Spinning Spools Quilt Guild November 2026 Newsletter

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From Your President

Hi everyone,

We are in those "ber" months (don't let the weather fool you) and life seems a little busier. Less than a month until Thanksgiving. Keep on quilting. It's how I take care of myself, and we need to take care of ourselves as much as those we love.

While you have a lot on your lists, if you could, please add a large Christmas gift bag (big enough for one of the quilts we donate to DHS) and bring it to the November meeting. Thanks.

I had a great time at camp. Thank you to the hosts who made it special. I am looking forward to our workshop on "Ugly Fabrics". Hope you are too.

Happy stitching, Jeri

The next general meeting of the Spinning Spools Quilt Guild will be held **Thursday, November 5, 2026**, at 7:00 pm, at the American Legion, 522 W Saratoga St, Shawnee OK.

Membership Dues

$30 Membership dues are due now.

Gretchen's President's Block

You can find the pattern for Gretchen's President's block at this link: https://shawneespinningspoolsquiltguild.com/wp-content/uploads/Presidents_Block.pdf

International Quilt Museum

Gretchen made a visit to the International Quilt Museum in Nebraska and wrote and article for our website. Be sure to read it. She took some beautiful pictures. https://shawneespinningspoolsquiltguild.com/category/articles/

November Birthdays

Gina Ames - November 7
Cindy Cornelison - November 10
Shelley Alford - November 13
Shirley Randle - November 14
Quetha Hale - November 19
Lisa Hefner - November 26

Mark Your Calendars

November 5	November Guild Mtg	7pm
November 6	Ugly Fabric Workshop	9am-3pm
December 3	December Guild Meeting	6pm

Programs

November 5th we will play Ugly Fabric Games. Be prepared to bring along fabric that when you look at it now you think, "Where did this come from?" Bring **two fabrics, a fat quarter or larger,** that you deem "ugly." Maybe it's just not your taste anymore or maybe it's colors you find difficult to use. Either way, these two fabrics will find a new home at the meeting. We will play a few games with these fabrics, as well as some from the stash of fabrics at the Senior Center. We will discuss ways to use ugly fabric to make items we love. We will also issue a challenge.

We will have a **workshop** Friday, **November 6th** from 9 am to 3 pm at the American Legion. We will use a tutorial by Karen Brown of Just Get it Done Quilts to use up some of the fabric that's been sitting in our stash. This will be a great workshop for making donation quilts.

Fabric Requirements

Lap Size – 36" x 48"	*Throw Size - 48" x 60"*
12 fabrics at least 14" square	20 fabrics at least 14" square

Bring your sewing supplies and lunch.

December 3rd is our annual Christmas Party. We will have a festive finger foods potluck, block exchange and a "Dirty Santa" game with mugs and mug rugs.

If you would like to participate in our "Dirty Santa" game, make a mug rug, sign and date it. Gift wrap it along with a mug. You can find lots of fun mug rug tutorials on YouTube.

We will exchange 6.5" pieced Christmas blocks. Up to 12 blocks may be exchanged. Blocks should be signed with your name and the year. Bring your blocks in a zip-top bag labeled with your name & the number of blocks.

All are optional, all fun. This event starts at 6pm.

Donations

We received 8 quilts at the October meeting.

Ann Cosgrove took 9 quilts to the Pottawatomie County Sheriff's Station in October.

At the time of this writing, we have 10 finished quilts for the Seminole DHS Christmas Party. If you took one of the panels, please bring the completed quilt to the November meeting. The party is in the first week of December. These quilts will go to foster kids of various ages. We are also collecting large gift bags to put each quilt in for the party. The goal is to donate 50 quilts to them.

We have also heard about a family who had a fire in Pearson, OK. We hope to get them quilts in November.

Quilt Camp

2027 quilt camp dates are currently being coordinated with the Masonic Lodge. More to come.

Welcome New Members

Three new members joined at the October meeting. Be sure to welcome **Becky Jo Vaughn, Patty Bagwell, and Andrea McAlister** when you get a chance. Contact information will be provided so you can keep your member directory up to date.

Benevolence Committee Chairperson

Linda Lee has done a wonderful job sending birthday and get well cards to our members for the last year and a half. It's a rewarding job, but a big job, and she is ready to pass the torch. If you would like to take this on, please let Jeri or Gina know.

Minutes from General Meeting on October 1, 2026

Meeting called to order by President Jeri Albrecht with 43 members present and 3 guests. Guests were Cheryl Martin (Judy Cloud's sister), Joyce Atlee (previous member who wanted to attend for the 40th anniversary celebration), and Andrea McAlister (Wanzalle's former co-worker) who joined the guild tonight.

Dues: Yearly dues are due tonight. The cost remains $30.00 per year per member. Dues must be paid to attend Quilt Camp later this month.

Jeri called for a break for all to go and enjoy the potluck. The 40th anniversary celebration cakes were also cut for all to enjoy.

Meeting called back to order by President Jeri Albrecht.

Minutes from the last meeting - No comments or corrections. Motion to accept by Judy Branson, seconded by Pam Cook. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report - No comments or corrections. Motion to accept by Pam Cook, seconded by Amanda Cole. Motion passed.

Jeri made special thanks to Gretchen Gaskill for her years of service as our president. She also thanked Pam Cook for her years as service as our treasurer.

Recognition of October Birthdays: Present was Becky Jo Vaughn. Absent were Melinda Brothers, Kate Fowler, Pat Woodard, Amy Ledbetter, Evelyn Pipkin, Cheryl Perrault, Rhonda Russell, Pam Fesler, and Debbie Newell.

New Business

- Linda Lee has decided to step down from her role as our Benevolence Coordinator. We are looking for someone to step up and take her place. Please let Jeri or Gina know if you are interested in this vital role for our guild.
- Audit - Jeri is looking for someone to help her with the yearly audit of our books. Lisa Hefner volunteered.

Old Business

There are still directories available on the back table.

Minutes from General Meeting on October 1, 2026 Continued

Block of the Month - Billie Corgan brought two examples of the Criss Cross pattern. Directions are included in the newsletter.

Programs - Gina reported our November program is about Ugly Fabric. We are to bring 2 pieces of fabric (at least fat ¼ size) that we no longer love. More information in the newsletter. Followed on Friday, November 6th with a workshop using ugly fabric to make a quilt. The workshop will be at the American Legion from 9:00 AM to 3:00PM. Please bring a sack lunch. Fabric requirements will be in the newsletter. December program will be a Festive Finger Food potluck beginning at 6:00 PM on December 3, followed by a Block exchange and the Mug/Mug Rug Secret Santa exchange. All events are optional. Details in the newsletter.

Committee Reports

- Benevolence - Harriett had surgery this week. Evelyn will be having her 99th birthday on the 14th of this month. Please send cards to each of these women.
- Donation Quilts - Gina reported 1 quilt was donated to Project Safe for their yearly auction. 9 quilts were given to the Sheriff's Department. She is still collecting for the Sheriff's Department as well as the Seminole DHS. The quilts for the DHS are needed by the November meeting for distribution at the DHS Christmas Party in December. She is also in need of quilt size gift bags for the DHS quilts. There are still a few panels available (donated by Jamie McCraw) for those interested in using them to make a donation quilt.
- Historian - Darline Pendley, nothing to report
- Hospitality - Karen Spears, nothing to report
- Librarian - Jeri Albrecht, nothing to report
- Publicity - Judy Cloud and Amanda Cole, nothing to report
- Quilt Camp - Donna Dickeson, Camp will be October 16th, 17th & 18th at the Masonic Lodge. Carrie Moreland, Cheryl Perrault, Shelly Harrell, and Linda Stewart will be the hosts. General Potluck on Friday, Soup and Salad on Saturday. Camp runs from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM Friday and Saturday. 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Sunday. Cost is $15.00 a day with member dues paid in full.
- Website - Gretchen Gaskill, nothing to report.

Show & Tell

Program: 40th Anniversary Celebration. Sarah Epley, who started the guild, was present with us tonight as well as 5 Charter Members. We heard stories from each as they remembered the early days of the guild. The main theme that has transcended the years was the welcoming spirit of the group and desire to share their craft and teach others to continue the beauty of art that is expressed in a quilt. Several scrap books were brought for us to look through and see members and guests that have made the guild what it is today. Ann Cosgrove brought a poster of the Shawnee City Homes quilt that was made in 1990. The actual quilt is hanging in the Pott County Museum.

Also, tonight we had our annual Potholders exchange.

Board Meeting will be held on Saturday October 17th at 1:00 PM at the Masonic Lodge during Quilt Camp.

Minutes from General Meeting on October 1, 2026 Continued

Next Meeting - November 5th, 7:00 PM, at the American Legion

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Carrie Moreland, recording secretary

Upcoming Quilt Show in Oklahoma

January 8 & 9 - Tulsa Modern Quilt Guild, Modern Quilt Exhibit, Southwood Landscape & Garden Center. Entries open on November 1st and close at midnight on November 21. Find more information at: https://www.facebook.com/share/1YZ2rECsmK/

October Birthdays and Show & Tell

Potholder Exchange and 40th Anniversary Pictures on Website. Click here.













Treasurer's Report - September 19, 2026 to October 23, 2026

Income and Expenses

Income	
Interest Income	$65.15
Membership	$1,320.00
Quilt Camp	$415.00
Total income	**$1,800.15**

Expenses	
Guild Projects (donation quilts)	$389.90
Office and Meeting Supplies	$88.20
Other Expenses	$30.51
Programs and Workshops	$75.07
Trailer Maintenance and Storage	$68.00
Total expenses	**$651.68**
Net income	**$1,148.47**

Cash Position

Account	Beginning Balance	Ending Balance
Checking Account	$14,427.43	$17,581.01
Certificate of Deposit	$1,664.26	$0.00
Cash on hand	$0.00	$325.00
Total cash	**$16,091.69**	**$17,906.01**

Outstanding Items

- The following check has not yet cleared the bank:
  - #1981, Masonic Lodge, $375.00
- The following reimbursements have not yet been made:
  - $389.90 to Gretchen, two rolls of quilt batting
  - $22.87 to Gretchen, receipt book and check endorsement stamp

November 2026 Block of the Month – Patience Corners

Patience Corners can be a very interesting block with only three coordinating fabrics. Once your dark fabric is selected, coordinate with two other fabrics, a light and a medium.

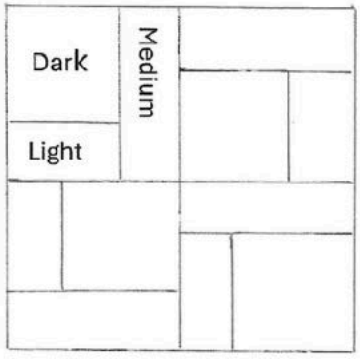
Cutting Guide

Patch	Fabric	Size	Option 1	Option 2
1	Dark/Focus	4 ½" square	4	3
2	Light	2 ½" x 4 ½"	4	3
3	Medium	2 ½" x 6 ½"	4	3

Sewing Guide for Patience Corners:

This block has four unfinished 6 1/2" mini blocks combined to make a 12 1/2" unfinished block. The arrangement of the mini blocks creates the Patience Corners quilt block. First sew a 4 1/2" rectangle to each 4 1/2" square. Press seam allowance toward the rectangle. Next sew the 6 1/2" rectangle to that unit. Press seam allowance toward the rectangle. Assemble the block following the diagram for Option 1. For Option 2, substitute one of the mini blocks with an Exchange block.

If your focus fabric is a one-way design, carefully follow the diagram for placement of the rectangular strips.



Piecing Diagram



Original Block



Exchange Block