

# Chattahoochee Evening Stars Quilt Guild

## Monthly Newsletter

Behind the Seams

April 7, 2025

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### Quilters:

What's the old adage - April showers bring May flowers? Personally, I think April brings some of the prettiest blue skies of the year! The kind of skies that draw you outside to enjoy the warmer temperatures. The kind of skies that take you away from your sewing room and all the projects you started during the cold, dark, winter months.

Well, maybe not take you away all the time, but it can lead to some delays in finishing those quilts. Lucky for us, April's speaker is Emma Powell and she will be giving a presentation on "Managing Unfinished Projects." Maybe this will help us with our UFO's and Nesty's this year!

Looking forward to seeing everyone on April 7<sup>th</sup>, and for those of you that completed the 2024 Temperature Quilt challenge, don't forget to bring your quilts so they can be proudly displayed by the City of Alpharetta!

Humbly yours,  
Shannon

### Happy Birthday

*Patty Lynn Webb, 4*  
*Tanya Berfield, 13*  
*Laura Palgon, 21*  
*Susan Yanevich, 26*  
*Laura Zahar, 30*



### HOT DATES AND DEADLINES



#### April 7 meeting:

- \* Bring in your Temperature Quilts.

#### May 5 meeting:

- \* Bring in your ROW BY ROW quilt row.



## MARCH MEETING MINUTES

March 3, 2025

At 7:00 p.m. President Shannon Shipley called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the February meeting minutes. Chrystal motioned, Cori seconded, and the motion passed.

### Committee Reports

Membership	50 members are current with dues 1 new member was present 31 members attended in person The Mix & Mingle program created four donation quilts!
Awards/ UFO/ NESTY	The deadline has now passed to send UFO forms to Julie Stephens
Community	The Expo booth is 821. Hopefully Barbara Means got another volunteer. Sew Day was 3/12 (the second Wednesday) at Preston Ridge. Sew Day in April will be a bag that Leigh Ann showed.
Greeter / Sunshine	Let Patty Hambrick know of anyone needing a sentiment
Retreats	See Vicki Evaristo for details on the March retreat

Temperature Quilt Registration – email Tanya with your entry information. The display will be at City Hall from April 21 – June 20.

Arts Center Exhibit – Barbara hopes there will be a big showing by the Guild.

Round Robin Challenge – reminder your rows should swap to the next person.

2026 Programs – Lene asked for input via a survey

Susan introduced the speaker, Lori Dickman, with a “Speedy Solutions for Cutting & Organizing Your Scrap Stash!” A discount link was sent prior to the meeting.

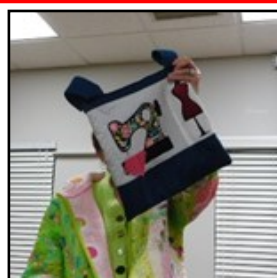
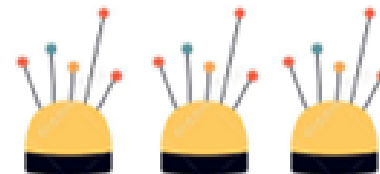
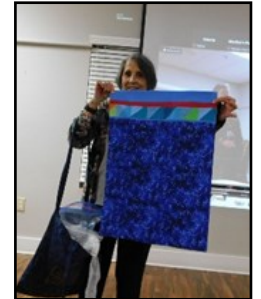
The opportunity drawing was held.

Show & Tell

Meeting adjourned at 9:00ish.

Kelli Morley (Secretary)

## SHOW AND TELL



# 2025 CES Event Guide

For more information contact [info@CESquiltguild.com](mailto:info@CESquiltguild.com)

**Second Wednesday Community Service** – Preston Ridge Community Center, 3655 Preston Ridge Rd, Rm 203, Alpharetta  
**Tuesday Bee Group** -- 6:00-8:00pm at The Mansell House, 1835 Old Milton Pkwy., Alpharetta, unless otherwise noted.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>January</b></p> <p>Jan 6, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates Introduce 2025 Annual Guild Challenge &amp; Programs Award Handouts for 2024 UFO/NESTYs <b>Speaker:</b> Jan Doyle “Quilts and the Underground Railroad”</p> <p>Jan. 8—Community Service Sewing Jan. 21--Tuesday Bee Group</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>July</b></p> <p>Jul 7, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Community Service</b></p> <p><b>No Community Service Sewing</b> Jul 15--Tuesday Bee Group</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>February</b></p> <p>Feb 3, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Meg Cox “Behind the Scenes at the Greatest Quilt Museum in the World”</p> <p>Feb 12—Community Service Sewing Feb 18--Tuesday Bee Group</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>August</b></p> <p>Aug 4, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Diane Vandiver “Strip Quilt Secrets”</p> <p><b>August 9 Workshop:</b> Diane Vandiver “Diamond Duet Table Runner” half day workshop</p> <p>Aug 13—Community Service Sewing Aug 19--Tuesday Bee Group</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>March</b></p> <p>Mar 3, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Lori Dickman “Speedy Solutions for Cutting &amp; Organizing Your Scrap Stash!”</p> <p>Mar 12—Community Service Sewing Mar 18--Tuesday Bee Group</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>September</b></p> <p>Sept 8, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates</p> <p><b>Member Presentations “4<sup>th</sup> Annual Talking Quilts”</b></p> <p>Sep 10—Community Service Sewing Sept 16--Tuesday Bee Group</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>April</b></p> <p>Apr 7, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates Temperature Quilts Display</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Emma Powell “Managing Unfinished Projects”</p> <p>Apr 9—Community Service Sewing Apr 15--Tuesday Bee Group</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>October</b></p> <p>Oct 6, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates</p> <p><b>Speaker Jaimie Davis “Baltimore Album Quilts”</b> <b>Arts Center Quilt Show</b> 10/1 – 11/15</p> <p>Oct 8—Community Service Sewing Oct 21--Tuesday Bee Group</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>May</b></p> <p>May 5, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Carol Stanek Trunk Show</p> <p><b>May 10 Workshop:</b> Carol Stanek “Landscape Quilts”</p> <p>May 14—Community Service Sewing May 20--Tuesday Bee Group</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>November</b></p> <p>Nov 3, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates Guild Challenge Quilts 2026 Officers Budget</p> <p><b>Speaker Jane Hauprich: “How Do I Quilt This?”</b></p> <p>Nov 12—Community Service Sewing Nov 18--Tuesday Bee Group</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>June</b></p> <p>Jun 2, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm Business Updates</p> <p><b>Speaker:</b> Paulina Roman “Wonderfil Thread”</p> <p><b>No Community Service Sewing</b> Jun 17--Tuesday Bee Group</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>December</b></p> <p>Dec 1, Guild Holiday Party</p> <p>No Community Service Sewing No Tuesday Bee Group</p>



# CAROL STANEK WORKSHOP

MAY 10

\$30

## KAREN ECKMEIER'S ACCIDENTAL LANDSCAPES - BEACHES

Create miniature Beach seascapes using Karen's "Layered Waves" technique. These little **Beach scenes are quick and easy to make, no templates, no fuss – just free form rotary cutting and topstitched edges.** The results are always a pleasant surprise. For additional texture, **learn how to embellish your little beach scene** with lace, yarns, and beads. Finished size: approx. 8" x 12" (not including borders).

10:00 am to 3:00 pm ET

Preston Ridge Community Center

3655 Preston Ridge Road

Alpharetta, GA 30005

CREATE YOUR MASTERPIECE  
AND DREAM OF SUMMER AT THE BEACH!



## SIGN UP

Notify Susan Tucker  
[stsga2002@yahoo.com](mailto:stsga2002@yahoo.com)

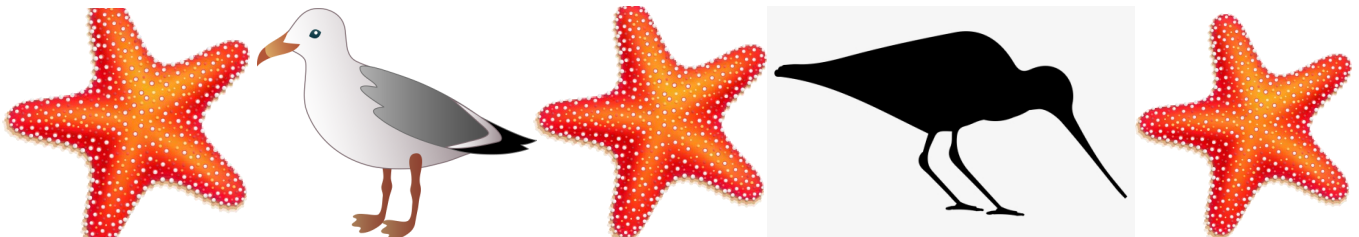
OR

678.725.5971

OR

sign-up sheets at the  
March and April meetings.

Venmo \$30 to  
@CESGuildTreasurer



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CES April Program – Emma Powell Managing Unfinished Projects

Today, I spent the afternoon packing for the annual retreat. I'm looking forward to it as always, but I have a confession to make. Last year at the retreat, I started my temperature quilt. I worked faithfully on the 300+ blocks I needed for my usual king size quilt, but I have failed to complete my temperature quilt. Bad on me.

So, today, I did to the temperature quilt what I do with all the other works in progress. I gathered all the bits and pieces and placed them in a plastic clearly labeled with the UFO name. I even have a preferred plastic bin manufacturer (available on Amazon, of course).

I'm hoping that this month's speaker, Emma Powell, will give me the inspiration to open those plastic bins and start finishing my UFOs. Seriously, let's get real about those unfinished projects.

Emma's fun, self-deprecating, and interactive lecture will kick start your drive to change the pending status of ongoing sewing projects. We will dive deep into why these projects are stagnant and take an honest approach for how to proceed with quilts we may have lost our enthusiasm for or would love to finish up already!

Susan Tucker










## MEMBERSHIP

We have 50 members in good standing. As always membership is \$50 and guests are welcome to our meetings for a \$5.00. Bring your quilting buddies. Our meeting offer inspiration, education and companionship with like minded quilting souls. Thank you for making the M & M project a success. We're looking forward to having another M & M challenge this year. Details to follow.

Kathy Baringhaus and Susan Waterman

## AWARDS COMMITTEE

	Twin-size or larger quilt (Min. size: 280" perimeter)
	Any hand quilted item
	Wall, miniature, crib, lap quilt
	Garment—quilted
	Charitable quilt project
	Group quilt
	Miscellaneous quilted bag or other quilted item

The Awards Committee gives out those coveted beads adorning our members' name tags.

### ***Earn beads by showing off your work!***

Please share the projects you're working on with the guild. We all love Show and Tell! To get a bead for showing your completed work, make sure to let us know! We can't wait to see what you've been up to!

Lene Neesbye-Hansen and Julie Stephens



# MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Temperature Quilt Exhibit Alpharetta City Hall Community Gallery

**NEW INFO: Rods are required for your quilts, but if you don't have one, Tanya has some extras.**

### Guidelines:

◆ We will collect the quilts at the April 7 guild meeting and install at City Hall at a scheduled date. .

◆ **Quilts / items previously shown at the Alpharetta Arts Center or the City Hall Community Gallery will not be accepted. This restriction is a policy of the Alpharetta Arts Center.**

◆ Entrants must include hanging sleeve and rod for each quilt. The hanging rod must include your name, quilt name and phone number.

◆ Entrant must be a current member in good standing of CES.

◆ Insurance Value: Each item must have an insurance value in the unlikely event of a loss. A Certificate of Appraisal is required if the item is valued at \$1,000 or more.

◆ There must be a label on the back of the quilt containing the name of quilt, entrant's name, phone number, and email address. If the entry is not a quilt, an owner's label must be on the item in some fashion.

◆ Quilts / items must arrive in pillowcases containing the name of quilt / item, entrant's name, phone number, and email address.

◆ Hanging rod must be labeled with entrant's name.

◆ Drop-off for quilts will be at the April guild meeting - 4/7/2025.

◆ Pick-up will be at the Alpharetta Arts Center - TBD.

## COMMUNITY SEW DAY

For 2025, CES will continue working with Quilts For Kids (quilts) and Ryan's Case For Smiles (pillowcases). The guild has been very generous over the years and both are worthy causes.

A 'community' sew day is scheduled for the second Wednesday of the month at the Preston Ridge Community Center. The next gathering is set for April 9, 10:00am to 3:00pm. You may do community service sewing OR you may sew on any project you wish. The room is well lit and has plenty of tables.

We may have an occasional demonstration or workshop project in addition to any community service project. Attendees do not have to be a CES member.

What to bring if you plan to attend: project, sewing machine, basic sewing items, lunch, drink and a friend! An iron, ironing board and cutting mat are provided. Quilt kits and pillowcase kits will be available.

If you have any questions, contact Barbara Means or Sonya Morgan.





# MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS



April showers bring May flowers, right? The flower for April is the daisy; daisies open and close in response to the amount of light they receive from the sun. The gemstone is the diamond, the most durable of birthstones, which

should translate into longevity in relationships — hence their popularity for engagement rings. The bird of the month is the duck, which can sleep with one eye open. There is an oil gland at the base of the duck’s tail that provides them with oil for their feathers, which gives us the phrase “like water off a duck’s back”. The herb for the month is rosemary, the scent of which improves memory by 5-7%, according to British researchers.

So sniff some rosemary and remember that the Tuesday Bee will meet on April 15 at 6 pm at the Mansell House, 1835 Old Milton Parkway, Alpharetta. If you’re doing the PhD challenge, the project for the month is #5. (The project for March was #6). If you’re not doing the Challenge, come on anyway and hang out with us. Leigh Ann Kloefkorn will be your host.

If you miss the meeting, the project for May will be #2 on your list.



Laura Kimball  
lkimball50@gmail.com  
Cell #470-330-9496



MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND GET READY FOR ANOTHER QUILT RETREAT.

We’ve already booked the FFA in Covington, GA for our next “no frills” quilt retreat. **AND** it’s not specific to our guild, so invite your quilty friends.

**September 4–7.**

More details to come from our Quilt Retreat Goddess, Vicki Evaristo.

And retreats always include a trip to Patrick’s and a good-bye lunch at El Charro’s.

COME and get those holiday and UFOs done! And laugh and laugh, and laugh some more. Squirrel stories. Ghost Stories. Hot mess children stories. Cats. Husbands. College. Step parents. Stories from Florida, Oklahoma, Oregon, California, Virginia, Colorado, and more.



**Chattahoochee Evening Stars Quilt Exhibit  
Temperature Quilts Registration Form  
April 7, 2025 Registration Deadline  
Alpharetta Arts Center**

**Registration ID #:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Entrant Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>City</b>	
<b>State</b>	
<b>Zip Code</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Are you a current member?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Entry Name / Title **</b>	
<b>Insurance Value***</b>	
<b>Quilt Width in inches</b>	
<b>Quilt Length in inches</b>	
<b>What year was the item made?</b>	
<b>Temp Data Time Frame</b>	
<b>Temp Data Location*</b>	
<b>How to Interpret Data</b>	
<b>Is a hanging sleeve attached to the quilt?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Made by / Pieced by</b>	
<b>Quilted by</b>	
<b>Artist Statement -- Please enter information for the viewer (limited to 100 words). This will be displayed with your quilt / entry.</b>	

\*Data location – what location does the data represent, include GPS location if known

\*\* Quilts / items previously shown at the Alpharetta Arts Center of the City Hall Community Gallery will not be accepted.

\*\*\* Each item must have an insurance value in the unlikely event of a loss. A Certificate of Appraisal is required if the item is valued at \$1,000 or more.

Please send to Tanya Berfield, ([berfieldt@gmail.com](mailto:berfieldt@gmail.com)), no later than April 7, 2025:

Completed form.

Photo of quilt / item





## “Off the Bed and Onto the Wall” Exhibit

**Registration for entries is open. Not to be confused with the upcoming Temperature Quilt exhibit, we have a second opportunity to display our work at the Alpharetta Arts Center. Exhibit dates are October 1 to November 15. Please see the attached registration form for details. Registration deadline is August 15.**

**October 1 – November 15, 2025  
Alpharetta Arts Center**

### Entry Guidelines:

Deadline for entries is August 15, 2025.

*Quilts / items previously shown at the Alpharetta Arts Center, or the City Hall Community Gallery will not be accepted. This restriction is a policy of the Alpharetta Arts Center.*

There is no limit on the number of entries, but every entry might not be chosen for the exhibit.

Maximum quilt width is 54 inches.

Category:

Garment (i.e. jackets, vests, coats)

Wall hanging (maximum width 54 inches)

Table covering (i.e. table runners)

CES Challenge (any year except 2020)

Other: Bags, bowls, 3D objects, framed pieces, postcards, etc.

Entrants must include hanging sleeve and rod for each quilt. The hanging rod must include your name, quilt name and phone number.

Entrant must be a current member in good standing of CES.

Insurance Value: Each item must have an insurance value in the unlikely event of a loss. A Certificate of Appraisal is required if the item is valued at \$1,000 or more.

There must be a label on the back of the quilt containing the name of quilt, entrant's name, phone number, and email address. If the entry is not a quilt, an owner's label must be on the item in some fashion.

Quilts / items must arrive in pillowcases containing the name of quilt / item, entrant's name, phone number, and email address.

Hanging rod must be labeled with entrant's name.

Drop-off will be at the Alpharetta Arts Center TBD.

Pick-up will be at the Alpharetta Arts Center TBD.

Items may be for sale, but CES will not coordinate the sale of quilts / items. The Alpharetta Arts Center coordinates the sale and earns 30% of the sales price.

The exhibit will not be judged; but a viewer's choice award will be given.



**Chattahoochee Evening Stars Quilt Exhibit**  
**“Off the Bed and Onto the Wall”**  
**October 1 – November 15, 2025**  
**Alpharetta Arts Center**  
**2025 Entry Form**

**DUE BY AUGUST 15**

Entry ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Entrant Name	
Address	
City	
State	
Zip Code	
Email	
Phone	
Are you a current member?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Entry Name / Title **	
Is this Quilt / Item for sale? See note below*	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, how much \$_____.
What year was the item made?	
Insurance Value***	
Quilt Width in inches	(max 54")
Quilt Length in inches	
Category	Wall Hanging <input type="checkbox"/> CES Challenge <input type="checkbox"/> Year _____ Garment <input type="checkbox"/> Table Covering <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Identify Other:
Is a hanging sleeve attached to the quilt?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Made by / Pieced by	
Quilted by	
Artist Statement -- Please enter information for the viewer (limited to 100 words). This will be displayed with your quilt / entry.	

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## CES 2025 Officers and Committee Chairmen

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Community Exhibits		

**Updated 1/27/25**



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# \$%\*%# SEWING MACHINE!



Quilter's parrot

NICE FABRIC EASTER EGGS...  
BUT GEEZ, WHAT HAPPENED  
TO THIS ONE?

THAT'S THE ONE  
NOBODY COULD  
FIND LAST YEAR.

