



Allatoona Quilters' Guild

June 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

All Meetings start at 10:00

- June 3 - General Meeting- Ice Cream Social and Bingo at Red Top
- June 10 - Sit and Sew Zoom
- June 17 - Executive Board Zoom
- June 24 - Block of the Month Zoom

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

[AQG Facebook Page Link](#)

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****NOTE****

MEETING LOCATION FOR JUNE!

Red Top Mtn
Shelter 1

Remember to get your parking pass!



June

Ice Cream Social at Red Top Mountain



We will be having the Opportunity drawing!
Don't forget your money to get your tickets!



President's News!



June!

Isn't that everyone's favorite month?!

School is out, Graduations, Weddings, BBQs, beach time, what's not to like!

It also signals a change in the routine, a loosening up of the schedule, even if we no longer have school age kids, or jobs.

I think we all have that feeling way back in our memories of what it was like on the last day of school, with the summer stretching out before us, the endless possibilities, the freedom. Try to conjure that up again!

Maybe it's a time to sew more, staying inside in the air conditioning.

Or maybe there will be less sewing, more gardening, or time at the pool.

Embrace this special season of fun: eat more popsicles, read more books, work on your tan, and refresh your soul! Have a delightful summer!

A new Atlanta Shop Hop!

I sure miss the days when there were so many quilt shops in the area, and the fun of the annual Shop Hop!

Well, it looks like it's returning, from July 10-26. There are 10 stores involved, mostly ones I did not know about.

What a great opportunity for a fun summer road trip!

Check out [Stitching Atlanta — String & Story](#) for details!

Vice President's News

Beth Aitken

Upcoming Programs:

June

We will be having an ice cream social at Red Top Mtn State Park in Shelter 1 starting at 10:00am.

Remember to get your parking pass. (2025 of Course!)



Also, we will be playing the game strip bingo. The “buy in” is three 2 ½” width of fabric per card.



Bring one white, one red and one blue strip of fabric.

You may buy as many cards as you would like, but each card will cost you three strips of fabric Bring coins to mark your cards that will later be donated to the food bank.

We will still have an opportunity drawing, so please bring your dollars for that drawing.

We will still have show and tell so remember those UFOs!



Upcoming Programs (Cont.)

July

We will have a Zoom to showcase many of our members Sewing Studios. This should be lots of fun and we should see many creative ideas.

August

Marshall Dewell from “Bloc-Loc” educator and ambassador present a trunk show and demo his half square triangle ruler, flying geese, and log cabin rulers. He also has many quilts and books with patterns for the rulers. He will have rulers that you can purchase.

And now for the big ask!

WE ARE SEEKING TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM COMMITTEE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE REASON WHY IS PAST PROGRAM COMMITTEES HAVE REALIZED MANY POTENTIAL SPEAKERS ARE BOOKED A YEAR IN ADVANCE. IN ORDER TO GET SOME OF THESE POPULAR QUILTERS ON OUR SCHEDULE, WE NEED TO START EARLY.

So please step up, it's not a hard job, all you need to do is listen to our members and ask what programs they would love to see looking forward to hearing from many of you!

Beth and program committee:

Daryl Miller

Mary Shubert

Sandy Nelson



UFO PROJECTS: Keep Working on those!

Finished “Block Lotto” (NEW NAME!)

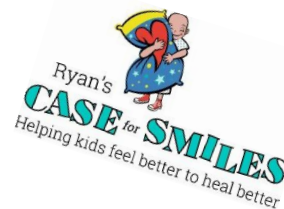
Turn them in to Beth when you get them done. You can submit up to 5 blocks. Each block is a FINISHED 12” block (12 ½” Unfinished). Any block you want to make is good, using those fabrics that Beth showed. Any questions, check with Beth.

Label each block with your name.



Community Service

Ladybugs,



JUNE.....lots of graduations, considered the first of summer, and only six months left in the year. This year, our December comfort quilt donation is on Giving Tuesday. What does that mean? There are only 185 days to make a comfort quilt. Our Summer Community Service Day will be in-person at the Roberts Community Center, Tuesday, July 29. More information to follow.

The Acworth Police Dept. food pantry is running low on supplies and is looking for donations. I will be collecting donations at our in-person meetings and dropping them off at the police station. Here is more information on what they are looking for:

"Our food pantry is running low! With the help of our Victim Advocate, Emily Hall, we've already supported over 20 families this year, but now we need your help to continue making a difference.

We're collecting non-perishable food items, especially:

Canned goods with pop-top lids

Ramen noodle soups

Microwaveable meals

Any easy-to-prepare, shelf-stable foods



Every donation helps. Thank you for supporting our mission to care for our community!

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

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."





Pat Isenburg 6/3
Mary Shubert 6/8
Maureen Miller 6/10
Bonnie Tompkins 6/14
Sylvia Lutz 6/15
Judy Cobb 6/17
Cindy Christenson 6/21
Nancy Draheim 6/25
Debbie Winstead 6/27
Judy Ozbun 6/27

Happy Birthday to all,
Debbie Court

Don't forget your Fat Quarter at the next In person meeting!



AQG Recipe Corner



POLISH SLAW

1 medium size head of cabbage
1 medium onion
1 medium green pepper
1 medium red pepper
3/4 cup sugar
1 cup vinegar

3/4 cup of oil
2 TBL of sugar
1 tsp dry mustard
1 tsp celery seeds
1 tsp salt



Shred cabbage. Cut onion and peppers in thin rings. Layer cabbage, onion rings and pepper rings until used up. Put 3/4 cup of sugar on top of cabbage and rings.

Boil together vinegar, oil, 2 TBL sugar, mustard, celery seeds and salt.

Pour over cabbage and let cool. Cover and put in refrigerator. the longer you refrigerate, the better it gets.
Connie Kessler



TIDBIT CORNER



Have you ever wondered when and where the Rotary Cutters that we love so much came from:

Well, here's a little peak!

Rotary cutters were invented for the garment industry. They were introduced by Olfa in 1979— not that long ago. The invention of the [rotary cutter](#) by Yoshio Okada followed the earlier invention in 1956 of the Snap-Off Blade [Cutter](#). The story goes that he was inspired by a snap-off chocolate bar.

There are indeed four sizes for rotary cutters: 18mm, 28mm, 45mm, and 60mm. Most quilters start with the 45mm due to its versatility: medium duty and multiple layers of fabric. The numbers refer to the diameter of the blade. Why metric? Remember, they were invented in Japan.

For more reading enjoyment check out this website:
[Stories Of Rotary Cutters](#)

More on Rotary Cutters! DID YOU Know? What would your Grandmother say to all of this!



Invention and Early Use

The rotary cutter, invented by Yoshio Okada in 1979, revolutionized quilting and fabric cutting by allowing for precise and efficient cutting of multiple layers of fabric.

- Yoshio Okada founded the OLFA company and introduced the first rotary cutter in 1979. Initially designed for garment making, it quickly gained popularity among quilters who found it to be a game-changer in their craft.
- Before the rotary cutter, quilters relied on scissors and handmade templates, which were time-consuming and often inaccurate. The rotary cutter allowed for cutting without the need for tracing, significantly speeding up the quilting process.
- The rotary cutter has become an essential tool for quilters and fabric crafters worldwide, transforming the way fabric is cut and paving the way for more intricate and precise quilting techniques. Its invention not only improved efficiency but also enhanced the overall quality of quilting projects, making it a staple in the crafting community.

AQG Longarm Quilters available

**Do you need your quilt finished?
Or Not!**

We have several AQG members that can help you finish your quilt.

If you would like to be added to this list, please contact Sarah Craighead/Cindy Christenson to be added to the list.

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