



Nine Patch News
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Upcoming Programs: Judy Purcell, Heavenbound7860@gmail.com 251-404-7435

February is country store,

March will be color theory.

April will be a slideshow about a quilt study by Sarah Wright.

Workshops: Kim Collum msuksc@gmail.com

February 20th (Tuesday)

Fanciful Fabric Collage with Holly Garcia; Cost is \$35.00

Regency Church 9:30 to 4:00

Bring 1/2 yard of your fabric choice for the background.. The rest of the fabric and pattern is provided by Holly.

March 19th (Tuesday)

Regency Church 9:30 to 4:00

Sew Together Bag with Rose Nelson; Cost for class is \$15 ;

Pattern is \$8 (Kim will have patterns at next Guild meeting.) You will bring fabrics of choice and 4 zippers

April 2nd (Tuesday) Note: Change of Date

Wonderful 1 Fabric Quilt with Carol Balch; Cost is \$20.00

Regency Church 9:30 to 4:00

You will bring fabric with a stripe and a design wall. The design wall can be a flannel backed tablecloth.

May 21st (Tuesday)

Circle Magic with Carrie Chambless, Cost for class is \$15

Regency Church 9:30 to 4:00

Requirement will be a Circle Magic template (small or large)

You can purchase from: Missouri Star or Amazon

President's Notes From Pam's Pen:

I know that a lot of quilting is going on during these cold days. Will look forward to seeing it soon. I will not be at our February meeting. We are taking our grandchildren to Disney World during the Mardi Gras Break. I hope that we have a large crowd for our GSQA meeting and our regular meeting. Please post lots of pictures for those who won't be at the meeting.

Happy Stitching! Pam



The abc's of ACQG

ART QUILTERS: Our January 23rd meeting had 15 in attendance. Members brought their favorite items - rulers, templates, boxes, needles, and so many great tips. Show & Tell was inspiring - Totem project, Door series, Funky Self Portraits, quilts & blocks, a pillow, jacket, and even pantaloons. Come join in the fun!! Our next meeting is February 27th. *Kim Collum msuksc@gmail.com 251-377-7308; Sharon Nader shnader3@gmail.com 251-654-8888*

BOOK CLUB: The book selection for February is Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt. This is a first novel for the author but is very well written. I really felt good when I finished the book. It can be found as an ebook through HOOPLA or purchased as Amazon or Barnes & Noble. Please join us after the meeting at Jason's Deli for fellowship and lively discussion. Everyone is invited. *Ann Singleton 251-377-2781 etruscanj@att.net and Georgia McCain 251-689-1393 gamccain52@gmail.com*

CHILD ADVOCACY: Thank each of you for generously supporting the Child Advocacy project. You never cease to amaze me how you always come through and meet our goal each year. We were \$100 short of our goal at the beginning of the December meeting but by the end of the meeting we had reached and exceeded our goal of \$350 by \$7.43. We will present a check to Elaine Henderson at our March meeting and I'm sure Child Advocacy will put it to good use along with the donation quilts that Diane Engels will present. Y'all are AWE-SOME!!! Thanks again. *Sandy Purvis 251-422-0968 sandypurvis1@gmail.com*

EMAILS: If a member has an email that all the members should know about, please compose your email with all information, including your contact email, if you need a response.

Then send to acqg2018@yahoo.com I will then send it out. *Susan.garrett@att.net or call 251-599-4179.*

EXCHANGE BLOCKS:

Twelve 16 blocks were given away at the January meeting. Thank you so much to all who participated. Sixty-six heart block kits were bought at the January meeting; all that I prepared. I will have more blocks at the February meeting. The background will



be different because I can't purchase any more of the original background fabric. The pattern will be the same. I will group blocks with the same background together when I give them out in April. This is a fun block so I hope we have lots of participation. *Georgia McCain (251) 689-1393 or gamccain52@gmail.com*

LIBRARY: Due to the response in book sales, there will be another book sale prior to the February meeting. In addition, the library will be open 40 minutes prior to the meeting and 15 minutes after the meeting for members to browse/checkout/return books. If you have enjoyed one of our books during the past month, please return it. There are many avenues to learning, our books are just one of those avenues. *Connie Golden 251-581-2361 connieegolden@icloud.com.*

MACHINE PIECING CLASS: NEW LOCATION: REGENCY CHURCH OF CHRIST, Fellowship Hall. The machine piecing class will meet on February 7th from 1PM to 4PM. *MaryAnn Logsdon 251 490 8317 malogsdon1@gmail.com*

NIGHT GUILD: Night Guild met on January 11th at Christ United Church. We had 14 members & 2 new guests who are joining right away! Our program was sharing our favorite quilting tips, tools, and techniques. We had a great time sharing and learning from each other. Beautiful quilts and blocks were displayed in show & tell. The next meeting will be February 15th and Diane Engels will be leading our sew night for Project Linus quilts. Diane will bring kits. Come bring your sewing machine and supplies for a fun evening sewing donation quilts. *Wendy Reid; wendygayle0629@gmail.com 251-599-0823*

OFF YEAR OPPORTUNITY QUILT: Opportunity Tickets are still available, see Susan Garrett or Yvonne at the meetings. *Susan.garrett@att.net ; 251-599-4179*

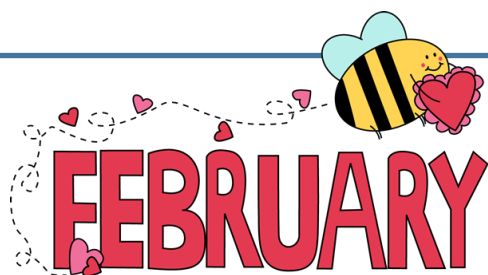
QUILTS OF VALOR: Mark your calendars. We will be stitching at Humana on January 2. First Tuesday each month. 9:30 am until... Snacks provided by Humana. Kits provided by me, as needed. We will also have the national QOV sew date on Feb. 3 at Regency Church of Christ. Lunch will be provided. Get with a friend or two and see if you all can complete a quilt kit, provided, on that day. Projects started on Feb. 3 can be completed at Humana on Feb. 6 at our monthly sew date. If you can quilt one or two of our tops this year let me know so that our volunteer quilter, Susan Lee, doesn't have to do them all. When you see Susan, be sure and thank her for quilting multiple tops for us each month.

Joyce Reed lsubookwrm@hotmail.com 251-454-1466

RETREAT: August Retreat will open in May.
Mark your calendar: August 22-25, 2024 susan.garrett@att.net ; 251-599-4179

RESOLUTIONS 2024: Quilting resolutions will be accepted until February 29. You can return your card to me at the February meeting or email me at any time. Resolutions can be UFOs, new projects, serving on a guild committee, teaching a class, or learning a new skill. I hope to have a good response from all guild members, including night guild. Ann Hetrick, annhetrick@comcast.net. Ann Hetrick, annhetrick@comcast.net, 251-634-1686

YEARBOOK: See a mistake?? Please email me at susan.garrett@att.net. Please accept my apologies for any mistakes I have made.
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AZALEA CITY QUILTERS GUILD

Treasurer Report 2023-2024

January 2024 Report (for December 2023 Activity)

EDWARD JONES MUTUAL FUNDS BALANCE: \$10,647.27

Interest Earned 45.66

Total

\$10,692.93

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Income

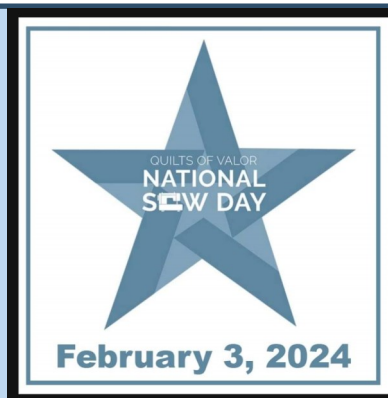
Cookbooks -	
Child Advocacy	100.00
Exchange Blocks	160.00
Membership	150.00
Ways and Means	155.00
Hospitality	110.00
Library-Used Books	<u>16.00</u>
Total Income	\$691.00

Expenses

Regency Church of Christ	<u>\$125.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 125.00

ENDING BALANCE \$11,511.26

Submitted by— Sharon Nader - Treasurer



REGENCY 9am until....

Patterns and lunch provided

Meetings: Times & Locations

Block Party

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

ACQG General Meeting

2/13, Second Tuesday of the month
9:30 am Registration, 10:00 am Meeting
Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd.

Night Guild

2/15, at 6:30-8:00 pm
Thursday after the General Meeting
Christ United Church

Art Quilters

Next Meeting: 2/27/2024 @ 10am
4th Tuesday of each month
University Church of Christ, 5651 Zeigler Blvd.

Quilts of Valor

2/6 at 9:30
First Tuesday of the month
at office of Humana Insurance
3653 Airport Blvd., near I-65.

Baltimore Album Stitching Group

2/5 at 9:30 am
BASG meets the first Monday of the month
Springhill Activities Building
Yvonne Taylor, Happyquilter247@aol.com

Wooly Works (new: wool applique)

2/28, Meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at
10 AM in the home of Bonnie Zabzdyr,
15 Lancers Lane, Spanish Fort, AL. 36527

Save The Dates:

ACQG General Meetings

February 13, 2024 March 12, 2024

April 9, 2024

Important Dates for your Calendar:

August Retreat: August 22-25, 2024

Meeting Minutes: 12/12/2023

Pam Stephens called the meeting to order. She thanked everyone for coming and welcomed visitors. Susan Garrett is still recovering from surgery. Jean Foots & her husband were in a car accident. She has a broken hip and femur.

In the absence of Ashley Flemming who is home with a sick child, Pam gave the devotion. She talked about patterns. Everything has a pattern. Quilts have patterns and we need to follow the pattern's directions. We are patterned after our Creator. The Book of Genesis says we are made in the image of God and are patterned after Him. Let's remember who we belong to and who we are patterned after. She closed in prayer.

Minutes - December meeting were approved by Susie Olsen. Ann Singleton 2nd

Treasurer Report - Sherry Nader - not much change. Report to be in the newsletter.

Membership - Susie Olsen - We have 208 members now. 58 here today. Fun Facts: We have 8 Debbies or Deborahs, 4 Judys or Judiths, 4 Lindas, 10 Marys, 4 Patsys, Pats, and 16 Susans. Also 31 members are in Baldwin County and 14 out of state.

Programs - Judy - Country Store is next month. Set up in Fellowship Hall and have all items ready before the meeting starts. Be sure to bring change. March is Color Theory, and April is Quilt Study and Slide Study.

Workshops - Kim - Artful Improv on Jan 26. There is a waitlist now. Feb 20 is Fanciful Fabric Collage. \$35. Few openings. March 19th - Sew Together Bag. She's checking to see if the pattern is available in the area. She has workshops scheduled through October.

Pam said although our meeting next month falls on Mardi Gras Day, we will still meet on that day. (2nd Tuesday)

GSQA - Susan Mogan - GSQA meeting here on the 27th. You do not have to be a member of GSQA to attend the meeting. You do have to be member to get discount for workshop. She has enough items for gift bags. Lot of people have signed up for food. The meeting starts at 10 am. We are in charge of Lotto exchange blocks. There will be a booth for this. GSQA is showing their "opportunity quilt" for their Quilt Show which will be April 12-13. (If anyone wants to enter their quilt in their Quilt Show, they can go to GSQA.org to sign up. Bonnie and Peggy are taking quilts beforehand to display and will bring them back.)

Education - MaryAnn Logsdon - Class is on Feb 6th at the church.

Challenge Quilt - Janet Beaverstock - On a

year that we don't have a Quilt Show, we have a Guild Challenge. There is money set aside for prizes. The challenge for this year is "With a Song in my Heart." You can google songs with colors in the title. There are 200+ songs with colors in the title. Some have lyrics that have colors in them. You can do anything. Come up with a song. The Challenge is announced in January and will be in the Newsletter. We turn them in at the August meeting during luncheon. They will be hung up on the walls and the members will vote. There will be 3 prizes. Size: 30"x30" block is the max. Anything goes!

Child Advocacy - Sandy Purvis - We had \$257.43 at the beginning of the December meeting and we left that day with \$357. We made our goal! She thanked everyone for their generous support. A check will be presented for \$350 in February. Also, today we collected over \$40 which is a good start for the new year!

Book Club - Georgia McCann - next month's book is "Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van Pelt. Today's discussion

Exchange Blocks - Georgia - She has 12 quilts (16 blocks in each quilt) to give out. Winners: Kathy Brooks, Darlene Taylor, Deb Kohrman, Susan Mogan, Kim Collum, Reba Perkins, Rene Hawkins, Karen Langham, Kaylene LeMar, Judy Purcell, Bonnie Johnson, Sandy Purvis,

All 66 block kits for the Heart block are sold. Georgia will make more kits for next month. They will be given away in April.

QOV - Joyce Reed - Sew Day is Feb 3rd. Another group will be meeting with them, and they will have lunch. Will meet here in the Fellowship Hall. Joyce has kits available and some projects that need finishing. One of our quilts last year went to Nebraska for a QOV presentation. She read a note thanking the ACQG for the QOV quilt (designed and quilted by Cathy Wilson and Elaine Williams) presented to U.S. Senator Bob Kerry. They also gave a \$330 donation to QOV. They definitely appreciated the quilt. Joyce said they are currently working on giving a QOV quilt to someone in Texas. Joyce said you don't have to make a whole quilt. She sent out the pattern for the National Block for QOV Sew Day. If several people make 4 or 5 blocks, 20 blocks will make a quilt.

Resolutions - Ann Hetrick - Yvonne picked the grand prize winner of the person that was the most involved on their Resolution list. Georgia McCann was the winner. Ann Singleton & Janet Beaverstock did a lot as well. Ann read from the ACQG Member Guide about Resolutions - "Each January members can sign up to commit to finish 1 or more

self-determined projects by the end of the year. For each finished resolution, your name is entered to win prizes at the end of the year. For each unfinished resolution, you must pay a fat quarter. Resolutions can be anything quilting related: a project, skill, technique, Guild activity (like the Guild Challenge). Notify the Resolution Chairperson each time you finish one of your resolutions to have your name entered into the prize drawing in December.” Ann said going by these suggestions, this could be a project that you are working on and haven’t finished or a new project. It doesn’t just have to be a quilt. It can be wall hanging, table runner, placemats, or even a garment. It could also be to learn a new skill like machine applique or free motion quilting. Making an original design would be a good resolution. It’s not something you’re already doing. Make it specific: ex: Not just helping out with quilt show, but be the chairperson of the quilt show. Put your name, phone # and email on your card. When you finish something, email Ann that you have finished. We need to finish resolutions by November. Can bring fat quarters in November.

It was noted that quilts are still needed for the Joe Jefferson Playhouse. Anyone who is interested in sharing their quilt with them for their presentation, you can take them any evening to the Playhouse.

The Baltimore Album Group had the program. Bonnie Zabzdyr introduced them. She is an avid applicator. She said when she joined the Guild in Dec 2011, she was disappointed as there was no applique in the Guild’s Show and Tell. The next meeting she attended, Susan Garrett and Yvonne Taylor mentioned that they were planning to start the Baltimore Album Group. Their first meeting was in January 2012. They now meet on the 1st Monday of the month at the Springhill Baptist Activities Center at 9:30am and usually leave before 3pm. They are a hand applique group. They don’t teach applique classes as they are mainly a support/social group. Bonnie invited anyone who is interested to come join them. They showed several of their quilts to the Guild.

Ways and Means – Sharon Morris - sold \$160.
Winners: Mona Rylee, Debbie Vice, Donna Englett, Elizabeth McCulley, Peggy Stone, Yvonne Taylor, Carrie Chambliss, Pat Hagler.

Pam read a note about the possibility of Block Therapy closing. There might be a new owner and they will know more on the 15th if the sale will go through.

Pam encouraged everyone to resolve to learn a new technique or skill this year.

Show and Tell

Respectfully submitted, *Janean McCawley*

Guild Challenge 2024

*Our theme this year is
“With a Song in my Heart”*

Quilters, we all love colors and each one affects us differently. We also love music and sometimes get a song in our head and can’t get it out. This year we’ll combine both elements and create a quilt that embodies both a color and a song. Your challenge should reflect both the color in the song’s title and the mood it conveys.

If a song doesn’t come right to mind, try “songs with color in the title” on Google. They have hundreds and some even have a recording of the music to remind you.

The Challenge is due at our General Meeting/luncheon in August. The maximum size is 30” by 30”. Each member will vote and 3 prizes will be awarded. Attach a note with the name of the quilt.

Start humming/ whistling while you work.



NEW MEMBERS:

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**Membership Statistics**

208 Members

58 Attended the January meeting

No new members

***January Retreat:***

January Retreat 2024 is in the books. A great time was had by all, despite the inconvenience. First, I could not bring all that I normally bring, then we had to go to a different Conference room due to renovations. It was extremely cold but we survived. We will check into having another in Winter. August retreat registration will open in May.

Charlotte Mott 2/6

Judy Merryman 2/16

Sarah Davis 2/7

Barbara Bayer 2/17

Mary Heath 2/8

Mabry Harbin 2/19

Sherea Weiss 2/8

Nina Clotfelter 2/20

Gini Danford 2/15

Nita Hern 2/24

Melody Ernest 2/15

Karen Gordon 2/27

Patricia Garside 2/15

Mary Reese 2/15

Susan Webster 2/15



CALLING ALL GUILD MEMBERS!!

Quilt Show 2025 is slowly moving along. A date is not confirmed as Abba Shrine will not work on 2025 dates until mid-February. We do have a name for the Show - Simplicity & Elegance, which works well with the Show Quilt idea. The Committee Chairs are slowly being filled - thank you for your willingness!!!

Thank you to those members that have agreed to Chair Committees:

Admissions: Ann Singleton & Mary Jo Datema, Awards: Sarah Davis & Nancy Williams, Baskets: Georgia McCain, Country Store: Janean McCawley & MaryAnn Logsdon, Hanging: Susan Garrett, Judging: Nancy Goodman, Show Quilt: Yvonne Taylor, Vendors: Peggy Stone, Sit & Sew: Joyce Reed & Diane Engels, and QOV: Joyce Reed.

Please consider stepping up and chairing or co-chairing a committee. The following are still required: Co-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Boutique, Data, Docents, Hospitality, Opportunity Quilt Tickets, Publicity, Teaching Demos, and Volunteers. It takes all of us for this wonderful event to be successful.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you for your consideration,

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