

Allatoona Quilters' Guild

December 2025

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UPCOMING EVENTS

All Meetings start at 10:00

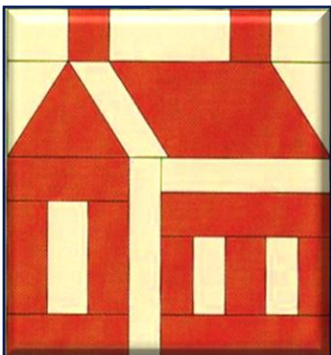
December 2 - General Meeting,
Roberts School

December 9 - Sit and Sew, Roberts
School

December 16 - Board Meeting, ZOOM

December 23 - Block of the Month,
Roberts School

December 30 - Community Service,
Roberts School



President's News!

Sue McBride

It's hard to believe it's December, and the end of another wonderful year for Allatoona Quilters' Guild. I have enjoyed being President, but I am happy to pass the baton to Shelly, she will do a great job! My biggest fear this year was that we would lose Roberts School, and obviously that did not happen! Even though we did move around a little, it all turned out fine! We are so lucky to have a place to meet, for FREE, that fits our needs so well. I hope that the addition of the Ice Cream Social at Red Top in June, when we are out of Roberts School, will become a tradition.

We had many inspiring programs and classes this year, and I am looking forward to more of the same next year. My favorite was Patty Murphy and her presentation on Zero Waste Quilting. Daryl is already hard at work talking to potential speakers. I will be working with her to set up our programs for 2026, and we would love to hear any ideas or suggestions from you. I hope you will find a class in the coming year that will teach and inspire you.

We have been lucky to get quite a few new members in the past couple of years. Whether you are a new member, or a long-time member, remember that our strength is in each other, so please reach out and chat with those you don't know yet.

Finally, we still have 12 spaces left for our Red Top Retreat in March. It's such a fun time! If you have questions about what it's all about, feel free to reach out to me. If you are on the fence about whether to go, you should go!! You will need to sign up by the January meeting.

Thanks for a fabulous year! You are a wonderful and fun group of women!

Sue McBride

VICE PRESIDENT'S NEWS



December's program:

We will have our annual Acworth police coming and the big reveal from Carolyn as to how many quilts members have made for them!

We will have our UFO drawing. 2 lucky winners!



I want to thank everyone for their support and participation these past two years!

I have enjoyed working with my program committees and want to thank them.

Beth and her committee



Sarah Craighead 12/7
Deborah Roberts 12/9
Shelly Jones 12/12
Doreen Clink 12/18
Debi Cannizzaro 12/26
Jan Wood 12/26

*Happy Birthday to all.
Debbie Court*



**Don't forget to get your Fat Quarter
at the next in-person meeting!**



UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS

Palmetto Quilt Guild Presents Welcome to Paradise Quilt Festival March 20 - 22, 2026

Hilton Head Beach &
Tennis Resort, Folly Field
Rd., HILTON HEAD SC

Features of Festival:
over 150 Quilts
displayed, Boutique
items, Vendors, Quilt
Appraiser, Raffle Quilt,
Silent Auction and more

Admission \$15 adult for
multi day; under 18 free

Fri & Sat 10a - 5p
Sun 10a- 2p



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us on Facebook



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UPCOMING EVENTS CONT.

Date: September 2025

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sqtmuseum.org

The Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum has three new exhibits that will run through December 20, 2025. Each of these unique exhibits will highlight a different type of textile art providing for a multifaceted museum experience.

Cosplay to Quilts: Outlander showcases Teri Biglands' journey from quilting into the world of costuming. Inspired by the Outlander Book Series, Biglands combines her quilting and embroidery skills to create incredible works of wearable art. As a competition-winning cosplay artist, Teri Biglands' exhibit features several costumes and quilts she handmade.

Navajo Textiles curated by Robert Quall showcases an impressive personal collection of Navajo weavings collected by Quall. These dense weavings give viewers a peek into the history of Western textiles and offer an intimate look into Navajo culture through textiles.

The final gallery features ***Geometric Quilts by Janna Thomas***, the creative genius behind Bloc Loc Quilting Rulers. After publishing several books through a company she co-founded with her husband, Janna Thomas designed several quilts and taught millions of people how to make their quilting journey more accessible and enjoyable with her innovative quilting tools. An accomplished artistic innovator, Janna Thomas's geometric quilt designs embody the legacy of an inspirational leader in quilting.

Along with these unique exhibits SQTm will offer a variety of community programming including Introduction to sewing and quilting classes, cosplay workshops, and more.

A full list of upcoming classes and programs can be found at

sqtmuseum.org/events.

The Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum is located at 306 C Bradley Street, in Carrollton, Georgia. The museum is open Tuesday - Saturday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Regular admission is \$8.00, with group discounts available. Support for these exhibits and programs comes in part from the Georgia Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts, and the Community Foundation of West Georgia. For more information go to sqtmuseum.org or

COMMUNITY SERVICE



Ladybugs,

Giving Tuesday....is a day that encourages people to give back in whatever ways they can to their community. This year Giving Tuesday just happens to be December 1st. I am getting excited because it is getting close to the time of the year when AQG donates our comfort quilts to the Acworth Police Dept. Just think, in May 2007, we made our first donation of quilts to the Acworth Community. Now, eighteen years later we are still giving to the Acworth Community. From this point forward, the number of donated quilts is a mystery, so make plans to come to the December general meeting for the big reveal. You are truly awesome and I appreciate your generosity.

Tuesday, November 25 is our last sew-in and is also the last day to turn in your 2025 comfort quilts.

Carolyn Shea
Community Service
Barbara Means
Jill Kirkland



Year-to-Date
Quilts ???
Pillowcases - 1,000±
Kitty Beds - 98





RED TOP RETREAT IS COMING!!

Our 2026 Red Top theme is
Celebrating America

On July 4, 2026 will be the 250th anniversary of the signing of the United States Declaration of Independence. This celebration has a few other names like:

The United States Semi quincentennial, BI-sesquicentennial, America250 or the Quarter Millennium Sestercentennial All those names are a mouthful, long and hard to say.

The retreat dates are March 10 – 13, 2026.

The total number allowed attendees is 50. There are only 12 spots left. We will be collecting retreat fees of \$200 or \$100 deposit at the General meeting.

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2026 Membership Renewal

2026 membership renewals are still being accepted for 2026.

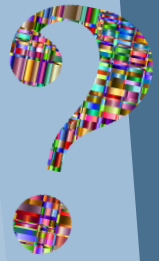
The membership fee will remain at \$35.00. All renewing members are required to complete the 2026 Membership Form. **(Form is attached to Newsletter email)**

Fees may be paid with check, via Zelle or with cash. If you are paying with cash, please have the exact amount as the membership table does not have change.

Any renewals after the January 2026 general meeting will be assessed with a \$5.00 a late fee. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Means, barbarameans@comcast.net.



TIPS AND MORE CORNER



Quilting Hacks for Everyday Quilting Life

Quilting can be a fun and rewarding hobby, but it can also become tedious and complicated. Here are some quilting hacks that can help streamline the process and make it more enjoyable:

Seam ripping:

Pick every fourth or fifth stitch to quickly pull-out stitches for a new row.

Sewing half -square triangles:

Sew the right sides of two fabric pieces together in a square, sew around the border and cut diagonally to create triangles.

Storing fabric pieces:

Spray fabric pieces with starch before piecing them together to keep them stiff and prevent pucker.

Chain piecing:

Sew multiple blocks in one continuous line to save time and reduce thread waste.

Rotating cutting mat:

Use a rotating cutting mat for precise cuts and to avoid moving fabric, which can lead to inaccuracies.

These tips can help you quilt smarter, not harder, and make your quilting life easier and more efficient.

Do you need to get those quilt tops complete?

We have several Long Arm Quilters in AQG that can help!

AQG LONG ARM QUILTERS AVAILABLE

Cindy Christenson 770-598-5751
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Jan Cox 678-982-4326
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Jill Kirkland 404-936-7140
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Please contact them personally with any questions and pricing information.