



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 Sewell
Secretary – Geri Wires
Treasurer – Virginia Daley

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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
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Retreat – Sally McKinley

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President's Message – Paula Tanner

What a great program and workshop presented by Nancy Mahoney last month! And, we look forward to many more exciting and informational presentations the rest of this year. I don't know about you, but making my challenge quilt is quite a challenge. Thanks to our own Jenni Black and Carol McRae we have a very mind stretching project. April will be here before we know it, so I'm adding extra time each day in order to complete mine. I hope you are doing the same. Our program in April will be a very deep dive into how each person approached and completed their quilt. Getting into another person's mindset is often quite valuable in enhancing our own approach to projects. We are all instructors and students at the same time!

Happy Valentine's Day to each and every one of you. Make yourself a valentine gift of doing something you have always wanted to do or try. It doesn't have to be difficult or cutting edge. It can be simple but fulfilling of a desire in your mind. We all have little things that once tried can grow into a longtime experience. Last year I started weaving again. It had been since the very early 1970's since I last warped a loom. It was like being turned loose in a praline store for me! My little loom fulfills a desire to create and gives my mind time to wander through all the thoughts I have without losing track of the pattern being formed as the yarn is passed back and forth in a steady pace. Peaceful, calm, and yet productive is a wonderful goal for me.

Vice-President's Message and Programs – Jeanne Sewell

Our own Beth DeMaille will provide a lecture on applique at the February 1st meeting with examples/quilts using the various applique techniques. She has asked members to bring their own applique quilts and projects to enhance the program.

Following the meeting will be an afternoon "Mini Retreat" workshop from 12:30 p.m. – 4 p.m. so you might want to bring a brown-bag lunch. Bring your crafting projects to share, which might be quilting, knitting, crocheting, etc. It will be an opportunity to get advice for snags or ideas for the future. Beth DeMaille will join us and assist with applique questions and projects. There is no cost and all members are invited.

♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥

Vice President's Message and Programs cont'd

The Nominating Committee will be identifying candidates for officers and committees for next year. Please consider getting actively involved if you are not already doing so.

We need suggestions for lectures and workshops for the upcoming year. Please let Jeanne know if you can assist or suggest others to help with programming.

March Program

Donna Jacoby will be providing a lecture at our March 1st meeting as well as teaching a 2-day workshop on an improvisation double wedding ring quilt. The first day after the guild meeting is a 3-hour workshop on creating your own improv fabric. Wednesday's 6-hour workshop will continue to create fabric and then use the Accuquilt to cut double wedding ring pieces. The cost of the 9-hour workshop is \$75. Check your email and the website for workshop requirements and supply list. We will have handouts at our next meeting, so be sure to sign up for this workshop.

Ways and Means - Raffle Quilt and Upcoming May Auction



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Remind yourself to purchase your raffle tickets at the February meeting if you haven't already done so. This year's quilt is very special since the University of Georgia just won the National College Football Championship! Selling the tickets to others around you should be so easy. Supporting your guild with this fund raising activity is a good thing and helps bring quality programs and workshops to our members. Remember, the winning ticket will be drawn at our April meeting!

Start thinking about the May meeting's aMAYzing Auction. During these cold winter days is a good time to go through your sewing studio and stash to set side things you no longer need/want. Items you donate for this fund raiser provide funds to help us plan ahead for next year's programs and workshops!



Challenge Quilt – Jenni Black and Carol McRae

April is just a few months away and we are all anxious to see the creativity of our members Challenge Quilt projects at the April meeting. Minimum size is 36" x 36", with a maximum size of 40" x 60". Each entry must be quilted and have binding, but quilting and binding will not be part of judging. There will be a prize for each judging category, three different winners judged by YOU, the members!

1. The most creative use of the challenge material
2. The most creative overall quilt design using the challenge material
3. The most effective use of the colors in the challenge material

In other words, our quilt challenge is all about the CHALLENGE MATERIAL and it's usage, not technical sewing, quilting, binding, etc. There will be a participant pin for each quilt submitted. So have fun and show your creative side!





Retreat - Retreat dates are March 8-11 (that's Tuesday thru Friday.) Please stop by the raffle table and let Sally know with whom you are rooming or if you have reserved a room by yourself. There are a few people still looking for a roommate. I will have a suggested supply list available at the raffle table as well.



Special Announcements

- **SAVE the DATE** – Ready for another big quilt show? The Original Sewing and Quilting Expo will be back in Atlanta on March 10-12, 2022. What a great opportunity to catch up with what's new in the quilting world!
- 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.