



## Lake Oconee Quilt Guild Newsletter



### President's Message – Kris Rulison

Happy Fall Y'all!

Our November meeting will celebrate Veterans Day by awarding five service members a Quilt of Valor. As an Army wife for nine years, especially when patriotism was at all time low, I find this a wonderful way to celebrate these service members and the sacrifice they made in serving our nation. Make sure you wear patriotic colors to the meeting and be sure and bring some extra special treats for the social for this celebration! Following the QOV presentation, we will have our monthly business meeting and we will vote on the recommended Bylaw changes. The Bylaws will be emailed to you. Only a few copies will be made so please have them available on your phone or print off a copy so we can keep number and the cost that need to be copied low. Then bring your lunch and stay for a Sew In. Bring a project to work on and any questions for help on something you are working on. This is a wonderful way to get to know your fellow quilters!

Please pick up your allotment of raffle quilt tickets so you can sell them to your friends. I can't emphasize enough how important it is that we all sell our tickets as this is our only source of income this year besides our dues and these funds are used to pay for our program speakers and workshops.

Sign up starts this month for several classes that will be held in the next few months. Next month, after our annual holiday brunch, there will be a class on how to make a rag quilt. Candace Hassan will join us in January to teach us her A-Maze-ING quilt. And in February, Tammy Silver will teach us how to use the Tucker Trimmer tool in her Fizz pattern that uses the tool. Payment is due at the time of sign up.

Sew on!



#### Web Site

LOQG.org

#### Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Sept-June  
9:30 a.m. Social  
10:00 a.m. Business Meeting

#### Location

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#### Officers 2023-2024

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**Raffle Table** – Sally McKinley & Kimberly Topper  
**Library** – Lisa Albury & Pat Gray  
**Challenge Quilt** – Wanda Hamrick  
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November – In honor of Veterans Day, we will be awarding Quilts of Valor to five service members. Following the presentation, we will have our regular business meeting where we will vote on the recommended Bylaw changes and have our usual Show and Tell.

**Note meeting date is changed November 14<sup>th</sup>.**



Then bring your lunch and stay for the Sew In. This is a great time to get to know your fellow quilters. Bring a project of any kind to work on and if you are stumped and need help, we are there to help you out.

Future Programs

**December 5th – Holiday Brunch and Rag Quilt Class**



We will have our annual holiday brunch. Sign up for the food will take place at our November meeting. We need casseroles, quiches, baked goods, jams, jellies and spreads and fruit.

Following our brunch, Cate Pond and Kris Rulison will teach a class on how to make a rag quilt. Sign up will be at the November meeting. Cost is \$5 for members/\$35 for non-members. Payment is due at sign up. Supply list given at sign up and is available on the web site.

**January 2nd - Candace Hassan and her A Maze Zing Quilt Workshop**



I have been fascinated by yarn and fabric since I was 6 years old. As I was growing up, I tried every kind of needlework I could get my hands on. It was natural that I ended up in the textile department in college. For decades, I wove room sized rugs for Lyn Sterling Montagne, who made custom rugs for interior designers. During this time I wove scarves, blankets and tableware on my own time. 25 years ago I took up quilting, and immediately fell Color in love. I have since realized how much being a weaver for decades has had an effect on my quilting. Both weaving and quilting rely on color interplay and repeated geometric design has always been one of my favorite things, and years of hand dying yarn has given me an extensive foundation in working with color.

- At the January meeting, Candace will be teaching us her A Maze Zing quilt. Cost is \$40 member/\$70 non-member, which includes the required pattern. You can view this quilt and its variations on her website. Payment is due at sign up. Supply list given at sign up.
- <https://quilt designs by candace.com/my-program-and-classes>



**February 6th - Tammy Silvers and her Fizz Quilt, using the Tucker Trimmer**



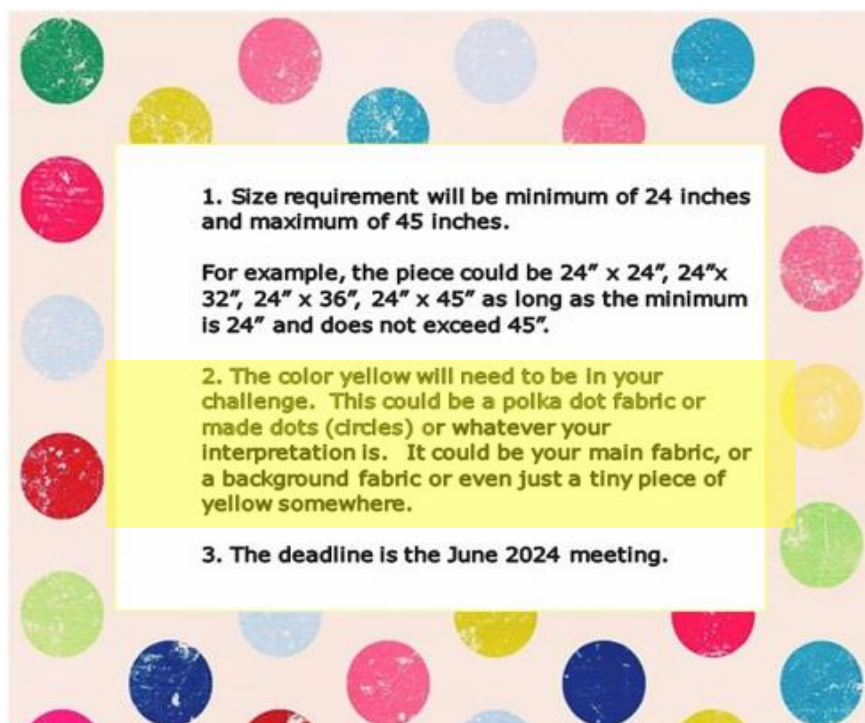
I've been quilting since 1991. I've also taught at a variety of quilt shops as well as online. I design and self-publish my own quilt patterns under the label Tamarinis. At the February meeting, Tammy will be teaching us her Fizz quilt, which uses the Tucker Trimmer tool. Cost is \$45 members/\$75 non-member, pattern included. Payment is due at sign up. Supply list given at sign up.

You can view this quilt and its variations on her website:  
<https://www.tamarinis.com/meet-tammy-silvers.htm>



Please welcome our new members to the guild: Beverly Childs, Dodie Proctor, and Karen Whitt. Also, welcome back to returning members who haven't joined us for a while. We're so glad to have you in the guild! At the November meeting, we hope to start taking pictures of everyone that is new to the guild or doesn't have a current picture on the website. We'll do this over in the Show and Tell area. If you want to dress up for your picture, please do so. We look forward to seeing you on November 14th!

## The challenge will be "It's All About Dots" aka "circles"



- 1. Size requirement will be minimum of 24 inches and maximum of 45 inches.**  
For example, the piece could be 24" x 24", 24"x 32", 24" x 36", 24" x 45" as long as the minimum is 24" and does not exceed 45".
- 2. The color yellow will need to be in your challenge. This could be a polka dot fabric or made dots (circles) or whatever your interpretation is. It could be your main fabric, or a background fabric or even just a tiny piece of yellow somewhere.**
- 3. The deadline is the June 2024 meeting.**



Tickets for this year's raffle quilt are still available for pick up at the meeting. Tickets will be \$1 for one or 6 for \$5. Each member will be given a set to sell. We would like most of all them to be picked up by December.

We need everyone's participation, as this is our sole source of income so far this year to support our wonderful teachers and workshops.



The library will be closed this meeting. Books are due in December.



## A Message from Our Past President – Jeanne Sewell

A sincere thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president of the LOQG this past year. I truly appreciate the cards and gift card from the leadership team and members. It is an honor to be a part of so many talented members. Jeanne

## Other Committee News

The following two committees need another volunteer to help during the monthly meeting. This is a great way to get involved in the guild and meet your fellow members:

- Show and Tell needs a second person for the next few months to help Geri Wires until Mary Bustion returns. Mary recently had major surgery and is home until after the holidays. See Geri Wires if you can help.
- Cookie Noel needs one person to handle the class sign up during the meetings. This entails collecting payment, overseeing the sign up sheet and giving instructions on the supply list. Please see Cookie if you can help.
- Last year, as you may recall, we did a member survey on ideas for programs and workshops. Surprisingly, many of the topics could be taught by our very own members! We would like to plan programs for next year and are looking for members to step up. You don't need to be a teacher to explain many of these how-to's. We will help you in any way. Some of the topics include: what is a fusible, how to use it, free-motion quilting, quilting tools and how to use them, different border selections, English paper piecing, applique. Or maybe there is something you are good at that could be done. Please see Cookie for further information.

## Member Spotlight – Cookie Noel



I started quilting during the bicentennial because I belonged to a needlework guild that wanted to do something for the Governor of Missouri to commemorate the event. (I lived in St. Louis at the time.) None of us were quilters, but we dug in and created the quilt. Most of it was applique so it was a steep learning curve. That lit the fire that led to more quilts and more quilts! My first quilts were all hand done because I had a machine phobia. I joined Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild and participated in the challenge of doing two blocks a month to keep. I got over my fear and have machine pieced ever since.

I married my childhood pen pal and he worked in Illinois teaching at a small rural college. When the weather was bad, he did not get home some weekends so to entertain myself I worked on finishing quilts, which later became Valentines him. We were married 50 years when he passed away in 2019. We had two daughters both who are married and live out of state. I have one grandchild who is 10 and lives with his parents in Illinois. The other daughter is married and lives in Vermont. She was a veterinarian and fed my other addiction (the first one is fabric) which is dogs, of which I currently have two. Both are spoiled rotten and one who likes to preview the fabric scraps for my quilts!

## Other News

**LOQG Spring Retreat** – The 2024 Guild Retreat will be held March 12-15<sup>th</sup>. Contact **Sally McKinley** to get on the waiting list. The retreat fee of \$25 is due no later than the December meeting. For those attending retreat, go ahead and make your reservation at Little Ocmulgee State Park and Lodge. Their number is 1-229-868-7882.



### *Peaceful Hearts Quilt Guild Quilt Show*

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

November 10th - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

November 11th - 9 am - 4 pm

Admission \$7.00

