



Allatoona Quilters' Guild

UPCOMING EVENTS

All Meetings start at 10:00

July 2025

July 1- General Meeting, Zoom
July 8- Sit and Sew, Zoom
July 15- Executive Board, Zoom
July 22 – Block of the Month, Zoom
July 29- Community Service, Roberts School,
IN PERSON!!



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JULY MEETING IS ON ZOOM!!

Guild Members Studio Tour

Don't miss it!



President's News!

Sue McBride

I am so excited about the Studio Tour for July's General Meeting! It will be fun to see inside the sewing spaces of other members. No judging allowed - of others or yourself!! I bet we can all get some ideas from the way our friends do things: fabric storage, notions, lighting, design walls, etc. Thanks so much to the people who invited Daryl in to film, and also to Daryl for doing the filming.

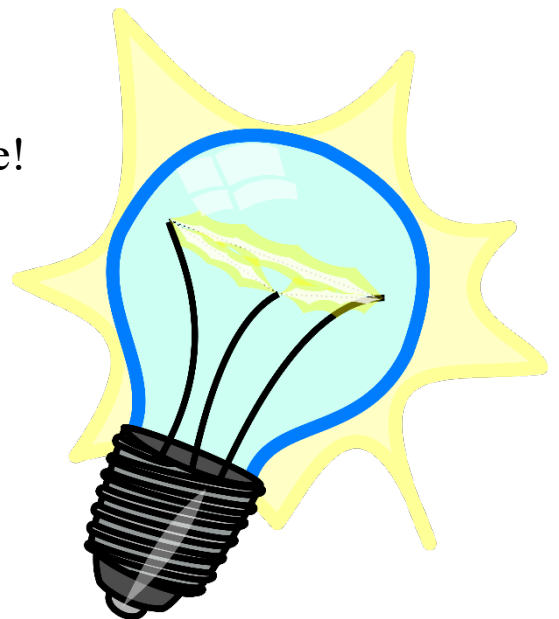
My husband usually refers to my sewing space as my office. At first, I was kind of annoyed. Where's the creativity, the joy, the inspiration, in that designation??!!

And then I thought about his many years of working in an office, and what it might mean to him: an important space, a safe and quiet space, a very important space of his own where he **SHOULD NOT BE DISTURBED**.

Light bulb moment!

If you need me, I will be in my office!

Sue



UPCOMING PROGRAMS FROM YOUR PROGRAM COMMITTEE!



Hi Rockstars,

Have you all recovered from our ice cream social? We should do it again next year!

JULY

You are all in for a treat for our July Zoom General Meeting! Several members have offered up a tour of their quilting space. I can't wait to see how everyone arranges their space to organizing fabric and notions!

AUGUST

Marshall Dewell will join us and discuss his journey with BlocLoc. He will be showing us many quilts using BlocLoc patterns and templates. He will have rulers and patterns available for purchase. CASH only please, he does not have a card reader.

SEPTEMBER

Jan Cunningham will provide us with a fantastic trunk show and talk about her journey over many years.

OCTOBER

Quilt Tag Sale. Look around your Quilting studio and I'm sure you'll notice many items that you are not going to use, be it the quilt kit you bought or the 3 yards of that one fabric you will never use, or the ruler you used and will not use again. Pattern, notions, fabric! Bring it all and sell it. Tables are \$20, up to 2 people per table and you keep the money. I will have a sign-up sheet at our August meeting.

October is also the last call for Block Lotto blocks. Winners will be announced in November.

NOVEMBER

Debbie Winstead's program "getting to know you." will be revealed.
Special member activity to be announced. You won't want to miss this one!
Winners of Block Lotto

As always for our general meetings:

- ❖ Bring your UFO
- ❖ Bring finished Block Lotto blocks



OUR LADIES WITH JULY BIRTHDAYS ARE

Becky Lynn 7/1
Beth Aitken 7/10
Leigh Ann Kloefkorn 7/14
Patricia Trapanese 7/18
Rosemary Brooks 7/22



Happy Birthday to all of you,
Debbie Court

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



COMMUNITY SERVICE

CAROLYN SHEA, BARBARA MEANS, JILL KIRKLAND

Ladybugs,



July 4th is when we celebrate Independence Day with the waving of the flag, fireworks and family get-togethers. This is the second month of summer, also the month that starts the last six months of 2025. We have 80 comfort quilts waiting to be donated in December. Not to be pushy, but have you made your comfort quilt for this year?

On June 12th, Ryan's Case for Smiles announced they had delivered their 3 millionth pillowcase. 3,000,000 - that's a lot of pillowcases (and zeros). Over the last two years, AQG members have made and donated over 2,000 pillowcases. You are AWESOME!

Have you missed our in-person meetings and spending time sewing, talking and snacking? There is a cure for that...July 29th is our IN-PERSON summer Community Service Day at the Roberts School. Bring your lunch, beverage and a snack to share, and join me for a fun day. More information to follow.

Thank you for all that you do for Community Service, we really appreciate it.

Have a wonderful day and happy quilting!

Carolyn Shea
Barbara Means
Jill Kirkland



"I pledge to make one comfort quilt for the 2025 Allatoona Quilters Guild donation to the Acworth Police Dept. If I need support in making my quilt, I will look to my fellow quilters for their help."

Recipe Corner

ANGEL CHICKEN



3-4 boneless chicken breasts cut into pieces
(could use bone-in and cut off the bone)

1 can golden mushroom soup

1 tub (8oz) cream cheese with chives

1/4 cup butter

1 pkg Italian salad dressing mix

1/2 cup white wine

Angel hair pasta

Put the chicken pieces in a crockpot. Microwave the soup, cream cheese and butter on 50% power until softened, about 2-3 minutes. Add the wine and dressing mix, stir and pour over the chicken. Cook 5 hours on low and serve over cooked angel hair pasta.

Serves 2-3

Dottie Duvall



TIPS and TRICKS



Are you a starcher? Although there are many opinions on whether to starch or not to starch, here are a few tips on using starch from the website: <https://blog.wholecirclestudio.com/using-starch-to-make-piecing-your-quilts-easier-tips-and-a-tutorial/>

“ 1. When starching my fabric, I set my iron to medium heat. Using high heat with starch, can scorch fabric or leave flaky residue on your iron, pressing surface, or fabric. Be sure to keep your steam off and don't apply any water to your fabric until it's all pieced and quilted. Steaming or spray water on your fabric will remove your starch.

2. Preheat fabric by ironing it BEFORE applying starch. I find the starch adheres a bit better when the fabric is warm.

3. Evenly spray your fabric with starch before cutting. I spray the starch on the correct side of the fabric.

4. WAIT for your starch to dry (or partially dry if you're impatient like me) and then iron your fabric again to set the starch. Waiting for the starch to dry will reduce the chance of your starch flaking, especially on dark fabrics. I typically apply the iron on the correct side of the fabric.

5. Once I'm happy with the stiffness of my fabric, I'm ready to cut.

It's always best to apply your starch before you cut, but if you find your fabric is fraying or not quite stiff enough as you're working, you can carefully apply additional starch. Heat up your cut fabric by PRESSING (not ironing). Pressing is placing the iron on your fabric, but not moving it. Ironing, moving your iron, can distort your cut pieces. After your pieces are warm, apply your starch, let it dry, and then press with your iron again.”

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