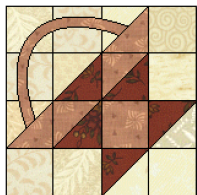


Azalea City Quilters' Guild

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EXCHANGE BLOCK

Yvonne Cobb Taylor and Patsy Davison Starkey (the Exchange Block Girls) have chosen Melinda's Bound-tiful Basket as the block to be exchanged at the August 14, 2018 meeting and luncheon. The blocks may be turned in at the April, May, June, July and August meetings. So, there is still a lot of time!!!

The Guild provides the background fabric plus instructions for \$1.00 and the member provides the block fabric. For every block turned in you receive one chance on the entire group of blocks! Make one block get one chance, make 10 blocks get ten chances.

This time the EB Girls decided remember one of the ACQG's most loved quilter, Melinda Bounds who recently passed away. A member since 1990 she served as Historian for many years.

For additional information or if you need help please contact Yvonne Taylor at happyquilter247@aol.com or Patsy Starkey at pstarkey10@aol.com



The **QOV** sew date has been changed from April 23 to April 30 as the SAIL center on DIP will be closed for a state holiday on our regular sew date. See you from 9 am until 2 or 3pm. Bring your machine - kits provided as needed. Stitchers are always needed. I would love to help our State Chair whittle her list of 150 potential recipients down even slightly, if possible, by sending her a couple of our completed tops. There will be no sewing at my home on April 3rd for Old Sew & Sews as the grands will be here that day.

God bless, *Joyce Reed*

Calendar of Events

Block Party

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

Old Sew & Sews- Charity Quilts

Will not meet this month

ACQG General Meeting

9:30 Registration, 10:00 Meeting
2nd Tues., April 10, 2018

St. Mark UMC 439 Azalea Road

Linus Quilts

9:00-3:00 1st Thursday, April 5, 2018
Tillman's Corner Senior Center, Nevius Road

Night Guild

Thurs. after 2nd Tuesday, April 12, 2017
6:30-8:30 p.m. at Christ UMC on Grelot Rd.

QUILTS OF VALOR

4th Monday of the month,
April 23, 2018

8:30-3:30 at 1600 Boykin Blvd.

Art Quilters

4th Tuesday of the month, April 24, 2018
University Church of Christ on Zeigler Blvd.
10:00 – 12:00

Baltimore Album Stitching Group

1st Saturday, April 7, 2018
Call Susan Garrett at
645-8304 or 599-4179

Machine Piecing Class

4th Wed., April 25, 2018 1:00 to 4:00pm
2nd floor, Activities Center,
Spring Hill Baptist Church



The President's Notes

It was so wonderful to be able to announce a 2019 Quilt Show Chairperson. Thanks you, Susan Garrett, Chair, and Yvonne Taylor, Co-Chair. I know everyone is excited by this news. Believe me, this year will zip by so start working on those projects now.

The Spring flowers were exceptional this year. There are many years that the cold or the rain plays havoc with the blooms, but I think this was one of the prettiest shows Mother Nature has produced. Maybe she was trying to outdo our beautiful off year Opportunity Quilt. Don't forget to buy and

sell those raffle tickets.

The Color Theory Class Susan Mogan taught in March has many of us inspired to incorporate new color combinations in our challenge quilt.

There are quilt shows through out the South during this time of the year. Hopefully, you will be able to take in a few and do some shop hopping along the way.

Rescue some fabric being held hostage,

Ann



April Birthdays

1 Sharon Curry	17 Gail Gehlken
4 Ramona Thompson	19 Melanie Stokley
5 Susan Baskin	20 Susie Olsen
6 Kaye Sackett	21 Shane Cole
7 Ann Singleton	22 Barbara Groseclose
8 Marie V Owens	26 Sandra Herring
9 Bonnie Mobley	28 Deborah Mandrell
10 Rosa Little	30 Patricia Hagler
11 Annette Oliver	

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

February 2018

Money Market Account balance	\$ 8,225.23
Interest earned -	\$ 0.31
MMA balance	\$ 8,225.54
Checking Account	
Beginning Balance	\$12,078.01
Income:	
Ways and Means	\$ 84.00
Workshops	205.00
Rind Mueller Donation	<u>226.00</u>
	TOTAL \$ 515.00
Expenses:	
St. Mark UMC	\$ 125.00
Paper Statement Fee	2.00
Susan Mogan	220.00
Shawn Sumerall	<u>340.00</u>
	TOTAL \$ 687.00
Ending Balance, Jan. 31, 2018	TOTAL \$11,906.01

Treasurer, Peggy Stone

Azalea City Quilters' Guild—General Meeting St. Mark United Methodist Church—March 13, 2018

Welcome and call to order by President Ann Singleton was followed by an inspiration by Bonnie Johnson. Bonnie described a recent QOV presentation. She also announced that member Elaine Williams was recovering from hip surgery. All members were urged to let Susan Holler know of illnesses or surgeries so that she can send a card.

Patsy Starkey reported an addition to the February minutes. The last exchange block drawing awarded a total of 66 blocks, with 22 blocks going to three recipients. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer Peggy Stone reported a money market balance of \$8225.54 and a checking account balance of \$11906.01.

Shawn Sumrall reported a membership total of 210 with guest Bennie Johnson and new member Debbie Armitage, with 64 present.

Georgia McCain has received resolutions from 51 members. If you cannot show them at a meeting, contact her to receive credit.

Janet Beaverstock advised that the Color Theory class next week has a few openings. The April 11 workshop is \$35 and the teacher is Martha Ginn presenting "Pathways," a Caryl Bryer Fallert technique.

The next retreat will be August 23 – 26, 2018 with registration starting in April. If not filled in three months, it will be opened to other area guilds. Due to poor attendance at the January retreat, Susan Garrett presented other options to improve participation. It could be moved to February; the venue could change; or be cancelled. Susan explained the activities and costs for benefit of newer members. After much discussion, Georgia McCain moved that a vote be tabled until the next regular meeting. Tia Burke seconded the motion; the motion carried. Susan also announced that the Island Quilters Guild has openings for a Gail Garber workshop "Little Geese, Little Geese Fly Away Home." Contact ACQG member Lois Daverede for information or registration.

Joyce Reed reported that 12 Quilts of Valor have been awarded this year. The next presentation will be April 28 at the VFW in Pascagoula. There is a block "Split Back Star" on the Quilts of Valor Stars Facebook page. Blocks are gratefully appreciated; this is a good way to help if you cannot make an entire quilt.

Lola Terranova reported for Linus Quilts. The group meets the first Thursday monthly and all are welcome. She expressed concerns that the Child Advocacy Center and Mobile Police have not been receiving quilts. After much discussion, it was decided that Lola will arrange for Elaine Henderson at the Advocacy Center to speak with Project Linus representative to formally request quilts from ACQG and the Sassy Stitchers.

Patsy Starkey advised that the next exchange block is "Melinda's Bound-tiful Basket." Forty-eight sets were sold today; blocks are due in August.

Susan Mogan reported for Art Group and Challenge Quilt. The current project is Artful Log Cabin. The challenge theme is a 30 x 30 inch modern quilt. Contact Nina Clotfelter for any questions.

Ann Singleton gave the GSQA report. Fat quarter donations were collected today for the Rosebud Luncheon. Monetary donations accepted also. The show is April 13-14 in Slidell at the North Shore Harbor Center. The next meeting is April 28 at the First United Methodist Church at Wright and Palafox Streets, Pensacola, FL. There is a POE May 19 in Louisiana.

Ann Singleton announced that Susan Garret will be quilt show chair with Yvonne Taylor as co-chair. Candy Snipes will chair committee for the Show Quilt and she showed a picture of the proposed pattern.

Ways and Means gift winners were Ramona Thompson, Susan Garrett, Cheryl Hardin, Linda Green, Sandra Griffin, and Bonnie Johnson. Reba Perkins reported income of \$104 collected.

Show and Tell quilts were inspiring as always. Resolution quilts need to be reported to Georgia McCain since she had to leave the meeting early.

The program was given by Susan Mogan. She gave a very informative talk on color theory with multiple visual aids and examples.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Hetrick



GSQA

The Rosebud Luncheon will be April 6, 2018 at The Crowne Plaza New Orleans - Airport in Kenner, LA.

GSQA Quilt Show, Northshore Harbor Center in Slidell, Louisiana - April 13 & 14, 2018
April 28, 2018 10 a.m. - Pensacola, FL (Presenter: Gail Garber) Hosted by: Pensacola Quilt Guild at the First United Methodist Church located at 6 E. Wright St. (Downtown) In the Perry Home/Wesley Abbey at the corner of Wright and Palafox

Upcoming POE - May 19, 2018 - Hosted by: Quilting Fans, St. John Parish Library, 2920 New Hwy 51, LaPlace, LA



TIPS OF THE MONTH

- Use a slide out lid tray to put my quilting rulers in. (You can attach to shelf or not)
- Wet the back part of the machine needle & the thread goes in easier.
- Use diagonal joins in binding for better appearance and reduced bulk.

Old Sew & Sews will NOT meet in April due to the holidays and guests coming, but we will sew at the SAIL center on DIP on the 4th Monday in April - the 23rd - **from 9am until 2-3pm**. I am beginning to make plans and setting aside quilts as we can for our November and other future presentations. If you know that you will need a QOV or several for presentation, please let me know so that I can plan appropriately for the rest of the year. If you are fairly confident that you will have one or more quilts ready for us to use for presentations later in the year, please let me know as well so that I can add them into our projected count. Call me if you have any questions. [251-634-0256](tel:251-634-0256). Thanks for all you do. We have already covered over a dozen vets this year. God Bless, *Joyce Reed*



Our sympathy to Susan Mogan and family on the passing of her father-in-law.



Night Guild News

Night Guild met the evening of March 15th with 12 members present. Many brought their Show and Tell items....Susan Holler, Martha Rowland, and Shawn Sumrall presented their beautifully made large star blocks: a product of Shawn's paper piecing class last month. Alan Farmer and Susan Holler both brought their sweet baby quilts that they had pieced and quilted. Extra special: Susan hand quilted her baby quilt. Sandra Jaye and Bonita Flesher brought the items they are working on. HOORAY for a great Show & Tell.

Denise Daniels gave the evening's program on Machine Embroidery. She described some of the do's and don'ts with the art. Denise noted that her embroidery business, "All These Stitches" at [2815 Springhill Avenue](http://2815SpringhillAvenue.com), keeps her busy. She brought some of the beautiful items that she has made on her embroidery machine. Denise stirred quite a few ideas and desires in all of us!

Retha Sumrall won the fat quarter's. It was like a gift from above, welcoming her back from her hospital admittance last month. A nice supply of canned goods was donated for Christ United Methodist Church's food pantry. Thank you all for your donations!

April's program will be Cathedral Windows: by Bonnie Johnson. Cathedral Windows is an old and very beautiful pattern, and Bonnie always does a great job. This will be a good opportunity to learn the quilt pattern.

Night Guild was started to enable members (and visitors) who cannot make the day meetings an opportunity to attend the ACQG monthly meeting -- OR we can attend BOTH the meetings. It's fun to catch two programs in a month! We welcome YOU to attend.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 12th, 6:30pm, Christ United Methodist Church, Room 204, 6101 Grelot Rd.

We are bringing a fat quarter for a drawing (you may be the lucky one to win), and an item for the food bank each meeting. The church is graciously allowing us to use the room for our monthly meeting. Giving to their food bank is a very worthwhile gesture.

Trying to keep my seams straight,

Linda Evans

Night Guild Chairman

Welcome to our New Members:

Debbie Armitage [3400 Oakridge Lane](http://3400OakridgeLane.com) Saraland, AL 36571 Birth 1/9 901-604-2882c dls.armitage@hotmail.com

Audrey Thompson [6617 Grelot Rd. #B6](http://6617GrelotRd.com) Mobile, AL 36695 Birth 5/20 251-367-7710 audreythompson655@gmail.com

Edits -

Joan Dodici: 4201 Burma Hills Drive, Mobile, Al 36693, 251-459-0222, jjodici82@gmail.com

Melanie Stokley's email address is mstokley63@gmail.com

August Retreat is just around the corner, August 23-26, 2018. Signups start at the April Meeting and this will be an Unfinished Object (Project) Retreat. We have some awesome plans for this Summer. Hope to see you there!
Susan Garrett, Retreat Coordinator

ACQG 2018 Summer Retreat

August 23-26, 2018

Name: _____

Phone: (h) _____ (c) _____ Email: _____

If you would like to participate in SECRET SISTER, Please Register below:

Favorite Color(s): _____, Favorite Snack(s): _____

Please list any information you want your SECRET SISTER to know (Please get specific) :

You will know who your Secret Sister is before retreat, so you will be providing things they will be sure to love. (Please use backside if more space is needed).

Secret Sister gifts should include: Notions, Fat Quarter(s) or Fabric, Snack, A surprise, and Clues as to who you are. \$20.00 Minimum. Bring things that you would like to receive and REMEMBER IT IS A SECRET.

RETREAT COST:

Thursday 10am – Sunday 1pm ----- Db ----- \$265.00, Single ----- \$340.00

Friday 8:30am – Sunday 1pm ----- Db ----- \$200.00, Single ---- \$250.00

Roommate: _____

RETREAT COST: ***** DAY CAMPERS *****

Day Camping Hours 8:30am – 5pm and will include Lunch meal Fri & Sat

Thursday – Saturday ----- \$110.00 or Choose Individual Days

Thursday \$30.00

Friday \$45.00

Saturday \$45.00

Dinner Friday Add \$15.00

Dinner Saturday Add \$15.00

Please list any food allergies or special dietary needs on back.

Deadline for Retreat Signup is August 7, 2018. All registration and payments are DUE.

Mail to: Susan Garrett, 10824 Lott Cemetery Rd, Chunchula, Alabama 36521

At the March meeting, we discussed what to do about the Winter Retreat since we had a low attendance. We had a motion to table this until more information could be obtained. We are currently scheduled for February 14-17, 2019, but not confirmed. More on this discussion in April. If you have suggestions please bring them to the April meeting. **Susan Garrett**, Retreat Coordinator

WORKSHOPS

Our next workshop is on April 11th with Martha Ginn from Hattiesburg. She uses Caryl Bryer Fallert's technique of sewing curved sections (or pathways) to a background. Students will learn by making a small (12") block to understand and practice the method. Then work will begin on a larger design of three pathways on a background that's approximately 30". These could be flying geese, strips, or solid fabric.

The class is 9 to 2:30 at Springhill Baptist. Cost is \$35 which includes Martha's pattern. Space is limited but some openings are still available. Payment is due when registering for the class.

Martha will be presenting the program at our meeting on Wednesday the 11th.

The May workshop on May 15th will be on machine quilting with Nina Clotfelter. Cost is \$45 and due when you register.

On June 19 we will have a Quilts of Valor workshop. There is no charge but this is a good opportunity to work on your resolution to make a Quilt of Valor.

Janet Beaverstock 251-973-2844



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