

# Nine Patch News

Azalea City Quilters Guild

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## What's Next .....

**Machine Piecing Class:** The next machine piecing class will be on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 from 1PM to 4PM at Springhill activities center. *MaryAnn Logsdon*

**PROGRAMS:** Strip poker cards were dealt out at December's meeting. Please complete at least one block in kid friendly colors or red/white/blue. Blocks will be shown off at January's meeting and collected to make donation quilts. Prizes awarded just for participating and one prize for whoever creates the most. Last poker game had HUNDREDS of blocks! Many quilts were made, and more are being worked on. February is "Country Store". If you need a table to sell your treasures, please contact Linda Flores by Friday, February 4. This event will take place in a meeting room down the hall after the February 8 meeting. February also brings a speaker to the meeting! Sarah Watson, from Fairhope, will speak to us about her experiences designing fabric for Art Gallery Fabrics and Cloud 9. She has also written an embroidery book. It's been a while since we had a speaker, and I am excited to have a guest visit! Please mark your calendar and join us! Yards of gratitude for all who brought their beautiful Christmas quilts, wreaths, and vests to the December's meeting. I'm sure many were inspired by such festive creations. *Linda Flores 251-689-8573 lambflores@bellsouth.net*

**WORKSHOPS:** January 18, 2022 - "I Found A Quilted Heart" - Nina Clotfelter; \$5 - 10a-3p - bring a lunch. We'll be doing a community service project to show our love for others. We'll learn some fun techniques too. Please go to [www.ifaqh.com](http://www.ifaqh.com) and read some of the wonderful stories! (The \$5 covers the labels and ribbon I'll be providing for every heart you make.)

February 15, 2022 - "Magic Herringbone" - Candy Snipes; \$10 - 10a-3p - bring a lunch. This is a FUN, QUICK, and EASY quilt to make! Candy will guide us through Learning this easy technique. Come join in this learning this fun project!

March 8, 2022 - "The Combat Quilter Tips & Tricks ", \$10 ; 1-4pm . Andrew Lee (The Combat Quilter) has found great joy in being an organized quilter!

*Nina Clotfelter 251-377-5523 ninaclotfelter@gmail.com*

**Resolutions:** Yvonne Taylor is organizing and documenting the Resolutions this year. She will have details at the upcoming



meetings. Get your lists together. *Yvonne Taylor 251-422-1795 happyquilter247@aol.com*

**Night Guild:** Our January meeting will be at Christ United Methodist Church in room 204, 6101 Grelot Road. This is our resolutions and dreaming meeting where we'll set our quilting goals for the year and talk about what programs we'd like to see in the coming year. *Alan Farmer; alan.farmer82@gmail.com 251-463-5398*

**Exchange Block:** The next exchange block will be houses. Georgia will provide the white and gray needed. Each block will have a designed color individuals will have to use. Georgia is only cutting a certain amount of blocks so be sure to purchase your blocks soon. *Georgia McCain 251-689-1393 gamccain52@gmail.com*

**Retreat Dates:** Retreat Dates are August 25 - 28, 2022; Sign-up begins in April. Questions? Contact Susan Garrett [susan.garrett@att.net](mailto:susan.garrett@att.net) or 251-599-4179

**Off-Year Opportunity Quilt:** The 2022 Off -Year Opportunity Quilt will not be ready for January. I'm sorry, but I have gotten behind. *Susan Garrett*

**GSQA Meeting:** 1. The next quarterly meeting is January 22, 2022 at the CYO Gymnasium Center, Archdiocese of New Orleans Young Adult Ministries, 2241 Mendez St., New Orleans, LA 70122. Business meeting and speaker Gyleen Fitzgerald who will talk on the "Path to Modern." This will finish up her 3 weeks of classes for GSQA. Masks and social distancing or Zoom. 2. Registration for GSQA Quilt Show will open January 2, 2022. Check the Facebook page and **print** the instructions. If you would like **Peggy Stone &/or Bonnie Johnson** to take and bring back your entries, PLEASE indicate that as **underlined**.

**QOV:** Continue stitching and plan to join us at Regency Church of Christ in their fellowship hall for the national sew date for Quilts of Valor on Saturday, Feb. 5. Quilt kits and blocks ready to be assembled will be available, as needed. Lunch will be provided, but if you'd like to help with a dessert, drinks, pot of soup, or snack please let me know. Pillowcases are still needed for presentations next year. If you know of a veteran that needs to be covered, please let us know. God Bless, *Joyce Reed*

Please keep Bonnie Zabzdyr in your thoughts and prayers. She was in a serious wreck right before Christmas Day.

## January 2022: President Notes

Can you believe I won the opportunity quilt?? Who would have guessed? I was blown away. It's a beautiful quilt and I'd like to thank everyone who worked on it. I'm going to get additional fabric and make a couple of pillow shams to go with it.

I had such fun doing the Meet-n-Greet. I love learning these things about people, as I think it brings us together as a group more. The form is in the newsletter, and available at sign-in. Hopefully you all enjoyed it enough that you'll fill one out and let us get to know you as well.

I've had a number of people mention to me that they like the new look of the newsletter, and how easy it was to read. Thanks to Peggy Knippenberg for all the work she puts in every month organizing all the information sent to her into an enjoyable reading experience.

Country store will be our program in Feb, so start going through your studio and finding those quilting/sewing things you no longer want. There are some great bargains to be had every year.

Thank you to Candy Snipes for accepting the volunteer coordinator position, and MaryAnn Logsdon for accepting the second-hand store position for quilt show. We're very close to having all the leadership positions filled, which is great since we need to start working on the 2023 show.

And of course at this time of year we have to talk about resolutions. Do you have any quilting resolutions for 2022? Participating in the guild's resolutions program is a great way to give you that extra little push to get it done. Here's how it works: you list anything quilting related you'd like to accomplish this year, and every completed resolution gets your name entered one time in the drawing in Dec, while each

uncompleted resolution "costs" you one fat quarter. Resolutions don't have to be just a quilt: they can be a quilting class, technique or skill, activity, etc. Some easy ways to fill your list would be to include guild activities like making a donation or QOV quilt, going to retreat, participating in guild challenge, joining book club, but you could also include things like learning how to use EQ8 or other quilting software, how to do ruler work on your home machine, some specific long arming skill, attend every guild workshop, teach a workshop for the guild, taking an online quilting class, or going to an in-person national quilt show. Be creative and bold! And how about this idea as a resolution – volunteer for some kind of leadership/committee position within the guild. It's absolutely the best way to really build relationships within the group, and it's fun. Really!

Which brings me to my final point. You've all heard the saying "Be the change you want to see in the world". There's also a song by Five for Fighting called "What Kind of World Do You Want?", which I'd like to adapt to "What kind of guild do you want?" Do you want an active, energetic guild? Then be active in the guild and energetic about the projects we do. Do you want a warm, friendly environment? Then reach out to people you don't know and make them feel welcome and part of the group. You get the idea. Let's all BE the guild we want to see, the guild we'd like to join. As we start a new year, I'd like to express my appreciation for all that each of you do for the guild, and I look forward to an awesome 2022!

Happy quilting,  
*Susan*



## Keep Up-to-date With ACQG Activities

**Resolutions:** Yvonne Taylor is organizing and recording Resolutions in 2022.

**Ways and Means Committee:** Eight “un-birthday” gifts were given for this month. A total of \$92.00 was collected.

**Library:** The latest addition to our library is The Quilting Arts Idea Book: Inspiration and Techniques for Art Quilting by Vivika Hansen Denegre. This is a memorial for Rena Krol. *Ann Hetrick*

**Child Advocacy Fund:** The Guild raised \$534 for the Child Advocacy Center during 2021. This was well over the \$350 we hoped to raise. We are changing the date when we present the Child Advocacy Center. Instead of December, we will give the money to them at the end of the Guild’s fiscal year, which is in August. Sandy Purvis 251-422-0968



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**Membership Report:** There were 56 members present at our December meeting. *Bennie Johnson*

**Web Site:** Those that have new information for the web site contact me by text or email. As information changes it needs to be posted. It is essential that Programs and Workshops to be kept up to date. My contact information is in the hand book.

*Peggy Stone 251-599-3180*

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**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](mailto:susan.garrett@att.net) so I have a typed out correction. I try to make things correct, but mistakes happen.

**Night Guild:** Night Guild met for our annual Christmas party. It was hosted by Elaine Williams. There were 14 people in attendance. We ate and participated in Dirty Santa.

**Quilt Show:** The 2021 Show Quilt “Back To Traditions” was won by our own Susan Mogan during the meeting. Congratulations!!!! We still need to fill these three chairman vacancies for 2023 Quilt Show:

**Budget, Publicity, Demo classes**

**BOOK CLUB:** Book club will be reading “Birds in the Air” by Frances O’Roark Dowell. Discussion will follow January 11 meeting at Jason’s Deli. All are welcome. *Linda Flores 251-689-8573 [lambflores@bellsouth.net](mailto:lambflores@bellsouth.net)*

**ART QUILTERS:** Art Quilters will be meeting on January 25. This will be a planning meeting so that members can begin to plan the next collaborative project; or maybe an improvisational project, or something else spectacular. Be sure to bring your creative thoughts and suggestions. Show and Tell is encouraged. *Peggy Knippenberg 251-591-0805*

**PET PILLOWS:** Have questions? Go to [azaleacityquiltersguild.org](http://azaleacityquiltersguild.org). Click on Activities, then Community Outreach, then read down to Pet Pillow Project. Please read and follow all instructions. Ron Johnson and Jimmy Stone delivered 16 last week!! Some big, some small.



### Our Sympathies For the loss of family and friends

Bob Mott,  
Charlotte Mott's husband

Nancy Ruth Henson, Guild member and  
regular Retreat Participant

# Minutes: 12/14/2021 General Meeting

**Welcome and Opening Remarks.** Susan Mogan, President, Azalea City Quilters Guild, opened the monthly meeting at 10:05. She welcomed the Guild. She requested that we keep in our prayer the members of the guild that have family members who are sick or have passed away.

**Inspirational.** Ashley Fleming spoke about this time of the year when we looking for gifts for family and friends. How the mall parking lot are so crowded, how we drive around and around the lot until we can find the right parking space. She continues with how the three wise men continued their search for the right parking space and finally found it with our savior. We all need to find that “parking space” as they did. She finished with a short prayer for the season and for the members of the Guild who needed a special prayer.

**General Remarks.** Susan Mogan stated that minutes of last month’s meeting needed correction. A discrepancy between the minutes and the newsletter concerning the number of persons who attended. The minutes needed to be corrected to show 48 individuals were in attendance for the November 2021 meeting. A motion was made for the correction. The minutes will be corrected to show 48 members were present for the November 2021 meeting.

**Meet & greet.** Susan Mogan stated that she will be spotlighting three members of the Azalea City Quilters Guild each month. This month she decided to spotlight the oldest and newest member of the Guild who turned in a Meet & Greet form to her.

**Bonnie Johnson** – a member of the Guild for 21 years. She held multiple offices within the Guild and many unofficial positions as well.

**Ashley Fleming** – she considers herself a “newbie” in the Guild. She joined us in August 2021 and is now our Inspirational Chair.

**Bonnie Zabzdyr** – a member of the Guild for 9 years and has been quilting for over 30 years.

**General Announcements.** Susan stated there are several committee chairs for the 2023 Quilt Show that still needed to be filled, including Judging Chair; Treasurer; Volunteers Chair; and Second Hand Store Chair. Lori Hickman (past Second Hand Chair) will help the new chair with the 2023 Quilt Show and everything is already set-up from the canceled 2021 Quilt Show. If anyone is interested in helping with these positions or the 2023 Quilt Show contact Peggy Stone. Janora Parker has stepped down from the Membership Chair, due to a long recovery from shoulder surgery. The new Membership Chair will be Bennie Johnson. She will continue to work the Sunshine Committee. For this meeting 56 members were present and we had one member, Bonita Flesher, renewed her membership. Yvonne Taylor will be the 2022 Resolutions Chair. Susan asked the members to start thinking about their 2022 Resolutions.

She explained that a quilter’s resolution can be anything from making a quilt for the Quilts of Valor or for donation to the Child Advocacy or it can be learning a new technique or even completing a project. Everyone needs to start thinking about their resolutions for next year and be ready to turn in their list at the January meeting. If you have not already picked up your 2021 – 2022 Yearbook and membership card, please see Susan Garrett. The By-Laws Committee has met two times and progress has been made. They hope to be able to present the rewritten by-laws in the February 2022 meeting, with a new format. A hospitality chair is needed for the August 2022 meeting. If anyone is interested in helping with the August luncheon, contact Susan Mogan. Also, a chair is needed for Pet Pillows Project. Pet pillows are made by individual members of the Guild and turned into the Project Chair to bring to various animal shelters. If anyone is interested in making pet pillows, the instructions are of the Azalea City Quilters Guild website.

**Treasurer’s Report.** Susie Olsen presented the November 2021 Treasurer’s Report. A copy will be in the Nine Patch News.

**Art Quilters.** Due to the holidays, the Art Quilters will not be meeting in December. The next meeting is scheduled for January 2022.

**Workshops.** Nina Clotfelter stated she sees interest for hand quilting, needle applique, and improving quilting skills from the forms she passed out at the last meeting. She will be working on workshops with these items in mind. The following workshops are scheduled: In January 2022, the workshop will be held on January 18, 2022. It is a Community Project – “I Found a Quilted Heart”. Bring your sewing machines and any scraps of fabric and batting. The heart will be made and then individuals will leave them throughout their communities as signs of encouragement. There is a \$5.00 fee for this workshop. Nina will be purchasing the ribbon and cards needed to be attached the hearts. More information for this project can be found at the “I Found a Quilted Heart” website – [www.ifoundaquiltedheart.com](http://www.ifoundaquiltedheart.com). The February 2022 Workshop will be held on February 15. Candy Snipes, an ACQG member, will be teaching the “Magic Herringbone” quilt pattern. This is a fast and easy way to complete a herringbone quilt using 2½ stripes. In March 2022, the workshop will be “Tips & Tricks” (improving your quilting skills) with Andrew Harris, the Combat Quilter. It will be held after the March meeting. April’s Workshop will be on hand embroidery and needle applique.



**Programs.** Linda Flores announced that next month's book for the book club will be "Birds in the Air" by Francis O'Rourke Dowell. The book club will be meeting at Jason's Deli after the meeting for lunch and discussion of this month's book. This month's program was a Christmas Trunk Show during Show and Tell. Members brought many quilts and quilted articles with Christmas themes to show. A game of "Strip Poker" will be started today for the January 2022 meeting. Linda now has two decks of strip poker cards since the last time we played we did not have enough cards for everyone. She stated she marked the second deck with an "X" to show it is not a duplicate. Members are asked to make at least one block in either red/white/blue for Quilts of Valor or in children's prints. Prizes will be given out in January for the person who makes the most blocks. 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. Call Linda if you need a table for your items. Also in February, Linda is hoping to have a special guest – Sara Watson. Sara lives in Fairhope and designs fabrics for the Cloud 9 Art Gallery Quilts.

**Library.** Ann Hetrick stated that we had two members of the Guild pass away, Rena Krol and Retha Sumrall. The Guild will dedicate a book in the library to each person as a memorial. If anyone has a suggestion on what type of book could be purchased as the "Memorial" for these members, please contact Ann Hetrick.

**Special Note.** Carol Peterson talked about an article in a magazine concerning the Quilts of Valor Program. She stated it reports about the Azalea City Quilters Guild and what we do. It was particularly good publicity for the Guild.

**Quilts of Valor.** Joyce Reed told us about the Quilts of Valor or National Sew day. It is scheduled for February 5, 2022. She is trying to get a location and possibility of lunch for those who come out and sew during this event. She will let us know more when she finds a venue. Joyce received a "Thank You" note from Valerie Jackson. Her father, Lenwood Turner, was presented a Quilt of Valor during our February meeting. She stated her father was "humbled and pleased" to be recognized for his service. He has it on his bed, so he can see and use it every day.

**Child Advocacy Center.** Sandy Purvis was not able to be at this meeting. Susan Mogan was asked to announce that the Guild raised \$534.00 for the Child Advocacy Center. This was well over the \$350.00 we hoped to raise. We are changing the date when we present the Child Advocacy Center. Instead of December, we will give the money to them at the end of the Guild's fiscal year, which is in August. The Child Advocacy Center will receive the total raised for them no matter when it is presented.

The change of date is to make the bookkeeping easier for the Guild.

**Donation Quilts.** Diane Engels showed the quilts she is making with the used dryer sheets that she requested. Several members asked to see how these quilts are made. She stated she will be willing to do a workshop in the future. She also requested from the long arm quilters the end strips of batting that they have that are 4 to 5 inches. She has found a way to use them in a scrap quilt. She showed a finish piece of how she uses them. Diane thanked Bonnie Johnson and Alan Farmer for their generous donation of batting for use in the Donation Quilts. Batting is always what she does not have enough of. She stated that she uses her entire budget from the Guild to buy batting. She appreciates any donations, but batting is always needed.

**Drawing for the 2021 Opportunity Quilt.** Peggy Stone and Susan Holler drew the winning ticket for the 2021 Opportunity Quilt, which should have been awarded during the 2021 Quilt Show. The winner was Susan Mogan. Peggy stated that she does not have a final accounting on how much the 2021 Opportunity Quilt made. She is still waiting on information from the Art Council and Abba Shine to get the final figure.

**Exchange Blocks.** Georgia McCain stated she has seven quilt tops to give away for the Christmas Exchange Block. The seven quilt tops were awarded to Reba Perkins, Paula Powell, Kathy Brooks, Sandy Purvis, Bonnie Johnson, Susan Holler, and Tia Bourke. The next exchange block will be houses. Georgia will provide the white and gray needed. Each block will have a designed color individuals will have to use. Each quilt will have 16 blocks in it. She will only be cutting a limited number of blocks, so if you are interested purchase them early.

**Resolutions for 2021.** Cathy Eilers drew for the completed 2021 Resolutions. The winners were Linda Flores, Diane Engels, Ashley Fleming, Mary Warfield, and Janet Beaverstock.

**Ways and Means.** Eight "un-birthday" gifts were given for this month. A total of \$92.00 was collected. The winners of the "un-birthday" gifts were Bonita Flesher, Connie Golden, Terrie Garmendia, Ramona Thompson, Janean McCawley, Pam Stevens, and Betty Todd.

**Show & Tell.** Show and Tell was a Christmas Truck Show as part of today's program. There were many, many beautiful quilts, table runners, wall hangings and clothing articles on display from multiple Guild members.

After Show & Tell, Susan Mogan asked if there was any other business that needed to be address. No one stated anything. She adjourned the meeting at 11:50.

Submitted by: KAREN GORDON, Secretary, ACQG

Approved by: SUSAN MOGAN, President ACQG

**New Members:**

(Former member rejoined)

Bonita Flesher

**Membership Book Correction:**

Valerie Jackson

#251-401-8780

**Don't Forget!****Programs at upcoming General Meetings:**January 11: showing and collecting strip  
poker blocksFebruary 8: country store, speaker Sarah  
Watson**Next Workshops:**

January 18 "I Found a Quilted Heart"

February 15 Magic Herringbone  
by Candy SnipesMarch 8 The Combat Quilter Tips  
and Tricks

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**Meetings:  
Times & Locations****Block Party**Every Thurs. 10 am-12 pm Springhill Baptist Church,  
Activities Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor –Personal projects**ACQG General Meeting**9:30 am Registration, 10:00 am Meeting  
January 11, 2022

Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd.

**Night Guild**Thurs (1/13/22) after ACQG General meeting  
Christ United Methodist Church in room 204**Art Quilters**January 25 at 10 am to 12 pm  
University Church of Christ, Zeigler Blvd.**Baltimore Album Stitching Group**

January 8th at 9:30

341 Dalewood Dr. 422-1795.

**ACQG  
December 2021**Money Market Account Bal- \$ 10,245.95  
ance

Interest Earned \_\_\_\_\_ 0.09

TOTAL \$ 10,246.04

Checking Acct. Beg. Bal. \$ 3,851.26

## INCOME:

T-Shirts \$ 45.00

Membership 60.00

Child Advocacy 76.00

Ways &amp; Means 68.00

TOT. INCOME \$ 249.00

## EXPENSES:

Regency Church of Christ \$125.00

Programs 172.42

Red Dot Storage 408.00

Programs 336.60

TOT. EXPENSES \$1,042.02

ENDING BAL \$3,058.24

Submitted by—Susie Olsen



## MEET 'n' GREET

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? \_\_\_\_\_

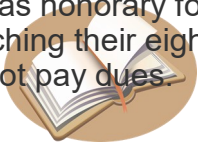
WHAT ARE YOUR NON-QUILTING INTERESTS? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT IS YOUR PERSONAL SUPERPOWER? \_\_\_\_\_



### By-Laws Bytes

There will be two types of memberships: one as an active dues-paying member, and the other as honorary for those members reaching their eightieth birthday who will not pay dues.



### IMPORTANT EMAIL ADDRESSES:

To send an email to the entire guild, please send it to [ACQG2018@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto:pknip2020@gmail.com).

### Guild website:

[azaleacityquiltersguild.org](http://azaleacityquiltersguild.org)



Kathy Brooks. 1/1  
 Pat Hadder 1/2  
 Dianne Engles. 1/7  
 Debbie Armitage 1/9  
 Grace Watkins-Taylor 1/24  
 Terry Jenkins 1/28  
 Sandy Purvis 1/29



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