

Nine Patch News

Azalea City Quilters Guild www.azaleacityquiltersguild.org ACQG2018@yahoo.com,

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Upcoming Programs: Pam Stephens 251-604-8484 December 13 December will be our "Bingo Bash" following the regular meeting. Lots of beautiful tree blocks to win and some other goodies you can look forward to. January 10 We are having Dr. Sharon Young, a Physical Therapist, who will be talking to us about ways to sit properly to minimize the strain on our back and neck. She comes highly recommended. February 14 February is time for the Country Store. Something you no longer need that might be just what one of your quilting friends would love to have. Price it, sell it and make some money to buy more fabric! HA! Workshops: Nina Clotfelter 251-377-5523 January 17 Stripology Bootcamp 9:30-4 In this workshop, you'll learn all the ways the XL will become your favorite "go to" ruler, while you make any one of the 5 versions of the Lucy pattern. February 21

Sandy Purvis will have many wonderful quick things to make for our boutique and for yourself! This will be fun! March 21

Susan Mogan will show you how to design your own paper-pieced New York Beauty quilt.

Come to class for this rare opportunity to learn from one of our own masters!

December 2022: President's Notes

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! We all have so many things to be thankful for, and practicing gratitude on a regular basis has been shown to improve your mental health, so I encourage everyone to try it. I started actively doing this a number of years ago and I can honestly say it has been transformative.

Thank you again to everyone in the guild who has served in any way to serve and protect our country. It was great to see a quilt presented to our own Ashley Fleming's husband. Watching the Quilts of Valor presentation started me thinking about how much this program has grown over the last decade, and I'd like to give a huge thank you to Joyce Reed and Cathy Wilson. The commitment and leadership of these two has helped grow this program in the Mobile area from nothing into groups that have made and presented hundreds of quilts in our area to the people we know and care about, so thank you Joyce and Cathy!

Looking to December, don't forget to notify Yvonne Taylor support I've received from you all, and for the ways you owe fat quarters for. She'll be drawing for prizes at the meeting. I didn't finish nearly as many of mine as I'd hoped, but I made way more progress than if I hadn't set

it as a resolution, so that's still a positive outcome, I think. And keep making your Christmas tree blocks for Bingo. The more blocks we have the more we can award as prizes. Contact Pam Stephens if you still need the pattern or have questions.

And I'm thrilled to announce that we have a special gift for you to bid on at the Dec meeting. Judy Goll contacted June Tailor and got them to donate a number of items that she has put together into a mystery prize bag that we'll be selling tickets for. The bag contains a variety of June Tailor items such as kits, rulers, and other quilting items, with a retail value of around \$200! Great for yourself or as gifts for your quilting friends. Tickets will be \$5 each, with all proceeds going to the guild directly as a fundraiser. And my hope is that you'll all support this in addition to our regular ways and means drawings. Thank you to Judy for coming up with such a fun way to support the guild!

And since this will be my last president's notes of 2022, I'd just like to say (yes, again) how much I appreciate all the about which of your resolutions you've finished and which you've all stepped up to support the guild through coming to meetings, signing up for the workshops, offering to work, buying ways & means tickets, and coming up with ideas for ways to raise money or just improve the guild in



November 2022: President's Notes continued

general. Maybe it's just the overview that being president allows, but it seems to me that a lot more people are ac-

The abc's of ACQG

ART QUILTERS GROUP: No meeting in December; Next meeting is January 24—working on butterflies. Susan Mogan BOOK CLUB: You may be exhausted after all that turkey, so relax with a good book! Take some time for yourself and read: "How to Make an America Quilt" by Whitney Otto. Join our group to discuss this at Jason's Deli after the December meeting, Tuesday the 13. Linda Flores 251-689-8573 lambflores@bellsouth.net

<u>CHILD ADVOCACY</u> Y'all did it!! We reached & exceeded our goal of \$350 for Child Advocacy. We raised \$376 as of Oct. 11. As promised, I will not bug you until 2023. However, I will continue to have the donation basket out if anyone wants to contribute to this worthwhile cause. Thank you all for your continued generosity. *Sandy Purvis* 251-422-0968

EMAILS: If you want an email sent to the guild please send to ACG2018@yahoo.com Remember if you need a response please include your email address in the body of your email. Please DO NOT hit REPLY.

Susan.garrett@att.net or call 251-599-4179.

EXCHANGE BLOCKS: Wreath blocks will be given away at the December meeting. If you bought kits, please complete them and turn them in to me. Hopefully we will have at least 9 quilts of 12 blocks to give away. Some of the blocks have been outstanding and will make a beautiful quilt or an addition to a Christmas quilt you are planning. The wreath blocks make excellent filler blocks. I will have kits for the next exchange block at

the December meeting. The next exchange block is called "Ann's Mosaic Star". I will supply the background of cream Batik fabric. You will need to supply one other fabric; your choice of color. However, the other fabric should also be a Batik. Remember that the



executive board of the quilt guild voted to increase the price of the kits from \$1.00 to \$2.00. If you purchase three kits, the price is 3 for \$5.00. I think you will be pleased with this block. Happy quilting, *Georgia McCain 251-689-1393 gamccain52@gmail.com* **LIBRARY:** Joyce Reed has donated another Book to our library: <u>Patriotic Quilts M&M&Ms Quilts</u> by Lisa Southerland. I am sorry that the book sale did not happen in November due to my being out of town and a volunteer being ill. Hopefully we will be back on track in December; there will be some books not out at the previous sale. *Ann Hetrick 251-533-9365 annhetrick@comcast.net*

MACHINE PIECING CLASS: Machine piecing class will meet on Wednesday, December 7 at Spring Hill Baptist Church in the Activities center, second floor, 1 to 4 pm. Thanks, MaryAnn Logsdon. 251-649-4682.malogsdon1@gmail.com tively participating in the guild and that's the best thing that could happen for us. So thank

you and let's keep it going! Happy quilting! Susan

Night Guild: Night Guild met at Christ United Methodist Church on Thursday, November 10th. Judy Purcell shared with us how to cut material and then use it to make cloth rugs. Our next meeting will be on December 15th. This is our annual Christmas party and it will be hosted by Denise McIrwin at her home. We will be playing dirty Santa. Those wishing to participate should bring either a homemade gift (preferred) or a gift that cost you less than \$10. Alan Farmer 251-463-5398 alan.farmer82@gmail.com

Upcoming Night Guild Programs:

*December - Annual Christmas Dinner and Secret Santa *January - Retreat at Cassidy's Nest

Off Year Opportunity Quilt: Opportunity Quilt for 2024 is still in the works. susan.garrett@att.net ; 251-599-4179 Quilts of Valor: We have covered many veterans in the last month with more to be covered in the near future. If you can help us put a quilt together, we will be stitching on First Tuesdays at Humana, Dec. 6. We start between 9:30 and 10 and go until we get tired. Drinks and snacks are provided by Humana. I can provide a kit for a quilt or a few blocks or you may bring your own. There is always hand work to do, or ironing



and cutting, to help others get more sewing done if you choose not to bring your machine. There is a new book in the library with lots of fabu-

lous patterns in it designed just for QOV, but it can be used for any quilt. The main feature is a group of simple center blocks all finishing the same size fol-

lowed by several sets of coordinating borders all of which may be interchanged making the possibilities almost limitless for your quilt. Look for <u>Patriotic M&M&Ms Quilts - Mix and Match</u> <u>and More</u> by Lisa Sutherland in the guild library. Joyce Reed *Isubookwrm@hotmail.com 251-454-1466* <u>Resolutions:</u> Remember everyone to let me know if you have finished a resolution before the meeting. Bring your fat quarters to this meeting. Start thinking about what you want to accomplish next year. Happyquilter247@aol.com. <u>Retreat Dates:</u> AUGUST 24—27, 2023 Registration will begin in April 2023. Susie Garrett *susan.garrett@att.net or 251-599-*

4179 Yearbook: Yearbook is in the works and will be ready by December meeting. Susan Garrett susan.garrett@att.net; 251-599-4179

All About Sewing asked if anyone is available to make a quilt for Jessica Taloney (Channel 5 Morning Newscaster) using her Baby's clothes. Call <u>Sue Kondis</u> at <u>All About Sewing</u> if you are able to do it. She has contact information.

All About Sewing: 251-634-3133



Quilt Show Information May 12–13, 2023

7 months and 3 days

Unique Boutique

We are accepting items to be sold at the ACQG Quilt Show in May. I know many of you have already given but please consider some quick sellable items to make. The more items we have the more money we hope to raise to help our guild. I will store them at my house.

I am planning on having a Workshop for quick items in February. If any of you have ideas please contact me. Things to consider when making items are: current colors, items in affordable price ranges, popular items (Pinterest and YouTube are wonderful resources to get those creative ideas flowing). As always, THANK YOU for your generosity.

> Sandy Purvis (251) 422-0968 Susie Olsen (251) 510-1361

Country store

In January the Country Store will start collecting items from the members. Ladies this is a good time for an early Spring Cleaning. Bring to the meetings or contact Mary Ann Logsdon (251-490-8317) or Lori Hickman. (251-401-0467)

Quilt Kits will be sold at Quilt Show

It was decided at the quilt show board meeting since Mama's Quilt Shop has retired, we would introduce quilt kits in our Boutique. I checked my stash, discovered 3 jelly rolls I'll never use, and yardage for background. I also had 11 Missouri Star never used patterns I'll donate. We don't want to get into copy right law, so unused patterns would be better.

I ended up with 3 complete kits. Candy Snipes volunteered to package the kits. We can begin collecting your kits at the January meeting.

Opportunity Quilt Tickets

Opportunity Quilt donation tickets are available. They will be available with the quilt display in the lobby before the meeting. A book of 12 with a \$10 donation. According to our bylaws, each member is

Meetings: Times & Locations

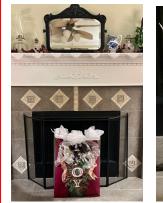
Block Party

Every Thurs. 10 am-12 pm Springhill Baptist Church, Activities Center 2nd Floor –Personal projects <u>ACQG General Meeting</u> 9:30 am Registration, 10:00 am Meeting December 13, 2022 Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd. <u>Night Guild</u> December 15 at Denise McIrwin's house. <u>Art Quilters</u> Next meeting: January 24, 2023

Quilts of Valor Tuesday, December 6 10:00 am at Humana Insurance 3653 Airport Blvd., near I-65.

Will you be the LUCKY WINNER of the mystery prize?

One lucky person will be the winner of this fabulous bag of June Tailor quilting items. Included is a variety of kits, patterns, rulers, tools, etc, with a retail value of around \$200! Tickets will be \$5 each, with all money raised going directly to support the guild. These items will be great for yourself or to give as gifts to your quilting friends. Thank you to Judy Goll for arranging this, and to the June Tailor company for donating the items.





ACQG MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The Membership Chairperson wishes each and every member a very Happy Holidays. Enjoy and be safe.

We had 53 members present and 14 visitors. Many of our visitors were there for The Quilt of Valor program. Thank you for your service.

Minutes: 11/1/2022 General Meeting

Welcome and Opening Remarks. Susan Mogan, President, Azalea City Quilter's Guild, opened the monthly meeting at 10:00. She announced that today will be our annual Quilts of Valor presentation and welcomed our special guests and visitors. Susan asked Ashley Fleming to come forward and give the inspiration.

Inspiration. Ashley Fleming spoke of the color wheel and how the colors symbolize difference things and how different colors represent different things. How color changes with the holiday and seasons. Today we are using the colors of red, white, and blue to honor the veterans here today. How many of the quilts today have red, white, and blue in them. These are the colors that represent our country. How the red stands for hardiness and valor, white is for purity and innocence and blue for vigilance, perseverance, and justice. How wrapping these colors around the heroes in the guilts we made shows them the appreciation we have for their valuable sacrifice they made. Ashley said a prayer thanking the Lord for his blessing and asking for helping for those in need.

Quilts of Valor Presentation. Susan Mogan introduced Joyce Reed, Quilts of Valor Chair. Joyce Reed and Bonnie Johnson read the presentation for six veterans who received Quilts of Valor – Christina Hilt, U. S. Navy; Gregory P. Fleming, U. S. Army; Tom Bees, U. S. Army; John Godwin, U. S. Marine Corp; Philip Goudreault, U. S. Navy; and Denise Massie, U. S. Army.

Recognition of Members. Susan Mogan thanked the veterans who we presented today with Quilts of Valor and stated she would like to recognize the members who have served in the U. S. military or who have family member serving or have served. Susan asked each one of us to stand when she calls our name. Susan called out names of seven members of ACQG who have served in the U. S. Military and over twenty members who have family members that are currently in or who have served in the U. S. Military.

Corrections for the September Minutes. Susan Mogan asked if there were any corrections to the October minutes. No corrections were noted. Susie Olsen motioned to accept the October minutes as corrected, Sandy Purvis se-

conded the motion. A vote was taken and there were no objections. The October minutes were approved as corrected.

Prayer Request. Susan stated she received two prayer requests – Ramona Thompson requested prayers for her husband who will be having surgery on his carotid artery and for Barbara Groseclose, who is having health issues.



General Announcements

Susan Mogan announced the following:

Volunteers for the Pecan Festival and Springhill Methodist. Volunteers are still needed to help with two activities happening this weekend – the Pecan Festival and an event at Springhill Methodist Church. If you are interested in helping with either of these events, please contact Bonnie Johnson.

Cookbook. Recipes are still needed for the cookbook we are working on. This cookbook will be a fund raiser for ACQG. We are hoping to get recipes from every member of ACQG to make it a great success. Recipes can be submitted in any format.

Volunteers for Annual Audits. We are still looking for two volunteers to audit the 2022 financial records for the ACQG and the records for the Retreat. These audits are required annually. If you are interested in helping with this task to please contact her.

Board Meeting. There will be a scheduled quarterly board meeting at Springhill Baptist Activity Center on November 30, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Treasurer Report. Susie Olsen stated that she discovered a mistake in the September Treasurer's Report. It has been corrected and is reflected in the October and November reports. Due to the short time frame we have this month, the report for November does not reflect the Money Market interest, which should only be eight or nine cents. A copy will be in the next Nine Patch Newsletter.

Membership Report. Bennie Johnson, Vice President of Membership, reported that there were 53 members present at today's meeting and we had fourteen visitors. We have two new members of ACQG who joined today – Dorothy Shepherd and Holly Garcia. Note: Susan Mogan welcome the new members and asked everyone to welcome them also.

Programs. Pam Stevens, Programs Chair stated the following programs are scheduled. December we will be playing BINGO. Members are welcome to bring snacks to go along with it. The Christmas Tree blocks everyone have been making will be the prizes. For January, Dr. Sherry Young will be giving us a program on the correct posture to use when sewing and in February we will be having our annual Country Store after the meeting.

Workshops. Nina Clotfelter, Workshop Chair, was not available at this meeting. Susan Mogan stated that November's workshop will be a Sew Day for donation quilts on November 15 starting at 9:30 a. m. until 3:00 p. m. It will be held at the Regency Church of Christ. Diane Engels will have more information about it. In January it will be Stripology Bootcamp. The cost is \$20.00 with a maximum number of attendees at 20. This workshop will be held on January 17, 2023 from 9:30 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. at the Regency Church of Christ. Once you sign up for this workshop Nina will email a link to get the pattern needed. There will be a code to use in the link to get a discounted price. The pattern cost will be \$7.50.

Art Quilters. Susan Mogan stated that the Art Quilters will be meeting on November 29, 2022, after Thanksgiving. Education. MaryAnn Logsdon announced that the machine piecing will be meeting tomorrow at the Springhill Baptist Activity Center.

Book Club. Linda Flores stated that the Book Club will be meeting today after the meeting at Jason's Deli.

Year Book. Susan Garrett stated that the Yearbook is getting ready to go to print. If you want to have a current photo included to please send it to her ASAP. The yearbook should be ready to pass out in December.

Exchange Blocks. Georgia McCain stated she will be giving out the Christmas block out at next month's meeting. She will be starting to sell the next block in December. The price per block will be going up to \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. The cost increase was discussed at the last Board Meeting and it was decided to the increase was necessary due to the cost of fabric.

Gulf States Quilter's Association. Not at meeting. Hospitality. Not at meeting.

Quilts of Valor. Joyce Reed stated that the monthly sew day for Quilts of Valor is on the first Tuesday of each month. They meet at Humana on Airport Blvd at 9:30 a.m.

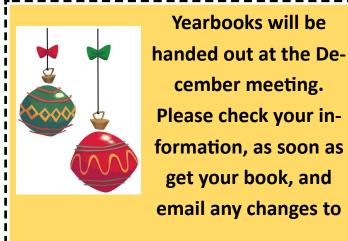
Resolutions. Yvonne Taylor reminded everyone that they need to turn their fat quarters into her by next month for all unfinished resolutions.

Ways & Means. Sharon Morris announced we had three unbirthday gifts this month and made \$107.00. The winners of the unbirthday gifts were Peggy Stone, Alice Cornelson and Sharon Nader.

Show & Tell. Quilts and other items were shown at Show & Tell. Photos were taken and are being posted on the ACQG Facebook page for anyone interested in seeing them.

Final Remarks and Adjournment. Susan Mogan asked if there were anything else. She asked there was any other business that needed to be address. No one stated anything. She thanked everyone for being there and concluded the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 p. m.

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



susangarrett@att.net.

Veteran's Day Recognitions:

I'd like to add two people to our service recognitions:

Wilma Toney's son, Orlando, served in the Air Force for over 22 years.

Sharon Morris's husband, Philip, served in the Air Force as an air traffic controller for 7 years, and her brother, brother-in-law, and cousin all served in the army in Korea.

Thank you for your service.





Opportunity Quilt 2023

"A Time To Bloom Again"

Appliqued by Yvonne Taylor Quilted By Shirley Jackson Blocks Pieced by Peggy Stone Named by Robbie McHardy

Tickets will be available before ACQG meetings.

Welcome New Members

Dorothy Shepherd (new) 4427 Golfway Drive Eight Mile. AL 36613 H 251-345-4407 BD: 7/28 dhshep85@outlook.com

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Susan Kondis (new) 590 Schillinger Rd. Ste. D Mobile, AL 36695 251-367-2394 skondis@bellsouth.net

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Judith Wheeler 9184 Seabright Ave. Elberta, AL 36530 251-213-1473 BD: 5/24 WolfBayQuilters@gmail.com

Janice Andrews 6500 Heritage Trace Ct. Mobile, AL 36695 251-661-9290 (H) 504-458-7795 (C) scraphappyqlter@aol.com

COOKBOOK PROGRESS

Our Cookbook Committee would like to THANK YOU for your commitment to ACQG. We thank you for helping with this project. The first run is being anonymously funded, so all sales will go to



ACQG. The only items we are now accepting are Sewing and Quilting Hints to fill spaces at the bottom of some pages. For example: "If you are working with whites and pastels, make sure your iron is clean." These may be sent email or handed in at the December Meeting only.

Nancy Williams, Virginia Sarradet, Shirley Jackson, Bonnie Johnson <u>ron.nancywilliams@yahoo.com, sew-</u><u>shirley@bellsouth.net,</u> togetde@bellsouth.net or robojo2@aol.com

ACQG Treasurer's Report—November (Oct. Activity)

Money Market Account Balance Interest Earned	\$10,246.30 .08
Total	\$10,246.38
Checking Acct. Beg. Bal. September 1	\$3,996.97
INCOME	
Child Advoacy	\$84.00
Membership	480.00
Membership Donations	190.00
Ways & Means	124.00
Library Used Book Sale	94.00
Library Over Due Fines	25.00
Newsletter	10.00
Workshop (Sherry Herringshaw)	<u>875.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,832.28
EXPENSES	
Regency Church of Christ	\$125.00
Library—Memorials	14.05
Donation Quilts	100.00
Membership Supplies	59.40
Workshop (B. Black)	98.19
Workshop (S. Herringshaw)	835.17
Education	100.00
President's Fund (Constitution Printing)	250.00
Transfer from checking to Money Market	2000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,581.81
Ending Balance	<u>\$2,297.16</u>
Respectfully Submitted by Susie Olsen—Treasurer	

ACQG General Meetings:

December 13, 2022 January 10, 2023 February 14, 2023

Scheduled Workshops for ACQG:

January 17, 2023 Stripology Bootcamp February 21, 2023 Sandy Purvis is planning a sew-along for the boutique; March 21, 2023: Susan Mogan will show you how to make your own New York Beauty

Important Dates for your Calendar:

March 17-18, 2023 Pensacola Quilt Show May 12-13, 2023 ACQG Quilt Show at Abba Shrine Center NEXT YEAR'S RETREAT: August 24-27, 2023

AUDITOR NEEDED -

We need one or two volunteers to audit the guild treasurer's books and the retreat treasurer's books. If you would be willing to do one or both of these, please contact Susan Mogan smoga1@comcast.net.

How to sign up for AmazonSmile:

On a Web Browser:

- 1. Visit Smile.Amazon.com
- 2. Sign in using you Amazon account.
- 3. Select your charily: Azalea City Quilters Guild.
- 4. Start Shopping!! Check out at Smile.amazon.com to generate donations.

On your cell phone using the Amazon app:

- 1. Open app and go to Main Menu.
- 2. Go to Settings and select "AmazonSmile".
- 3. Select Azalea City Quilters Guild and follow the on-screen instruction to TURN ON Amazon Smile.

4. Once AmazonSmile has been activated in your app, future eligible app purchase will generate a donation.

Dorothy Taylor	12/3
Cathy Stringfellow	12/4
Glennie Cobb	12/22
Valerie Jackson	12/23
Betty Todd	12/24
Linda Barnhouse	12/25
Elizabeth McCully	12/27
Jane Ziplies	12/27
Bennie Johnson	12/29





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