

Azalea City Quilters' Guild

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CELEBRATING AZALEA CITY QUILTERS' GUILD'S 40TH ANNI- VERSARY

Stitches from the past!

More information has come forward since the last installment about the Guild's history. Quilt exhibits were held in 1981 and 1982 at Museum of Mobile, now the Carnival Museum, a year after the Guild was formed. The first quilt show was in 1983 and was judged, unlike stated in the May Newsletter. The judges were:

*Margaret Brown of New Orleans - a National Judge and a partner in The Quilt Cottage in New Orleans.

*Dixie Haywood of Pensacola - a well-known crazy quilt expert, state judge and workshop leader.

*Kathy Phillips Singer of Mobile (she passed away recently) - a local retailer of antiques (quilts and linens). She had an extensive quilt collection.

These judges' names may sound familiar since we continued to encounter them on many occasions. *Elaine Williams*



EARLY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please don't forget early renewal of your membership. Applications are on the web site and it can be mailed to the ACQG PO Box.

Peggy Stone, Membership Chair

Suspended 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. of the month—9:00-12:00
Humana Ins., 3653 Airport Blvd., Ste B

ACQG General Meeting

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

Donation Quilts

9:00-3:00 1st Thursday of the month
Tillman's Corner Senior Center, Nevius Road

Night Guild

Thurs after ACQG General meeting
6:30-8:30 p.m. at Christ UMC on Grelot Rd.

Quilts of Valor

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

Art Quilters

4th Tuesday of the month 10-12:00
University Church of Christ, Zeigler Blvd.

Baltimore Album Stitching Group

Cancelled until further notice. Yvonne Taylor, 341 Dalewood Dr. 422-1795 email: happyquilter247@aol.com

Machine Piecing

April, May, June classes will be rescheduled asap
MaryAnn Logsdon

The activities of the guild are suspended until future notice. We will keep everyone updated as to when the activities will begin again. Please stay safe!

QUILT SHOW

As soon as we are able to have a committee meeting, the members will be notified. We need 8 committee chairs for the show, and I would love to have new members volunteer as co-chairs. Carol Peterson would love to have a co-chair to learn the publicity end of the show. The secret to an easy, successful show is pre-prep. Please help! Thank you, *Peggy Stone*

The President's Notes

Dear friends and Quilters,

I miss seeing all of you more than words can express! I miss seeing the show and tell each meeting and feeling the excitement of new projects started. I so want to attend a workshop and learn a new technique. But, most importantly, I pray that all of you are being able to avoid contact with this nasty and somewhat unpredictable virus! I pray for your health and mental wellbeing as we wait for whatever the future has in store for us. Keep safe, my friends!

This time of staying at home has given me extra time to clean out a few closets, re-organize my quilting room with new storage containers and spend time on my screened in porch enjoying the many colors of flowers in my backyard. I have felt the need for color lately!

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on Tuesday mornings. The space where we met for the March meeting at Spring Hill Baptist Activity Center is not large enough for the general meeting considering the social distancing that is needed. This is a month to month decision as to when we will be able to gather again. I am hoping for July. As soon as we know, I will send an email to the members.

Please continue to work on your Challenge Project. The silver lining in this situation is you have a little more time to get her done!

Let's have a show and tell on our FaceBook page! As you finish your projects (and I know a number of you have finished a quilt or two) please post them on the Azalea City Quilters' Guild FaceBook page.

So friends, until we are able to meet again, please keep safe! We are here to help, assist and pray for each other!

Susan Holler



June Birthdays

1 Martha Slee	22 Mary Cannon
5 Syl Mooring	Waurine Leth
7 Vickie Crooms	Retha Sumrall
Peggy Stone	23 Ann Colyer
9 Susan McGruder	Bobbie Dewrell
10 Kathy Devine	Bonnie Zabzdyr
11 Martha Roland	24 Sharon Nader
12 Susan Richardson	25 Peggy Knippenberg
Julia Fox	27 Susan Mogan
16 Karen Fellows	Jean Ritchie
17 Susan Holler	28 Juanita Gregorious
18 Betty Britt	30 Lydia Crisswell
19 Lori Hickman	

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: May 2020

Money Market Account balance,	\$ 12,240.40
Interest earned	<u>.70</u>
MMA balance, as of 3/31/2020	\$ 12,241.85
Checking Account	
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,248.84
Income	
Expenses	
Regency Church of Christ (March rent)	\$ 125.00
Pam Stephens (Supplies for March workshop)	53.32
TOTAL	\$ 178.32
Ending Balance as of Mar. 31, 2020	\$ 1,070.52



Azalea City Quilters' Guild—General Meeting

The Azalea City Quilt Guild did not meet in April and May 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic social distancing and shelter-in-place orders from our local, state and federal governments.

WORKSHOPS

Due to cancelling June meeting the workshop scheduled will be moved to July. Pam Stephens will be teaching coloring on fabric. At this time the date, time and location have not been determined. No workshop is scheduled for August.

In September, Jodi Barrows will be the speaker at the meeting and will teach the workshop on Wednesday September 9th. Her class will be "Square in a Square". Thanks to Pam I have been watching her webinars and she is amazing. If you are interested look her up at "jodi@squareinasquare.com". I really believe we are in for a great learning experience.

I know everyone must feel like I do "when are we going to be able to get together again?". The most important thing is that we stay healthy both physically and mentally. Keep busy, phone your friends and keep on quilting. *Ann Singleton.*

QOV Activities

Please remember that it is time to renew your membership in QOVF.org if you plan to maintain your membership this year. It is not too late. Dues are \$10 per person as a part of Stars over Mobile. An extra \$5 is required if you want a membership pin for this year. You may also join for the first time by going on to QOVF.org and indicating you are a new member of Stars over Mobile. Hopefully we can soon begin to award quilts as the quarantine winds down. We have about 20 names on the list that continues to grow, so quilts are always needed. If you have any questions or want to nominate a vet please let me know. If you would like to quilt a QOV top, please let me know. Thanks. *Joyce Reed*



Azalea City Quilters' Guild 40th Anniversary Proclamation

At the June 2 City Council Meeting, the City of Mobile will proclaim the following week of June 7 - 13 as Azalea City Quilters Guild week. Bonnie Johnson completed the paperwork to get us approved based on our community service, years of activity and number of members. Elaine Williams will attend the City Council Meeting on June 2, 2020 to represent us.

The June 2 meeting is live streamed on City's website link, and then it's also archived on YouTube (City of Mobile Videos) for anyone to view later. They are live streamed here: www.cityofmobile.org/government/city-council/livestream.

The City Council Meetings are televised again on Comcast Cable 6 on Saturday, June 6, at 6:30 p.m.

Thanks to Bess Rich for her help and support.



Retreat News

Hello Members! I hope everyone is well and looking forward to our Summer Retreat. I have been in touch with Beckwith and they are preparing as much as they can within Government guidelines. I will be accepting registration along with payment starting June 1, 2020, however checks received will not be posted to account until August 1. There is still that chance for cancellation. You may mail your registration to me at 10824 Lott Cemetery Rd, Chunchula, AL 36521 or give to me at any guild meeting.

Thank you, Susan Garrett, Retreat Coordinator

ACQG 2020 Summer Retreat
August 27 - 30, 2020



Name: _____

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

RETREAT COST:

Thursday 8:30am – Sunday 12pm ----- Db -----\$265.00,
Single -----\$340.00

Friday 8:30am – Sunday 12pm ----- Db ----- \$200.00,
Single ----- \$250.00

Roommate: _____

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

Day Camping Hrs 8:30am – 5pm & will include Lunch meal Fri & Sat
Thursday – Saturday ---- \$110.00

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 11, 2020. ALL
REGISTRATION AND PAYMENTS ARE DUE.**

Mail to:

Susan Garrett

10824 Lott Cemetery Rd,
Chunchula, Alabama 36521




HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

The Azalea City Quilters Guild was formed in June 1980, forty years ago. It is time now to celebrate our anniversary and rejoice in having such a wonderful organization and with the camaraderie that comes with quilting. The Pink and Green Azalea Party planned for June will now become a summer-long happening. Who would have thought two months ago we would be in the middle of a coronavirus pandemic? How quickly things can change!



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We can still celebrate! Here are some things you could do:

-  Continue working on your Challenge. We will have a showing when we meet again.
-  - Check your channel listing for the City Council Meeting on June 6. Beth Rich will read the Guild's 40th Anniversary Proclamation.
-  Wrap your mailbox in pink and green for the month of June. Create and attach an ACQG sign.

The true celebration will begin when we meet again. That will be a happy meeting in more ways than one.

Anniversary Quilt Challenge

I hope all of you are healthy and actually enjoying some extra time to stitch. Sadly, we will not be meeting in June for our anniversary celebration so our challenge will be on hold until we are able to celebrate together. The good news is that you have at least one more month to complete your entry. I hope there will be a record number of entries for the challenge this year. All the rules are posted below and on the web site but if you have any questions please call or e-mail me. Continue to stay safe and I hope to see you soon. *Bonnie Z*

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

The challenge is called “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.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION: JUNE MEETING

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