

# Quilters' will



April 2023

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## News of the Twin Rivers Quilter's Guild New Bern, North Carolina



### From the President

**April 13, 2023:** Today's meeting started off with disappointment. Our scheduled speaker, Annette Ornelas, had to cancel due to having Covid. I hope you recover quickly Annette. Carolyn Hansen will have more information in her report.

- Jackie Harrison presented the Treasurer's Report.
- Margaret Puotinen answered the Help Wanted Ad for Secretary. Thank you Margaret and welcome! As promised you have a reserved seat each month.
- Carolyn Hansen's reports are in the newsletter. Hopefully you will take the time to read all included here.

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**MAY 11 at 10 a.m.**  
**Lion's Club Pavilion at  
New Bern's Glenburnie Park**

340 Glenburnie Drive (note: **not** Glenburnie Road)  
After entering the park a drive will swing off toward the left.  
Follow that to the shelter.

**Food & drink will be provided**

#### **BRING:**

- A lawn chair if you don't want to sit at a picnic table
- Charity quilts
- Children's summer toys for the Women's Shelter
- Show & Tell will be limited to one item.
- Wear comfortable shoes/sneakers.

**GAMES, PRIZES & FUN!**

### 2023 OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President: Jan Penner

Vice President/Programs: Carolyn Hansen

Treasurer: Jackie Harrison

Secretary: Margaret Puotinen

Block of the Month: Chantal Huestis/Lilly Lucier

Charity Quilts:

- Children—Lorraine Wocel
- Military — Mary Daugherty/Jeanne Batten
- My Sister's House — Pat Kruger
- Nursing Home — Becky Barnes/Ruby Scheer/Pat Mayo/Rolayne Schwendy

Communications:

- Newsletter—Paula Gramley
- Technology/Website/Facebook — Karen Hallquist
- Member Spotlight—Laurene Gaskins

Community Education: **OPEN**

Community Relief Fund: Executive Committee

- Coastal Woman's Shelter — Nancy Hausman

Community Service: Lilly Lucier, Mary Quay

Day of Sharing: Ed Dzioba/Pat Boni

Door Monitoring: Evelyn Bernhardt

Duffy Gallery Exhibit: Lu Anne Tridico

Library: Claudia Moran/Gail Dorman

Member at Large/Founding Member: Helen Williams

Member Outreach: Nancy Houyoux

Membership: Janet Olsen

New Member Mentoring: Carolyn Hansen

Sunshine: Kay Amend/Evelyn Bernhardt

2023 New Member Tea: Carolyn Hansen

2023 Winter Retreat: Sue Kleeman/Ed Dzioba

2023 Spring Retreat: Kathy Farrar/Sandy Drechsler

2023 Fall Retreat: Sandy Smith/Jeanne Batten

2023 Christmas Lunch: Evelyn Bernhardt & team

2023-24 Raffle Quilt: Susan Faith

2023-24 Raffle Quilt Sales: **OPEN**

**From the President, Continued from pg. 1**

- Committee reports were kept short for today due to leaving time for our speaker. They will be included in this newsletter.

**Our attendance today was 55!** Happy to see members greeting each other and welcoming newer members.

**Remember to wear your TRQG name tags to all meetings here at Tabernacle Church.** If you have lost it and need a new one, contact Janet Olsen. If you do not have it with you the fine is \$1. This increase is because not many have 50 cents change with them (inflation may help you remember). The name tags are required by the church.

Love 'n Hugs,  
Jan Penner



Gail Banks 2  
Susan Faith 2  
Chantal Huestis 2  
Sandy Smith 6  
Karen Hallquist 12  
Jan Penner 18  
Vicki Shetter 24  
Julia Burke 26

**From the Vice President**

Hello to all TRQG members, it was great to see everyone at the Business Meeting.

Unfortunately, our guest instructor got ill and was not able to present lecture/trunk show after the Business Meeting, including both classes. I hope she is on the mend! Thank you to all the members at the Business Meeting, and the members signed up to take the classes, for your understanding at this unexpected turn of events. I will be contacting Annette Ornelas next week to re-schedule the class and lecture. I will be refunding the money to those members who were signed up to take the class. The members who were originally signed up for the class, will have priority when the class is rescheduled.

Regarding the Round Robin, I put out a sign up sheet at the Business Meeting. I was glad to see so many members interested. Please attend the Program meeting after the Board Meeting on May 4 for team information.

See the information on this page about our next workshop. **Please let me know if you are planning to attend.**

—Carolyn Hansen

**NEXT FREE MEMBER WORKSHOP:  
HANKY PANKY WALL HANGING**

**Thursday, April 27, 9:30 a.m. at Tabernacle Church**

**Instructor: TRQG member Rolayne Schwendy**

Please contact Carolyn Hansen to sign up.

**WHAT TO BRING:**

This is NOT a machine project, so you will not need to bring a sewing machine. You will need to bring:

- Small mat to 'bounce' needle off of so table is protected
- Needles for sewing
- White thread
- Some straight pins (5-10)
- Scissors for cutting hankies and for cutting thread
- A decision as to what color hanky-panky you wish to focus on: pink, blue, yellow, etc.
- Optional: You may bring hankies you wish to use but you must be willing to cut them up. Bring damaged hankies or old table linens with a pretty design or edging

**ROLAYNE WILL PROVIDE:**

- A backing to sew your hanky design onto
  - A selection of hankies sorted by color....I have about 500.
- You will have a 'crazy quilt' appearing item that you can finish with batting and a border at home. Embellishments enhance your design (think lace, buttons, appliqués, beads, & jewelry). They can also hide a hole or stain in a hanky you REALLY want to use. These make fine wall hangings for a bedroom, hall, or bath OR a gently used pillow. They are not durable and I have never washed one.

## New Member Spring Tea

Saturday, April 22

Noon-3 p.m. at Tabernaclz Church in  
the Family Life Center

New members & mentors have received invitations.



## Sunshine Report

Get well cards went to:



- Ruby Scheer, recovering from surgery
- Sandy Smith, who was in the hospital with COPD and pneumonia; and a “welcome home” card sent when she was released
- Terry Lindquist, who had neck surgery

Thinking-of-you cards were sent to:

- Laura Miller, whose husband was recovering from knee surgery
- Evelyn Bernhardt, whose husband was recovering from heart surgery

Sympathy cards went to:

- Sandra Egolf, whose brother-in-law passed away
- Sue Marra, whose husband passed away
- Family of Debbie Brickett, a former member who passed away in Florida

Thank you card:

- We thanked Pat Ruff, who donated a Featherweight sewing machine to the guild.

When you hear of a member who is sick, down in the dumps, or has a death in the family, please call or text me. Thank you.

—Kay Amend



## Day of Sharing is Oct. 14

TRQG will be hosting a Day of Sharing on Saturday, Oct. 14. Because our guild has its 40th anniversary in 2023, we will celebrate it at the Day of Sharing with a “ruby” theme. Additional information

TBA. Ed Dzioba and Pat Boni are heading up this event.

### DID YOU ATTEND OUR 2021 DAY OF SHARING?

Remember the [prom dress swap challenge](#) from our last Day of Sharing? **Plan to bring your finished projects from the prom dress swap to show off on Oct. 14!** If you have questions about the prom dress swap call or email Mary Quay.



## March Hand Applique Workshop

Thank you, Mary Yanchok, for teaching your lovely method of hand applique to a class of TRQG members on March 23! We appreciate you sharing your expertise with us!





## Charity Quilts

### Children's Quilts

This week I received 5 quilts from the following: Jenny Nebe 2, Becky Barnes 1, Kay Amend 1, and Karen Dodd 1. On March 15, I delivered 5 gallon bags of pull tabs to the Ronald McDonald home in Greenville.

Thank you all, Lorraine Wocel

### My Sister's House

My Sister's House is having an open house on April 21 at 11 a.m. The house is located at 524 Round Tree Ave. The house is getting ready to open its doors to welcome the first women in the near future.

In April, I received seven beautiful quilts for this home. Thank you to the following TRQG members: Mary Quay, three quilts; Geri Reid, two quilts; Ruth Powers, one quilt, and Emily Lewandowski, one quilt.

If you'd like to donate a **twin-size quilt(64x86 inches)** or have questions about the house, please contact me. For additional information on My Sister's House, go online to [www.triedbyfireinc.org](http://www.triedbyfireinc.org).

—Pat Kruger

### Nursing Home Report

After the March meeting, I delivered four lap quilts and two fidget quilts to the remaining four nursing homes and I have some of each ready to distribute this month. The nursing homes (Good Shepherd, Cherry Point Bay in Havelock, Pruitt Health and Truewood by Merrill) appreciated the lap and fidget quilts I took. My plan is to distribute equitably and according to needs. There are many adult clothing protectors from this month's community service ready to be distributed. **Please consider making a lap quilt as I only have one left.** The size for lap quilts is approximate 40 x50 inches. I have enough adult clothing protectors for quite a while.

Lilly Lucier and I took a morning to organize our two storage closets containing things you can use to make charity items. One shelf is devoted to fidget quilt material, including nylon zippers, spools, and fur. There are panels, one preprinted king or queen size. Backing fabric is in the second cabinet on the top shelf.

At the April Business meeting 96 items were turned in for nursing homes: three lap quilts, eight fidget quilts, and 85 adult clothing protectors (70 of these were made at the Community Service project group organized by Lilly Lucier).

Thanks to: Laure Manette, one fidget and four clothing protectors; Becky Barnes, six fidgets and seven clothing protectors; Kay Amend, one lap quilt; Jenny Nebe, two lap quilts; Ruth Powers, four clothing protectors; Pat Phillips, one fidget; and Lilly Lucier, one lap quilt.

—Becky Barnes.

### Block of the Month

Out of last month's 21 airplane blocks that we gave out we got back 11...all were beautifully done. Congratulations to Janet Olsen, who won the block drawing.

The block to be turned in for May is a half-log cabin block, using your own colors.

—Lilly Lucier

When older people say,  
"Enjoy them while they  
are young," they are  
talking about your knees  
and hips. Not your kids.

Did you forget your name tag?



That will now be \$1.

All TRQG members must wear their guild name tag to all meetings at the church. This is a requirement of the church to ensure that people entering the building have a purpose in being there, helping to keep the children and others in the building safe.

If you forget your badge, you will need to pay \$1 and wear a temporary badge for that meeting.

If you have lost your name tag, please contact Janet Olsen to get fabric for a new one.



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## Community Service Projects

**Great results from March:** Thank you for all the beautiful clothing protectors that were made last month...we had a total of 70 bibs that were turned in! Thank you! I hope you enjoyed making them.

**APRIL:** Our community service project for **April 20** will be making **walker bags for nursing homes**. Each walker bag requires one yard of fabric with a fabric which is normally 40-42 inches wide or you can use two 18-inch pieces of fabric 40-42 in wide for each walker bag. I will provide the ties you'll need. Please bring your sewing machine and normal sewing supplies. Each bag takes 30-45 minutes to make, so it is well worth your time to come and make several bags. Join us and have some fun!

**MAY:** The community service project for **May 18** will be **cutting out quilt kits**. Patterns are in the storage closet. You'll need to bring a cutting board, rotary cutter and your ruler. Have some fun cutting up fabric and making a kit! Bring a cutting mat, rotary cutter and your ruler. Have some fun cutting up fabric!

**BATTING AVAILABLE:** I have batting available for you to use in your community service quilts. If you let me know what size you need I will cut it and bring it to the next Stitch and Chat or meeting. You'll be asked to sign your name down for the use of the batting. You'll have three months to turn in your project. If your project is not completed, I will be charging you \$10 to get your name taken off of the list.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you! —Lilly Lucier

Community Service  
Sewing Days  
Third Thursdays  
9:30 a.m. at the  
church.  
Questions?  
Contact Lilly Lucier

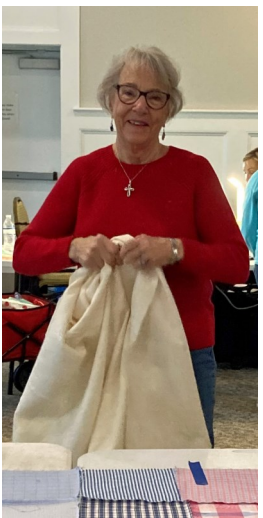
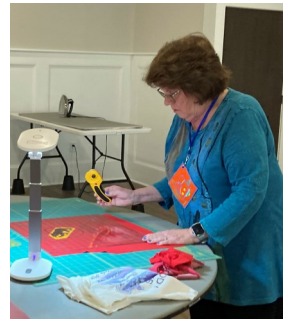


## Coastal Woman's Shelter

**SUMMER TIME FUN ACTIVITIES** are requested to keep the children happy and occupied during the summer break from school. Please be thoughtful and creative as you consider your donation of anything from crayons and coloring pads to outdoor games, things that can be played alone or with others. These will be collected at our May picnic meeting, or you can donate directly to their office on Glenburnie Road. Any questions? Call me at 252-617-6041. Thank you for your continued support. A big red bucket will also be available for monetary donations.

—Nancy Hausman





# Spring Retreat



# More Spring Retreat



I just want to get in my car and drive until I find what I'm looking for. Maybe it's **PURPOSE** maybe it's a **NEW START**. Or maybe it's just a **FABRIC STORE** with a 50% off coupon.

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## This & That

FYI that TRQG members Marty and Ed Dzioba are involved in the production of Arsenic and Old Lace that will be presented in New Bern on May 5,6,12, 13 and 14. The play will be at the NC History Center Cullman Performance Hall. You'll see Marty on stage, while Ed has worked behind the scenes building sets. For tickets, go to [www.NCHistoryTheater.org](http://www.NCHistoryTheater.org) or stop by Bank of the Arts in downtown New Bern.

## Attention New Members: Duffy Gallery Quilt Exhibit Opportunity

Every two years the North Carolina History Center in New Bern invites our guild to submit 50-60 quilts (miniature to full size) for exhibition in the Duffy Gallery. This takes place sometime in the first quarter of the year. Our next exhibit opportunity is early 2024.

The quilts are not judged but are for exhibit only. Application forms will be available in August/September to be completed and turned in before Thanksgiving.

Quilts are not collected until the week before the exhibit opens. All quilts are collected, photographed, insured, hung in a secured room and taken down by Tryon Palace staff. It is a lovely exhibition space and great opportunity to share what we do with the community.

Stay tuned for final dates for the exhibit and instructions to enter, and until then...HAPPY QUILTING!

—Lu Anne Tridico

## Twin Rivers Quilter's Guild

Regular meetings are held at Tabernacle Baptist Church, 616 Broad Street in New Bern.

**Monthly Board Meetings begin at 9:30 a.m.** on designated dates for all officers and committee chairs (meeting is open to all members). The door is open at 9.

**Monthly Business Meetings begin at 10 a.m.** on designated dates (open to all members and visitors); the door is open at 9. We recommend you arrive no later than 9:30 to sign up for events, turn in donations, etc.

- Annual Dues: \$30
- Member-led demonstrations and workshops: Free, open for members
- Professional Teacher Workshops: \$10 for half-day; \$20 for full day (nonrefundable, due at sign up), open for members

### REMINDER: The official TRQG nametag



must be worn to all meetings at Tabernacle Baptist Church to maintain building security for the church's preschool and other programs.

Members should enter through our designated door, where a door monitor will let you in. **The doors will be monitored:**

- 9-10 a.m. on Business Meeting Thursdays
- 9-9:30 a.m. on other Thursday meeting dates
- If you arrive late you will need to call a friend or Evelyn Bernhardt (252-725-0273) to get someone to open the door.

# May

## ADDITIONAL DATES

- April 27: Hanky Panky Workshop
- May 11: Business Meeting at Glenburnie Park: PICNIC (see pg. 1)
- October 14: Day of Sharing (details TBA)
- Oct. 22-27: Fall Retreat
- Dec. 14: Christmas Luncheon
- Jan. 15-20: Winter Retreat
- LOOKING AHEAD: April 11-12, 2025—Quilt Show

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26	April 27 9:30 Stitch & Chat 9:30 Hanky Panky Workshop at the church (register with Carolyn Hansen)	April 28	April 29
April 30	May 1	2	3	4 9:30 BOARD MEETING (followed by Program Committee mtg) 9:30 Stitch & Chat	5	6 Kentucky Derby 
7	8	9	10	11 10:00 PICNIC AT GLENBURNIE PARK IN THE LION'S SHELTER <i>Food provided, see pg.1</i>	12	13
14 	15	16	17	18 9:30 Stitch & Chat 9:30 COMMUNITY SERVICE SEWING DAY: CUT OUT QUILT KITS	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 9:30 Stitch & Chat 10:00 Sewing on the River Sewing Day	26	27
28	29	30	31	June 1 9:30 BOARD MEETING 9:30 Stitch & Chat	June 2	June 3