

Azalea City Quilters' Guild

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December 8 ACQG General Meeting

Our last meeting in 2020 will be very busy. Several of the activities that were started in this unusual year are reaching their conclusion. This leads to new beginnings and new activities so let's get this year completed in a positive manner and move on to 2021. We are ready.

- We will have a reckoning of the completion of our **resolutions**. Be sure to bring a fat quarter for each item you did NOT finish. (I owe 3).
- The **Exchange blocks** will be collected and awarded to a lucky participant.
- The drawing for the **Off-Year Quilt** will happen. Good luck to everyone that bought a ticket.
- This is the first meeting that **show and tell** will be displayed before the meeting begins. The quilts will be draped over church pews so we can get an up close look at their unique workmanship.
- Pam Pulley, with Linus, will be presented with donation quilts.
- The **2020 Guild Challenges entries** will be displayed for our viewing.
- At the conclusion of the meeting, our 40th anniversary will be concluded with individually wrapped **cupcakes** to take home.



Calendar of Events

MEETING Block Party

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

Community Sewing Quilts (suspended)

1st Tues. of the month—9:00-12:00

Humana Ins., 3653 Airport Blvd., Ste B

MEETING: ACQG General Meeting

9:30 Registration, 10:00 Meeting

December 8, masks required

Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd.

Donation Quilts (suspended)

9:00-3:00 1st Thursday of the month

Tillman's Corner Senior Center, Nevius Road

MEETING: Night Guild

Thurs after ACQG General meeting

6:30-8:30 p.m. at Christ UMC on Grelot Rd.

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Quilts of Valor (suspended)

4th Monday of the month

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

Art Quilters (suspended)

4th Tuesday of the month 10-12:00

University Church of Christ, Zeigler Blvd.

MEETING: Baltimore Album Stitching Group

341 Dalewood Dr. 422-1795

Cancelled for December

MEETING: Machine Piecing

3rd class 12/2 1pm to 4pm

Springhill Baptist Activities Center

The activities of the guild are slowly starting to meet again. All meetings are subject to state/county/city regulations and guidelines.

COVID Safeguards at all guild activities:

Wear your mask.

Practice Safe distancing.



At the General meeting, in Regency Church of Christ sanctuary, every other pew has been designated to skip.



The President's Notes

As I write this month's President's Notes, I am sitting on a front porch swing looking at the Gulf of Mexico. We are very fortunate to be able to use a relative's house in Gulf Shores to celebrate Thanksgiving and to think about the blessings we have received this year. And there have been many.

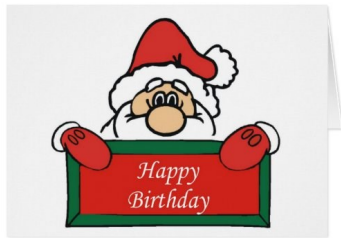
We will celebrate the 40th anniversary of Azalea City Quilters' Guild this month (we are a little late celebrating due to the corona virus). Thank you to Elaine Williams, Patsy Starkey, Ann Singleton and Peggy Knippenberg who searched through our history to share some of the activities from our first forty years. Thank you to all of the charter members who had the forethought to work together to form the guild. Thank you to all the members who have volunteered to be an officer and/or committee chair; members who have given their time to lead a workshop or be the monthly program. Thank you to each and every quilt show chairman. Last, but certainly not least, thank you to every member for joining the guild and keeping the art of quilting alive and well (hopefully for many years to come!).

Are you joining us for the Bonnie Hunter 2020 mystery quilt sew alongs? You can find information on the mystery quilt, Grassy Creek mystery, on Bonnie's website, <https://quiltville.blogspot.com> (look for the Grassy Creek Mystery tab). We will meet each Thursday, beginning December 3 until the big reveal from 1:00 until 4:00 at Springhill Baptist Activity Center. Ann Singleton, Janet Beaverstock, Debbie Vice and I will be the co-leaders. Please give us a call should you have any questions.

As a group we all love seeing the beautiful projects made by our members. Members would like to see the quilts up close and personal. So, we are going to expand the show and tell at the monthly meetings. Please display your quilts by laying them on the pews located on the left side as you enter the auditorium. When we have show and tell near the end of the meeting, please bring your quilt(s) forward and describe them as usual.

We are coming to the end of 2020. Yes, it has been challenging and frustrating. It has also given us many surprises and blessings. I pray for each of you to have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Until next month and the new year 2021, happy stitching. *Susan*



12/3 Dorothy Taylor	12/23 Valerie Jackson
12/4 Cathy Stringfellow	12/24 Betty Todd
12/6 Carolyn Stewart-Weaver	12/25 Linda Barnhouse
12/9 Susie Dakin	12/27 Elizabeth McCully
12/12 Janet Hilton	Jane Ziplies
12/13 Kim Gyuricsko	12/28 Alice Jackson
12/16 Rheta Kirk	12/29 Bennie Johnson
12/18 Anne Rose	Darlene Taylor
12/22 Glennie Cobb	12/30 Paula Marshall



AZALEA CITY QUILTERS GUILD November 2020 (October 2020 activity)

Money Market Account Balance	\$12,244.73
Interest Earned	.10
TOTAL	\$12,244.83
Checking Beg Bal (Oct. 1)	\$1935.00
INCOME	
Membership	750.00
Off Year Opportunity Quilt	410.00
Ways & Means	83.00
Child Advocacy	10.00
Library – No name tags	10.00
Newsletter	10.00
Total Income	\$1273.00
EXPENSES	
Challenge Quilt Prizes	50.00
Yvonne Taylor – Exchange Block	223.52
Storage – for 1 year	408.00
Regency Church - Rental	250.00
Total Expenses	\$931.52
ENDING BALANCE	\$2276.48

Submitted by— Susie Olsen, Treasurer

NIGHT GUILD NEWS

Azalea City Quilt Guild Night Guild met November 12 at the Spring Hill Baptist Activity Center. Seven members were in attendance. Shawn Sumrall did a program on quick and easy Christmas ornaments. Bonnie Johnson also showed an ornament. The quilt block history moment this month was on the Churn Dash block. Our December meeting will be the Christmas Party at Debbie Caudle's house on December 10. We will start the party at 6. Due to COVID, we are not doing a covered dish this year. We are still doing our exchange, so remember to bring a gift (\$10 limit). *Alan*

WORKSHOPS

Our first workshop will be Wednesday, March 10, and Tuesday, March 16. Susan Holler will be teaching a class on the "Quilter's Palette Tote." This is a paper piecing class. The pattern is free. Go to jinnybeyer.com, chose free patterns, then chose totes. This pattern is for a zippered bag, we will be making an open bag. The added instructions for a non zipper bag is available at www.jinnybeyer.com/promos/tote-nozips. There will be a \$10 fee for this class. Susan will print the large sheets needed for the foundation piecing. We will start signing up in January. Time and location will be announced later. Have a safe Christmas and New Year. *Ann*

CHILD ADVOCACY

Child Advocacy donations total \$195 as of November 10. Our GOAL is \$250. We are almost there!!! Our challenge to each member is \$5 and we are very grateful to those members who have given to such a worthy cause. Please help us reach our goal at the December meeting. Thank you very much. *Sandy*

Quilt Show

Ladies, the QUILT SHOW is on tract. The Abba Center has Covid 19 safety procedures in place. Let's get our beautiful projects on tract for judging. Let's have an outstanding show in August 2021.

Don't forget:

ACQG 2021 Retreat is scheduled for August 26-29, 2021



"Pieceful Moments"

Be sure you turn in any tickets you have sold for the Off-Year Quilt drawing before the December 8th meeting begins. There are only a few tickets remaining for purchase.





Azalea City Quilters' Guild—General Meeting 11/10/2020

Susan Holler welcomed everyone, along with two members joining us on zoom.

INSPIRATION; Sue Gunter reminded all that on the 11th month, 11th hour of the 11th day, WWI ended. In 1954 Armistice Day was changed to Veterans Day to honor all veterans of all wars.

QUILTS OF VALOR PRESENTATION; Joyce Reed and Carol Peterson presented quilts to our veterans. Being presented with quilts were: Edward Travis, Pat Hancock, Dr. Lou Campomenosi and Mike Barker. Two of the veterans were unable to be present, but will be presented at a later time.

MINUTES; Susan Holler - The minutes from the October meeting as published in the November Nine Patch newsletter, were accepted as published. Janet Beaverstock motioned to accept and Carol Peterson seconded.

TREASURER; Susie Olsen reported a money market balance of \$12,242.83 with interest of .10 and checking balance of \$2,276.48.

PROGRAMS; With Linda Flores being out of town, Susan announced that the 40th Anniversary will be celebrated at the December meeting. Cupcakes will be given to all attending. Elaine Williams, chair of the committee, asks for the challenge projects to be brought again since they were tied into the 40th anniversary. The January meeting will be celebrating our first and last quilts. Please plan to bring the first quilt you made and the most recent quilt you have completed. More details will be in the December newsletter.

WORKSHOPS; Ann Singleton announced that in March there will be a workshop by Susan Holler. It is called "Quilter's Palette Tote" by Jinny Beyer. It can be seen on You-Tube, by Jinny. It will be a two day workshop. The cost will be \$10.00 for both days. In April, Pam Stephens will demonstrate "Fabric Painting," and in May, Mark Sherman will return. More info on each class will follow.

MEMBERSHIP; Peggy Stone announced we have 40 members present today, and 192 total members at present. Janean McCawley joined as a new member.

LIBRARY; Ann Hetrick reported on a new book in our library. "More Adventurers with Leaders and Enders by Bonnie K. Hunter.

NEWSLETTER; Peggy Knippenberg asked that articles for the Nine Patch be to her no later than the 25th of each month.

OFF YEAR OPPORTUNITY QUILT; Susan Garrett said only a few tickets are left. Drawing will be at the December meeting.

YEARBOOK; Yearbooks are finished and being distributed. Thanks to Susan Garrett for always doing such a good job.

WEB SITE; Bonnie Johnson announced the web site is up to date. GSQA is having a virtual quilt show which is now ongoing. Any questions on joining, contact Bonnie.

CHALLENGE QUILT; Janet Beaverstock will be announcing the challenge for 2021.

QUILTS OF Valor; Joyce Reed will be presenting two more quilts this week. If anyone is willing and able to help Joyce present, please let her know. Often times she could use some help through out the year.

EXCHANGE BLOCKS; Georgia McCain will be chair for 2021.

CHILD ADVOCACY; Sandy Purvis said the challenge for \$250.00 now stands at \$70.00. There is one more month to reach our goal.

RESOLUTIONS; Cathy Eilers reminds all to bring one fat quarter for each unfinished resolution to the December meeting.

WAYS AND MEANS; \$87.00 was collected for the unbirthday gifts. Winners were: Susan Garrett, Debbie Vice, Bonnie Mobley, Bonnie Johnson, Ann Singleton, Sue Gunter, Paula Powell, Janora Parker, Cathy Eilers, Janet Beaverstock and Yvonne Taylor. Please limit your show and tell to two items because of time limitations.

NEW BUSINESS; It was discussed and decided to display quilts for show and tell on pews so a closer look could be observed by all. A suggestion to include name of gift giver in non birthday gifts was discussed and decided to leave it optional.

OTHER BUSINESS; The guild will be starting the Bonnie Hunter mystery quilt for anyone interested. December 3rd at Spring Hill and will continue to meet once a week from 1 - 4 on Thursdays. You may call Susan Holler, Ann Singleton, Janet Beaverstock or Debbie



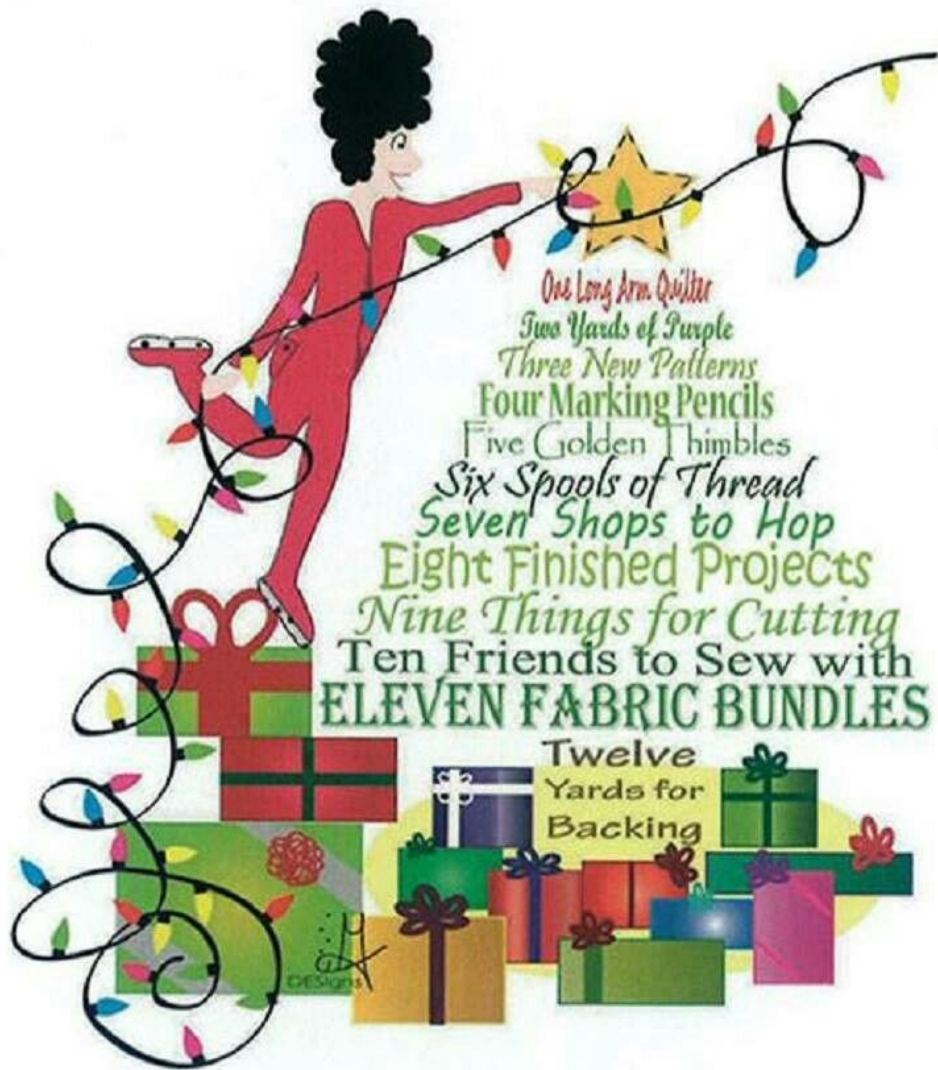
Our thoughts, prayers,
and hugs go to our mem-
bers Shirley Jackson and
Darlene Boyd for the
recent loss of their
husbands.



January Meeting

We are going to have a little fun at the January meeting — please bring the first quilt and the most recent quilt you have made. It should be fun to see how we have grown as quilters in design, color, and techniques. A great way to start the new year.

In January, we will have a Board of Director's meeting. An email will be sent with the date and location.



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