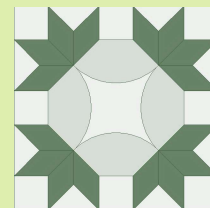


Gwinnett Quilters' Gazette

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FELLOWSHIP 9:30 MEETING 10:00 March 19th

Cannon Methodist Church 2424 Webb Gin House Rd Snellville, GA



March's Happenings

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March's Program

Nancy McNally from nancymcnallyquilts.com

Nancy has lectured and taught at several AQS shows this past year.



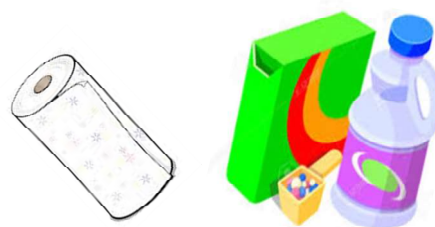
Nancy McNally will zoom into our March Guild meeting from Michigan to talk to us about how she designs quilts and the messes she has gotten herself into. She will discuss how she works with color, batiks, and longarm quilting. Nancy will share with us how she tweaks a pattern, keeps the eye moving across the quilt, adding a border by bringing in an element from the block out into the border. Nancy says that when she first was introduced to quilting by 3 friends, she had no idea you could buy fabric, cut up in small pieces, sew back together and create a masterpiece! She was hooked!

She designs patterns, blogs and publishes. She produces "How To" videos on making a quilt from scratch to finish, Bargello quilts, stain glass quilts curved piecing and more! Nancymcnallyquits.com

Cannon Cause

March: Dry Foods

April: Non-food



March 19 Mini Workshop following our meeting – learn to make a fidget quilt with Joyce Taylor.

A Hospice in Lawrenceville has asked our guild if we could please make some fidget quilts for their patients. They are especially useful for people with dementia or Alzheimer's. **On March 19 – following the Guild Meeting Joyce Taylor will show everyone interested how to make a Fidget Quilt.**



Bring your lunch – and stay for about an hour to learn how to help others. Joyce will have a variety of supplies (buttons, zippers, etc) you can use to get started.

Please sign up at the Program Table. This is a free event, but we need to know how many members plan to attend.

April's Program

April 16, 2024

Nancy Mahoney, International Teacher



Nancy has enjoyed making quilts for over 35 years, during which time an impressive range of her beautiful quilts have been featured in over 250 quilt magazines and authored 15 books since 2002. The newest book is *A New Twist*. Nancy has designed 15 fabric collections, including eight reproduction collections. She has taught at several AQS Shows, most recently in Daytona Beach, FL in February and Branson, MO in March. Coming up in July she will teach at a Shipshewana Retreat.

Her Program for us, titled "Two Block Wonders", will show how to place two different blocks side by side to create extraordinary quilts. She will show us that every quilter can make unique quilts. Nancy will share her quilts with us and tips for successfully pairing-up blocks to create dazzling results.

Wednesday, April 17 Feathered Star Workshop with Nationally known instructor Nancy Mahoney

Nancy is a sought after nationally known instructor. She is currently teaching a similar class at AQS in Daytona for \$125. Our class is a DEAL. Please support our guild as we host Nancy for this special occasion!



Nancy Mahoney will teach a class on making a feathered star block. The 44" x 44" block can stand alone as a wall hanging or put 4 blocks together to create a stunning quilt. You will learn cutting and piecing techniques for making accurate triangle squares. Cost is \$45 and includes the pattern. The class will be held at Cannon Methodist Church 9:00-3:00

(This class was originally scheduled for last year. Members who were signed up will have the first opportunity to register. Those members should have already received an email from Carol Kreson.) **There are spaces available in the workshop.**



GWINNETT QUILTS OF VALOR QUILTERS

This month the Gwinnett Quilt of Valor Quilters' will meet on the third Thursday of the month, March the 21st from 10:00 to around 2:00. We gather at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Lawrenceville. Bring your own lunch; there is a refrigerator on site for your cool items or walk to one of the food outlets nearby.

There will be a presentation of quilts to veterans at 1pm

Everyone is welcome to join us.

Questions? Contact Betsy Podriznik at 770-841-3572



New Members:

Pat Brown

Gale Topping

Returning Member:

Cathy Etheridge



**GWINNETT QUILTERS' GUILD
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

The Gwinnett Quilters' Guild was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at the Cannon United Methodist Church in Snellville, GA.

PRESIDENT: Susan Gordon called the meeting to order at 10 AM. She reminded us to turn off our phones and to sign in your Show and Tell items. Also, if the Gwinnett County schools are cancelled, our meeting would be cancelled. Susan read us a note from Cannon United Methodist Church thanking us for the food donations in December for the Feed My Lambs program. The program is now serving 26 students. Karen McMillan has a pressing station for anyone who is interested. Also, Sandy Stites, a former member is having a fabric sale.

PUBLICITY: Margie Kersey had several items to discuss concerning the OEQ Expo. We have a booth at the Expo. She would like members to loan several quilts to help decorate the booth. Raffle items are also needed. There are 2 time slots for volunteers to man the booth: Thursday PM for 1 ½ hours and Saturday PM for 1 ½ hours. All of these activities are ways to let people know that we are here!

FRIENDSHIP: Lucy Aikerson is busy sending out birthday cards. Joyce Taylor's grandson has had a good month. Karen Bensman's daughter, Jennifer, is hoping for eye surgery April 1. Lee Cole is recovering from hip surgery. JoAnne Jones' mother-in-law passed Feb. 9. Roz Bordain's brother passed. Long time member Ginny Wineinger passed on February 4.

HOSPITALITY: Nancy Jeffares introduced and welcomed two visitors: Freddie Williams and Bobbie Bentley.

MEMBERSHIP: Cheri Gilleland reported new members: Pat Brown, Gail Topping, Cathy Etheridge and Lynn Whitener. The guild has 169 members at the present time.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Joyce Taylor announced the items for Cannon Cause: February- baby items, March- dry foods, April- non-food items. She also discussed the making of Fidget Quilts. A demonstration will be given by Joyce after the March meeting. Ten quilts are needed, but Joyce has set a goal for 20 quilts.

SECRETARY: Joanne Jones made a motion that the January minutes be approved as published in the newsletter and this was seconded by Mary Ann Kitchens. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER: Joan Meyberg made a motion that the January financial report be approved as published in the newsletter and it was seconded by Alice Schunemann. The motion passed unanimously.

WORKSHOPS: Carol Kreson expressed a thank you to Nancy Jeffares for teaching a workshop on the construction of T-shirt quilts. Joan Fisher will be teaching a class called the Box Bottom Tote on Wednesday, February 21, 2024. Please bring a surge protector. The March workshop will be a demonstration of the Fidget Quilts by Joyce Taylor. In April Nancy Mahoney will be conducting a workshop "The Feathered Star."

PROGRAMS: Denise Russell presented an inspiring program, "I Love Fabric Panels: How Can I Design a Quilt Using Them?". She has a blog called, "Pieced Brain."

JUST FOR YOU: Joan Fisher announced her program of giving a ticket for each finished JFY quilt top that you show her. She will give you 2 tickets for a completed JFY quilt. Each month she will draw one ticket. Susan Gordon was the winner for February. In June, Joan will draw a ticket to have a quilt of your choice to be quilted. Just for You quilt kits are located at the table in the back of the room.

SHOW & TELL: Another beautiful showing.

BIRTHDAY DRAWING: Many, many wonderful prizes from our Guild members!

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Stowe for Barbara Conner



Gwinnett Quilters' Guild Checkbook Record

Feb. 2024					
Date	Description	Debit	Deposit	Credit	Balance
	previous balance				14494.38
1/31/2024	cc - Go Daddy - website security - 1 yr.	239.88			14254.50
2/4/2024	cc - storage unit rental - Feb. '24 (\$110. + 26 ins.)	136.00			14118.50
2/7/2024	ck #1440 - Nancy Jeffares - T-shirt class	110.00			14008.50
2/21/2024	ck #1441 - Joan Fisher - bag class	200.00			13808.50
2/7/2024	ck #1443 - Margie Kersey - business card & holders	86.04			13722.46
2/20/2024	ck #1445 - Denise Russell - February speaker	300.00			13422.46
2/22/2024	deposit - membership		600.75	90.00	13512.46
1/18/2024	hospitality			10.00	13522.46
1/18/2024	birthday drawing			155.75	13678.21
1/18/2024	workshop #1 - February			30.00	13708.21
1/18/2024	workshop #2 - April			315.00	14023.21
2/20/2024	library error in January report	5.05			14018.16
2/21/2024	Jamie Jones - Christmas luncheon expense	95.11			13923.05

Gwinnett Quilter's Guild Library Record

Feb. 2024					
Date	Description	Debit	Deposit	Credit	Balance
	previous balance				538.05
	(Jan. error) should have been added to library			5.05	543.10
2/7/2024	ck #1442 - Robin Richards - library chair & table	74.96			468.14
2/20/2024	deposit - late fee etc.			6.00	474.14

Gwinnett Quilter's Guild Retreat Record

Feb. 2024					
Date	Description	Debit	Deposit	Credit	Balance
	previous balance				9868.52
2/19/2024	ck #1444 - Georgia FFA center	9192.00			676.52
2/22/2024	deposit - day quilter (3 x \$20 =)			60.00	736.52

Snow Days

Reminder:

If Gwinnett County schools are cancelled because of bad weather on guild day, the guild meeting is cancelled.



LIBRARY BOOK SALE!!

at our March guild meeting.

So bring extra cash or your check book! No cards!!

Your librarians desire to raise funds to refresh and enliven our library to reflect new techniques, methods and authors from the last 5 years.

We are selling 61 Missouri Star Quilt Co. books with 5 or 6 patterns and directions in each one for only \$1.00. Such a deal!!

Also 26 library books from \$1 - \$4.

So please join us at the library tables and **Thanks** ahead of time for your support.

There will be no checkout of library books at the March guild meeting. Books can be returned though.

Your librarians,

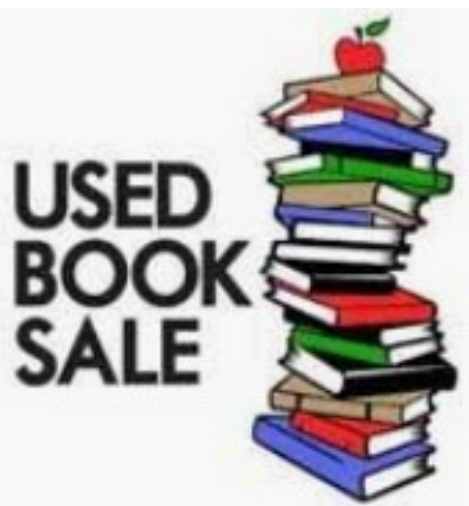
Robin Richards

Cindy Richards

Gail Columbus

Debra Bonser

Roz Bordain



March's Birthdays



Diane	DeGaetano
Joanne	Jones
Cathy	Roth
Billie Jean	Shelton
Jean	Shumway
Gale	Sprow
Joyce	Taylor
Gale	Topping
Rhonda	Zimmerman

Vice-Presidents Message

Cannon Cause this month is dry foods (pasta, rice, dry beans, cereals, etc) but they have also begun posting what they are in short supply so in addition to dry foods they are asking for **Personal Care Items- these include soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper, facial tissue, diapers, etc.**

April is non food so the same list applies. Of you're at the grocery and they have a sale on canned foods or something the food banks will still be very pleased to take it. We have many people in our community struggling.

The month of May is canned goods- vegetables, soups, sauces, canned pasta, etc.

Please continue to work on our community projects- Breast Cancer Pillows, Pillowcases, Placemats, Fidget Quilts, Mommy pads and Just For You quilts.

Affinis Hospice first asked for the fidget quilts for their dementia and Alzheimer patients and have asked for at least 10. This week we have also had a request from another facility so looks like the word is out that we are a very giving group of quilters. We will have a demonstration on the fidget quilts after this months meeting. Contact Carol Kreson if you would like to join us.

Please consider joining the great group of members on the governing board. The nominating committee will be forming soon and we will need persons to help lead us into the next year. Contact any board member if you are interested

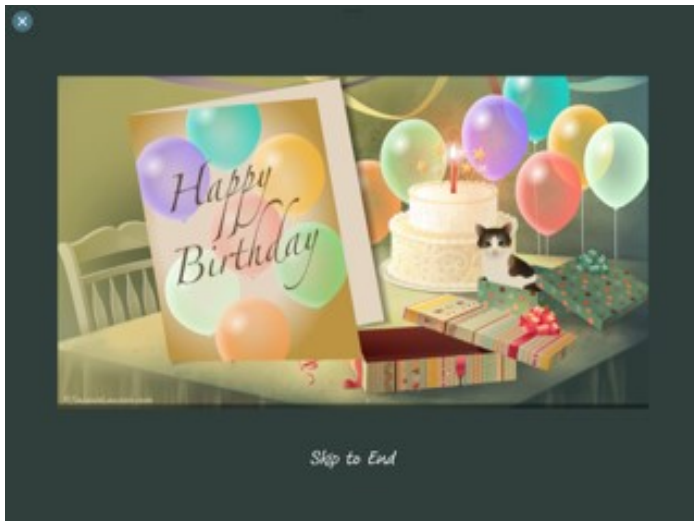
Joyce Taylor
Vice President

Gwinnett Quilters Guild Friendship Report

March Meeting Report

Jacquie Lawson e-cards are scheduled to arrive on your birthday.

Rita Kennedy paper card was returned (needed apartment number). I called to check on her.



Small Group BEE Groups/Upcoming Meetings Info for March, 2024...

Name of the small BEE group	Queen BEE/Leader	Upcoming Meeting/location
Embroidery BEE Community service opportunities that benefit all ages in our community. Meets every other month.	Barbara Conner 770-380-0650	March 12th, 2024 and May 14, 2024 @ Atlanta Sewing Center/Duluth, 10:00. No machines needed. Bring your blocks or projects as discussed.
Just For YOU BEE Come out to support Just For You Programming. Meets monthly. Kits which include patterns and fabric are provided at the meeting.	Carolyn Prue 301-466-3708	March 28, 2024 @Grayson UMC/555 Grayson Pkwy/Grayson, 10:00 to 2, bring your lunch, machine, and power strips.
Lunch Bunch BEE Get to know/socialize with other Gwinnett Quilters' members at lunch after the monthly guild meetings.	Kim Beasley 404-213-0954	March 19, 2024, immediately following the Fidget Quilt Workshop. RSVP with Kim Beasley to reserve a seat with our group. We're going to Poblanos/Taco Tuesdays at 1319 Scenic Hwy, Lawrenceville, GA!!
Newbies to Quilting Join the scheduled ZOOM meeting to find out what new skills and/or resources some of our newer quilters have found. Monthly meetings. First Friday of the month.	Kim Beasley 404-213-0954	April 5, 2024, ZOOM Mtg from 10:00 to 11. Don't forget your Show-n-tell and coffee/tea.
Quilts of Valor BEE Come out to support the Quilts of Valor programming. Meets monthly, last Tuesday of the month.	JoAnne Jones 770-935-1853	March 26, 2024, @ Sew & Sew Studio, Lilburn, 10 AM, bring your lunch and machine.
UFO BEE Come out to complete your personal, unfinished projects. Meets monthly, first Saturday of the month.	Desiree Salter 706-908-8159	April 6, 2024 Southeast Gwinnett Cooperative Ministry/Grayson from 9 – 2 PM. Bring machines, power cords and lunch.
Youth Group Come out to teach/assist Gwinnett youth to sew/quilt.	Barbara Conner 770-380-0650	Wednesdays from Jan 24, thru March 27, 2024 excluding Feb 14 th and March 6th at Lawrenceville Elem 3:45-4:45. Identified volunteers will bring a sewing machine for students to use when needed.

