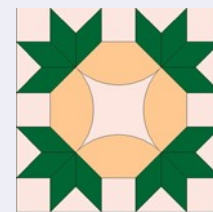


Gwinnett Quilters' Gazette

www.gwinnettquiltersguild.org

FELLOWSHIP 9:30 MEETING 10:00 SEPTEMBER 19TH

Cannon Methodist Church—2424 Webb Gin House Rd Snellville, GA 30078



September's Happenings

September 2023

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President's Column

Good Morning Gwinnett Quilters' Guild members. It's Fall, that means Football season and Baseball playoffs. I am so jazzed about both. I am also looking forward to this new year in the guild and all that is in the planning for our enjoyment and learning.

- ♦ We have spectacular programs (again) thanks to Jamie Jones and this year we are adding more workshops, thanks to Carol Kreson. Be sure to check out the rest of this newsletter to see some of the upcoming opportunities. Sign ups will be available at guild meetings.
- ♦ Nancy Jeffares is working on a New Member luncheon for all the new members since last September. That will take place in October so if you have joined since September, 2022, mark your calendars and plan to stay after the October guild meeting to learn more about the Gwinnett Quilters' Guild.
- ♦ We have a new Librarian (Robin Richards) and she is looking for input from you about what books you would like to see the guild purchase and what she can bring to the meetings to meet your needs. Stop by and meet her on the 19th.
- ♦ Our fourth new Committee Chair is Kim Beasley who is our Beekeeper. She is interested in your ideas for new Bee groups and has some ideas of her own she will tell you about at the meeting.
- ♦ Merry Muse is back to head up the Birthday Drawings Committee (thanks Merry). We are looking forward to full participation this year and having some great offerings, you all are very creative and generous.
- ♦ Meet us at the Guild meeting on the 19th and let us fill you in on plans for the new Guild Year. And, if you want to volunteer for any of our committees, just let us know.



Membership Renewal !!

*Be sure to turn in your renewal form and a check/cash for \$40 **no later than the October guild meeting** to assure that you are included in the directory! Can't make it to the next meetings?....no problem. Drop the form and check into the mail to the address listed on the membership form.*

Make checks payable to Gwinnett Quilters' Guild or GQG.

PROGRAM for September:

September, 2023

Vicki Conley, Textile Artist

September 19 - Trunk Show, Inspired by the Parks



Vicki will Zoom In and take us on a virtual Quilt Tour through the National Parks! She has been a studio pottery artist for 40 years and has retired to pursue fiber art. Vicki discovered quilting in 2003. After making a few traditional quilts, she started designing her own quilts and art quilts. Her inspiration is taken from the natural world and she enjoys interpreting both realistically and abstract. Her work is strongly influenced by hiking and traveling through the National and State Parks. Vicki will explain the process in creating her quilts. Vicki's quilts are exhibited nationally. She still owns a gallery in Ruidoso, New Mexico. *If you have a quilt inspired by the National Parks, bring and share with the Guild!*

September Sew-In

Breast Cancer Pillows

Following the September Guild Meeting plan to join other members to make Breast Cancer pillows. Pre-Cuts will be available and stuffing to make the pillows. Or bring your machine if you would like to sew the pre-cuts. Or bring needle & thread to sew up the stuffing holes. A cutting board will be available if you want to cut out the pattern. This is a fun way to get to know each other better and accomplish a Breast Cancer Pillow goal!! *Bring your lunch and a drink. We will hang out til about 2:00 or so. No sign up required.*

The pattern is available on the guild web site under community service.



OCTOBER'S PROGRAM:

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At our October meeting, we will be treated to a Trunk Show of Fall Themed Quilts - Autumn, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Winter Holidays and Christmas from Quilters at *Sew Sew Studio* in Bogart, Georgia. Ideas will abound for your Fall quilting. Following the Trunk Show, there will be a Pop-Up Shop set up for us to shop for ideas and products mentioned in the Trunk Show. There will be patterns, pre-cuts, new notions, the newest Janome machine to "ooh & ahh over" and some autumn themed yardage. There will be a raffle and coupons to Sew Sew Studio. Join in the fun to excite your quilting habit!!

October 18, 2023 Workshop - Binding with Confidence

Presented by Joyce Taylor

On Wednesday, October 18th, our own Joyce Taylor will provide a Binding Workshop. Joyce will be demonstrating several binding techniques for us. A beautiful project is most beautiful with a lovely sewn binding!

This has been a requested workshop and would be a great opportunity to bring your Meals on Wheels placemats that need binding. Placemats are due at the November guild meeting. If you prefer, feel free to bring a quilt or wall hanging that needs binding.

Sign ups for this workshop (fee \$10) will be available at the September guild meeting.



Cannon Cause

Cannon Cause for September is "Dry Goods".

Besides the old stand by of rice and beans, there are multitudes of options: flour, sugar, pancake mix, oatmeal, cereal, corn meal, packaged cake mixes, dry soup mixes or pasta. Let's fill the wagon!

September: Food—Dry Grains

Cereal, Oatmeal, Rice, Pasta, Etc.



October: Baby Care Items

Diapers, Baby Food, , etc.



GWINNETT QUILTERS' GUILD
MINUTES
August 15, 2023

The Gwinnett Quilters' Guild was held on Tuesday, August 16, 2023 at the Cannon United Methodist Church in Snellville, GA.

PRESIDENT: Susan Gordon called the meeting/**BIRTHDAY PARTY** to order at 10 a.m. She reported that the Guild was able to fill 74 back-to-school book bags last month with some extra supplies left over. She read a thank you note that we received for our donation from Cannon UMC.

MEMBERSHIP: Cheri Gilleland reported that we have 3 new members today. They are: Elaine Allen, Anne Jewell, and Paula Pownell. We have one returning member: Diane Leonard.

HOSPITALITY: Joanne Jones introduced these visitors today: Judy Feimster and Michele Turner.

FRIENDSHIP: Lucy Aikerson reported that Joyce Taylor's grandson is doing better and on different meds. Sharon Henderson will have some surgery. Sheila Wheeler's mother-in-law has been ill. Susan Baker has had some eye surgery.

SECRETARY: A motion was made by MaryAnn Kitchens to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter and this was seconded by Bobbi Cox.

TREASURER: A motion was made by Nancy Jeffares to accept the report as published in the newsletter and this was seconded by MaryAnn Kitchens. The proposed budget for 2023-24 was approved by the membership.

PROGRAMS: Jamie Jones reported that our September program would be a ZOOM meeting with Vicki Conley and her "Inspired by the Parks" trunk show.

GUILD BLOCK PROGRAM: Sharon Henderson gave instructions on how this will work. Eventually there will be blocks with which to make a Quilt of Valor. Make one to donate to QOV and one to swap.

We were given an overview of today's Birthday Celebration schedule. This was followed by recognition of the current board and installation of the new board. Next came recognition of the many members who have been generous with their time and who have volunteered over the past year to make our Guild successful.

THEN CAME THE FUN: Games, hat contest, food and cake. The longest standing member (Sharon Henderson) and the most elderly member (Pat McConnell, age 92) were recognized.

BIRTHDAY TABLE: Tons of fun and prizes!

AND THE BIG EVENT: The "**LET THEM EAT CAKE**" quilt was won by Pam Hobbs. Congratulations!

A **BIG THANK YOU** to Susan Gordon and her Birthday Party Committee. Everyone had a wonderful time, plenty of laughter, food, and tea! Let's do it again next year!

There being no further business, the party adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Conner



Gwinnett Quilter Guild Checkbook Record

Aug. 2023					
Date	Description	Debit	Deposit	Credit	Balance
	balance from previous page				13701.47
8/2/2023	storage unit rental - Aug '23 (\$95 + 14 ins.)	109.00			13592.47
7/1/2023	ck #1406 - Cannon Church donation	750.00			12842.47
7/1/2023	ck #1407 - Katie Lewis - dep. July 2024	225.00			12617.47
8/14/2023	ck #1408 - Susan Gordon - party supplies	12.42			12605.05
8/14/2023	ck #1409 - Holly Tucker - cake	75.00			12530.05
8/14/2023	ck #1410 - Cheri Gillelland - ink, supplies - mem.	25.77			12504.28
8/14/2023	ck #1411 - Jamie Jones - audio kit - program	10.56			12493.72
8/15/2023	ck #1412 - Carol Shaw - speaker dep. - Jan. '24	100.00			12393.72
8/15/2023	ck #1413 - Denise Russell /speaker dep. / Feb. '24	100.00			12293.72
8/15/2023	deposit - membership - 42 x\$ 40		1947.25	1680.00	13973.72
8/15/2023	visitors- 4 @ \$5			10.00	13983.72
8/15/2023	birthday drawing			155.25	14138.97
8/15/2023	nametage box collection @\$.25			0.50	14139.47
8/15/2023	quilt raffle collected			102.00	14241.47
8/28/2023	ck #1414 - Betsy Podriznik - Aug. party	68.04			14173.43

Gwinnett Quilter Guild Checkbook Record

Aug. 2023					
Date	Description	Debit	Deposit	Credit	Balance
	Balance				218.52

Side Door to the Church—Volunteers needed

We need volunteers to open the side door of the church for members and someone to manage the volunteers.

We need 3 people each month for 15 minute shifts. The times start at 8:15, 8:30 and 8:45. There is a chair near the door to sit in while watching for people.

This is the door marked Children's Entrance near the big parking lot on the left side of the church.

If no one volunteers. Everyone will have to walk around the church to the main doors.

If you can volunteer, please contact Susan Gordon



Gwinnett Quilts of Valor Quilters



We will meet during our usual meeting time slot; the third Thursday of the month, September the 21st from 10:00 to around 2:30 at St. Lawrence Church in Lawrenceville. BYOB or, there is a refrigerator on site, walk to one of the food outlets nearby.

Please bring your own sewing supplies and/or machine. Around noon we will have our usual time for business, updates, and or course Show N' Tell. Contact Betsy Podriznik for more info. Hope to see you there!

Everyone is welcome to join us!

Vice President's Message

Cannon Cause for September is dry foods. An appeal from the food bank is requesting oatmeal and grits but I'm sure they'll appreciate anything.

In October we'll collect baby items- they always are in need of diapers and female hygiene products for new moms.

November will be for cold weather items- hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, and socks.

Breast Cancer pillows will be collected in October and placemats in November. We collect pillow-cases throughout the year and if you have any Halloween pillowcases please turn those in and I will make arrangements to get them to Barbara Means with Ryan's Cases for Smiles.

Joyce Taylor

Vice President

Sewing classes at the library

The Gwinnett County Library System offers classes and training in software and sewing through the Learning Lab program. Check it out and book time alone or with a Librarian who can train you on the equipment. And it is FREE!

To access the Learning Labs:

1. Go to [Gwinnett County Public Library \(iiivega.com\)](http://iiivega.com)
2. Click EVENTS CALENDAR
3. Put your cursor over LEARN AND EXPLORE, and select Adult / Learning Labs from the drop down menu
4. From this page you can access everything you need!
 - a. Make a Reservation to use the equipment
 - b. Attend a Virtual Program – a list of recordings on a variety of subjects
 - c. Book A Librarian – schedule a time for a librarian to teach you what you want to know!! One Hour blocks

Check equipment locations – scroll down the page and select the library closest to you to see what equipment they have available to use. Sewing equipment is generally listed under “Fabrication Equipment”

September's Birthdays

Barbara	Conner
Faye	Curlee
Carole	Gaines
Pogo	Grant
Sandy	Griffin
Rhonda	Hainey
Lynn	Harned
Richard	Hood
Rita	Kennedy
Vivian	Mann
Rita	Pincumbe
Lauren	Rose
Elly	Williams

Welcome
New Members

Elaine Allen

Anne Jewell

Paula Pownell

And returning member

Diane Leonard

Don't forget your star blocks. We will be collecting them in September, October and November

NEW BLOCK TRADE

We are making a floating star block. We ask that you make at least 2 blocks to enter the lottery. Your 1st block will be donated to the Quilts of Valor, the 2nd block is your entry in the Star Block Lottery. You may make as many blocks as you wish for the lottery. Blocks will be collected when you arrive at the guild meeting, in October and November. A name will be drawn during the meeting from all those who make a block to win a set of blocks. We hope to give away enough blocks for a lap or throw sized quilt. With enough blocks, we may have 2 drawings.

Our theme for October and November is RED, WHITE, BLUE. Blocks can be red w/white star, blue w/red star, white w/red or blue star, or any mixture. You are the designer. Use only 1st quality quilt shop fabric.


To make one block, you will need 2 or 3 fabrics of the "theme" colors, Red/White/Blue.

Cut: 8 squares each $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Background fabric 

1 square $3\frac{1}{2}$ " for center (same as background or different) 

8 squares each $2\frac{1}{2}$ " for star points 

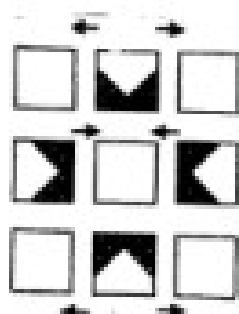
First draw a diagonal line on the wrong side from point to point on each $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square

Place a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square in one corner of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square, right sides together (RST) Sew from corner to corner on the drawn line across the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square. 

Fold the small square toward the corner, check that it is "square". Press and trim the excess part of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square leaving the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " whole. 

Repeat on the other corner for your star points.

Do this for four of the background blocks. Assemble your block according to the diagram, first in rows, then putting rows together. Press seams as shown by the arrows for each "row". Press final seams away from center row.



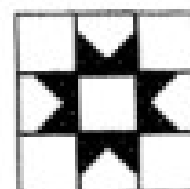
Your block now measures $9\frac{1}{2}$ "

Do not trim or square up your block.

Rather, if you receive the lottery blocks

You can trim blocks to any size you like

because the points are "floating".



2024 Winter Retreat

Sign up now for the 2024 GQG Winter retreat. We found some more beds and will be able to take 32 full time people this year. The price will be \$300*.

There are also spots available for day retreaters.

Bring the filled out retreat form and a check to sign up for the retreat.

The 2024 GQG Winter retreat check-in begins Monday February 26th at 12:00 pm ends Friday, March 1st at 1:00 pm.

Registration fees may be made in two payments as follows:

Deposit	\$50
Balance Due on or before December 31st, 2023	\$250
* Non GQG Members: add \$30	
Day Quilters: includes lunch (pay full amount at sign-up)	\$20 Per Day

Retreat Includes:

Registration, 4 nights lodging, 11 meals, Sewing space plus fun and fellowship.

First Meal: Monday Dinner, Last Meal: Friday Breakfast

The retreat address is:

720 FFA FHA Camp Rd
Covington, GA 30014
www.georgiaffa.org

- All money *must* be paid before attending the retreat.
- Money is non-refundable but may be transferred to another person.
- All cancellations must be in writing (by USPS or e-mail)
- Registration may be transferred to a new person of your choice, We will also maintain a wait list. If we have a quilter on our waiting list who can take your place, we will refund your payment (less a \$10 processing fee) within 2 weeks of receiving the transferee's registration and payment.
- In the event we need to cancel the retreat, your entire payment will be refunded within 30 days,

Members who attended the last GQG retreat will have priority until the end of the September guild meeting on September 19, 2023 at 12:00 pm.

The retreat will be opened to non-guild members after the October guild meeting on October 17, 2023 at 12:00 pm.

Questions? Contact Sharon Henderson at 678-548-1418 or sharonquilt@mindspring.com
or Lynn Harned at LQ7282@gmail.com or 770-338-4931



Gwinnett Quilters' Guild Winter Retreat

February 26—March 1, 2024

Please print out this registration form, complete and return with your \$50 deposit or the entire amount due. The retreat will cost \$300*.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact/s Name _____

Phone Number/s _____

Do You want to room with a friend who is also attending this retreat? Y/N

Roommate's Name _____

Email or Phone Number _____

Are you a Gwinnett Quilters' Guild member? Y/N

* There is an additional \$30 fee for non-guild members

Are you a Day Quilter? Y/N Tue _____ Wed _____ Thu _____ \$20 per day

We Take your safety and the security of your equipment very seriously but will not be liable for any personal injury, loss/theft or damages any time during the retreat. Your attendance constitutes your agreement to indemnify Gwinnett Quilters' Guild from any claim for injury, loss or damage for any reason.

I agree to the policies outlined above

Name _____ Date _____

Amount Paid _____ Total Amount Due _____

Bring the completed registration form to a guild meeting or mail to:

Gwinnett Quilters' Guild

ATTN: Retreat

2424 Webb Gin House Road

Snellville, GA 30078

Treasurer's Record February 2024 Retreat

Gwinnett Quilters' Guild

Date Rec'd _____

Amount _____

Check # _____

Cash _____

Entered _____

Do Not Write in this box

Name _____

Phone Home _____ Cell _____

Guild Member? Y/N

Day Quilter? Y/N Number of Days _____

Date Rec'd _____
 Check # _____
 Cash _____
 Mail _____
 Meeting _____
 Entered _____

Gwinnett Quilters' Guild

Membership Form Sept 1, 2023 – Aug 31, 2024

All guild members must complete a renewal form each year.

All information provided is for guild use only.

____ New

____ Renewal

____ Rejoin

Name: _____
 Address : _____ Birthdate: mo/day _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____ Birthplace: city/state _____
 Phone - Home: (____) - _____ - _____ Cell: (____) - _____ - _____
 Email: _____
 Emergency Contact – Name: _____ Phone: (____) - _____ - _____

Membership Status: Member (\$40) _____ Junior Member (age 12-18) (\$15) _____

*****New Member?.... How did you hear about the Guild? _____***
Beginning in January, we prorate our dues. Ask how much it costs to join this month. **

Please make checks payable to Gwinnett Quilters' Guild
 Bring your check/cash and this form to the guild general meeting OR mail this form with your check to:
Gwinnett Quilters' Guild Membership 740 Hambrick Drive Lilburn, GA 30047

I am a LongArm Quilter for hire: Yes ___ No ___ LongArm Specialties _____

Support Your Guild

The GQG is a volunteer organization and we ask that everyone participate in the Guild functions.

Please check one or more committees and/or activities that you could help with this year.

Please remember... **THIS IS YOUR GUILD!**

President	Hospitality/Friendship Comm	Programs Committee	Assist Speakers at Meetings
Vice President	By Laws Committee	In-House Education	Welcome New Members
Treasurer	Membership	Just For You Committee	Retreat Committee
Secretary	Nominating Committee	Library	Birthday Table
Community Service	Newsletter Committee	Assist at Workshops	Holiday Party
Quilt Holders	Photography Assistant	Small Group/Bee Comm	Website

ADDITIONAL MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Helping set up and put away tables and chairs after meetings.
- Donating a gift to the Birthday Drawing (preferably during your birthday month.....or during another, as needed)

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Treasurer's Records Sept 2023 – Aug 2024

Gwinnett Quilters' Guild

Date Rec'd _____
 Amount _____
 Check # _____
 Cash _____
 Entered _____

Name: _____

Phone Home: _____ Cell: _____