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QUILTERS GUILD OF THE SOUTHERN CRESCENT

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LAURA WHEATER - 2024

Hi-dee-ho Quilters!

Is it possible that December has come so soon? Seems like just yesterday I was writing the January letter!

The end of anything good is usually quite sad. I leave with many mixed emotions. We had a very good year based, of course, on the work of many of our members. Thank you to all of you. Many "hands" make a great guild year.

I am proud (in a good way) of the many things we were able to accomplish. And I appreciate that we continue to share our love of quilting.

We are very grateful for all the support we have received from the leaders of Evergreen Church.

Please give your support to our new slate of officers and the many who have volunteered to help make next year a success.

I pray the best for all of you and that you have a quiltingly good 2025.

Laura

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - JANE McAFEE FOR THE 2025 LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Quilter's Guild of the Southern Crescent has been going strong since 1998. The vision of the founding members was to have fellowship, provide training and education, and promote community service around our shared interest of quilt making.

The Leadership Team has been meeting to prepare for our kickoff to 2025 in January. Karen Shelnett has put in countless hours of preparation to put together an outstanding program for us. We invite you to join us on Friday, January 3. We will start at 10 a.m. working on crumb blocks for community service with Laura W. At 12:30 we will be serving desserts provided by the Leadership Team. Please bring quilts for show-and-tell and if you have any crumb quilt projects, this will be a great time to share them. Our meeting will begin at 1:30 with lots of fun information for the coming year and a presentation on ideas of how to prepare for our June meeting!

The Leadership Team has also been dividing up responsibilities. Teri and Evie will take turns leading the day meetings while Judy and I divide up leading the evening meetings.

We look forward with excitement to how the guild will grow and thrive not just in 2025 but for the next quarter century.

Jane

Newsletter Email Attachments:

2025 Retreat Info & Application
2025 Membership Form
Storm at Sea Workshop Info

Newsletter Articles are due
Friday, January 10.
qgscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com

Next Board Meeting:
Thursday, January 7
7 PM - ZOOM

What's Happening

JANUARY

Fri. 1/3	Slow Stitching 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Community Service Sew-In 10:00 am - 12:30 pm Social Hour with dessert 12:30 pm Guild Meeting 1:30 - 3:00 pm EVERGREEN CHURCH	p. 5 p. 3, 5 p. 3
Tue. 1/7	Board Mtg 6:30 - 7:30 pm - ZOOM	
Tue. 1/21	Between the Seams Book Club 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm EVERGREEN CHURCH	p. 5
Thu. 1/23	Guild Meeting with Carol Stanek 6:30 Social Time 7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting EVERGREEN CHURCH	p. 3

FEBRUARY

Tue. 2/4	Board Mtg 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm ZOOM	
Fri. 2/7	Slow Stitching 10:00 - 12:00 Guild Mtg: "Fabric to Dye For" 1:00 Social Time 1:30 - 3:00 Guild Meeting EVERGREEN CHURCH	p. 5 p. 3
Sat. 2/8	"Storm at Sea" Workshop 9:30 am - 2:30 pm EVERGREEN CHURCH	p. 3
Tue. 2/18	Between the Seams Book Club 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm EVERGREEN CHURCH	p. 5
Thu. 2/27	Guild Mtg: English Paper Piecing Workshop 6:30 Social Time 7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting EVERGREEN CHURCH	

Our meeting location is: Evergreen Church, 400 Windgate Rd, Peachtree City, GA
***There is a 30 minute "social hour" prior to the start of the meetings.**
 This Guild Calendar is for quick reference. We encourage you to go to the pages indicated for more information.

Friday, January 3

10:00 am Community Service Sew-cial
12:30 pm Dessert and Social Hour
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Guild Meeting
Evergreen Church

Join us on Friday, January 3 at 12:30 for dessert. Register your quilts for show and tell, sign up for the Storm at Sea workshop, renew your 2024 dues and enjoy great conversations with other quilters.

At 1:30 we will have the Kick-Off to 2025. Teri Biglands will be leading our meeting and presenting our theme "Let's Have Fun."



Thursday, January 23

6:30 Social Time
7:00 - 8:30 Guild Meeting
Evergreen Church

CORRECTION: January Evening meeting will be a English Paper Piecing Workshop

Thursday, February 27 will be:
"Stitch with Color"
Carol Stanek

Enjoy Carol's trunk show as she talks about her quilting journey and shows quilts which include Judy Niemeyer foundation pieced quilts, Jacqueline de Jonge foundation pieced quilts, and Deb Heatherly's quilts that use Creative Grids Tools.



Friday, February 7

1:00 Social Time
1:30 - 3:00 Guild Meeting
Evergreen Church

"Fabric to Dye For"
Sue Klinker & Abbie Ross

Sue started dying fabric in 2010 to get the color she needed for a quilt project. Enjoy the trunk show Sue and Abbie have created by using hand dyed fabrics. The possibilities are endless!



Friday, February 8

9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Evergreen Church

"Storm at Sea Workshop"

Taught by Sue Klinker and Abbie Ross, a mother-daughter team, using Wendy Mathson's cutting *trimplates*. See attachment to the newsletter email for more information. Sign up at the January day meeting or by email to Karen Shelnutt by January 4. ([Contact info on p. 11](#))



Example of a Wendy Mathson Quilt

A 2025 “POP UP EVENT”:

Jenny Hynes will be presenting “*Modern Block of the Quarter*”. This will be a quarterly block for 2025 and will include four different modern block designs. Colors and patterns will be assigned. She will share the pattern and colors for the first block soon with an estimated due date (JAN-MAR). Make 1+ blocks to get your name in a drawing to take home all the blocks. Details to come. Don’t fear the modern—these will be fun!

MEMBERSHIP

MARTHA WALKER

QGSC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL INFORMATION:

Three ways to renew:

1. At meetings
2. By mail
3. Paypal invoice

1. Renewals can be paid at meetings by cash, check, or credit card.

*A membership form should accompany every payment.

*Please do not hand in a check or cash without a form.

*Verify your contact information.

2. Renewal by mail with check and membership form.

*Mail directly to the address on the form.

*Make check payable to QGSC

3. Tammy will send Paypal invoices to all members who choose to pay online.

*Verify that your contact info is up-to-date.

When you renew you can pay

*Your dues - \$40

*Monthly mini - \$10 (optional)

Note: Monthly mini will remain the same at \$10 for entry into each drawing throughout the year, 23 total.

2024 tickets will be discarded prior to the January 3 day meeting.

If you want to be included in drawing at the January 3 day meeting you need to renew and pay for monthly mini before then.

If you don’t pay for monthly mini with your dues and down the road you decide you want to join in you can pay the \$10. Monthly mini rates are not pro-rated for a partial year.

The membership renewal form will be posted on the website and is also attached to the newsletter email. If there are any questions, please contact Martha Walker.

(Contact info on p. 11.)

ATTENDANCE	Members	Guests	Total
January Day	33	2	35
January Night	18	0	18
February Day	27	2	29
February Night	28	4	32
March Day	34	1	35
March Night	28	1	29
April Day	41	3	44
April Night	27	0	27
May Day	37	4	41
May Night	27	2	29
June Day	27	1	28
June Night	23	1	24
July Day (Trip)	15	0	15
July Night	21	0	21
August Day	21	0	21
August Night	12	0	12
Sept Day	34	0	34
Oct Day	28	1	29
Oct Night	28	1	29
Nov Day	29	2	31
Nov Night	23	1	24
Dec Party	42	0	42

COMMUNITY SERVICE

LAURA WHEATER

It's the year of the CRUMB! Join us for our January Community Service Sew-cial on Friday, January 3 at 10:00 am. We will be learning how to make Crumb Blocks. These blocks are an excellent way of using those scraps that seem to be overtaking your studio. Don't know how? Come and learn the technique, then make blocks at home. I'd like to collect them throughout the year. When we have enough for a quilt, we'll put them together. (More about that later.)

What to bring to the Sew-cial: Scraps, scraps and more scraps Cutting mat
 Rotary cutter Scissors
 Thread Your lunch
 Sewing machine (or plan to use one at Evergreen)

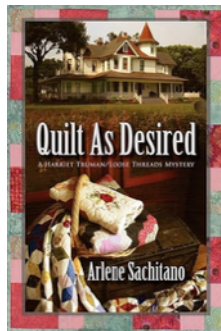
Type of Quilt	Organization	Size Range
Baby Quilts	Pregnancy Resource Center	Width: 30" - 45" Length: 40" - 55"
NICU Black & White Baby Quilts, prewashed	Fayette Piedmont Hospital	Width: 50" Length: 50"
Throws for Children, Youths, & Adults	Christian City	Width: 45" - 60" Length: 65" - 75"
Large throws & bed size quilts for First Responders	4Heroes (4ourheroes.org)	Width: 55" - 72" Length: 65" - 90"
Patriotic Quilts for Veterans	Quilts of Valor	Width: 55" - 72" Length: 65" - 90"
Throws & Pillowcases for Youths 10 & Up	Bloom Closet	Width: 45" - 60" Length: 65" - 75"

BETWEEN THE SEAMS BOOK CLUB

DEB SWEENEY

All QGSC members are welcome to attend. Bring your lunch and enjoy the the discussion. Come even if you haven't read the book! Contact Deb Sweeney for more information. *(Contact info on p. 11.)*

Book: *The Christmas Quilt* by Jennifer Chiaverini
Date: Tuesday, December 17
Time: Noon to 2:00
Location: Evergreen Church, 400 Windgate Rd, Peachtree City
Next Mtng: Tuesday, January 21, *Quilt as Desired* by Arlene Sachitano



SLOW STITCHING

KAREN SHELNUTT

Slow stitching group will meet Friday January 3 from 10:00 to 12:30, prior to the January day meeting. All hand stitchers are invited to come, and bring hand applique, EPP, embroidery, and wool work.

Contact Karen Shelnuttt for more information. *(Contact info on p. 11)*

SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

GLORIA FILIPPELLI

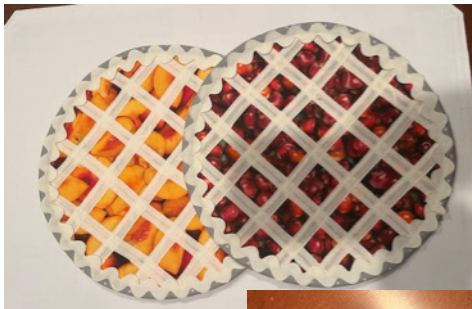
When a guild member lets me know a card is needed, I send one out from our guild. In an effort to respect the individual's privacy, I don't announce who or what - as it is up to the individual to share that information with the general membership.

Contact Gloria Filippelli to have a card sent. *(Contact info on p. 11.)*

MONTHLY MINI**MAYRA DIAZ & JULIA SMITH**

We are starting to get sign-ups for 2025 Monthly Minis. Right now we have 3 slots filled (January and one for May.) Please sign-up at a meeting or contact Mayra or Julia. ([Contact Info on p. 11](#))

Martha Walker has provided the monthly minis for January. Pie trivets and a heart table topper. See the Membership information on how to register for each meeting. Individual tickets will also be for sale before meetings for \$1 each.

**2025 RETREAT****SHARON POPE**

The time has come to register for the 2025 QGSC Retreat! See the attachments to this newsletter for information and the registration form. There are only a few openings remaining. Direct any questions to Sharon Pope. ([Contact info on p. 11.](#))

March 27 - March 30, 2025
Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center

SHOW AND TELL**ABBIE ROSS & DEB SWEENEY**

Show and Tell is a highlight at each guild meeting. We enjoy seeing and learning from each other's creations. Come in 15 minutes early and check your quilts in at the Show and Tell table.

We have started 2 new features and need your help to volunteer.

FIRST: The Journey Continues...

Quilters love to encourage new and beginning quilters in their journey. All of us have tried things, learned new skills and practiced to get to our current level. At our meetings, we will be illustrating the learning journey by showing an example of a first quilt made or a quilt that has been abandoned plus the latest quilt being created.

We are looking for volunteers to sign up for a meeting.

SECOND: The Question Table

We now have a question table. Someone will be available before the meeting to answer questions or consult on a project. Please sign up to for a meeting to help at the question table.

See Sue Klinker to volunteer and to sign up for a meeting. ([Contact info on p. 11.](#))

2024 CHALLENGE**JOAN WILLCOCKS**

Thank-you all for participating in the 2024 QGSC "Leave A Message" Challenge!

We had 15 wonderful entries with fun, thoughtful and inspiring messages. We saw new techniques and heard the background stories of the quilts. I loved learning a little more about fellow Guild members.

Congratulations to our winners: Paula Preti for Most Humorous, Brandi Shockley for Most Inspiring and Karen Shelnutt for Best Message Representation.

Thanks also to all of the members who joined us for the delicious potluck Holiday luncheon; the program would not have been a success without all of you viewer/voters to appreciate the beautiful challenge quilts.

Wishing everyone a wonderful Holiday Season,

Joan



Paula Preti - Most Humorous



Brandi Shockley - Most Inspiring



Karen Shelnutt - Best Message Representation

Photos by Danna Freaney

See photos of all the 2024 Challenge quilts at: <https://qgscquilters.com/2024-challenge>

HOLIDAY PARTY



Photo by Danna Freney



Photos by Karen Shelnett

"Good Fortune" Challenge quilt by Candy Shively