



Hall County Quilt Guild
April 2019

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News

What's Happening

April 1 Shannon Armstrong

April 15 Project Day -jelly roll rug

May 6 Tammy Silvers Seeing Double

May 20 Project Day -Barn quilt block

June 3 Picnic

June 17 Project Day

July 1 Paula, Christine & Bobbi

July 15 Project Day

August 5 David Gilleland VictorQuilts

August 19 Project Day

Sept 2 Andi Settlemaier Barney

Sept 16 Project Day

Oct 7 Krista Moser The Quilted Life

Oct 8 Workshop

Oct 21 Project Day

Nov 4 Diane Knott ButterflyThreads

Nov 18 Project Day

Dec 2 Christmas Party

Shannon Armstrong will be returning

In November we had a great time learning from Shannon Armstrong how to use her jewel tool.



Shannon will be returning in April with her "Aunt Della" trunk show including antique quilts from her family. These are beautiful quilts and it will be amazing to see them up close.

Barn Quilt Block Class

- On May 20th (project day) we will have a class on painting barn quilt blocks.
- All products (less fabric) will be supplied but you must sign up and pay the \$20 fee by the April 1st guild meeting so we can order the boards.
- There will be 3-4 designs to choose from.
- Class will start at 10am.
- Bring scrap fabrics if you would like to Modge Podge fabric along with painting.



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Hall County Quilters Guild
Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2019

Jenny Thomas opened our March meeting

Peggy Johnson introduced our speaker, **Candace Hassen**, a quilt maker and designer who presented her "Inspiration trunk Show". Her background is in weaving. She likes quilts with basic units that are easy to make over and over again. Her quilts were beautiful and brilliantly colored. She also had some great ideas for storing fabrics.

Jenny said that **Carol Johnson** is having surgery again. Please send her a card.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved, and **Sally Zook** gave the Treasurer's report. We were reminded to read our newsletter to be aware of coming programs. We had 2 new members and 4 guests.

Laura Nagy reported on our Community Service projects. She said that the comfort pillows she has turned in are very welcome and much appreciated as are the tote bags made for the food pantries.

Peggy Johnson told us about up-coming programs. We will make painted wooden quilt blocks on a upcoming project day. There will possibly be a bus trip to the Franklin, NC quilt shops this summer. The Chartered Bus will cost about \$30 per person. *(There has been a change...because of low sign-ups this has been cancelled)*

Our April program will be a members' trunk show by Paula Johnson, Bobby Martin and Christine Pierson. In June there will be a picnic at Eagle Ranch. *(There has been a change...Paula, Bobby Christine will show their quilts in July, **Shannon Armstrong will be here in April**)*

Rose King thanked those who brought refreshments for March and said we will need more helpers for refreshments in July and August.

Jenny Grandfield gave out kits for Eagle Ranch quilts. This is a good cause as Eagle Ranch does wonderful work with kids who are troubled and might otherwise end up in foster homes.

Trixie Comfort announced that the "Quilt of the Year" will be a North Star quilt sized 80" by 80". It's a Missouri Star quilt pattern.

Jean Edwards reminded us to look under "What's Happening" for information on upcoming quilt events. It's also on the web site. Jean is working on a photo directory for the guild. Please see her if you haven't yet been photographed. This will be on the "Members Only" part of the website.

Chris Anderson reported on the Retreat and said that next year's retreat will be February 11 - 14 at the FFA camp in Covington, GA. Chris is also making covers we can fill with fabric and batting scraps for the humane society.

In the newsletter you will find information on signing up for Kroger Community Rewards and Amazon Smile, so that a small percentage of your purchases will go to our guild!

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie Monroe, Secretary

New Fundraiser Information for Guild Members

Please share with your friends and family - more participation means more money for the Guild!

NOTE: Neither of these efforts costs anything and will NOT affect your Kroger gas points.

To participate, a member must already have a Kroger Plus Card and an Amazon account. Both of these plans donate a small percentage of each qualified purchase at Kroger and Amazon. They will send the Guild the donations accumulated on a regular basis.



Go to your Kroger account (<https://www.kroger.com/account/update/>) where you would change your address or phone number if needed. If you never registered with Kroger, all you need to insert is your Plus Card ID or Alternate ID to activate.

Log in and select **Savings & Rewards** from the menu across the top.

Next select **Kroger Community Rewards**.

Next select the orange button titled **Enroll Now** - this is where you will search for **Hall County Quilters Guild** and select it. If you already have charity selected here, your orange button will read **View Your Rewards Details** - select this button and **Edit** your charity by searching for **Hall County Quilters Guild** and selecting it. This is also the place where you can see the dollar amount of the Kroger Donation that has been made based on your participation in the future.

Now - **EVERY TIME** you use your Kroger card to purchase groceries, etc., Kroger will donate a small percentage to our Guild.

Kroger exclusions: Alcohol, tobacco, Government assisted pharmacy expenses, postage stamps, Kroger Gift Cards, Green Dot Prepaid Reloadable Products, MoneyPaks, 1-2-3 Rewards Reloadable Visa PrePaid Debit Card, ReCharge Cards, American Express Variable Load Gift Cards, Visa Variable Load Gift Cards, MasterCard Variable Load Gift Cards, Bottle Deposits, Lottery and Promotional tickets, Money Orders, Western Union, Fuel and, Sales Tax are excluded from eligible purchases. Eligible pharmacy purchases include out of pocket co-pays for nongovernment assisted pharmacy programs.



Go to [<https://smile.amazon.com>] and log in using your Amazon log in and password.

In the top menu bar where you see "Hello, Your Name Here", select the drop down arrow at **Account & Lists** - here you will scroll down until you see "Your AmazonSmile" and select it. On the right side of the screen you will see "Your current charity" with the 'Change Charity' button under it. Select the Change Charity button and search for **Hall County Quilters Guild** and choose it. This is also the page that will show Amazon's donations to our guild in the future.

When you shop with Amazon in the future, use the **AmazonSmile** website and shop as you normally would. Once you have registered with AmazonSmile, if you log into the usual Amazon.com site, there will be a pop-up asking if you want to switch to **AmazonSmile**. This reminder helps us keep our shopping dollars going towards our Guild accumulation without having to remember every time.

AmazonSmile exclusions: If an item does not qualify towards the Smile rewards program there is a notice next to the item. Very few items will not qualify.

Clothespin Fabric Storage Rails

Keep your fabric in easy reach while adding color to your craft room with these easy to make DIY fabric storage clothespin wall rails. By ANA-WHITE.com One of the very first projects I ever shared through blogging was [these clip art rails](#) that I made for my daughter's room so many years ago - They were such an easy, inexpensive project that transformed a blank wall into something useful and so easy to decorate and change up. I always loved how they turned out and was forever a fan of clothespins after this project.



So when it came time to find a way to store Grandma's bins and bins of fabric scraps, I knew just what to do to not only store the fabric, but keep it within easy reach, all



while adding color and inspiration to the space. This is certainly better than a blank white wall.

And certainly better than digging through piles of fabric, for one tiny piece.



How to Make

It is very easy to make these fabric storage clip rails. Just glue full size clothespins with a craft glue every 3" to pine 1x2 boards (I used furring strips, they are less than \$1 each up here in Alaska). Then locate your studs in the wall, mark, and screw the 1x2 furring strip to the wall with screws 2" in length or longer (depending on wall composition).

So easy!

Can't wait to see how your's come out!

XO Ana



http://www.ana-white.com/2016/07/free_plans/clothespin-fabric-storage-rails

Thank you Connie Murphy for article suggestion



Our April Birthday greetings all go to the one member born in April - our Jean Edwards! April is the only month in which we have a single birthday celebrant 😊 so it's very special!

4/14 Jean Edwards

Please feel free to bring in your birthday gift to raffle off this month so we can be sure to have a nice array to use each month. As always, please PUT YOUR NAME on your gift so each donor will get credit for participation!

Thanks for all your generosity,

Connie Murphy
Birthday Raffle Coordinator



2 out of 72 received - 2.7%

We've been in touch with Eagle Ranch and have found out that they now have all four girl houses open. So, that means we'll be making more girl quilt kits!

Remember we want all the quilts to be 60" x 72" - Read your directions - and we are always available to help with any issues.

Thanks to everyone who has picked up kits the last couple of months. We only had one kit leftover last month. If you haven't picked up your kit for this year yet, we will have more kits at the next meeting. We have a goal of 72 kits to be turned in this year. Every month I will be posting our progress!

Jenny G, Jenny T. and Peggy J.



Family Promise Hall is looking to get donations of fabric so volunteers can come together for a day of sewing to help make these weighted blankets a reality for our children in the daycare program!

The goal is to complete four blankets; (2) 10 lb blankets and (2) 5 lb blankets on this day! The theory is that a heavier-than-normal blanket hugs a sleeper and may prevent tossing and turning. As a result, the sleeper feels more secure and sleeps more soundly and for longer periods of time.

Weighted blankets are usually designed for people with autism, but there are plenty of other uses! The pressure of the blanket causes the brain to release serotonin, which is a calming chemical in the body, much like a strong hug. Weighted blankets can help people with autism, sensory disorders, insomnia, ADD/ ADHD, and Restless Leg Syndrome.

Heavy wraps have been used as a calming mechanism for children with autism, ADHD and other sensory disorders for more than a decade. Parents have swaddled their newborns for centuries. And the idea isn't limited to humans: Pet owners can outfit their dogs and cats with "ThunderShirts" (weighted vests) to keep them from going bonkers during thunderstorms and fireworks. So you can see that the concept isn't new!

FABRIC NEEDED

For (1) 10 lb blanket: 1 1/2 Yards of Solid Print Fabric, 1 1/2 Yards of Printed Fabric

For (1) 5 lb blanket: 1 Yard of Solid Print Fabric, 1 Yard of Printed Fabric

All donations of fabric can be dropped off at the following locations:

Little Steps Community Daycare - 320 Tower Heights Rd - Gainesville, 30501

or Day Center - 1001 Riverside Drive - Gainesville, 30501. Or Speak with Robin Neiheisel



April Project Day (4/15) – Jelly Roll Rug

Christine Pierson will lead this project

- Material: 2-1/2" fabric strips and batting - you can either use jelly rolls or cut them from your fabric stash. When you cut strips from your fabric stash, please cut them into "bias" strips, it makes easier to sew with battings. (please see the short video link below)
- Batting, cut into 2-1/4" width strips. The narrower batting strips make your "fold and sew" work easier.
- Tools and Notion: Walking foot (not required but desired), heavy needle (90/14) or jean needle, thread – use whatever you have, rotary cutter, a portable iron
- Fabric clips or binding clips, lots of them
- Sewing Machine: use the "zigzag" stitches, adjust the width of the stitch as wide as possible.

Directions:

1. Connect all strips together the same way you make your bindings.
2. Connect all batting strips together but not required, it's an option.
3. After you sew the fabric and batting to a long strip, you **don't** have to put the long strip into a "ball", I put them in a shopping bag, pull one end out, clip the shopping bag to your desk (on the right hand side), that's my simple way of it, the strip won't tangle up at all.

Here are two YouTube video links that helps:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J_DYE74fA3c&index=2&list=PLljQvsV8z7-TuWBmOUa7sR3O6PMYb2MBn&t=0s (the short video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y8xblarkuBg> (the long video)

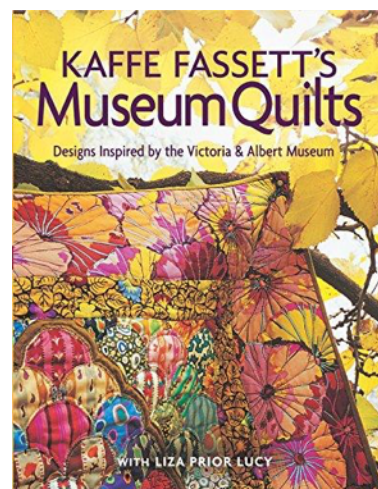
Other Notes:

1. I don't have pattern, I just watched these videos and made my rug; you can make it any size you want, more strips makes bigger rug.
2. As far as how to tug the beginning and ending tales to the rug, you'll figure out yourself by watching these videos.
3. Please watch videos at home before you make this rug. Thank you.



Donated by Barbara Wyatt and Frances Brooks

Two hard cover Kaffe Bassett books
A Color Wheel Pin Cushion kit
Queen size Warm and Natural batting (90 x 108)
Two Gutermann spools of thread (gray and off white)



We all enjoy the refreshments as we visit with each other at guild meetings. Please remember this is only possible because members volunteer to make/ buy and bring food. Please consider signing up for refreshments.

We look forward to trying your favorite recipe.

Thank you to those who will be bringing refreshments for our next meeting



Rose King

let's finish those quilts!



HCQG meetings are on the **FIRST** Monday of each month (unless that day is a holiday then the meeting would be on the second Monday of the month)
Social Hour is at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting starts at 10:00.

Project Day is held on the **THIRD** Monday of each month at the church at 10:00 a.m.
Bring anything you are working on as well as a dish to share (or just bring your own lunch if that works better for you).



Are you new to the Hall County Quilters Guild?

Check out our website at HCQG.org for valuable information like how to make a name badge, our policies and procedures, how to make a quilt for Eagle Ranch and even photos of quilts that our members have made.

Hall County Quilt Guild
2019-2020 Membership Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: Home _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

Birthday: _____

Emergency Contact: Name: _____ Phone: _____

New Member: _____ Renewal: _____ Rejoining: _____

Our year runs March 1st through February. Dues are **\$50.00** a year.

Please make checks payable to HCQG, or Hall County Quilt Guild. Check # _____

Newsletters are posted to the HCQG website www.HCQG.com and emailed out.

If you do not have access to a computer, you may have your newsletter mailed to you for an additional \$10.00 added to your yearly dues.

Contact Laura if you have any questions, or changes in information.

Please bring this form and your check to the next meeting, or mail it to:

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