

# Azalea City Quilters' Guild

## Nine Patch News

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### RESOLUTIONS

Sign-up for 2018 resolutions will be at February meetings. Remember the resolution does not have to be just for making quilts. Other examples for resolutions are participating in the Guild Challenge, taking a class, quilting with the Project Linus quilters or QOV quilters, teaching a class (especially for the night guild), etc. Let your imagination run wild. Have your list ready.

*Georgia McCain*



### CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT

**Creative Development Series:** I'm excited to say that there are almost 40 people participating in the weekly creativity development series! If you missed the original write-up, each week I send out a prompt that is the springboard for you to come up with a small piece relating to that theme. You do only the ones you want, you can use any materials or technique, you can interpret the theme any way you want, and you can share your work or not. There are some pictures posted on the art group's facebook page - one album created for each week, so you can see that week's theme all together. Here's the link to the page: <https://www.facebook.com/Azalea-City-Art-Quilters-1402830520040182/?rc=p>. It's not too late to join - contact Susan Mogan for more details and to be added to the email list.

### Calendar of Events

#### Block Party

Every Thurs. morning 10:00-12:00 Springhill Baptist Church, Activities Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor –Personal projects

#### Old Sew & Sews- Charity Quilts

1st Tues., February 6, 2018  
At Joyce Reed's house—634-0256

#### ACQG General Meeting

9:30 Registration, 10:00 Meeting  
2nd Tues., February 13, 2018  
St. Mark UMC 439 Azalea Road

#### Linus Quilts

9:00-3:00 1st Thursday, February 1, 2018  
Tillman's Corner Senior Center, Nevius Road

#### Night Guild

Thurs. after 2nd Tuesday, February 15, 2017  
6:30-8:30 p.m. at Christ UMC on Grelot Rd.

#### QUILTS OF VALOR

4th Monday of the month,  
February 26, 2018  
8:30-3:30 at 1600 Boykin Blvd.

#### Art Quilters

4th Tuesday of the month, February 27, 2018  
University Church of Christ on Zeigler Blvd.  
10:00 – 12:00

#### Baltimore Album Stitching Group

1st Saturday, February 3, 2018  
Call Susan Garrett at  
645-8304 or 599-4179

#### Machine Piecing Class

4th Wed., February 28, 2018 1:00 to 4:00pm  
2nd floor, Activities Center,  
Spring Hill Baptist Church



## The President's Notes

Susan Mogan started a creative development group and the first week's subject was Time. Since I received the information, I have had the idea of Time: Time slipping away, the value of Time, too much or too little Time, rolling around in my head. No I haven't made anything but it makes me think of ways to design it on fabric.

As of today (1/11/2018), I still have not had anyone agree to assume the position of Quilt Show Chairperson. I have had several people volunteer to chair specific committees and others who are interested in serving on a committee. Please think, pray, and talk about what you can do. TIME IS RUNNING OUT.

We had a great time at the January Retreat. The group was small but everyone laughed, talked, ate and sewed. Susan Garrett and her staff of elves: Yvonne Tylor, Candy Snipes, and Janet Henry worked really hard to make the retreat special. If you have never been to a retreat, consider trying the

next one in August.

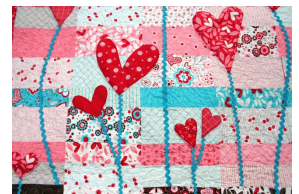
Shawn Sumrall has a magnificent paper piecing project for the February Workshop. In March, Susan Mogan will be presenting a class on Color Theory. The February Meeting Program features a trunk show by the creative Sister Act: Yvonne Taylor and Susan Garrett. I know we will see some phenomenal quilts.

The Pensacola Guild will display their Quilt Show Raffle Quilt. Their Quilt Show is March 9-10 at the Pensacola Fairgrounds.

Reba Perkins is the new Ways and Means Chair, Sandy Purvis is now the Child Advocacy Chair, and Peggy Knippenberg has assumed the Historian's position. I want to thank these ladies for accepting these positions.

Quilting with friends binds our hearts and souls together.

Ann



### February Birthdays

6 Charlotte Mott	15 Patricia Garside
7 Janis Helton	16 Judy Merryman
8 Cheryl Hardin	17 Barbara Bayer
8 Sherea Weiss	19 Mabry Harbin
9 Becky Lentz	20 Nina Clotfelter
12 Grover Moates	24 Linda Hirsch
14 Edie Mosley	28 Myra Burton
14 Annie Thomas	28 Judy Reeves
15 Gini Danford	



**Those having birthdays in the current month, please bring a quilting related "Unbirthday gift" to be used in the Ways and Means drawing; (something you would like to receive if you had the winning ticket). HAPPY BIRTHDAY, and may you have wonderful quilting experiences this coming year.**

### Treasurer's Report December 2017

Money Market Account balance	\$ 8,224.53
Interest earned -	\$ 0.33
MMA balance	\$ 8,224.86
Checking Account	
Beginning Balance	\$11,352.67
Income:	
Ways and Means	\$ 103.00
Exchange Block	96.00
CD's	10.00
Hospitality	25.00
Membership	120.00
Night Guild Challenge	3.00
Calendars	75.00
	<u>TOTAL \$ 432.00</u>
Expenses:	
Peggy Stone (Hospitality)	\$ 33.51
St. Mark UMC	125.00
Georgia McCain(Resolution	50.00
Shore Acres	73.15
Paper Statement Fee	2.00
Child Advocacy	300.00
	<u>TOTAL \$ 583.66</u>
Ending Balance, Nov. 30, 2017	TOTAL \$11,206.01

*Treasurer, Peggy Stone*

**Azalea City Quilters' Guild—General Meeting  
St. Mark United Methodist Church—January 9, 2018**

President Ann Singleton called the meeting to order and welcomed all present. Bonnie Johnson inspired and motivated members to enter quilts in the GSQA Quilt show. Minutes of the December meeting were approved. Ann Singleton read a thank you letter from Pat Guyton, Child Advocacy Center director, thanking the guild for a \$300 donation. Sandy Purvis volunteered to collect the Penny Harvest donations monthly for this cause. Ann also announced a quilt show in DeFuniak Springs, FL February 16-17 sponsored by the Chautauqua Quilters. Location is the DeFuniak Springs Community Center.

Peggy Stone reported a money market balance of \$8,224.86 and a checking account balance of \$11,206.01. Shawn Sumrall reported membership total of 208 with 6 renewals and 73 present today.

Janet Beaverstock reported on upcoming workshops. Basics of Design Class is full, and the paper pieced Mariner's Compass Class in February has one opening. Shawn Sumrall displayed a sample for this project.

Joyce Reed provided an opportunity for members to join the national Quilts of Valor Foundation for \$5 as a part of the Stars over Mobile Group. February 3 is Quilts of Valor National Sewing Day with chances for prizes. Mobile location will be announced soon.

Lola Terranova invited all to join the Linus quilt sewing. Eleven were present last week. If unable to come, volunteer to quilt or bind the quilts.

Susan Mogan invited members to join the art group's Story of Me project. The display at the Mobile Museum of Art is free to view if you ask for the education department. She showed some sample pieces from the Susan Lenz workshop and discussed the creative prompt that she initiated. Susan discussed her first prompt, which was "time."

Bonnie Zabzdyr reported on upcoming GSQA events. The next meeting is January 27 in Baton Rouge with a workshop January 26 called "Hello Fauxgello." The next POE is February 17 in Hattiesburg. The Rosebud Luncheon is April 7 and the 2018 Quilt Show is April 13 -14. Deadline to enter quilts is January 20. All GSQA information is available on the Gulf States Quilting website.

Georgia McCain passed out cards for 2018 Resolutions. Anything quilt-related is acceptable, such as attending or teaching a specific class, mastering a new technique, or of course finishing quilts.

Susan Garrett announced dates and prices for the January Retreat. We are still short of the required 20 overnight campers. Susan also revealed the 2018 Opportunity Quilt. The theme is azaleas. Tickets are ready; the drawing will be in August.

Reba Perkins has assumed the Ways and Means job. She collected \$94 from tickets and pin sales. Winners of the birthday gifts were Mabry Harbin, Joyce Reed, Terrie Garmendia, Sharon Curry, and Margaret Whatley.

After show and tell presentations, the January program Country Store opened.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ann Hetrick



<http://www.gulfstatesquilting.org/index.html>

Visit the website for addresses, directions and any other information you might need.


**2018 GSQA Spring Retreat** -Beckwith Retreat Center February 2 - 4, 2018  
Fairhope, Ala.

**P.O.E.** – February 17, 2018 Hattiesburg, MS

**2018 Rosebud Luncheon** April 7, 2018 Crowne Plaza New Orleans-  
Airport Kenner, La. Tickets will be \$30 per person and will be  
available at the October and January general meetings.

**2018 GSQA Quilt Show:** April 13 - 14, 2018 Northshore Harbor Center  
Slidell, La.

**Attention: We are starting a new column called Tips of the Month. We would love to hear from all of you. Please send your tips to me at: MarieVOWens@gmail.com (Re: Tips of the Month)**



**TIPS OF THE MONTH**

- Use small ponytail holders to slip over bobbins to keep thread in place.
- When making triangle blocks on corners of larger block, place a piece of tape on needle line & follow instead of marking each piece. (hope that makes sense)
- Use pipe cleaners looped in coffee stirrer to clean bobbin area of machine.
- Eye Glass cases make good rotary cutter carriers.
- When using monofilament thread, mark tip with magic marker to see it better.
- Use Yoga gloves for free motion quilting. The finger tips are cut out & the palms are "sticky"
- Curling iron gloves are heat resistant & great for pressing squares.

Our Winter Retreat was small, but it was a success. We had lots of sewing going on and lots of UFO's completed. It started very cold, but warmed up nicely.

Since we had to move our Winter Retreat up a week and it coming so close behind Christmas, it has been suggested that we cancel future January retreats. This will be discussed at the next Guild Board Meeting and will have more suggestions to present at future meetings. Thank you all.

*Always in Stitches, Susie Garrett*

### **WORKSHOPS**

Feb. 20 - paper piecing class is filled. Shawn said she would teach it again if there are others interested. Let me know.

Mar. 20 - Color Theory , choosing the best colors for your quilt with Susan Mogan . Some space available. \$20.00.

April 11 - Martha Ginn from Hattiesburg, MS will teach a class on Art Quilts - Incorporating Artist's book pages. More info at the meeting. Cost is \$35.00. Janet Beaverstock. 973-2844



### **QUILTS OF VALOR**

National QOV sew date is Feb. 3 and we plan to participate by sewing at Christ United Methodist near Grelot and Hillcrest. We will meet in their hospitality room of the Christ Center building about 9am. Come in the front doors of the church on Grelot and turn right - first floor. Bring your machine and supplies and any patriotic fabric you may have or you may work on one of our kits. Soups, drink and dessert provided. Bring your own salad or sandwich, if you want, to go with it.

National QOV did 23,785 quilts in 2017. At an average of \$250 per quilt that comes out to approximately \$6 million dollars in quilt materials. At 100 hours per quilt that means 2.4 Million volunteer man/woman hours, and 2 yds of batting per quilt that's about 47,000 yards of batting! We did about 100 of those quilts in Mobile alone. Thanks so much for all you do.

We will again be the recipient of some discretionary funds from City Council to fund a few of our quilts, so be sure and thank Bess Rich when you see her. Thanks for all your help in keeping this group going strong. We will also be sewing on fourth Mondays at Dauphin Island Parkway SAIL center at 1600 Boykin - 9:00 until 3:00. Bring your machine and join us please.

God Bless, *Joyce Reed*

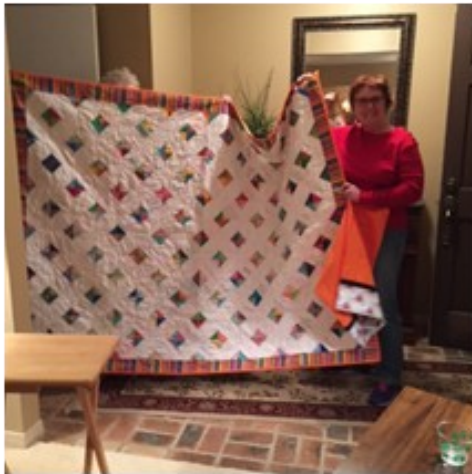
*Welcome*

*Welcome to our New Member:*

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**Yearbook corrections:**

Melanie Stokley (New Email) - mstokley63@gmail.com



### THANKS TO VICKI

At our Christmas party, Bonnie Johnson presented Vicki Crooms with Friendship Quilt, in appreciation for her years of service as Chairman of Night Guild. Our members wrote messages of endearment & signed the blocks. Bonnie assembled, & Rosa Little quilted it. Bonnie graciously offered her beautiful home for our party. It was a fun time, especially the tour of their sewing room/workshop that they share. Husband Ron is an expert woodworker. He gave everyone a carved pencil & angel which he made.

Linda Evans, Night Guild Chairman

### Night Guild News

Beginning the New Year of 2018 on January 11th, we had 10 members and one guest, Sally Wall, (who also won the fat quarter prize).

Mary Ann Logsdon brought her sewing machine and gave us a demo of applying binding to a quilt. Thank you, Mary Ann. You taught us a great deal. We appreciate your expertise and thoughtfulness.

Canned goods and \$3 were donated to the food bank ministry of Christ United Methodist Church. This is our appreciation for the meeting room that the church is letting us use. Much appreciation was expressed about Bonnie Johnson's graciousness in having our Christmas party at her house last month. We had a lovely time and a great meal, but best of all a fantastic tour of Bonnie's and her husband Ron's sewing room/workshop.

At the Christmas party, Vickie Crooms was presented with the Friendship Quilt of which many of us contributed squares for, Bonnie put it together and Rosa Little quilted it. It was our appreciation for her years' of service as Chairman of Night Guild.

February's program will be "Techniques for Good Results in Piecing."

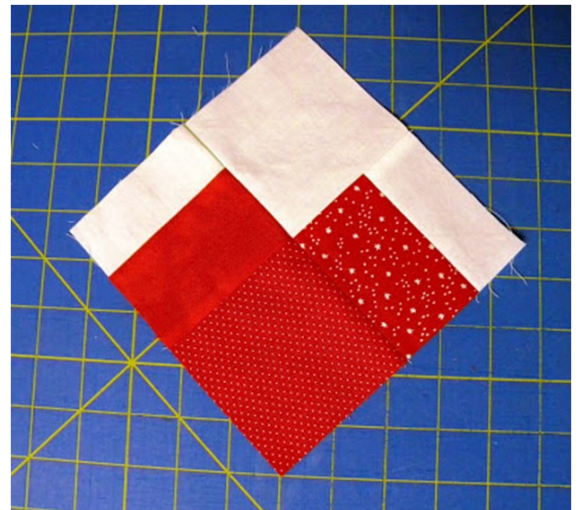
Respectfully submitted,

*Linda Evans*

Night Guild Chairman



### Valentine Pattern





*Mobile Arts Council*

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