



Allatoona Quilters' Guild

UPCOMING EVENTS

All Meetings start at 10:00

May 2025

April 29 – Sit and Sew, ZOOM
May 6 - General Meeting, Roberts School
May 13 - Sit and Sew, Roberts School
May 20 - Executive Board, ZOOM
May 27 - Block of the Month, Roberts School

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President's News! Sue McBride

The month of May brings us Mother's Day. For many of us, it was our mothers, or grandmothers, who first led us down the path to creativity. Whether it was sewing, knitting, crochet, baking, painting, etc. they introduced the love of making things to help us express ourselves and be creative. Even if they are no longer with us, their loving influence remains forever. I am thankful to my mom for so many reasons, including fostering that desire to make stuff!!

For others, that path to creativity comes from quite an opposite place. On May 16, Netflix will air the short independent film "The Quilters". It is about a group of men in a maximum-security prison in Missouri, who make charity quilts for children they will never see. I listened to a podcast interview of the director, Jenifer McShane (Quilter on Fire episode 184) and it sounds like it will be intense and well worth watching.

Opportunities for creativity are everywhere, for everyone: go grab some!!

Sue

UPCOMING PROGRAMS – FROM YOUR PROGRAM COMMITTEE!



Hi Rockstars,

MAY

We will have Sylvia Schaeffer and she wants to know are you “modern curious”? Do you appreciate bright colors and open spaces? Does your heart sing when you see amazing quilting outside the block? Or even patterns with no block at all? Or do you love all those straightish lines for Quilting? She will bring us other ideas of what modern is and what it means, so be ready and we’ll see you at our next general meeting on May 6 at the Roberts School.

If you are taking her paper piecing class afterwards, please be sure to check your email for the note sent on April 15 with coloring pages attached. Also, attached was her basic paper piecing guide for your review before we start. Remember you are bringing your sewing set up and fabric. She will have your pattern copied for construction. Keep in mind that you want to avoid directional prints, even a small crosshatching or stripe. The guild is providing a sandwich and drink for you, and if a few of you could bring a dessert that would be great.

JUNE

We will be meeting at Red Top State Park shelter one, for an ice cream social. We will take a general count at the May meeting. Also, we will be playing strip bingo and you will buy your bingo cards with a strip of 2 1/2 by width of fabric. Keep your strips to the red, white and blue theme. To mark your bingo cards off please bring change for your markers. We will later donate this change to the food bank. Also keep in mind you will need a parking pass, so some of you might want to carpool.

JULY

We will meet on ZOOM and will be showing several members’ quilt closets to studios and any special item or organizational idea you have.

AUGUST

Marshall Dewell from Block Lock Rulers will present a trunk show.

As always for our general meetings:

- ❖ Bring your UFO
- ❖ Bring finished black exchange blocks



OUR LADIES WITH MAY BIRTHDAYS ARE

Sue Zabell 5/5
Deb Seely 5/12
Suzie Callender 5/13
Debbie Davis 5/20
Kim Ayers 5/23
Robin Ranallo 5/25
Carolyn Shea 5/28

Happy Birthday to all of you,
Debbie Court

Don't forget to get your Fat Quarter at
the May Meeting!



COMMUNITY SERVICE

CAROLYN SHEA, BARBARA MEANS, JILL KIRKLAND

Ladybugs,



I am writing this on "World Art Day" and the quilts that you create are "art." The beautiful colors, the patterns and the quilting come together to make a comfort quilt for a child, an adult or someone who just needs to be wrapped in a hug. Thank you to all who came to our Spring Community Service Day, April 15. I apologize that we had to change the date but the city has scheduled work on the school on the 29th. I invited Emily Hall, Crime Victim Advocate with the Acworth Police Department, to come and speak about her position and how she works with people who need help and support. This is a position that was created two years ago by former Chief Evans. We are planning to have her come to a general meeting so everyone can meet her. Mark your calendars...the Summer Community Service day is Tuesday, July 29. Continue to work on your "works of art" and know they are appreciated.

Have a wonderful day and happy quilting!

Carolyn Shea
Barbara Means
Jill Kirkland

Year to Date
Quilts - 49
Pillowcases - 319
Kitty Beds - 30+



"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

ZITI BAKE

1 pound ground beef
8 oz pkg mozzarella cheese
1/2 pound ziti
3/4 tsp.salt
15 oz cottage cheese
1/4 tsp. pepper
1 egg
parmesan cheese -optional
2 -15 oz jars of spaghetti sauce

Cook ziti. Cook ground beef until brown. Stir in cottage cheese (or ricotta) and half of the spaghetti sauce; add beaten egg, ziti, salt and pepper. Mix gently and put into buttered 13x9x2 pan. Pour remaining sauce on top and sprinkle with mozzarella cheese; sprinkle with parmesan (optional)

Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes or until hot and bubbly.

Dottie Duvall



TIPS AND TRICKS – A REFERENCE GUIDE FOR YOU!



Premier Quilting Batting-Product Guide Chart

PRODUCT	FIBER	LOFT	SHRINKAGE	STITCH H SPACING	HAND QUILTING	MACHINE QUILTING	LIGHT FABRIC	DARK FABRIC	PACKAGED
F - Natural Cotton with scrim	100% Natural Cotton	1/16"	3 - 5%	8-10"	Fair	Excellent	Good	Excellent	PKG, BRD, Roll
N - Natural Cotton	100% Natural Cotton	1/16"	3 - 5%	4"	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Excellent	PKG, BRD, Roll
G - White Cotton with scrim	100% Bleached Cotton	1/16"	3 - 5%	8-10"	Fair	Excellent	Exceptional	Good	PKG, BRD, Roll
CP- 60/40 Natural Blend with scrim	60% Cotton 40% Polyester	1/8"	2 - 3%	8 - 10"	Fair	Excellent	Good	Excellent	PKG, Board
E - Natural Blend with scrim	80% Cotton 20% Polyester	1/16"	2 - 3%	8-10"	Fair	Excellent	Good	Excellent	PKG, BRD, Roll
A - Natural Blend	80% Cotton 20% Polyester	1/16"	2 - 3%	4"	Excellent	Exceptional	Good	Excellent	PKG, BRD, Roll
P - Polyester	100% Polyester with Siliconized Blend	1/4"	0 - 2%	4"	Exceptional	Excellent	Exceptional	Fair	PKG, BRD, Roll
B - Bamboo Blend with scrim	50% Bamboo 50% Cotton	1/16"	2 - 3%	8-10"	Fair	Excellent	Good	Excellent	PKG, BRD, Roll
W - Wool	100% Wool Excludes binder fiber	3/8"	0 - 3%	4"	Exceptional	Excellent	Excellent	Caution	PKG, BRD, Roll

Natural Cotton with Scrim: Needle punched batting with scrim that is natural, lightweight, and soft. Project uses include apparel, mug rugs, and bed quilts. Excellent for machine quilting.



Natural Cotton: Needle punched batting without scrim that is soft, natural, chemical free, and easy-to-needle. Excellent for hand quilting. Project uses include apparel, coasters, and bed quilts.



White Cotton with Scrim: Needle punched batting with scrim that is natural, lightweight, and soft. Project uses include white and light-colored quilts. Excellent for machine quilting.



60/40 Natural Blend with Scrim: Needle punched batting with scrim for extra support that is durable, substantial and specially designed for all types of machine quilting.



Natural Blend 80/20 with Scrim: Needle punched batting with a scrim binder that provides strength, stability, and support without adding stiffness or bulk and remains lightweight and soft. Great for machine quilting.



Natural Blend 80/20: Needle punched without scrim that provides durability and softness. Excellent for hand quilting. Project uses include wall quilts and wearable art.



Bamboo Blend with Scrim: Needle punched batting with scrim that is breathable and cool by nature with natural anti-bacterial properties. It is softer than Cotton and exceptional for machine quilting.



100% Polyester: Thermal bonded batting with a fine denier that is lightweight but warm, providing comfort and durability. It is easy to hand quilt and offers great definition to stitches. Wash and dry on a cool and gentle cycle.



Wool: Thermal bonded batting with an airy, resilient loft. Ideal for either hand or machine quilting. Project uses include extra-warm bed quilts and wall quilts. Wash and dry on a cool and gentle cycle.



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