



Nine Patch News

Azalea City Quilters Guild

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What's Next

PROGRAMS: December program will be a Christmas Trunk Show by all guild members. Bring your festive quilts, table runners and tree skirts for show and tell. Everyone will have an opportunity to talk about their holiday quilting accomplishments. Also at December's meeting, Strip Poker Cards will be dealt out to each member in the hopes we can create blocks for children's quilts and QOV. Fabric should be kid friendly or red/white/blue. Over 400 blocks were created last game! Many quilts were completed and several are being worked on. Cards and blocks will be collected at January's meeting. A prize for who creates the most blocks, and just for participating. will be given. February: country store. Speaker, Sarah Watson, will address the guild about being a fabric designer. March: speaker, Andrew Lee, Combat Quilter, will speak to guild. He should speak about QOV, quilting tips and tricks. A workshop will follow the General Meeting. *Linda Flores 251-689-8573*

WORKSHOPS: January: Don't miss the opportunity to learn a new pattern called Magic Herringbone. This quilt would be perfect for using up your scraps, making a quilt for your favorite team or making a quick holiday quilt! The quilt is made using 2 1/2" strips and is SUPER EASY to make! In the class you'll learn how to piece together the strips and how to even up the edges



since the quilt is sewn on the bias. You'll have time in the class to finish a small sample to learn these new techniques. Candy Snipes will be teaching. \$10 for 3 hour class. Date: January 18th, 2022 Time: 9am - 12noon Candy will teach. Feel free to bring your lunch and continue to sew until 3. Location: is Springhill Baptist Church Activity Center March: March 8th - 1pm - 4pm - Combat Quilter, Andrew Lee will be doing a half day workshop after the Guild Meeting on quilting tips and tricks *Nina Clotfelter 251-377-5523*

Resolutions: Sew away on your 2021 Resolutions projects because we will be drawing for some great prizes at the December # meeting. Your name will be entered in the drawing once for each project you complete! *Cathy Eilers 251-591-2805*

Night Guild: Our December meeting will be on December 16 at the home of Elaine Williams. This is our annual Christmas party. *Alan Farmer 251-463-5398*

Exchange Block: The Christmas Exchange Blocks will be awarded at the December meeting.

Retreat Dates: Retreat Dates are August 25 - 28, 2022

Off-Year Opportunity Quilt: This quilt is not quite ready. Hoping to have it completed by the January meeting.

GSQA Meeting: GSQA Members be on the lookout for email information to enter quilts in the April 9-10, 2022 GSQA Quilt Show "SPIRIT OF THE GULF" to be held at Northshore Harbor Center, Slidell, LA. There will be two themes: *Blocks of the Gulf Coast* (go to www.QuiltersCache.com to find the official blocks) and *Log Cabin*. If you want Peggy Stone &/or Bonnie Johnson to deliver and bring back your quilts you must add that to your registration form. The Rosebud Luncheon preceding the show will be April 2, 2022 at Pinewood Plantation in Slidell. We will be taking an Azalea Basket from ACQG so everyone is asked to donate 4 fat quarters of azalea colored fabric or money if you want us to shop for you. Elaine Williams has already donated an Azalea Trail Maids Cookbook. Thank you to everyone who made a square for the Community Quilt for GSQA. We delivered two beauties quilted by Linda Flores. I'm looking for a helper to train for next September. Let me know if you are interested. We also are going to finally host the April 2022 meeting. It will be so much fun. Everything was packed away for it except for the food. I'll be looking for greeters in February. *Bonnie Johnson robojo2@aol.com or 251-343-5406*

With Sympathy

Our deepest condolences go out to Shawn Sumrall on the passing of her mother, guild member Retha Sumrall. Retha joined the the guild in 2014, and along with her daughter Shawn have been active in both day and night guilds. Retha's cheerful personality will be missed. Please keep Shawn and her family in your prayers.



December: President Notes

I hope everyone enjoyed the QOV presentations and service recognitions at the Nov. meeting as much as I did. It's so heartwarming to see how much it means to veterans to receive a Quilt of Valor, and this time we got to watch our own Karen Gordon be presented with a quilt made by Anne Godwin and Nancy Williams. I'd like to remind everyone that QOV and donation quilts mean so much to the recipient, and every bit of time and effort you put into one, even making just one block, means so much and is greatly appreciated. Donations of batting and backing fabric, volunteering to quilt and/or bind, or making a QOV presentation (pillow) case to store the quilt in are other great ways to contribute. Thank you to everyone in the guild who helps in any way with these.

It was an honor to recognize the service of our own members. We have 7 veterans, and 18 members who are either military spouses or parents. It was great to get a chance to share this with the guild. To all of you, I enjoyed learning these new things about you, and on behalf of the guild would like to thank you for serving!

We'll be getting a new VP of Membership. Janora Parker has to have shoulder surgery, and so Bennie Johnson will be taking over. Thank you to Bennie for volunteering so quickly, which will allow Janora to train her at the Dec meeting. Bennie also handles Sunshine for the guild, so she'll be doing two jobs, at least to start with.

December's program will be a show-and-tell of Christmas quilts, table runners, or other Christmas related quilted items, so I hope everyone participates. I'm anticipating a fabulous showing with a wide range of styles and patterns. Unfortunately, due to covid (yes, still!) we won't be having our

traditional Christmas luncheon, but we're planning on having a treat that you'll be able to take home with you.

Also, at the Dec meeting, will be the drawing for the opportunity quilt, and for the fat quarter basket for resolutions. Make sure Cathy Eilers knows which of your resolutions you've completed, and bring fat quarters to contribute for each unfinished resolution.

We're experimenting with a different layout of the newsletter, in an attempt to make the information easier to comprehend, and to update our newsletter look. If you have comments or feedback of any kind regarding it, please send it to me at smogan1@comcast.net.

Finally, a note about the 2023 quilt show (late April or early May of 2023). There are some quilt committee positions that are going to need to be filled over the next month or two, and I'd like to ask everyone to please seriously consider volunteering to head one of these up. The quilt show can't go on without them, and it's very stressful for the quilt show chair (Peggy Stone) to have these openings sit unfilled. As I mentioned earlier this year, there will never be an easier year to be a quilt show committee chair, since most of the prep work has already been done. We'll need a treasurer, secretary, and chairpersons for judging, second hand shop (all of the items from last time are already sorted and priced), someone to do the show booklet, and a volunteer coordinator. I'd like to thank everyone from the last quilt show who agreed to stay on and do their position again, and those people who have already volunteered this time! We'll talk more

about this after Christmas, but please, we need people to step up and fill these positions.

I hope you all had a safe and happy Thanksgiving!
Happy quilting, *Susan Mogan*



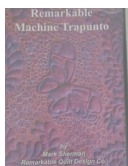
Keep Up-to-date With ACQG Activities

Resolutions: Sew away on your 2021 Resolutions projects because we will be drawing for some great prizes at our December meeting. Your name will be entered in the drawing once for each project you complete! *Cathy Eilers*

Machine Piecing Class: the next machine piecing class will be on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 from 1PM to 4PM at Springhill activities center. *MaryAnn Logsdon*

Ways and Means Committee: The Un-birthday raffle collected \$68.00. Thank you to all who participated.

Library: The library is open at least 30 minutes before each meeting. I will also stay an additional 15 minutes if someone is interested in finding a book or video. Mark Sherman was a teacher for our guild for the past two years teaching the techniques featured on these videos. If you attended the class and need a refresher, or if you would like to see how he does his award winning techniques, they are available for check-out. Ann Hetrick, 251-533-9365



Child Advocacy Fund: **THANKS** to **everyone** who contributed in any way to **Child Advocacy**. As of Nov. 9th, the members of ACQG have raised **\$534** !!! As always, the basket will be on the front table if you still want to contribute to such a worthwhile cause. We hope to make our annual donation at the January or February meeting. You are the **BEST!!!!** Sandy Purvis 251-422-0968 sandypurvis1@gmail.com

Membership Report: There were 48 ACQG Members Present at November's meeting. along with numerous visitors for QOV Presentation. Guild Yearbooks and Membership cards will be available at every meeting when you sign in at the Membership table. If you would like yours mailed, please let VP Membership know. Thank you. *Janora Parker*

Web Site: Web Site: I will keep the web site up to date. Please keep me informed with any up to date or future information. Text or message me the info. Greatly Appreciated!

QOV: We had 16 quilts ready to award in November, and only need to meet with the last of those recipients to award her quilt to her. The city had her on the road when we awarded quilts to a fireman and policeman at the council meeting. We are running low on pillowcases as we have used up most of the ones you so generously donated last year. Please, as you have patriotic fabrics and time to

sew, make us a few more to choose from for next year. We have gotten several financial donations to our cause lately. The first was a donation from my graduating class as I awarded 5 vets their quilts at our reunion. I also received monies from the South Alabama Veterans Council and Azalea City Republican Women and by choosing QOV as my recipient of my birthday fundraiser on FB. There have also been donations from several guild members for which I am most grateful. Thank you to all from the veterans and myself. Please let me know if you have a veteran "touched by war" you'd like to see honored and we can add them to our list. 251-454-1466.

God Bless, *Joyce Reed*

Yearbook: Members, the yearbook has been published. If there are any corrections that need to be made please email me at susan.garrett@att.net so I have a typed out correction. I try to make things correct, but mistakes happen.

Emails: If you have an email for the guild, send to acqg2018@yahoo.com. Please list in the subject line what the email about and include in the body of the email your information if you need a response. Make sure you reply directly to the specific person that needs the reply.

Night Guild: Night Guild met on November 11 at the Spring Hill Baptist Church Activity Center. Our program was the beginning of a fused mystery quilt. There were 9 members in attendance and we were guided through the project by Susan Mogan. Our December meeting will be on December 16 at the home of Elaine Williams. This is our annual Christmas party.

Quilt Show: I will be Quilt Show Chairman only if all committee chairman are filled. In my best interest, I am putting out to the membership. These committees need chairs: Secretary, Treasurer, Country Store, Judging, Insurance & Publicity, Teaching Demos, Show Quilt Tickets, and Volunteers. Keep in mind most of the prep work is completed and stored.

BOOK CLUB: Book club met at Jason's Deli after the guild meeting. Our next book will be "Twelve Golden Threads" by Aliske Webb. All are welcome to join us for lunch, December 14, about 1:00, and talk about books, quilts, and other stories.

ART QUILTERS: The Art Quilters met early this November to avoid the Thanksgiving Week Family activities. Members have made progress on their mystery quilts and show-and-tell was especially interesting. The next meeting is going to be January 28. No meeting in December.

Minutes: 11/9/2021 General Meeting

Welcome and Opening Remarks. Susan Mogan, President, Azalea City Quilter's Guild, opened the monthly meeting at 10:05. She welcome the Guild and special guest. She stated the special program today would be honoring the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. Several Quilts of Valor will be presented this morning. We will be conducting the presentation before the business meeting.

Inspirational. Ashley Fleming spoke about the history of quilting and explained how we need to teach it to the next generation. She stated that the freedom we enjoy in this country is the same. She thanked the men and women that served in our military and spoke a short prayer expressing our gratitude for them.

Quilts of Valor Presentation. Susan Mogan introduced Joyce Reed, Chair of the Quilts of Valor for the Azalea City Quilter's Guild. Joyce thanked everyone for being at the meeting and led the group with the Pledge of Allegiance. She went on to explained the mission of the Quilts of Valor program and how it got started. Joyce stated that six individuals have been selected to received a quilt this morning and thanked the friends and families present. The following individuals were recognized and presented a quilt: Walter "Butch" Dennis; Karen Gordon (a member of ACQG); Linwood Turner; Marty McCluer; Jerry Paul; and Jesse Clyde White.

Special Recognition of Members of ACQG. Susan Mogan thanked the men and women who served or are serving in the United States Armed Forces. She stated that just as important are the families that supported those individuals. She said there are several individuals who belong to ACQG that have served or had family members serving. Susan recognized the following individuals as those who served in the Armed Forces: Tia Bourke; Karen Gordon; Rene Hawkins; Martha Slee; and Cathy Wilson. She also recognized the following individuals as having family members who served or are serving in the Armed Forces: Nina Clotfelter; Pegi Cromartie; Ashley Fleming; Susan Garrett; Karen Gordon; Rene Hawkins; Bonnie Johnson; Peggy Knippenberg; Annette Oliver; Nancy Williams; and Cathy Wilson.

General Remarks. Susan Mogan asked the guild to remember Lee Patrick, Nancy Huihui and Patsy Starkey in their prayer. She asked if last month's minutes, which were published in the newsletter be accepted. Pegi Cromartie motioned to accept the minutes from last month's meeting be accepted as published and Carol Peterson seconded motion. The motion to accept the minutes as written was accepted, with no objections.

Treasurer's Report. Susie Olsen presented the September 2021 Treasurer's Report. A copy will be in the Nine Patch News.

Membership. Janora Parker stated that 57 members are present at this meeting. Two new members were at the meeting - Patty Givens and Alice Cornelson. Numerous guests were present for the Quilts of Valor presentation.

Programs. Linda Flores announced that next month's book for the book club will be "Twelve Golden Threads: A Novel of Life Lessons from Grandma's Quilt" by Aliske Webb. The book club will be meeting at Jason's Deli after the meeting for lunch and discussion of this month's book. She thanked everyone who attended the sit and sew earlier this month for the "strip poker" blocks that were made. She showed several quilts that were made during that session. Next month's program will be a trunk show of Christmas projects and quilts. She asked everyone to bring their Christmas theme items in for it. She will also be passing out the "Strip Poker" cards for individuals to complete for the January 2022 program.

The February program will be the annual “Country Store”. Individuals can bring their quilting items they would like to sell. It will be set up after the meeting. Also in February, Linda is hoping to have a special guest – Sara Watson. Sara lives in Fairhope and design fabrics for Cloud 9 Art Gallery Quilts.

Opportunity Quilt and Quilt Show. Peggy Stone stated that Bonnie Johnson brought the Opportunity Quilt to the Gulf States Quilter’s Association. She sold \$140.00 in tickets there. She wanted to thank the individuals who helped this past weekend at the Pecan Festival with showing and selling tickets for the Opportunity Quilts. They raised another \$387.00. She hopes to have the financial report for the Quilt Show completed soon. She is still waiting on the refund from the Abba Shrine. Susan Mogan reminded everyone that it is not too soon to start thinking about the 2023 Quilt Show. Many people are needed to have the show and everyone should start thinking of how they could help.

Workshops. Nina Clotfelter stated she would like everyone’s help in what kind of workshops to plan for the guild. She passed out a form asking members to mark or make suggestions on what they would like to have for workshops.

Child Advocacy Center. Sandy Purvis thanked everyone for the tremendous success last month for collecting for the Child Advocacy Center. A total of \$307.00 was collected last month alone, which place us well above the \$350.00 goal which was set. An additional \$70.00 was collected today and as of today a total of \$534.00 will be donated to the Child Advocacy Center. She stated this is an important program and just because we exceeded our goal for the year doesn’t mean we should stop giving. The coin basket is still out front and every penny helps.

Quilts of Valor. Joyce Reed thanked everyone for today’s presentation. She stated that there are two QOV kits available for anyone who would like to take them and make a quilt.

Resolutions. Cathy Eilers reminded everyone that resolutions are due next month and if anyone has finished their resolution to let her know. 251-591-2805

Gulf States Quilters Association. Bonnie Johnson told everyone the GSQA Quilt Show for 2022 is scheduled for April 9 and 10, 2022 at the North Shore Harbor Center in Slidell, LA. There will be two themes for this show: “Spirit of the Gulf” and “Blocks of the Gulf Coast”. If anyone is interested in the “Blocks of the Gulf Coast” there are blocks for each state available on the following website – QuiltersCache.com. The pattern are free. Also, during the show, baskets will be sold. Each guild that is a member of GSQA will donate a basket of quilting materials. The basket will be sold and that guild will receive half of the money for their basket.

Bonnie would like to have everyone donate a fat quarter in the colors of the Azaleas each month for this basket. She has pictures of azaleas to show what colors will be needed.

Ways and Means. Two “unbirthday” gifts were given this month. A total of \$68.00 was raised. The winners of the “unbirthday” gifts were Nancy Williams and Tia Bourke.

Show & Tell. A large group of items were shown by members of ACQG, including donation quilts, hand pieced quilts and a Bonnie Hunter design and many other quilts.

After Show & Tell, Susan Mogan asked if there was any other business that needed to be addressed. No one stated anything. She adjourned the meeting at 11:25. Submitted by:

KAREN GORDON, Secretary,

ACQG Approved by: SUSAN MOGAN, President ACQG



Two New Members:

Patty Givhan

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DOB: 9/15

Address Correction:

Janora Parker

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Masks are encouraged but not mandatory for the December meeting.



By-Laws Bytes

Each member is asked to purchase or sell one book of opportunity quilt tickets for the biennial quilt show. (Note - this is currently \$10 for a book of 12 tickets.)



MONTHLY MEETINGS

Block Party

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

ACQG General Meeting

9:30 am Registration, 10:00 am Meeting
December 14, 2021

Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd.

Night Guild

Thurs (12/16) after ACQG General meeting
6 p.m. at Elaine Williams' home

Art Quilters

No Meeting in December; next meeting is January 25
University Church of Christ, Zeigler Blvd.

Baltimore Album Stitching Group

December 4 at 9:30 am 341 Dalewood Dr

AZALEA CITY QUILTERS

GUILD: Nov 2021

Money Market Account Balance \$10,245.87

Interest Earned 0.08

TOTAL \$ 10,245.95

Checking Acct. Beg. Bal. \$3,489.96

INCOME:

T-Shirts \$ 15.00

Membership 100.00

Child Advocacy 341.00

Ways & Means 100.00

Exchange Blocks 109.00

TOT. INCOME \$665.00

EXPENSES:

Regency Church of Christ \$125.00

Exchange Block 55.93

Membership 12.73

Education 109.99

TOT. EXPENSES \$303.70

ENDING BAL \$3,851.26

Submitted by—Susie Olsen

MEET 'n' GREET (use bottom of form, if necessary)

NAME _____ YEARS IN GUILD _____ YEARS QUILTING _____

WHAT GUILD POSITIONS HAVE YOU HELD, IF ANY? _____

WHAT KIND OF QUILTING DO YOU DO, AND FOR WHOM? _____

DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE QUILTING EXPERIENCE OR STORY? _____

WHAT ARE YOUR NON-QUILTING INTERESTS? _____

WHAT IS YOUR PERSONAL SUPERPOWER? _____



IMPORTANT EMAIL ADDRESSES:

To send an email to the entire guild, please send it to ACQG2018@yahoo.com, and make the subject whatever the email is about, (instead of "please forward to guild")

To include something in the newsletter, please send it to pknip2020@gmail.com.

Guild's website: azaleacityquiltersguild.org



Dorothy Taylor 12/ 3

Cathy Stringfellow 12/4

Carolyn Stewart-Weaver 12/ 6

Anne Rose 12/18

Glennie Cobb 12/22

Valerie Jackson 12/23

Betty Todd 12/ 24

Linda Barnhouse 12/25

Jane Ziplies 12/27

Bennie Johnson 12/29



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