

Lake Oconee Quilt Guild Newsletter



Information

Web Site LOQG.org

Meeting 1st Tuesday Sept-June 9:30 a.m. Social 10:00 a.m. Business Meeting

Location:

Lake Oconee Lutheran Church 1089 Lake Oconee Pkwy (Greensboro Road) Eatonton, GA 31024

Officers 2021-2022
President – Paula Tanner
Vice President – Jeanne Sewall
Secretary – Geri Wires
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Committee Chairs Programs - Vacant Membership - Kathy Henderson Special Projects - Barbara Richardson Show and Tell - Libba Holmes & Julie Elder Raffle Table - Sally McKinley & **Kimberly Topper** Library - Barbara Richardson & Karen Sapp Challenge Quilt- Carol McRae & Jenni Black Social - Vacant Ways and Means - Vacant Publicity - Nancy Stafford Website - Geri Wires & Helene Perez

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Retreat - Sally McKinley

President's Message - Paula Tanner

Welcome to our new guild year. Smiles are standard equipment here. Your board has met and planned our coming year with two things foremost in our thoughts...education and fun fellowship.

Remember our new, fantastic website will have all of the information you need to plan your participation. You may choose to volunteer as a committee chair or consider adopting a small part of an activity to make this coming year a success for all of our members.

Throughout the year, please let us know what we can do to make your guild experience the best yet. See you in September.



Paula's self portrait done in a workshop with Esterita Austin, Quilt Artist

Vice-President's Message – Jeanne Sewell

Greetings! I am so excited to begin this year with other quilting lovers! I joined the Guild last October when we were doing Zoom meetings. Although the pandemic still exists, we have learned about how to avoid getting sick, so we can have face-to-face meetings and workshops. I have several goals for this year. The first one is getting to know more fellow members. The retreat I attended last spring provided a fantastic start to meet others.

Another very important goal is to increase the number of volunteers. For example, we need volunteers to chair the Programs, Ways and Means, and Social Committees. Did you know that the Program Chair is able to attend workshops free? Almost all of the programs are planned, so the amount of volunteer work is minimal. You don't have to volunteer for a chair position alone, ask a friend to help you.

Finally, a third goal is to learn new ways to quilt. The September meeting will be a great start on that goal because we will share quilting tips, tricks, and techniques. Our guild has incredibly talented members. Please join us at the September 7th meeting. I look forward to seeing you.

September Meeting and Program

Another LOQG year will begin with a fun program called "Tips, Tricks and Techniques". Be sure to watch Jeanne Sewell's video on our website's home page. You can check out all the details (just go to the Program section and click on September), and even use the link provided there to submit your idea now. Maybe it's a tool you like using, or a tip you found on YouTube. Bring your tip, trick or technique to the September meeting so you can share it with all of us.

Then, we will be compiling all your responses into a booklet that can be printed or electronically downloaded. We are a very creative group of quilters... let's share our favorite tips, tricks and techniques so each of us can discover something new to make quilting fun!

"Tips, Tricks and Techniques"



October Meeting and Program



Tammy Silver

Our October meeting will feature quilt designer and teacher, Tammy Silver who will lecture on "Aurifilosophy." Representing Aurifil Threads, she will talk about the mysteries of thread with a demonstration covering thread basics. She'll offer helpful tips and share some of her projects and photos aimed to inspire and expand the use of Aurifil thread. Each member present will receive an exclusive Aurifil swag bag! You'll also want to visit her "Pop-Up Shop" with items to purchase, including the pattern for Wednesday's workshop. Then on Wednesday she will host a 6-hour workshop on paper piecing called "Christmas Cactus". You can order the pattern from her website (www.tamarinis.com) or it will be available at Tuesday's meeting. You will need to make copies of the paper

piecing foundation pattern as well as precut your fabric per pattern instructions <u>before the</u> <u>workshop</u>.

Complete information on this Program and Workshop can be found on our website under PROGRAMS. Be sure to sign up for this workshop at the September meeting. The cost is \$65.



Membership - Kathy Henderson

Welcome back to all guild members! We are looking forward to seeing all of you in September! We have 78 paid members at this time. Those of you who paid for the 2020 guild year are covered through June of 2022. There are 22 unpaid members that participated in the guild prior to the pandemic. To remain an active member of the guild, dues need to be paid on or before October 1, 2021. The website is being updated and we want to make sure all of you are notified of upcoming events, so please make sure we have current information on you including address, cell number, and email address.

Just a few things to remember for the September meeting:

- Please wear your nametag. (\$0.50 charge for those who forget)
- New members will have a name tag provided by membership and you should pick it up on the membership table or piano.
- Membership cards will be provided to *active members* with the <u>members only</u> password on the back of the card.
- If you haven't paid dues since the 2019 guild year, please bring your check made out to LOQG for \$25.
- Check the sign in sheet to make sure your information is correct and if not, note the changes.
- Participation gifts/prizes will be awarded for attendance this year so please remember to sign in on arrival!

See you soon!

Challenge Quilt - Jenni Black and Carol McRae



This year's Challenge Quilt will be introduced at the September meeting, so get ready to be creative! The committee has purchased 3 yards of colorful fabric (at left), a piece of which must be included on the front of your Challenge Quilt entry.

Minimum size: 36" x 36" Maximum size: 40" x 60"

Stop by the Challenge Quilt table at the September meeting to sign up. Depending on how many members sign up for this challenge determines how large your piece of fabric will be. The fabric will be cut during the meeting, so if you are unable to be there be sure to ask another member to add your name to the list. Or, contact Jenni Black or Carol McRae so we can save a piece of fabric for you.

Ways and Means - Raffle Quilt

Introducing the Raffle Quilt for 2021-22, named STAR BEAUTY. Our own Janet Blair interpreted quilt artist Kathryn Kerr's copyrighted pattern and layout in bold colors of red, white, black and gray making up 49 unique blocks.

Member ticket packets will be available beginning at the September meeting. Each packet will contain 30 tickets, priced at \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Be sure to stop by the Raffle Quilt table at the September meeting and pick up your ticket packets so you can begin selling them. Remember, proceeds from ticket sales are the main source of Guild income to provide speakers and workshops. We count on our members' participation to keep dues low while keeping educational opportunities high.

LOQG will host a booth featuring STAR BEAUTY at the Madison Fall Festival on Saturday, October 23rd. We will need 15 members to volunteer a few hours to help sell tickets! Sign-up sheet will be at the September meeting.



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Library - Barbara Richardson and Karen Sapp

Join us at the Library Table at the September meeting... we're back in business after a long break! We have over 170 books covering all aspects of quilting, and there will even be some new books for you to look at. Remember, you can check out a book for only \$1/month. These are the books due back at the September meeting:

Member Name	Book Title	Due Date
Linda Huggins	Super Simple Strips	Feb 2020
Kay Crane	Rectangle Pizzazz	Mar 2020
	100 Paper-Pieced Quilt Blocks	
	Flip Flop Paper Piecing	
	Modern Quilt Magic	
	Strips n' Curves	
Sandy Grohs	Perfect Piecing	Mar 2020
Donna Blackwell	25 Ways to Sew Jelly Rolls, Layer Cakes & Charm Packs	Apr 2020
	Fresh Fabric Treats	
Martha Herb	Ultimate Guide to Machine Quilting	Apr 2020
Kaye Hlavaty	Adventures with Leaders and Enders	Apr 2021
	Miss Rosie's Farmhouse Favorites	
Kay Dejno	Rubies, Diamonds and Garnets Too	Sept 2021
Kimberly Topper	Attic Windows Quilts with a View	Sept 2021
	Quilts of Valor, A 50 state Salute	

Show and Tell - Libba Holmes and Julie Elder

Before our September meeting, please review the guidelines below for Show and Tell, including the minor changes your board made:

- Please bring only completed items.
- Please limit shared projects to two each month.
- Prior to the meeting, meet with the show and tell committee and have your picture taken with your quilt. These pictures will be shared on currently available media platforms (either our LOQG website or Facebook page).
- Sign up to share your quilt with group A, B, or C. Remember your group letter.
- Line up with your group when you notice the group before yours is nearly finished.
- Stand on the raised platform and use the microphone when speaking. Others will hold up your item.

We are looking forward to seeing your beautiful creations this year!

Other News



Social - We still need a volunteer (or two or three) to lead our Social Committee. This is an easy job...just two events during the year, December and June. Do we want refreshments at our meetings? A small committee can make all this happen! What about you?



Raffle Table - Be sure to stop by the Raffle Table. Tickets are just 2 for \$1. Sally McKinley and Kimberly Topper have been busy buying goodies all summer. There will be a lucky winner for each basket and it could be you!



Retreat - Sally McKinley has announced the dates for the next retreat. Mark your calendar for March 8-11, 2022 at Little Ocmulgee State Park in McRae, GA. The fee will remain at just \$25 to cover the cost of space.



Bee Groups - Did you know that our Guild has five Bee Groups? Each group meets on a regular basis and brings quilters together for quilting fun and social activities. You can find our Bee Groups on the website under MEMBER EVENTS.



Quilts of Valor - Quilts of Valor had an unusually active summer, thanks to Nancy Stafford and Kay OOV Dejno. There were ten presentations, including four WWII veterans. We will soon have a date for our November presentation of pillowcases at the Georgia War Veterans Home in Milledgeville. To date, we have 85+ completed, but would like to have one for all 180 veterans. Kits will be available at the September and October guild meetings, so please help us reach our goal of a pillowcase for every veteran! Remember also, our November guild meeting will feature a Quilts of Valor presentation by Pattie Chapman, Kay Dejno and Nancy Stafford. In the past eight years, we have presented over 100 quilts to veterans in our area.



Special Announcements -

- Be sure to check out our new website at LOQG.org and take a few minutes to check out all it's features. Active (paid) members will have access to the Members Only section and a password will be provided at the September meeting. If you haven't paid your 2021-22 dues, now is the time!
- The Lutheran Church established the "Little Free Pantry" for those in need in our community. They have asked us to donate items for the pantry including: pasta products, peanut butter and jelly, canned items including meat, vegetables, fruits, soups and stews, chili, macaroni and cheese, and pasta sauce. *No glass containers. We will be glad to accept those items at the membership table if you would like to contribute.