

July 2024

Savannah Quilt Guild News

President's Column

Kim Hayes

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Hi Everyone!

I can't believe we're already in July. I know a lot of you have been coming and going on vacations...some of you out of the country. (Yay!) So, maybe not a whole lot of sewing is going on. I guess we can't all be sewing 24/7...can we??

I want to remind all our newer members that the Georgia National Fair is coming up. Whether or not you are new to quilting, I encourage you to enter a quilt in the fair. It can be one that you have finished in the last several years. It is one of the best ways to take your quilt making skills to the next level. Every quilt is judged by two judges. They each fill out a form that you will receive back when your quilt is returned. Plus, if you can make it to the fair and see your quilt on display, it's a wonderful experience! It is unrealistic to think that every quilt you make will be perfect. But when you put so much time, money, and love into making a quilt you want to be able to do the best that you can and always be improving your skills. It can be intimidating the first time you enter, but it is meant to be a positive, learning experience. Even the most experienced quilters have something to learn!

I hope to see you at our July luncheon, Kim



Join us for our next meeting:

July 13th, 2024

Southside Baptist Church

5502 Skidaway Road

9:30 – 10:00 am - Sewcial Time

10:00 am – Meeting

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Remember to bring to our meeting:

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

Needling News



Peggy Caldwell	July 6th
Sharon Boatright	July 7th
Renee Christensen	July 7th
Grace Prazak	July 7th
Rosemary Schuster	July 14
Janie Broadhead	July 15
Lisa Sims-Stevens	July 17
Jessica Lankhorst	July 19
Betty Ruth Duvall	July 20
Carolyn Ingram	July 21
Patricia Pillsbury	July 23
Carol Richards	July 23
Regina Harris	July 27
Gretchen Adamski	July 28
Sheryl St. Germain	July 28
Audrey Andrews	July 28

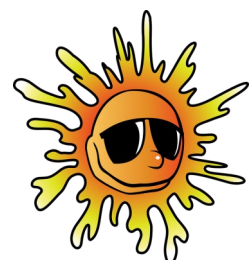
Programs and upcoming events
Peggy Caldwell, Vice President, programs@savannahquiltguild.com

July Program

Do you sometimes wonder that if you really enjoy organizing fabric, why you so challenged to keep it in a certain order? If I could find an answer to that question, I would share it! Yet, I can tell you something thing I do know...there is no program at the July meeting.

Sending wishes for enjoyable sewing to beat the summer heat!

~Peggy Caldwell



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After Meeting Workshops and Sew-Ons

Cheryl Dingledine, workshops@savannahquiltguild.com

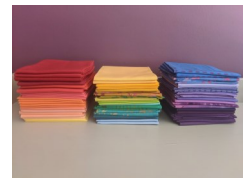
There will be no workshop at the July meeting. Instead, we will have a game day, with fun and laughs. If you have a Mexican train game, please bring it. We want to make sure everyone gets a chance to play. Don't forget we will be playing strip poker so bring 6 strips 2 1/2 by width of fabric. At least 3 strips should be Christmas colors or themes.

We will be continuing the sign up at the July meeting for June Alston's workshop in August on mondo bags. Everyone should make at least one mondo bag. They are so useful and fun. June will be providing information about the supply list.

September's workshop will be with Stephanie Murphy. She will be teaching us how to make a beautiful, pieced scarf with a slow stitching embellishment. Her scarves are beautiful.

Don't forget that if you signed up for the fat quarter exchange in December to start bringing in your fat quarters. You will need 9 blender or solid fat quarters and 1 focus fabric by the November meeting. The fat quarters do not have to coordinate. Coordination will be the job of the holiday elves!

See you at the meeting
Cheryl



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A Spot of Color

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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 rip-pinrenee@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.

Mary C. Bass : mbcromartie@gmail.com or 912-604-7781

◆ Hand Appliqué Bee

Appliqué Bee
Tuesday July 30
Center Parc Credit Union Community Room
5698-A Ogeechee Rd Savannah
This month will be a sit and sew.



Judy Lindsey
judithalindsey@gmail.com
352-263-6865

◆ Sew it Sems, Weekend Warriors

Members employed full or part-time meet the 3rd Saturday of each month from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Talahi Community Center located at 532 Quarterman Drive. Please contact Regina Harris for further information and with any questions: harrisrgm@yahoo.com or 203-837-0322.

◆ Modern Bee *Our next meeting will be held in August*

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:

Rita Richey (rrichey@wayne.edu) Carol Richards (carolrichards@ymail.com)



Sewcial

The next Sewcial will be held in the fall, but you never know when a pop-up event might occur! Everyone is encouraged to share ideas for the next event.

Cindy Ochoa

912-222-8728/obleo31313@yahoo.com

Upcoming Classes- Nationally Known Teachers

classes@savannahquiltguild.com Judy Walker and Mary Bell Fuller

Looking for Ideas for Classes

We are looking for ideas on instructors or techniques for our 2025 class. We have several in hand but always need more. Instructor schedules fill up far in advance. We will begin the search soon. The success of the class comes from your support.

At our meeting, it was asked how the registration fee is used. We pay each instructor her fee per the contract approved and signed by the board. We also pay her lodging for two nights (Thursday and Friday) and her transportation expense to come to Savannah. Finally, we pay a small per diem for meals and the room rental. The guild picks up the cost of the presentation at the Saturday guild meeting, and a portion of the lodging and transportation costs. These classes are self-sustaining. You make it happen.

Thank you to Theresa Sapp and Cindy Ochoa for volunteering to coordinate next year's class. I can't wait to see who we are able to schedule for 2025. We will let you know! So, stay tuned.

Judy Walker

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Mary Bell Fuller

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**Project
♥ Linus**
Savannah, GA /
Hilton Head, SC Chapter

Project Linus is a non-profit organization that provides handmade blankets to children ages 0-18 in the U.S. who are seriously ill, traumatized or in need. The Project Linus website offers patterns, links, information about volunteering and donating, and how to join a monthly Zoom meeting.

Questions? Email elliegrix@gmail.com

If you would like to get participate, you may contact Ellie Grix, who is the local chapter coordinator. Ellie is a member of the guild and is at most meetings, or can be reached at

(573) 631-2571.

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Community Outreach: Nursing Covers & Pillowcases

Jan Howard, sunfish2@att.net Debbie Whiteway, wahoodeb@gmail.com
Frances Stockton, Frances.stockton1@att.net



Our delivery to Memorial Hospital this month was a large one! 10 nursing covers, 2 blankets, 43 caps, and 66 hearts! We have been very busy! Thanks to all that made this possible.

We are also very busy working on the materials and instructions for the Beads of Courage bags. More to come on this soon.



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.



Everyone Loves the Take-It Table!

Do you have an over abundance of sewing/crafting supplies? Are you downsizing, clearing the clutter, or making room for new items? Bring your unwanted items (crafting/sewing **only**, please) to put on the Take It Table. Your item might be someone's treasure! **At the end of the meeting please reclaim any of your items that remain on the table.**

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Meeting Minutes



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

Treasurer's Report

Jan Howard, treasurer@savannahquiltguild.com

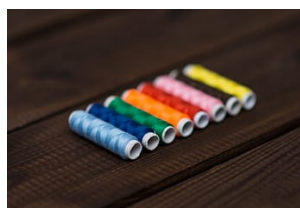


Full Treasurer's Report: [Click here to view](#)

Guild Operating Fund

Beginning balance	5,846.19
Dues	60.00
Luncheon	(30.00)
Fabric Donations	190.00
Debbie Whiteway fabric for pillowcases	(46.10)
Balance on hand 6/20/2024	6,350.09

Note: If you are making payments using Venmo, our name for Venmo payments is sqgpayers@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 June

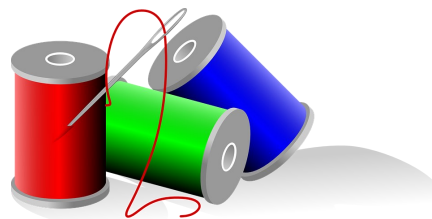
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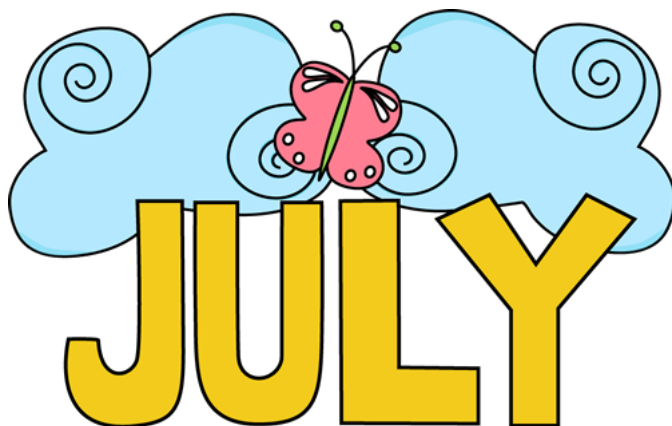
We are elated to welcome three new members who joined in June: **Annette Mobley, Mary Frances Shellman and Claire Kinsey.**

Annette Mobley was born and raised in Atlanta, GA. She moved to Savannah after being stationed here for her Coast Guard duty. She retired from being an Electronic Technician after 20 years of service. After retiring, she filled her time with knitting, crocheting, sewing and quilting. With dreams of being a fashion designer, Annette went to Fashion Design School in New York. When her daughter had her first child, Annette was inspired to make designer diapers. She also started the baby's quilt that remains unfinished and he is 25 years old. She discovered the Colonial Quilt Shop and bought lots of fabric, books and quilting patterns, rulers and notions. This led her to other quilt shops in Georgia and South Carolina with more purchases of fabric and other items. Annette describes her fabric stash as "a lil bit of everything", a wide selection of batiks, flannel, quilting cotton, silk, wool and polyester. "My daughter calls me a hoarder but I'm not. I'm a pack rat. There IS a difference." Annette took many classes at Sew Much More Quilt Shop and learned to master the quarter inch seam. Before that, none of her seams were the same size and she would just sew the blocks together and make them work. During her quilting journey, Annette has made over 100 quilts. Many were given to Project Linus and Quilts of Valor yet others are quilt tops that are stored, waiting for the right moment to quilt them. Annette has a multitude of sewing machines and sergers. Her favorite color is purple and she manages to work the color into almost every quilt. She was so passionate about the color until she dyed her hair purple. Her statement, "I'm gonna sew until I go" should be a T-shirt slogan.

Mary Frances Shellman is originally from Townsend, GA in McIntosh County. She has been retired since 2005 as a middle and high school teacher. Her mother and aunt made quilts for the family. Mary Frances fondly remembers the wooden quilting frame that hung from the ceiling. Although her mother taught her to hand sew as a child, it was limited to patching pants. It was not until 2021 that she made her first quilt for her grandson when she was introduced to the quilting program at Smart Senior. Since then, Mary Frances has completed 3 hand sewn quilts and plans to enter the last one in the Georgia National State Fair 2024. When Mary Frances started purchasing fabric, she bought whatever she liked. She enjoys bright colors, especially, green and yellow. "The fabric is everywhere and my husband has learned to walk around it." Mary Frances has an antique heirloom family quilt given by her sister in law that she cherishes. Her first sewing machine was a treadle machine but she now owns a Janome sewing machine. Mary Frances participated in a group quilt that was auctioned by Smart Senior's with the proceeds going to the local food bank. Her favorite aspect of quilting is seeing the finished product. Her future goal is to continue to improve her quilting process and learn new techniques.

Claire Kinsey was born and raised in Atlanta, GA. She moved to Savannah in 1999 where she works from home as a Real Estate Agent that specializes in Commercial Property Management. Claire was inspired to sew when she had a custom apron made and visited the maker 2 years ago. When she saw the maker's craft room filled with colorful fabric and a pink Janome sewing machine, "my mind nearly exploded". Claire then began purchasing fabric and sewing supplies. She watched many YouTube videos to teach herself to quilt and she made her first quilt using charm packs of 5-inch squares. Not feeling confident enough to finish the quilt, she googled long arm quilting in Savannah. Lanette Edens, the Gypsy Quilter appeared. When she made the consultation visit, Lanette was so impressed with her piecing that a 30-minute visit at 5 PM lasted until 1 AM the next morning. Being encouraged to enter 2 of her quilts into the Georgia National Fair, Claire was excited to win two 3rd Place Ribbons as a first timer. Within 2 years, Claire has made 15 – 20 lap to king size quilts. She gives most of them away and has sold one quilt. The rest of her quilts are on display in her home. Having taken a workshop from Kaffe Fassett and Brandon Mabley on hexagon quilts, her fabric stash is filled with Kaffe Fassett fabrics along with America fabrics and a wide variety of Christmas fabric. Claire had a collection of heirloom family quilts that she gave away because they looked too "country." Ironically, she is now drawn to making traditional looking quilts with that same "country" feel. Her favorite aspect of quilting is the design element. She learning to use the EQ 8 computerized design program. Her future goal is to learn curve piecing and applique. She wants to design her own quilts that are reflective of her creative personality.





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