



# Allatoona Quilters' Guild

*January 2023*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*All start at 10:00*

- January 3 - General Meeting ZOOM
- January 10 – Sit and Sew **IN PERSON**
- January 17 – Executive Board ZOOM – all are welcome
- January 24 – Sit and Sew **ZOOM**
- January 31 – Community Service **IN PERSON**

<http://www.aqguild.org/>

[AQG Facebook Page Link](#)

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January Program via ZOOM  
Patty Sawyer:  
How I Became So Judge Mental



Here is her description of her lecture: How does Judge Judy do it? It's not as easy as you may think! This light-hearted presentation and mock quilt judging experience will encourage even novice quilters to understand the confidential secrets happening behind those closed judging room doors. This presentation will include some of the myths and fears associated with having quilts judged, a brief, yet comical explanation of the difference between quilt judges and the quilt police and the roles scribes and others play in the judging process.

We'll discuss what judges are looking for in a quilt evaluation, the whole critique process, and some of the common terminology, standards and practices of experienced quilt judges.

There will also be a mock judging portion of this presentation and you can present your own quilts to her if you chose to. Since this is via Zoom, she recommends smaller pieces which can be easily seen in front of the camera for a full view as well as a few closer, more detailed views for all to see. She will stay for as long as needed to answer any questions as well! Start looking at some of your works of art for Patty to "judge".

## President's News! Cindy Christenson



Can you believe it's 2023!  
Where did 2022 go? It seemed  
to just fly by!

Hope you all had a great Holiday  
season! Now to take down all  
those decorations and wait till  
next year! Which will probably  
be here before we know it!  
Some of you probably have  
already taken down your  
decorations. You can help those  
that have procrastinated!

I think this next year will be another great year coming up! Our program committee and new VP have been hard at work planning out the year. I'm looking forward to working with all the new chairs and those that have stayed on board for another year. Like I've said before, it's all of us working together to make our guild the best that we can make it! And I think we do have the best guild ever. Always something to choose from. If you don't want to work on a particular project offered, there's always another to choose from.

Red Top is also coming up quickly! This is something that we all look forward to every year! What more can you ask for than having days just to sew, sew and sew!! Or chat like a lot of us do too!

Come join us in 2023 and get more involved! This is the way that you will make new friends and maybe get some of those UFO's done!

Have a great New Year!!

## Ruby Block Exchange 2022 Barbara Means

Congratulations to the 'Ruby' block winners.....Carolyn McQueen, Monique Byrne, Melinda Thomas, Barb Levan, Barbie Richardson, Sue McBride, Cathy Elliott and Beth Aiken. Thanks to all for participating!



## Vice President's News Sarah Craighead

January greetings! Are you ready for the New Year and the opportunity to make some progress on those UFO's? Remember to make a list of 10 projects that you would like to "complete" in 2023. Number your list from 1 to 10. We will draw a number during the January meeting and you will need to have that project done and ready to show us at the February meeting. Projects do not have to be a complete and finished quilt, although they certainly could be. You will be on the honor system and we ask that you do not change your list once it's made. There will be a small reward for finishing your project on time each month and your name will be entered into a drawing at the end of the year for a \$50 gift certificate! You can potentially have 10 entries, 1 for each of the projects you complete on time. You will also receive a special UFO memento if you complete all 10 of your projects.

Our Program Committee will make a presentation during the January meeting to preview our amazing lineup of speakers and workshops for 2023 so try not to miss it. We will also reveal the theme for the 2023 Challenge Quilt. Get ready everyone, it's going to be an exciting New Year!



From 2022 Vice President  
Jill Kirkland

It's just about 2023! Another year that just flew by! I want to thank everyone for your help and guidance this year. I appreciated all of the warm comments, hints, and suggestions. I am looking forward to my new position as co-chair of door prizes! I can't wait!

Webmistress/Show and Tell  
Kim Ayers

For the January meeting, please send pictures by Friday December 30.

Email Kim at [motherboom@aol.com](mailto:motherboom@aol.com)

- In subject line please write "AQG January pictures".
- You can send more than 1 photo per email
- Include the name of the pattern, fabric line, quilter or any other info. Also tell the size if you want an Award, greater than 300" qualifies for a pin.
- Tell whether it is show and tell, comfort quilt, BOM block, bear, etc.
- Photos will be uploaded to website after the meeting unless you tell her otherwise

# Red Top 2023

## Sue Baumgartel, Sue McBride

### REMINDER

The January GM is the last opportunity to cancel your Red Top reservation and receive a full refund. If you cancel after the January GM a person on our waiting list will be informed of your cancellation and they will pay you for your spot if they are interested in attending.



The Games committee has some fun new ideas!

If you are participating in the (optional) photo game, please provide a 'wedding' or 'high school graduation' photo, with your name on the back of the photo, to Barbara Means or Leigh Ann Kloefkorn **by the February meeting**. All photos will be returned after the retreat and no damage will be caused to the photo.

We will be sending out an email soon to all attendees, with helpful information, suggestions, and details about activities and schedules.

Let Daryl know by the January meeting if you would like her to order a Friendship Star pattern. See details below.

There will be a meeting for Committee Chairs after the January ZOOM meeting.

## Red Top 2023 Quilt: Double Friendship Star

### Daryl Miller

Hello Quilty Friends!

Our friend and member Carole Liebrecht sent her picture of her Double Friendship Star and it's gorgeous! Thank you Carole for that inspiration! Remember, if you want the Missouri Star pattern for their Double Friendship Star, please let me know on or before the January Zoom meeting. Just send a text or email! I will place a group order and you can avoid the shipping charge. I'll order January 4th and have the patterns for distribution at the February 7th in person meeting and I'll collect \$7 then. You'll have time to buy fabric or audition colors from your stash before the retreat, or whenever you might want to create this fun quilt.



Just let me know at [dwmiller@bellsouth.net](mailto:dwmiller@bellsouth.net)  
Thanks, Daryl

## Community Service

Carolyn Shea, Barbara Means, Vicki Evaristo

December 6, 2022, you, the members, donated 135 comfort quilts to the Acworth Police Dept. You stepped up and with your love and compassion, provided aid and comfort to the Acworth Community. You also donated pillowcases (772), bears and kitty beds (those scraps really add up!). Thank you to all who supported Community Service this year, and I look forward to sewing and quilting with you in 2023. Happy New Year! **MARK YOUR CALENDARS - our next Community Service Day is Tuesday, January 31, 2023.**

P.S. - In addition to our comfort quilts, I am declaring 2023 as the year of the "Bear" as the APD has asked us to continue making bears out of their old uniforms. If everyone made just one bear, we would have a "bunch of bears."

## Membership Lee Ann Wharton

Our updated membership is now 59 paid, leaving 24 to go.

\$35 CHECK MADE OUT TO AQG; mailed to Sue Zabell, 940 Windfield Ln, Marietta, GA, 30064

OR

Zelle to [AQGbanking@yahoo.com](mailto:AQGbanking@yahoo.com)

Thank you everyone!

## HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAY!

- 1/4 Cathy Elliott
- 1/20 Danielle Morgan
- 1/23 Jeanne Hayden
- 1/25 Celeste Sheldt
- 1/29 Debbie Loizzo
- 1/30 Jacque Hodges
- 1/30 Patricia Freeman





Ryan's  
**CASE for SMILES**  
Helping kids feel better to heal better

December 2022

Dear Allatoona Quilters Guild Members:

As 2022 comes to a close and a new year begins, I want to take this opportunity to THANK each of you for your donation of time and pillowcases. The organization could not function without your incredibly generous contributions.

A hospital experience can be terrifying and traumatic for both a child and their family. While others strive to find cures for childhood diseases and illnesses, Ryan's Case For Smiles (RCFS) helps with the stress and emotional impact of an illness in the here and now. Our whimsical pillowcases give children an emotional boost, while resources and tools developed by RCFS help families better understand and cope with the experience. For more information, go to [www.caseforsmiles.org](http://www.caseforsmiles.org).

In 2022, the 'Case For Smiles' Georgia Chapter delivered a total of 4,509 pillowcases to 14 hospital throughout the state. Hospitals in Hiram, Austell, Rome and Houston were added in 2022. Pillowcases were also delivered to the local Ronald McDonald House, Cherokee County Senior Services and Cobb County Senior Services. To date, the Georgia Chapter has delivered 65,442 pillowcases. Nationwide, over 2.5 million pillowcases have been delivered since 2007.

Pillowcase donations to local hospitals would not be possible without your continued support. **A total of 772 pillowcases were made and donated by AQG members. A special callout to the following members for donating 25 or more pillowcases: Susie Callendar, Roxanne Santini and Sue Zabell. Deb Cannizzaro, Barb Levan and Carolyn Shea went above and beyond the call of duty and made 100+ pillowcases. THANK YOU!**

It has been a pleasure getting to know AQG members and to be part of such a wonderfully talented and generous group.

Thank you for 'helping kids feel better to heal better'.

Regards,

Barbara Means  
Georgia Chapter Coordinator  
Ryan's Case For Smiles  
[www.caseforsmiles.org](http://www.caseforsmiles.org)  
[CaseForSmilesGA@comcast.net](mailto:CaseForSmilesGA@comcast.net)  
770-851-7774

P.S. For 2023, the Chapter needs holiday (July 4<sup>th</sup>, Halloween, and Christmas) pillowcases.

# Scrap Mountain

## Nancy Klump, Jill Kirkland

We are moving along with sorting and organizing all the wonderful fabric you have donated! Please remember: no small (kitty bed sized) pieces. Yardage, fat quarters/eighths, strips, orphan blocks, etc are welcome. We accept quilt fabric, flannel, minky, and wool (PLEASE put ALL wool in a separate bag from all the other fabric). We will continue to collect donations up to the March general meeting. Thank you for your participation!

**FREE FREE FREE**

Two - 30" x 48" plastic floor mats; no cracks. (These would be used for a rolling chair on carpet.)

If interested, contact Barbara Means, [barbarameans@comcast.net](mailto:barbarameans@comcast.net)

## 2023 Block of the month Fabric Requirements

### Danielle Morgan

I encourage you to use several of each color way, which you will see as the pictures come through each month. My fabrics were almost entirely from Alli K Design "Create". You should pick what fabrics and colors YOU want to work with so you love your results like I love mine.

Blacks: 1 1/3 yards

Grays: 1 3/4 yards

Whites: 1 yard

For simple borders you will also need 3 shades of grays:

Light Gray: 1/2 yard

Medium Gray: 3/4 yard

Dark Gray: 1-1/4 yard

# AQG Block of the Month 2023

## Danielle Morgan

### Fabric 1: Black

- 6 3" squares, 4 for Flying Geese (FG), 2 for Half Square Triangles HST
- 1 4-1/2" for Center square
- 1 5-1/2" square for FG

### Fabric 2: Gray

- 4 2-1/2" squares for Corners
- 1 5-1/2" square for FG

### Fabric 3: White

- 8 2-1/2" for squares
- 6 3" squares for 4 FG, 2 HST

### Directions:

Draw diagonal lines on two WHITE 3" squares.

Match WHITE squares with two BLACK 3" squares.  
Sew 1/4" seams on either side of the WHITE drawn lines.  
Cut each set on the line and press seams to the dark side.  
Trim all four to 2-1/2"

Make 4 four-patch blocks of 2-1/2" squares:

- 1 GRAY      1 WHITE
- 1 WHITE      1 HST

Draw diagonal line on back side of four BLACK and four WHITE 3" squares.

Most people I talk to have their own favorite way to make Flying Geese (FG). I use Deb Tucker's Wing Clipper to make mine, but you don't need that tool to do her technique. Here is a video that will show you what to do, there is also a link to Deb Tucker's tips on making your FG perfect.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=stvQx9cjEw>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AAqTfzJcmVU&t=22s>

Make four FG using WHITE 3" squares on BLACK 5-1/2" square.  
Make four FG using BLACK 3" squares on GRAY 5-1/2" square.

Trim all eight FG to 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangles.  
Layout and assemble your block:





# Allatoona Quilt Guild General Meeting

Dec 6, 2022

**Welcome and Announcements - Cindy Christenson President**

**Opened meeting @10:00 am**

**Any first time Guests? 4 Visitors**

**Approval of General Meeting Minutes: Approved** by: Kim Ayers      Seconded by: Sue Baumgartel

**Chairs: get your end of year report to me ASAP please.**

**Birthdays for this month - Jan Wood**

12/07 Sarah Craighead; 12/09 Deborah Roberts; 12/18 Doreen Clink; 12/26 Debbi Cannizzaro  
And 12/26 Jan Wood

**General Meeting Items:**

Program: Presentation of Community Service Quilts to Acworth Police Department: Carolyn Shea - 135 Quilts were presented to APD and introduced the new incoming Chief Jesse Owens.

Presentation of Chief's Quilt for his retirement: Carolyn Shea

AQG TEA TIME! Roxanne Santini/Pat Trapanese/Jeanne Hayden & Carolyn Shea

We need a committee to volunteer to work on updating our AQG Banner:

Volunteers to help update the banner were:

Glenna Martin, Danielle Morgan, Sue McBride and Doreen Clink

**Breaktime before Business Meeting Portion:**

**Get your door prize tickets!**

**Business Meeting to follow Tea:**

**Programs - Jill Kirkland, V.P.**

Quilt presentation to Cindy Christenson-President

**January - Zoom: Patty Sawyer (How I became so Judge Mental)**

**2023 Programs - Sarah Craighead/ Barbara Means/ Leigh Ann Kloefkorn**

Sarah - UFO Challenge: 10 items -you keep your list. Number the projects. Drawing for first project in Jan., and due Feb. Will pick a number and that is the UFO project you will complete.

## General Meeting minutes continued

Barbara Means: Diana Quinn will be doing a lecture and trunk show at the March 7 General meeting. That afternoon is the 'wool embellishment' workshop. The workshop will feature Sue Spargo type stitches. Workshop fee is \$45; kit fee is \$30. Maximum of 15 people. Deadline for kit ordering is Feb 15.

### **Budget Report - Sue Zabell, Treasurer**

Checking	\$16,089.08 (\$8,250.98 w/o RT)
Savings	\$ 5,335.40

### **Committee Chair Reports (See Newsletter Articles for other updates)**

#### **Community Service - Carolyn Shea, Barbara Means, Vicki Evaristo**

Barbara -747 pillowcases

#### **Membership - Nancy Klump**

84 members to date. Welcome Twyla Bogaard

#### **Block Exchange - Barbara Means**

Drawing of blocks –26 Members participated. 7 sets with 12 blocks and 1 with 9 blocks.

#### **Block of the Month - Danielle Morgan**

Shown completed Quilt by Danielle; Quilted by Lisa Burns. For those that participated, the reveal is March General Meeting.

2023 BOM is 12 blocks Jan – December.

#### **Sit and Sew - Cindy Christenson**

Next Sit and Sew is Dec. 13, via Zoom

Dec 27, 2022, In-Person at Roberts School

#### **Sunshine - Beth Virden/Cindy**

- Remember Sue Zabell's continuing recovery
- Vicki Evaristo- surgery on Dec 9
- Several have had cataract surgery - Kim Ayers, Nancy Klump
- Cindy- still have some tests and other Dr visits coming up

#### **Show and Tell - Kim Ayers**

#### **Door Prizes - Suzie Callender, Monique Byrne**

#### **Closed meeting @12:30 pm - Cindy Christenson**

**Thank you to all Committee Chairpersons from 2022 Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication to Allatoona Guild!**

**Respectfully submitted by Patricia Trapanese, Secretary**

# Allatoona Quilters' Guild Executive Board

12.20.2022 via Zoom

## **President - Cindy Christenson**

- Welcome opened meeting @10:00 am. 21 members present on the Zoom meeting.

Thank you to all this year's chairpersons and all the hard work all have done to make this a great year! This is your last Board Meeting for the year.

A garage door fob was found after General Meeting. It was sent to Lost and Found at Parks/Rec community Center.

If there is enough interest, we may be starting up a fabric exchange for 2023. Cindy will follow up to work with Tina Cline to assist. We had 8 saying they were interested. Will post a picture of the quilt for those interested in doing it or you can do any other scrap quilt.

## **Treasurer's Report - Sue Zabell**

**Checking** - \$15,418.02 (\$8,389.63 w/o RT), Savings - \$ 5,335.40

Sue Zabell: Suggest having receipt book when members paying by cash for 3 chairs (Membership, Red Top and Programs). Will be distributing them in Feb. 2023.

## **Vice President's Report - Jill Kirkland**

Jan: Patty Sawyer via Zoom: "How I became so Judge Mental"

Jan: Barbara Means will be doing a power point presentation of upcoming Programs.

June and July are Zoom meetings.

Cindy: New Chairs for next year: I want to have a brief meeting before the Jan meeting; Let me know best days/times for the following days: Dec 26(anytime), 28<sup>th</sup> (afternoon), or Dec 30 (anytime)

## **Committee Chair Reports**

### **Community Service - Carolyn Shea, Barbara Means/Vicki Evaristo**

135 Comfort Quilts were donated to APD. A quilt was presented to the Chief for his retirement.

We have received from a non-member 7 Comfort Quilts already for 2023!

There were 772 pillowcases delivered and have asked for some Christmas pictures.

Jill – Kitty beds were given approximately 75+.

We need Teen Boy pillow cases.

### **Block Exchange - Barbara Means**

We had 26 members participate. There were 7-12 blocks and 1-9 block prizes.

### **BOM - Danielle Morgan**

2023 is ready for publication to the **Newsletter**.

### **Sunshine – Cindy for Beth**

Cards sent to: Vicki Evaristo, Cindy, Sue Z, Kim Ayers and Nancy K.

# Executive Board minutes continued

**Bylaws - Barb Levan - No Report**

**Hostess - Roxanne Santini**

Tea: Went very well and those that came to the meeting thought it was very nice.

**Membership - Lee Ann Wharton**

If you haven't paid your dues for 2023, please do so by the Jan 3 General meeting; An additional \$5 will be added to those not paying on time.

1 new member Twyla Bogaard

Total Members: 84

Updated membership packet for 2023 with new name tags

Possibly honoring years of service in Dec.

**Photographer - Monique Byrne No Report**

**Sit-N-Sew - Cindy Christenson**

Jan Sit and Sews are going to need to be reversed.

Jan 10 will be an In Person at Roberts School

Jan 24 needs to switch to a Zoom as the room is not available.

Jan 31 will be Community Service

**Special Projects - Melinda Fulkerson/ Lynda Smith**

Feb. 28 (Tuesday). Supply list will be given before in **Newsletter**.

Looking for a place to have the June Special Project.

**Red Top 2023 - Sue Baumgartel/Sue McBride**

Make sure that you have your membership dues paid by Jan 3 meeting! If you aren't sure if you've paid check with Sue McBride. Plans are going well.

**Awards/Archivist - Celeste Sheldt**

Had a good year for Awards. Archivist – good.

**Newsletter-Due Date - Sue McBride - Dec 23 is the deadline.**

**Communication - Nancy Draheim - No report**

**Food Pantry - Treasurer (Sue Zabell) - To-Date: \$647.34**

**Webmaster - Kim Ayers**

After the Holidays for updated any pictures. Doing work on Website to make it easier to see individual committees.

**Door Prizes - Suzie Callender, Monique Byrne - No Report**

**Birthday Club -Jan Wood - FQ's for 2023 are ready to go.**

**Zoom - Daryl Miller / Cindy Christenson - More people will be helping. Cindy would like to turn over Sit N Sews to someone, and she can be a backup.**

**Other business/Discussions?**

Reminder for next year's dues, there is a \$5 late fee charge if paid after January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Close Meeting @11:05 am

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Respectfully submitted by Patricia Trapanese, Secretary