Azalea City Quilters' Guild Nine Patch News

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Thanks a million to all those heeding the call to stitch and help us remove the 2018 requests nation-wide for QOV.

This year, QOV is asking for us to make two blocks: <u>The Eight Point Floating Star and the Floating WoNkY Star.</u> Many have let me know you are making multiple blocks, with some even putting a whole top together. These featured star blocks are fun to make. Look for them at <u>QOVF.org</u>, scroll down to "2021 National Block Drive" to find the star blocks. Click on the block pictures to get the patterns. I will, also, have copies of the patterns at the guild meeting for those who don't have internet access. QOV is accepting blocks all year long and I will send them to National to use if you bring them to a guild meeting.

The virtual National Sew Date is the first Saturday in February. Please set aside an hour or two, if you can, to make some blocks for QOV on that date. Sign up at the QOVF website to be eligible for door prizes. The veterans and I thank you. *Joyce Reed*



Show Quilt tickets are available:

Contact Pam Stephens:

251-662-0010, cell 251-604-8484

pam_stephens@att.net or on Facebook

Each member has been responsible for a book of 12 tickets. \$10.00 per book or \$1 per ticket if individually sold.

Calendar of Events

MEETING Block Party

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

<u>Community Sewing Quilts (suspended)</u> 1st Tues. of the month—9:00-12:00 Humana Ins., 3653 Airport Blvd., Ste B <u>MEETING: ACQG General Meeting</u> 9:30 Registration, 10:00 Meeting February 9, 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 (2/11) after ACQG General meeting 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Christ UMC on Grelot Rd.

> Quilts of Valor (suspended) 4th Monday of the month 8:30-3:30 at 1600 Boykin Blvd.

<u>Art Quilters (suspended)</u> 4th Tuesday of the month 10-12:00 University Church of Christ, Zeigler Blvd.

Baltimore Album Stitching Group

341 Dalewood Dr. 422-1795 Watch for future scheduling

The activities of the guild are slowly starting to meet again. All meetings are subject to state/county/city regulations and guidelines. Masks are required at all gatherings. Please Stay Safe.

<u>COVID Safeguards at all guild</u> <u>activities:</u>



Wear your mask.

Practice safe distancing.

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

The President's Notes

As I write this month's notes, we are almost a full month into 2021. The days are getting longer, with a little more daylight in the afternoon. Even though we have had a few cold fronts pass through the area, the days are just a little warmer.

With January also came the opportunity for many to receive their COVID-19 vaccination(s). It is hard to believe we have been dealing with this virus for almost a year! Hopefully we will soon be able to do more activities and travel as we were accustomed to.

So many members expressed how much they enjoyed the January meeting! For those not able to attend, members were asked to bring the first and last quilt they made. It was so much fun seeing all of the quilts! And hearing the stories behind the quilts.

February brings the Country Store. Please let Linda Flores know if you would like a table set up. Remember to bring some extra money - you never know what you might find that just has to go home with you.

Are you planning to participate in the **Quilts of Valor (QOV) virtual sew along** on the first Saturday in February? Joyce Reed sent an email to all members sharing two QOV quilt blocks. They are super simple and very fast to stitch.

Keep well and safe. Happy Stitching.



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Susan



NIGHT GUILD NEWS: January

Night Guild met at the Spring Hill Baptist Activity Center on Thursday, January 14. The handwritten note on the door said they had closed the building at 4:00. We had the meeting in the parking lot. Diane Engels who is responsible for quilt donations and Pam Pulley from the Mobile chapter of the Linus Project were both there and spoke briefly. Bonnie Johnson updated the group on the business from Day Guild and brought instructions for the QOV blocks and the exchange block. We then decided to try to meet on Thursday, January 21 to work on quilts for Linus Project. Eleven of us met (including Diane and Pam) and made progress towards finishing 2 quilt tops using a disappearing nine patch pattern. It was fun. Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 11th at 6:00. We will be meeting at All About Sewing on Schillinger where Sue Kondis will be presenting a program on basic machine maintenance. *Alan Farmer*

WORKSHOPS: March, April and May

The March Quilter's Palette Tote workshop is scheduled for Wednesday March 10 And Tuesday March 16 from 9:30-3:00 at Regency Church of Christ. Susan Holler will have a supply list available at the February meeting. She will furnish the long sheets of paper needed for the paper piecing portion of the pattern. Please sign up at the next meeting so we will know how many sheets we will need. If you are unable to make the meeting let me know and I will get a supply list to you. The cost of the class is \$10. We are doing this class over two days with the goal to have a completed project in your hands. If you need a pattern go to jinnybeyer.com and go to the free pattern option and you will be able to print it.

The April workshop with Pam Stephen has to be rescheduled. Further information will be given at a later date.

May brings Mark Sherman on Wednesday May 12 and Thursday May 13. He will be teaching two different classes: Faux Appliqué using Ink Paint and Trapunto Appliqué. Art Group Members you might be interested in his classes. Check him out at remarkablequilts.com and see his work. *Ann Singleton 251-377-2781*.

QUILT SHOW, AUGUST

Ladies, the QUILT SHOW is on track. The Abba Shrine has Covid 19 safety procedures in place. We appreciate <u>Lori Hickman</u> for organizing the Quilt Show's <u>Country Store</u> for us. If you have donations for her, let her know. Let's get our beautiful projects ready for judging. Let's have an outstanding show in August 2021. *Peggy Stone*

<u>Quilt Show Dates to Remember:</u> <u>Mark your calendar.</u> The week of August 16-21 at Abba Shrine. Turn in quilts on August 16. Judging on Tuesday & Wednesday,	Welcome to our New Member: Janean McCawley 2717 Atwood Court Mobile, AL 36693 251-454-3203 Birthday: 8/01 janean.mccawley@gmail.com	GSQA Gulf States Quilting Association Janu- ary Quarterly Meeting was held Saturday January 23 by Zoom. Unfortunately, I had a medical situation and was not able to get into the meeting late as only 100 places were available. Maybe Peggy Knippenberg can give us a report on the Auripholsopy talk. I hear it was great.
August 17 and 18. Poles set up August 18. Vendors set up on August 18-19. The show is scheduled for August 20-21. IT'S HAPPENING !!!	Susan Garrett wanted everyone to know that all tickets to the Off-Year Quilt sold. She appreciates the support. Obviously, we all wanted the beautiful quilt!	Looks like April 24th and July 24th Quarterly Meeting are by Zoom also. Keep checking their web site. Here are two items everyone can par- ticipate in. (You do not have to be a GSQA member.) * Enter your quilts in the Houston Show. Go to: https://www.quilts.con/enter-your- quilt. * Free Sea Glass Class by Camille Miller
Don't forget: ACQG 2021 Retreat is scheduled for August 26-29, 2021.		& Memphis Area Modern Quilt Guild. Saturday, February 7 12:30 – 2:30. Go to: https://meet.google.com/ynh-jzdv-rva. For more info and supply list go to GSQA.org and then to EVENTS.

Azalea City Quilters' Guild—General Meeting January 12, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Susan Holler welcomed all, and asked us to remember Mary Elizabeth Brown and Judy Purcell. Each had a son who passed away recently.

INSPIRATION: In Sue Gunter's absence, Ann Singleton stepped in for the inspiration. She touched on a story from "Stitch Together" from Missouri Star, on how quilting groups provide a dedicated support system, and how learning to quilt fills your heart to the brim.

MINUTES: The minutes from the December meeting were accepted as published. Janet Beaverstock motioned to accept, and Peggy Stone seconded.

TREASURER: Susie Olsen stated our Money Market account is \$12,245.04 with the checking at \$2,409.08. Susie reminded all to check into SMILE when ordering from Amazon as it adds to our treasury.

PROGRAMS: Linda Flores reminded us what is coming up for the following months. February will be Country Store. Also in February, there will be a presentation of quilts to Child Advocacy along with a check of \$360.00 collected from members in 2020. March is open. April will be a June Taylor demonstration.

WORKSHOPS: Ann Singleton told all that March will be "Quilters Palette Tote" taught by Susan Holler. Susan will print out patterns and the cost will be \$10.00. It is a paper pieced project and can be seen on u-tube. April brings us a demonstration on Fabric Painting, with Pam Stephens. In May, Mark Sherman will return.

MEMBERSHIP: Peggy reported there is 29 present today with 3 joining on zoom. **QUILT SHOW:** Show dates are August 16-21, 2021. June 1 will be the latest the show can be cancelled if covid is still a factor.

BUDGET: Mary Warfield reported we are on budget.

EDUCATION: Mary Ann Logsdon reported this year has been a challenge with COVID-19. After all missed classes in 2020 were made up, it was decided not to start a new class now. Instead Mary Ann will meet with anyone that has taken any of her classes to help in finishing their project. She will be announcing a new class in September.

SEW ALONG: Susan Holler reported the Bonnie Hunter sew along is nearing the end, and has been a lot of fun.

LIBRARY: Ann Hetrick showed us a new book donated by Martha Sumrall: "Best of the Best Quilts". The book also contains several quilting designs.

RETREAT: Susan was absent, but the retreat is scheduled for August 26-29.

GSQA: As per Bonnie Johnson, the next meeting will be by Zoom on January 23rd. New board members will be installed. The program will be "Aurifilosophy", the process of making Aurifil thread, by Janice Pope. It proves to be very interesting. To join, go to gulfstatesquilting.org. Our guild will host the GSQA meeting in July.

QOV: In Joyce Reeds absence, Bonnie Johnson stated that the first Saturday in February is National Quilt of Valor sew day. This year it will be done virtual. Joyce e/mailed two 12 1/2" block patterns that can be downloaded to all members. As many as you can make will be appreciated. Joyce extends her thank to all that helped this past year.

EXCHANGE BLOCKS: The first exchange will take place in May. Georgia will have kits/ instructions at each meeting. She plans to have three exchanges this year.

CHALLENGE QUILT: Janet Beaverstock opened discussion on a 2021 challenge. After a lengthy discussion and due to several delayed guild activities because of the pandemic, Susan Holler motioned to skip the Challenge Quilt in 2021, and bring it up again in 2022. Seconded by Bonnie Johnson. Motion passed.

DONATIONS: Diane has 25 quilts to present to Child Advocacy at the next meeting. **NIGHT GUILD:** Alan Farmer was absent. The night guild meeting is held the Thursday after the Tuesday meeting. It will be held at the Spring Hill Baptist Church at 6:30. A Linus representative will present the program.

CHILD ADVOCACY: Sandy Purvis reported the 2020 goal was \$250.00 and \$360.00 was donated. The money will be presented at the next meeting.

RESOLUTIONS: Cathy Eilers shared some ideas. They can be something for others, yourself, classes, etc. February is the last month to sign up.

WAYS AND MEANS: \$64.00 was raised. Winners were: Janora Parker, Jean Foots, Georgia McCain, and Sandy Purvis.

NEW BUSINESS: A pillow for one of the charter members was not able to be delivered. After a discussion, Susie Olson motioned to give it to the quilt show for a stand alone basket. Seconded by Ann Singleton. Motion carried. Ann Godwin reminded us of the art show by Nancy Goodman at the Art Council, which is next to the Saenger Theater. Meeting Adjourned at 11:28.

Respectfully Submitted by: Lamoyn Keenlyne, Secretary

Grassy Creek Mystery!

Bonnie Hunter Mystery Quilt Sew Along

The big reveal for the 2020 Bonnie Hunter Mystery Quilt happened on January 8. A small group has met on Thursday during December and January to work on "Grassy Creek". And there are a number of members who worked at home. The last meeting for the sewalong was on January 21 and we had one completed top! Congratulations to Karen Gordon for completing her beautiful quilt top. When completed, please bring your quilt for show and tell. Until next year......

CHILD ADVOCACY

Elaine Henderson of Child Advocacy, will visit at our next meeting on February 9. She will be presented with the generously donated quilts and the \$360 collected from our members. Elaine will share a few words on what Child Advocacy is doing now. We are certainly honored to help with this worthy cause.

Our thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of Rena Krol

Rena was a member of Southern Fiber Artists as well as Azalea City Art Quilters. Rena was also a long-time member and newsletter editor for GSQA. She enjoyed art quilting and had a particular affinity for dying fabrics for her art quilts. She had a wonderful sense of humor and a caring personality. She was an excellent quilter, who enjoyed teaching and sharing skills she had mastered over the years. She will be sorely missed by her local Bay Oaks Quilt Guild members and others who had the blessing of knowing her.



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