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QUILTERS GUILD OF THE SOUTHERN CRESCENT

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LAURA WHEATER

Greetings quilters!

We have made it through the first month of the year. Getting the new year started can be a challenge.

A big thank you to Karen Shelnutt and her team. The Jan Hollins program was spectacular. I loved the story Jan used to weave all her dolls (most of which she had made since Christmas) into an entertaining presentation. I think I can say that all of us who attended her workshop learned some new techniques and how to put colors together. Everyone's landscape was so different. Big thanks to Jan.

At our night meeting this month, we will be meeting Meredith, owner of Sew Senoia. She is bringing lots of goodies so fill those wallets with green (or make sure you have your check book or credit card with you).

We will be exploring the many ways of applique during our March 1st meeting. Come find a technique you can use to get those messages on your challenge quilts.

Heads up! We're zooming for the March night meeting. More to come on that.

The Executive Board voted unanimously to proceed with the move to Evergreen Church. This month we will work to communicate appropriately with all parties concerned to ensure that we have acted in good faith, leaving our present location and moving to Evergreen.

Don't forget Retreat is coming soon. I am SO looking forward to just sewing for days.

Happy quilting,
Laura W



Newsletter Articles are due
Saturday, March 10.
Submit articles to:
qgscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com

Email Attachments

- 1) Membership Renewal Form
- 2) QGSC Nametag Instructions
- 3) QGSC Nametag Template
- 3) 2024 Retreat Information Page
- 4) 2024 Retreat Registration Form

Next Board Meeting:

Thursday, March 7
7 PM - ZOOM

What's Happening

FEBRUARY

Thu. 2/22 Guild Meeting -
 Meredith's Story: Creating and Making with Moda Pre-Cuts
 Meredith Duke, owner of Sew Senoia Quilt Store
 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm - FPC p. 3, 4

MARCH

Fri. 3/1 Wool Stitches - Toned Down using the pattern by Sue Spargo
 10:00 am - 12:00 pm p. 7
 Guild Mtg:
 Using Letters and Figures to Tell Your Story:
 Applique Many Ways - Guild appliquers
 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm FPC p. 3, 4

Thu. 3/7 Board Meeting
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - ZOOM p. 7

Thu. - Sun 11th Annual QGSC Retreat
 4/21 - 4/24 Charlie Elliot Wildlife Center p. 5

Thu. 3/28 Guild Mtg:
 The Stories and History of Word Quilts with Sam Hunter
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm ZOOM ONLY p. 3, 4

APRIL

***** BEGIN MEETING AT EVERGREEN CHURCH *****

Thu. 4/4 Board Mtg -
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - ZOOM p. 7

Fri. 4/5 Wool Stitches - Toned Down using the pattern by Sue Spargo
 10:00 am - 12:00 pm - EVERGREEN CHURCH p. 7
 Guild Mtg -
 Talking with Your Best Friend: Machine Care
 with Tabby Chapman
 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm - EVERGREEN CHURCH p. 3, 4

Thu. 4/25 Guild Mtg
 Stuck in your creative quilting process? "Ask a quilt friend!"
 A panel of guild members consulting on member quilts
 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm - EVERGREEN CHURCH p. 3, 4

"FPC" is Fayette Presbyterian Church, 791 Forrest Ave, Fayetteville, 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.

Thursday, February 22: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
FPC

**Meredith's Story:
How I Became a Quilt Store Owner and
How You Can Make and Create with Moda Pre-Cuts**

Meredith Duke is the owner of Sew Senoia, a boutique quilt shop in Fayetteville that specializes in Moda Fabric and provides long arm quilting, embroidery services as well as classes and other special events. Her unique story influences her passion and enthusiasm for quilting.



Meredith will share tips and techniques for the use of Moda's precut fabrics of layer cakes, jelly rolls and more. She will have fabric and patterns for sale.

www.sewsenoia.com

Friday, March 1: 1:30 pm - 3 pm
FPC

**Using Letters and Figures to Tell Your Story:
Applique Many Ways**

Learn to applique, or improve your applique skills, with our talented guild teachers. Rotating around four stations will allow participants the chance to learn different applique techniques, as well as practice on a sample provided.

Our teachers are:

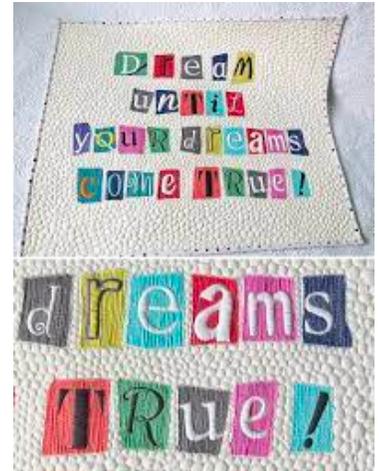
Teri Biglands – *needle turn applique*

Sharon Hendrix - *reverse applique*

Laura Bosma - *raw edge applique*

Judy Daymont - *hand prepped edge, hand or machine appliqued.*

This group will help us learn to "Quilt with a Message", the theme of 2024.



Thursday, March 28: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
ZOOM ONLY - NO In-Person Meeting

**The story and history of Word Quilts
with Sam Hunter**

Watch in your home, or gather with other members and enjoy Sam Hunter who will join us on ZOOM from Portland, Oregon.

Sam is a fiber artist, quilt pattern designer and quilt teacher who loves to teach the joy of making beautiful things. She leads "Embroidered Journey" retreats in France and Spain during the summer. She will share stories and the history of Word Quilts from the 1800's thru 2020 with insight and humor. Pop some popcorn and enjoy Sam in the comfort of home!

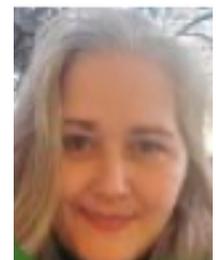


www.huntersdesignstudio.com

Friday, April 5: 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
EVERGREEN CHURCH

**Talking with your Best Friend:
Sewing Machine Care
with Tabby Chapman**

Tabby is a fabric sales rep for P&B, as well as a seamstress/tailor and sewing teacher. Her fun and entertaining class on sewing machine care will prepare you to care for your machine with new understanding.



QUILTERS GUILD OF THE SOUTHERN CRESCENT - 2024 PROGRAMS
February 2024
JANUARY
Day: Fri. 1/5 @ 9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Meeting starts at 1:30 pm

Night: Thu 1/25 @ 5:00 - 9:00 pm

Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

Our Day and Evening meetings start with a Community Service Sew-In. We will then break for our meeting to Kick off the New Year of **"Quilts with a Message"**, 2024 Workshop Sign Ups, plus Challenge Quilt, "Leave a Message" with Joan Willcocks

FEBRUARY
Day: Fri. 2/2 @ 1:30 pm - 3 pm

 Quilters' Stories with Dolls - Jan Hollins
[www.janhollinsfiberarts.com]

Workshop: Sat. 2/3 @ 10 am - 3 pm

 Telling your Story through a Place:
Landscape workshop-Jan Hollins

Night: Thu. 2/22 @ 7 - 8:30 pm

 Meredith's Story: Creating and Making with Moda Pre-Cuts - Meredith Duke, owner of Sew Senoia
[www.sewsenoia.com]

MARCH
Day: Fri. 3/1 @ 1:30 - 3 pm

 Using Letters and figures to tell your story:
Applique Many Ways
Learn and practice different techniques with our guild appliquers

Night: Thu. 3/28 @ 7 - 8:30 pm
ZOOM ONLY (No In-Person Meeting)
The Stories and History of Word Quilts - Sam Hunter
[www.huntersdesignstudio.com]

APRIL
Day: Fri. 4/5 @ 1:30 pm - 3 pm

Talking with your Best Friend: Machine Care - Tabby Champion

Night: Thu. 4/25 @ 7 pm - 8:30 pm

 Stuck in your creative quilting process? "Ask a quilt friend".
A panel of guild members consulting on members quilts.

MAY
Day: Fri. 5/3 @ 1:30 pm - 3 pm
EVERGREEN & ZOOM
Telling your story through Color and Design - Tara Faughnan
[www.tarafaughnan.com]

Night: Thu. 5/23 @ 7 - 8:30 pm

 Our Retreat Stories: Creativity from a Weekend Away
Show N Tell, Sharon Pope and Retreat Participants

JUNE
Day: Fri. 6/7 @ 1:30 - 3 pm

Sharing Stories, Sit and Sew

Bring your project, patterns, and basic sewing supplies. While this is not a class, several quilters will be on hand to offer guidance or advice.

Night: Thu 6/27 @ 7 - 8:30 pm

Summer Social

JULY
Day: Fri. 7/12
Summer Field Trip:

Creating new stories with a Shop Hop and Lunch

Night: Thu. 7/25 @ 7 - 8:30 pm

 Turning Your Travel stories into quilts: Viewing the World Thru Quilt Colored Glasses - France Arnold
[www.francesquilts.com]

AUGUST
Day: Fri. 8/2 @ 9:30 - 3 pm

 9:30 Community Service Sew In
1:30 Break for Business Meeting

Night: Thu. 8/22 @ 5 - 9:00 pm

 5:00 Community Service Sew In
7:00 Break for Business Meeting

SEPTEMBER
Workshop: Fri. 9/6 @ 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Say it with ink! "Printing Palooza"-Lisa T.

Day: Fri. 9/6 @ 1:30 - 3 pm

Your Photo Stories onto Fabric: Design in the Palm of your Hand - Lisa Thorpe

Workshop: Sat. 9/7 @ 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

 Choose your Adventure: Birds and Blues or Kitchen Organics - Lisa Thorpe
[www.lisathorpe.com]

Night: Thu. 9/26 @ 7 - 8:30 pm

The pieces of your story: English Paper Piecing. Make and Take. - Member led

OCTOBER
Day: Fri. 10/4 @ 1:30 - 3 pm
EVERGREEN & ZOOM

 The Stories and History of Southern Quilts - Mary Kerr
[www.marywkerr.com]

Night: Thu. 10/24 @ 7 - 8:30 pm

Silent Auction - Martha Walker, Host

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER
Day: Fri. 11/1 @ 1:30 - 3 pm

Holiday Projects: Mini Workshop Make and Take! - Member led

Night: Thu. 11/21 @ 7 - 8:30 pm
FPC & ZOOM

Common Threads author Margaret Jankowski.

Host: Between the Seams Book Club
[thesewingmachineproject.org]

Sat. 12/7 @ Morning TBD

Holiday Brunch and 2024 Challenge Reveal

QGSC 2024 CALENDAR

- Meetings are in person at Fayette Pres. Church through March. **Starting in April mtngs will be at Evergreen Church in PTC.**
- Thirty (30) minute "social hour" precedes meeting times noted here.
- Come early to check in Show and Tell quilts
- You will be notified of changes to this calendar by email, our website and Facebook.
- Visitors may attend 2 meetings as a Guest and a non-member program fee of \$10 is suggested for all programs. This fee will be applied to membership dues if paid at the same meeting.

MONTHLY MINI**TINA WILSON**

Candy Shively made this beautiful table mat for the January evening meeting. Theresa Bush used her wool work skills and provided 3 small scissors with beautiful holders. The winner of both was Teri Biglands! She's on a roll in '24.

A quick reminder that we are also selling Monthly Mini tickets for \$1 each before each meeting. Come early and check it out!



Month	Day Meeting	Night Meeting
January	Joan Willcocks	Candy Shively
February	Theresa Bush	Laura Bosma
March	Karen Shelnutt	Theresa Bush
April	Sherry Hutson	Sylvia Bolton
May	Mystery Gift	Joan Willcocks
June	Chris Gardner	Martha Froehlich
July	Laura Wheeler	Laura Wheeler
August	Kathy Barber	Common Threads
September	Angela LaVigna	Joan Willcocks
October	Angela LaVigna	Sarah Swab
November	Jane McAfee	Tammy Walker

2024 RETREAT**SHARON POPE**

Our Annual QGSC Retreat for 2024 Registrations are currently filling up! Please check the Retreat 2024 Announcement & Registration form attached to this Newsletter for more information. We only have a few spots remaining, so we need to have your Registration & Full payment soon. These spots will fill on a first come basis.

We have a couple of scholarship spots open that are completely funded for anyone that would like to attend our 11th Annual Retreat and may not have the funds to be able to register. Please contact me for more information for yourself, or if you know of someone that we could gift with this opportunity.

We are looking forward to another fun-filled Retreat weekend – and only 10 weeks away! Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need more info or have any questions. [\(Contact info on p.11.\)](#)

MEMBERSHIP**JANE MCAFEE**

Please welcome our new members Jennifer Munro and Elke Powell. That makes five new members who have joined QGSC for 2024!

Thank you to all who have renewed your dues for 2024. Annual dues are \$40 and there is an optional \$10 to be included in every Monthly Mini Drawing. You can renew your membership at a meeting, by paying online through PayPal, or by mailing a check to Jane McAfee. [\(Contact info on p. 11.\)](#)

ATTENDANCE	Member	Guests	Total
January Day	35	0	35
January Night	18	0	18
February Day	27	2	29

BETWEEN THE SEAMS BOOK CLUB

DEB SWEENEY

Bring your own lunch and join us for the fun conversation!

Book: *The Sewing Machine* by Natalie Fergie

Date: Tuesday, February 20

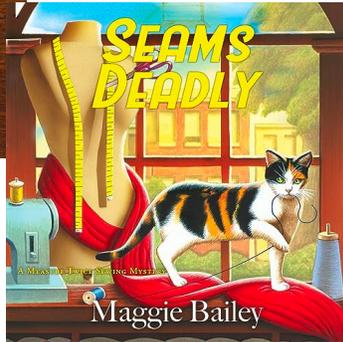
Time: 12 - 2 pm

Location: Bus Barn, 300 City Center Pkwy, Fayetteville

Interested? Contact Deb Sweeney to be added to the Between the Seams email distribution list.

(Contact info on p. 11.)

March 19 Meeting: *Seams Deadly* by Maggie Bailey



SHOW AND TELL

ABBIE ROSS, DEB SWEENEY, & ABBIE ROSS



Show and Tell is a highlight at each guild meeting. We enjoy seeing and learning from each other's creations. Let's see those landscapes from the Jan Hollins workshop! Come in 15 minutes early to a meeting and check your quilts in at the Show and Tell table.

MEMBER FEATURES

JANE MCAFEE

Jenny Hynes made a last-minute trip to the International Quilt Festival in Houston in November to see her quilt that was juried into the show, a goal she has had for decades. The original design, "To Quote Elvis Costello," features machine applique and lyrics from a Costello song. The quilt is dedicated to Jenny's brother, Michael Hynes (1963-2021), who introduced her to music by Costello and lots of other great artists.



An exhibit to get on your calendar: The Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum is one of four venues in the United States to feature highlights from Quilt Nihon, an international quilt competition from Japan. SQTM is the exclusive Southeastern host for this celebrated exhibition, which premieres at the Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum before traveling internationally. It features the most extraordinary and innovative works from the biennial competition of the Japanese Handicraft Instructors' Association (JHIA), which sponsors the largest international quilt contest in Japan and one of the most prestigious in the world. This year's Quilt Nihon Exhibition features 50 award-winning and notable works, including 13 entries from the competition's newest category, miniature quilts. It will be on display at SQTM from April - June 22, 2024. sqtmuseum.org

Member Features:

In this section we will feature information about our guild members. Submit information about the event, quilts, photos, etc. to Jane McAfee (Contact info on p.11).

WOOL STITCHERS**KAREN SHELNUTT**

Wool stitchers meet monthly on Friday mornings 10 am to noon before the day guild meeting.



Gather with a friendly and passionate group of stitchers to learn how to work with a wool project that is highly embellished with beautiful and easy to learn stitches. We will continue with the Toned Down sampler pattern by Sue Spargo or bring another project that you would like to work on. Karen Shelnett or Laura Bosma will be teaching one or two new stitches at each gathering. Please join us on February 2. Contact Karen Shelnett for more information. [\(Contact info on p. 11\).](#)

AUCTION**MARTHA WALKER**

QGSC will have a live, in-person auction at the October night meeting. The success of the auction is dependent on a nice selection of items. So start planning now what you can donate! We'd like items or baskets to have a value of at least \$20 and be suitable for gift-giving. It would be great if we have a couple big ticket items. Last time a nice featherweight machine was donated!

**2024 CHALLENGE****JOAN WILLCOCKS**

This year our challenge is titled "Leave a Message" to match the guild theme for 2024 "Quilts with a Message."

Quilts may be any size or shape, but must be quilted with a finished edge and present your message. Words will be used on the front surface of your quilt to express your message. (Note: symbols are also accepted.) A label must be attached to the back with your name and the name of the quilt.

There are tons of ways to apply words and symbols to your quilts. The programs this year may give you some new ideas and techniques to try. The quilts are due at the December Holiday Party meeting for viewing and awards. Contact Joan Willcocks if you have further questions. [\(Contact info on p. 11.\)](#)

2024 BOARD MEETINGS**LAURA WHEATER****Board and Committee Members:**

Meetings are on the first Thursday of the month by Zoom at 7p.m. except for the July meeting which is on the second Thursday. You will get an email with the zoom link. Your input is valuable. Please try to attend.

Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

March 7
 April 4
 May 2
 June 6
 July 11 **2nd Thursday of the month
 August 1
 September 5
 October 3
 November 7
 December 5 (if needed)

All members are welcome to attend board meetings. Email Laura Wheeler in advance to receive the Zoom link. [\(Contact info on p. 11.\)](#)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

TINA WILSON



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Community Service Sew-Ins in January. Your contribution to our Quilt of Valor project is wonderfully appreciated.

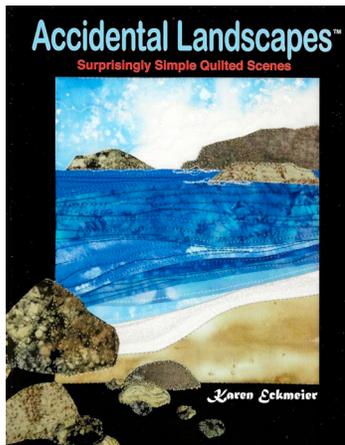
Our next Sew-In will be in August. In the meantime, continue to work on community service quilts at home. Bring your donations to our meetings and share them with the group at show and tell.

Type of Quilt	Organization	Size Range
Baby Quilts	Pregnancy Resource Center	Width: 30" - 45" Length: 40" - 55"
Throws for Children, Youths, & Adults	Christian City	Width: 45" - 60" Length: 65" - 75"
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"

LIBRARY

JEAN SHEALY & SUE KLINKER

Your library has books to help you discover more ways to create fabric landscapes. Karen will guide you with 30 new inspiring landscapes using layering and appliqué techniques.



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.)



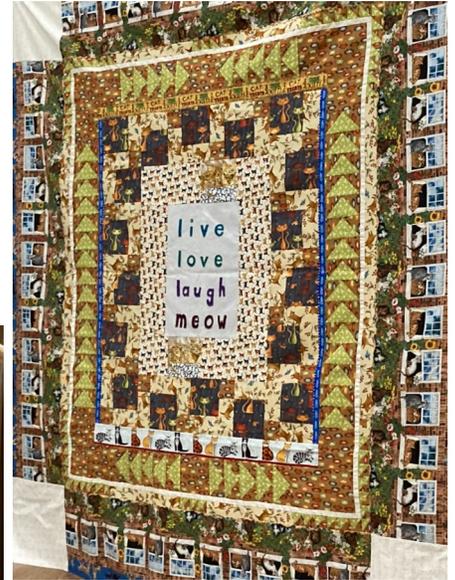
ROUND ROBIN 2023

SARAH SWAB

A year ago the participants of the 2023 Round Robin, organized by Sarah Swab, created their center blocks and provided the fabrics to add to their quilts. Over the next 12 months, they were passed around to the other participants to each add a row. Enjoy these spectacular quilt tops that were revealed at the January evening meeting.



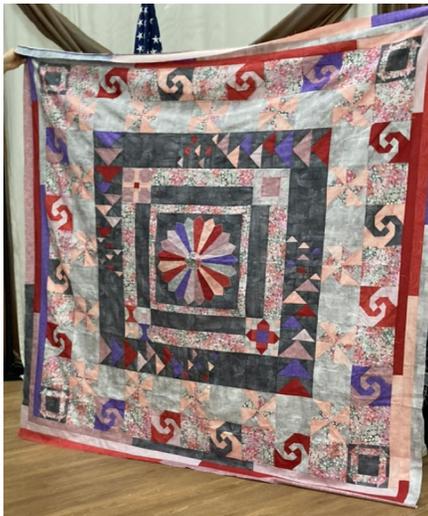
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