



Allatoona Quilters' Guild

July 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

All start at 10:00

- July 2** **General Meeting Zoom**
July 9 **Sit and Sew ZOOM**
July 16 **Executive Board ZOOM – all are
welcome**
July 23 **Sit and Sew: Zoom**
July 30 **IN PERSON - Community Service**
Roberts School 10AM

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

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AQGbanking@yahoo.com



President's News!

YEAR HALF OVER

I am halfway through my year as President. I'm sure many of you have your opinion whether that is good or bad. I decided to be up front that I am only doing one year. I wanted to prove to anyone that thought they might like the president job that you don't have to commit to two years. We will be looking for people to fill jobs for next year soon. I have made a list of the monthly order of what the President has to do.

If anyone would like to see that list to see if they might like the job, just let me know.

Please help! It's your guild too.

Sue Zabell

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

July 2 General Meeting (ZOOM) Cindy Grisdela



Cindy Grisdela Art Quilts
Contemporary Art Quilts for
the Wall

August 6 In Person (Roberts School)

Sept 3 In Person (Roberts School)

Diane KNOTT (WWW.BUTTERFLYTHREADS.COM)



COMMUNITY SERVICE



The Next In Person Community Sit and Sew Is July 30 at Roberts School



RCFS Update

(Barbara Means)

A pillowcase delivery was made to CHOA Egleston recently. The nurses say the kids 'love' the pillowcases and are very appreciative for the 'smiles'.

Thanks to everyone who made such a delivery possible.

If you are not interested in sewing (that is okay), donations of fabric, quart size zip lock bags and/or color catchers would be appreciated.



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
Rose Holland 7/29
Twyla Bogaard 7/30

Happy Birthday to all!!!

Debbie Court



MEDALLION QUILT

Danielle Morgan

June and July Border:

You will be making 40 blocks measuring 4 1/2" each, choose your favorite:

Churn Dash Border



36 Background fabric 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" squares

18 Background fabric 3" Draw diagonal line on each

18 Feature fabrics 3" Match, sew twice and cut down center, trim to 1 1/2" HST

36 Background Fabric 1" x 10 1/2" strip

36 Feature fabrics 1" x 10 1/2" strip

Sew one background to one feature and cut to 4 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" strips

Make 2 rows 8 blocks and 2 rows 10 blocks, attach to the quilt

OR...

Indian Hatchet:

36 4 1/2" feature fabric squares

72 3 3/4" background fabric

draw diagonal line on each background square

Arrange small squares on opposite corners of large squares.
Sew on the drawn line or just a hair closer to corner. Cut two pieces off.
Press seams.

Arrange the blocks to make zig-zag line.

Make 2 rows of 8 blocks and 2 rows of 10, attach to the quilt.



Sashing:

2 2 1/2" x 40 1/2" strips

2 2 1/2" x 44 1/2" strips

You should now have a 44 1/2" piece of joy!



Recipe Corner

CHICKEN CASSEROLE

- 1 whole chicken pressured and shredded**
- 1- 8oz cup of sour cream**
- 1 can of cream of mushroom soup**
- 1 can of cream of chicken soup**
- 1 sleeve of Ritz crackers**
- 1 1/2 cups of grated cheddar cheese**
- 1/2 stick of butter**

Place shredded chicken in bottom of a large baking dish. Mix the soups and sour cream together and pour over chicken. Crumble Ritz crackers and sprinkle over chicken. Add shredded cheese. Add slices of butter to top. Bake at 350 degrees until bubbly. Approximately 30 minutes. Serve over a bed of rice or noodles.

Dottie Pittman



Quilting Quips
IT'S ALL ABOUT FAMILY...

My family is pretty small, and gatherings can easily be done at home. My closest friends' family is huge and requires a park pavilion to have a gathering. I've often told her that I need a spreadsheet or map to keep everyone straight as to who they are attached to...we often laugh about the complexity of her family crew.

My family is stretched across multiple states while the majority of hers still live and work in the community where they were born and raised. It seems everyone in their community recognizes their last name and can immediately connect them with the local "band" of brothers and sisters.

Our "quilt family," happily, stretches way beyond the boundaries of our personal family! A roadside billboard leads us off a highway exit and takes us to our extended family – our quilt family. Almost, without exception, we're received with great "welcome to our shop." There is happiness there! The colors, racks of fabrics, rubber, cutting mat smells, and machines immediately make us feel at home – we're in our happy place. It's home for our beloved hobby.

There's sharing of accomplishments.

There are tales to tell and fabric combos that need to be shared.

We laugh over our mis-steps and share triumphs of a quilt completed.

There are "ooh's and aah's" over finding a never-seen-before fabric that's just perfect for the next project.

Joy is shared. We laugh. We leave, most likely, with a bag-full of new goodies.

A new family has been enjoyed and will be remembered and shared.

Wherever in the world we go – across towns, states, countries – our family is ready for a visit.

PREPARING YOUR QUILT FOR THE LONGARM QUILTER

QUILT TOP PREPARATION

- Top and backing is pressed and clean.
- Make sure your borders are attached correctly and the top lies flat
- Make sure there are no holes in your seams
- Pin a note to the top of your quilt if it is directional
- Top and backing are accurately squared. Square up all corners of top and backing

For any machine quilting, **ACCURACY** Counts while creating your quilt top and is the **SINGLE** Most Important issue.

If you've not made sure the top and backing are super square you can end up with tucks, puckers or added costs since your quilter may have to correct your mistakes.

QUILT BACKING

- o Sew any backing seams with $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance, backstitching at ends, and press open
- o Mark the top if your backing is directional
- o Leave selvages on top and bottom, but not in the seams
- o Make sure the backing lies flat
- o Make sure the backing is big enough (6" -12" larger than your quilt top)





AQG Long Arm Quilters Available

Cindy Christenson 770-598-5751
email: mycountryquilting@gmail.com

Jan Cox 678-982-4326
email: janicecox01@gmail.com

Jill Kirkland 404-936-7140
email: jillklump@comcast.net



Please contact them personally with any questions and pricing information.

Allatoona Quilt Guild General Meeting Agenda

June 4, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.



No first time Guests today.

PROGRAM

Flying Colors – Timna Tarr

Beth Aiken

Timna provided discount code for members to use.

A fascinating program was presented by Timna via Zoom. Much interest was generated in her classes and her methods.

BREAK

Approval of Last Month's General Meeting Minutes

First – Cindy Christenson

Second – Beth Aiken

Birthdays for this month

Debbie Court

Happy Birthday to all nine members celebrating birthday's this month. Debbie asked group to help by supplying FQ's and cards if they have extra's available.

Budget Report

Sue McBride

Checking Total - \$9,938.49

Savings Total - \$5,336.18

Total - \$15,274.67

General Fund - \$6,294.45

Foodbank Contribution - \$66 on 5/9

Programs

Beth Aiken

July – Cindy Grissela – Zoom on Improv

August – Diane Knot – In-person – Scrappy

Please continue to work on VP Challenge, UFO's, and Block Challenge

General Meeting Items

Committee Chair Reports (Don't forget to See the Newsletter Articles for other updates)+

Community Service

Carolyn Shea,

Barbara Means, Jill Kirkland

Carolyn Shea will be at Roberts School on Jun 19 from 9-11 to pick up finished Community Service quilts. Please be sure to label. Barbara Means reported that 294 pillowcases have been received.

AQG Meeting Minutes (CONT)

She needs **Christmas and Halloween pillowcases**. Jill Kirkland reported that no animal beds were needed.

Membership
Means

Barbara

There are 83 members with new members Diane Cannestra and Carol Stanek.

Newsletter

Sarah

Craighead/Cindy Christenson

Articles are due on the Friday after the Board Meeting.

Red Top 2025

Jill

Kirkland/Nancy Klump

Nancy and Jill have met with previous chairs, Daryl Miller and Kate McKenney. It was reported that Red Top State Park was committed to making us happier with facilities and that repairs would be completed.

Sunshine

Becky Lynn

Continue to remember Becky's mother and Dad. \$50 was given to the Go Fund Me for Freda's end of life needs.

ZOOM- Sit-N-Sew

Kate

McKenney

All going well.

Show and Tell

Kim Ayers

Make sure you have sent your pictures to Kim

Door Prizes

Jill

Kirkland/Nancy Klump

Won by Sue Zabell and Debbie Court.

Other

Members were encouraged to attend the Japanese Exhibit at Carrollton Museum.

Danielle reported that she will be providing BOM info in next newsletter.

Close

Sue Zabell

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Baumgartel
Secretary

Allatoona Quilters' Guild Executive Board Agenda/Minutes

June 18, 2024 via Zoom

President

Sue Zabel

Welcome at 10:00 am.

Treasurer's Report

Sue McBride

Checking Total - \$9,238.49

Savings Total - \$5,336.23

Total - \$14,574.72

General Fund - \$6,294.45

Vice President

Please send pictures of UFO's and completed projects to Kim prior to General Meeting. Please continue to work on UFO's, Block Exchange and VP Challenge. Diane Knot will be next presenter.

Committee Chair Reports

Archivist

All is fine.

Celeste Sheldt

Awards

All is fine. We have sufficient supplies.

Vicki Evaristo

Birthday Club

All is fine. Thank you to Carolyn Shea for cards and FQ's

Debbie Court

BOM

No report.

Danielle Morgan

Bylaws

All is fine.

Jan Wood

Communication

All is fine. Please put "AQG" in subject line. Is helpful to Nancy.

Nancy Draheim

Community Service

Carolyn Shea, Barbara Means

June 19 from 9-11 Carolyn will be at Roberts School to collect completed quilts. Please do not bring pillowcases. Next in-person event will be July 30.

AQG BOARD MEETING MIN (CONT)

Door Prizes

All is fine.

Jill Kirkland/ Nancy Klump

Food Pantry

Treasurer (Sue McBride)

All is fine. No donations while we're not meeting in person. Sue let church know.

Hostess

All is fine.

Roxanne Santini

Membership

All is fine. 83 members.

Barbara Means

Newsletter-Due Date

All due the Friday after the Board meeting.

Sarah Craighead/Cindy Christenson

Photographer

No report.

Monique Byrne

Red Top 2025

Surveys have been reviewed and Jill and Nancy will be contacting volunteers. Tables are ordered from Rents for Events in Cartersville. No theme has been determined but many suggestions have been given.

Nancy Klump/Jill Kirkland

Webmaster

Pics are due to Kim the last Friday in June for July meeting.

Kim Ayers

Zoom

Christenson, Kim Ayers, Nancy Draheim
All is fine. July will be via Zoom.

Kate McKenney, Cindy

ZOOM Sit-N-Sew

All is fine. Many coming up through next few months.

Kate McKenney

Other Discussion:

There was brief discussion about talking with APD about giving them quilts two times a year vs just at Christmas time. Carolyn to talk with APD leaders.

Close Meeting

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Baumgartel
Secretary

NEWSLETTER REMINDER: ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR!



If you have articles for the AQQ Newsletter, the article needs to be sent to Sarah Craighead(shirecraig@yahoo.com) and Cindy Christenson(mycountryquilting@gmail.com).

Please, send **no later than the Friday after our Executive Board Meeting.**

If a month has an extra week, you will have until the following Tuesday after the Board Meeting.

Anyone is welcome to send articles for the Newsletter. If you have a fun tip or tidbit you'd like to share, please send to us!

