

Azalea City Quilters' Guild

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WORKSHOPS

Our February 18th Bag Workshop taught by Janet Beaverstock was such a fun day. There was a great variety of materials (stripes, birds, flowers, patriotic, and polka dots). The prize should go to Valerie Jackson. When she modeled her beautiful purple bag that she coordinated with her purple outfit. Valerie said she didn't plan it, so purple must be her favorite color.

Thank you, Janet, for your time and patience. It was really great to take home a finished project.

March brings Sandy Fitzpatrick on Wednesday, the 11th. She is teaching a machine appliqué class, Gorgeous Gourds. Patterns will be available for purchase or you can go on line to hissyfitz designs and order. The supply list will go out again on our email in the next couple of days. She recommends an open-toe foot and an appliqué press sheet. There are several openings available for the class. The cost is \$30.

April may bring showers (More?) and definitely the GSQA Quarterly Meeting. The workshops are Thursday and Friday, April 23rd and 24th. These Workshops are being taught by Annie Smith, who will be the featured speaker at the Saturday meeting. You will need to register thru GSQA for these classes.

A return engagement by "Remarkable" Mark Sherman will be Wednesday and Thursday, May 13th and May 14th. Day one is his ink painting technique and day two will be showing how to make your painting become a faux appliqué with his trapunto method. You do not have to take both classes. Mark is a national teacher. In February, he was one of four teachers at Pennsylvania National Quilt Show.

If you have any questions regarding a workshop, please call me at 251 377-2781. *Ann Singleton*

Calendar of Events

Block Party

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

Community Sewing Quilts

1st Tues., March 3, 2020—9:00-12:00
Humana Ins., 3653 Airport Blvd., Ste B

ACQG General Meeting

9:30 Registration, 10:00 Meeting
2nd Tues., March 10, 2020
Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd.

Donation Quilts

9:00-3:00 1st Thursday, March 6, 2020
Tillman's Corner Senior Center, Nevius Road

Night Guild

Thurs. after 2nd Tuesday
March 12, 2020
6:30-8:30 p.m. at Christ UMC on Grelot Rd.

Quilts of Valor

4th Monday of the month, March 23, 2020
8:30-3:30 at 1600 Boykin Blvd.

Art Quilters

4th Tuesday, March 24, 2020, 10-12
University Church of Christ, Zeigler Blvd.

Baltimore Album Stitching Group

1st Sat., Mar. 7, 2020, 10-3, Yvonne Taylor,
341 Dalewood Dr. 422-1795
email: happystitcher247@aol.com

Machine Piecing

Wed., March 4, 2020
MaryAnn Logsdon



The President's Notes

Spring is in the air! Have you noticed the daylight lingering a little longer in the afternoon? Soon the trees and spring flowers will be in full bloom.

Many thanks to Diane Engels for coordinating the donations quilts and the members who volunteered their time and fabrics to make quilts for Child Advocacy (and Linus). The monetary gift of \$450 to Child Advocacy was such a generous gift from the members also.

Were you able to find a treasure at the Country Store? Thanks to Pam Stephens for working with the vendors (members) to set up their items.

Janet Beaverstock's large bag workshop was well attended. And you should see the variety of bags that were made!

I would like to continue to ask the committee chairs and all presentations by other members at the general meeting to be approximately two minutes or less. There are 27 committees who may need to make announcements at each meeting. We also want as much time as possible for the monthly program.

Until next month, happy stitching! *Susan*



The next Board meeting will be held at Spring Hill Baptist Activity Center on Friday, March 27 at 9:30 am in Room 220.

Please Note

The church has asked our members to park in the rear of building. You will find plenty of parking, including handicap parking. Thanks.

March Birthdays

03/03 Denise McIrvin	03/14 Pamela Stevens
03/04 Linda Green	03/15 Carolyn Kimble
03/05 Alan Farmer	Georgia McCain
Anna Rankin	03/16 Martha Elia
Judith M Phillips	03/20 Peg Jacobs
03/09 Jo Woyce	03/22 Bonita Flesher
03/11 Shirley Allbritten	
03/13 Nancy Huihui	



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 January

Money Market Account balance,	\$ 12,239.02
Interest earned	<u>.72</u>
MMA balance, January 31, 2019	\$ 12,239.74
Checking Account	
Beginning Balance	\$ 3,616.11
Income	
Membership	\$ 100.00
Ways & Means	<u>110.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 210.00
Expenses	
Regency Church of Christ—Jan. Rent	\$ 125.00
Peggy Stone-Yearbook Postage	114.45
Mary Ann Logsdon-Education	101.95
Susan Holler-Reimb. Moving Expense	340.00
Susan Holler-Pres. Fund (gift cert.)	75.00
PNC-Check order	57.25
Red Dot Storage-Mar.-Sept. Rent	195.00
Red Dot Storage-(replacement ck. for Dec.)	<u>30.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 1,038.65
Ending Balance as of Jan. 31, 2019	\$ 2,787.46

Sandy Purvis, Treasurer

**Azalea City Quilters' Guild—General Meeting
St. Mark United Methodist Church—February 11, 2020**

- President Susan Holler called the meeting together at 10am at Regency Church of Christ.
 - She asked us to keep in mind members who were undergoing surgery this month: Lydia Criswell, Betty Todd, Jean Fouts, Gail Gehiken, Terrie Garmendia, Martha Elia, and Sharon Morris.
 - She also asked us to park in the rear parking lot of the church.
 - Sue Gunter gave the inspiration “A Real Love Connection” by Ann Marie Chilton.
 - Reports:
 - The Secretary’s minutes for January were approved
 - The Treasurer reported an ending balance of \$2787.40.
 - Bonnie Johnson was thanked for providing a table for the guild officers at the meeting.
 - Peggy Stone reported there are 244 members in the Guild. Today 68 members signed in and there were 2 guests: Donna King and Merrily King.
 - Pam Stevens said that Sandy Fitzpatrick of Hissy Fits Design will be the speaker for our March meeting.
 - Workshop Chairman, Ann Singleton, reminded members of the Big Bag class Feb. 18th at Springhill Baptist.
 - On March 11th, Sandy Fitzpatrick will present the class “Gorgeous Gourds” at Springhill Baptist. Cost will be \$30.00.
 - In May, Mark Sherman will return for a two-day workshop. More information later.
 - Elaine Williams spoke about our Guild’s 40th anniversary celebration to be held in June. She reminded members of the pink and green challenge.
 - Susan Garrett said registration for the summer retreat will begin in April. She asked for volunteers to represent the Guild at the Azalea Fest on Saturday, March 14th. The off-year opportunity quilt will be shown at the Fest and volunteers are needed to sell chances.
 - 2021 Quilt Show:
 - Peggy Stone presented the proposed budget for the 2021 Quilt Show. A motion to accept was made by Bonnie Johnson and seconded by Ann Singleton and was approved by the membership.
 - Lemoyne Keenlyne discussed plans for the opportunity quilt for the Quilt Show. The committee chose a pattern and fabric and are planning a workshop for February 20 from 9am – 3pm at Springhill Baptist. Cutting is done, bring your machine with neutral thread.
 - Quilts of Valor: Joyce Reed showed a picture of a veteran who quilts with a Gammil machine. He is being featured in many ads for the Gammil company.
 - She asked for volunteers on Feb. 27 and 28 to help with 4H students learning to piece squares for a QOV.
 - Bonnie Johnson spoke about the GSQA meeting to be held here in Mobile on Saturday, April 25th. She still needs items for gift bags. Quilter Annie Smith will be the featured speaker and will present a class on April 23rd and 24th.
 - Diane Engels introduced Elaine Henderson of the Child Advocacy Center of Mobile. Diane presented quilts that we had made for the children being served at the center.
 - Susie Olson presented a check from Guild members for \$450 for the Advocacy Center.
 - Cathy Eilers spoke about the 2020 resolutions. 30 members filled out cards in January and Cathy distributed many more at the meeting.
 - Announcements:
 - Elaine Williams will present the program for the night guild this month.
 - Art Group on the 4th Tuesday and their projects are “letters of the alphabet” and the “human eye”
 - Pensacola quilt show will be March 13 and 14 at the Fairgrounds.
 - The Gulf States Quilt Show will be April 3 and 4 in Slidell, La
 - Carol Balch is looking for church groups who sew for charity. She has fabric that Kathryn Palmer wishes to donate.
 - The un-birthday gifts were presented to: Pam Stephens, Sue Gunter, Rose Nelson, and Patsy Starkey.
 - Show and tell was enjoyed by all.
 - Meeting adjourned at 11:10am. Members went to the Fellowship Hall for the Country store presented by several guild members.
- Respectfully Submitted,
Janet Beaverstock

Gulf States Quilting Association News

We will be hosting GSQA in April. On the 23-24th, there will be a two day workshop by Annie Smith. On Saturday the 25th of April, we will host GSQA at the Regency Church of Christ. We need to supply at least 15 door prizes. We have 4 so far. Suggestions are kits you bought and haven't used yet, fat quarter bundles, jelly rolls, charm packs, quilting novels, 2020 calendars, etc. Think of something you would like to get. Maybe you will win one! Someone suggested donating money and I will be glad to shop for you! Lets make this the best GSQA Quarterly Meeting EVER!



The 2020 GSQA Quilt Show is April 3-4, 2020 at Northshore Harbor Center in Slidell, LA.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is 247.

New member:

Merryily King 1708 Andover Blvd Mobile,
AL 36609, 251-661-3344
quiltrocker@yahoo.com, 5/24 Birthday

Quilt Show 2021
The dates for the 2021
quilt show will be
April 30-May 1. The
venue will be the Abba
Temple Shrine.

NIGHT GUILD 2/13/20

There was a great time at Night Guild, as always. Linda Evans opened the meeting just as I walked in the door. Whew! Linda Wilson opened with a prayer.

Susan Holler, our esteemed president, was in attendance and Bonnie Johnson was asked to discuss the GSQA host event in April. A forwarded email from Bonnie Johnson and Cora Stewart was sent to ACQG about online registration for the event and classes. On February 11, a second email was sent out to GSQA members that included attachments detailing the classes. I have requested these documents to be forwarded to ACQG. The detail was discussed on charges for the classes, including an additional \$16 supply fee. There is homework before the classes.

The GSCA April 23 class is on Color and will not be a sew event. The April 24 class will be a 1:10 quilt with the information given in the above-referenced email.

The Pensacola Quilt Show is on March 13 and March 14. Pensacola Interstate Fairgrounds . Pensacolaquilts2020@gmail.com, for questions.

GSQA quilt show is April 3 and April 4, 2020, in Slidell, Louisiana.

Bonnie also handed out kits for mug rugs and Kleenex holders to be sewn by members of the guild and distributed at the GSQA meeting hosted by ACQG on April 25. She needs items for gift bags and greeters.

It was decided that the drawing for the block kits from 2019 would be extended to the month of March.

Linda handed out kits for the stars which will be made for QOV-Mobile. We also discussed that members could make their own stars but should include a minimum of 10 stars for each quilt. The finished size of the star is 12.5"

Show and tell participation was by Syl Mooring, Elaine Williams, and Linda Evans. All of them presented beautiful quilts. Then, Bonnie Johnson threw in an educational lesson. She bought 5 yards of fabric from a well-known fabric store, washed it once, and it went from burgundy to pink on the first wash. The second and third wash was even worse. We all need to share information on bad products. Thanks Bonnie! For more information, see Bonnie.

Elaine Williams presented the program on curved piecing. She actually added a few of her own personal steps from a pattern that made the piecing easier. It was brought to her attention that many of her principles were used in the Judy Niemeyer course. And she gave it away for free!

On a personal note, we missed some of the regulars, especially Retha and Shawn Sumrall. Seems that Retha has been suffering from health problems and been in hospital. We wish her well and request prayers for her healing.

Sharon Nader

2020 AZALEA GUILD CHALLENGE
ISSUED AT THE JANUARY 2020 MEETING – DUE AT THE JUNE MEETING

The challenge is “The Piecemakers Challenge” in honor of the original members that started our guild.

1. Entries should be no larger than 30” square
2. The original members met weekly and chose traditional blocks to make so I chose 6 beginner blocks. You must use at least 2 of them or you may use all of them. These two blocks must be pieced. The blocks are Monkey Wrench, Flying Geese, Square in a Square, Patience Corner, Four Patch and Nine Patch. They must appear in the front of the quilt.
3. You must use pink and green fabrics in the body of the quilt, not just the binding or backing but you may add other colors.
4. You may add applique and/or bling if you like.
5. The quilt should depict quilts, quilting, quilting items, quilt words, sewing, etc.
6. All entries must be quilted and finished.

ART GROUP

One of our own, Nina Clotfelter, will be teaching at the Houston Quilt Festival this year. Many of us in the Guild have been students of Nina. She is an excellent teacher and we are very proud of her accomplishments.

As usual, this group has several projects going on. “In the Garden” is almost ready and we are supposed to look at everyone’s work at the February meeting. Letters were handed out to embellish. They will spell Azalea City Quilters Art Group. The letters will be used when we display projects at different venues. The eye project is moving along. There are several other projects in the works. You know this group , busy, busy, busy but fun. Come join us; remember, no rules.

Ann Singleton



Better late than never! The Art Quilters Group postponed their January meeting until Tuesday, February 4, due to renovations at the University Church of Christ on Zeigler. That just gave us more time to make more plans for 2020.

Prospective programs will include Non-traditional Fabrics in February, Embroidery Stitching in March, and Beading in April. They will tie in to our group projects "Eyes" and "Beetles"--both due in the next few months. This year we will explore design and color in our Small Quilt Series. Our beautiful "In the Garden" group project is winding down and we are actively seeking exhibition venues.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 24, at 10:00 at the University Church of Christ.

Carolyn Courson



QUILTS OF VALOR

Thanks to the 9 or 10 quilters who came out and helped the seven 4-H students make quilt blocks for the last 2 days. We sewed about 4 hrs. each day and managed to almost complete 5 quilt tops for our QOV veterans. Thank you SEW much to those who gave of their time. We even have some who may just come to a guild meeting during the summer. They are wishing they didn't have school which prevents them from joining in regularly. If any guild members want to help provide the backing for one of these tops, \$25 should provide us with 2 yds. of wide back. Make a check out to QOV Foundation and get it to me.

Dues for our group can be done online at QOVF.org and are due in May. Dues have risen to \$10 for individual group members. The pin, which they used to provide each year to all dues paying members, will no longer have the yearly date on it and is available for \$5 separately to those who want one - also available at the QOVF website.

Contact me if you want to join us on one of our sew dates and I can fill you in on times and locations. Thank you.
 251-634-0256 God Bless,

Joyce Reed



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