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Nine Patch News

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

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

May is going to be pop up quilt shop. They will set up with lots of fabric, kits and precuts for sale. They accept cash checks and cards.

June: we will have a trunk show from Nina Clotfelter.

Workshops: Kim Collum msuksc@gmail.com

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

No workshop in June due to VBS

July 16th (Tuesday) Regency Church 9:30—3:00

Crab Collage with April Hollifield, Cost for class is TBD

The class will begin with basic knowledge of collage art and color use before learning to use the pattern.

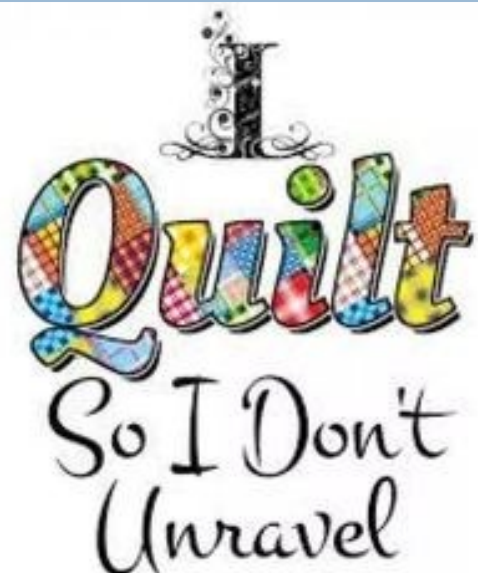
Her pattern will be available for purchase day of the class.

President's Notes From Pam's Pen:

Hello Quilting Friends,

I hope you're enjoying the beautiful flowers blooming in Mobile now. They remind us of why we live here. They also give us inspiration for some beautiful new quilts. I hope we see lots of them in the coming days.

Happy Stitching! Pam



The abc's of ACQG

ART QUILTERS : We had 10 members at our meeting. Discussed current projects. Also, discussed future exhibits. Show and Tell is always inspirational. *Kim Collum msuksc@gmail.com 251-377-7308; Sharon Nader shnader3@gmail.com 251-654-8888*

BOOK CLUB: We are reading Rebecca by Daphne Du Maurier, an oldie but goodie. If you have read it many years ago, read it again to refresh your memory and join us at Jason's Deli after the April meeting. We have been having some fun and interesting discussions. Everyone is invited. *Ann Singleton 251-377-2781 etruscanj@att.net and Georgia McCain 251-689-1393 gamccain52@gmail.com*

CHILD ADVOCACY: At the March meeting a check for \$350 was presented to Elaine Henderson for Child Advocacy. Thank you for your generosity and continued support for this worthwhile charity. At the January meeting of the GSQA we collected \$330 so we are off to a good start for our next year's contribution. With that in mind, I would challenge our guild to reach a goal of \$600 (or more) which was our contribution in 2023. I know I can count on your support and generosity. Thank you all, Sandy Purvis Chairman 251-422-0968 sandypurvis1@gmail.com

EMAILS: Emails: Please continue to send emails for the Guild to ACQG2018@yahoo.com. I will send them out to everyone. Please remember if you need a response, include your email or phone number for members to respond to you directly. I will not forward to you if they reply to the guild email address. *Susan.garrett@att.net or call 251-599-4179.*

EXCHANGE BLOCKS: If you still have heart blocks, please have them ready for the April meeting. I will be giving away heart quilts at this time. I've sold lots of blocks; however, many have not been given back to me. The new exchange block is a very easy block You will purchase the background fabric while you provide the purple and green fabric. Easy, fun 16" block. I'll have kits and instructions ready in April. *Georgia McCain (251) 689-1393 or gamccain52@gmail.com*

LIBRARY . Bonnie Zabzdyr has donated a book titled Dream Scenes written by Lorraine Stangness, This book is categorized as an Art Quilt book and can be described as "Landscape for the Layman". There are samples and designs for full size quilt and wall hanging size scenes. The library will continue to 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 conniegolden@icloud.com.*

MACHINE PIECING CLASS: The machine piecing class will meet on April 3rd from 1PM to 4PM. *MaryAnn Logsdon 251 490 8317 malogsdon1@gmail.com*

NIGHT GUILD : Night Guild met on March 14th at Christ United Church. Bonnie Zabzdyr gave a wonderful demonstration of "Prepared edge applique." We all learned a great deal from her. Thank you again, Bonnie! For our April meeting Sarah Seebrat will be presenting "Big Stitch Quilting." Come join us April 11th. *Wendy Reid; wendygayle0629@gmail.com 251-599-0823*

OFF YEAR OPPORTUNITY QUILT: Opportunity Quilt for 2024: We have an event scheduled for April 6 - 7, 2024 at the ABBA Shrine. I still need 3 more members to help on Saturday, April 6. I need one more for 11-1, one for 1-3, and one for 3-5. if anyone could help out please call me 251-599-4179. Thank you to all who has volunteered so far. This is a great opportunity to promote our guild to the public. Opportunity Tickets are still available, see Susan Garrett or Yvonne at the meetings. *Susan.garrett@att.net ; 251-599-4179*

QUILTS OF VALOR: Thanks to the efforts of many we have been able to award over 50 quilts since August 1, 2023 with another dozen already slated for later this fiscal year. Our finances are in the best shape they have ever been thanks to the generous donations of over a dozen different individuals and groups this past year. Due to changes at Humana coming soon we are exploring where we will meet for our future sew dates. For April we will still be at Humana on the first Tuesday, April 2, about 9:30. Watch for instructions and location for May in the next newsletter. I am working on my patriotic scraps and have located new patterns that I think look very nice that use any length of 2.5" strips from 2.5" to WOF. If you have a stash of scraps and are willing to cut them into 2.5" strips of any length we can use them at our next sew date to help make more quilts. Muchos Gracias to Susan Lee and Chris Ridley for agreeing to do our long arming. That saves a lot of money on postage and the delays waiting on the National Longarmy. Many thanks from the veterans. God Bless, Joyce Reed *Joyce Reed lsubookwrm@hotmail.com 251-454-1466*

RETREAT :

August 2024 Retreat is coming up fast. Retreat Dates are August 22-25, 2024, this is a Thursday - Sunday. Registration form is in the newsletter and will be through August. So Registration is now open. Sign up soon. Thanks.

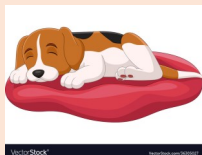
*** Winter retreat 2025 dates are January 30 - February 2, 2025.

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RESOLUTIONS 2024: The guild has 36 members participating in the 2024 resolutions. Remember to show your completed quilts at the monthly meetings. Feel free to call or email me for any concerns. Ann Hetrick, annhetrick@comcast.net, 251-634-1686, 251-533-9365

PET PILLOW/PAD PROJECT UPDATE

Because he delivers to three different locations, Ron Johnson decided to visit in person to again clarify what each would accept. We were taken on a 40-minute tour of the Mobile City Kennels and the laundry room by the young lady who tends to the kennels. She was very grateful for what we do. It is VERY important that the initial instructions on making Pet Pillows are followed, i.e. cotton fabric &/or batting cut into 1" x 1" pieces. The pillows are to be only 2" - 3" tall and must be compactly stuffed, not fluffy. Small or regular sized pillows only, no king size. They will not take old, purchased pillows. Pads are acceptable but must be layered with cotton batting or many layers of fabric and quilted. Here are some approximate sizes for pads: 12" x 18", 15" x 15", 24" x 34". If you have questions, see Bonnie Johnson at the April General Meeting. She will be selling Cookbooks and will have Pet Pillow/Pad samples for you to see.

**Meetings: Times & Locations****Block Party**

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

ACQG General Meeting

4/9, Second Tuesday of the month
9:30 am Registration, 10:00 am Meeting
Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd.

Night Guild

4/11, at 6:30-8:00 pm
Thursday after the General Meeting
Christ United Church

Art Quilters

Next Meeting: 4/23 @ 10am
4th Tuesday of each month
University Church of Christ, 5651 Zeigler Blvd.

Quilts of Valor

4/2 at 9:30
First Tuesday of the month
at office of Humana Insurance
3653 Airport Blvd., near I-65.

Baltimore Album Stitching Group

4/1 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)

4/24, Meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at
10 AM in the home of Bonnie Zabdyr,
15 Lancers Lane, Spanish Fort, AL. 36527

Save The Dates:**ACQG General Meetings**

April 9, 2024 May 14, 2024 June 11, 2024

Important Dates for your Calendar:

August Retreat: August 22-25, 2024

Quilt Show: May 16 & 17, 2025

Meeting Minutes: 3/12/2024

Pam Stephens presided over the meeting. She thanked Judy Purcel for presiding last month. Prayer requests were for Jack Singleton and Linda Flores (preemie grandbabies).

Devotion – Ashley Fleming – read an Irish Blessing

Minutes – Wilma Toney approved minutes of February meeting. Janet Beaverstock 2nd

Pam announced the upcoming Board meeting Thursday, March 21st, in the Sanctuary at 9:30. Please park in the front of the church.

Treasurer's Report – Sharon Nader– Edward Jones earned \$47.34 interest. EOM balance in checking is \$11,384.04. Complete report will be in the newsletter.

Child Advocacy – Diane Engles – Elaine Henderson from CAC is our guest today. Diane presented her a check from ACQG for \$350 as well as 30 donation quilts. Elaine thanked the Guild and mentioned how much the children love receiving these quilts during a rough time in their lives. She mentioned March 23 will be their Downtown Cajun Cookoff at Cathedral Square. It's all Cajun food and there will be 26 cooking teams. It's a large fundraiser for CAC. Diane said they had a picture of our donated quilts in their newsletter stating we support the CAC.

Membership – Susie – we have 83 members attending today. 1 renewed. Total of 216 members now on the roll. Last year we ended up with 163 members so now we are already up 53 members. Susie has new membership information-Trifolds with the new addresses. Anyone who's going out into the community can take some brochures. Our visitor this month is Delores Pearson.

Programs – Judy Purcell – today is the Color Theory Display. April is Sarah Wright – Quilt Study. May – Popup Quilt Shops. Will have lots of things to sell. Bring your \$. June-Nina – trunk show. July is Cena Harmon. She asked for volunteers to help make 3D illusion blocks. She wants to do a Round Robin. Please let her know if you can help. Also, on

April 18th Robin Copell will be at GSQA.

Workshops – Kim Collum- March 19th- Sew Together Bags. April 2nd – Wonderful 1 Fabric with Carol Balch. May 21st – Circle Magic. June – no workshop due to VBS. July 16th – Crab Collage with April Holifield.

The Quilt Show is scheduled for May 16-17, 2025 at the Abba Shrine. Kim still needs Docents, Volunteers, Quilt Show Tickets for Opportunity Quilt, Co-chair and Treasurer. She will be having a meeting later this month.

Art Quilters – Susan Mogan – meet 4th Tues of the month at University Church of Christ on Zeigler Blvd.

Education – MaryAnn – Class meeting here April 3rd 1-4 pm.

Library – Connie – no report

Retreat – Susan Garrett – August 22-25. She hasn't booked the January Retreat yet. Thinking about the January 30th weekend.

Challenge Quilt–Janet Beaverstock reminded everyone to work on their blocks. 30x30".

Will be displayed in Fellowship Hall during August luncheon. Members voting. Will be 3 prizes

Exchange Block– Georgia- will give away heart blocks next month. Please turn them in by then. Next block will be purple & green. Book club – discussing Tom Lake today. Next month – “Rebecca” by Daphne Du Maurier. Pam said we need to start working on items for Boutique and Country Store for the Quilt Show.

Hospitality –Candy - no report

QOV - Joyce Reed– She is planning after this meeting at 12:30 to award quilts to some Vets. Sit and sew meets on 1st Tuesdays for 3-4 hours. However Humana is slow on business and slow with opening up on time. Joyce is looking for another place to meet. Watch newsletter for where the new meeting place will be. Joyce has some kits available. If you are interested in helping, she will give you some blocks to work on.

want pillows that dogs can't chew on and destroy. They are concerned that animals were tearing up the pillows and were choking on

Pet Pillows: Discussion about pet pillows with more information to follow.

Ways and Means – Sharon Morris – We made \$167 today. Unbirthday winners: Peggy Stone, Ashley Fleming, Patsy Starkey, Lydia Crystal, Linda Dunnaward

Resolutions – Ann Hetrick - 35 people have turned in resolutions.

Susan Garrett said we will have booth this Sunday from 12-6 at the Semmes Azalea Festival.

Show and Tell

Respectfully submitted, Janean McCawley

There have been some corrections to the yearbook. If your information is not correct please send to me at susan.garrett@att.net. Below is some of the corrections I have so far:

Carrie Chambless email is jewelrylady731@aol.com

Donna Englett email is donnasew98@gmail.com

Karen Hall email is watkinshall@bellsouth.net

Rene Hawkins Birthday is 11/19

Annette Oliver phone number is 251-235-9535

Dorothy Shepherd phone number is 251-423-9182

Please make these changes to your copy of the yearbook/ Directory.

UPDATE ON

CINDY GRISDELA

WORKSHOP

Great news everyone - GSQA has arranged to bring Cindy Grisdela back to our area in April of 2025 to replace the workshops that had to be cancelled due to her contracting covid during her visit this past January. We'll be having a workshop with her on Friday, April 11, **2025 (not 2024)** here in Mobile, and then she'll be doing the program at the GSQA quarterly meeting the next day in Pensacola. Prices aren't finalized yet, and may not be exactly the same as before, but we'll present all info once everything's finalized. For now, just save the date! Thanks, Susan Mogan

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:

NEW MEMBER

Janis Shelton

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Meridian MS 39307

601-917-3837

janis05@bellsouth.net

RENEWING MEMBER

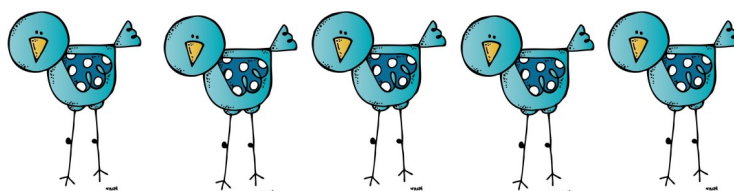
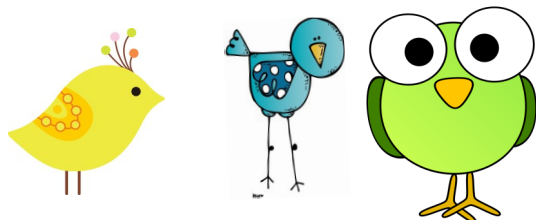
Linda Dunnivant

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MEMBER STATISTICS:

1 New Member

1 Renewing

83 Day Guild members in attendance

2 Guests

16 Night Guild in Attendance

Total of 216 Club member

Ramona Thompson 4/4

Sue Rountree 4/5

Lisa Koen 4/7

Ann Singleton 4/7

Marie Owens 4/8

Bonnie Mobley 4/9

Rosa Little 4/10

Annette Oliver 4/11

Denise Peele 4/13

Melanie Stokley 4/19

Debbie Yeager 4/19

Susie Olsen 4/20

Barbara Groseclose 4/22

Lee Patrick 4/28

Patricia Hagler 4/30

Oops!! March Birthday left out:

Bonnie Johnson

March 23





Quilt Show 2025 - Simplicity & Elegance is booked!!

May 16th and 17th at Abba Shrine

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

Secretary: Jackie Robertson Admissions: Ann Singleton & Mary Jo Datema, Awards: Sarah Davis & Nancy Williams, Baskets: Georgia McCain, Country Store: Janean McCawley & MaryAnn Logsdon, Data Entry: Alice Cornelison, Hanging: Susan Garrett, Hospitality: Susan Lee, Judging: Nancy Goodman, Publicity: Sarah Seebart, Show Quilt: Yvonne Taylor, Unique Boutique: Carrie Chambless, Vendors: Peggy Stone, Sit & Sew: Joyce Reed & Diane Engels, and QOV: Joyce Reed.

Please consider stepping up and chairing or co-chairing these remaining committees: Co-Chair, Docents, Opportunity Show Quilt Tickets, and Volunteers. It takes all of us for this wonderful event to be successful.

Our Country Store Chairs would like you to be looking at your stash for items to go to the Country Store - especially fabric - that they can take off your hands.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank you for your consideration, Kim Collum msuksc@gmail.com or (251) 377-7308

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Thank you for your consideration,

Kim Collum

msuksc@gmail.com



ACQG 2024 Summer Retreat

August 22 – 25, 2024

Name: _____

Phone: (h) _____ (c) _____ Email: _____

RETREAT COST:

Thursday 8:30am – Sunday 12pm ----- Db -- ---- \$300.00, Single --- --- \$380.00

Friday 8:30am – Sunday 12pm ----- Db ----- \$230.00, Single ---- \$285.00

Roommate: _____

RETREAT COST: ***** DAY CAMPERS *****

Day Camping Hours 8:30am – 5pm and will include Lunch meal Fri & Sat

Thursday – Saturday ----- \$110.00 or Choose Individual Days

Thursday \$30.00

Friday \$40.00

Saturday \$40.00

Dinner Friday Add \$20.00

Dinner Saturday Add \$20.00

Please list any food allergies or special dietary needs on back.

DEADLINE FOR RETREAT SIGNUP IS JUNE 22, 2024. ALL REGISTRATION AND PAYMENTS ARE DUE. This is 60 days out.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS TO: ACQG RETREAT ACCOUNT

Mail to: Susan Garrett, 10824 Lott Cemetery Rd, Chunchula, Alabama 36521

Please List Emergency Contact

Name/Relation: _____

Phone: _____



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