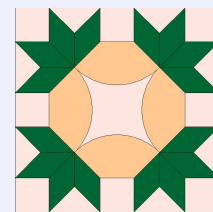


Gwinnett Quilters' Gazette

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FELLOWSHIP 9:30 MEETING 10:00 August 18th

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



August 2026



August's Happenings



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Dear Gwinnett Quilters' Guild,

Thank you to our Board of Directors and the many volunteers who give so generously of their time and talents. Your willingness to serve makes everything we do possible.

When I look back on this past year, I don't just see tasks; I see the heartbeat of our guild. I see the joy during our workshops and the *unforgettable escape organized by our retreat managers*. Who could forget the fun of *Make and Take It* or the learning and laughter thriving in our Bee Groups. I feel the deep warmth of our service efforts as quilts like Just For You and QOV, placemats, and comforting cancer pillows find their way to those in need.



I am especially grateful for the magic that happens at every meeting that includes the welcoming smiles at the membership table to include our Friendship and Hospitality volunteers. There's the buzz of Show and Tell, and the anticipation around our birthday drawings. Behind the scenes, dedicated hands manage our library, produce our newsletter, maintain our website, photograph our history, take our minutes and keep our finances and governance sound with the guidance of our treasurer, parliamentarian, and board.

Many of you wear more than one hat, stepping in wherever help is needed. Please know that your dedication enriches every member's experience.

Together, we've grown. Thank you for the memories and for allowing me to serve as your president for another year. I look forward to seeing where our creativity takes us next—and don't forget that our **October States Mystery Quilt Challenge** is due in October, so keep quilting!

I hope to see you at the Guild Meeting this month, August 18th at 9:30 (1st floor) in our normal meeting room. Let's celebrate with each other with a traditional Ice Cream Social. Don't forget your toppings!

Sincerely,
C. Kim Beasley
Guild President

There will be no library or
show & Tell this month.



CANNON CAUSE

August

Personal care toiletries items — tooth paste, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes etc.



September

Dry Food.... like pasta, baking mix, cereal, rice, oatmeal and grits etc.



Just For You

I am still missing about 10 quilts that were taken to be washed back in May. If you are in possession of any of these, please get them to me as soon. As possible. I can come get them, I can meet you somewhere, or you can bring them to the next guild meeting. If you have any additional completed Just For You quilts, I am still accepting them and i will wash them.

Jackie Campbell



Sheila Deane

PROGRAM for August:

August 18, 2026 Installation of Officers “Ice-cream Social”

Bring your favorite ice cream toppings and Beverage to share at the meeting.



PROGRAM for September:

September 15, 2026 – Trunk Show/lecture “Art Doll Making” by Barbara (Bobbie) Kee.

Bobbie has been a Guild member since 2020.

At the age of 7 she learned how to sew on a hand cranked Singer sewing machine that she still owns. She started making quilts when she moved to Ohio and made many quilts for her and her children. In 2003 she made her first Art Doll when she moved to Las Vegas. Two of her dolls have been featured in Art Dolls Quarterly Magazine.

Bobbie was born in Hawaii and has lived in 7 different states including Japan and the Philippines.

Bobbie has 4 children, 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. Moved to Georgia in 2020 to be close to her sons.

Immediately following the September guild meeting stay and help make breast cancer pillows

September 15, 2026 following the guild meeting please join the Hospitality Committee upstairs at Cannon UMC in the youth room for a sewing event. We will spend the afternoon cutting, sewing and stuffing breast cancer pillows as we talk and laugh with each other. Bring with you a sack lunch, hand sewing items (scissors, needle, thread, & thimble) a sewing machine (will need about 8 in total). The Last time we met and created Breast Cancer pillows as a group, several members brought them already sewn (just lacking the stuffing and sewing the opening close by hand) otherwise we will cut out the pieces from donated fabric received by the Just For You committee. Should you have poly fill at home and would like to bring it to help stuff, that would be fantastic.





HollyAnne Knight

Founder of String & Story and their mission to guide you to quilt and stitch with confidence! We have a diverse community of Rockstars where you can make friends and finish your own quilts.

Visit their brick-and-mortar shop
"String & Story On Main"

3150 Main Street #101

Duluth, GA 30096

678-243-5281

Shop Hours: Thursdays and Fridays
12-4PM and Saturdays 12-3 PM

**Intro to Free Motion Quilting with
HollyAnne Knight of String & Story**

August 19, 2026 from 10-1PM

Cost: \$30 Non-member price \$40

(Paid to Workshops when signing up)

Description

Free motion quilting is a beautiful and fun way to quilt your own projects. Join HollyAnne Knight of String & Story to learn the foundational skills of successful free motion quilting. During this 3-hour class, you'll learn how to set up your machine for FMQ, adjust your machine tension, understand how to create an ergonomic set up, then learn and practice your first four free motion quilting motifs. By the end of our time together, you'll feel inspired and equipped to quilt your own projects on your home sewing machine.

Use QR Code to sign
up for workshop on-
line



Supply List

- Sewing machine
- Thread (50wt cotton recommended)
- Fresh sewing machine needle
- FMQ foot or ruler foot
- Quilting gloves (recommended)
- 3-4 fat quarter sized practice sandwiches
- Pen & paper

OPTIONAL Kit: \$35

(Paid to HollyAnne on day of workshop)

- 4 sawtooth star placemats with backing & batting
- 1 FQ size practice sandwich

PROGRAM for October:

October 20, 2026- lecture /Trunk show by Susan Edmonson
“My Quilts Do Not Fit Beds”

“Challenge Quilt Due” all challenge quilts must be turn in at the October meeting to Linda Brimanson.

Every quilt must have a label with the quilters full name. This can be a paper label or using a marker to write the quilter’s name on the back.

October 20, 2026 will be the guild's Annual New Member Luncheon

Invitation will be emailed to new members with Sign Up Genius, so keep a look out in your email. Please RSVP by October 8, 2026. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Pat Brown



Gwinnett Quilt of Valor Quilters



Our next Sew Day, will be Thursday, August 20th.

Bring your project to work on. I don't have any info on hand work, but there usually is some, if you don't bring your machine. Bring a lunch or there is fast food nearby.

Everyone is welcome to join us

Questions? Call Betsy 770-841-3572



Exotic Doodle Blooms Hibiscus Flower by Susan Edmonson

About Susan:

Fiber arts are my passion. I majored in art at Queens University in Charlotte, NC, and have not slowed down since. I have been a quilt designer, hosted art retreats, traveled to shops all over the country to teach, and am a Bernina Ambassador. I love sharing this passion I have for quilting, stitching and creating with everyone.

Student Supply List:

KIT PRICE: ONLY Pattern \$18 or Full Kit \$40 (includes pattern and use of crayons, textile medium and brushes during class).

- Pearl Cotton Embroidery Threads (#12, #8, #5, #3) Hand-dyed Threads will be available to purchase during class from instructor (Threads are not included in the kit)
- Embroidery Scissors & Pins
- Chenille Needles #24, #22, #18 & Milinner #1 (These will be available to purchase in class)
- Small pieces of Lace, Trims, ribbons and old Buttons (available to purchase during class)
- Sue Spargo's Creative Stitch Book (available for pre-order from instructor or some will be available to purchase during class)
- 10" Pieces for collage and extra backgrounds (not needed for class)
- Small Ott Light (optional)
- Caran D'Ache Neo Color II Wax Pastels or Intense Pencils (if you want your own set, some will be available to purchase in class)
- Small Short stiff scrubber type brushes (if you want your own)
- Other Hand-Dyed Fabrics, Laces and trims will be available for purchase during class.

WORKSHOP: Wednesday October 21, 2026 from 9AM - 3PM (Doors open 8:30AM)

Price for Members: \$45 and \$55 for non-members. Max 24

Gwinnett Quilters Guild

August Birthdays

Happy Birthday Music

Happy Birthday! Hope the music in your birthday card adds a joyful note to your special day and bring a smile to your heart. Keep quilting.



If you have concerns or celebrations like milestones, retirements, graduations, etc, Let the friendship committee know so a card can be sent.

Friendship Committee

Lucy Aikerson

August's Birthdays

Brenda	Asbury
Beth	Aubuchon
Jean	Coto
Bobbi	Cox
Debbie	Darlington
Liz	Duenās
Luana	Enloe
Ann	Hayes
Jerita	Hunt
Sheryll	Jamison

Margie	Kersey
Carol	Kreson
Joan	Meyberg
Nancie	Paucke
Betsy	Podriznik
Bobbie	Reed
Robin	Richards
Nancy	Stowe
Freddie	Williams

Gwinnett Quilters Guild

Guild Meeting July 21, 2026

President Kim Beasley - The Meeting was called to order at 10:00. Everyone was asked to silence their phones. Kim asked the membership if they remembered the article she wrote in the Newsletter. No one remembered. It was about Christmas in July! Kim talked about looking forward to making quilting projects by Christmas.

Some good news: the package of paperwork that was misplaced has been found.

Several committees need help: Library Chair Janice Hamel needs people to serve on the library committee. Technology Chair Paula Hess needs people to serve on the Technology committee. Auction Chair Joan Fisher needs people to serve on the Auction committee happening in April.

Rita Kennedy had an announcement about the Atlanta Chapter Sewing Guild she is a part of. There will be a Sale on fabric for \$3 yard, machines, notions, beads, Yarn, etc. It will be at the Atlanta Realter Center Saturday, August 15 from 10:00- 2:00.

Linda Brimanson needs people to sign up to serve on the Holiday Luncheon committee.

Kim invited the three new Chair women, Ros Russell, Janice Hamel, and Alice Schunemann, to the Board meeting in August to transition with the leaving Chair after that meeting.

Friendship Chair Lucy Aikerson - Susan Gordon reported for Lucy. Birthday cards were sent to July Birthdays. Get Well cards were sent to Jerita Hunt who is recovering from surgery, Robin Richards who is stable and awaiting surgery next month, and Gail Huffington who has received a recent cancer diagnosis. Alice Schuenmann reported her husband is in poor health with a possible blood cancer diagnosis, Pat Brown's mother-in-law passed away recently. In good news, Diane DeGaetano is celebrating her 40th wedding anniversary, Katy Dlugosz is seeing her grandson after 10 years, and Kim Beasley is celebrating her 38th anniversary.

Membership Chair Cheri Gilleland - No new members to introduce today. Dues for the 2026-27 term are being collected now through September. Members can pay through an app named Zeffy or by cash/check.

Hospitality Chair Pat Brown - Mary Ann Kitchens reported for Pat. Mary Ann introduced the two visitors at the meeting.

Minutes - Kim announced the minutes were published in the Newsletter. Any Corrections? None The Minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter.

Budget Report - Kim announced the budget report was published in the Newsletter. Any questions or corrections? None
The Budget Report is approved as published in the Newsletter.

Vice President Karen Byers - Cannon Cause for July was school supplies. August will be personal care items. September will be dried foods. Breast Cancer pillows will be due in October. Placemats and mug rugs will be due in November.

Just For You Chair Jackie Campbell - Jackie asked that if anyone took home quilts to wash and have not returned them, please get them to Jackie. Next year there will be a system for checking out the quilts to wash.

There was a drawing for two free longarm quilting on a J4U quilt. Carol Kreson won both!

Jackie will take any J4U quilts that have been completed.

The Lunch Bunch will be led by Cathy Rasque today.

Just For You Bee will meet July 31 at Grayson Methodist Church 10:00 - 2:00.

The labels ordered from Spoonflower have arrived. However, 1/3 of the fabric was not usable. Jackie will settle with the company.

Program Chair Linda Brimanson - The August program will be an ice cream social and Installation of Officers and Chair people. There is a sign-up sheet for those who can bring toppings and/or drinks.

There will be a workshop August 19 on Machine Quilting. Holly Anne Knight from String & Story will lead the workshop. This beginning workshop on machine quilting is especially for those people who want to quilt your own J4U quilts. Holly Anne will help you learn to use your machine to quilt. Linda recommended using a longer stitch when machine quilting.

The September program will feature our own Bobbye Kee. She will be doing a demo on making dolls. After the Guild meeting, Pat Brown will host an Inhouse Breast Cancer Pillow workshop. Pillows will be cut and stuffed.

October, all Challenge Quilts are due. The Theme is "Your Favorite State." In November, the Challenge Quilts will be displayed and judged. There will be a first, second, and third place along with Viewers Choice Best of Show.

Linda introduced today's speaker, Frances Arnold who will be presenting "Size Matters in Quilts."

Following the program, members had a 10-minute break.

Margie Kersey made an announcement. She will be absent for 2-3 months. Acting as Treasurer in her place will be Ginny Manning.

Library Chair Janice Hamel - There will not be a Library in August. The committee will take donated books. Some will be placed in the library; others will appear on the donation table. Janice reminded members to return books on time. She also asked to keep Robin in your prayers.

Linda Brimanson reminded members to sign up for bringing items to the Ice Cream Social.

Show & Tell Chair Carol Kreson- members of the Art Quilt Bee showed their Tree Challenge quilts.

Birthday Table Chair Sandy Griffin -

Kim announced the August 18 Guild meeting and hope everyone can come. Please help to put tables and chairs away. The meeting adjourned at 12:08.

Respectfully Submitted, Jamie Jones, Secretary



**TIME
TO
RENEW!**

We had a great turnout for renewals in July and hope for the same in August. Thank you!

All renewing members are required to complete the updated membership form to enable us to keep accurate information in the Guild files.

How do I renew?

- 1) Print and complete the membership form (from the newsletter or website) and bring it with your check (\$40) or cash to the regular Guild meeting.
- 2) Print and complete the form and send a check to the following address:
Gwinnett Quilters' Guild 740 Hambrick Dr Lilburn, GA 30047
- 3) Print and complete the form and pay, using the **Zeffy** UPC code on the bottom of the renewal form, to pay in advance from home or while you are at the Guild meeting. **No cash or check required!**

After paying with Zeffy, be sure to bring (or mail) your completed form to the meeting. Your renewal is not complete until we receive your completed form.

Not sure how to use the **Zeffy** code? Look back at the July Newsletter for easy directions.

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

Gwinnett Quilters' Guild

____ New
 ____ Renewal
 ____ Rejoin

Membership Form Sept 1, 2026 – Aug 31, 2027

*All guild members must complete a renewal form each year.
 All information provided is for guild use only.*

***** Guild members assume personal responsibility while attending Guild activities *****

Name: _____ Birthdate: mo/day _____
 Address: _____ Birthplace: city/state _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone - Home: (____) - _____ - _____ Cell: (____) - _____ - _____ (For directory use only)
 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, or pay online with Zeffy and bring this form to the guild general meeting

OR mail this form with your check (or after payment with Zeffy) to:

Gwinnett Quilters' Guild Membership 740 Hambrick Drive Lilburn, GA 30047

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

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)

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 Committee	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
Friendship Committee	Show 'N Tell		

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

Treasurer's Records Sept 2026 – Aug 2027 Gwinnett Quilters' Guild

Name: _____
 Phone: _____

Zeffy QR code

