



# Cherokee Rose Quilters Guild

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## From the President

Hello Quilters,

I hope everyone is surviving all this pollen. Yuck!! The older I get the more it affects me. So, no wind blowing in my hair while I drive, LOL. But at least we can still sew and learn new things.

The March day class was fun and I made a very nice wreath. I did find 2-1/2" ribbon at Sam's for \$6.97 - 50 yards wire-edged. They have a limited amount of prints and colors in this size. But I needed something to go with Princess ribbon and they did have that. So if you've been bitten by wreath bug you might want to visit Sam's. I was not able to attend the night meeting Understanding Rulers. But I am sure Rachel did a great job and everyone left with new ways to use their rulers.

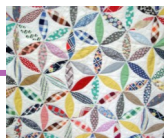
The name of the April day class sounds like fun, The Whimsey Tote. I may not be there but beautiful and fun totes will be produced by all who choose to participate. And the night meeting will be Patchwork of the Crosses with Muriel Pfaff. Let's all participate and have fun.

The Hydrangea festival is right around the corner. The theme this year is America the Beautiful! So get those quilts ready! See the Hydrangea Festival article for details.

And remember we are all volunteers. When we interact with each other please do so with respect for your fellow quilter and volunteer. All of us have the same goal, for this guild to be successful!

Thank you!

Tina Corbitt, President



## Ad Hoc Committees

### Bee Keeper

Annie Kellum

### Challenge Quilt

Linda Jones

Albertha Brown

### Christmas Party

TBA

### Community Service

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Albertha Brown

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### Photographer

Charlie Phaneuf

### Saturday Stitch-In

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## Membership

### Total Paid Members: 66

Day Meeting 3/10/16—Members Present: 21 Visitors: 0

Night Meeting 3/24/16—Members Present: 25, Visitors: 1

*Just a reminder, please wear your name badge to the meetings.  
If you don't have it on, put your quarter in the tin  
and make a stick-on name badge.*



## April Birthdays

Dori Holt	04/03
Robin Meyer	04/08
Phyllis Carpenter	04/10
Emma Parker	04/12
Carlene Ross	04/16
Vickie Hecht	04/19

## Bee News

The Bee will be at Annie Kellum's house on April 21st at 9:30am.  
Everyone is welcome.

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Douglasville, GA 30135

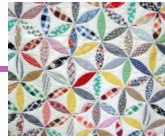
RSVPs welcome:  
anniekell@yahoo.com  
or 770 851-1096

## April Newsletter Deadline

### May 1st.

Please send your information to Robin Meyer at robinmeyerga@yahoo.com.

Word documents preferred—but anything is okay!



## Hydrangea Festival

June 4 - 5, 2016 (Sat and Sun)

Our Quilt Exhibit theme will be "America the Beautiful" (think - all quilt patchwork is Americana, landscapes, flowers, states, eagles, etc.) We would like to display at least one quilt from each of our members. Submit your favorite quilt and a second choice, too. You will need to fill out a form for each quilt. We will be sending the form out by email soon.

We hope to hang as many of the second-choices as possible. Please mark on the form if the quilt is your first choice or your second choice. Each quilt should be in a pillowcase with 3 copies of the form attached.

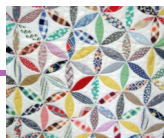
We will be accepting quilts at:

- April night meeting
  - May day meeting
  - An additional day and time that quilts can be dropped off at Rita Perez' home.
- Friday, June 3rd, We will need as many to help with the set-up as possible.
- On June 4th and 5th (from 9am-5pm), we will have the opportunity to greet our guests. (We will have a sign-up schedule)

This year, we have the delight of having "Quilts of Valor" (the official organization) joining in on the Quilt Exhibit. The Hydrangea Festival committee asked them to join in since the theme is "America the Beautiful." They will have a section to display their quilts and information.

If you would like to volunteer to be involved in the preparations for the Exhibit please, call or e-mail me.

Thank you,  
Doreen Thornton  
Doreen\_gene@bellsouth.net  
770 439-8216



## Program News

The April 14<sup>th</sup> day meeting program is a **Whimsy Tote bag class** taught by Carol Bowman. The pre-cutting directions are included in the instructions. The bag features 6 outside organizational pockets so the bag can also be used to tote quilt supplies. We have included both the instructions and a photo on the website. The instructions begin on the next page. Check out the photo, what a cute bag you will be making in our class! Plan to stay and sew until around 3PM.

The April 28<sup>th</sup> night meeting is a program presented by Murial Pfaff. She will be presenting the Lucy Boston “**Patchwork of the Crosses**”. This is a hand paper piecing technique that has been gaining in popularity in the past couple of years. She will discuss the history behind the patchwork and how to play with different fabric choices to get totally different results with your blocks. She plans to bring a few supplies if you are interested in purchasing the materials to start your own “Patchwork of the Crosses”.

## Challenge Quilt—“I Love the Holidays!”

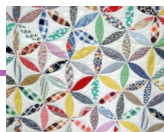
Our members have voted and chose the theme of “I Love the Holidays!” You may choose which holiday you wish to celebrate with your quilt challenge.

We will have 2 categories, **art quilting** and **traditional quilting**. You can participate in either category, your choice.

Anything quilted is okay, such as tote bags, table runners, wall hangings, or quilts. The only size restriction is that the perimeter is 240 inches or less.

We are encouraging all members to participate and enjoy this year’s challenge!

Linda Jones and Albertha Brown



## The Whimsey Tote

The Whimsey Tote is an all-purpose bag with six outside pockets.  
Finished size is approximately 17" W x 11" H

### Material Supplies needed:

Bag cover (outside)	5/8 yard
Bag lining & pocket lining	1 yard
Pockets & Handles	2 coordinating fat quarters or approximately ½ yd fabric
Fleece	5/8 yard (nothing too thick, just want to add a little support)

### Cutting Directions:

Supplies	Amount	Size
Bag cover *	Cut one	29" x 18 1/2" (Note: 18 1/2" is the width looking at the tote!)
Bag lining	Cut one	29" x 18 1/2"
Plain pockets *	Cut three	6 1/2" x 19" (Note: 6 1/2" is width looking at the tote! These will be sewn together.)
(Or: For a scrappy pocket)	Cut 18	1 1/2" x 20"
Pocket lining	Cut one	18 1/2" x 19"
Handles	Cut two	4 1/2" x 22"
Fleece for bag	Cut one	29" x 18 1/2"
Fleece for handles	Cut two	1 3/4" x 22"

**\* Note:** For directional fabric or border prints, you will need to make adjustments, as follows:

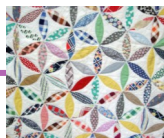
For Bag cover: cut two pieces 14 3/4" x 18 1/2" then stitch together at bottom using a 1/4" seam.

For pockets: cut three pieces 6 1/2" x 19 1/2" These will be stitched together as we go through construction, cut in half, rotating as needed, and sewn back together.

**Please cut and label all pieces before coming to class.** If you are using fusible fleece, go ahead and attach it to the bag piece.

Using a walking foot on your machine will make this project a lot easier. It can be a little bulky to sew at times.





## Whimsey Tote (cont.)

### The Whimsey Tote Assembly

**Note:** We are using a 1/4" seam allowance most of the time!

#### Step 1 Pockets

For plain pockets: Sew panels together along the 19" sides. Press seams. Panel should measure 19" x 18 1/2".

For scrappy pockets: Sew the strips (long sides together) to form the pocket panel. Panel should measure 18 1/2" wide x 20". Even the edges to 19".

#### Step 2 Pocket lining

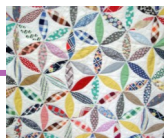
Put pocket panel and pocket lining together with right sides facing each other.  
Stitch across the 18 1/2" edges.  
Turn and press the seams, then topstitch each.  
Find the center of the 19" length and mark with a pin.

#### Step 3 Appliques

If you are doing appliques, now is the time to put them on the pocket piece. Be careful to place them right side up with top towards the top stitching!

#### Step 4 Handles

Fold and press under the 1/4" seam allowance on each of the long edges for both handle pieces.  
Then fold each handle in half matching the folded seam allowance you just pressed, and press again.  
Insert the handle fleece pieces.  
Topstitch both long edges of the handles. You can add additional stitching if you like at this time!



## Whimsey Tote (cont.)

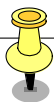
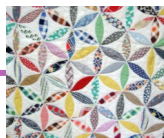
### Step 5 Tote Assembly

1. Find the center of the 29" length sides of the cover fabric and mark this point on both long edges.
2. If you haven't already attached the fleece to the cover fabric, do it now.
3. Make a layer and pin it together:  
Fleece (if not fusible)  
Cover fabric piece (right side up)  
Pocket panel (right side up) matching center pins
4. Pin the handles along the 18 1/2" edges of the panel. You can align them with the center panel in the pocket piece being sure there is 6" between the handle ends.
5. Place bag lining piece, wrong side up, on top of bag lining up all four sides. Pin the edges.
6. Sew around all four edges leaving an 8" opening at the center of one long side.
7. Trim corners.
8. Reach in the opening and turn bag right side out. Be sure pocket is visible with right side out.
9. Press all seams. Close 8" opening.
10. Topstitch across both tops to reinforce handles.
11. To create pocket separations, measure down 7" from top of each pocket and mark. Stitch across the pocket on each line. This will secure the bottom of each pocket. Then stitch down each of the two pocket panel seams to create the separate sections. (You might want to double stitch at beginning and ending to secure top of each pocket separation.) You should now have six pockets.

### Step 6 Side Seams

Fold bag in half with pockets facing each other. Be sure top edges are lined up and pin side seams. **Using a 1/2" seam**, stitch both sides from top to bottom. To make bottom corners, match side seam to the center of the bag bottom. Pin bottom to side. Stitch across (using the stitch line we used for the bottom of the pockets as a guide). Do this for both sides. Turn bag right side out and sew side seam allowance down flat at top of the bag.

Congratulations, you are done. Enjoy your new whimsy tote bag!!!



## **Treasurer's Report—March, 2016**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$8,257.44</b>
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### **Deposits:**

Membership	\$195
Stitch-In	\$10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$205.00</b>

### **Disbursements:**

none

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>
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<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$8,462.44</b>
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Submitted by Loretta Ford, Treasurer

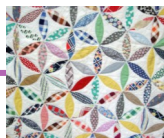
## **Ways and Means**

We have a number of items to be sold on our ways and means shop. We have several fabric bundles of coordinating fabric, a fabric calculator, several bundles of fat quarters and the most important opportunity to have a quilt quilted by Albertha Brown. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 6, except the Quilting by Albertha is \$3 . each.

What a Bargain!!!! Check it out when you are at the meeting.

Thank you, Patti Howell





## Community Service

Remember the birthing center at Wellstar Douglas Community Hospital. Our commitment is 3 to 4 quilts per month. The quilts should be a minimum of 36" x 40". Each quilt should be washed so the babies are not exposed to new fabric chemicals. If you are unable to wash your contribution, please let us know.

On March 12, I delivered 4 quilts to the Wellstar Hospital birthing center and met Jamila, the ward clerk. She said that the parents really appreciate the quilts made for their babies.

Thank you for your generosity, Emma and Albertha

## Saturday Stitch-In May 14, 2016

The next Saturday Stitch-In is set for May 14th from 9am to 9pm. Come and bring your projects and spend a fun day sewing, learning and enjoying guild friendships.

## Bring a Friend!

Invite someone to come with you to the next Cherokee Rose Guild Meeting. We always welcome visitors and new members!

## Sunshine

Get well wishes and cards sent to:

Paula Miller...had knee surgery and needs prayers for a speedy recovery.

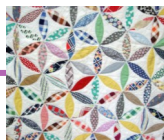
Regina McKittrick...her husband in need of prayers for a serious illness.

Loretta Ford...had shoulder surgery and on the road to recovery now.

Rita Perez...her niece has cancer and also needs prayers for a miracle.

Jill Stroer...daughter has breast cancer and is having surgery on March 24, needs prayers too.

Sunshine Committee Chairperson  
Irene Gardner



## **Cherokee Rose Quilters Guild Minutes**

### **Night Meeting, March 24, 2016**

Libby Armstrong opened the meeting. The minutes were approved as written. The Treasurer's report says we have \$8,257.44.

Historian and Photographer Charlie Phaneuf said he is working on the pictures from the last two meetings.

Broach Winsley reported that there are some free books on the table.

The deadline for the next newsletter is March 31.

Programs:

Tonight Rachel Phaneuf is giving a program on how to use your rulers – those 45 and 60 degree lines.

May day meeting will be a Carol Bowman Bag Class and run until 3:00 pm. Direction and pattern are on the website and will be in the newsletter.

May night meeting program will be given by Muriel Phaff on Lucy Boston patchwork of the cross. It will be hand piecing.

No report from Publicity.

Sunshine: Queen's bursitis is better. Loretta Ford is recuperating from surgery and will be out of work for 3 weeks. Dori Holt is resting from surgery. Regina's husband had his first chemo treatment today. Jill Storer's daughter, Wendy, had a lumpectomy and the lymph nodes were not affected.

Membership: 25 members present including Carrie Anderson who is rejoining.

Ways and Means: Patti will draw for 2 raffle items today and has two new items.

Bee: will be at Diane Johnson's April 21st. Lunch will be served.

Challenge: I love holidays. 240" perimeter maximum.

Christmas party: We still have no chair person.

Community Service: Still making baby quilts for Wellstar.

Hydrangea Festival in June. Let Doreen know if you can help.

No report: Georgia Quilt Council, golden scissors.

Saturday Stitch in will be May 14 at Douglasville First United Methodist Church across from Wellstar Hospital in Douglasville where we met last time.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Broach Winsley