

June 2026

# Lake Oconee Quilt Guild Newsletter



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by  
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**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 2025-2026

**President** – Johanna Adams  
**Vice President** – Virginia Daley  
**Secretary** – Kathy Thompson  
**Treasurer** – Mary Gimbert

### Committee Chairs

**Programs** –Kaye Hlavaty  
**Membership** - Suzy Kurelic  
**Show and Tell** – Julie Bizzoso  
**Raffle Table** – Sally McKinley  
**Library** – Pat Gray  
**Challenge** – Karen Parsons  
**Hospitality** – Kay Crane  
**Fundraising** – Karen Whitt  
**Publicity** – Sonya Winterrowd  
**Website** - Helene Perez  
**Retreat** – Sally McKinley  
**Newsletter** – Jan Anderson

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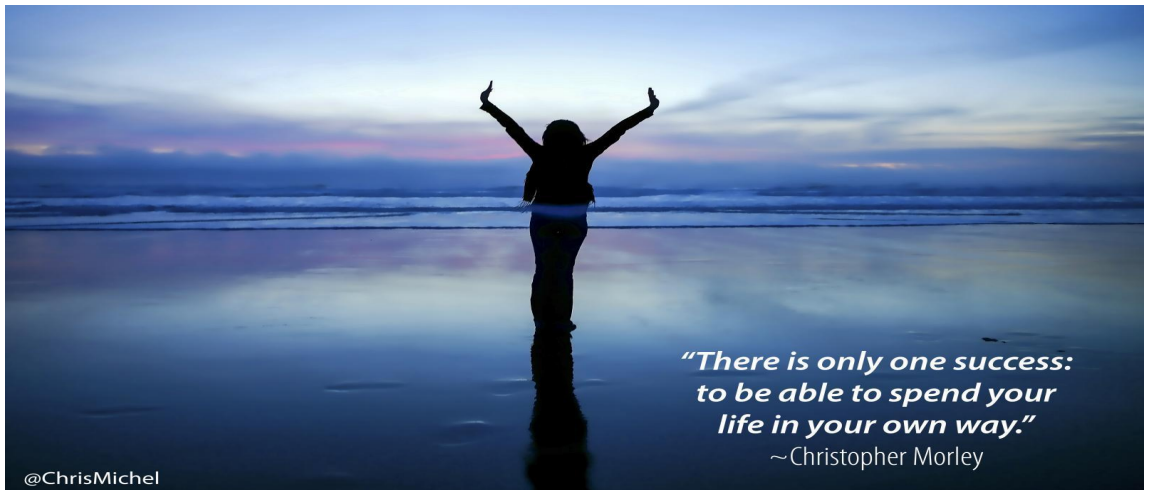
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## President's Message - Johanna Adams

The June meeting will be our annual luncheon, officer recognition, and installation of the new board and committee members. Remember that this is a Members Only lunch. It is always such a great meeting and a fun time to socialize and opportunity to get to know people other than as quilters.

I would like to have a meeting after the luncheon of all current and incoming board members, since we're having lunch, no one will need to deal with the lunch rush.

I am really looking forward to seeing all the challenge quilts. This has been such a fun project, and Karen Parsons came up with such a wonderful idea. I have seen a few of the quilts people have made and if those are an example, Wow. I don't know how anyone will be able to decide if we have to vote. They will not be secret, so you may bring them without hiding them. You must check in and numbers will be given out. There will be no Show and Tell, other than the challenge. There won't be a Market Table or Raffle Table either. Please remember to bring whatever dish you signed up for, and if you didn't sign up you're still welcome to bring something to share. Come prepared for fun. See you then.



OUR NEXT MEETING - June 2nd  
Following Meeting: September 1st

## Programs - Kaye Hlavaty & Theresa Jackson

JUNE MEMBERS ONLY LUNCHEON is the program along with the Quilt Challenge.

## Membership - Suzy Kurelic & assisted by Jan Anderson

Membership: 103

**MEMBERSHIP DUES** are DUE at the **SEPTEMBER meeting**. Next 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 - Julie Bizzoso and Kelly Sandquist



NO SHOW & TELL AT THE JUNE MEETING.

## Raffle Table - Sally McKinley and Wanda Hamrick



NO RAFFLE TABLE AT THE JUNE MEETING. Save up your money for September!!!

## Library - Pat Gray & Lisa Albury



The library will be closed in June because of the social.

Thanks so much for checking out books & enjoying the amazing resources we have available.

See you next year for the challenge quilt.

## Hospitality - Kay Crane, Kathy Sands and Mary Anne Shelton

We look forward to our end of year luncheon at June's LOQG meeting. If you didn't sign up to bring something to share, it's not too late. Feel free to share your special dish with us.

Current Board Members... Remember to met on Monday, June 1st, at 10 am to help set up for the end-of-the-year luncheon.



## Fundraising - Karen Whitt & Robin Cassidy

Thank you all for your support of the fundraising efforts.

Please continue to support the new fundraising co-chairs in the coming year.

Enjoy your summer!

## 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

I will start taking retreat fees in October. They will be **\$30**. Our fees pay for our sewing rooms, the extra room, the goody bags and door prizes. Only 10 months until our next retreat. As fast as time is flying, it will be here before we know it!!!!



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**QOV Bee** - Our QOV Bee will meet during the summer. **June 29, July 27, and August 31**. Hope you will join us for fun and sewing for our vets. We meet at the Lutheran Church from 10-2.

We honored 4 vets with quilts in the month of May.



## 2025 – 2026 LOQG Quilt Challenge

National Holidays to Celebrate All Year Long

Size requirement: **Perimeter between 68 inches to 88 inches**

**Embellishment** is a MUST !! Be Creative !!

Must be Quilted or Tied and have a binding (finished)

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

**BRING YOUR QUILT CHALLENGE TO THE JUNE MEETING**



Zipper Day – April 24

## Member Spotlight – Jenny Durrance



My sister was always encouraging me to quilt. But at the time I was working full time and was showing and breeding Bernese Mtn. Dogs the other full time. When I quit showing dogs after 25 years, I decided to try my hand at quilting. So, I watched You Tube and learned how to quilt. I had always sewn making all my clothes for years and thought it shouldn't be that hard. Quilting is a whole different world. Quilters are a crazy bunch and I seem to fit right in.

I use Janome's pretty much exclusively, I started out with Pfaff but could not find resources to repair them. That's when I switched after talking with my sister who said Janome's are work horses. She is right. I love them.

I completed a Log Cabin quilt to use on my couch. I love that pattern and have used it a lot in making quilts for our church's donations. However, I came across crazy quilting and have developed quite a passion for it. I have been trying to organize my craft room and realized I have more UFO's than I probably have time left on this earth. Between paper crafting, quilting, knitting, crocheting and dogs, I have more projects than time. How do people live without hobbies?

I don't think I really have a favorite fabric to work with. My stash is pretty comprehensive. I have about anything I need to do most projects. My favorite notion is magic clips. How did I ever sew without them? My cat Catooka loves them too. She also loves bobbins. So I have a good stock of both. I typically sew approx. 10-20 hours a week unless I am making cards for people.

I love experimenting with new patterns. Making the quilt top is my favorite part. Making the sandwich is my least favorite part. I find the quilting part difficult due to not having a mid-arm quilter, so I struggle a bit with that. Wanted to buy one, but my son thought I would not live long enough to get a lot of use out of it. I think he thinks I have one foot in the grave already. (ha) He has no idea I plan on outliving him!

I have had good luck with Fat Quarter Shop in getting what I want. I have used Missouri Quilt and Shabby Fabrics but my go to is Fat Quarter. The tip I rely on as I'm sure most quilters do is to IRON, IRON, IRON.

**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**

- A strip of Glad Press'n Seal wrapped around a spool of thread will keep the thread from unwinding. Be sure to turn under about ¼" at the end so the Press'n Seal can be easily removed.
- Save space by hanging an over-the-door shoe organizer on your sewing room door to hold sewing notions and small pieces of fabric.
- Plastic six-drawer bins make great storage containers for thread. Label each drawer with the type of thread (cotton, polyester, silk, etc.) it contains.



**EXTRA Extra Hospitality** with Kathy Sands.

#516-457-8103 or kgs2149@aol.com

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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.



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lucky black cat



## “Love of Quilts Show” 2026

Etowah Valley Quilt Guild

Cartersville Civic Center \* 435 W. Main Street \* Cartersville, GA

**September 24-26, 2026**

Thursday – Saturday 10am-5pm

Admission \$5.00 \* Children under 12 free

Raffle Quilt Tickets \$1.00

Available for purchase at the door

**“Celebrate America” 88" x 88"**

Quilt design by Tina Cline \* Raffle drawing September 24, 2026

For more information: [www.etowahvalleyquiltguild.com](http://www.etowahvalleyquiltguild.com)

Facebook: Etowah Valley Quilt Guild

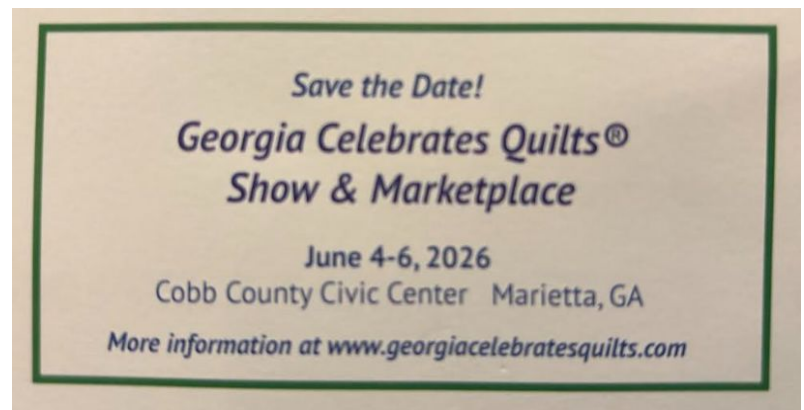
# GEORGIA CELEBRATES QUILTS® 2026

June 4-6, 2026

10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Daily

548 South Marietta Pkwy, Marietta, GA 30060

\$10 – Admission per Day



## Raffle Quilt

We are excited to present "**Terrazzo**" the 2026 raffle quilt made by the members of the East Cobb Quilters' Guild. Thank you for your interest in buying tickets to win this great quilt!

"**Terrazzo**" measures 76" x 87".

Proceeds from the raffle support the educational mission of the Guild, providing workshops and lectures by nationally and internationally known quilt artists. If you're not already a member, why not check out our [programs](#), [join online](#) and be part of the fun!



# Meeting



**Meeting**  
The Southeastern Quilt &  
Textile Museum  
Amy Loch



Show & Tell



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