogan

## **Boutique**

I'm happy to get any new ideas for items to make for the Boutique. I'll continue to put kits together for you all to make.

Thanks, Betsy

## **Community Service / Charity Committee**

Thank you to all who have supported the guild with your charity quilt donations. We are well on our way to reach our 2025 goal. We have quilt kits and quilts in various stages that you can work on to help out.

Thanks, Juli

## **Dog Bed Scraps**

For those supplying dog bed scraps, I would like to remind you please to watch sharp objects, buttons, Kleenex, blue jean trims like waistbands, hems etc. also, button plackets, collars, and buttons.

Thanks, Becky

## Little House Quilts for Habitat Greensboro

Habitat Greensboro can use another 12 - 15 Little House Quilts for 2025!

Please keep sewing your adorable quilts - any size up to 18".

Be sure to include a sleeve or hanging tabs on the back of the quilt.

Lynn Magyar will collect, add Guild labels and deliver to Habitat for new homeowners.

Thank you!



## Membership Committee

Bea Mandel, Sandy Gardner, and Becky Hayes

## Yard Sale

Donations can be taken at the meeting, please let me know in advance if you are planning on bringing items so we can meet outside for the exchange.

Appreciate your support and donations for the guild, Thanks, Darcy

Our storage contents  
continue to grow





## September Birthdays

Becky Hayes Sept 6th

Pamela Finney Sept 7<sup>th</sup>

Peggy Irwin Sept 27th

## Gate City Quilt Guild –2025 Board Officers

Board Officer Title	Board Officer
President	Michelle Puzio
President Elect	Mary Puckett
Quilt Show Chair	Karen Cartlidge
Quilt Show Co-Chair	Jane Weinstein
Treasurer *	Laurie Shaw
Secretary	Harriett Holt
Newsletter *	Darcy Benson
Website *	Darcy Benson
Historian	Joan O'Donnell
Membership	Bea Mandel
Membership	Sandy Gardner
Membership	Becky Hayes
Publicity	Judie Bringhurst
Charity	Juli Hurin
Hospitality	Heather Brandon
Hospitality	Lynn Magyar
Programs (2025-2026)	Michelle Puzio
Programs (2024-2025)	Phyllis Griffin
Activities	Linda Grogan
Parliamentarian	Pam Tocornal

*\* Officer positions designated with \* indicate roles that require special knowledge and/or skills and may, thus, be filled for more than two consecutive terms.*

## August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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24	25	26	27	28 Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm - 3pm	29	30
31						

## September 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm - 3pm	3	4 Guild Meeting	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Sew Hour (zoom) 2pm - 4pm	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Sew Hour (zoom) 1pm - 3pm	26	27
28	29	30				

## Out and About News

**Debbie Feulner would like to know** if anyone in the guild has the kit " Piping hot binding Kit by Susan Cleveland". It is not available on her website or the Quilt Show website. Please reach out to [Debbiefeulner@gmail.com](mailto:Debbiefeulner@gmail.com) or 919-815-4356

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## FOR SALE

### SASHIKO Sewing Machine by Baby Lock



**Used SASHIKO (Model BLQK) sewing machine for sale for \$500.** This machine is different than any other conventional sewing machine. The Sashiko will make one stitch on the top of the fabric after the handwheel makes two complete rotations when the needle is in the down position. When the needle is in the up position it will make one stitch after the handwheel makes one and a half rotations. The specialty needle will catch and release the bobbin thread alternately. Stitching on the top looks like hand quilting. The stitching will not

unravel, so it is not necessary to make tacking stitch. Adjustable stitching and spacing.

Baby Lock Sashiko Model BLQK2 retails for \$5,398.00. I purchased this machine used and am selling it for less than I paid. The machine is in good condition and works well. If you want the hand quilted look on your quilts without the handwork, this machine is for you.

This is a specialty machine and is not for normal sewing. Instruction books, needles, and other supplies are included. See photos for stitching samples.

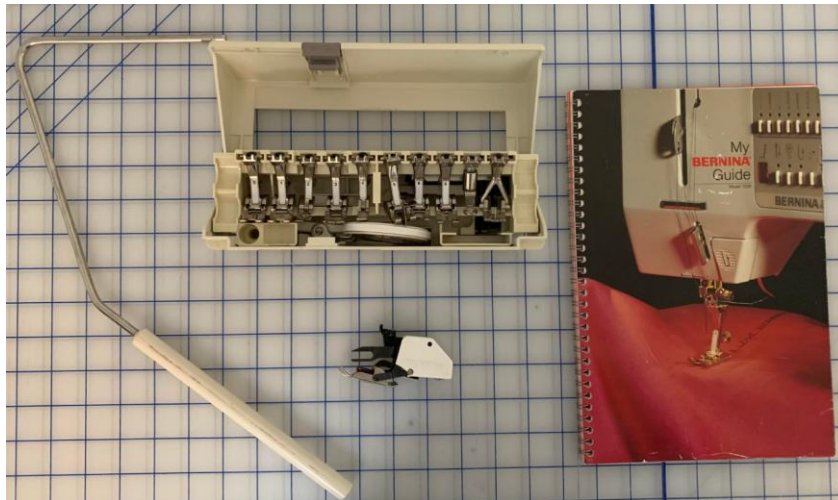


If interested in this machine, please contact Karen Carlidge at 304-279-1296. Cash or check.

Like new Tutto rolling cart for a sewing machine. Used twice. Large enough for a Bernina 770 (no embroidery module). Measures 26" long, 14" wide, and 16 1/2" tall, Asking \$100. Please reach out to Judie Bringhurst at 336-514-7163 buckleberrie@icloud.com for more information.



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Bernina 1230 presser feet, even feed foot, knee pedal and guide book - \$25  
Please contact Lynn Magyar [LRMNC91@gmail.com](mailto:LRMNC91@gmail.com)



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**Bernina Trade-In Event is here!**

All September long, you can trade in any used sewing machine and leave with a brand new Bernina. Buy from a dealer with 29 years experience in selling, teaching and servicing Berninas. 0% financing now through September 17th! Grab some new accessories this month with a special sale as well. Bernina presser feet, hoops and Big Books are Buy 2, Get 1 Free for the whole month of September.

It's as easy as 1-2-3!

- STEP 1** Trade in **ANY** Used Sewing Machine
- STEP 2** Purchase **ANY** New BERNINA Serger or Domestic Machine
- STEP 3** SAVE UP TO **25% OFF\***

\*Includes our new Z-SERIES PRO-LINE

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## 2025 – A Quilt Odyssey

Dennis Wicker Civic Center, Sanford, NC

Friday, Oct 17, 10 am to 5 pm  
Saturday, Oct 18, 10 am to 4 pm  
Admission - \$7.00; under 12 free



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and how to enter your quilts  
in the show

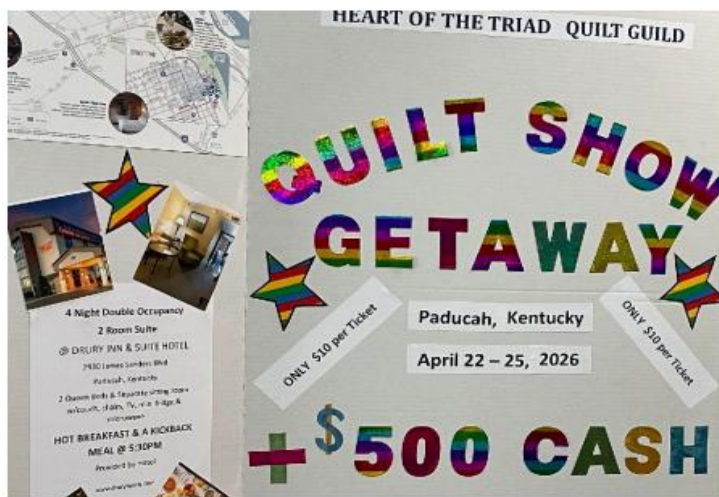


Email: [info@heartsandhandsnc.org](mailto:info@heartsandhandsnc.org)  
Phone: 719-388-7787 or 336-692-1049



<https://heartsandhandsnc.org/2025-a-quilt-odyssey-show>





Attend the **2026 AQS Quilt Week** and go to numerous quilt related venues, such as The National Quilt Museum and Hancock Fabrics of Paducah.

**April 22-25, 2026** is reserved for you to enjoy 4 nights in a double occupancy, 2 room suite at the Drury Inn and Suites in Paducah, including free Hot Breakfast and, at 5:30 PM, a free Kick Back Meal daily.

Prize includes **\$500 CASH** to help you and a friend have a great quilting adventure!

~~~~ TICKETS ARE ONLY \$10 each ~~~~

TRANSPORTATION IS NOT PROVIDED

**Drawing to be held on or before January 15, 2026**

**Only 600 tickets will be sold**

**Contact Penny Nolen at 336-971-1907 or [nolen991955@gmail.com](mailto:nolen991955@gmail.com) for availability of tickets.**

Fundraiser sponsored by the **Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild** in Kernersville, NC

**Gate City Quilt Guild**  
**Membership Application for the year of - 20\_\_**

**Please Print Legibly**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: (year optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Check if    New: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_    Check #: \_\_\_\_\_    Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

- Annual membership is January 1 – December 31 and the annual membership fee is \$35 due by January 31.
- Annual fee for members age 75 or older is \$20.
- New members joining after July 31 will be charged \$25 for membership through the remainder of the membership year. No other prorating will apply.
- Membership dues are non-refundable.

Mail this completed form and your check, payable to Gate City Quilt Guild by January 31st to:

**Gate City Quilt Guild**

**P.O. Box 29196**

**Greensboro, NC    27429-9196**

Or–hand it in at the membership table at any meeting.

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## Inclement Weather Policy

If Guilford County Schools are closed due to inclement weather the meeting may be changed to a zoom session.

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We do our best to update you on meeting changes from in person to Zoom via email, Facebook, our website or a phone call

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## Guild Meetings are held:

1st Thursday of the month  
6:30 pm Social  
7:00 pm Meeting begins

Congregational United  
Church of Christ  
400 W. Radiance Drive  
Greensboro, NC 27403

Meets are held either  
in person or via Zoom  
(See the list of Program  
Presentations for the  
meeting location)

Email - [info@gatecityquiltguild.org](mailto:info@gatecityquiltguild.org)  
Mailing Address:  
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P. O. Box 29196,  
Greensboro, NC 27429

### The guild website

<http://www.gatecityquiltguild.org/>

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### Newsletter Deadline The 20<sup>th</sup> of the month

Send your contributions and info to share to [BensonDarcy@gmail.com](mailto:BensonDarcy@gmail.com)  
Include the word "Newsletter" in the subject line.