

Green Country Quilters Guild

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February 2025



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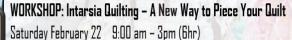
Pete & Ann Olson

Member Appreciation – Kathy Klaassen

Charity Quilt/Pizza Boxes - Paula Klaassen

New Member Contact - Julie Willmering





\$45 - Member \$55 - Non-Member

Kit Fee payable to Julie at time of workshop

In this hands-on workshop you will explore Intarsia Quilting a technique that involves piecing fabric together like a puzzle to create smooth transitions and visually stunning patterns. Using Julie's pattern, Sunny Gem with a Flower, you'll learn the basics of intarsia, plan fabric choices, practice seamless piecing, and discover tips for achieving polished looks and creating both abstract and realistic designs. This workshop is ideal for quilters of all levels seeking to expand their skills and find new creative avenues.

You will leave with the knowledge and inspiration to incorporate intarsia into future projects.



Deana Raynor February 1

Mary Ann Robinson February 2

Pete Olson February 4

Melissa Bigger February 8

Donna Rushing February 12

June Nessler February 13

Kate Meyers February 15

Mary Lou Krolow February 16

Christy Thorpe February 19

Sarah Wheatley February 23

Emma Goins February 24

Green Country Quilters Guild

meets at St. James Presbyterian Church 11907 S Elm, Jenks, OK 74037

February Guild Meeting

Thursday February 20 6:30 pm **GCQG Board** meets on the Tuesday following guild meeting at 5:45pm, also at St. James.

Note if Tulsa Public Schools close because of inclement weather, guild meetings for that day will be cancelled.

January Presentation Museum list from Julie Willmering

Who Holds Your Treasures? Museums, Study Centers and Private Collections

Julie Willmering, January 2025

QUILT MUSEUMS FEATURED:

National Quilt Museum-Paducah, Kentucky

International Quilt Museum-Lincoln, Nebraska

Wisconsin Quilt Museum-Cedarburg, Wisconsin

Museum of Texas Tech University- Lubbock, Texas

Texas Quilt Museum-LaGrange, Texas

Quilt and Fiber Museums:

Northwest Quilt and Fiber Arts Museum- LaConner, Washington

San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles-San Jose, California

Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum- Golden, Colorado

Shelburne Museum-Shelburne, Vermont

Museum of Fine Arts (MFA), Boston, Massachusetts

Quilters Hall of Fame (Webster House)- Marion, Indiana

Iowa Quilters Museum-Winterset, Iowa

Virginia Quilt Museum- Dayton, Virginia

My Journey as a Quilter

Nancy Swanwick

March 2025



LECTURE: My Journey as a Quilter

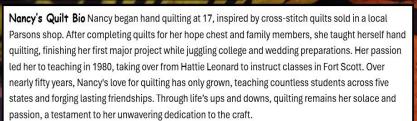
Thursday March 20, 6:30 pm

A trunk show that travels with Nancy across over 50 years of quilting. All are hand quilted; the majority are hand pieced.

Nancy has hand pieced her blocks around the world. Her quilts are award winners that have hung is state capitols and even an exhibit at Bloomingdales in New York City.

WORKSHOP: Random Access Friday March 21 9:00 am-3pm (6hr) \$20 - Member \$30 - Non Member

Break out your fat quarter collections or 1/4 yd cuts to make this scrappy quilt. You will need 1 fabric for each block - so, however many blocks you want in your quilt, bring that many fabric options. Cutting directions will be provided for 3 sizes: 8", 12" and 14". there are 7 different color areas in each block.





Coming in 2025!

February 20: Julie Brunner

- ✓ Collage Quilting with Trunk Show
- ✓ Workshop February 22 Saturday Intarsia Quilting

March 20: Nancy Swanwick

- ✓ My Journey as a Quilter
- ✓ Workshop March 21 Friday Random Access Quilt

April 10: Dee Bushrod (2nd Thursday)

✓ From Quilts to Clothes, Trunk Show

May 20: TBD

June 19: Christa Knecht

- ✓ Getting Out of Your Comfort Zone
- ✓ Workshop June 21 Saturday Mexican Star

July 17: Samantha Kresbach

- ✓ Getting Out of Your Comfort Zone
- ✓ Workshop July 18 Friday
 Ouilted Shoes

August 21: TBD

September 18: Candice Copp Grisham

- Modern Reimagined Dresden
- ✓ Workshop September 19 Friday Dresden Still Life

October 20: TBD

November 20:

√ Fellowship Dinner



Almost Off and Stitching!

9months 9patterns 9 inch blocks

The response for our "PIZZA BOX" style exchange has been super! All participants will pick up their "February" box at the February guild meeting and the block-making begins.

For the undecided - - It's free to join in; just pull the fabrics (one yard background, one yard focal, plus a few extra fabrics to use in your blocks) from your stash for your box. We provide the box. If you get your fabrics to me before February 15th, you can still sign up!

For this guild activity, Paula Klaassen will be the "quilting police," checking for correct size blocks and timely exchanges. More detailed info will be included in each box.

Questions? Contact:

Paula Klaassen
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3804 E 36 - Tulsa

2025 Donation Quilt ...

The theme for this year's quilt is:

Think birds, butterflies, insects, mythical creatures, planes, and, certainly, angels - anything with wings!

Packets for the 8" blocks are still available (at no cost) and you can pick one up during the February guild meeting.

Completed blocks must be returned by the March guild meeting.

The finished quilt will use the blocks that most closely resemble the **Wings** theme.

Unfinished blocks will be 8.5" and/or 12.5" — 8" and 12" finished.





Later this year, blocks not featured in the quilt will be grouped and given to a member whose name is chosen in a drawing. If you contribute a block, your name is in!

TALK US UP!

A reminder that the Board had new business cards printed for our guild!

These cards are a great tool for spreading the word about our guild and attracting new members.

Your Action Requested:

- Carry Business Cards: Please keep 3-5 business cards in your purse or wallet at all times.
- Hand Them Out: Whenever you meet someone interested in the guild, hand them a card.
- **Replenish Supply:** Regularly check your supply and replenish it as needed. Additional cards will be available at our meetings.

Goal: Advertise the Guild:

This initiative is aimed at increasing our visibility and expanding our membership base. By actively distributing these cards, we can reach a wider audience and share the benefits of being part of our guild.

Let's work together to promote our guild and bring in new members who can contribute to our community.



PRESIDENTS BLOCK

It is tradition for each guild member to produce a block to gift to the guild president at the end of the year. The President will then put the blocks together for their Presidents Quilt.

At our January meeting of GCQG, I introduced the plan for Barbara's quilt. The particulars are simple:

- Each member please sew at least one 8.5" block that is created with 2.5", 4.5" or 8.5" half square triangles, or a combination of those put together.
- The combination can be any design of your choice (pinwheel, bear's paw, friendship star or straight HST. etc.
- The HST should be made of a bright color fabric with black. The black does not have to be a solid.
- Turn them into Susan Legler by the November meeting.

I am happy to say that I even received a few from some participants at the Piece N Peace Out retreat last month, so we are off to a great start. For the next few months, I will have 2.5" and 4.5 paper piecing papers at the guild meetings for those who like to use them for, just hunt me down and ask for them

I'm excited to see your wonderful work!

Susan Legler



BOUTIQUE TABLE

What a great month we had in January! Over three hundred dollars was raised for our guild! Such a great selection of items came in and went out. Can hardly wait for the February meeting to see what new items will show up!

The Boutique Table is a Guild fundraiser that benefits our guild. It allows us to clean our sewing rooms and donate to the guild. The treasures that come in, go home with others who are thrilled to see them and excited to finish our orphan projects or add items to their stash.

You do not have to worry about taking what you brought back home with you as leftovers are donated to other groups that can use them.

If you are in the spring-cleaning mood in your quilting room, start a bag for the table and we will put it to use. You can bring it to the Guild meeting or if you need it out of your way sooner just contact Ann Olson at 918-606-6344

And a Big **Thank You** to **Cathy Cheney** who stepped in to help at the January meeting.



Pete Olson, Ann Olson, Deena Drevs Boutique Guild Fundraiser Crew

THE UFO CHALLENGE CONTINUES IN 2025

At the February meeting, sign up and pay \$5.00.

At each guild meeting, bring your completed UFOS for Wilma Prater to measure and record.

At the November meeting, the winner (most inches) will be announced and they will win the pot of the \$5 entry fees.

What is a UFO? Any project unfinished at the end of 2024.

It could be:

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- A quilt worked on but not completed.
- A pattern and fabric purchased and not completed.
- That pile of quilts waiting to be bound.
- All of the above.

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Hearts and Hands February 2025

If you are new to GCQG, Hearts & Hands is the donation branch of the guild. Together we donate quilts and other items made by our group to several agencies, who serve children, youth and others in our local area. Please stop by the H & H table at our next guild meeting and check out the projects you can take home to work on. We have kits to make quilt tops, kits to add sashing and outer border to Habitat Quilt tops, pillowcase kits, quilts to be quilted and quilts to be bound.

Our next H&H workday is Saturday, February 1st, from 9-2 pm at Spirit Life Church, 5345 S Peoria Ave., *Tulsa.* Use the door on the north side of the church, in the corner of the parking lot by the trees and shrubbery, and a sign that reads "Destination Kids" above the doors. Please call Ann and someone will open the door for you. We have an elevator to haul wagons and bags to and from our work rooms.

We have a great team of quilters and all are welcome to join us. Come help us process finished quilts, prep and get kits ready for piecing, quilting and binding. You can browse the fabric supply we have and take some home to make quilts tops. You can come and pick up projects on our workday to work on at home or you can stay and sew there or help work on the needs of that day. We have sewing machines so you don't have to bring yours. Bring a lunch and work with us; we are there from 9 to 2 pm.

It's a pleasure working alongside such wonderful quilters! We look forward to seeing you all at our workday and the next guild meeting!

Lynessa will be out of town this month, call Ann for entry or drop off.

Ann and Lunessa





Lynessa





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Updates from the Member Appreciation Team (MAT)



(Door Prizes) for February 2025



What is "MAT"? We are the **Member Appreciation Team** gathering door prizes for our hard- working guild! If you put your name in the hopper...then you are agreeing to send a thank you to one of our generous commercial donors! Yes! With quilters, there are always strings attached! At the meeting, find the MAT table & put your name on the raffle ticket!

The February 2025 Member Appreciation Door Prize Drawing may include the following items:

- Pete Olson (of Ann's Quilt n' Stuff) donates a FREE Cleaning/Oil & Adjustment of a sewing machine (value \$75.00) Thank you Pete! (our GCQG member!)
- 4 FQ "Burrito" bundle (= 1 yard of coordinated BATIK fabric) thanking The Quilt Studio & Fabric Mercantile for the donation. <u>(zeliasquiltingstudio.com)</u>
- "Hoop Quilts for Beginners" book- valued \$18 donated by the Brewer Sewing Company.
 www.brewersewing.com
 Thank you Brewer Sewing!
- Southern Comforts Quilting at <u>www.southerncomfortsquilting.com</u> donated \$42 "Spooky Darlings"
 Halloween Jelly Roll by Ruby Star. Thank you Southern Comforts!!!
- Cotton Cottage of Claremore donated a fabric bundle of 1yd + 3 FQ coordinates. Yeah Cotton Cottage. Find them at www.CottonCottageFabrics.com
- <u>Euro-notions</u> in IL bundled up a bunch of goodies! (Bobbin Saver, Magnetic Pin Cushion, Needle organizer etc.). The guild added 5 FQ! Thank you, Euro-notions!
- 45mm Rotary cutter with blade was donated by the Brewer Sewing Company. <u>www.brewersewing.com</u> Thank you Brewer Sewing!

Other cool stuff:

- Book: "Perfect 5 Quilts" with notions bundle
- Aurifil bundled with artisan bar of soap showing "Radiant Beauty" quilt
- Bundled notions including Ultra-fine glass head pins, Schmetz needles, Riley Blake hand sanitizer, quilty nail file, polymer eraser
- UV Flashlight to "detect" the right side of white-on-white fabrics with a WoW Charm pack, all donated by a guild member! The GCQG Rocks! (this light can also detect scorpions! Neato!)

As always, this article highlights the vendors/donors who are so generous to support GCQG. Be sure and click the LINKS to visit their sight. Thank them while you are visiting their sight. When you choose a prize that requests a thank you be sent...please do so in a timely manner.

See you at the meeting! Kathy Klaassen

Two quilters who have just met will be strangers only until their mutual passion for quilting is revealed. Then they can talk for hours like the best of friends. *Jennifer Chiaverini*

CONGRATULATIONS ANN OLSON!

During the Shark Tank episode that aired on January 25, Legit Kits, an Oklahoma City-based company, was featured. The Clownfish quilt showcased in the segment was expertly quilted by Ann Olson—exemplary craftsmanship, Ann!

Additionally, congratulations to Michael O'Dell, owner of Legit Kits, for securing a partnership with Kevin O'Leary of Shark Tank. You can explore Legit Kits at this link

https://legitkits.com





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UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 20-23, 2025:

"QuiltCon - Modern Quilt Guild"

Phoenix Convention Center 100 N 3rd St Phoenix, AZ 85004

QuiltCon - Presented by the Modern Quilt Guild



MARCH 12-15, 2025:

"AQS QuiltWeek"

Branson Convention Center 200 S Sycamore Street Branson, MO 65616

American Quilter's Society - AQS QuiltWeek - Branson 2025



MARCH 28-30, 2025:

OKLAHOMA QUILTERS STATE ORG.

Sequoyah State Park & Lodge

Wagoner, OK

OQSO - Home

Featured Speaker Scott Flannagan 4th & Main Designs

JUNE 12-14, 2025:

"Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival"

Overland Park Convention Center Overland Park, KS



GCQG Mission Statement

Green Country Quilters Guild, Inc., is an educational, non-profit organization, its purpose is to stimulate an interest in quilts and to promote the art of quilting in all its forms. Formed in 1981, GCQG meets monthly on the third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. No guild meetings are held in December.

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GCQG Open Stitch Groups

Name	Contact	Phone	Email	Days/Times	Location
Liberty Quilters - Quilts of Valor	Peggy Evans Karen Hughes			Second Thursday through Saturday 9-4	St. James Presbyterian 11907 S Elm Jenks
Piece Makers	Kathy Klaassen Elke Meyer			Second Thursday 12:30 – 6:00	Fellowship Lutheran 6727 S Sheridan, Tulsa
Loose Threads	Janell McCormick			Every Thursday 11:00 – 4:00	LaFortune Recreation Center, 53 rd & Hudson, Tulsa
Thread Tales	Linda Frazier			Every Tuesday 10:00 - until?	First Tues: at Sew Much More Fabrics in BA; other Tuesdays at the Park Church 10600 E 96 th St S, Tulsa

How to make your own row /block markers

Use embroidery thread card holders to make row and block markers.

- If using plastic cards wrap with washi tape first
- Write numbers or letters on each card
- Put safety pin through hole at top
- Pin to your block/row as needed





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To: Phyllis Smith, newsletter editor

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