



**Rutherford Quilt Guild, Inc., Newsletter
March 2025**

Next Meeting:

Monday, March 10th, 2025

7:00 pm

First Baptist Church of Rutherfordton

246 N. Main St. Rutherfordton, NC

<https://rutherfordquiltguild.com/>

March 2025 Program:

Tea Yang will be our presenter and will educate us about Hmong Story Cloths. You can learn more before our meeting here: <https://blogs.loc.gov/international-collections/2020/07/asia-texts-and-textiles-at-the-library-of-congress-part-ii-hmong-story-cloths/>



March 2025 Birthdays:

Dee Batayte 3/3
Brenda Danner 3/8
Leigh Danner 3/11
Martha McGinnis 3/16
Barbie Paulun 3/5
Linda Salter 3/19





School House Quilts hosts a Monday afternoon Welcome Home Group. This group has several purposes, but it focuses on making and awarding quilts to veterans of the United States Armed Services who have served in a combat situation to honor them for their sacrifice and service. The group meets from 1:00-4:00 pm at School House Quilts. Our upcoming meetings are as follows:
March 3rd & 17th
<https://welcomehome14.godaddysites.com/>

President's Corner

Dear Members,

Thank you to all that worked on our raffle quilt! We are all anxiously looking forward to seeing the completed quilt this month. The raffle tickets will be available in April. Each member will be given a picture of the quilt and 50 tickets to begin selling.

I made the duffle bag! It was so easy. Can't wait for you to see it. Hopefully, this may be a charity project that we can make for the kids. We will discuss further at the meeting.

Happy Quilting and Happy Saint Patrick's Day!

Barbara Welge

Newsletter Deadlines:

If you have something you'd like to add to the newsletter, the deadline for this information is as follows:

The deadline for the April newsletter is March 28th.

The deadline for the May newsletter is April 25th.

2025 Membership:

2025 Membership dues are being gathered. If you have not renewed your membership for 2025 yet, you can download the form on our website here: <https://rutherfordquiltguild.com/> click JOIN!

Pictures from our last meeting:

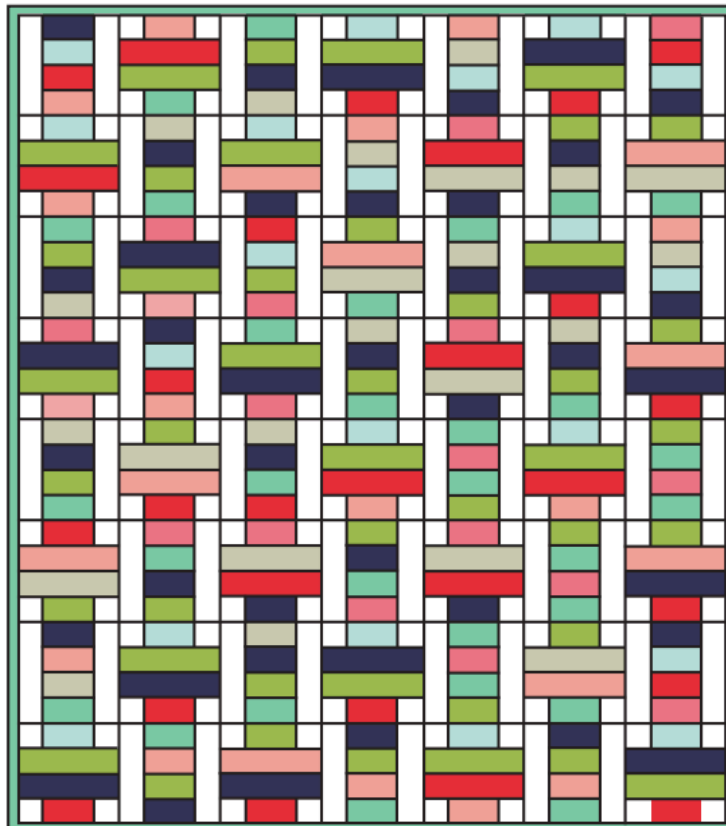








If you're looking for a great way to use a jelly roll, here's a simple quilt idea: <https://www.fatquartershop.com/jelly-roll-slice-quilt>



Event Press Release

“Gardening Outside the Lines” Gardening Symposium

On Saturday, April 5, 2025, the Extension Master GardenerSM Volunteer Association of McDowell County is hosting a garden symposium, GARDENING OUTSIDE THE LINES. This symposium brings together amateur backyard gardeners and gardening professionals for a day of insightful presentations featuring dynamic speakers who are leaders in their field. Topics will focus on eco-friendly gardening and thinking outside gardening norms. You may register via link <https://go.ncsu.edu/gardensymposium2025>.

Brie Arthur is a bestselling author and gardening personality who is widely known for her leadership with the national Foodscape movement and her lively, information packed presentations. She is a long-time contributor on the Emmy award winning PBS Television show “Growing a Greener World”. You can follow Brie’s gardening journey through her website, BrieGrows.com or her social media and YouTube channel, Brie the Plant Lady. There will be two opportunities to hear her speak that day and her topics will be **Seeds of Enchantment: Cottage Gardening from Seed** and **Bountiful Containers: Foodscaping in Pots.**

Basil Camu is the co-founder of Leaf & Limb and Project Pando. He is a Treecologist, International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Board Certified Master Arborist, Duke graduate, Wizard of Things, and author of the book "From Wasteland to Wonder - Easy Ways to Help Heal Earth in the Sub/Urban Landscape." The mission of Leaf & Limb is to preserve, plant, and promote trees in a manner that attempts to maximize positive benefits for members of all ecosystems. He will speak about **From Wasteland to Wonder – Easy Ways We Can Help Heal Earth in the Sub/Urban Landscape.**

Felder Rushing has traveled to all fifty states (lectured in 36) and across five continents looking for interesting gardening angles to share via his extensive lecturing, writing and broadcasting. The graduate horticulturist and free-thinking university professor has written syndicated newspaper columns for 40 years and hosted a live radio program for nearly that long, including 15 years now as the weekly host of The Gestalt Gardener, one of National Public Radio’s most popular gardening programs. He will talk about **Slow Gardening North Carolina Style**, a rollicking romp through ways to get the most out of our gardens all year, using all our senses and **Over and Under the Fence**, pass along plants of all types as ways to create and maintain communities.

Along with this amazing lineup of talent, attendees will be provided a delicious lunch and time to shop at local vendor booths, including the opportunity to buy books from the speakers. The ticket price includes parking, snacks, lunch, and a day full of learning surrounded by gardeners like yourself. Upon registration, you will automatically be eligible for door prizes. The symposium will be held at McDowell Technical Community College, Cedar Building #11, 54 College Dr., Marion, NC. Registration is required. You may register via link <https://go.ncsu.edu/gardensymposium2025>. The McDowell County Extension Office is available to assist at 828.652.8104.

Extension Master Gardeners connect people with the benefits of consumer horticulture through research-based information, educational programming, and community outreach that empowers North Carolinians to cultivate healthy plants, landscapes, ecosystems, and communities. We hope you can join us for this wonderful, educational opportunity.

LANDRUM QUILT SHOW

March 13-15, 2025

Thursday & Friday 10 am - 5 pm

Saturday 10 am - 4 pm



The Cunningham Market Pavilion

221 West Rutherford Street

Landrum, SC

**150+ Quilts • Vendors • Boutique • Silent Auction
Used Books and Magazines • Raffle Quilt and Baskets**

Admission \$6



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Busy Bees Quilt Guild
presents

“Honey of a Quilt Show 2025”

Friday, March 7th, noon – 5 p.m.
Saturday, March 8th, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sunday, March 9th, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.



**Over 100 Beautiful & Unique Quilts on Display,
Quilts of Valor, Opportunity Quilt, Boutique
Silent Auction, Gift Baskets.**

**Services by Michael DeGrave: Scissor Sharpening,
Machine Oiling, Cleaning and Repairs
No Appointment Needed**

Admission: \$5, Free Parking

**Fountain Inn Activities Center
610 Fairview Street, Fountain Inn, SC 29644**



Charlotte Quilters' Guild presents **2025 Carolina Lily QUILT SHOW**

Fri/Sat, March 7 & 8, 2025

Admission: \$10

Students: \$7, Children 10 and younger free

Hundreds of gorgeous quilts on display,
Large Vendor Mall, Raffle Prizes,
Handmade Gifts Boutique and More!

Freedom Hall, Park Expo and Conference Center

**800 Briar Creek Rd
Charlotte, NC 28205**

Parking \$10



Minutes of the meeting of the
Rutherford Quilt Guild
February 10, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by President Barbara Welge. We had two guests present who were welcomed. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$9007.97 in checking and \$7000.00 in a CD. This report was accepted. The budget for 2025 has been set.

There was a discussion about service projects for this year, Melanie Greenway suggested Heart of the Foothills Animal Rescue, goods and/or monetary donations. Barbara Welge suggested making backpacks for children at DSS. Kelly Dale and Jackie Wallace are to contact DSS to see what their needs and wants are and report back to the guild. There will be a further discussion at the next meeting.

Gwen Moore spoke about the upcoming quilt show. She talked about the committees and the need for some chair positions to be filled. We need to pay for the printing of advertising signs and programs this year. Categories to enter your pieces will be provided soon, the actual registration forms will be given out closer to the show date.

Melanie Greenway had fabric that had been donated to the guild, Sandy Chambers and Yvonne Buchan will take it to see what can be included in the Fat Quarter Baskets and then return any left over for distribution to members.

The guild will be having a "Yard Sale" in May, part of the proceeds will go to the guild and part to the members. Be collecting anything craft related that you no longer need to sell in May.

Barbara Welge thanked everyone who brought items for the Backpack program, we will collect items again in two months.

Jane Chownky spoke about upcoming programs for the year.

We had a program telling a little about our quilting journey. After this was Show and Tell, those participating were Sandy Chambers, Gwen Moore, Janice Byers, Sandra Witt, Glenda Stindchomb, Ann Arrowood, Jackie Wallace, Martina Toney, Karen Wilson and Terry Waters.

After a brief break to have cookies and hot chocolate, Martha McGinnis spoke on the origins of the guild and the activities through the years.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Parton
Secretary

2025 Guild Officers



President:
Barbara Welge

1st Vice President Programs:
Jane Chownyk

2nd Vice President Membership:
Kerry Bonnville

Secretary:
Robin Parton

Treasure:
Leigh Danner

Members at Large:
Linda Salter, Judy Bailey, Martina Toney, and Martha McGinnis (board member in charge of grant money)