Bulloch Hall Quilt Guild

House Calls

Bulloch Hall Quilt Guild Newsletter 2026-2027

September 2026 Edition

Guild Leadership

President Maureen Ostien

Vice President Nancy LaPonzina

Treasurer Kim Ahner

Secretary Ellen Lott

From the President's desk…

September is almost here, and we are beginning our 41st year as a guild. I hope you have all enjoyed your summer.

The Board and Committee Chairs have been busy planning the year ahead. Our 2027 raffle quilt is complete and will be available to view at the September meeting. Many thanks to the committee for making this possible. Special thanks to Debbie Risberg for the assembly, Kathy MacAvoy for donating the backing fabric, and Linda Demaris for donating the batting and quilting. I may be biased, but the quilt is exquisite.

Holly organized a fun Summer Day Camp. 17 attended and we all worked on different projects. It was a fun time. If you missed this camp, our Winter Camp is on the Guild schedule; January 12, 13 and 14, 2027. Mark your calendar; quilting is perfect for those cold days.

Please be sure to attend the September meeting as each committee will be outlining what they have planned for the year. We have been working hard to make our year fun and meaningful. Our first program will be after the business meeting. ***Dawn Marseilles, from Cottontail Quilts, will be giving a presentation on her vision and direction as the new owner.***

As you all know, the Roswell Theatre has invited us to showcase our guild at the "Quilters a Musical". We will be showing off our Opportunity Quilt, along with advertising our Bulloch Hall Quilt show. This event provides us with an opportunity to advertise the guild at no cost and welcome new members.

Don't forget donations for the Prince of Peace food pantry. Ladies of Prince of Peace would appreciate fabric donations of yardage for backing or blocks that are 11". Each quilt requires 48 blocks.

Be sure you have the Guild meeting on September 3rd on your calendar. I look forward to seeing all of you in September.

Thank You

Maureen

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Special Notice

Our March, 2027 guild meeting will be cancelled due to Show schedule. More on our schedule of March events will be shared with you soon but we wanted to get this meeting change on your calendars asap.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY
to our September Birthdays

Maureen Ostien Sep 6
Diane Vandiver Sept 6
Priscilla Ordway Sept 12
Catherine Callahan Sept 25
Allison Coda Sept 25
Cynthia McFadden Sept 25

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SEWCATION (formerly Day Camp)

Summer retreat (now renamed Sewcation from a friend in Virginia) was a relaxed and great way to ease into the fall schedule of exciting programs and adventures.

Speaking of exciting adventures, MARK YOUR CALENDARS now! Winter Sewcation is on the books for January 12-14, 2027. A great way to recover from the holiday buzz and join your friends for 3 days of fun, fabric, and food!

Holly Anderson

quiltholly@bellsouth.net

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SHOW AND TELL
is Getting a Fun New Twist!

I'm excited to be hosting Show & Tell at our upcoming guild meetings! Each month, we'll feature a different theme or category to make sharing even more fun — and everyone who shares a project that month will have their name entered into a drawing for a great prize! 🏆

For our September meeting, we're kicking things off with FREESTYLE! Bring any project you'd like to share — a quilt, bag, wall hanging, garment, work in progress, or anything else you've been having fun creating. We'd love to see it!

I'm looking for 3–5 volunteers each month. If you'd like to participate in September's Show & Tell, please email me or call/text me at sewkathleen@yahoo.com or 727-255-9314 and I'll put you to the list.

If we have more than five volunteers for September, no worries — I'll start the list for October!

I hope this will be a fun way for us to share our creativity, get inspired by one another, and maybe discover a few new ideas along the way.

If you have any questions, feel free to email, call, or text me.

Looking forward to seeing everyone — and your creations — in September! □

Kathy MacAvoy

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HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Hi Ladies,

I am sure all of you are looking forward to this new year of BHQG fun. I am happy to be Chairperson for the Hospitality Committee, which will also include Katy King and Jackie Collopy. We will provide coffee using the POP Keurig coffee machines. All you need to do is to bring your own coffee cup or mug. Also, feel

free to bring your own water or use the fountain outside of the church hall. Now for snacks, I will provide a list for each month for members to volunteer to bring a sweet or savory nosh to share with our group. Please note that you can volunteer for more than one time.

I look forward to seeing everyone in September.
Nancy LaPonzina
Hospitality Chairperson

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BACK AGAIN FOR ANOTHER YEAR

The "Secret Quilter" is returning for a second year. The information sheet and questionnaire will be available at the September meeting. You will have until the October meeting to fill out a questionnaire and see a committee member for a numbered envelope. Participants will be picking a number envelope at the October meeting break to find out who they will be giving goodies to throughout the year. At the June meeting participants will find out who their "Secret Quilter" has been.

Debbie Risberg, Secret Quilter Chair

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2026 - 2027 CHALLENGE

We have an exciting theme for this year's challenge which should stir your creativity and be a lot of fun. Details of the challenge will be announced at the September meeting. Unlike previous years, this year's challenge will be due in Feb since the March meeting will be canceled due to show dates.

Debbie Risberg, Challenge Chair

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FABRIC SCRAPS

I will be collecting scrapes again this year. Please try not to include pins, Kleenex or paper in your bag of scrapes. Weather permitting leave your bag of scrapes by my car (dark blue, VW, Tiguan with frog on the dash) or at the bottom of the steps going into the church. Any questions, contact me.

Thanks, Berber

Berberdebolt@yahoo.com or 770-880-8188

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HELP DECORATE Bulloch Hall for The Holidays

The BHQG has once again been asked by Friends of Bulloch to help decorate the house for the holidays. We will once again be decorating Irvine's bedroom (my favorite room in the house). The theme for this year is 250 years of Heroes and Heroines. As soon as I heard this I thought or Betsy Ross- so that will be our theme. We will be adorning a small tree with ornaments, the bed two beds with quilts, and perhaps one over the fireplace and the mantel with greenery. In addition, we will add any period items as we might find appropriate. The decorating will take place on Monday, November 9th at 10am. The decorating is early so the house is prepared for the FOB Tea and for the Kris Kringle Fair.
If you would like to help please let Debbie Scarimbolo know- 470-295-3080. I am hoping to have a quick meeting at 9:15, before our regular guild meeting on September 3rd.
Thanks!
Debbie S

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BLOCK OF THE MONTH 2026

Come join the fun! This year we have chosen to use Corey Yoder's fun ***2026 In the Garden Mystery BOM*** (Border of the Month) as our design/pattern. If you are not familiar with Corey, she is a Moda designer, designer of several great patterns and author of many quilt books.

She can be found on youtube.com/corianderquilts or on Instagram@corianderquilts and on the web @corianderquilts.com.
This year's design is perfect for using up your stash/scraps or you can use a layer cake. Both will require and some additional yardage and backing fabrics. The finished quilt will be 64"x 64"- the perfect lap or table topper size.
Our quilt will follow a four-month schedule from September through January. You are welcome to work at your own pace or move along and have your quilt ready for the show the first week of March. (This is a condensed version of Corey's schedule)
Attached are the instructions for September which include fabric requirements, the Cutting Instructions for the scrappy portion of the entire quilt, the Quilt Center and Border 1. If you choose to use scraps, follow the instructions in the parenthesis and the additional yardage for borders included in each step.
In addition to our guild newsletter, the PDF patterns can be found on corianderquilts.com in her Blog posts (beginning in March 2026) and the YouTube tutorial videos can be found on the Coriander Quilts You Tube Channel.
If you have any questions please feel free to contact-
Debbie Scarimbolo @ 470-295-3080 or
Berber DeBolt @ 770-751-7490
Happy Sewing!
If you are wondering about fabrics and what the quilt will look like almost finished…go to you.tube.com/corianderquilts and take a peek at the August 15th video. Corey shows lots of viewer's quilts using all sorts of fabric combinations.

Here's what you'll need:
• 1 Layer Cake (40 squares, 10" x 10") or Scrap equivalent
[Note: Do NOT pre-starch Layer cake fabrics]
• 2 1/8 yards background fabric for piecing/borders
• 1 1/8 yard contrast fabric for piecing/borders
• 3/4 yard binding fabric
• 4 1/4 yards backing fabric
• 72" X 72" piece of batting

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SOMETHING FUN

Planning a quilt shopping road trip? Check out this website for a list of quilt shops in every state.

https://quiltshopatlas.com/

Thanks to Ellen Lott for this fun tip.

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IN OUR COMMUNITY

Atlanta Quilt Festival
The 18th Annual Atlanta Quilt Festival will run July 31–September 5, 2026, at the Southwest Arts Center in South Fulton, GA. This festival celebrates African American quilts through exhibits, classes, and lectures, highlighting cultural heritage and artistic innovation.

A SPECIAL TREAT

Here is the recipe for the cake I brought to the Retreat!

Inside Out Cake

Total time 1hr – Serves 14
1 box yellow or white cake mix
4 eggs
¾ cup vegetable oil
1 cup water
1 can coconut pecan frosting
Confectioners' sugar (optional)

1.) Preheat oven to 350 degrees . Grease and flour bundt pan.
2.) In a large bowl, stir cake mix, eggs, ¾ c. oil, 1c. water and frosting until well combined. (I used my mixer)
3.) Pour batter into prepared pan, Bake 45 minutes or until toothpick inserted in cake comes out clean.
4.) Allow to cool before removing from the pan.
5.) Dust with confectioners' sugar, if desired. Store leftovers in an airtight container.

Enjoy!
Debbie Scarimbolo

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Congratulations and Thank You for reading all the way to the end.

Thank You for your contributions and support of our guild newsletter throughout the year.

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