

November 2025

Lake Oconee Quilt Guild Newsletter



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by
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Anderson

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
Eatonton, GA 31024

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President's Message - Johanna Adams

Remember the November meeting is on November 11th , a week later than usual due to voting.

The November meeting will focus on Quilts of Valor. This is always a special month for the guild and one of the favorites. You may want to dress in patriotic colors and be sure to welcome the veterans and their families to our group. Sounds like we will have quite a group. The veterans are invited to stay through break, so if you would like to bring a treat to share, something patriotic or decorated might be fun. (cherry squares, white pretzels, etc.)

The list will be out to sign up to bring a dish for the Holiday party. Also, there are a few spots left if you would like to bring a table decoration. See Kay Crane. . Remember that the luncheon is only open to members and the December meeting will also be a week later, on December 9th .

Remember to make a dish mat to exchange. Directions were sent out last month. I used a dish towel as a base and added 2" all around for self-binding, so that works also. There are lots of ideas on the internet. It's fun to use orphan blocks or make a new block you've been wanting to try.

Be sure to bring your lunch, your machine and your patience to work on paper piecing if you've signed up for the row-by-row workshop. I understand that Kay Dejno will be teaching this technique.

See you then.

OUR NEXT MEETING - November 11th **NOTE DATE CHANGE**
Following Meeting: December 9th **NOTE DATE CHANGE**

November

The November program will be a presentation of quilts to former servicemen and women. Be prepared to feel humbled by their service to our country. The Quilts of Valor group will conduct this program.



December

This meeting will be our Wonderful Members only luncheon. Don't forget to sign up to bring food, beverages, *butterscotch* and table decorations. The sign up list will be available at the November meeting if anyone wants to provide a "brunch" type dish to share. We have approximately 66 attendees, but hope everyone will be able to attend the December luncheon.

Remember to bring your handmade dish drying mat for the gift exchange.



Workshop: *Quilting Row by Row: 27 Skill Building Techniques*

Our row this month will be the paper pieced birds. If you have never done paper piecing before it might be helpful to watch some YouTube videos or try a free online pattern.

Please bring a personal sized cutting mat, rotary cutter and small irons if you have them.



We had several people join our guild last month. This year the dues are **\$30**. We have purchased a "Square" and set up an account so that Membership and any events we participate in may utilize it to make transactions easier. Paying with a credit card will be **\$31** because of the fee they attach. Check or cash will be \$30.

Replacement badge = \$5, New magnet = \$3, and No Badge = \$1.

Show & Tell - Julie Bizzoso and Kelly Sandquist



Show and Tell is our time to share our projects with our quilting friends. Here are the guidelines:

1. When you arrive, please go to the front corner opposite the membership table, **have a picture taken of your project** and sign a list for sharing.
2. When it's Show and Tell time, get your item and line up by the wall next to the stage.
3. When it is your turn, committee members will hold up your project while you speak clearly into the microphone to tell your name and a brief story about your creation.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to share. Whether you are a beginner or a professional, we can learn from and enjoy everyone's efforts. Happy quilting!

Raffle Table - Sally McKinley and Wanda Hamrick



November will be our last raffle table until January. We have some BIG items you'll not want to miss this month! Bring extra money for tickets!!

Library - Pat Gray & Lisa Albury



The November meeting will be your last chance to check out library books this year. If you need ideas for Christmas quilts & banners as well as small projects for gift ideas, look in the Seasonal & Holiday section of our library or find ideas in the Winter Missouri Star Block Magazines.

Be sure and stop by the library table to see other books we've found for you.

Because of our brunch, the library will be closed in December, so check out books in November that you can keep til January.

Hospitality - Kay Crane, Kathy Sands and Mary Anne Shelton

Thanks to all for bringing food items to share with guild members! All food/snack donations are appreciated!

Quilt of Valor Bee will be presenting approximately ten Quilts of Valor at the November guild meeting. Please consider donating a snack, so we will have plenty to share with our guests.

December luncheon sign ups are still ongoing. See signup sheet in the kitchen at the November guild meeting.

Please remember to place all trash in the trash cans. Look around your area to be sure it's left as clean or cleaner than it was when you arrived.



Fundraising - Karen Whitt & Robin Cassidy

We are nearing the December 2nd drawing for the beautiful quilt so generously donated by Kay Dejno. We sold 32 tickets at the Chili Cookoff in Madison. It was a beautiful day and I want to thank Kathy Thompson, Chandler Pike, Donna Parkes and Laura Kleinschmidt for helping in the booth. And Theresa Jackson who has an amazing knack for going out into the crowd and returning with someone to purchase a ticket! Fingers crossed that we do as well at the Mistletoe Market in Eatonton on November 8th! We have **95** remaining tickets to sell.



Have a customer for raffle tickets???? Sudden urge to go door to door in your neighborhood and sell tickets??? Call me- I will deliver them to you. If you have not adopted your tickets please do so at the meeting on November 11th. I will have the tickets at hand! Don't forget - there is a \$100 gift card to Sew Sew Studio for the person selling the most tickets. I have personally sold 53 tickets to date. PLEASE surpass my current record!!!!

The store is open for the purchase of this year's LOQG T-Shirt or Sweatshirt. You should have received an email from Kathy Thompson with detailed information. Here is the link to the online store with Red Dog Creative: https://stores.inksoft.com/lake_oconee_quilt_guild/shop/home. This was a successful fundraiser for us last year generating \$350 for the Guild.



If you are inspired to create for the Mistletoe Market please contact me. I will meet you to get the goods!! We are hoping November 8th for better weather, better crowds and record sales at this event. I could use three volunteers for two hour shifts. We will need to set up in the am at 9 before the event starts at 10 am and pack it up when it ends at 3 pm. The afternoon person should plan for the last shift to leave at 4pm. Please bear in mind that I will need help with tables, canopy and containers of goods for that last shift. You should choose a middle of the day shift if you are not able to assist with lifting.

Shifts 12 to 2, 2 to 4.

Please reach out if you are willing and able.

And last but not least - the market table is nearly bare. Please bring us stuff!!! If you have fabric you know your fellow quilters would find irresistible we would love to have it! Nothing smaller than a fat quarter.

Robin and I have not forgotten those of you who have requested a lanyard for your badge. It has been a challenge to find a time to create!!! We appreciate your patience with us.

FREE Table - Mary Kay Mouton

There will be a FREE table. We will not store and return the items from the FREE table.

Spring Retreat - Sally McKinley

The retreat will be March 10-13 at Little Ocmulgee State Park. If you have not paid your \$30 for retreat, fees are due by the December meeting. The rooms are now ready for you to call and reserve. Make sure you let them know you're with LOQG.



2025 – 2026 LOQG Quilt Challenge

National Holidays to Celebrate All Year Long

1. Pick a day that is not a State or Federal Holiday from provided list.
2. Initial the list for the Holiday you pick (Let's try not to choose same holiday).
3. Design a Quilt that you think best relates to the theme of that day.
4. Size requirement: **Perimeter between 68 inches to 88 inches**
5. **Embellishment** is a MUST !! Be Creative !!
6. Must be Quilted or Tied and have a binding (finished)

Would like to enter these Quilts into the Georgia National Fair for 2026



Zipper Day – April 24

Important information:

Karen Parsons will have the list up by the library table. You MUST sign your name NEXT TO the National Day that you are going to do for the challenge. You have to PICK a DAY that is not already spoken for.

To look at the National Days ahead of time ... because that might take some time.....YOU will find it on the Guild's Website at: LOQG.org.

If you are unable to sign-up in person then you may email Karen Parsons BUT give her several choices just in case your first choice is already spoken for. She will email you back which Challenge Day you ended up with.

ALLIED ARTS SHOW - The show will open November 7 and run through the end of November. The theme is **Preseason**. The reception will be November 7th 4:00 - 6:00.

Member Spotlight – Sonya Winterrowd



I have been sewing since 1st grade. I loved watching my Great Aunt Lula sew. I started making quilts when I had my babies - about 40 years ago.

I sew with my Juki and Husqvarna Viking machines. I also have a Longarm named Lula.

The first quilt I completed was a Eleanor Bryant Log Cabin which fell apart when I washed it. :)

How many UFO's do I have? I have TMTC UFO's. I'm bragging! (To Many To Count)

I love sewing with raw silk but mostly sew with cotton. I do have a HUGE stash - lots of leftovers.

My favorite notion is my Embroidery machine. I spend about 10 hours a week in my sewing loft. I do have a smart TV up there with me.

My favorite part of quilt making is I love to shop for fabrics and then eat out for lunch! My least favorite part of quilt making is the binding.

I find the best deals for fabrics and notions online.

TIP: If you start making mistakes. STOP - Do it later.

Other News

QOV Bee - Our QOV group has a busy month in November. We meet on October 27th at the Lutheran Church to work on making blocks, pillowcases and quilt tops for our veterans. That meeting will be from 10 – 2 for anyone who can join us.

At our guild meeting, on Nov 11, we will be presenting 13 quilts to veterans to honor them on this great day. All of these veterans have been nominated by our own members! I'm so proud of all of you for thinking of these great Americans to honor them with a quilt. We also have a presentation on Nov. 4th , and 2 presentations on November 14th . God Bless America and our great veterans!

Also, there is a group in Virginia who is coordinating the making of a quilt for our 250th birthday of our nation. They are asking for blocks from people all over our nation. I made a block to represent our quilt guild here at Lake Oconee. If anyone else would like to donate a block, I will include the link. The deadline to submit is Nov 30. The link is visitwilliamsburg.com.

Here is a picture of the block I am submitting.



Members who will quilt for others:

- Carol McRae 478-968-5352
- Kay Denjo 706-453-1877
- Virginia Daley T-shirt quilts & quilt repairs. 706-473-3320
 - vdaley@msn.com
- Their contact information is in our **Member Directory** on the website.

If you have a quilt related skill that you are willing to do for others, please let Jan Anderson know.

Tips of the Trade

- Use a small address label or mark your initials with a permanent marker to identify your pressure feet, bobbins, scissors, etc. before taking them to classes or workshops.
- For a fast alternative to hand-finished binding, attach the binding to the back of the quilt. Bring the folded edge to the front. Machine stitch the binding in place with a decorative stitch.
- To join strips of various types of fabric, such as cotton, wool, and silk, place the fabric with the most stretch on the bottom, against the machine feed dogs, to control stretch.



EXTRA Extra Hospitality with Kathy Sands.

I sent Eileen Oberdeck a card because Maggie Hazzard hadn't seen her at some of the quilt meetings. It appears that her husband is having a really hard time, confined to the house and in a wheelchair, so Eileen is the primary caregiver. If her fellow quilters could just check in on her, via call, email or card I'm sure she would appreciate it.

Thanks, Kathy S #516-457-8103 or kgs2149@aol.com

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Quilts for Doggies and Kitties

We are asking all Quilt Guild Members to make a quilt for the Lake Oconee Humane Society and bring it to the November and/or December meeting. We would like to deliver them to the Shelter in time for the Holiday Adoption Season.

From the samples we made, the instructions are pretty simple. Sew together two fat quarters with batting (Cotton or 80/20 is best).

Sew your fabric right sides together with batting on top. Leave a small opening to turn them right side out and quilt any way you like. Machine quilt, free motion, longarm, use decorative stitches making squares, stripes or diamonds, or stencil a pattern you like.

Use your scrap fabric, sample quilt squares you put together, or just a fat quarter.

We will take pictures of all the quilts when they are turned in and submit them to our Publicity Chair for publication before taking them to the Shelter.

Pieceful Hearts Quilters Guild

November 7 - 8, 2025
PHQG Quilt Show
Quilting on the River

Riverview Park Activities Center
100 Riverview Park Dr.
North Augusta, SC 29841

- NACQJ judged quilt show
- Over 200 quilts on display
- Vendors
- Members' Table selling handmade quilted items
- Buy It Now Boutique
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Regina Carter's Legacy Raffle

All proceeds go to the purchase of an accessible vehicle for a family member with Spinal Muscular Atrophy.

We will select 5 winners, and they will receive 1 award winning quilt. More information on these amazing quilts can be found at reginacarterquilts.com.

Drawing will take place on November 30 at 2:00 PM on Facebook Live (Jamie Stewart Allen or Jessica Stewart Clark).

Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100.



Scan code Venmo me Show to...

Jamie Allen
@jamienae



Please include your phone number, email, and address on Venmo or Cashapp. All information will be kept private, and only used to contact you if you win!



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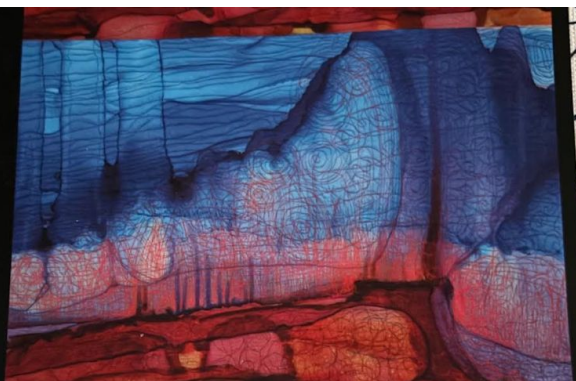
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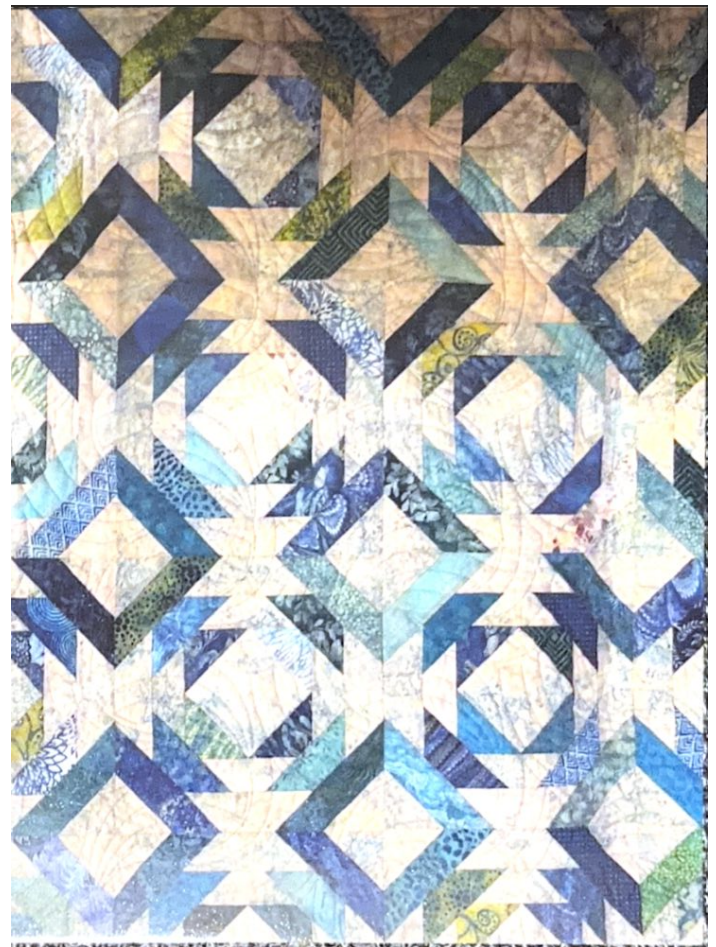
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items, Vintage Market, Silent Auction, Vendors
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March 20 -22, 2026

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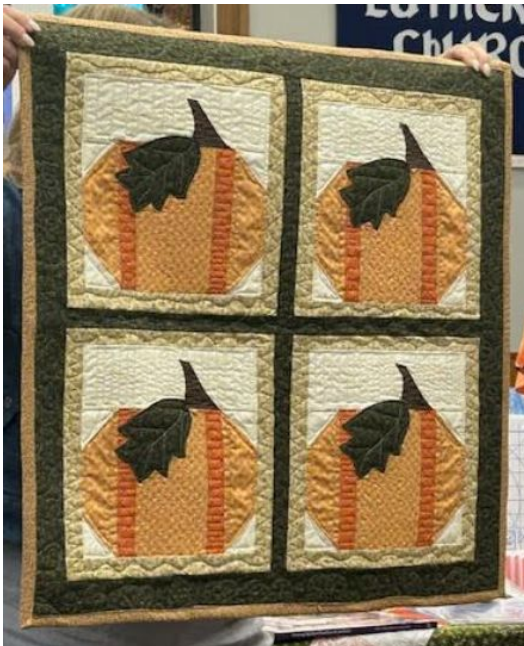
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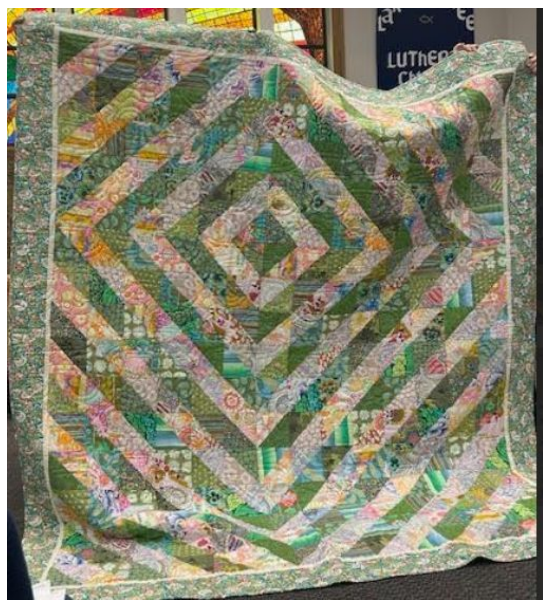
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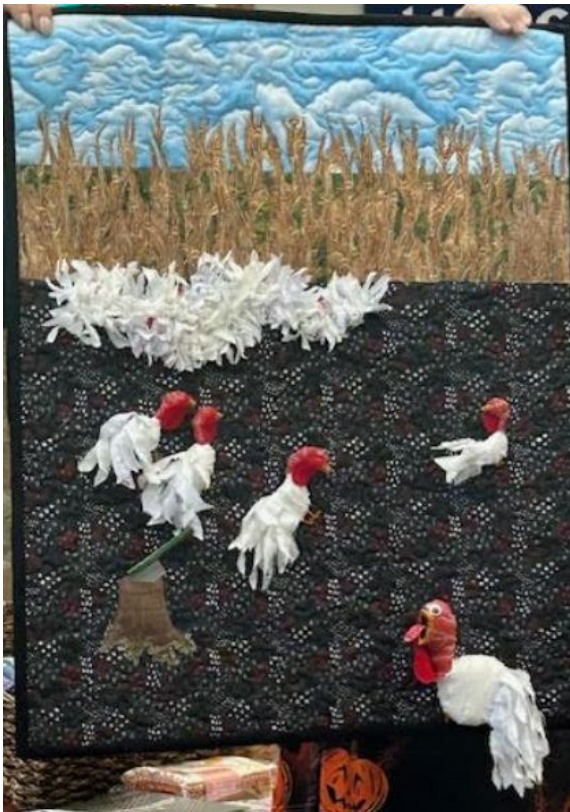
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Row By Row Workshop

