



PRESIDENT'S DESK

If you were at one of the February meetings, you saw an unfinished quilt top that a local church donated to our Guild for fundraising. Thursday evening, I had the opportunity to hold it up during Show and Tell. It's heavier than many of the quilt tops I've held over the years, and it's hand sewn. If you're interested, the silent auction is currently ongoing.

We've all seen unfinished tops before; perhaps at a garage sale, discovered when it was finally time to clean out that old family house, or a long-lost item at the bottom of Grandma's cedar chest. Whenever I see one, they always make me curious. What events transpired such that this quilt top, ready for batting, backing, and binding, was never completed? Some dreadful disease contracted by the quilter, death, or a terrible tragedy that befell the intended recipient? Perhaps if I understood unfinished quilt tops, I might become a bestselling author of horror novels.

Unfinished quilt tops are of course not inherently scary. I sought refuge from the chills of fever under one earlier this month when I was sick. That formerly unfinished quilt top was curated by one of my wife's aunts. Aunt Lois never quilted, but her daughter showed us her quilt collection, and 2 unfinished quilt tops, back in 2013. The second unfinished quilt top in the collection was returned to my wife's cousin after Broach and my wife finished it the following year.

That quilt was the only unfinished quilt that I have seen which was did not make me ponder possible titles for my next horror novel. It was made from 52 white blocks and 52 red blocks arranged in a checkerboard pattern 8 columns wide and 13 rows long. All but 2 of the blocks were hand embroidered with a name and a date. White blocks were embroidered in red and red blocks were embroidered in white. That quilt introduced me to 102 residents of Platteville, Wisconsin including Miss Nellie Stanton, born May 23, 1888; Jeanette Dowling, November 1895; Pearl Curtis, Aug. 14, 1896; and Alice Peacock, June 27, 1893.

Why was that quilt never finished when it was originally assembled? I'll never know. But I do know that the Platteville resident who must have had the most interesting stories to tell was Grandma McReynolds, October 11, 1822. She was 42 years old when President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated and her embroidery was more precise than that of any of her granddaughters (Florence, Carrie and Edna).

Until our next meeting,

Paul

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President – Paul Feist
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Night Secretary – Denise Adams
Treasurer – Vicki Hecht

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Programs – Irene Gardner
Publicity – ?
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Ways and Means – Irene Gardner
Jennie Hollis

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Bee Keeper – Jeanne Andersen
Challenge Quilt – Albertha Brown
Jill Stroer
Christmas Party – Annie Kellum
Community Service – Jill Stroer
Golden Scissors – Dawn Feist
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Photographer – Albertha Brown
Saturday Quilt Till You Wilt –
Ann Groves
R'Auction Caryl Knox
Webmaster – Joany Orsi

2023 MEETINGS LOCATION

St. Julian's Episcopal Church
5400 Stewart Mill Rd.
Douglasville

DAY MEETINGS:
2nd Thursday of month
Doors open at 9 am
Meeting begins at 9:30 am

NIGHT MEETING:
4th Thursday of month
NOTE NEW NIGHT MEETING TIMES:
Doors open at 6 pm
Meeting begins at 6:30 pm

Membership

February Day Meeting: 23 members
February Night Meeting: 18 members

Total Paid Members: 38

*Just a reminder, please wear your name badge to the meetings.
Forget your name badge? It'll cost you a quarter!*

2023 Membership dues - \$30
Membership form is on Group
Works & Website

March Birthdays

3/5 **Bev Mahle**
3/8 **Susan Fisher**
3/25 **Annie Kellum**



We have a few members needing our thoughts and prayers this month. Please shower them with cards, texts or emails to let them know they are being thought of.

Broach and Regina are both going through tough treatments. Let them know we have their backs and are pulling for them.

Emma's husband, Waylon has recently returned home from a hospital stay and is recovering at home. They are also battling home repairs caused by a septic leak. Emma certainly has her hands full.

Mary Graham is off taking care of her sister after surgery.

And COVID is still about.

If you know of someone needing Sunshine, please contact Mary Graham by text, email, or phone call. We need to support our members!

Bees

**3rd Thursday of month
At St. Julian's Episcopal Church
5400 Stewart Mill Rd**

**Douglasville
9:30 – 3
\$5 fee for room**

MARCH IS BATTERY MONTH

We've learned that every church where we've held meetings has an outreach program to provide clothing, food, services to the community. Batteries are always in demand. If you wish, bring some to the March meetings—AA, AAA, 9v, C. Socks are always appreciated.

SEWJOURNERS QUILT GUILD: UNCOMMON THREADS XVIII

Southwest Arts Center
915 New Hope Rd SW
South Fulton, GA 30331

Exhibit runs through March 17, 2023

March 9th Day Meeting Program

Jennie Hollis will demonstrate a fun and easy Summertime Table Runner/Square Table Topper. She'll provide a template for the project. It is suitable for a Fourth of July or summer picnic.

Supply List:

1yd. of background fabric
1 yd. of batting
1 yd. of backing fabric
6-12 fat eighths or scraps for the soda bottles
1/2 yd. of fusible
1 scrap for straw. I used striped fabric.

Fat Quarter Drawing

Participation is optional.
Please bring 100% Cotton Fabric only.
For every fat quarter you bring, you receive one ticket.
The color for the month is the same for both Day and Night meeting.
You can bring them to either meeting or to both.
Drawing will be held at the Night Meeting for that month.
Anything in the designated monthly color family works.
March Fat Quarter: "Green" (Lime, Olive, Forest, Jade, Chartreuse, Mint, etc.)

QUILT CHALLENGE 2023

“Making a STATE-ment”

This year’s challenge will be completed using the following rules:

First, you will choose your favorite state and then make a quilt or whatever representing that State.

You may use any of the following techniques of your choice to complete the challenge:

Traditional pieced, pieced applique, paper pieced, modern, art or even something not considered a quilt as long as it is from fabric.

Second, you will choose one main color from the color wheel using as many shades of that color as you like to begin your project. HOWEVER, you must introduce Black and White to your colors to complete the challenge.

Keep your quilt approximately no larger than 48” x 48” finished. Quits must be finished completely, i.e. quilted top, batting, backing and bound.

Quilts will be judged by all members, the makers anonymous when turned into the September night meeting.

This year we will have one category. There will be three prizes awarded, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Ribbon will be awarded as well.

THINK OUTSIDE OF THE QUILTING BOX. BE CREATIVE and above all, HAVE FUN WITH WHATEVER YOU CHOOSE TO DO!

Questions? Ask Albertha or Jill.

Gallon Bag Challenge

If you want to participate in the Gallon Bag Challenge, bring your bag to Jill by the March Night meeting.

Stuff a gallon bag with fabric, notions, etc. We will swap bags at the night meeting. You make something from the bag you get and at November night meeting the object you made goes back to the owner of the bag.

The object you make can be a wall hanging, pillow, table runner, tote bag - etc. - pretty much anything quilted. You do not have to use all the items in the bag and you can add to those items.

Be sure and put a label with maker's name and bag owner's name, date, etc

Community Service 2023

Our project for 2023 is the Douglasville Nursing & Rehab on Highway 5. There are 230 residents. When asked what they needed, the response was “everything!” Many receive few if any visitors, so they could really use brightness and cheer in their lives.

There will be FIVE ways to contribute your welcome quilting skills:

- 1) Wheelchair quilts, approximately 36” x 40”; big enough for a lap quilt that won’t get tangled in the wheels
- 2) Twin size quilts
- 3) Wheelchair bags
- 4) Walker bags
- 5) Bibs

I will be collecting items through November.

If you’d like to make a Fidget Quilt there is a wonderful, illustrated How To in the latest Nancy’s Notions newsletter:

<https://nancysnotions.com/fidget-quilts-for-dementia-patients/>

Charlie has prepared links to Rachel’s demonstrations of bibs and walker bags:

<https://youtu.be/a8P-N73Ezm0>

<https://youtu.be/MvKj-um-cMw>

Thank you to all who give of their time and talents for Community Service.

Jill Stroer

Jillyb39n@aol.com

QUILT TILL U WILT

SATURDAY, MARCH 25TH
ST. JULIAN’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
9 AM – 9 PM
BRING A DISH TO SHARE ~ \$10

2023 PROGRAMS

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| March 9 th Day Meeting | Summertime Table Runner with Jennie Hollis |
| March 23 rd Night Meeting | Lynn Reinhardt, Cotton Studio, Modern Quilts |
| April 13 th Day Meeting | Kathleen Hollingsworth, "My Quilting Journey" |
| April 27 th Night Meeting | Frances Arnold, "The Challenge of Challenges" |
| May 11 th Day Meeting | Chenille with Annie Kellum |
| May 25 th Night Meeting | Denise Russell, piecedbrain.com |
| June 8 th Day Meeting | Field Trip to Southeastern Quilt Museum, Carrolton |
| June 22 nd Night Meeting | |
| July 13 th Day Meeting | |
| July 27 th Night Meeting | Christmas in July |
| August 10 th Day Meeting | |
| August 24 th Night Meeting | Diana Quinn, Wool Embroidery |
| September 14 th Day Meeting | Brandy Wright, Hand Embroidery |
| September 28 th Night Meeting | Challenge Quilts Reveal |
| October 12 th Day Meeting | Diana Quinn, Wool Embroidery |
| October 26 th Night Meeting | R' Auction! |
| November 9 th Day Meeting | |
| November 16 th Night Meeting | Gallon Bag Challenge Reveal |
| December 7 th Night | Christmas Party |

Christmas Party

The 2023 Christmas party will be December 7th at Atlanta's Finest in Villa Rica. The cost will be \$25 each which include food, gratuity, and room charge. I can start collecting money anytime if you need to pay in installments

Annie Kellum
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DEADLINE FOR APRIL NEWSLETTER IS MARCH 26th
suekate@bellsouth.net



GOLDEN SCISSORS



Remember to record your name, quilt, details in the Golden Scissors book at meetings.

Jeanette Koval for Carpenters wheel and Linda Poindexter for Kayleigh's quilt.

A Golden Scissor Charm is awarded for a completed quilt with a minimum measurement of 220" around the perimeter of the quilt.

Golden Scissors Rules

- The quilt should be completed in the same year the award is given.
- The quilt must be completely finished, quilted and bound.
- There must be a quilt label sewn into or onto the quilt with at least the quilter's name and date.
- The quilter presenting the quilt must have pieced the top.
- Piecing can be done by hand or by machine.
- Block-of-the-month, friendship, and round robin quilts assembled by the owner qualify for Awards.
- Whole cloth quilts are acceptable: however, no cheater quilts.
- Quilting may be either by hand or machine.
- Professional machine quilting and tied quilts are acceptable
- After earning 5 Golden Safety Pin Awards, they may be exchanged for 1 Golden Scissor Award.
- Both a written record of the Award and a Photo will be kept permanently by the guild.

The record will include: the quilter's name, the name of the quilt and awards given

Cherokee Rose Quilters Guild February 9, 2023 Day Meeting Minutes

The meeting at St Julian's Episcopal Church was called to order by the Vice President, Bonnie McLain at 9:30

February birthdays were announced: Gail Scogin, Mary Graham, Jeanette Koval & Judy Jones.

There were no amendments or additions to the minutes as posted in the newsletter.

Treasurer: See info in newsletter. Bonnie stated that all forms & receipts shall be turned into the treasurer no later than "30" days after the event for which the expenses incurred per the bylaws.

Bonnie stated that "committee" means more than one person. We need volunteers to help others. If you are in charge of a committee and are not going to be at a meeting please have someone give your report for you. Irene needs help on the program committee.

Beekeeper The bee is to be held Thursday Feb 16th at St Julian's Episcopal Church from 9am to 3pm.

Cost is \$5.00. Bring your projects and come join the FUN!!! Bring your lunch & something to share if you would like.

Challenge Quilt: Making a "STATE" ment - See more info in the newsletter

Christmas Party: Tentatively set for Dec 7th at Atlanta's Finest. Cost is \$25 a person. If you have any suggestions please let Annie know and she will check into them.

Community Service: Wheelchair quilts & bags, walker bags, bibs, fidget quilts and twin size quilts to be donated to Douglas Nursing Home & Rehab located on Hwy. 5. To be turned in by Nov. 10th. See newsletter for more info.

Gallon Bag Challenge: Bring bags to Feb night meeting and turn in to Regina. The challenge projects will be presented at the November night meeting. Regina asked that everyone think "out of the bag", make a pillow, tote bag, table runner, etc. instead of a quilt.

Golden Scissors: Please sign log book so you can get appropriate charm.

Newsletter: All items need to be turned in to Susan Fisher by February 26th.

Programs: February night program will be "Clothesline Bowls" by Irene

R'Auction: Chairman not present. Bonnie announced for everyone to start saving items.

Way & Means: Tickets were purchased for some delightful items. Drawing was held for a fabric bundle and won by Jeanne Anderson. Congrats!!!

Membership: There was a total of 23 members & no visitors in attendance. We have 48 paid members.

Door prizes were won by Emily Poole, Queen Ester Smith, Annie Kellum, Denise Adams, Bonnie McLain and Irene Gardner CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Sunshine: Let Mary Graham know of anyone who needs a little sunshine. Mary sent birthday cards and pocket prayer quilts to those who had February birthdays.

Quilt-Till-You Wilt: March 25th at St Julian's Church Cost \$10 9am-9pm Bring whatever projects you would like to work on and food to share with everyone.

Photographer: Albertha stated she is taking pictures and posting to website.

Fat Quarter Drawing: We voted to do this each month. Denise Allee will be the chairman. Beginning the month of March if you want to participate bring a "GREEN" fat quarter(for every fat quarter you bring you get a ticket). We will have a drawing at every night meeting and SOMEONE will receive all the fat quarters. The color/design/etc will change every month. FUN FUN FUN

Discussed meeting at St Julian's for the year 2023 and voted yes unanimously.

Discussed to find a committee to look for new venue for the 2024 year but no one volunteered.

Discussed and voted on the budget YES-15 NO-1

Announcement was made that the QUILTCON presented by The Modern Quilt Guild will be at the Atlanta Convention Center February 23-26

Show & Tell

Today's program was a video for Adult Bibs & Walker Bags by Rachel & Charlie. As always Rachel & Charlie did an outstanding job. Everyone really enjoyed the program. There was food, gifts and lots of fun & laughter.

Respectfully submitted by,
Loretta Ford, Day Secretary

Cherokee Rose Quilt Guild Night Meeting February 23, 2023

The meeting at St. Julian's Episcopal Church was called to order at 6:30 pm by the President, Paul Feist.

Day meeting minutes were approved as written.

February birthdays were announced.

Treasurer: Vickie Hecht gave report. See more info in newsletter.

Beekeeper: Jeanne Anderson reported that the January Bee was held Thursday Feb 16th and was attended by 12 people. The next Bee will be held on March 16 from 9am to 3pm at St. Julian's Church. Cost is \$5.00. Bring projects to work on, lunch and something to share if you choose.

Challenge Quilt: Albertha and Jill reviewed the guidelines for this year's challenge: Making a Statement. See newsletter for more info.

Community Service: Jill reminded us of our plan for this year: Making wheelchair quilts & bags, walker bags, fidget quilts and twin-size quilts to be donated to Douglas Nursing Home & Rehab located on Hwy. 5. She has already received several donations. All donations are to be turned in by Nov 10th. See newsletter for more info.

Denise Adams shared a write up in the St. Julian's newsletter thanking the Guild for our donation of socks. In March, we will focus on donating AA and AAA batteries.

Christmas Party: Annie was not present tonight, so no updates at this time.

Gallon Bag Challenge: Jill spoke for Broach. She shared samples of bags for the challenge and reviewed the guidelines. Dawn Feist volunteered to be in charge of the challenge from this point forward. If you want to participate, bring bags to the March meetings and turn them in to Dawn. See newsletter for more info.

Golden Scissors: Please sign logbook so you can get appropriate charm.

Newsletter: All items need to be turned in to Susan Fisher by February 26th.

Programs: Irene has asked for help and ideas. Specifically, the plans for the March Day meeting have fallen through.

R'Auction: Jeanne spoke for Carol Knox and encouraged everyone to start saving items to donate. Fabric is to be 100% cotton. Patterns and sewing accessories are acceptable. Magazines are not.

Way & Means: Tickets were purchased. Jeanne Anderson won the drawing for a box of batik fabric!

Quilt Til You Wilt: March 25, 9am til 9 pm at St. Julian's. Cost is \$10.00. Bring a project and supplies to work with, as well as a dish to share for lunch (with possible leftovers for supper)!

Photography: Debbie was busy with her camera!

Sunshine: Bonnie spoke for Mary Graham. She updated us on the status of Broach and Regina who are battling cancer. Emma is dealing with her husband's illness and house repairs. Bonnie's aunt passed away on February 22 and Anne's mother-in-law is in hospice care. Please send cards or text to support each other in difficult times.

Membership: There were 18 members present. Albertha reminded everyone to wear our nametags or pay \$0.25. She also collected names of those who need a new nametag. Door prizes were won by Jennette, Gayl and Anne (QuiltCon tickets) and Jeanne, Heather and Bonnie (Valentine fabric).

Fat Quarter Drawing: Denise Allee let us know that the color for March is green. Be sure that you bring full fat quarters that are 100% cotton. Participation is optional. For every fat quarter that you contribute, you will write your name on the back of a ticket. During the meeting, the winning ticket holder will take home all of the fat quarters!

Old Business:

The proposed budget for 2023 was reviewed with brief discussion. Eight members voted to accept the budget, with no opposed. Combining total votes from the February day and night meetings, there were 23 in favor and 1 opposed. The budget was accepted.

Announcements:

The Brown Sugar Quilt Guild of Decatur has a booth at Quilt Con.

Linda shared her experience of attending Quilt Con as a volunteer, and brought maps to share.

Vicki shared a request from someone who would like a quilt made. She will share information if anyone is interested.

Show & Tell was held. It is always a joy to see the talent and work of our members!

Program: Irene brought examples and demonstrated how to make a rope basket.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Adams, Night Secretary

The Guild Newsletter is online only. You can access the newsletter through Group Works or the Cherokee Rose website. It is posted by the third of each month.

Date _____



Cherokee Rose Quilters Guild
2023 Membership Form {age 15 and up}

Please Print Clearly

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ GA Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Work Phone _____ (Is not printed in Directory)

E-mail _____ Birthday (Month) _____ (Day) _____

Check Your Preferences Below:

_____ Attend Day Meeting – 2 nd Thursday at 9:30am

_____ Attend Night Meeting – 4 th Thursday at 6:30pm

_____ Attend Both Meetings

_____ Email Reminder for Meetings

_____ Read Newsletter Online at Website or GroupWorks

Yearly Dues are \$30.00 *Make checks payable to: Cherokee Rose Quilters Guild*

Please bring your completed renewal form and payment to a meeting or

Mail to: Vicki Hecht 7228 Banks Mill Rd. Douglasville, Ga. 30135

_____ **Membership use only below this line**-----

Renewal Paid \$ _____ Cash ___ Check# _____ New Member Paid \$ _____ Cash ___ Check#

_____ Badge ___ Notify ___