

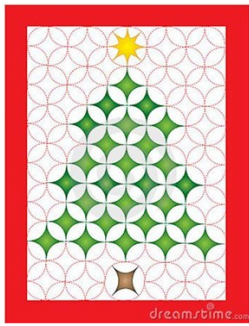
# Azalea City Quilters' Guild

## Nine Patch News

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### WORKSHOPS



No workshop is scheduled for December, Merry Christmas.

January Workshop will be a Donation Quilt Workshop to work on Linus and Child Advocacy quilts. Kits and material will be provided by the Donation Quilt Committee. This is a good time to start on your resolution list if Donation Quilts is one of them. (January 21, 2020, 9:30 – 3:00 at

Springhill Baptist Activity Center)

The February Workshop will be a class taught by Janet Beaverstock. She has a large bag pattern that she will be teaching on February 18, 2020. Don't we always need a new bag. (Springhill Baptist Activity Center)

March Workshop will feature Sandy Fitzpatrick from Hissyfitz Designs. Look her up online. She has really cute and beautiful fusible appliqué designs. (March 11, 2020 – Site to be decided)

*Ann*

### APPRECIATION

In appreciation for being able to hold our meetings at St. Mark, members are asked to bring non-perishable food items to the December luncheon to be donated to St. Mark's food bank.

### BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held at Spring Hill Baptist Activity Center, on Friday, January 3 at 9:30 am in Room 220.

### Calendar of Events

#### Block Party

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

#### Community Sewing Quilts

1st Tues., December 3, 2019—9:00-12:00  
Humana Ins., 3653 Airport Blvd., Ste B

#### ACQG General Meeting

9:30 Registration, 10:00 Meeting  
2nd Tue., December 10, 2019  
St. Mark UMC 439 Azalea Road

#### Linus Quilts

9:00-3:00 1st Thursday, December 5, 2019  
Tillman's Corner Senior Center, Nevius Road

#### Night Guild

Thurs. after 2nd Tuesday  
December 12, 2019  
6:30-8:30 p.m. at Christ UMC on Grelot Rd.

#### Quilts of Valor

4th Monday of the month, December 23, 2019  
8:30-3:30 at 1600 Boykin Blvd.

#### Art Quilters

December 17, 2019, 10-12  
At Susan Mogan's Home

#### Baltimore Album Stitching Group

1st Sat., December 7, 2019 Yvonne Taylor,  
422-1795, email: [happystitcher247@aol.com](mailto:happystitcher247@aol.com)

#### Machine Piecing

Wed., December 4, 2019  
MaryAnn Logsdon



## The President's Notes

I hope you had a very happy Thanksgiving and was able to spend time with family and friends. We spent the day with my sister and her family which included two of my favorite great-nieces. The food was wonderful!

All members were sent an email about changing the location of the day meeting of the Guild (the email is in this newsletter also). The members will be asked to vote on making the change at the December luncheon.

Have you completed your resolution projects for 2019? If not completed by the December meeting, please bring a fat quarter for each project still a work in progress. Thanks to Georgia McCain for chairing this committee. Cathy Eilers will become committee chair for Resolutions starting in January.

The program committee and workshops are busy planning for the coming year. January brings a trunk show by Judy Goll and the opportunity to attend the sew-in for the donation quilts. The Country Store will be open and ready for your purchases at the February meeting. We will also have a presentation of quilts and monetary donations to Child Advocacy Center. Quilts of Valor will also host a sew-in during the month of February.

Watch the newsletter for details.

ACQG will host the Gulf States Quilters Association for their regional meeting on April 25. If you have small items or kits that could be used for door prizes, please give them to Bonnie Johnson.

As a reminder, the December meeting is also a luncheon meeting. Please bring your favorite dish to share. Members who do not cook or may be overloaded with other responsibilities may donate a monetary donation to help cover the cost of other items needed for the luncheon.

Wishing all of you a very happy holiday season and a very happy New Years!  
Happy stitching. And until next month.....

*Susan*



### 2021 QUILT SHOW

If any quilt chair has not turned in your handbook, please bring to the December meeting and give to Peggy Stone.

There will be a Quilt Show board meeting in January after the regular board meeting.

### MEMBERSHIP

ACQG handbooks and membership cards are in the process of being distributed.

### December Birthdays

12/ 3 Dorothy Taylor	12/23 Valerie Jackson
12/ 6 Carolyn Stewart-Weaver	12/24 Betty Todd
12/ 9 Susie Dakin	12/25 Sandra Jaye
12/ 12 Janet Hilton	12/25 Bettye Butler
12/13 Kim Gyuricsko	12/27 Elizabeth McCully
12/14 Peggy Gudmundson	12/27 Jane Ziplies
12/16 Rheta Kirk	12/28 Alice Jackson
12/18 Anne Rose	12/29 Bennie Johnson
12/19 Joanne Caglione	12/ 29 Darlene Taylor
12/22 Glennie Cobb	12/30 Paula Marshall

*Happy Birthday!*



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

October (for October Activity) 2019

Money Market Account balance,	\$ 12,236.86
Interest earned	<u>.73</u>
MMA balance, November 1, 2019	\$ 12,237.59
Checking Account	
Beginning Balance	\$ 3,228.83
Income	
Membership	\$ 220.00
Off-Year Quilt	270.00
Workshops	552.00
Ways & Means	<u>99.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 1,141.00
Expenses	
St. Mark UMC—Oct. Rent	\$ 125.00
Linda Evans—Night Guild	50.00
Joyce Reed—QOV Postage	48.85
Red Dot Storage—Oct. Rent	30.00
Janet Beaverstock—Membership Cards	14.00
Carol Jaynes—Programs/Workshops	<u>1316.28</u>
TOTAL	\$ 1,584.13
Ending Balance as of Nov. 1, 2019	\$ 2,785.70

*Sandy Purvis, Treasurer*

**Azalea City Quilters' Guild—General Meeting  
St. Mark United Methodist Church—November 12, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Susan Holler, President. She announced that the order of business would be changed today for the Quilts of Valor presentation.

Inspiration by Sue Gunter focused on "Gratitude". To be grateful we have to remind ourselves of our blessings. It takes practice to be in a grateful state of mind.

After leading the Pledge of Allegiance, Bonnie Johnson gave a short history of how Quilts of Valor (QOV) began. Joyce Reed read biographies of the recipients. The quilts were presented to John "Skip" Burris, Jr., Omer Oglesly, John McGee and Richard Mortiz. Turner Linwood was unable to attend to due illness. His quilt will be presented at a later date.

The regular order of business was resumed after the completion of the QOV program

Susan Holler stated that Linda Dyken, Peggy Fraser and Martha Elia were recovering from surgery. Remember to keep them in your thoughts and prayers. She read a thank you note from the Art Group in appreciation for the Guild helping with the expenses for the Katie Pasquini Masopost workshop. Susan also announced 2020 will be the Guild's fortieth anniversary. The celebration will take place in June 2020. Elaine Williams will chair the committee. If members have memorabilia to share contact Elaine.

The October minutes were approved as printed in the November Nine Patch.

Treasurer, Sandy Purvis, reported a balance of \$2,785.70 in the checking account and \$12,237.59 in the money market account.

VP of Membership, Peggy Stone, reported eight QOV guests and 62 members in attendance. There are 3 new members with a total of 254 member, with 28 members who need to renew.

VP of Programs, Pam Stephens, highlighted the schedule for 2020: January (Trunk Show by Judy Goll); February (Country Store and presentation of quilts and monetary donations to Child Advocacy Center); and March (Sandy Fitzpatrick of Hissyfitz).

Ann Singleton reported there would be a workshop sew day for anyone interested in working on QOV at Springhill Baptist Activity Center on Wednesday, November 13 at 9:30. There will be no workshop in December. The January workshop will be a sew day for donation quilts.

Ann Hetrick reported the library had more activity recently. She introduced two new books that were recently donated.

MaryAnn Logsdon reported there were 15 members at the November 6 Machine Piecing Class. The next class will be December 4, 2019.

Georgia McCain reminded everyone resolutions will need to be completed by the December meeting. She will be contacting members who have not completed their resolutions. Remember for any resolution not completed you will need to provide a fat quarter. The prizes consist of 4 gift cards from Block Therapy, a Bag of Goodies and the fat quarters.

Susan Holler gave Susan Garrett's reports: Retreat will be August 27-30, 2020, cost remains the same. registration begins in April. Opportunity Quilt, \$153.00 of raffle tickets were sold at the Pecan Festival. If anyone knows of any events starting in January, please let Susan Garrett know as she would like to show the quilt once a month. Yearbook: Peggy Stone has the books and is handing them out. She was able to compress the PDF version and can send it out if you know how to extract this information. Please let her know if you want her to email it to you.

Peggy Stone, 2021 Quilt Show Chair, announced a treasurer has been selected. Resumes for quilt judges have been received and will be reviewed.

Joyce Reed announced that there will be more QOV presentations in Mobile this month.

Cathy Wilson, Baldwin County QOV representative, announced they had presented 33 quilts at their programs. She said a video of their QOV presentations was sent to Channel 5 who contacted her asking for more information. She encouraged everyone to send in videos to different tv stations. They are interested in these types of presentations. Bonnie Johnson reported that there is a group of ACQG and Christ United Methodist Church members who meet monthly and make QOV quilts for presentation to members' family or friends. Their minister included information about QOV during Sunday's service.

Bonnie Johnson reported on Gulf States Quilting Association (GSQA). Our guild has 30 members and 9 attended the October quarterly meeting in New Orleans. GSQA has a memorial each year honoring deceased members. Linda Onkerdonk, Joan Dodici and Ruth Lord were remembered from our Guild. The April 2020 quarterly meeting will be held by our Guild. We will be responsible for providing breakfast and door prizes. Bonnie showed examples of articles she pulled out of her stash that would be great prizes -- kit projects, small items such as pin cushions or as Bonnie said any other fun quilting thing-of-ma-bob. Please bring to the December or January meeting. She will also need gift bags donated.

Linda Evans reported that Night Guild will present a QOV at the November meeting. Friendship Blocks (a fall leaf) will be available. Remember to bring a fat quarter and food items for the Church's food bank. An idea to complete QOV blocks is being considered. December will be the Christmas Party.

Anne Godwin reported that the November Art Group meeting will be a class taught by several members of techniques taught by Katie Pasquini Masopost.

Patsy Starkey reported that all 50 Christmas Tree Exchange Blocks were sold. There is still time to complete and turn in your blocks at the December meeting. Patsy said there would possibly be 3 sets drawn.

Susie Olsen reported that the response to the chal-

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lunge for the Child Advocacy Center was well received. She still has not reached her goal of \$350.00. The donation will be presented at the February meeting.

Lola Terranova asked for any quilts that are to be donated to the Child Advocacy Center in February to be turned in by January so labels can be put on them.

Cora Stewart requested if anyone sends her a request to send out an email that is urgent to text her as she does not check her email daily.

Gini Danford, Hospitality, reminded everyone that our December meeting will be our luncheon. Please bring your favorite dish.

Website Chair, Bonnie Johnson, reported programs and workshops have been added to the website.

Carol Balch invited everyone to come out to

Camp Beckwith the second weekend in December as Kathryn Parker will be having another truckload sale. Kathryn recently turned 99 and Carol is helping her clear her stash.

Sharon Morris reported Ways and Means raised \$88.00 for November with the Unbirthday raffle. There were ten winners: Kate Whitney, Fan Murray, Pam Stephens, Martha Rowland, Sandy Purvis, Linda Flores, Vicki Taylor, Ann Singleton, Debbie Vice and Peggy Stone.

A fabulous Show and Tell was enjoyed with over 30 quilts and smaller items displayed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Susan Holler.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ann Singleton, Substitute for Lydia Criswell

### ***PLEASE NOTE***

As part of the last Azalea City Quilters' Guild Board Meeting on September 26, 2019, a motion was made and approved to set up a committee to research moving the monthly day meeting to Regency Church of Christ, 501 S University Blvd, Mobile, AL.

Bonnie Johnson, Peggy Stone, Ann Singleton, Pam Stephens and Susan Holler met at the church on Wednesday, November 6 to look at the facilities.

We would be able to use the entrance lobby to set up tables for the same purposes that are now located in the rear portion of St. Mark UMC.

The meeting would be held in their auditorium (this becomes their sanctuary on Sunday when members are present).

There is a small room adjacent to the auditorium that could be used to store the library and other items we presently store at St. Mark UMC.

Down the hallway from the auditorium is their fellowship hall that could be used for our luncheon meetings (and for our 2020 birthday celebration).

The advantages of moving the location of the morning meeting:

- More space – as the number of members attending the meeting increase, we need larger space.
- Parking – there is parking on the front of the church and in the rear.
- Air Conditioner – this is a newer building and we think the systems will handle the hot weather in a more efficient manner.
- Kitchen facilities – the kitchen is located adjacent to the fellowship hall and has warming ovens and refrigerators to keep the food dishes at the proper temperature. It also has an ice machine.
- Minimal setup – We would meet in the auditorium that has padded pews and would not need to set up table and chairs except for the months we have a luncheon or other special events. Table set up would still be needed on a monthly basis for sign-in, workshops, retreats, exchange blocks, ways and means, etc. Set-up would need to be done on Tuesday morning as the church has an exercise class that meets in the fellowship hall on Monday nights.
- We would be able to use their sound system. Our sound system would still be available for use in the fellowship hall.
- As stated above, there is space to store our library and other items we presently store at St. Mark UMC.
- The cost to the guild would not change.

Per the By-Laws of the Guild, the Board of Directors and Standing Committees have voted to make this move. We now need approval from the membership to make the move. This notice will be sent to all the members via email and will also be included in the December newsletter. The members will be asked to vote at the December luncheon. If approved by the membership, the first meeting will be held at the new location in January 2020.

***Susan Holler***



### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### ***New Members:***

***Deloris King***, 2350 Ellen Dr Semmes, Al 36575, Home 251-649-2701 Cell 251-423-6604, [CWKing411@aol.com](mailto:CWKing411@aol.com), 4/11

***Julia Fox***, 1191 Radcliff Rd, Saraland, Al 36571, 251-767-3971 [juliafox@yahoo.com](mailto:juliafox@yahoo.com), 6/12

***Cena Goff***, 1191 Radcliff Rd, Saraland, Al 36571, 251-767-3971 [juliafox@yahoo.com](mailto:juliafox@yahoo.com), 5/27

#### ***Correction:***

***Peggy Stone*** correct email address is [spgstone707@gmail.com](mailto:spgstone707@gmail.com)

## ART GROUP



There were 24 members present at the November meeting. Plans for 2020 were presented with projects and programs discussed.

The "In the Garden" project is underway.

Seven members demonstrated the techniques that were taught by Katie P.M. in her October class.

The December meeting will be December 17 at eleven o'clock at Susan Mogan's home. Bring a covered dish of your choice.

Congratulations to Susan Mogan. Her quilt titled "A Fortune in Diamonds" made for the New Quilts from an Old Favorite: Wheel of Fortune Contest, has been selected. The contest is sponsored by the National Quilt Museum. The exhibit will be shown at quilt shows and several other venues throughout the country through 2021. Susan continues to amaze us with her talent in the use of design and color in her work. The quilt is in black and white and the shape of an open kimono.

## NIGHT GUILD NEWS

November's meeting was EXTRA SPECIAL with Joyce Reed's Quilt of Valor Ceremony. Beautiful Quilts of Valor were awarded to 5 veterans and enlisted. Joyce narrated, while Bonnie Johnson and Elaine Williams wrapped the recipients in their quilt. It is such an honor for us, to be able to honor them for their sacrifices and dedication to our country. Sixteen people attended the ceremony.

Joyce also provided the program, explaining to our group of 9 members the history of QOV. Thank you, Joyce. We all appreciate your dedication and we will be helping you in the future. Our 2020 meetings will be engaged in the preparation of blocks for Quilts of Valor. 2020 will be an exciting year.

We had a lovely Show & Tell, which was enlivened with Elaine Williams' art quilts. Elaine brought a surprise "unbirthday gift" which Debbie Caudle won, and I won the collection of fat quarters.

The December 12th meeting will be our **Christmas party** at Debbie Caudle's home. For our dinner, I will provide a ham. Please bring a vegetable or covered dish of your liking. We will have a "dirty Santa" gift exchange of a (preferably homemade) item valued at \$10. (stealing allowed). Rules will be discussed, and it promises to be FUN. Debbie is a gracious host. I certainly am looking forward to our December gathering.

Wishing you all many BLESSINGS and good health during the holidays.

*Linda Evans*, Chairman



Many thanks go to all of you for your help with QOV throughout the year. We will have honored 34 veterans during the month of November and another 30 earlier in the year at last count. This does not count the 20+ given by Sassy Stitchers or the 30+ given by Baldwin Co. QOV. I couldn't have done this without at least 30 different volunteers from our group alone. Way too many to name. We have already been given names for next year and promises from new groups who enjoy honoring a few vets in their church or club that they are hoping to honor a few vets again next November. We are starting on quilts for next year already.

Remember quilts must be at least 55" wide and no wider than 72". They should be at least 65" long and not longer than 90" and of good quality fabric. It helps immensely if you turn a quilt top in if you pin your name to it so I know who to give credit to on the label.

Our first big sew date is the National QOV sewing date on Saturday, Feb. 1st hosted by Bonnie Johnson and friends at her church - Christ United Methodist on Grelot. Lunch will be provided; T-shirts have been donated by one of our sponsors - Thrivent Financial, and we will hopefully have blocks cut and ready to assemble. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this sew in next year.

THANKS AGAIN!

*Joyce Reed*



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