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President's Message

By Sue Lawrence

Time flies – our biennial quilt show was one year ago, and we're one year away from our next show. Save the dates: Friday Feb. 28, Saturday March 1, and Sunday March 2.

Whether you're speedy like a rabbit or prefer a relaxed turtle's pace, make plans to enter one or more of the quilts you're working on. If you're crafty like a fox, start working on handmade items for the boutique. If you're a newbie like a spring chicken, ask a wise experienced owl for advice on piecing, binding, or any technique you're just learning. Take advantage of the community here to build your skills and make friends, too.

Best wishes for earthworms in your garden and sunshine on your patio – enjoy!



Collage Quilts Presented in February



February's speaker, Nancy Hutchison of Collage Quilts, was introduced by Sheila Shepherd. Ms. Hutchison has sewn since childhood when her mother taught her how to sew. Nancy enjoys Bonnie Hunter's quilt patterns (<https://quiltville.com/index.html>) saying she writes the best patterns for piecing quilts. Ms. Hutchison also utilizes Emily Taylor and Laura Heine's patterns to make her beautiful quilts and wall

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Ms. Hutchison’s trunk show included so many of her amazing works! Truly inspiring!



QOV Blocks

The Membership Committee thanks those that make a block for QOV. You can keep making blocks throughout the year and turn them in at the meetings.


Make a block or two from your stash or come to the fiber room and get red, white, blue or patriotic patterned fabric at no cost to you. Make your favorite block or make that block you always wanted to try! All blocks are appreciated. Remember 10 1/2 inch finished block.



Library



We have an extensive library up in the fiber room available for you to self check out books on quilting. Do you want to try out a new technique? Seek out a new quilting style? Look at all the inspiration in our library!



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In the Spotlight

New Members Welcomed

In February, we welcomed our new members and thanked them each for joining the Cotton Patch Quilters. Whether you joined to learn new skills, to enjoy the social aspects of meeting other quilters, or to get the opportunity to participate in a retreat, challenge or workshop, the guild is a great place to be. President Sue Lawrence welcomed our newest members at a gathering before our meeting in February. New faces and new energy to contribute to our guild. Current members should take a moment to introduce them selves and get to know the new members. Some new members are already participating in the Charity Bee!



New members:

Chris Arthur
Laurie Baggett
Barbara Bauer
Ann Bennett

Marnie Dodd
Sharon Wilson Fuller
Charlene Gaddis
Anne Green

Holly Hasenauer
Sherry Johnson
Mitzi Sparks
Sylvia Wilson



Cotton Patch Quilters Monthly Statement

1/2 Year 2023-2024		2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024
		BUDGET	January YTD Final	February YTD Preliminary
INCOME				
Community Service Income	\$ 1,200.00		233.00	233.00
Door Prizes	\$ 500.00		404.00	460.00
Fundraising	\$ 100.00		-	-
Member Education	\$ 500.00		90.00	90.00
Membership Dues	\$ 2,400.00		2,225.00	2,395.00
Retailer Rewards	\$ 100.00		28.54	45.20
Raffle Quilt Tickets	\$ 1,600.00		-	-
2023 Net Quilt Show Income	\$ -		-	-
Transfer from Money Market	\$ -		-	-
Total Income	\$ 6,400.00		2,980.54	3,223.20
EXPENSES				
Challenges	\$ 75.00		-	-
Community Service Expense	\$ 1,200.00		1,097.09	1,112.69
Raffle Quilt Expenses	\$ 500.00		-	-
Door Prizes	\$ 200.00		107.83	107.83
Internet & Historian	\$ 1,000.00		359.00	359.00
Library	\$ 350.00		-	-
Membership	\$ 350.00		5.00	102.43
Member Education	\$ 5,000.00		2,151.86	2,622.46
Newsletter	\$ -		-	-
President's Expenses	\$ 150.00		150.00	214.80
Social	\$ 200.00		45.23	45.23
Sunshine	\$ 25.00		-	-
Officers Exp/Mailbox	\$ 300.00		654.48	654.48
Transfer to Money Market	\$ -		-	-
Total Expenses	\$ 9,350.00		\$ 4,570.49	\$ 5,218.92
BALANCE	\$ (2,950.00)		(1,589.95)	(1,995.72)
OPERATING ACCOUNT				
Balance on hand of operating account/first day of period			\$ 6,151.58	\$ 4,561.63
Income			\$ 2,980.54	\$ 3,223.20
Withdrawals			\$ 4,570.49	\$ 5,218.92
Balance on hand of operating account /last day of period			\$ 4,561.63	\$ 2,565.91
Bank account balances/last day of month				
Checking			\$ 4,561.63	\$ 5,271.60
Money Market			\$ 20,738.49	\$ 20,739.37
Interest Income			\$ 6.11	\$ 6.99

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Door Prizes



Five tickets for \$2.00.
One chance for \$.50.
Or the special of 12 tickets for
only \$5.00.

Carol Ann Burns and Susan
Herda Cochairs door prize
committee.



Spring Challenge: “Mood of the City”

Focus: Modern Quilting

Object: Quilt will reflect the mood or character of the city

Size: Max. 24”/side

Due: June 11, 2024 Meeting – please come a few minutes early to check in

1. Choose: City of any size in the world
2. Choose the mood or character of the city: masculine or feminine; industrial, or pastoral, dark or bright; dynamic or historic. Weather or time of day may play a part.
3. Choose focus: Architectural structures, city scape, or slice of the city, cultural icon (i. e. Independence Hall)
4. Choose colors to reflect the mood/character of the city
5. Choose orientation: strong vertical, horizontal, triangular

Prizes:

1. Best representation of the theme: “Mood of the City”
2. Best technique/design
3. Best use of color

Card: List the city name and the mood that is reflected in your quilt. No name.

References:

Barton, Elizabeth. Inspired design. 2013.



Cityscape
T Aske



A particular building or icon
G Myatt



Slice of the City
E. Barton

Retreat



Our guild retreat is coming soon. April 29 to May 3. I have one double room (2 ladies) available. If you are interested in getting some quilts made or just socializing and relaxing for a few days, join us. We gather at FFA, Future Farmers of America in Covington, GA. The cost is \$245.00 per person, Monday afternoon to Friday noon. We enjoy Dinner on Monday then 3 meals each day and breakfast on Friday. FFA supplies a 5 foot table and chair for you. I bring iron boards, irons, and cutting mats for everyone to share. The bedrooms have 2 double beds, TV, a private bathroom, and individual ac/heat controls. We play a few games, and a gift swap. Patrick's gives us a gift certificate which one lady will win.

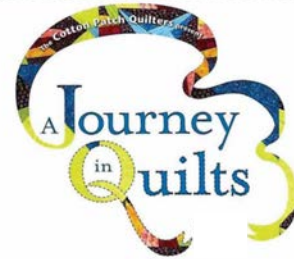
If you and a friend are interested, or have any questions, please call me. We'd love to have you.

Thanks

Joan Garland



2025 Quilt Show



We have a Core Committee! We are off to a great start! Joining me are Frances Arnold, Ruhanna Neal, Mai Whigham, Sheila Shepherd, Linda Murray, and Rosie Crockett. The President of the guild 2024-25 will join us, too. We still need someone to take on Graphics for printing out the quilt info cards; and someone to take on directing parking on Friday of the show. Let me know if you'll accept one of these challenges.

Feb 27: setup Feb 28-Mar2: show

Happily Serving

Chairman: Sharon Rockholt

Chairman Elect:

Core Committee: (3 or 4)

President 24-25:

Show Treasurer: Ruhanna Neal

Boutique: Betsy Vonk

Graphics:

Hanging: Sheila Shepherd

Floor Manager: Mary Grider and Scarlett

Dunne

Judging: Deb Henderson

Kitchen: Karen Holmgren and Sharon Sucher

Layout: Rosie Crockett

Photography: Anne Flippen

Properties (set up and take down) Frances Arnold

Publicity: Sue Lawrence, Scott Mason, and ?

Receiving: Mai Whigham

Ribbons: Susan Van Eck

Signs: Kyle Howington

Vendors: Linda Murray

Parking Director:

Award Ceremony:

Debi Chandler is computer guru for Receiving and Boutique

Cotton Patch Quilter Bees

Charity Bee: Every Wednesday 10:00 to Noon, Lyndon House Fiber room. Shop the stash to make a quilt top donation. Fabric scraps collected for dog beds, Orphan blocks and UFOs accepted. Sewing machines and supplies available for use. Charity Bee is extending its hours one day a month to sew all day.

Stitch and Bitch Bee: First Saturday of the month 10:00 to 3:00, Lyndon House Fiber Room. Bring a lunch and your project to work on. Friendship, expert advice and creativity

The Night Owl Sewing Bee is usually held on the first Monday of the month at Sue Lawrence's home from 6 to 8pm March only the meeting is on the 11th.



Barbra Bauer of Charity Bee sent this photo, it's made entirely from orphan blocks given to our member, Suzanne Reeves. She enjoys assembling disparate blocks into beautiful, creative, unique quilts, as this one depicts. She really has a talent for it. So if anyone has orphan blocks they would like to donate to the charity bee, they would be very welcome!

Sacred Threads Traveling Exhibit

JANUARY 2- MARCH 23, 2024

The Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum invites you to experience the Sacred Threads Exhibit, that will be on display from January 2 – March 23, 2024. Sacred Threads features 38 quilts all centered around the themes of Brotherhood, Grief, Healing, Inspiration, Joy, Peace, and Spirituality.





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Saturday
May 18, 2024
10 - 4 pm

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Hello, fellow quilters. The Western North Carolina Quilters Guild is announcing our 2024 "A Garden of Quilts Show" on May 17-18 in Hendersonville, NC. Please share our Save the Date message with your customers and quilting friends. We hope to see you there.

MEMBER EDUCATION

March 2024



There has been a change for the March meeting. We will be meeting on March 5th instead of March 12th, due to a conflict with the Lyndon house. We will also have a change in speakers. Muriel Pfaff will be joining us. She has a fascinating background in history relating to quilting. She will talk about a famous historical woman (to be determined as to which one!) and how she influenced quilting in the world. Which character will be announced shortly. Muriel has spoken to us several years ago and she is always informative and very interesting. This meeting is one you won't want to miss!

April 2024



Dawn Filzen will be speaking to us about Bags by Annie. She learned to quilt in grade school from her Mom. She's been quilting for about 30 years now. She loves all things quilting: pieced, collage, art quilts, paper piecing, bags, appliqué, free motion and she longarm quilts! She enjoys bright, fun, and creative fabrics. Her favorite designers include Riley Blake (Lori Holt), Moda, McKenna Ryan, Buttermilk Basin, By Annie, Sallie Tomato, and Angela Walters. We will have a workshop taught by Dawn April 10th.

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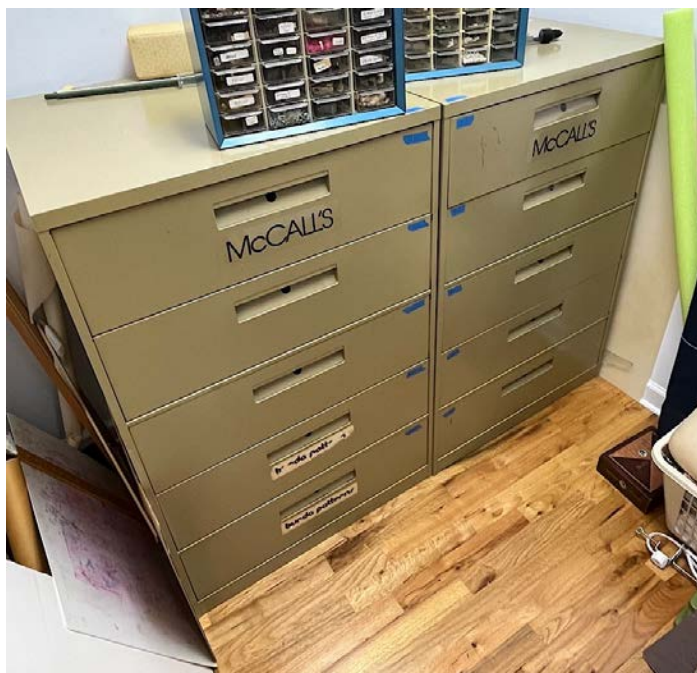
May 2024



Our own Charles Nicolosi will be speaking to us. He joined our guild many years ago and has supported our IT needs of the guild for 10 years. He became interested in quilting because of his Grandmother. His quilting has become very modern over the years and has developed some very interesting techniques. He lives locally in Athens and works for UGA with their IT department. He also owns his own company called Geek in Stitches and sells his work in local venues in Athens.

June 2024

We will celebrate the new board positions of President, Past President, President Elect, VP of Membership, VP of Education, Secretary, and Treasurer. We will also present the challenge quilts, and vote on them. Please bring a meal and enjoy the fellowship with one another. We will also have show and tell for anyone that has something to share.



Free Metal Cabinets

Two metal cabinets available free to members. Contact Mary Colley or Pat Dwinell. Contact information in the directory.





Georgia Celebrates Quilts^(R) Quilt Show & Market

June 6-8, 2024
Cobb County Civic Center
Marietta, Georgia



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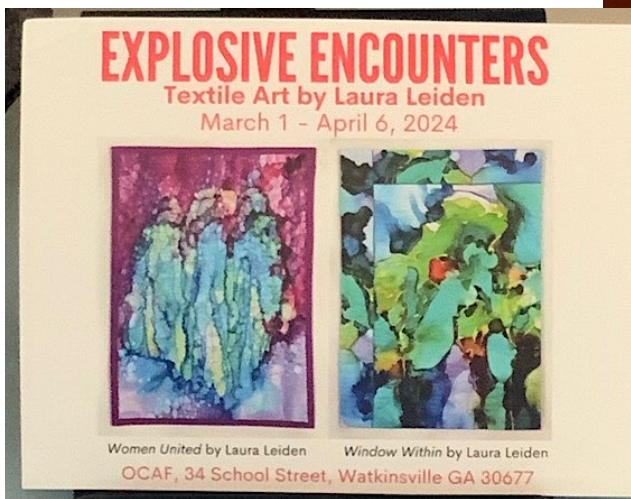
We encourage quilters from all across the state
to show their quilts, large and small,
traditional and contemporary,
complicated and simple,
miniatures, art pieces, group quilts, etc.
All are welcomed and appreciated!

Key Dates:

January 1, 2024 – Quilt Entry begins
March 25, 2024 – Mail-in entry forms postmark deadline
March 29, 2024 – Online entry forms deadline
May 3, 2024 – Notifications of acceptances/non acceptances
June 2, 2024 – Quilt Drop-off at Cobb County Civic Center

February Show and Tell















February 2024

By Mai Whigham

Minutes from February 13, 2024

This evening there were 40 members present and 6 guests. Our guests tonight were: Barb Watson, Josie Ver Steeg, Kay Davis, Melissa Hatton, Karry Weaver, and Debbie Cameron. We are all delighted you came tonight.

5:30-6:00 pm-Social Time and Refreshments

- Refreshments tonight were donated by Sherry Johnson, Susan Herda, Carol Ann Burns, Sandee Heter and Cheryl Locke. Thanks to everyone for bringing such delicious treats for our New Member and Valentine's Day celebration.

6:00 pm-Guild President Sue Lawrence welcomed everyone to the meeting, and introduced our 12 newest members to the guild. We are thrilled you have joined our guild. Feel free to ask any members if you have any questions.

- Hearing no objections, the January Minutes and the January Treasurer's Report were accepted as written.

- Sandee Eaton-Heter and Debi Chandler are updating the Member Roster. Please check to see that your information is correct. You can check on line on our website and email either Sandee or Debi about any corrections that need to be made.

- 2025 Quilt Show update: Sharon Rockholt went over some details for the Quilt Show at the Oconee Civic Center. Set up will be Thursday, February 27, 2025 with the 2025 Show opening on Friday, February 28, 2025 and running through Sunday, March 2, 2025. We are still in need of vendors, so if you have any ideas, please let Sharon know.

- Please feel free to contact either Mary Colley or Pat Dwinnell if you are interested in two metal storage cabinets like the sewing pattern cabinets at Joann's. Any member is welcome to take them.

- Night Owls Bee will be held on March 11th from 6 to 8 pm. This is a week later than usual for March only. Let Sue Lawrence know if you are interested in attending.

- The Stitch and Bitch Bee is held at 10 am on the first Saturday of each month in the Fiber Room at the Lyndon House.

- The Charity Bee will have their next extended hours in March on March 21st in the Fiber Room upstairs. Please join them in this wonderful group either in person or by donating fabrics, quilt blocks, or quilt tops. Remember to bring a bag/sack lunch on these extended hour days. Regular hours are every Wednesday from 10:00am to noon.

- Sheila Shepherd announced a workshop to be held at Sew Sew Studios in April. It will feature Dawn Filson, (from Cottontail Quilts in Kennesaw, Ga), demonstrating how to make a fun "zippered box" bag project (**The Easy Does It Bag**). Cost to attend is \$25.00. A supply list is as follows: **#3 fat quarters** (Main Bag, Lining, Coordinating fabrics), **18" x 21" Soft and Stable** (By Annies), **8" x 6" fusible interfacing**, **By Annie's handbag zipper 15" or larger** (the 30" zipper will be enough for 2 bags), **sewing machine**, **basic sewing supplies**, **matching thread**, **marking pen**, **rotary cutter**, **favorite quilting rulers**, **small cutting mat**, **stiletto-optional**.

○ Prior to attending class, be sure to cut the Main Bag Fabric (to be quilted) 18" x 21", cut the lining fabric 18" x 21", and coordinating fabric into *Bias Binding 14" x 14" and *2 handles 4" x 5 3/4"

- Our speaker for March will be Muriel Pfaff, and will be held on the first Tuesday of March on the 5th which is a week earlier than usual.
- And our speaker for April will be our own guild member, Charles Nicolosi. <https://www.geekinstitches.com/>

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The following members participated in tonight's Show and Tell: Barb Bauer, Barb Watson, Suzanne Reeves, Terri McGhee, Susan Herda, Josie Ver Steeg, Karen Holmgren, Jodie Seila, Melissa Hatton, Sue Brassard, Holley Hasenaver, Susan Van Eck, Sue Lawrence, Pat Schroder and Laura Leiden. Thanks to everyone for bringing so many beautiful works of art! Door Prizes! Tickets are .50 cents apiece or five for \$2.00.

Tonight there were 4 prizes up for grabs! Thank you Carol Ann and Susan Herda for always providing such great prizes for the guild!

#1 Layer cake fabric by Artisan Batiks and "Be Mine" pattern by Amanda Murphy Design went to Mai Whigham

#2 Winter Fabric Bundle (8 yards!) donated by Sue Brassard went to Debbie Cameron

#3 Family Tree Panel, scissors, and coffee mug went to Debi Chandler

#4 The Surprise Bag containing red tulip bulbs went to Sandee Eaton-Heter

Meeting was adjourned.

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2023-24 Officers

President: Sue Lawrence

Membership VP: Debi Chandler, Sandee Eaton-Heter

Programs & Education VP: Sheila Shepherd

Secretary: Mai Whigham

Treasurer: Scott Mason

Past President: Jan Goddard

Standing Committees:

Community Service: Sally Robbins and Ellen Nelson

Fundraising: Open

Internet/Web Site: Frances Arnold and Debi Chandler

Library: Sharon Rockholt

Newsletter: Rosie Crockett

Quilt Show Chair: Sharon Rockholt

Social: Susan Van Eck

Additional Committees

Challenges: Jan Goddard

Door Prizes: Carol Ann Burns and Susan Herda

Retreat: Joan Garland

Show & Tell: Sandee Eaton-Heter

Sunshine: Barbara Redmond

Wear your name tag
so new and old
members can get to know you!

Member's items for sale

If you have quilt related items you wish to sell and are a member in good standing, (paid your dues) you can place an ad in the newsletter at no cost. The newsletter deadline is the 24th of each month. Send your photos and description with your contact information to the newsletter chair.

Rosie Crockett heybede@yahoo.com