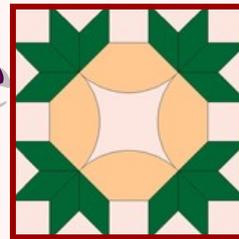


Gwinnett Quilters' Gazette

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No Meeting



FEBRUARY'S HAPPENINGS

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A Message from Our Presidents

It's almost a year since we have been together. It has been a long hard year for all. Through it all we have managed to keep some of our programs humming along. The bills (very few of course) are getting paid, the Cannon Cause gets collected, Andrea has been in touch with our community outreach recipients about their needs, Theresa has been finalizing her plans for the Just For You collection, and Carol stays in touch with our speakers who have scheduled, re-scheduled and tried again for dates to come share with us. A few bee groups are meeting with social distancing and members are sharing their "show & tell" on the face book page. We are anxious to get back as soon as we get the all clear. In the meantime, keep on stitching, and stay germ free!

Mug Rug Project

Our mug rug project is off to a great start, and the credit goes to Susan Gordon and Betsy Podriznik, who came up with the idea. They have been tireless in their efforts to keep us all connected. Gwinnett Senior Services will be the beneficiary of the mug rugs, which will be distributed to seniors with their meals on wheels program.

So, you have a couple choices of where to drop them off. Our normal meeting day is **April 20th**. As always,

someone will be out there to say hi 🙌, collect your Cannon Cause for the month (April is canned goods again) and your mug rugs. Hopefully you'll hang around to chat while we ooh and awe at your handiwork! Face

masks will be worn 😷.

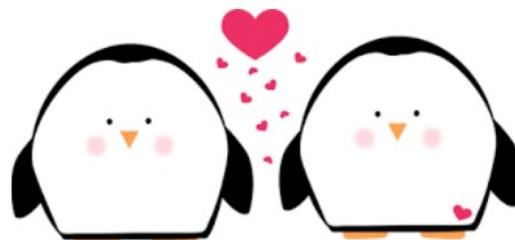
Your second option is to drop them off (doesn't matter how many) at Atlanta Sewing Center (and maybe do some

shopping) by **April 16th**, and they will give you a raffle ticket 🎟️. The prize is a dozen fat quarters of their choosing, generously donated by ASC's manager, Louise Duffy, who is, by the way, a guild member. **You rock, Louise!**

I hope everyone continues to make breast cancer pillows and placemats along with all your quilts and mug rugs!

Stay safe y'all.

Andrea



Just For You

Tuesday, May 18 - Drop off your quilts For Children's Healthcare of Atlanta!

I hope everyone is working on their Just For You quilts! The children still need them now more than ever, I would think.

In trying to get back to "normal," I am currently planning on a May Drop Off - **Tuesday, May 18, 2021** in the Canon Church parking lot, as we have been doing for other items. Again, I am asking all quilts be washed in scent free detergent and folded prior to drop off in a plastic bag to keep them clean.

I will have labels at the February, March, and April Meetings for both Gwinnett Quilters Guild and at the QOV meetings. I can also mail them.

Volunteers are needed to help collect, repackage, and deliver the quilts to the hospitals. Anyone who want to help out send me and e-mail!

I do hope that we will be able to have a showing and blessing of the quilts, but at this time I cannot plan on it.



Concerns

- ♥ Member Sally Zook passed away from covid. Memorial info not yet available
- ♥ Billie Jean Shelton's husband (Calvert Shelton) passed away recently from complications of Alzheimer's Disease.
- ♥ Donna Talipsky has passed away

An invitation from the East Cobb Quilt Guild

Hello Quilters,

We are writing to share news about upcoming activities that the East Cobb Quilters' Guild is happy to share with nonmembers. At present, we are presenting Zoom lectures and workshops by national and international quilting stars. Guest fees are noted on our website.

Margaret Brewster Willingham will present her lecture "*Quilting: A Creative Act of Hope*" on Thursday evening, March 25. The next morning, March 26, she will lecture on "*Reverse Applique: Revealing Beauty*". On Saturday, March 27, Margaret will present a workshop, "*Reverse Applique is Fun (a hand workshop-no sewing machine required)*". Please go to our website for more information: <https://ecqg.com/meetings-programs>.

We would like to invite your members to participate and ask you to share this information.

Thank you for your consideration,

Program Committee
East Cobb Quilters' Guild
ecqg.com

**Gwinnett Quilters' Guild - Operating Account
Treasurer's Report - October-December 2020**

OPERATING ACCOUNT CHECKING ACCOUNT				INCOME/EXPENSE		
	Check	Deposit	Balance from last month's newsletter	(-)	(+)	
						\$10,825.76
Sept	DC/CC		IRS Form 990 - Yearly Report	\$ 49.99		\$10,775.77
		200	Lagenfeld Speaker - Deposit Refund		\$ 200.00	\$10,975.77
	DC/CC		Life Storage Unit Auto Payment	\$ 61.00		\$10,914.77
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OCT	5057		Cannon Methodist Church - Donation	\$ 750.00		\$10,164.77
	5058		QOV - Donation	\$ 100.00		\$10,064.77
	5059		Susan Gordon - Reimb. Hand Sanitizer	\$ 19.99		\$10,044.78
	DC/CC		Life Storage Unit	\$ 65.00		\$ 9,979.78
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NOV	DC/CC		Life Storage Unit	\$ 65.00		\$ 9,914.78
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DEC	DC/CC		Life Storage Unit	\$ 65.00		\$ 9,849.78
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February's Birthdays

Shannon	Armstrong
Marianne	Blevins
Eileen	DeVile
Ann	Gravelle
Cleo	Koteles
Kathy	Oppelt
Carolyn	Prue
Jesse	Usleton
Jackie	Washington



The Chattahoochee Evening Stars Quilt Guild
is pleased to announce our 2021 Quilt Exhibit

**“Not Your Granny’s Quilts:
Quilting in the 21st Century”**

January 25 – March 26, 2021
Hours vary due to COVID
Please call 678-297-6135 to confirm hours
Closed Sunday

Alpharetta Arts Center
238 Canton Street
Alpharetta, GA 30009

Free Admission

The exhibit will feature over 60 quilts all made by members in the new millennium.

The guild was founded in 1997 and meets on the first Monday of each month. Benefits of membership include monthly speakers – local and nationally known experts who share their methods and techniques – including workshops. Members also enjoy quilt retreats, bee groups, an annual challenge and community service projects.

We hope to see you there!

www.CESQuiltGuild.com

www.alpharetta.ga.us/government/departments/recreation-parks/alpharetta-arts-center

MUG RUGS.....How to make a mug mat?

What do you see as a typical size for a mug rug?

Mug rugs are typically any size between a 4 x 7 and a 4 x 8. They are known for being able to place your mug on with a tasty treat such as a croissant, bagel or cookie. Determine what size you want your finished mug rug to be and then adjust your measurements accordingly.

What Is a Mug Rug?

Mug rugs are cute mini quilts that are a cross between a coaster and a placemat. Usually about 5" x 7", they are just the right size for a coffee mug and a snack. They are the perfect homemade gift for friends and family, especially those who love their coffee and tea.

Materials to make a 4 x 7 Mug Rug:

- Step 1) Piece the top. Cut a 2 1/4" x 7" rectangle from each of the five fabric scraps.
- Step 2) Assemble the "quilt sandwich.". Cut a 7 1/2" x 9" rectangle of backing fabric.
- Step 3) Quilt the layers together. Choose your favorite and quilt the layers...

Step 4) Bind your mug rug. There are a variety...

FREE Patterns are readily available on the Internet. Here are a few for you to view for inspiration

Sew Simple Home

<https://www.sewsimplehome.com/2019/11/mug-rug-patterns.html>

All Free Dewing

<https://www.allfreesewing.com/Dining-and-Kitchen/13-Free-Mug-Rug-Patterns-and-Placemat-Patterns>

[Jacquelynn Steves](#)

<https://jacquelynnesteves.com/22-adorable-free-mug-rug-patterns/>

How to Make a Mug Rug from 3 charm squares (5 x 5)

1. Lay 3 charm squares side by side with a contrasting one in the middle.
2. Sew them together with right sides together.
3. Fold them in half and cut the middle charm square down the middle. You now have a front and back to your mug rug.
4. Cut a piece of batting the same size as your front and back. Press onto one side. (you can quilt the front side now if desired)
5. With right sides together, sew the front and back together, leaving 2-3 inches open for turning.
6. Clip/trim the corners and flip your mug rug right sides out. Topstitch around the outside and add some quilting if desired.