



April 2024

Savannah Quilt Guild News

President's Column

Kim Hayes

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Spring is in the air, everyone! It's time to plant flowers and get some sewing done. I've actually dusted off my Capri quilting machine to finish my president's challenge from last year. It was my idea, so I guess I should quilt it! We had a great turnout for last month's meeting, in spite of the change in location and nasty forecast... which actually never happened. Our Scrappy Applique program with Katie Lewis was wonderful! I liked learning a new method of applique. I hope you all enjoyed it

There's not a whole lot of extra things going on this month to talk about. We will be signing up for next year's guild retreat at this meeting. An email will be sent with all the details you need to know.

Kim



Join us for our next meeting:

APRIL 13th, 2024

Southside Baptist Church

5502 Skidaway Road

9:30 – 10:00 am - Sewcial Time

10:00 am – Meeting

Find it here:

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Remember to bring to our meeting:

- * Wear your name tag
- * Your Show and Share

Needling News



Gloria Bailey	April 6
Kathleen Misek	April 10th
Mary Bell Fuller	April 13th
Justin Lane	April 13th
Cindy Strubbe	April 14th
Poppe Nezbeda	April 15th
Piper Bazemore	April 26th
Georgie Carroll	April 27th
Christina Negrea	April 28th

Programs and upcoming events

Peggy Caldwell, Vice President, programs@savannahquiltguild.com

April Program

We all understand the importance of documenting our quilts with a label and possibly a photo. At our April meeting we will have an opportunity to get some tips from a professional photographer, Fred Langley, who is very familiar with our guild. Fred's late wife, Joyce, was very involved with the Savannah Quilt Guild as a member, officer and President. Fred will be giving us some photography tips which include the following:

1. How to take better quilt photos using a smart phone,
2. Proper holding techniques for good lighting and to avoid the keystone effect, and
3. How to do basic editing to enhance your photos.

Peggy



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After Meeting Workshops and Sew-Ons

Cheryl Dingleline, workshops@savannahquiltguild.com

There is no workshop after the April meeting.

In May our talented member Michael will be teaching us to make something amazing and beautiful from men's ties. Hit the goodwill shop after the information he provides at the April meeting! Sign up will be available at the meeting. The workshop is 20 dollars and takes place after our regular meeting. Remember to bring lunch or a snack since we will be there until 3 p.m.

Fat quarter collection has begun for the Christmas exchange. You can bring all of your fat quarters at the same time or monthly. By November you should have brought 9 solids or blenders and 1 focus fabric. The exchange at the December meeting will be fun I promise. Remember it's not about the fat quarters but rather it's a time of getting to know other members and have some good laughs!

See you in April,
Cheryl



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Thread Spools

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Things to do this month...



• Friday Bee

Friday bee is four hours of sewing fun with ladies that love to quilt. The Sew Bee meets from 10 :00 am to 2:00 pm at Talahi Island Community Center. Contact Renee Christensen at rippinrenee@gmail.com to be put on a list to join as a member.

◆ Zoom

Several quilt guild members meet each Monday at 11am for the Monday Quilting Zoom group. If you would like to join us please let me know and I will add you to the email list. We would love to see you on Monday mornings at 11 am.

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◆ Hand Appliqué Bee

Hand Applique Bee
Tuesday April 23rd from 1 to 4 pm
Parc Center Credit Union Community Room
5698-A Ogeechee Rd Savannah, GA

This month will be a sit and stitch. Hope to see you there!

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*All Guild Sewing Bee activities may be attended by members only.



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Sewcial

The next Sewcial will be held at the Mighty Eighth Museum with lunch to follow. The exact date in April will be announced.

Cindy Ochoa

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Upcoming Classes- Nationally Known Teachers

classes@savannahquiltguild.com **Judy Walker and Mary Bell Fuller**

WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOUR SUGGESTIONS FOR FRIDAY CLASSES

In the past, we have offered classes in paper piecing, barn block painting, thread sketching, circles galore, Dresden blocks, and scrappy applique. Every class was well attended and received. Now we are planning for the future.

You are an important part of our decision on what Friday classes to offer to the guild. We thank you for your input. Please think about what technique you would like to learn, what instructor you would like to see here in Savannah. We will do the research and try to set it up. Looking forward to seeing what you would like to try.

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Community Outreach: Nursing Covers & Pillowcases

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The March delivery to Memorial Hospital included 1 blanket, 4 nursing covers and 13 caps. We are always in need of fabric donations to make the nursing cover kits. Cotton, color-fast fabric is needed. Thank you to all who participated in this project.

Frances will be at Lake Mayer on April 5 and April 26 from 10 to 2 to cut fabric, make kits for sewing and to make pillowcases. Come join the fun! Bring your machine if you want to sew, and your rotary cutter and large ruler for cutting. Thanks, again, Debbie and Frances



Community Outreach - Brighten the world of a sick child

Memorial NICU is always in need of hats/caps for the babies. The very small preemies cannot wear them, but as they grow and the larger children in there do use them. They may be used in the ISN, Intermediate Special Care Nursery, also.



Modern Bee

The Guild's Modern bee is a monthly gathering of everyone interested in modern quilting. It meets on the third Wednesday of the month at the Talahi Island Community Center (532 Quarterman Dr.) 1-4 in the afternoon. Bring your sewing machine and participate in a workshop on a technique used in modern quilting. Specific topics are regularly posted on the website and sent to members..

For further information contact:

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Meeting Minutes



Meeting Minutes for March: [Click here to view](#)

Treasurer's Report

Jan Howard, treasurer@savannahquiltguild.com



Full Treasurer's Report: [Click here to view](#)

Guild Operating Fund

Beginning balance	5,305.81
Dues for 2024	180.00
Service Charge	(2.40)
First Christian Church Rental	(75.00)
1/4 Katie Lewis food	(26.76)
1/4 Katie Lewis travel	(67.25)
Lisa Sims-Stevens membership supplies	(22.98)
Debbie Whiteway pillowcase fabric	(49.98)
Janet Howard stamps	(27.20)
Balance on hand 3/20/2024	5,214.24

Note: If you are making payments using Venmo, our name for Venmo payments is sqgpays@savannahquiltguild.com. The treasurer's name (Jan Howard) may show up during the transaction but rest assured that the money goes directly to the guild bank account.

SQG Website News

If anyone has issues logging on to the website, please contact
Theresa Sapp at theresasapp@aol.com
We hope you enjoy exploring your website!

Member Spotlight October

By Deb Brown

We are thrilled to welcome six new members who joined March 2024: **Jennifer Prazak, Grace Prazak, Phyllis Gudgalis, Cheri Leffler, Jessica Lankherst, and Jennifer Brown.** Take a peek into the quilting lives of Jennifer Prazak, Phyllis Gudgalis, and Cheri Leffler.

Jennifer Prazak was born in Indianapolis, Indiana but moved to Texas after marriage. She is a retired Pharmacist who worked in New York as an Account Manager for the Hospital Alliance. She recently made Richmond Hill, Georgia her permanent address. She has always loved quilts and has a collection of family heirloom quilts made by her great-aunt. Jennifer's mother was a seamstress and taught her to sew. She began her quilting journey about 15 years ago after being inspired by Eleanor Burns with Quilt in a Day. Since then, she has made over 20 quilts. Her quilts are given as gifts and used throughout the home on the beds and walls. Since Jennifer mainly purchases fabric needed for particular projects, her fabric stash is small and consists mostly of scraps from previous projects. Jennifer sews on a Bernina 770 and also owns a Handi Quilter Longarm quilting machine. Her quilting expertise landed her the "Best in Show" award in the Rensselaer County Fair in New York. Jennifer's favorite aspects of quilting are piecing and applique.

Phyllis Gudgalis is not a quilter and has never made a quilt (YET). However, her love of handmade items using applique inspired her to join the guild. Phyllis is originally from the Bronx, NY. She and her husband spent 14 years traveling the United States in an RV before deciding to settle in Savannah to be close to family. Her hobbies include hand embroidery, punch needle, and English Paper piecing using hexagons. Her favorite YouTuber is Kate from "The Last Homely House".

Cheri Leffler is a native of Ohio and moved around the country as a child since her father was a minister. Cheri went to high school and college in Michigan where she studied Media Technology focusing on photography and graphic design. While there, she met and married her soulmate who joined the military and her cross-country travels continued. Cheri made her first quilt at age 16 when she was enamored by a quilt she saw on the front cover of the Better Homes & Gardens. Not knowing anything about quilting at the time, she just "figured it out." Her first quilt is still in use, although it is now embellished with life stains. In 2002, while living in Mississippi with no local quilt store, she decided to open one – "The Quilting Bee", a very successful business ultimately carrying over 6000 bolts of fabric. Cheri is multi-talented: she is a soloist, plays and teaches piano lessons, knits and crochets, an author of 2 quilting books and designer of numerous quilting patterns. Her passion is hand applique and hand quilting. She has won Blue Ribbons and Judges Choice awards for her Baltimore Album Quilt in Mississippi and Houston. Cheri has started a family tradition of making double wedding ring quilts for her daughters when they marry. She is currently on #3 of 4. Her books and patterns can be found on her website at cherilefflerdesigns.net. She presently works at Sew Much More Quilt Shop.



Officers and Committee Chairs - January through December 2024

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Friday Bee - Cindy Ochoa

Classes - Judy Walker & Mary Bell Fuller

Community Outreach

- Nursing Covers - Jan Howard

Workshops- Cheryl Dingleline

Community Outreach

- Pillowcases - Debbie Whiteway

Sunshine Chairman - TBA

Frances Stockton

To contact Officers and Committee Chairs

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The deadline for the Newsletter is the 21st of the month.

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