

# Lake Oconee Quilt Guild Newsletter



## Information

### Web Site

LOQG.org

### Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> 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

### Officers 2022-2023

President – Jeanne Sewell  
Vice President – Susan Garrett  
Secretary – Mary Gimbert  
Treasurer – Virginia Daley

### Committee Chairs

Programs – Cate Pond  
Membership - Kathy Henderson  
& Josie Elsberg  
Show and Tell – Libba Holmes,  
Julie Elder & Kathryn Roper  
Raffle Table – Sally McKinley &  
Kimberly Topper  
Library – Pat Gray, Lisa Albury &  
Theresa Jackson  
Challenge Quilt - Shari Ball  
Social – Kathy Sands  
Ways and Means – Suzy Kurelic  
Publicity – Kris Rulison  
Website - Helene Perez  
Retreat – Sally McKinley  
Newsletter – Kris Rulison

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## President's Message – Jeanne Sewell

Are you enjoying the fall weather? Before you know it the Thanksgiving and December holidays will be here. Now is a good time to make holiday gifts.

A huge thanks to Kimberly Topper for her bobbin pin workshop and to Kay Dejno for her beginning paper piecing workshop. The Raffle Quilt is in progress, all of the blocks have been distributed for piecing. Thanks to Kathy Sands for hosting the social time once again.

At our November meeting, guest veterans will receive recognition for their service and be presented with Quilts of Valor quilts. Please consider bringing food items for the social time where we can meet and greet the veterans and other members.

The deadline for dues was October 1; however, you can still pay your dues. Our quilt guild membership allows you password protected access to the “members only” section of the guild website at <https://www.loqg.org>. Please bookmark the website and check it regularly.

Happy quilting!

## November Program



Our November meeting will honor five veterans with a Quilts of Valor presentation. Please wear something red, white and blue to honor our vets.



Following the QOV presentation and lunch, Kris Rulison will hold the first of several beginner classes. The first class we will discuss sewing machine maintenance, needles, rulers, fabric, thread, cutting tools and cutting and the importance of a 1/4 inch seam. For a list of materials to bring, RSVP your attendance to [kjrulison@gmail.com](mailto:kjrulison@gmail.com). The second class will follow the December meeting brunch. There is no charge for these classes.



## January Program – Cate Pond



A set of two project bags with a zipper and clear vinyl front, 16" and 18" square, will be done in no time with sew-by-number patterns and pre-sewn zippers. Cost will be \$30 (cost of the kit only). This includes the class and the kit for both bags. You supply the fabric, about 2 yards total. A completed bag will be available for you to see at the December meeting.

Sign up at the November and December meeting. Payment must be done by the December meeting so the kits can be ordered. Class size is limited to 15.

## Membership – Kathy Henderson and Josie Elsberg

Three new members joined in October. They are all fairly new quilters as well. They are Linda Borough, Bobbie Hester and Pat Hansen. Linda is a brand new sewer, having just started three months ago. She is a real beginner in every sense of the word. Bobbie is an experienced garment maker and machine embroiderer. She has made several baby quilts. Pat last pieced a quilt 10 years ago and would like to refresh her quilting skills.

## Challenge Quilt – Shari Ball



In case you missed the announcement: The Guild Challenge for June 2023 is....HEXIES! They are everywhere. Just keep your eyes on shapes and potential projects. The challenge this year is the use of hexies. These can be the normal hexies or patterns that read as a hexagon. Use at least three in a project of your choice. The project can be utilitarian (mug rugs, hot pads, pillows, pincushions, Christmas ornaments).

Wall hangings and small quilts should be at least 14" x 18". Larger projects at least 24" x 24" or larger. The real challenge this year is for all of us to get on board and make something using hexagons. Use the fabric of your choice, choose your project and reveal in June at the luncheon. There will be prizes and participation pins.

## Library– Pat Gray, Lisa Albury and Theresa Jackson



In appreciation for your help in selecting which books should be part of the LOQG Library, we will draw names of those that participated to receive a quilting book.

The Library will not be available for checkout or return in December, so pick out a Christmas project book to use until the January guild meeting for only \$1 for both months.

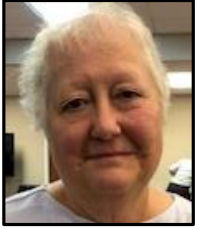
Also if anyone has sheep to turn in for Circle Ranch, please turn them in at the library table. And thanks so much for your help.

## Social– Kathy Sands

Please help us to make the November QOV presentation a special day for our veterans and their families. Snack donations for this meeting are most appreciated!

The sign up sheet for the December brunch will also be available at the November meeting.





Susan Garrett, our Vice-President this year, has been quilting for over 45 years. She learned to sew from her grandmother and she made many clothing items before getting into quilting. She has been married for 37 years and has five grown children and six grandchildren. They were a military family for many years and lived in many locations around the U.S. and in Iceland for two years.

Susan was a fine arts major at University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire and has always loved to create. What she loves about quilting is that you get to create a quilt and then you have something very useful when it is done. She is always adding to her “endless” tower of quilts, has given many away to family and friends and donates at least 6-9 yearly to charity. She loves many different types of fabric, with reproductions, civil war and batiks being on the top of her list.

For the last seven years she been running a small ministry in Sparta, Georgia called Martha's Closet. Martha's collects gently used clothing and household items that are given out to the poor at no cost at Martha's storefront, offering dignity and joy to the least of our brothers.

## Other News



**LOQG Spring Retreat** – Payment of \$25 for the retreat is due anytime. Sally would like to have all money in no later than January. That includes even those on waiting list because there's a really good chance that you'll be able to attend!



**SAVE THE DATE!** The Cotton Patch Quilters will present their 2023 show “A Journey in Quilts” on Friday March 3rd 10-6, Saturday March 4th 10-6 and Sunday March 5th 12-4. It will be at the Oconee Civic Center, 2661 Hog Mountain Rd, Watkinsville, GA.