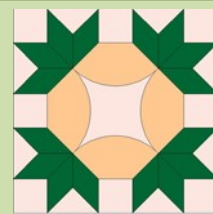


Gwinnett Quilters' Gazette

www.gwinnettquiltersguild.org

FELLOWSHIP 9:30 MEETING 10:00 NOVEMBER 18TH

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



NOVEMBER'S HAPPENINGS

November 2025

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President's Message

Hello Gwinnett Quilters' Guild. It's hard to believe that we're already in the month of November! But we are here, and it just happens to be my favorite time of the year. Many people love the temperatures, festivals, and food of the season. I love just about everything that goes along with this fall/Thanksgiving season. I hope you're enjoying it too.

Today, I'm thankful to the Hospitality Committee, led by Pat Brown, for a wonderful New Member's Luncheon last month. Also, my thanks go out to our Board members for preparing our potluck. The food was awesome, and the ambiance was top notch!! We hope that all of our new members have found ways to connect with the various committees within our guild. We are stronger when our new members become active members. So, thanks to everyone for all that you did to make this luncheon a success!

Additionally, I'm grateful to all members who continue to donate in various ways. My thanks to those who will make donations to Cannon Causes (cold weather items) this month, make and turn in placemats, breast cancer pillows or who'll continue to make quilts throughout the year for our "Just For You" programming as well as our "Quilts of Valor" programming. Thank you to everyone for keeping the needs of our community a priority during the year and in this Thanksgiving season.

We have Nancy Sabin presenting a trunk show to us this month and as a Sulky representative, she'll have a few items to sell. There is still room in her Thread Paining Workshop being held on November 19th. Please let Cathy Rasque know if you'd like to get registered.

I hope to see you all at the guild meeting on Tuesday, November 18th.

Kim



Cannon Cause

November Warm items for Kids



**December Feed my Lambs -
Individually wrapped foods**



NOVEMBER'S PROGRAM:

Nancy Sapin Free Motion Thread Painting

Our Thanks to Katy Dlugosz for recommending Nancy to us.

Nancy Sapin is a Freelance National Educator. Her lecture will be Thread Sketching /Painting using all Sulky supplies. She will have products to sell.



Workshop Free Motion Made Easy November 19, 2025 Half Day Workshop

Members Fee \$15

Kit Supply Cost: \$5 for a basic kit or \$25 for the full kit that includes precut fabric. (Cash - exact amount—or check due to instructor on day of class).

Supply list available at registration.
Stop at workshop table and sign up!



DECEMBER'S PROGRAM:

The Holiday Meal will be catered by La Cazuela Mexican restaurant.

The price is \$15 we will begin taking payments at our November Meeting. You can pay by Cash, Check, or Cash App. If you pay cash please bring exact change.

Sign up sheets will be available at the November meetings for Dessert and Drinks

Please let the registration desk know if you intend to come to the party and not purchase a meal.



JANUARY'S PROGRAM:

Speaker will be Sylvia Schafer

Lecture on Quilting the Negative Space

Sylvia is a pattern designer, teacher, author and award winning quilter. She has degrees in ecology and oceanography; and her quilt designs are often inspired by science. She also loves putting a modern twist on traditional quilt blocks, especially paper piecing! Flying Parrot Quilts is a play on Flying Geese blocks and my enjoyment of Birds as pets.

You've finished your modern quilt top that includes plenty of wide-open negative space! Now what? It can be intimidating to tackle quilting in the background areas, but this lecture will give you lots of ideas, from simple to complex, to help enhance your negative space and help you choose the perfect quilting design for your project.



JANUARY WORKSHOP—January 21, 2026

Sylvia Schafer

Rainbow Sun

This mini quilt from my book, *The Quilter's Negative Space Handbook*, combines improvisational piecing and paper piecing in a project designed to use your small scraps. We will begin with improvisational piecing, creating new fabric from collection of old favorites, then we'll use our improvisational pieced sections to paper piece the modified Mariner's Compass block that forms the center of this fun little wall-hanging.

WORKSHOP: January 21, 2026

Doors open 8:30; workshop 9-3 Full Day

WORKSHOP FEE: \$37.50 for GQG members and \$47.50 for non-members.

Max : 20

KIT FEE: \$25 includes a copy of *The Quilter's Negative Space Handbook* and all templates needed for the quilt.

Pay Sylvia exact cash the day of Workshop.



February 2026: Garage/Tag Sale has been canceled due to lack of interest.



New Member

Deborah Davis

Gwinnett Quilters Guild

Guild Meeting October 21, 2026

President Kim Beasley - Kim called the meeting to order at 10:00 and welcomed members and guests. Kim announced Jamie Jones will take the vacated Secretary position and Karen Bensman and Nancy Stowe will take the vacated Retreat position.

Friendship Chair Lucy Aikerson - Susan Gordon reported for Lucy. Rose Kelly has moved and has vision problems. New member, Laurie Davis, husband passed away. In celebration news, a niece had a baby, a marriage, a new grandbaby, and Susan Gordon is back!

Hospitality Chair Pat Brown - Pat introduced two guests, Cathy Pelt and a guest who wants to remain anonymous. There will be a New Member Luncheon after the Guild immediately following the Guild meeting.

Membership Chair Cheri Gilleland - Cheri introduced the newest member, Pamela Ellis.

Library Chair Robin Richards - Robin reminded members of the library sale going on in the back of the room. A new book, Modern Paper Piecing, will be sold because it has too many large patterns that can only be used once.

Website Chair Paula Hess - Paula will offer a class following the November meeting for those who want to stay and learn about the Guild website.

Vice President Karen Byers - October is Breast Cancer Pillow month. Karen has collected and delivered 200 pillows in the past 2 months. Elizabeth from Northside Hospital does a mailing to patients each week and needs 5-10 pillows a week for them. Karen shared her and her mom's breast cancer story. Karen has pink cancer ribbons for anyone who wants one for their name tag.

Cannon Cause - October Baby Items, November Cold Weather items, and December Feed My Lambs. Placemats due in November.

Secretary Jamie Jones - Last month's minutes were in the newsletter. Any corrections? Motion to approve by Joanne Jones and seconded by Mary Ann Kitchens.

Treasurer Margie Kersey - Last month's Budget Report was in the newsletter. Any corrections? Motion to approve by Joyce Taylor and seconded by Robin Williams.

Small Bee Groups Chair Gretchen Cuthbert - Go to the Bee Table in the back of the room if you have questions.

Program Chair Linda Brimanson - Next month Nancy Sapin will speak on *Free Motion Thread Stitching*. Nancy will have Sulky products to sell. There will be a half day workshop on November 19 on *Free Motion Made Easy*. Price is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. There is a \$5 kit or a \$25 kit that will include everything that is needed. See Cathy Rasque at the Program Table for the complete list of supplies.

In November, a *Mystery Quilt Challenge* will be introduced. The Challenge will begin January 2026 and be turned in by October 2026. There will be a package of fabric, yarn, etc. that must be used in the challenge.

In December, the Holiday Luncheon will be catered by La Cazuela Mexican Restaurant. The cost is \$15 and the last time sign up will be at the November meeting. Be sure to sign up for drinks and desserts. Also, sign up to be a Table Host. There will be gluten free options.

In February, a Garage Tag Sale is planned. A minimum of 10 people need to sign up. Four have signed up so far. If 6 people do not sign up today, the Sale will be canceled.

Linda introduced Jan Cunningham as our Program speaker. There is still room in her workshop on 10/22 on Invisible Thread Applique. See Cathy Rasque to sign up. Jan Cunningham calls herself an ADD Quilter - *Altered Design Differently*. Jan Cunningham's Trunk Show.

5 Minute Break

Quilts of Valor Chair Ginny Manning - QOV meets Thursdays at St. Lawrence Catholic Church.

Retreat Chair Karen Bensmen & Nancy Stowe - no report

Just For You Chair Jan Campbell - There is a drawing for free quilting on a Just For You Quilt at every Guild meeting. Bring in a finished top or a complete quilt for tickets to be in the drawing.

Show & Tell Chair Carol Kreson

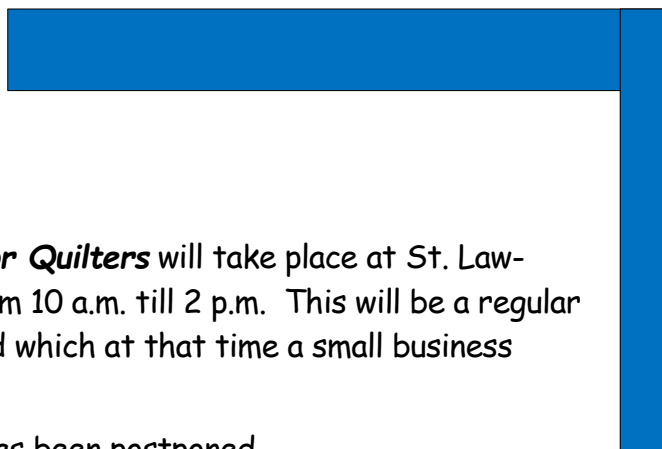
Birthday Drawing Chair Sandy Griffin

President's Closing Remarks - To our visitors and guests, we say thanks so much for visiting with us today. We hope that you will join in on the fun and become a permanent member. To our new members we look forward to getting to know you better. Don't forget the New Member luncheon after the Guild meeting. Due to our New Members Luncheon directly after the meeting today, leave the first 3 rows of chairs to be left out for the luncheon. All other chairs should be stacked in rows of 10 and placed the back storage closet.

Adjourn 12:20



Gwinnett Quilts of Valor Quilters



The November meeting for the **Gwinnett Quilts of Valor Quilters** will take place at St. Lawrence Catholic Church on Thursday, November 20th, from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. This will be a regular sew-day meeting with a small break at noon for lunch and which at that time a small business meeting will take place along with show and tell.

The usual November presentation for Veterans Day has been postponed.

There will be no meeting in December.

WHAT: Gwinnett Quilts of Valor Quilters

WHEN: Thursday, November 21st 10am-2pm, Award Ceremony 1 pm

WHERE: St. Lawrence Catholic Church ~ 319 Grayson Hwy. ~ Lawrenceville 30046

Show and Tell

Happy November Everyone!

I'm so happy to be helping with Show n Tell this year. We all love to see everyone's beautiful creations. It is important that we have 2 volunteers at each meeting to help hold the quilts. It's a great opportunity to see them up close! If you could help hold quilts at the Nov. guild meeting, please let me know... ckreson@gmail.com

Thanks so much,

Carol Kreson



November Friendship Report

Please keep the following members in your prayers.

If there are others you would like to receive a card, please let me know.

Cards have been sent to:

Brenda Smiley – her husband is ill

Bobbi Cox – her husband is ill

Laurie Davis – her husband recently passed away

Lucy Aikerson

630-721-5102

Aik123@comcast.net



Birthday Wishes

November's Birthdays

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| Gretchen | Cuthbert |
| Louise | Goodwin |
| Mary | Myers |
| Sandi | Reynolds |
| Elaine | Smith |
| Susan | Gordon |
| Jacquie | Patrick |
| Cynthia | Williams |
| Deborah | Davis |
| Debbie | Frey |
| Laurie | Estatico |

Placemats are due at the November Meeting

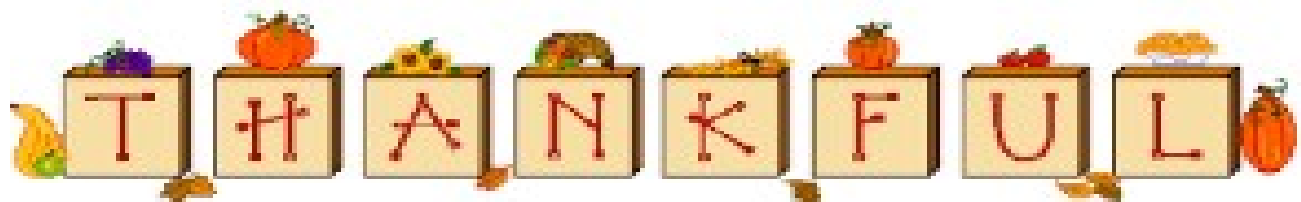
Placemats for our Christmas luncheon in December has become a tradition for our Gwinnett Quilt Guild...but our meeting is too late to distribute them so we're collecting them at the November meeting. The size, and style are up to you and your creativity. They can, but don't have to, be Christmas themed. If you decide to make a pair, please safety pin them together...some of our Seniors are still couples...what a nice thoughtful gift for them. Thanks in advance for your help and generosity of time, talent and fabrics again this year.



Gwinnett Quilters' Guild Checkbook Record

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| Date | # | Description | v | Debit | Deposit | Credit | Balance |
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| | | | | | | | 9767.72 |
| 8/19/2025 | 1007 | VOID | x | | | | 9767.72 |
| 8/19/2025 | 1006 | Robin Richards - Library Books | | 108.09 | | | 9659.63 |
| 8/19/2025 | 1008 | Kim Beasley - mileage Kinman | x | 105.60 | | | 9554.03 |
| 8/19/2025 | 1009 | Kim Beasley - speaker foodKinman | x | 24.22 | | | 9529.81 |
| 8/19/2025 | 1010 | Kim Beasley - speaker food Kinman | x | 32.83 | | | 9496.98 |
| 8/19/2025 | 1011 | Carol Kreason - Induction supplies | x | 38.97 | | | 9458.01 |
| 8/19/2025 | 1012 | Karen Byers - President's Gift | x | 50.00 | | | 9408.01 |
| 8/19/2025 | cc | Culvers - ice cream for meeting | x | 301.50 | | | 9106.51 |
| 8/18/2025 | cc | Publix - cake for meeting | x | 104.24 | | | 9002.27 |
| 8/29/2025 | | bank fee for statement | x | 3.00 | | | 8999.27 |
| 9/4/2025 | cc | Storage Unit | | 136.00 | | | 8863.27 |
| 9/15/2025 | 1013 | Patty Murphy - speaker & workshop | | 1423.00 | | | 7440.27 |
| 9/15/2025 | 1014 | Ron Vargas - IT Work on website | | 250.00 | | | 7190.27 |
| 9/15/2025 | 1015 | Robin Richards - shelving for storage | | 188.68 | | | 7001.59 |
| 9/15/2025 | 1016 | Robin Richards - subscription for database | | 39.95 | | | 6961.64 |
| 9/16/2025 | | Deposit for Sept meeting | | | | 1623.99 | 8585.63 |
| | | - Membership | | | 835.00 | | 8585.63 |
| | | - Hospitality | | | 5.00 | | 8585.63 |
| | | - Birthday Drawing | | | 152.00 | | 8585.63 |
| | | - Workshops | | | 45.00 | | 8585.63 |
| | | - Library | | | 166.99 | | 8585.63 |
| | | - Retreat | | | 400.00 | | 8585.63 |
| | | - Garage Sale PrePay | | | 20.00 | | 8585.63 |
| 10/8/2025 | | Deposit additional September | | | | 616.00 | 9201.63 |
| | | - Membership | | | 446.00 | | 9201.63 |
| | | - Retreat | | | 170.00 | | 9201.63 |
| 10/4/2025 | cc | Storage Unit | | 136.00 | | | 9065.63 |
| 10/22/2025 | | Deposit October meeting | | | | 2822.00 | 11887.63 |
| | | - Membership | | | 400.00 | | 11887.63 |
| | | - Hospitality | | | 10.00 | | 11887.63 |
| | | - Birthday Drawing | | | 122.00 | | 11887.63 |
| | | - Workshops | | | 215.00 | | 11887.63 |
| | | - Library | | | 80.00 | | 11887.63 |
| | | - Retreat | | | 1440.00 | | 11887.63 |
| | | - Christmas Luncheon | | | 555.00 | | 11887.63 |
| 10/21/2025 | 1017 | Cathy Rasque - new member luncheon | | 16.94 | | | 11870.69 |
| 10/21/2025 | 1018 | Jan Cunningham - Oct speaker & Workshop for 10 | | 667.20 | | | 11203.49 |
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Gwinnett Quilters' Guild - Library Fund

| DATE | Check | PLANATION | EXPENSE | INCOME | BALANCE |
|------------|-------|---|----------|----------|---------|
| 2024-25 | | Budget amount | | | 100.00 |
| | | Carry over from 2023-24 | | 465.67 | 565.67 |
| 7/19/2024 | 1469 | Robin Richards - library - data | 39.95 | | 525.72 |
| 10/15/2024 | 1479 | Robin Richards - Library - 2 books | 42.38 | | 483.34 |
| 10/15/2024 | 1480 | Robin Richards - Library - 4 books | 78.85 | | 404.49 |
| 10/15/2024 | 1481 | Robin Richards - Library - 1 Book | 27.80 | | 376.69 |
| 11/8/2024 | | Library fees | | 3.00 | 379.69 |
| 11/8/2024 | | Library fees | | \$21.00 | 400.69 |
| 11/25/2024 | | Library fees | | \$3.50 | 404.19 |
| 2/21/2025 | | Library fees | | \$5.00 | 409.19 |
| 3/18/2025 | | library sales | | \$50.00 | 459.19 |
| 4/15/2025 | | library sales | | \$9.00 | 468.19 |
| 6/10/2025 | 1515 | Robin Richards - 5 Library Books | 134.16 | | 334.03 |
| 6/17/2025 | 1519 | Robin Richards - poster board book sale | 8.46 | | 325.57 |
| 6/17/2025 | | library sales | | \$152.00 | 477.57 |
| 7/17/2025 | | library fees | | \$5.00 | 482.57 |
| 8/19/2025 | | library fees | | \$6.00 | 488.57 |
| 8/19/2025 | 1006 | Robin Richards - Library 5 books | \$108.09 | | 380.48 |
| 9/15/2025 | | library fees | | \$16.99 | 397.47 |
| 9/15/2025 | | Donation for racking | | \$150.00 | 547.47 |
| 9/15/2026 | 1015 | Robin Richards - shelving for storage | \$188.68 | | 358.79 |
| 9/15/2025 | 2016 | Robin Richards - database subscription | \$39.95 | | 318.84 |
| 10/21/2025 | | library sales | | \$80.00 | 398.84 |
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Gwinnett Quilters' Guild - Retreat (March 2026)

| Date | Ck # | Name | Debit | v | Credit | Balance |
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| starting from YE 2025 | | | | | \$ 526.67 | 526.67 |
| 9/16/25 | | deposit | | | 400.00 | 926.67 |
| 10/21/25 | | deposit | | | 1440.00 | 2366.67 |
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Sign up now for the 2026 GQG Winter retreat January 26—30, 2026

A deposit of \$50 will hold your spot for full time quilters. Day quilts pay the full amount.

Total amount due on or before December 16th 2025

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| Double room | \$340 |
| Single room | \$470 |

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| Day Quilters: | includes lunch (pay full amount at sign-up) | \$26 Per Day |
| | Or for 4 days Monday—Thursday | \$70 |

Non GQG Members: add \$30

The retreat address is:

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

- Make check out to: Gwinnett Quilters' Guild
- All money *must* be paid by December 16, 2025.
- The first \$50 is non-refundable but may be transferred to another person.
- All cancellations must be in writing (by USPS or e-mail or in person).
- No cancellations can be taken after January 9, 2026.
- Registration may be transferred to a new person, we will 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 break during the September guild meeting on September 16, 2025.

The retreat will be opened to non-guild members after the October guild meeting on October 21, 2025 at 12:00 pm.

Questions? Contact Karen Bensman 770-827-9985 karbens730@yahoo.com

Nancy Stowe 770-605-8373 nancyhstowe@gmail.com

Gwinnett Quilters' Guild Winter Retreat

January 26—30, 2026

Please print out this registration form, complete and return with your \$50 deposit or the entire amount due. Deposits are not available for day quilters.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone _____ Home/Cell _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact/s Name _____
Phone Number/s _____

Are you a Gwinnett Quilters' Guild member? Y/N
There is an additional \$30 fee for non-guild members

Single Room \$470 _____
Double Room \$340 _____ Roommate's Name _____
Email and/or Phone Number _____

Day Quilter Tue _____ Wed _____ Thu _____ \$26 per day Mon-Thu _____ \$70

Amount Paid _____ Total Amount Due _____

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 _____

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

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