November 2026

Lake Oconee Quilt Guild Newsletter



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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 – Virginia Daley
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President's Message - Virginia Daley

Greetings,

Were you able to enjoy our beautiful weather? I enjoyed playing golf much more with the cooler days. I see lots of yard work and decorations for Halloween. Some really unique displays in downtown Eatonton. It's been fun driving through neighborhoods to, see some of the spooks, scarecrows, skeletons, witches, etc. Some households really go all out. I don't know if people decorate more for Halloween or Christmas.

Halloween will be over by the time we meet. Who had the scariest yards? And, who enjoyed the most candy. Trick or Treaters don't come in my area so I don't get to see some of the cute or unusual costumes.

I expect at Show and Tell we will get to see some of the jackets made at the October workshop. Mine is still an idea formulating.

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REMEMBER to wear RED, WHITE, and BLUE. This will be a good time to invite friends to see our presentation of the Quilts of Valor to the service men/women.

Please read the by-laws sent to you through your email, as we will be voting on them this month. We will also be voting on the budget.

There is still time to sign up for the card class to be given by Johanna Adams. Call either Theresa Jackson or Susan Smith.

That's all folks. See you on November 10th.

Virginia

OUR NEXT MEETING - November 10th (NOTE CHANGE)
Following Meeting: December 8th

Programs - Theresa Jackson and Susan Smith





We are looking forward to a quilted jacket fashion show at our November meeting. We had a good turn out and everyone enjoyed the camaraderie!

WEAR YOUR JACKET TO THE MEETING!

November: Quilts of Valor Presentation

Workshop: For the first time, we are having a workshop after the Quilts of Valor presentations. Johanna Adams will show how to make fabric embellished postcards and folded cards which can be sent through the mail to convey very thoughtful sentiments. The cost for this is $10.
Supplies: Bring fabric scraps, scissors, and glue stick.







December: LOQG Luncheon
Come join your quilting friends for a great time of fellowshipping.

Workshop: No Workshop in December



January: Jennifer Morris **trunk show**

Workshop: Be sure to sign up for our January workshop at the November meeting. Jennifer Morris will provide a day and a half workshop. This is a Jelly Roll friendly quilt! And this class will provide an overall orientation of quilting terminology and general knowledge. The hands-on skills will include the basics of rotary cutting, accurate piecing, pinning, pressing, chain piecing and web piecing the quilt top. These skills will prepare the students to make any Log Cabin style block and quilt.
Cost is $40.
Class will be held **Tuesday afternoon** after our meeting **and Wednesday 9-4**. Plan to bring a sack lunch.



Membership - Suzy Kurelic and Jan Anderson — Membership: 93

MEMBERSHIP DUES are DUE. Please bring to the next **meeting**. This year's dues are **$30.**
Cash or Check made out to ***Lake Oconee Quilt Guild.***
OR **Mail** to **Mary Gimbert** 1810 Buckhead Drive, Greensboro, GA 30642

Show & Tell - Laura Kleinschmidt and Beverly Childs



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 Kathryn Roper



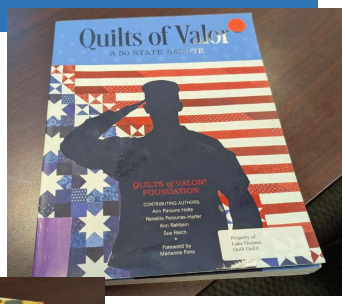
November will be our last raffle table until January. We have some BIG items you'll not want to miss this month! Bring extra money for tickets!!

Library - Kathy Thompson and Susan Guss



Susan and I are so excited about everyone checking out books from the library. We cataloged a new bunch of books last week so please go look to see all the new books!

If you are interested in making a Quilt of Valor in the future we have a book for that. Stop by our table to get all the information.





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.



Fundraising - Wanda Hamrick and Sherri Ball

I will have the table set up at November meeting with various items for sale.

Thanks for all who purchased last month. We did great.

Lisa Albury has volunteered to create a quilt for us to RAFFLE!! We need fat quarters of greens, blues, purples, pinks, yellows, golds, corals and dark greens for the stems for the raffle quilt. Please bring to the table for us to collect. Lisa will be working on it very soon. We may need some to help cut out the petals which are from an orange peel 5 inch template.

See picture of future quilt :)



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 9-12 at Little Ocmulgee State Park. If paying by check, make it out to LOQG. All fees must be paid by the January meeting. There are still several spots left for retreat. Remember, your spot isn't guaranteed until you pay your fee of $30. I'm really looking forward to our retreat!!

LITTLE OCMULGEE STATE PARK & LODGE

QOV Bee - Quilts Of Valor Bee will meet the last Monday of the month from 10–2 at the Lutheran Church. All are welcome to come.

Well Ladies, this is the month we honor veterans with some Quilts of Valor. This year we have 11 who will receive quilts. I'm so proud to say that all of these vets have been nominated by our own guild members! Some of them will bring family and friends with them to celebrate this honor. Please wear patriotic colors so we look festive. We will need extra snacks also. I look forward to this meeting and I hope you do too. Thanks for all you do for this cause.

- November 30th ….. QOV Bee….ALL are Welcome
  - Donations of patriotic fabric are welcome at any time.

Challenge – Pat Gray and Lisa Albury

Beg, Borrow or Steal
LOQG Challenge Quilt

Size: 76" - 250" perimeter
Pieces: 250 or more
Inspiration: LOQG library book. You may check out the book from our library until June 2027. If you would like to buy a book to use instead, you may donate it to the library in June. You don't have to follow the pattern in the book exactly: You may change colors, size, borders, etc.
Fabric: Only one shopping trip allowed to buy fabric from a store or online. After that use what you have, borrow from a friend, steal fabric from the free bench, or purchase from the market table.
Quilts are due at the June meeting. Please bring the LOQG library book that was used for your inspiration with your quilt. Please sign up at the table in the back.
****Each month** there will be a fabric swap or something else you can do as part of the challenge. These are optional, but you will earn points for participating.

For the **November Challenge**: Donate **RED, WHITE**, or **BLUE** fabric to the market table in honor of Veteran's Day. Remember to come & put a check beside your name if you participate in this month's challenge.

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An example of the challenge:



Member Spotlight – Laura Kleinschmidt



I have done all sorts of crafts since my teenage years, from cross stitch to stained glass. One day I saw a log cabin quilt and I loved the look of it. I figured I could get a book and teach myself how to make one. I didn't even own a sewing machine! After trying to piece by hand I went and bought a starter Singer machine. It was awful, but I persevered. So my first quilt was a log cabin quilt and I changed out the Singer for a Janome. I eventually bought a Bernina Quilter's Edition, and it is a workhorse. That's now about 20 plus years ago.

Today, I have a longarm and quilt for a few charities. I think I probably spend about 8-10 hrs a week sewing in some fashion.

I don't have UFOs. If I start a project, I do see it to completion. I have given some projects to friends knowing they would enjoy what I did not, like applique! I love bright colors and batiks the most. I don't know that I find great deals on fabric and such, but I do like Missouri Star's daily deals. I have a stash, but don't seem to use it. I can't help but purchase new fabrics for each project. My favorite part of quilting may be piecing, but then again it may be shopping! My least favorite part is binding, but I don't dread it like I used to. My favorite notion is any ruler by Deb Tucker who started Studio 180. They make me precise in a way I can't seem to be without the rulers.

My best sewing tip? Do what you enjoy and don't be afraid to ask questions. Quilters are the best at helping others.



Other News continued…

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

- To get the top thread through the hole of a foot that is closed in front, slide the foot up the needle, pull top thread down through the opening, then attach the presser foot.
- For maximum visibility when you are free-motion quilting, use an open ring darning foot or clear darning foot.
- To easily and accurately machine stitch around an applique piece, move the needle to the farthest right position. Align the applique piece with the inside edge of the right toe of the applique foot.
- *Tips of the Trade ….. I repeat….. Tips of the Trade …. write it down…remember… Tips of the Trade*



EXTRA Extra Hospitality with Kathy Sands. Please let Kathy Sands know of any prayers, concerns and even celebrations. It's just nice sometimes to get a note of encouragement or praise and Kathy would love to send one.

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Quilts for Doggies and Kitties

Please make a small quilt for the Lake Oconee Humane Society. Bring them to the Guild meeting and turn them into Suzy at the Membership table.





Meeting























The Secret Word LAST month was……
Yabba Dabba Doo!





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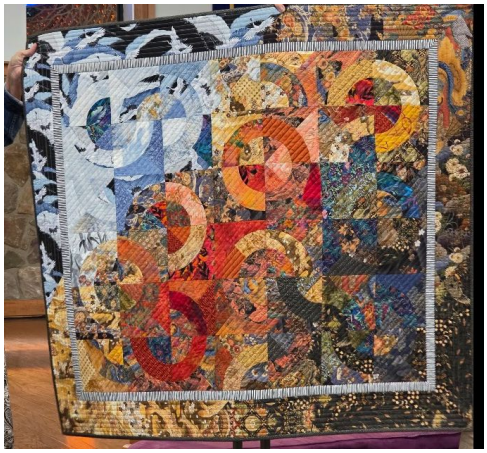













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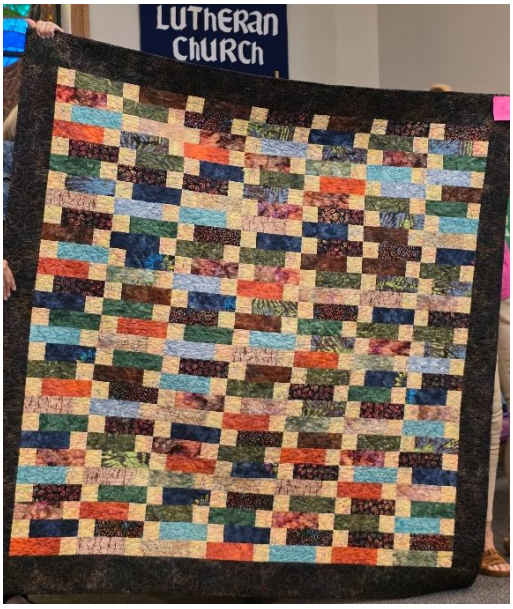









Show & Tell


Valerie Wheeler


GEORGIA
CREATURE
GEORGIA TENNIS
WAR EAGLE
Georgia TENNIS
NCAA
GEORGIA BASKETBALL
GEORGIA FOOTBALL
Lucky me! I'm a DAWG
Pattie Chapman


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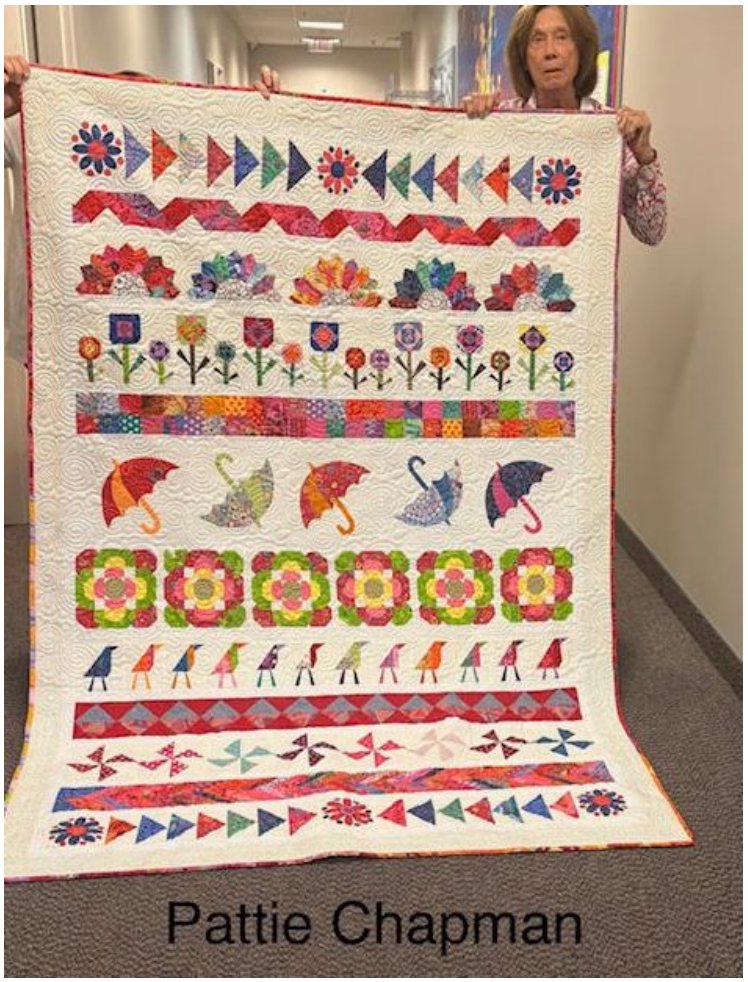
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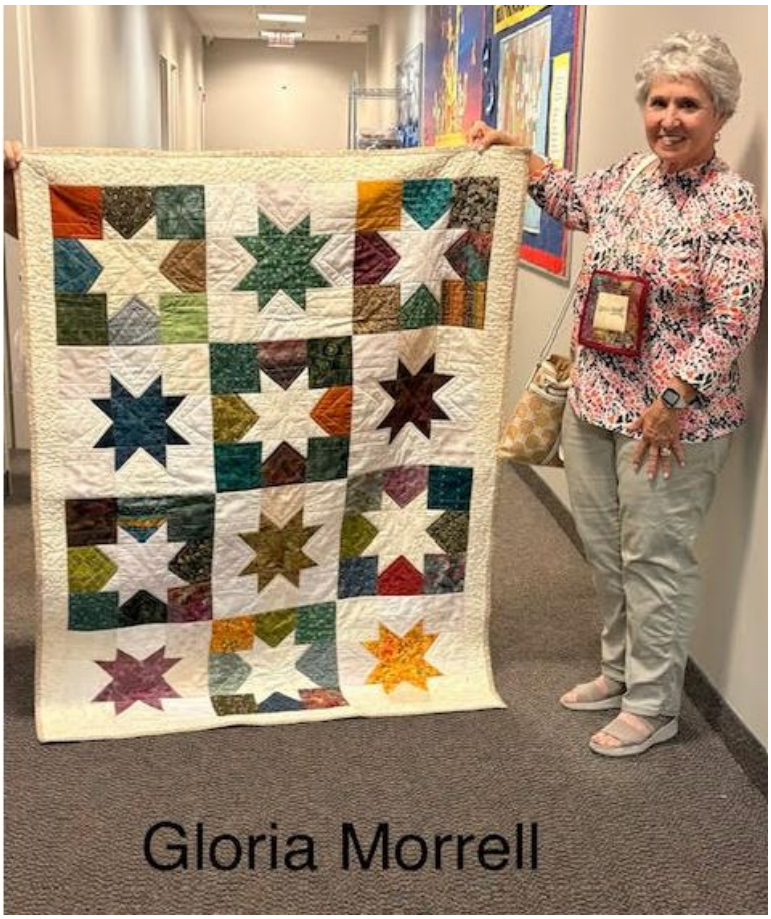



Show & Tell










Patt LaBarre


Paula Tanner


Susan Smith




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Workshop - Making a Quilted Jacket with Sonya Winterrowd and friends who guided participants in creating their own quilted jackets just in time for cooling weather.







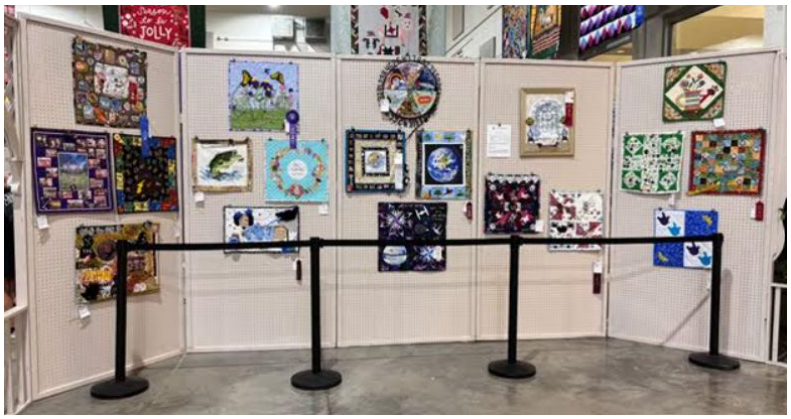








25-26 LOQG Challenge - Perry National Fairgrounds



FIRST PLACE

Virginia Daily



AWARD OF EXCELLENCE



Rachel Dugger

SECOND PLACE

Pat Gray & Lisa Albury



Karen Parsons



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THIRD PLACE

Johanna Adams



Kay Dejno



HONORABLE MENTION

Jan Anderson



Janet Cochran



Cookie Noel



Quilts will be delivered back at the December Guild meeting