

# Chattahoochee Evening Stars Quilt Guild



**Behind the Seams**

**September 8, 2025**

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Hello fellow quilters,

As I sit down to write this letter for September, the weather actually feels like what September should feel like! Nice cool mornings, pleasant afternoon temperatures with low humidity. Who knows what it will feel like once you read this or once we have our September meeting, but right now it just makes me feel grateful for so many things - life, love, family, friends, good health, and hobbies.

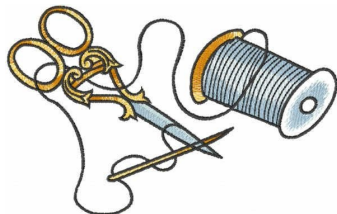
Hobbies are such a wonderful outlet that can define and complete us. For those of us who have chosen quilting, it allows us to use both sides of our brains – the creative and artistic right brain and the analytical and logical left brain. Besides bringing us joy, it's keeping us young, people!

This month's program is our annual "Member Presentations." Five lucky members are going to bravely step up, show off five quilts and talk a wee bit about their favorite hobby and quilting journey. I always find this fascinating as even though we all share this love of quilting, all our backgrounds and journeys are so different!

So grateful to share this hobby with all of you and so grateful our little group has brought us all together to learn and be inspired by each other!

Take care and hopefully we are still enjoying "September" weather!

Humbly yours,  
Shannon



## BIRTHDAYS

*Martha Campbell, 6*

*Kathleen Hollingsworth, 6*

*Katie Gates, 11*

*Nancy Hadley, 20*

*Patti Hambrick, 20*

*Crystal Larson, 22*

*Stephanie Jones, 24*



## HOT DATES AND DEADLINES



### September 8 meeting:

- \* Bring in your next row for the challenge.
- \* Bring in your quilts for the Art Center.



## AUGUST 4, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

President Shannon Shipley called the meeting to order. She asked for a motion to approve the August meeting minutes. Chrystal motioned, Gretchen seconded and it passed. Thanks to John for being Tech Guy. The Grant was awarded in the amount of \$4,000.50. Yay! The 2026 budget is being prepared so committee chairs should be receiving an email to confirm requested budget needs.

Susan gave an update on nominations for next year. Open positions at the meeting included Refreshments, Tuesday Bee, Web, Technology and Community Events. Please raise your hand for a position.

### Committee Reports:

**Membership:** 57 members total and 32 members were present. We are looking for marketing tips to promote CES at local quilt shops. Thanks for the luggage tags.

**Community:** Sew Day was August 13<sup>th</sup>

**Retreats:** The next retreat will be 9/4 – 9/7.

**Tuesday Bee:** It's fun!!

Susan reminded everyone about the Table Runner Workshop on August 9<sup>th</sup> with Diane Vandiver.

The Arts Center Exhibit deadline is August 15<sup>th</sup>. Bring your items to the September meeting. The display will be October 1 thru November 15. It's been advertised in the Arts magazine.

The program was Diane Vandiver "Strip Quilt Secrets" and a trunk show of her patterns. The patterns were for sale at the meeting.

Show and Tell was well attended.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00ish.

Kelly Morley  
Secretary



AQS Grand Rapids, MI  
Best of Show Award  
#117 BEAUTY IN THE BROKEN,  
Kathy K. Wylie,  
Ontario, Canada

## 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, Room 203, Alpharetta

**Tuesday Bee Group** -- 6:00-8:00pm at The Mansell House, 1835 Old Milton Pkwy., Alpharetta, unless otherwise noted.

### September

Sept 8, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm  
Business Updates

### Member Presentations "4<sup>th</sup> Annual Talking Quilts"

Sep 4 - 7—Retreat  
Sep 10—Community Sewing  
Sept 16--Tuesday Bee Group

### October

Oct 6, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm  
Business Updates

### Speaker Jaimie Davis "Baltimore Album Quilts" Arts Center Quilt Show 10/1 – 11/15

Oct 8—Community Sewing  
Oct 21--Tuesday Bee Group

### November

Nov 3, Meeting, 6:00-9:30pm  
Business Updates  
Guild Challenge Quilts  
2026 Officers  
Budget

### Speaker Jane Hauprich: "How Do I Quilt This?"

Nov 12—Community Sewing  
Nov 18--Tuesday Bee Group

### December

Dec 1, Guild Holiday Party

Dec 10—Community Sewing  
No Tuesday Bee Group

Last updated: 5/28/2025





# PROGRAMS

## September's Program

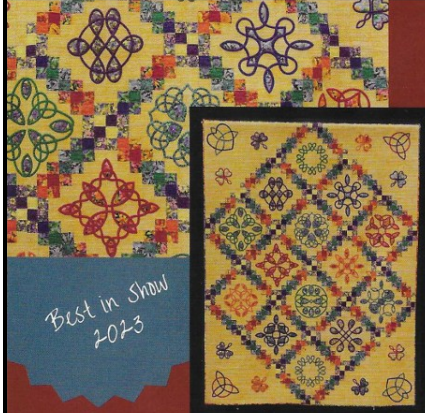
Put away your white sandals. Labor Day has passed and summer is over. Put on some comfy sneakers and come to the September meeting to hear and see five of your fellow members share their work!

It's the annual Member "Five in 10". We have five CES members who will show us their work in 10(-ish) minutes. Presenting this year are Cindy Overton, Kelli Morley, Shannon Shipley, Lene Neesbye-Hansen, and Laura Palgon. Many thanks to these members for sharing their work with us this year!

For the remainder of the year, in October we have Jaimie Davis presenting her Baltimore Album quilts. Finally in November, following the year end and new year business, we have Jane Hauprich answering the question "How do I quilt this?" Let's finish 2025 with a strong turnout!

Susan Tucker  
Program Chair

# QUILT HAPPENINGS







Best in Show 2023

Pieceful Hearts Quilters present  
"Quilting on the River"

A Quilt Show:  
November 7 and 8, 2025  
Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM  
Saturday 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
Riverview Park Activities Center  
100 Riverview Park Dr.  
North Augusta, SC 29841  
Admission \$7  
Children Under 12 free with an adult

[www.piecefulheartsquilters.com](http://www.piecefulheartsquilters.com)

## 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

SAVE THE DATE

# QUILTFEST 2025

SEPT 12TH & 13TH

9AM - 5PM

Union County Sports Center  
519 Industrial Blvd, Blairsville, GA

Join us to see the spectacular collection of original quilts by local quilters. Visit the vendors for the latest products, fabrics, and sewing tools!

Learn More Information at:  
[mistymountainquiltguild.org](http://mistymountainquiltguild.org)

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS



It's getting to be Fall, Y'all! Pumpkin Spice Lattes are already on the menu at Starbucks. Labor Day is September 1st — do we still stop wearing our white shoes? Fall will officially arrive with the Autumnal Equinox on September 22 at 2:19 pm EDT. That's after you've celebrated Star Trek Day on September 8 — the very first episode of the original Star Trek premiered on Sept 8, 1966. And after you've observed Constitution Day on the 17th, commemorating the adopting of the US Constitution in 1787. And after you've "Arrrgh-ed" for Talk Like a Pirate Day on September 19.

The Tuesday Evening Bee will meet on September 16 at 6 pm, at the Mansell House, 1835 Old Milton Parkway, Alpharetta. If you're participating in the PhD Challenge, the project for September is #4 on your list. If you're not into the challenge, come on anyway and hang out with us as we put summer to bed and reset for fall. If you miss the meeting, the project for October is #7 on your list — the last one! Hope to see you there!

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

## REFRESHMENT DUTIES

### FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2025

**September 8 - Patty Hambrick**

**October 6 - Holly Lightfoot & Cindy Overton**

**November 3rd - Kern Schwartz**

**December - Christmas party**

## Community Sew Day

The next scheduled Community Sew Day is Wednesday, September 10, 10am - 3pm.

All are welcome to attend.

## Community Service

For September, October and November we will be collecting items for the Atlanta Ronald McDonald Houses Charities (RMH). The mission of Atlanta RMH Charities is to provide essential services that remove barriers, strengthen families, and promote healing when children need healthcare. The houses provide meals and a place for families to stay during challenging times. For more information, go to <https://armhc.org/>.

Please refer to the attached 'Wish List'.

Barbara Means



AQS Grand Rapids, MI

#737 GOOD NIGHT, CHARLES BRIDGE!

Li-Hui Yin,

New Taipei City, Taiwan



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SAVE THE DATE

### Holiday Party

The plans are in place!

The venue is chosen!

The menu is selected!

All we need is you!

Join us for our annual Holiday Party!

When: Monday, Dec 1 at 6:30 (Note time is different then our regular meeting. Arrive at 6:30, with Dinner at 7:00)

Where: Ippolito's, 12850 Alpharetta Highway

What to bring: \$15 gift for the gift exchange and 3 rolls of nickles !

What am I eating? There is a pasta entree and a chicken entree. (If you have special dietary needs, please let us know when you sign up)

What am I doing? Eating, Playing a game, Winning a door prize and laughing!

How do I pay? \$40 paid at the September Meeting or directly to the CES Treasurer, Vicki Evaristo.

If you have questions, talk with Holly, Kathleen or Cindy.

*Your Party Crew:*  
Kathleen Hollingsworth  
Holly Lightfoot  
Cindy Overton



**AQS Grand Rapids, MI  
Best Wall Quilt Award**

#533 TAIWAN'S PATRON SAINT - DRAGON,  
Yu-Chen Liang,  
Taoyuan City, Taiwan

## MEMBERSHIP

We had 32 members at the August meeting with no new members and 2 guests. In August we distributed official Chattahoochee Evening Stars luggage tags. If you didn't pick up yours be sure to get at when you check in at the September meeting.

We will looking for ambassadors to our favorite quilt stores. We need brave and dedicated volunteer to visit each store and drop off our new and fabulous CES book-mark (Thank you Ben!). Sign up will be at the back at the membership table. If you volunteer you will need to check back to your store every now and then to replenish the supply of book marks.

We are also trying to put together contact information for other guilds so we can share speaker and class information with them. The list on the Georgia Quilt council website seems incomplete. Please email [kbaringhaus@bellsouth.net](mailto:kbaringhaus@bellsouth.net) if you have contact info for a quilt guild to add to our list.

Membership is plotting and planning a new M & M (mix and mingle) for 2026. Stay tuned.

The Membership Team

## TIPS AND TECHNIQUES

### CUTTING MAT CARE

Cutting mats are expensive and believe it or not, they need regular cleaning to prolong their life. The mat swallows and absorbs tiny pieces of fabric which can easily be removed using an eraser. There are some made just for cutting mats, but really any eraser will do.

The number one thing that ruins a mat faster is using a dull blade. Make sure you always have a sharp blade.

After removing fuzz and fabrics using the eraser, use a light spray over your mat. Use one drop of Dawn liquid soap (or other mild soap) and using a kitchen scrubber, gently scrub in a circular motion. Wipe off using a damp towel. Use another towel and tepid water to "rinse off" any excess soap.

Let dry. Excess moisture isn't going to harm the mat. In fact, there's one male quilter I follow who lightly spritzes water on his mat when he's done for the day.

## CES 2025 Officers and Committee Chairmen

### Executive Board

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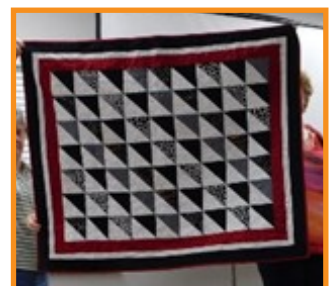
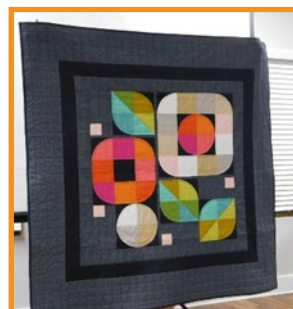


# SHOW AND TELL

## BEN'S CORNER OF QUILTS AND THINGS



## LENA'S QUILTS



# CLASSIFIEDS

As a membership benefit, members may advertise here at no charge and are welcome to use a space up to 3" X 5". Non-members may advertise their craft-related business for a fee of \$75/year.

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## HORN SEWING CABINET FOR SALE

**\$350**

When folded up, the dimensions are: Height is 30", width is 20", and length is 47.5". When it opens up, the height and length are the same but a "return" can be used adding another 39" to the width. Has manual hydraulic lift for sewing machine. Age is around 20 years and the cabinet needs some **minor** repairs.

Contact Genny Gallagher for more information. 610.724.9814

