

# CHURN DASH

*Hall County Quilters Guild*

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## From our President

Fall is here!! The chill in the air...lower humidity...yay! Makes you want to search your stash and grab some yellows, golds, oranges, and browns to make a new FALL quilt for someone. Or maybe to keep for yourself.

Try to use those colors in a Fall quilt without leaves and pumpkins. See what ideas you can come up with and bring to show and tell.

Whatever you make, keep on making. We all have so much fun with the process, so get sewing!

Happy Quilting,  
Bobby Martin

## Upcoming Dates

October 2 - Amy Walsh,  
owner of Shirt Off Your Back  
shop in Alpharetta, T-Shirt  
Quilts

October 16 - Project Day (

November 6 - Frances  
Arnold, quilt teacher from  
Athens

December 4 - Christmas  
Pot Luck Luncheon

## PROGRAMS

Our speaker for September will be Diane Knott, from Cumming, GA, who has been quilting since 1997. Diane created Butterfly Threads Quilting website and pattern company in 2015. She has published many patterns and books and also designs fabric for Blank Quilt Fabric Company. Diane travels often around the country, teaching and sharing her love of quilting. Her topic for our program this month will be "Celebrating With Quilts."

Margaret Johnson

### Upcoming Programs

October - "T-Shirt Quilts and Other Memorabilia," with Amy Walsh, owner of Shirt Off Your Back quilt shop in Alpharetta, GA.

November - "The Challenge of Challenges," with Frances Arnold, quilt teacher from Athens and member of Cotton Patch Guild.

December - Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon

## PROJECT DAY

Our October 16 Project Day will feature a workshop on a Fabric Pinwheel Ornament taught by our own Dean Ray. The cost will be \$10.00 for the pattern. Sign up was in September meeting but you can always come and sew your own projects! See the September Newsletter for items you need to bring!

We hope you come to all of the Project Days to work on your own projects as well as the guild community service projects. As a group, we can make a huge difference with the items we sew.

Lisa Vieira

# October birthdays!

10/1	Bobby Martin
10/2	Frances Allen
10/2	Melanie Coffman
10/2	Mary Lowrey
10/4	Donna Proctor
10/9	Jenny Grandfield
10/21	Shirley Bennett
10/26	Mavis Rosbach
10/31	Debbie Dill

## MEMBERSHIP

Please extend a special welcome to our new members. We are so excited to have you join the guild!

**Carolyn Keller**  
**Marie Pasternak**

***Don't forget to wear your name tag at our meetings. You never know what you might win!***

## SUNSHINE

Please remember - if you hear of a member that is sick or hasn't been to a meeting in awhile, let Carol Johnson know so that she can send a Get Well or a Thinking of You card from the Guild.

## Time to get excited! Are you ready?

Retreat is around the corner. Don't miss out on the best fun you could have all year. Mark your calendar for the 2024 Retreat – February 13-16, 2024. The cost is \$210.00 per double occupancy. Bobby Martin will start taking your paid reservations at the October meeting.

## Some of our members at the Eagle Ranch Volunteer Dinner!



### Help Us Save Money on Eagle Ranch Quilts

Hobbs Bonded Fibers company has a Charity Batting Program for guilds to receive a discounted cost on **Hobbs 80/20 batting**.

**Please save the UPC labels and the paper labels showing the size and Hobbs name** and turn into Peggy Johnson so we can order Hobbs batting through this Program. Peggy will handle all the work from there so we can get a huge discount on batting for our charity quilts!

## EAGLE RANCH

Eagle Ranch really enjoys our quilts and are so appreciative of our continued support of the kids and families there. They send a big THANK YOU out to our members.

Reminder for the process of making the tops....

1) Please make sure to return the pattern with the completed kit top....it has the kit # on it and is the only way we can keep our book straight and current and we reuse the patterns so saves us time and money

2) Binding must be straight stitched on a sewing machine as they wash the quilts quite frequently and the stitching must hold up

Sew binding on back then flip and sew front down as close to the edge of the binding as possible so as no gaps or floppy loose edge is made.

3) If you run into any problems or need fabric or batting please contact Peggy Johnson prior to meeting date so I can bring everything to next meeting. Thanks.

## Hall County Quilt Guild Mystery Quilt 2023

We are on our last installment of our Mystery Quilt. I was slightly ahead until I found a fatal flaw in my block instructions which caused the ribbons in the quilt to not be continuous in color. On the pattern instruction there was a note under the block A that said, "Notice difference in fabric placement in block made in step 4 in rows 2, 4, and 6." That was it. That was all it said and I didn't see it. So, that means I needed to construct those blocks differently. I am a visual learner and there was only one picture. So, I am taking apart 8 of my blocks and putting them together differently so the ribbon color will run continuously through the quilt. Some people are not worried about it and will carry on the way it is. I want my ribbons to be continuous so Jack the Ripper and I will be intimate friends when this is all over.

### LAST CLUE –

#### SEWING –

Arrange and sew together 5 pieced blocks to make a row. Rows 1, 3, 5 and 7 will be pieced as pictured below using a B block, A block, B block, A block and B block.



Rows 2, 4 and 6 will be pieced as pictured below using a A block, B block, A block, B block and A block.



Sew together the pieced rows to complete quilt center.



Sew your 2 ½" A border pieces together and add to the left and right sides of the quilt. Then add to the top and bottom of the quilt.

Do the same with your 1 ½" B border pieces. If you wish you can add an additional border to make your quilt larger.

Thanks for creating this quilt along with me and sticking with me through this craziness!! We already have plans in the works for something different, so stay tuned for further information!

**Hall County Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes**  
Monday, September 11, 2023 ~ Submitted by Trisha Brisbois

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**Meeting called to order by Margaret Johnson**

Margaret introduced our Guest Speaker, Diane Knott, Butterfly Threads.

Diane shared her beautiful quilts and patterns with us.

Diane shared a tip – Sew your rows vertically, they are easier to pin to your design wall.

**Secretary/Minutes – Frances Allen**

- Minutes are posted in the Newsletter on the Hall County Quilt Guild Website.
- Minutes approved as written by Jenny Grandfield

**Treasurer Report – Jenny Grandfield**

- Financial report is posted on the Guild Website.

**Committee Reports:**

**Newsletter Report/Website – Jenny Grandfield**

- email newsletter info to [newsletter@hcgq.org](mailto:newsletter@hcgq.org)
- Membership list updated
- Newsletter available on the website

**Eagle Ranch Report – Jenny Thomas, Peggy Johnson**

- Kits were available to take home.
- Return finished tops with number and pattern
- Binding is to be machine sewn on with a straight stitch, no fancy stitching

**Membership Report – Stacey Crain and Carol Harting**

- 38 members in attendance
- 2 new members joined

**Community Service Report – Connie Murphy**

- kits for Breast Cancer pillows, Seat belt cushions and walker caddies were available

**Retreat – Bobbie Martin**

- Retreat is scheduled for February 13-16, 2023
- Sign-up begins at October meeting, \$210.00

### **Birthday Raffle – Joyce Pinson, Sharon Weir**

- Reminder that all members are required to bring a raffle item/s on your birthday month. Any extras are always appreciated.

### **Project Day Report – Lisa Vieira**

- Project Day is on the 3rd Monday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Bring your own lunch.
- October Project Day, Dean will show us how to make a Folded Star

### **Sunshine Report – Carol Johnson**

- Let Carol know if a card is needed for anyone.

## **Announcements:**

### **Dog/Cat Beds for Humane Society – Chris Anderson**

- Loads of dog/cat beds were brought in and she had covers to take home to fill.
- The Humane Society is in need of any used towels and sheets you are ready to part with.

### **Quilts for Kids – Lisa Vieira**

- Look for email/newsletter for details about workshops.
- Kits were available

### **Mystery Quilt – Jenny Grandfield**

- Jenny showed her blocks and how they are going together

### **Nimble Thimbles, Hand Sewing Bee – Jenny Grandfield, Trisha Brisbois**

- Need a host for September
- We meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month, 1 – 4pm

### **T-Shirts – Becky Munteneau**

- See Becky if you want a Guild T-shirt

**Show and Tell** – Several fun beautiful projects were shown.

**Meeting Dismissed – Margaret Johnson**

## **News and Fun Facts:**

### **Tip-of-the-Day, Mary Payne**

**Use empty bolt boards to wrap your fabric on. They can be cut down to any size you may need.**