

Jacksonville MQG

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Hello JAXMQG members! Please help me in welcoming back Yvonne Wecker to our guild and wishing you all a happy May! -Candi

Budget Update:

As of May 14th, our account shows \$6013.81 (net of retreat deposits).

JAXMQG News:

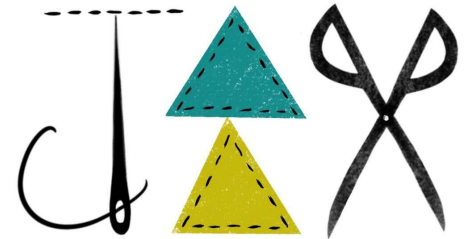
-**Happy birthday** to our members born in May: Penny King, Christina Flores, Margaret Douglass, Susan Ogden, Jennifer Rootham and Karen Kimmel.

-We will be starting our **May meeting with a guest speaker presentation from Lisa Schreck**. Lisa is an NACQJ Quilt Judge candidate that will be completing her certification next month. We are excited that she will present: "What does the judge see?". The presentation will start promptly at 2 PM.

-Margaret Partyka received the following note from the organizer of the **Backpacks of Love program** at the church: "Oh my goodness, Margaret. I was overwhelmed and overjoyed when I saw the adorable blankets your guild donated. Thank you so much for sharing them with our mission. They are treasures I hope these children will cherish. I want to tell you that we are expanding the mission beginning this month and donating Packs of Love to one of the police substations. They are very excited to be part of this and to have the bags for the children that might come into their care and placement. God bless you all!"

-One of our new members, Sam Daugherty, has volunteered to offer her time and talents to overhaul our **website!** It is currently a work in progress, but if you visit it, you will notice some changes already. Thank you, Sam!

- QuiltFest Jax will be held at the Prime Osborn Center from September 14th to 16th. JAXMQG was again invited to host a booth there, and we will also donate a basket for their raffle. Did you know that registration is now open to enter your quilt into the show? We have a fabulous show and tell every month, so I hope to see some of your quilts hanging at the show! [Quilt Registration Info - Quilt Fest Jacksonville \(quiltfestjax.com\)](http://QuiltRegistrationInfo-QuiltFestJacksonville(quiltfestjax.com))



JAX MODERN QUILT GUILD

Upcoming Events

May 21

Guild Meeting 2PM at Spring Glen UMC. (1:30 PM to 2 PM social) with our guest speaker Lisa Schrek presentation of What a Judge Sees in a Quilt starting at 2 PM.

June 10

Sew-In at [Pablo Creek Library](#) 10-2:30

June 17

Sew-In at [MANDARIN Branch Library](#) 10-5.

June 25

Guild Meeting/Party at 2 PM at Spring Glen UMC

Upcoming workshops:

Give and Take workshop with Tara Faughnan: October 7th, 2023. ZOOM.

JAXMQG Quilt Retreat: August 31st to September 3rd at Marywood Retreat Center. SOLD OUT

-Please note that we could not get a library room for a sew-in for May, but we will have TWO opportunities for a sew-in in June, see upcoming events column for dates and locations.

-How would you like a **chance to get your quilt longarm quilted for \$5**? Yes! You read this correctly. Our very own member Jennifer Rootham has generously donated her time to help fundraise money for the guild. Here is the deal: a raffle ticket for \$5 gives you a chance to get your quilt (up to full size) quilted by Jennifer on her longarm, OR if you prefer, Jennifer will host you for four hours to show you how to load and quilt your quilt on her longarm. How cool is that? Raffle tickets sales have started last meeting and we will be selling more tickets at the upcoming meeting. The winner's name will be drawn at the end of the meeting, so if you want a chance to win, make sure to get a ticket! Thank you, Jennifer, for the generous offer!

-Please remember there is always a **free table** where you can bring/take stuff. And please do not forget your **name tag**!

-Meeting doors will open at 1:30 for social time/50-50 and raffle tickets sale and meeting will commence at 2PM. After the guest speaker presentation, we will have a short meeting and show and tell!

Current Challenges:

- **Candy fabric strip blocks due at the May meeting!** Jennifer Rootham initiated a CANDY themed fabric strip block! Interested members took candy strips and can add additional fabrics to sew a block. The blocks will be made into a fun kids quilt.
- **Guild Fundraiser group quilt blocks due at the May meeting!** Candi announced a fundraiser quilt idea that consists of geometric blocks sewn by interested members that will be turned into a quilt by Candi. The quilt can be entered in JAX Quiltfest and even Quiltcon 2024 group categories! Please bring your finished block to the meeting or email Candi to make another arrangement.
- **Fat Quarter Toss:** bring two coordinating FQs to the **May meeting**: one solid and one print, and practice those tossing skills! Angie Williams will lead us through this fun activity where the winner takes all!

Upcoming Meeting Dates and Programs:

May 21st: Guest Speaker Lisa Shreck presents "Quilting for Show-What does the judge see?"

June 25th: Summer Splash Party!!!

July 30th: Seaglass Quilt by Robbie Knapik.

August 27th: Candy bag zip bag class by Adele Rivers.

September 24th: Funky fabric faces class by Deb Boer.

October 29th: Little Wallet class (pattern by Valorie Wells \$3), taught by Sarah Squires.

November 12th Quilt facing demo.

December 17th: Christmas Party!!!

Charity Quilting Opportunities and Updates:

Our community outreach committee continues to take quilts of all sizes to donate to various local worthy charities. Kim Blalock issued the following call for quilts:

"I've made contact with the organization <https://www.facebook.com/PinkyPromiseCallahan> in Callahan. Kathy Munsterman told me about them at our last meeting. They have a warm place in her heart for the help they have given her sister as she goes through her cancer journey. I am planning on taking donation quilts to them on May 30. I have 6 to take them, but if you have any you're working on that you could bring to the May meeting on the 21st that would be fabulous."

Getting to know our members:

Margaret Douglass has started an effort to **spotlight** a few members each month. If you receive an email from her, please answer the few questions, we would love to get to know you more! Thanks Margaret.

Please meet our members highlighted this month: Susan Ogden, Jeanne Terns and Joan Delony.

"I got started actually when I was about 15 years old, I decided that I wanted to make myself a baby quilt for My Hope Chest. It FREAKED my mother out! LOL and I still have that baby quilt as of this day after using it for three daughters. I then many years later found a group of ladies in my neighborhood, we got together at each other's houses and spent weekends sewing together in Washington where I used to live until I moved to Florida in 1998. I had a hard time finding places to quilt at that time but slowly but surely I found my little niche and more friends that like to do the same things that I did.



I think the most fun thing about quilting is finding the fabric and the patterns and figuring out what designs I want to do, I lean towards Florals, hummingbirds, dragonflies and jewel tones and really love to work with batiks.

I consider myself a pretty good quilter but with lots of room for improvement. I'm always open to learn new things and hope to one day have a special skill to share with everybody. In just the few months that I have been with Modern Quilt Guild I have learned a few new skills and I'm looking forward to learning many more!

Susan Ogden"



"I started sewing at 8 yrs old and ended up sewing most of my clothes in high school. I made clothes for my children until they started wanting to look like the other kids. I started quilting when they were in high school in the late 90, s.

I love to create special moment quilts and to make something that speaks to the recipient. For example, all 7 of my grandchildren gave me the theme for their quilts. I made a "picture this "quilt for my sisters 50th anniversary with pictures from their life together. I also made a memory quilt for my other sister after her husband passed using some of his shirts and material to capture all the things he loved to including pictures of the family

I have never settled on a particular designer, but I know what I like when I see it

Not sure about special skills but I have tackled binding corners and found a great tool to help make the ends meet without undue stress.

I think one of the things I want to get from the guild is friendship and new skills. Things to pull me out of my comfort zone. I have never fully embraced paper piecing and curves or circles. We moved to Jax 6 yrs ago and left our home of 45 years where everyone knew us to here where we only know a very few.

The preference questions make me laugh. For years I looked at the material and created my own designers then I found GE designs and love her patterns. Look hard but are not.

I had to look up who Anna Maria Horner was so I quest preference is Tula Pink

I love batiks for certain projects but also enjoy some designer lines as well.

Hope I gave you what you were looking for. I will not be at the May meeting will be on a plane to Africa."

Jeanne Terns



“I started quilting about 6 years ago. I was creating in stained and fused glass and grew restless. I wanted to try something new. I love textiles so I chose quilting. I like to design using the improv method. I enjoy modern prints and bright solids from a variety of designers like Allison Glass. I use Kona mostly for solids.

Thank you for your interest,

Joan Delony”