CHURN DASH Hall County Quilters Guild



Pieced and quilted by Lisa Vieira

From our President

November 2023

Upcoming Dates

November 6 – Frances Arnold, quilt teacher from Athens

November 20 - Project Day Community Service Sewing and New Member Orientation

December 4 – Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon

December 18 – Project Day Free Sew – Finish last minute Christmas projects

November is the month for giving Thanks. I'm giving thanks for my family, friends, and, of course, quilts! Our Guild promotes community, encouragement and creativity which enhances our experiences as quilters and friends. Definitely something to be thankful for!

This month our Project Day will be a Community Service Sew Day. Come sew some Community projects so we can give others something to be thankful for - a community that cares about them.

Wishing you and yours a happy, healthy and safe Holiday!

Happy Quilting, Bobby Martin

PROGRAMS

Our November program will be presented by Frances Arnold, a quilter and teacher from Athens. We have enjoyed her presentations in past years. Her program is titled "The Challenge of Challenges", and she will talk to us about the importance of taking part in "Challenges" and how that can push us forward along our creative journey.

Many of our members at the October meeting expressed an interest in the Ice Dyeing process that Amy Walsh showed in her trunk show. She would be willing to schedule a class for us at her shop. If anyone is interested, please let me know. The Class Fee is \$145.00, which includes fabric, dyes, and all materials needed to create 9 beautiful 20" squares you can make into a one-of-a-kind quilt project. Check out the website Shirt Off Your Back for other information about Amy's shop and what she offers.

REMINDER: please sign up at the meeting if you are attending our Pot Luck Christmas Luncheon in December. Email me (address located in the Membership List on our website) if you prefer.

Hope to see everyone in November, Margaret Johnson

Upcoming Programs

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

Note: If Hall County Schools close due to inclement weather, guild meetings for that day will also be cancelled.

PROJECT DAY

Our November 20th Project Day will be a sew day for Community Projects. Connie Murphy will have kits for our different projects. As a group, we can make a huge difference with the items we sew. We will also have a New Member Orientation. **If you are a new member,** please plan on attending to learn all about our Guild!

Thanks to Dean Ray for teaching the Fabric Pinwheel Ornament at last month's Project Day! There were some beautiful ornaments made and I hope everyone will bring them to show and tell for everyone to see!

Lisa Vieira

November birthdays!

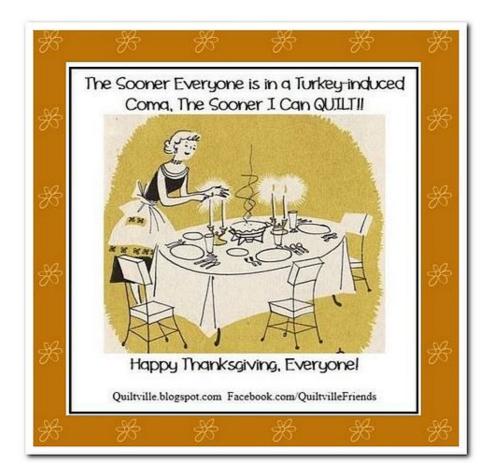
11/1 Stacey Crain
11/2 Margaret Johnson
11/10 Trisha Brisbois
11/16 Mary Payne

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Form has been updated to reflect new information. It has been uploaded to the Membership Information Section on the website.

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.



NEWSLETTER

BOARD MEMBERS, REGULAR CONTRIBUTORS:

 \checkmark Submit your articles by the Friday following our Project Day.

✓ If any changes are made (other than formatting), I will send you a copy for approval.
 ✓ Changes must be submitted as soon as you become aware of them, but no later than the Sunday one week before the monthly meeting.

 \checkmark The final copy should be submitted for posting by the 15th .

So, DEADLINES are:

 \checkmark ARTICLES DUE – Friday following meeting

✓ CHANGES DUE – No later than the Sunday one week before the monthly meeting ✓ FINAL NEWSLETTER – Submitted for posting on the web one week before the monthly meeting.

EVERYONE:

If you know of anything interesting, newsworthy, funny, etc., please send it to us at hcqg.newsletter@gmail.com. I'd love to recognize our members' accomplishments.

Keep in mind that our Newsletter is PUBLIC. Do not include phone numbers or email addresses if you do not want them published. You can simply say "Contact information found in Member Directory". This way, your personal information will be restricted to members only.

Thank you! Jenny Grandfield and Debbie Dill



HALL COUNTY QUILT GUILD MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 2, 2023

Meeting called to order by Bobby Martin at 9:50 AM

Margaret Johnson introduced our speaker, Amy Walsh, owner of Shirt Off Your Back in Alpharetta. Amy shared how she started her business and how it has grown. Their main focus is T-shirt quilts, but they also make memory quilts, bears and other items using clothing and other items that are important to an individual or family. They offer classes on various quilt-making techniques.

Break

Welcome by Bobby Martin

Minutes from September meeting approved; motion by Becky Munteanu; seconded by Lindsey Martin.

Treasurer report – August report has been posted to website; September has been sent but not posted. – Barbara Kinney

Tip of the Month: Frances Allen said she uses T-pins instead of nails to hang small quilts. She also showed a hanger that only requires 1 nail called "hang it dang it". It comes in 3 sizes and is available on-line from various sources. Margaret Johnson showed a clever way to hang a quilt by sewing hanging corners instead of a sleeve.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Eagle Ranch – Peggy Johnson

• There are 3 quilts that need to be quilted if any long armers can help. She showed the quilt made with blocks created during the last Project Day. There were 2 quilts for show & tell.

Membership – Stacey Crain

• Today's attendance: 47

Programs – Margaret Johnson

• November will be Frances Arnold, "The Challenge of Challenges"

• December is a potluck lunch. The guild will furnish the meat. Please sign up so we will know how many plan to be here.

Project Day – Lisa Vieira

- Monday, October 16, is Dean's Christmas ornament workshop. Pick up your pattern from him today.
- November will be Community Service and new member orientation
- December is a free sew day
- January a valentine wall hanging

Community Service – Connie Murphy

• Kits are available for walker bags and breast cancer pillows.

Newsletter & Website – Jenny Grandfield

• Needs a Fall themed quilt for the November newsletter.

Sunshine – Susan Steele – Susan is helping Carol Johnson with this. If you know of anyone to whom we should send a card, please contact her.

Name Tag Raffle – Trisha Brisbois

• A drawing was held for 3 rewards

OTHER REPORTS:

Pet beds – Chris Anderson

• Needs pet beds made and serviceable towels/sheets to donate to NE Georgia Humane Society.

Quilts for Kids – Lisa Viera

- Gave out 124 quilts this month.
- Kits are available for your to help make these small quilts.

T-shirts – If you want a Hall County Quilt Guild t-shirt, contact Becky Munteanu. Cost is \$20

Retreat – Bobby Martin

- February 13-16, 2024
- Cost is \$210; payable upon sign-up

Pat Shepherd's family is asking for help in pricing & selling quilting supplies. There is an Eagle Ranch kit there that Peggy Johnson would like returned.

Birthday Raffle – Joyce Pinson – Don't forget that when it is your birthday month, you are to bring a gift for the raffle table.

Show & Tell

Free table – If you brought something and it is still there at the end of the meeting, please take it home.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

Do you know what else is contagious besides the flu or COVID? Kindness, patience, love, enthusiasm, and a positive attitude. Don't wait to catch it from others, be the carrier.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Allen HCQG Secretary 2023-2024