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# QUILTERS GUILD OF THE SOUTHERN CRESCENT

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LAURA WHEATER

Hey Quilters,

Spring has sprung, at least in this part of our fair state. The rain has poured, the wind has blown, and my tree fell on the neighbor's house. Just one of the wonderful catastrophes of my life this month. Enough of that!

The first meeting of our guild at Evergreen Church was a great success. A BIG thank you to all who helped make this happen. I don't know if we had a record turn-out for a day meeting, but I suspect it was pretty close! Don't forget to keep returning the library books we helped to transport.

Our retreat was super. Seems like everyone had a good time. Our last meeting was very informational. Didn't realize that I could do so much to service my own machine.

Now it's time for "Did you know..."

How do you know someone is a crazy cat lady?

She has cats printed on all her t-shirts.

She has a drawer full of socks with cats on them.

She has calendars with pictures of cats.

Her sheets have cats on them.

Her afghans and blankets have cat prints on them with live cats on top and underneath.

She has three litter pans for two cats.

There are cat paw prints on her car's windshield even though the car is in the garage.

She has 14 different kinds of cat food in the pantry.

Cat hair is ubiquitous in her house.

She makes cat quilts.

Two lovable fuzz balls greet her when she comes home.

I could have called this "My Life with Cats," but "Crazy Cat Lady" is more humorous. Maybe I should have called it "Crazy Quilting Cat Lady."

Enjoy our beautiful spring. Soon it will be our hot, humid summer!  
Quiltingly yours,

*Laura, a.k.a. Crazy Cat Lady*

**Newsletter Articles** are due Friday, May 10.  
Submit articles to:  
[qgscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:qgscquilters.newsletter@gmail.com)

**Email Attachments**  
1) QGSC Nametag Instructions  
2) QGSC Nametag Template

**Next Board Meeting:**  
Thursday, May 2  
7 PM - ZOOM

# What's Happening

**ALL MEETINGS ARE AT EVERGREEN CHURCH**  
See map on p. 9

**APRIL**

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

**MAY**

Thu. 5/2 Board Mtg  
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - ZOOM p. 7

Fri. 5/3 Wool Stitches - Toned Down using the pattern by Sue Spargo  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm p. 7  
Guild Mtg:  
Telling Your Story through Color and Design  
with Tara Faughnan  
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm EVERGREEN & ZOOM p. 3, 4

Thu. 5/23 Guild Mtg:  
Our Retreat Stories: Creativity from a Weekend Away  
Show N Tell, Sharon Pope and Retreat Participants  
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm EVERGREEN CHURCH p. 3, 4

**JUNE**

Thu. 6/6 Board Mtg -  
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - ZOOM p. 7

Fri. 6/7 Wool Stitches - Toned Down using the pattern by Sue Spargo  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm - EVERGREEN CHURCH p. 7  
Guild Mtg -  
Sharing Stories, Sit & Sew  
hosted by Joy Brett  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm - EVERGREEN CHURCH p. 3, 4

Thu. 6/27 Guild Mtg -  
Summer Social Garden Party  
7 pm - 8:30 pm EVERGREEN CHURCH p. 3, 4

Our new 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.

**Thursday, April 25: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm**  
**Evergreen Church**

**Stuck in your Creative Quilting Process?  
 Ask a Quilt Friend**

A fun and interactive evening exploring quilting, material, or color and design dilemmas with 3 experienced quilters from our guild. Listen and learn as these quilt experts consult and explore creative possibilities. Sign up at the next meeting, or email [kshelnuttrn@hotmail.com](mailto:kshelnuttrn@hotmail.com) if you are interested in presenting your quilt for consultation.



**Friday, May 3: 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm**  
**Evergreen Church & ZOOM**

**Telling Your Story Through Color and Design  
 with Tara Faughnan**

Tara is an award-winning quilter, teacher and pattern designer who is passionate about teaching. In this class she will be discussing the importance of value, proportion and color when designing a quilt. Tara says, "I draw inspiration from the simple bold geometry of antique quilts, the gorgeous bright colors from textiles around the world, and freedom and spontaneity found in unconventional and improvisationally pieced quilts.

I like to use simple geometry, complex color interaction and find the line that exists somewhere between harmony and discord." She will be the featured speaker and exhibit for QuiltCon 2025 in Phoenix, Arizona.

[www.tarafeughnan.com](http://www.tarafeughnan.com)



**Thursday, May 23: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm**  
**Evergreen Church**

**Our Retreat Stories:  
 Creativity from a Weekend Away**

38 quilters from QGSC were at Charlie Elliot State Park March 21 - 24 and were inspired to new levels of creativity, learned new skills, and enjoyed each other's company. Stories and a trunk show of this year's retreat as well as prior years' creations will be shared by Sharon Pope and other participants.



**Friday, June 7: 10:00 pm - 3:00 pm**  
**(With a break at 1:30 for guild meeting)**  
**Evergreen Church**

**Sharing Stories, Sit 'n Sew**

Join quilty friends and bring your project and supplies for a day of SEWING. Machine or hand stitching...whatever you would like to work on as well as your lunch. While this is not a class, there will be several quilters available to offer guidance or advice. Enjoy stretches mid-day led by Susan Peryam and learn how these can help you feel rejuvenated for your sewing experience.



**QUILTERS GUILD OF THE SOUTHERN CRESCENT - 2024 PROGRAMS**
**April 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 @ 10:00 am - 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. Hosted by Between the Seams Book Club  
 [thesewingmachineproject.org]

**Sat. 12/7 @ Morning TBD**

Holiday Brunch and 2024 Challenge Reveal

**QGSC 2024 CALENDAR**

- Unless otherwise noted, meetings are at Evergreen Church in Peachtree City.
- 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**

At our April day meeting, Susan Heath was the winner of the necklace donated by Sherri Hutson.

We are 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	Sherri 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



Coming this May:  
The newest collection by Anna Maria Horner

**2025 RETREAT**

**SHARON POPE**



Mark your calendars for the next QGSC Retreat!

**March 27 - March 30, 2025**  
**Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center**

**MEMBERSHIP**

**JANE MCAFEE**



Please welcome our newest members: Linda Orizondo and Jennifer Hollett! We now have eight new members in 2024!

ATTENDANCE	Member	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

**BETWEEN THE SEAMS BOOK CLUB**

DEB SWEENEY

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

**Book:** *Threads of Awakening* by  
Leslie Rinchen-Wongmo

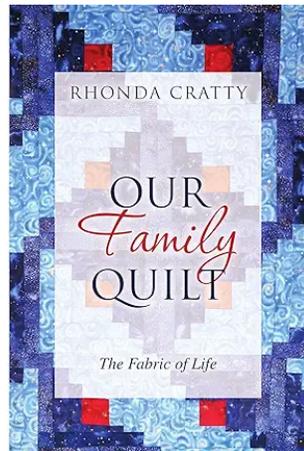
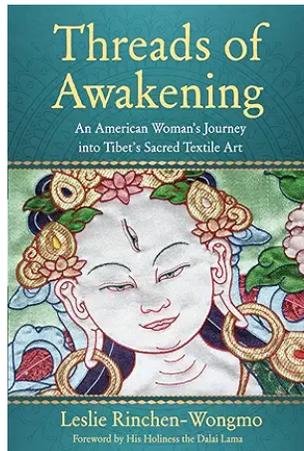
**Date:** Tuesday, April 16

**Time:** 12 - 2 pm

**Location:** Evergreen Church, 400 Windgate Rd,  
Peachtree City

**Interested?** Contact Deb Sweeney to be added to  
the Between the Seams email distribution list.  
(Contact info on p. 11.)

**May 21 Meeting:** *Our Family Quilt: The Fabric of Life*  
by Rhonda Cratty

**SHOW AND TELL**

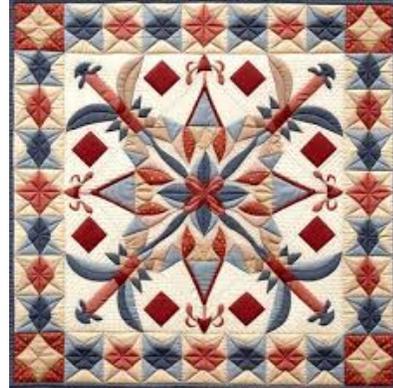
ABBIE ROSS &amp; DEB SWEENEY



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 to a meeting and check your quilts in at the Show and Tell table.

**MEMBER FEATURES**

JANE MCAFEE

**AREA QUILT EXHIBITS AND SHOWS:****Thursday - Saturday, April 18 - 20**

QuiltFest

Greenville Convention Center, Greenville, SC

[www.quiltfest.com](http://www.quiltfest.com)**Saturday, April 27**

10 am - 3 pm

Fort Mitchell Pioneer Day and Quilt Show

Fort Mitchell, AL

**Through June 22**

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](http://sqtmuseum.org)

**June 6-8**

Georgia Celebrates Quilts Show and Market

Hosted by East Cobb Quilters' Guild

Cobb County Civic Center

Marietta, GA

**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 May 3 in the main meeting room at Evergreen Church. Contact Karen Shelnett for more information. ([Contact info on p. 11](#)).

**AUCTION****MARTHA WALKER**

It's time to start thinking about the 2024 Auction which will be held at the October evening meeting. It will be a live auction! To be successful we need a nice assortment of items. Donations should have a minimum value of \$20 and be suitable for gift giving... the more unique the better! It would great if we have a couple of big ticket items.

Remember this guy? I have about a yard of this fabric and would be happy to share if you want to make something for the auction!

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

Our challenge this year is "Leave a Message" to coordinate the 2024 theme of "Quilts with a Message."

Your entry may be any size or shape but must be quilted with a finished edge and display your message on the face of the quilt. Use words and/or symbols to state your message. Please attach a label to the back of your quilt with your name, the quilt name and the date of completion. Quilts are due at the December 2024 Holiday Party meeting for viewing and awards. Here are the Award Categories: Most Humorous, Most Inspiring or Thought Provoking and Quilt Best Representing the Chosen Message.

I hope our terrific applique programs have helped fuel your imagination and look forward to seeing some wonderful quilts in December. Contact Joan Willcocks with any 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 7 pm except for the July meeting which is on the second Thursday. You will get an email with the zoom link. Because your input is valuable, please try to attend.

Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

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

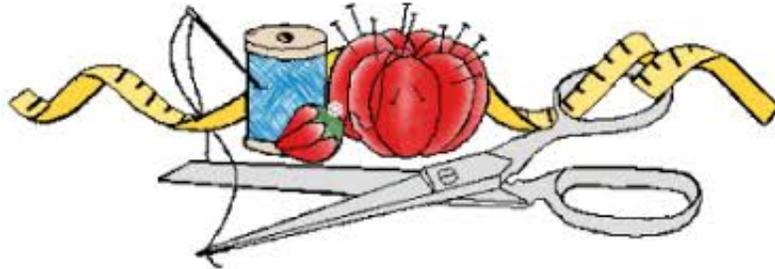
*All members are welcome to attend board meetings. Email Laura Wheeler in advance to receive the Zoom link. ([Contact info on p. 11](#)).*

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**TINA WILSON**

Thank you for your donations that make a difference to the organizations and people and who receive them.

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



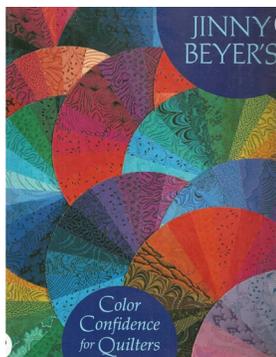
Type of Quilt	Organization	Size Range
Baby Quilts	Pregnancy Resource Center	Width: 30" - 45" Length: 40" - 55"
Throws for Children, Youths, & Adults	Christian City	Width: 45" - 60" Length: 65" - 75"
Patriotic Quilts for Veterans	Quilts of Valor	Width: 55" - 72" Length: 65" - 90"
Throws & Pillowcases for Youths 10 & Up	Bloom Closet	Width: 45: - 60" Length: 65: - 75"

**LIBRARY**

**JEAN SHEALY & SUE KLINKER**

**Color Confidence For Quilter's**

By Jinny Beyer



**CONFIDENCE!**  
Open this book and you will open the door to a world of color made simple and easy as only Jinny Beyer can do! Jinny Beyer introduces you to her exciting color system, which simplifies all of your color choices. Her concept of a master palette for quilters revolutionized the quilting field, making it easy to create hundreds of breathtaking color combinations.

**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.)**



**EVERGREEN CHURCH**  
**400 Windgate Road**  
**Peachtree City, GA**

Evergreen Church is located at the corner of Peachtree Parkway South and Windgate Road. If coming on Hwy 74, turn on Peachtree Parkway South (This is a right if coming from Newnan or a left if coming from Fayetteville) and go .8 miles and turn left onto Windgate Road.

