



MARCH IS NATIONAL QUILTING MONTH!

PRESIDENT'S DESK

From nearly the first guild meeting I attended, I've volunteered to hold up quilts during show and tell, trunk shows, and for special speakers. While the quilter is talking, I'm behind the quilt looking at the quilting stitches. There is an interesting variety when you have time to look. A few are hand-quilted by very meticulous people. The stitches are small, even, and closely spaced; judges at the Georgia Celebrates Quilts event presented by the East Cobb Quilters' Guild would award high marks. Conversely, some hand stitching is done by people who apparently had a previous career working with hand grenades or nuclear weapons; their quilting stitches exemplify the "close is good enough" attitude.

Machine quilting on a long arm appears to come in 3 categories: fully manual, panto-graphs, and custom programmed, highly intricate computerized patterns complimenting the design on the front of the quilt. My favorite is the artistry of fully manual long arm quilting. And don't forget to pull the loose threads before the meeting. Quilt backs might have 1 or 2 loose threads, but occasionally I'll hold up a quilt with so many threads that I wonder if the quilter's cats sneezed off all their whiskers onto the back of the quilt as it was being folded for the meeting.

After looking at the quilting stitches, what else am I doing while holding up a quilt? I'm listening for the reaction of the meeting attendees as the quilt is unfurled. Since I am on the back side of the quilt and can't see it, your reactions help me imagine what the quilt top looks like. I have 2 categories for audible quilt member reactions. The first is a subdued reaction; a general murmur of oohs and aahs indicating appreciation for a finely crafted quilt. The second is an enthusiastic reaction; a loud, and sometimes prolonged, chorus of oohs and aahs indicating an exceptional quilt. This reaction is generally followed by a lot of questions, and I have more time to study the quilting stitches on the back while questions are answered by the quilter.

If you missed our February night meeting, the guest speaker, Aisha Lumumba, was well into the second category of member reactions. I was behind her quilts wondering if I might someday be present for a third reaction category: Applause and cheers.

Until our next meeting,
Paul

SPECIAL MARCH MEETING DATES

**MARCH 7
DAY MEETING
COMMUNITY SERVICE
WORKSHOP**

See inside for supplies & Info

**MARCH 21
NIGHT MEETING
KYLE OFFERMAN
JUST T-SHIRT QUILTS
MY STORY**

Officers

President – Paul Feist
Vice-Pres. – Bonnie McLain
Day Secretary Irene Gardner,
Jennie Hollis
Night Secretary – Vickie Hecht
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Historian – Charlie Phaneuf
Membership – Rachel Phaneuf
Marilee Kelley
Newsletter – Susan Fisher
Programs – Susan Fisher
Bonnie McLain
Publicity – ?
Sunshine – Emma Parker
Ways and Means – Dawn Feist
Broach Winsley

Ad Hoc Committees

Bee Keeper – Caryl Knox
Challenge Quilt – Heather Barron
Christmas Party – Linda Kelley
Community Service – Bev Mahle
Golden Scissors – Dawn Feist
Hospitality --
Photographer – Charles Phaneuf
Saturday Quilt Till You Wilt –
Ann Groves
Jill Stroer
Auction Broach Winsley
Webmaster – Joany Orsi

2024 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: 13 members,
February Night Meeting: 20 members. 4 visitors

Total Paid Members: 39

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

IT'S TIME TO RENEW!
2024 Membership dues - \$30
Membership form is in Newsletter,
Group Works & Website

March Birthdays

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



I will be chairing the Sunshine committee. If you know someone who needs Sunshine, please send information to my email, pemma53@yahoo.com, or message me at 770-371-9096.

Regina, Annie, Denise and others are in need of our support and prayers.

Our deepest sympathy to Loretta Ford on the passing of her mother.

Emma Parker
Sunshine

BEE
March 14, 2024
This month only
2nd Thursday of month
At St. Julian's Episcopal Church
5400 Stewart Mill Rd

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

MARCH IS SOCK MONTH

We've learned that every church where we've held meetings has an outreach program to provide clothing, food, services to the community. As the weather turns cooler, socks are a welcome donation, mens or womens, new or clean, gently used. If you wish, bring some to any meeting.

Fat Quarter Drawing

For March: Birds of a Feather Flock Together - (birds, feathers, eggs etc)

For each FAT Quarter that you bring you will receive one ticket to be placed into a container for a drawing at each night meeting. If you bring yardage you receive the equal amount of FAT quarters. Please bring only 100% cotton fabric that is suitable for quilting. Each month the winner will also receive something special relating to the Theme of the month. Have fun with this and think outside of the box. Good luck to all.

Community Service 2024

MARCH 7 DAY MEETING IS PILLOWCASE WORKSHOP

The Boys & Girls Club will be the recipient of our community service. We are doing pillowcases! Two coordinating fabrics, simple pattern, and about an hour of time is all it takes to contribute. You can do one or ten (or more) - I'm setting a goal of 200! If you want to help and need help in anyway, please let me know.

Don't forget- part of community service is also donating socks for the church to distribute. (Soon the item will be insect repellent.)

Bev Mahle
Jankyb1961@gmail.com
Text to 770-757-2473

MARCH 2024 PROGRAMS

March 7, Day	Annual Community Service Workshop Supplies for Pillowcases: You need 3/4 yard for body of the pillow and 9 inches for cuff. Should you want it all the same one yard would do it. Sewing Machine & usual tools and notions
March 21, Night	Kyle Offerman from Just T-Shirt Quilts, My Quilting Journey

Gallon Bag Challenge

If you want to participate in the Gallon Bag Challenge this year, you will need to prepare a gallon bag with various fabrics. You may also include things like buttons, zippers, bells, etc. When your bag is full, write your name on the bag and turn it in to Dawn Feist before the end of the March night meeting.

Your bag will be distributed to one of the challenge participants and you will receive a bag from a different participant in return.

The challenge is to make something for the person whose bag you receive using some or all of the contents of the bag. Your project may include additional fabrics or notions from your stash; you are not limited to the contents of the bag. You decide what you will make and present to that person at a night meeting later in the year. At that meeting, you will also receive a finished project from the person who had your gallon bag



GOLDEN SCISSORS



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

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

The deadline for the April newsletter is March 24th.

MARCH MEETING DATES HAVE CHANGED:

MARCH DAY MEETING: THURSDAY, MARCH 7

MARCH BEE: THURSDAY, MARCH 14

MARCH NIGHT MEETING: THURSDAY, MARCH 21

QUILT TILL YOU WILT TENTATIVE DATES

SATURDAY, March 2

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October 4

**Sewjourners Quilt Guild
Uncommon Threads Quilt Show
Celebrates 20 Years**

**Opening Reception
Saturday, February 3, 2024
2:00 pm – 5 pm**

Exhibit runs through March 9, 2024

**Southwest Arts Center
915 New Hope Rd SW
South Fulton GA 30231**

Note: Several CRQG members have quilts in this show!

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

If you won't be at a meeting, please have someone else give your report or email it to Bonnie (Day Meetings) or Paul (Night Meetings).

QUILT LABELS

Editor's Note: my resolution for 2024 is to encourage quilters to label their quilts! This month's "encouraging" words are again from Kristen Hubert, Edinburgh, Scotland:

Six Ways to Label Your Quilts

There are many different methods you can use to make your own labels, whether they are custom or simple labels.

Depending on what design elements you end up using, here are a few supplies you may need, I'll explain which materials go with which method below:

- Embroidery by hand
- Embroidery by sewing machine
- Pigma pen or other permanent fabric marker
- Inkjet printer
- Preprinted labels
- Twill tape

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2024 NOW

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.

FABRIC DONATION OFFER

Hello. I have two medium size boxes of scrap fabric and was wondering if anyone in your guild would be interested in the scraps. There is denim, cotton, flannel, and fleece in lots of colors and different patterns.

The fabric is at my house- near Mason Creek and Hwy 5

Thanks,
Mara Dohrmann
peachie4me@aol.com

NOTE: If you are interested, please contact Mara directly

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO MINUTES ARE MADE AT MEETINGS.

Jan. 11, 2024
Day Meeting minutes

Feb 8, 2024
Cherokee Rose Quilters Guild
Day Minutes

Birthdays: 2/7 Mary Graham
2/10 Marge Frost
2/19 Jeannette Koval

Sewing Bee on Fe. 15, 9-3 pm.

Beverly Mahle will accept pillowcases for the Boys & Girls Club. We need about 200. Sewing Bee will make casserole carriers or you can make a red felt needle keeper.

QTYW is on Thursday, March 2 , 9 am-9 pm. \$10, bring a dis to share.

Fat Quarters for February are Bee themed fabrics.

Sunshine: Jim Fisher is in radiation/chemo treatment for brain tumor.; Broach is doing well; Regina is now home and needs lots of therapy.; Denise Adams is home recovering from her brain tumor.; Loretta Ford's Mother passed away.

We had 20 members and no visitors at the meeting.

Night meeting will be Feb. 22, 6:30 pm.

March Day meeting is on March 7, 9:30 am Sewing Bee will be on March 14, 9 am-3 pm.

March night meeting is on Thursday, March 21, 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennie Hollis

**Cherokee Rose Quilt Guild
Feb. 22, 2024 Night Meeting
Minutes**

Meeting Called to order by President Paul Feist

Treasurers report: given by Jeannie Anderson, see treasurers report in March newsletter for details.

News Letter: Susan Fisher not present Deadline for articles Sunday 2/25/24.

Christmas Party Committee: Linda Kelley chairperson reports there will be a party. Details will be made available soon.

Sunshine: Emma Parker reported that she has been in contact with Susan and Jim Fisher, Regina, Anne, Denise and others who are in need of our support and prayers.

Programs: See Newsletter for the details on the March and April Programs.

FAT Quarter Drawing: The February theme was “Bees” Anne Groves was the winner of the drawing. The theme for March is “Birds of a Feather flock together”. Jeanette Koval will be making an Embroidered tote bag with a Flamingo on it. Jill has already claimed the BAG.

Bee Keeper: Caryl Knox not present - see the news letter.

Community Service: Bev Mahle not present, we were reminded that the project this year is making pillow cases for the Boys and Girls Club. Several pillow cases were donated tonight.

Gallon Bag Challenge: Dawn Feist reported that she had received another bag and that the bags would be exchanged at the March Night meeting.

Challenge Quilt: Heather Barrow explained that the challenge is based on the board game CLUE and in general how it will work. See Newsletter for full details.

Ways & Means: Broach had several items to be auctioned to the highest bidder. (Broach said that we made about \$120.00 at the night meeting).

Quilt Till You Wilt: Anne Groves - Sat. March 2 from 9AM-9PM or when the last person WILTS. The cost is \$10.00 per person to cover the cost of using the church fro the day. Bring a project to work on, a covered dish (hopefully filled with food) and if you would have a special beverage (coke, etc). Non-guild members are welcome to join us.

Membership: Rachel Phaneuf reported that there were 23 people in attendance with 4 visitors. Door prizes winners were: Albertha Brown, Anne Groves and Jeannette Koval.

Photographer: Charlie Phaneuf reported that pictures are up on the website and Group Works

Rauction: Broach Winsley will chaired will be looking for helpers. She asked if it was possible to change the event from October to September. Paul advised that the decision would be made by the Program Committee.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: None

Show and Tell: Rachel showed us a lovely quilt, several pillow cased and some tote bags that she and Charlie had made. (Some of us are getting off to a slow start)

RECESS: Check out Ways & Means table

Tonights program:“My Story, My Life” was presented by Alicia Lumumba. The quilts shown were very inspiring. After the program we were allowed to take a closer look and touch the quilts.

Date _____

Cherokee Rose Quilters Guild

2024 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: Jeanne Andersen, 5297 Kings Hwy, Douglasville, Ga. 30135

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

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

