

Green Country Quilters Guild

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Happy February Birthday!

Deana Raynor	February 1
Mary Ann Robinson	February 2
Pete Olson	February 4
Melissa Bigger	February 8
Carla Childs	February 11
June Nessler	February 13
Lisa Wrest	February 16
Christy Thorpe	February 19
Sarah Wheatley	February 23
Mary Steiner	February 26

Birthday Recognition

The membership on-line form was changed a couple of years ago and birthday was not included; as a result, some of the dates are no longer available.

If you would like your birthday recognized in the newsletter, check with membership chair, Carol Williams, LOGOS17@msn.com or at the next guild meeting to verify we have your information.

Birth month and day is all that is needed!

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FEB 2026

THE RAJAH QUILT

by Sarah Ashford



180 convict women, 20 wannabe stitchers,
24 hanks of cotton thread, 100 needles,
2 pounds of patchwork pieces,
1 quilt instructor,
1 captain &
1 ship.

That's how the incredible voyage from Woolwich in London to Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania) began, way back in 1841. By the end of the journey, there's a true romance, 20 quilters, 1 finished quilt, and hope for a new and better life on the other side of the world.

I'm going to tell you the incredible true story of the Rajah Quilt, the only known transportation quilt that still exists today. Join me, as I weave facts with your imagination, to bring this epic journey to life



About Sarah

Sarah is a quilt and sewing pattern designer, author, and educator with a passion for inspiring beginners. Her work has appeared in leading publications like *Love Patchwork & Quilting*, *Today's Quilter*, and *Make Modern*. She has taught workshops across the UK, New York, and online. She also hosts the Great British Quilter Podcast, celebrating the stories behind the stitches.

THE WORKSHOP

\$15

April 17th 2026

ONE THING THAT HAS DRAWN ME TO FOUNDATION PAPER PIECING IS NOT ONLY THE PRECISE DETAIL YOU CAN ACHIEVE, BUT ALSO IT PROVIDES A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO USE SOME PRETTY SMALL SCRAPS!



MADE WITH SCRAPS!

SCRAP SWAP!

YOU ARE INVITED TO BRING SOME OF YOUR SCRAP FABRICS TO PARTICIPATE IN A SCRAP SWAP! DON'T HAVE SCRAPS? DON'T WORRY! THERE WILL BE MORE THAN ENOUGH AVAILABLE FOR EVERYONE!

SCRAPPY STAR

AT THIS WORKSHOP, I WILL TEACH YOU ALL MY TECHNIQUES FOR FOUNDATION PAPER PIECING (FPP) WHEN USING SMALL SCRAPS. TOGETHER, WE WILL CREATE SOME 6" X 6" SCRAPPY STAR BLOCKS!

EMAIL ME WITH ANY QUESTIONS: JULIUSHANDMADE@YAHOO.COM

JULIUS HANDMADE

#JULIUSHANDMADEQUILTS



WHAT TO BRING

SCRAP FABRICS (MIN 2" X 2")
SEWING MACHINE
CUTTING MAT AND ROTARY CUTTER
MINI IRON AND IRONING MAT
FABRIC SCISSORS & PAPER SCISSORS
ADD-A-QUARTER RULER (OPTIONAL)
SEAM ROLLER (OPTIONAL)

GREEN COUNTRY QUILTERS GUILD PRESENTS:

QUILTED DUFFEL BAG

WORKSHOP

GET READY TO DIVE INTO THE WORLD OF CREATIVITY BY LEARNING THE BASICS OF BAG MAKING WITH BARBARA!



WORKSHOP DETAILS

18 JULY 2026

9:30 – 3:30

\$15 (PATTERN INCLUDED)

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

- HOW TO ADAPT THE PATTERN WITH DIFFERENT STABILIZERS AND FABRICS
- BASIC BAG CONSTRUCTION

BRING BASIC SEWING SUPPLIES - SEWING MACHINE, SCISSORS, ROTARY CUTTER, RULER, IRON, PRESSING MAT ETC.

BRING LUNCH, SNACKS AND DRINKS FOR YOURSELF!

SPACE IS LIMITED! BOOK TODAY!

FIND MORE
INFORMATION AT

OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.GREENCOUNTRYQUILTERSGUILD.COM



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.

The “**Green Country Quilter**” is published monthly by the Green Country Quilters Guild. Correspondence may be sent to Green Country Quilters Guild, P.O. Box 35021, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74153-0021

LOVE QUILTS, NEW IDEAS, AND MAKER STORIES?

You're already qualified to be the program co-coordinator for next year!

Join me to learn how to book inspiring speakers for Green Country
We'll start planning next year together.

This amazing, long-running guild is what it is, because members like you raise a hand and make it happen.

Dee Bushrod - dee@pixelquilts.com

After the Guild Meeting
you can set up your
equipment and be ready
to sew on Friday Morning

PNPO Retreat

February 20th and 21st

Future Piece 'n Peace Out Dates

May 22nd and 23rd, 2026

October 16th and 17th, 2026

Registration is open for all dates

Register on-line or at a Guild Meeting





Keeping it Short in February!!

**Totes are not due to turn in
until the March meeting! Keep stitching!**

Questions? Contact: Paula Klaassen /
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National Sew Day for Quilts of Valor will take place on February 7, 2026.

Registration: Open until February 7, 2026 at 2:00 pm EST.

You can register online at QOVF.org

Event Details: The event will gather virtually, allowing participants to sew together with a group or from home. It will include activities and a prize drawing for registered members. For more information go to:

[QOVF National Sew Day 2026 Registration is Open! - Quilts of Valor Foundation](#)

A GCQG LIBRARY BOOK REVIEW BY MARTHA BLEVINS

Alice's Wonderland Sampler Quilt by Alice Caroline

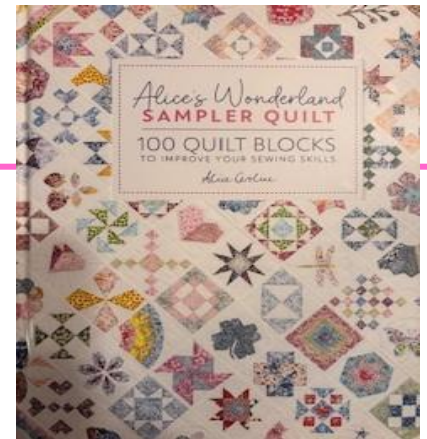
If you get tired of making the same block over and over for a quilt, this book is for you. There is such a variety of quilt blocks in this book. You could make a rainbow quilt with ten rainbows and ten different fabrics. What an assortment, 100 different blocks! Spice it up with using only reds or blues.

Alice's Wonderland began as a Block of the Month Club, the first ten months were dedicated to making the blocks, the last two months were dedicated to sashing, borders and finishing the quilt.

The early blocks introduce you to the basics of quilting and then gradually introduce you to intricate designs. As you journey through the Wonderland, you will discover techniques that you really like from rhythmic repetition of patchwork to the freedom of raw edge applique and meditative precision of English paper piecing.

There are 100 different designs, Block 1 is the easiest and is the Amish Bar, block size is 6 1/2" unfinished composed of three fabric panels, each 11/2" by 13". Block 50 is Gentleman's Fancy Variation; block size is 6 1/2" unfinished square with four fabrics. Block 100 is an Art Nouveau Flower applique pattern, 6 1/2" square unfinished with five fabrics.

The last chapters of the book are dedicated to Layout, Sashing and Borders



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Hearts and Hands February 2026

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 over 20 agencies, who serve children, youth and adults in our local area. This last month **84 quilts and 29 baby receiving blankets, 15 baby bibs, 1 changing pad, 31 pillowcases and 6 bags** were delivered to **9 agencies**. We are off to a great start this year.

Two workdays were held at Spirit Life to facilitate our sorting fabric donations, prepping quilt kits to bring to guild meeting and processing Quilts to prep for delivery to the agencies. Thank you to all who play a part in completing these wonderful items. Keep up the good work!

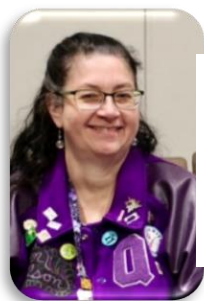
Please stop by the H & H table at our next guild meeting and check out the projects you can take home to work on. We have 3-yard fabric bundles to use with your favorite 3-yard pattern, Simple Kits to make quilt tops and receiving blankets, Habitat quilt kits to add sashing and outer border to completed house blocks, a variety of pillowcase kits, quilts to be quilted and quilts to be bound. Take one or more project(s). Work on them at home or at your favorite sew day. We are grateful for every helping hand involved in doing the part you enjoy best.

Our upcoming H & H workdays are **Saturday February 3rd and Monday February 16th** 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. Please call Ann or Lynessa and someone will open the door for you. We have an elevator to haul wagons and bags to and from our work rooms. If you want a wagon to come down and help load in your things, please let us know when you call.

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, build your own kit from the fabrics and precuts we have available. Take some home to make quilt tops for Hearts and Hands. 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 am to 2 pm. We enjoy greeting and meeting new faces and welcoming them into our team! It's a pleasure working alongside such wonderful quilters! We look forward to seeing you all at one of our workdays and the next guild meeting!

Ann and Lynessa

Join us on Facebook: "GCQG Hearts and Hands Group"



Ann

918-606-6344



Lynessa

918-855-1592



Boutique Table

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The Boutique Table is an extension of Hearts and Hands and helps us buy batting and supplies. 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. A bunch of wonderful stuff has already come in so we will have a couple of full tables for sure at the next meeting! The January table brought in **\$249**.

If you are cleaning out things from your sewing space, fill a bag or two for the table and we will put it to use. As quilters, we are multi-crafters sometimes too, so all craft type supplies are welcome. 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**.

Pete Olson, Ann Olson, Deena Dreves and Cathy Cheney
Boutique Table Crew



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Osage Hills Retreat

Craft Retreat Center
www.osagehillsretreat.com
918-630-7053

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2026 Green Country UFO Challenge

Unfinished Objects... Prepare for Landing!

1. What Counts as a UFO?

It's a project you've already started but haven't finished. If it's still just a twinkle in your stash — nope, not a UFO. We're not the quilt police, so we trust your honor!

2. What Kind of UFOs Can You Enter?

Your UFO doesn't have to be a quilt, but it must be fabric-focused and typical for a quilt guild.

Examples that count: placemats, tree skirts, fabric bags, quilted garments, fabric bowls

Examples that don't count: are paintings, jewelry, ceramics, or anything non-fabric

3. When Is a UFO FINISHED?

Quilts must be quilted AND bound

Quilt tops alone are *not* finished

Other fabric items must be in their final, usable form

4. Name Your UFOs

Give each project a name you'll recognize later.

5. Entry Deadline is February 19, 2026

7. How to Get Credit for a Finish

Show your completed project to Destiny so she can mark it off your list and show it at Show & Tell.

8. Final Chance for Credit

The last meeting of 2026 is the final opportunity to turn in finished UFOs. Projects must be submitted before the meeting starts. The prize drawing will be held at that meeting.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Fill out your UFO list (keep a copy for yourself!)
- Enter as many UFOs as you want — add extra pages if needed
- Turn in your form and \$5 fee at February's meeting

2 CHANCES TO WIN!!

1. Most square inches completed
2. Each finished UFO earns one entry into a grand prize drawing

The guild is adding \$100 to the jackpot this year — don't miss out!

Destiny Stephens is your official keeper of chaos. Forms can be emailed to destiny@thischickquilts.com or texted to 918-849-3712 but **ENTRY FEE MUST BE TURNED IN BY FEBRUARY'S MEETING.**

Green Country Quilt Guild 2026 UFO Challenge

Name: _____

UFO	PROJECT NAME	DATE COMPLETED
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Matt Harr

Quilted Coat Workshop



Why “Granny Hobbies” Are Cool Again — and Why Quilters Should Celebrate

Young adults everywhere are embracing hobbies once linked with grandmothers; knitting, embroidery, gardening, canning, sewing — and quilting is right at the center of this revival.

Slow Craft in a Fast World

Stitching offers the calm, focus, and quiet joy younger makers are craving. In a noisy, rushed world, quilting feels like a breath of fresh air.

Sustainability + Creativity

Mending, upcycling, and scrap-busting are drawing new quilters in. Turning leftovers into something beautiful aligns perfectly with their values — and makes every scrap bin feel like treasure.

Community, Reimagined

Today's quilting bees happen in coffee shops, dorm lounges, and online. Young quilters are forming stitch-alongs, craft nights, and digital communities that echo the same spirit our guild has always cherished.

A Bridge Between Generations

New makers are seeking out experienced quilters for skills, stories, and encouragement. The exchange of wisdom and fresh creativity is bringing generations together in meaningful ways.

What This Means for Our Guild

This is a moment to welcome curious, enthusiastic newcomers. Invite them in, celebrate their modern twists, offer mentorship, and enjoy the energy they bring.

A Craft That Endures

Call them “granny hobbies,” but quilting thrives because it brings comfort, creativity, and connection. Young people aren't reviving the craft — they're joining a living tradition and helping it grow in bold, exciting ways.

Send all corrections, comments, and articles to be published in **Green Country Quilters Guild**

To: Phyllis Smith, newsletter editor smithphyllis222@gmail.com

Deadline for submission of articles or photos is the 26th of each month.

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Green Country Quilters Guild

meets at **St. James Presbyterian Church**

11907 S Elm, Jenks, OK 74037

February Guild Meeting

Thursday February 19 6:30 pm

GCQG Board meets on the Tuesday following guild meeting at 6:00, via ZOOM.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 13-14, 2026:

"Quilting thru the Generations"

The Wichita Mountain Quilt Show

Great Plains Coliseum

Lawton, Oklahoma

[Quilt Shows](#)



March 27-29, 2026:

Spring Retreat 2026

Oklahoma Quilters State Org

Sequoiah State Park

Special Guest: Allie McCathren

[OQSO - Home](#)



April 24-25, 2026:

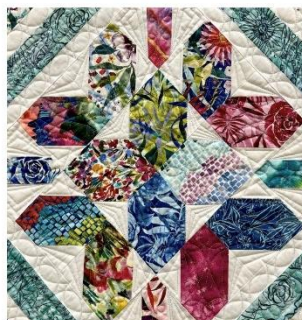
"Coming Up Roses"

Norman Area Quilters Guild

Calvary Church

3730 N Porter Ave

Norman, Oklahoma



***Coming Up Roses* Quilt Show**

April 24-25, 2026

FRIDAY 10am to 5pm, SATURDAY 10am to 4pm
Calvary Church, 3730 N Porter Ave, Norman, Oklahoma

GCQG Open Stitch Groups

Name	Contact	Phone	Email	Days/Times	Location
Liberty Quilters - Quilts of Valor	Peggy Evans Karen Hughes	918-397-1730 918-398-3785	fierymaple@gmail.com blackbeltkaren@yahoo.com	Second Thursday through Saturday 9-4	St. James Presbyterian 11907 S Elm Jenks
Piece Makers	Kathy Klaassen Elke Meyer	918-344-5687 918-688-9700		Second Thursday 12:30 – 6:00	Fellowship Lutheran 6727 S Sheridan, Tulsa
Loose Threads	Janell McCormick	918-607-6027		Every Thursday 11:00 – 4:00	LaFortune Recreation Center, 53 rd & Hudson, Tulsa
Thread Tales	Linda Frazier	918-671-7415	lfrazierquilts@gmail.com	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

2026 Budget (as of 2025-10-20)

Income

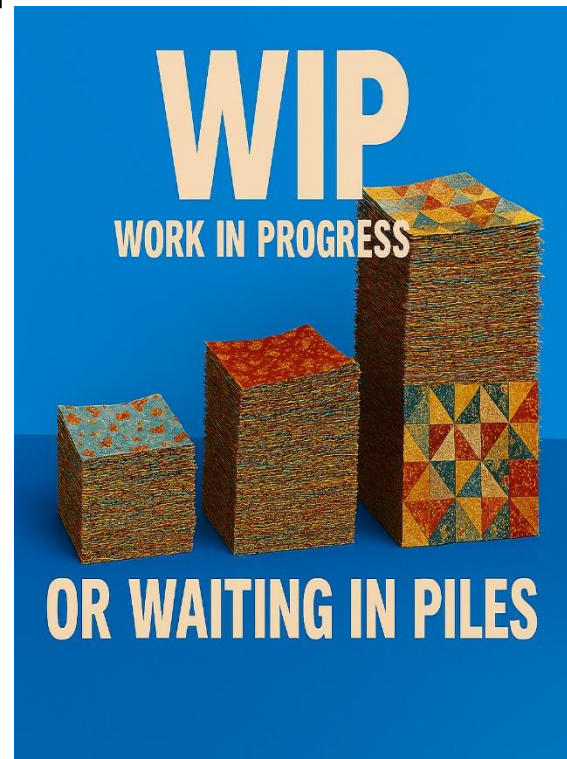
\$	500.00	advertising
\$	50.00	guest fees
\$	2,300.00	interest
\$	100.00	library income
\$	7,875.00	45x175 membership dues
\$	4,800.00	PNPO
\$	2,000.00	workshops
		transfer from checking to savings
\$	1,200.00	Hearts & Hands - boutique sales
\$	18,825.00	Total Income

Updated 2026 Budget

Expenditures

\$	500.00	administration
\$	170.00	communication (zoom)
\$	600.00	door prizes
\$	300.00	Library Books
\$	1,100.00	St. James Presbyterian Church & Spirit Life Church
\$	1,500.00	Spirit Life Church
\$	170.00	PO Box-annual fee
\$	200.00	printing - membership
\$	100.00	printing/mailing - newsletter
\$	8,500.00	program & workshop
\$	3,000.00	PNPO Retreat
\$	1,200.00	Hearts & Hands batting
\$	1,000.00	Tech support- website
\$	339.00	Web Utilities, Domain name and software
\$	607.00	insurance premium (both facilities)
\$	500.00	miscellaneous expenses (such as giving thimble)
\$	19,786.00	Total expenses

Designated Fund for Hearts and Hands \$2500.00



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