

# **Nine Patch News**

Azalea City Quilters Guild www.azaleaquiltersguild.org <u>ACQG2018@yahoo.com</u>,

# President: Susan Mogan smogan1@comcast.net



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<u>Machine Piecing Class</u>: The next machine piecing class will meet on Feb. 9, 2022 from 1 to 4 p.m. at SpringHill Baptist activities center .

**Programs:** Thank you for creating Strip Poker blocks. QOV blocks will be arranged on Saturday, <u>February 5</u> at Regency Church with Joyce's Group on National QOV day. We'll need lots of hands to help arrange blocks, and even to sew scrap batting rows into quiltable size batting. <u>February 8</u> is Country store. Be sure to contact Linda Flores (251)689-8573 ASAP to reserve a table. Odds and ends will be for sale after the meeting. February 8 is also an exciting day! We will have Sarah Watson address the guild. She is a Fairhope native and designs fabric for Cloud 9! She is also does amazing embroidery. This is her first time addressing a guild, and I'm sure she'll feel welcome! Be sure to attend March's meeting! We'll have the Combat quilter, Andrew Lee, speak during the meeting, and offer a workshop. Nina will have more details on this.

Linda Flores 251-689-8573 lambflores@bellsouth.net Workshops: 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! <u>March 8, 2022</u> - "The Combat Quilter Tips & Tricks \$10; 1-4 pm . Andrew Lee (The Combat Quilter) has found great joy in being an organized quilter! <u>April 19, 2022</u>-Creative Free Form Embroidery Sampler; Teach-



er: Sarah Watson 10 am-1 pm. Learn to incorporate a variety of traditional embroidery stitches into a free form embroidery without following a pattern. You will learn how different types of thread can achieve different results. You'll learn embellishments, and way to be expressive in your hand embroidery. \$35 includes kit (kit: different kinds of threads, hoop, needles, instruction booklet.). *Nina Clotfelter 251-377-5523 ninaclotfelter@qmail.com* 

**<u>Resolutions</u>:** Please email me or have your resolutions ready at February meeting. I encourage everyone to participate in this. It will help get those PHDS AND UFO done. *Yvonne Taylor* 251-422-1795 happyquilter247@aol.com

**Night Guild**: Our next meeting will be on February 10. The topic is how to make t-shirt quilts with presenter Heike Roosen. Heike will host the meeting at her home at 955 Watergate Court and she will include a demonstration of Martelli products. *Alan Farmer; alan.farmer82@gmail.com* 251-463-5398

house blocks of six different colors. The blocks have sold exceptionally well; so well that I ran out of block kits. I am making 18 more block kits for the February meeting. If you would like a block, please see me before the meeting. I encour-

Exchange Block: The Exchange blocks for January-April are two

age everyone who has bought kits to complete them and return them to me. Initially 96 block kits were sold. This will ensure that 6 quilts of 16 blocks each will be given away if everyone returns their completed blocks. I



have prepared 18 more blocks, allowing 7 quilts to be given away. Please complete your block kit and return to me by the April meeting. I would love to have them in March, but will be OK if I don't get them until April. I'm including a picture of my quilt to give you an indication of what the quilt will look like. The only difference is that my quilt has 25 blocks instead of 16. *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 or 251-599-4179

**GSQA Meeting**: Peggy Stone and I attended the GSQA Quarterly meeting January 22 in New Orleans. Hopefully, you attended on ZOOM. Newly elected President Laura Broders presided and the lecture by Gyleen Fitzgerald "*Path to Modern from Traditional through Contemporary to Modern*" was eye-

opening. Who knew that what you traditionally do can be made into Modern so easily? Even she didn't to begin with. Show and Tell was awesome as usual. Many showed their finished projects that Gyleen had been teaching the last 10 days. **QOV:** Our sew date is scheduled for Feb. 5, 9am until 3pm. Come for as long as you can. If you can let me know you are coming it would be appreciated so that we have plenty of lunch provided. 251-454-1466 I will have simple projects for you to work on, or plan to bring your own patriotic fabric and help to make a 60.5" row of blocks, your choice of design and size of block. If you can help with lunch let me know, as well. Bring your machine and basic supplies. We will meet at Regency Church of Christ and will have our standard equipment available. God Bless, *Joyce Reed 251-454-1466*.

**Donation Quilts:** Elaine Henderson from the Child Advocacy Center will be at our February meeting to receive donation quilts we have made. If anyone has a completed quilt, please contact me so I can make arrangements to get the quilts before the meeting. I need to attach the labels before they can be given.

# January 14, 2022: President Notes

I'd like to start out 2022 by expressing my gratitude for the opportunity to be part of the guild. It and the art quilt group have given me friends, interesting activities that helped me grow creatively, and opportunities to give back to the community around me, all of which I deeply appreciate. And now as president, I'm looking to the year ahead and thinking how best to ensure everyone can enjoy this same experience. I feel like with all of the covid disruptions and social distancing that we've lost momentum and a certain sense of cohesiveness, and I'd like to get that back. So here's my 2022 guild president mission statement: to focus on three main areas: regaining the momentum that we lost during the last two years, growing our membership, and continuing to strengthen our sense of community. I'd like to find ways to help our newer members feel like part of the group, ways to keep our long term members engaged, and ways to make the public more aware of who we are and what we can offer. I'd like to encourage more diversity, not only in race or ethnicity but in age and interests, perhaps attracting people who never before considered quilting as something they would enjoy doing. And so I'd like to ask all of you for your help, to contribute your ideas for how best to accomplish this. If you're a newer member, what specifically can we do to help you? What problems are you encountering? What don't we offer that we should? If you're a long term member, what specifically do you need in order to want to continue as a member? Are you bored? What programs or activities will keep you engaged and coming back? How can we attract new members of different ages and backgrounds? How can we get meeting attendance up? How can we make the guild more interesting? One of the things I'm considering is hosting a monthly coffee where new and old members could just come and chat and get to know each other, so if that's something you think you'd enjoy let me know. I really would like to hear any thoughts you might have – call me at 251-458-0246 or email me at smogan1@comcast.net. Any successful venture takes a team effort, and we're fortunate to have officers and committee chairs who are committed to the guild and care deeply about its long term

success, so please help us with your ideas and feedback.

I think it would be great if as many guild members as possible made a quilt incorporating Very Peri, the Pantone 2022 color of the year (a deep periwinkle blue). Maybe challenge yourself to use it in a new way that's different from how you usually work, like a modern quilt, or appliqué, or abstract, or in solids, etc.

And I hope you've all gone through your studios and found things to sell at Country Store this month (make sure you let Linda Flores know if you need a table). I'm looking forward to finding some great bargains.

There's lots of other important info in this month's newsletter, like the upcoming GSQA quarterly meeting that we're hosting in April, the QOV National Sew Day on Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, workshops, resolutions (it's not too late to turn them in!), and more, so please check it all out.

Finally, I've heard from numerous newer members that they're still very confused about all the things we talk about at meetings and about what the different committees do, so I'm working on a "Guild at a Glance" writeup that will explain all the various programs, groups, and activities the guild does, as well as committee descriptions. If you head up any kind of a special interest group (for example, art quilters), please send me the information so I can include it. And if there's a special interest group we don't currently offer that you'd like to see let me know that as well and we'll see if we can't get one going.

Happy quilting, Susan



## KUDOS to ALMA MOATES

# Keep Up-to-date With ACQG Activities

<u>**Resolutions:**</u> Yvonne Taylor is organizing and recording Resolutions in 2022.

<u>Ways and Means Committee:</u> We collected \$53 for Unbirthday at the January meeting. We received two gifts. **Library:** The library now has Learn to Paper

<u>Piece</u> by Nancy Mahoney. This book has excellent instructions as well as illustrations for this quilting technique. There are five quilt patterns as well. This addition to the library is in memory of deceased member Retha Sumrall.



#### Child Advocacy Fund: A Great BIG THANK

YOU to the very generous members of ACQG!! Because of your overwhelming support for such a worthwhile cause, we are able to present a record breaking (I think) check for \$600 to Child Advocacy at our February meeting. I'm sure they will put the money, as well as the donation quilts you make for the children, to good use. Thanks again for your generosity and support. Sandy Purvis 251-422-0968 sandypurvis1@gmail.com

<u>Membership Report</u>: 43 members present; 2 visitors that also joined ACQG.

<u>Web Site</u>: 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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<u>Yearbook:</u> 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.

<u>Night Guild:</u> Night Guild met on January 13 at Christ United Methodist Church. A program was given on tips for a productive quilting year. We also talked about prospective upcoming programs and goals for the year. . <u>BOOK CLUB:</u> Book club is reading "Confessions from the Quilting Circle" by Maisey Yates. Discussions to follow February's meeting at a local restaurant. . *Linda Flores* 251-689-8573 lambflores@bellsouth.net

**ART QUILTERS:** Art Quilters met January 25. There were 11 members plus 1 visitor present. Show and Tell was very interesting with Blue Vase Quilts; Mystery quilts; Slice quilt and very interesting personal projects. Future Art Quilters' projects were discussed: improv quilts, No-tan, Interweave quilt; and more. *Peggy Knippenberg pknip2020@gmail.com 251-591-0805* 

GSQA: After our last ACQG meeting a few of us decided on the workshop for the GSQA April Meeting to be held HERE IN MOBILE Saturday, April 23, 2022. Judy Gauthier from Ripon, Wisconsin will be teaching "Quilts for Scrap Lovers." Check her out online. Use of color, marrying odd prints and odd scraps, innovative cutting techniques, optimal color and intensity placement will all be covered in the class Friday, April 22, 2022. As Hosts, ALL of us have the opportunity to see GSQA in action. Become a part of our welcoming team. Sign up to be a helper at the February and March meetings. About 5 ACQG members have entered quilts in the GSQA Quilt Show April 8-9, 2022 at the Harbour Center, Slidell, LA. Peggy Stone and I will be taking quilts on April 2nd to the Rosebud Luncheon. You must call us to let us know you need us to do this, and you must have indicated such on your Entry Form. Bonnie Johnson robojo2@aol.com. 251-421-1409



Don't forget the Country Store is after the February meeting. Always interesting treasures.....



# Minutes: 1/14/2022 General Meeting

Azalea City Quilters Guild, opened the monthly meeting at 10:05. She welcomed the Guild. She requested that we keep in our prayers the following members of the guild: Carolyn Stewart-Weaver, Bonnie Zabzdyr, Donette Erwin, Pam Stevens and Nancy Williams.

Inspirational. Ashley Fleming was not able to attend this month's meeting. Bonnie Johnson offered the inspirational. She spoke of what 2022 would mean to each one of us. Bonnie quoted inspirational lines from various people throughout history. She spoke about the new 2022 Pantone color of the year - Pantone 17-3938 Very Peri. How this color encompasses the qualities of the blues, yet at the same time possessing a violet-red undertone, displays a spritely, joyous attitude and dynamic presence that encourages courageous creativity and imaginative expression. Very Peridisplays a carefree confidence and a daring curiosity that animates our creative spirit, inquisitive and how it will help us to embrace this altered landscape of possibilities, opening us up to a new vision as we rewrite our lives. She asked us the question: how many of us will Very Peri in the coming year and what will we create with it. She closed with a prayer for all the guild members who need our support.

Meet & greet. Susan Mogan stated that she spotlighted three members of the Azalea City Quilters Guild each month.

Janet Beaverstock – a member of the Guild for 15 years and has been quilting for 25 years. Janet has held several offices within ACQG, including President. She has hosted several groups at her home for the ACQG. Her superpower is "getting projects finished."

Gini Danford - a member of the Guild for 9 years and has been quilting for 9 years. Jenny has been the hospitality chair.

Joyce Reed – a member of the Guild for 20 years and has been quilting 21 years. Joyce has held multiple positions in ACQG, including President. She is currently head of the Quilts of Valor program for Mobile. Joyce is also active in her church and loves reading and playing bridge. Her superpower is persistence.

General Announcements. Susan announced that all committee chairs for the 2023 Quilt Show has been filled. She thanked everyone for stepping up and helping with the show. Susan congratulated Alma Moates for having a picture of her quilt in the Quiltfolk Calendar. The Hospitality Chair for the August and December luncheon has been filled. Alma Moates and Martha Rowland have volunteered for the position. Susan announced that Susan Holler will be moving and will be missed at the ACQG. She wished her the best of luck and told her to visit when she returns to Mobile.

Welcome and Opening Remarks. Susan Mogan, President, Secretary. No correspondence was received this month. Bonnie Johnson stated that last month's minutes were not correct. She said that the program last month should have been reported as a "Show and Tell," not a truck show. Janet Beaverstock made a motion to correct last month's minutes to be corrected as stated. The motion was seconded by Susan Holler. The minutes for December 2021 will be corrected accordingly.

> Treasurer's Report. Susie Olsen was not available to attend this meeting. Sandy Purvis presented the December 2021 Treasurer's Report. A copy will be in the Nine Patch News.

Membership. Bennie Johnson reported that 43 members were present at today's meeting. We had two visitors -Suzie McDaniel and Susan Brown. Both requested to join the ACQG.

**Programs**. Linda Flores announced that the book club will not be meeting today for lunch. The book for next month is "Confession from The Quilting Circle" by Maisey Yates. 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 having a special guest – Sara Watson. Sara lives in Fairhope and designs fabrics for the Cloud 9 Art Gallery Quilts. The "Strip Poker" game started last month was completed with awarding prizes. Karen Gordon won for making the largest number. Karen made 53 blocks for the Quilts of Valor program. She won a bundle of fat quarters with a gambling theme and a pair a snipping scissors. Cards were drawn for bundles of fat quarters for individuals who made other blocks. The winners were Anne Godwin, Susan Mogan, Terry Garmendia, Bonnie Johnson, and Sharon Miller.

Art Quilters. Susan Mogan stated that the Art Quilters will be meeting January 25. She offered an invitation to anyone who would like to join the Art Quilters. Anyone is welcome to join.

Quilt Show. Peggy Stone announced that the Opportunity Quilt for the 2021 Quilt Show cost \$766.17 in materials. The ticket sales for the guilt were \$3,696.00. She stated that we had a lot of different ways this was achieved. By using the Arts Council, which allowed us to have individuals charged their purchases on a credit card and by sending the guilt to Opp, Alabama for several weeks. She also thanked the individuals who helped with taking the quilt to various places – Bonnie Johnson and Ann Singleton. The final amount shown financial books for the 2021 Quilt Show was \$12,871.60. The show had \$10,683.00 in expenses. This amount included the

refunds to the members, who wanted a refund and the vendors (pole people and Abba Shrine). The Janet McCurley Memorial Fund donated \$113.00 to the ACQG. An issue arose with the checking account with the bank that we did not realize. When the balance in the account was below \$2,000, the bank charged a \$15.00 fee. A total of \$120.00 was charged for insufficient funds in the account. Susie Olsen will be completing an audit on the Quilt Show financials.

**Child Advocacy.** Sandy Purvis stated ACQG set a goal of \$350.00 to collect from members for the Child Advocacy Center. She was pleased to announce that for the 2021 calendar year, a total of \$591.00 was collected. A check will be presented to them next month for \$600.00.

Gulf States Quilters Association (GSQA). Bonnie Johnson announced that the website for the GSQA Show on April 8 and 9 is open to accept quilts for the show. She stated you do not need to be a member of GSQA to have a quilt in the show, but non-members will be charged a higher entry fee. Entry fees for members is \$12.00 per quilt. Nonmembers will be \$2.00 more per quilt. She stated you will need to read the registration process and entry show rules carefully below you fill out the application for the show. After you fill out the application, you will need to send a separate email with a picture of the quilt and the information from the application to them. If you want Bonnie Johnson and Peggy Stone to transport your quilt to and from the GSQA Show you will need to fill out the area on the form. Also let Bonnie and Peggy know that you are having them bring and pick-up your quilt for the show. Bonnie also stated the ACQG will be hosting the GSQA meeting on April 22 and 23 in Mobile, Alabama. This meeting is part of ACQG and we will need everyone's help, even if you are not a member of GSQA. We will need four volunteers for being hosts at the registration area. Also, needed are six more people to help with the door prizes. Peggy will need help in the food area. GSQA members who are attending this meeting will be having lunch at the various restaurants in the area, but we will be providing a morning coffee hour on Saturday. The workshop which will be held during this meeting will have a charge. Nonmembers will be paying a higher price if they choose to attend.

**Resolutions for 2022.** Yvonne Taylor was not available at today's meeting. She will be collecting the 2022 Resolutions from members during February meeting. If you would like, you may email your resolutions to her at happyquilter247@aol.com.

Ways and Means (Un-birthday gifts). Two un-birthday gifts were received for this month's birthdays. A total of \$53.00 was raised for ACQG. The winners of today's gifts were Jeanne McCawley and Paula Powell. Susan Mogan reminded everyone that it is in the "By-Laws" of ACQG that individual members of the Guild are requested to donate an "un-birthday" gift to the Ways and Means during the month of their birthday. That these "un-birthday" gifts drawings provide a source of income for ACQG. If you cannot make it to the meeting during your birth month, then you should either send the gift with someone else or bring it with you for the next meeting.

Workshops. Nina Clotfelter was not available for today's meeting. She requested Susan Mogan announce the upcoming workshops. 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 hearts will be made and 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 attach to the hearts. More information for this project can be found at the "I Found A Quilted Heart" website 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 Lee, the Combat Quilter. It will be held after the March meeting.

**Quilts of Valor.** Joyce Reed announced the Quilts of Valor National Sew day is scheduled for February 5, 2022. The Regency Church of Christ will be the place and it scheduled from 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. Several individuals have volunteered to bring lunch, soup and chili. We will be working with the blocks made for Quilts of Valor during the January Strip Poker program. The blocks will be put together to make a 50-inch row, using coping strips as needed. If you do not want to bring your sewing machine, there will be hand sewing bindings and ironing will also be needed. You do not need to stay the entire day, come and leave when you want to.

**Show & tell.** Jeanne McCawley shown a quilt top she made using the used dryer sheets that Diane Engels talked about. Nancy Williams shown a completed Quilts of Valor quilt in which she used a panel.

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 11:15.

Submitted by: KAREN GORDON, Secretary, ACQG Approved by: SUSAN MOGAN, President ACQG



#### Welcome New Members:

Susan Brown 10031 Wells Rd Theodore, AL 36583 251 605 0786 smithbr@hotmail.com

#### Suzie McDaniel

7051 Carson Dr Spanish Fort, AL 35527 850 572 4552 Suzanne.Mcdaniel@gmail.com

#### Update your Membership Book:

<u>New Address</u> Susan Holler 42833 Beaver Crossing Square Ashburn,VA 20148 <u>Email Correction</u> Paula Powell pep7025@gmail.com



# **REMINDER:**

#### Future Programs at ACQG General Meetings:

February 8: Country store and a speaker, Sarah Watson, at guild March 8: Combat quilter, Andrew Lee, at March meeting, and workshop

#### **Scheduled Workshops:**

February 15 Magic Herringbone by Candy Snipes March 8 The Combat Quilter Tips and Tricks April 19 Creative Free Form Embroidery Sampler 

## <u>Meetings:</u> <u>Times & Locations</u>

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 February 8, 2022 Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd.

#### <u>Night Guild</u>

Thurs (2/10/22) after ACQG General meeting Christ United Methodist Church in room 204

#### Art Quilters

February 22 at 10 am to 12 pm University Church of Christ, Zeigler Blvd.

Baltimore Album Stitching Group No meeting in February

#### ACQG January 2022

Submitted by—Susie Olsen

Money Market Account Bal- ance		\$ 10,246.04
Interest Earned		0.09
	TOTAL	\$ 10,246.13
Checking Acct. Beg. Bal.	BEG. BAL.	\$ 3,058.24
INCOME:		
T-Shirts		\$ 15.00
Membership		24.25
Child Advocacy		60.00
Ways & Means		92.00
	INCOME	\$ 191.25
EXPENSES:		
Regency Church of Christ		\$125.00
Programs		190.00
Red Dot Storage (Insurance increase)		10.00
Resolutions		.73
Hospitality		91.87
	EXPENSES	\$ 489.87
	ENDING BAL	\$ 2,759.38

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2/6 Charlotte Mott 2/8 Sherea Weiss 2/12 Alma Moates 2/14 Annie Thomas 2/15 Gini Danford Patricia Garside 2/16 Judy Merryman

2/17 Barbara Bayer 2/19 Mabry Harbin 2/20 Nina Clotfelter 2/27 Karen Gordon 2/28 Myra Barton

### **By-Laws Bytes**

Visitors may attend two meetings, and then membership is required to participate in regular guild activities.



# What's this box for???

Do you have equipment to sale? Send your name, contact information, and description of item. It will be listed here!

Also, this box will be used to share names of ACQG members that long-arm quilts for other quilters. The charge of the service is between you and the quilter.

Send your name and contact information, if you are interested. Send information to: Peggy Knippenberg pknip2020@gmail.com 251-591-0805

## **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 quild")

#### **NEWSLETTER**

To include something in the newsletter, please send it to pknip2020@gmail.com. 251-591-0805

Peggy Knippenberg, newsletter editor

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