## Happy New Year!!

We have so any great things planned for 2024. Our February meeting will focus on the Guild's Community Service work, Carol Stanek is teaching a class (Strippy Stars) in late February, you can sign-up to earn your PhD, and we have a number of great speakers scheduled for later this year including Diane Rose, the Blind Quilter. Get involved by working on a charity quilt or placemat, get on the waitlist for the Strippy Stars class, attend the March Retreat, and be sure to be at the February meeting to celebrate our Community Service work.

Mark your calendars with these dates so you don't miss anything:
February 19 Guild Meeting-Celebrate Community Service
February 22 Strippy Stars Class with Carol Stanek (there's a wait list)
March 4-8 Spring Retreat-Covington, GA
March 18 Guild Meeting-Cross Stitch with Lorraine Stallings \& Bonnie Barron

Looking forward to a great 2024.

Sherry Byrd, President

## Treasurer's Report—January

Bank Balance $\$ 9,446.82$

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

January-Goal vs. Current Donations
Quilt Goal $=50 / 36 /$ Received 6
Placemats Goal = 180/35 / Received 3
Pillowcases Goal = 100/37 / Received 45
Contact Tammy McClure for charity sewing questions

## February is Celebrate Community Service

Our February meeting will be showing off charity quilts, pillowcases and placemats And, as a special treat, we've invited representatives from the Paulding County Sheriff's Department, Meals on Wheels, and the Children's Hospital of Atlanta to join us. Please bring all completed charity projects to the meeting so they can be part of our Community Service Show $n$ Tell.

Placemat kits and quilt kits are currently available-contact Tammy McClure to arrange pickup.

February 19 Meeting

February Fat Quarters for Ways \& Means

GREENS

## Strippy Stars Class—February 22

Learn to use the Creative Grids Strippy Stars tool which creates floating stars from strips and squares in 8 different sizes from 3 " to 13-1/2" finished size blocks. This mini quilt combines two different sizes of Strippy Stars made with the Creative Grids Strippy Stars Tool to create a 15-1/2" square table topper or wall hanging.

## THERE'S STILL ROOM FOR YOU!!

Guild Quilt Retreat is March 4-8, 2024
You can still be a part of the March 4-8 Guild Quilt Retreat Contact Rose Walter ASAP to be a part of this fun event.

## STITCHER'S NEWS

## How'd you like to earn your PhD?

This year's challenge is to finish those Projects Half Done (PhD). Decide on 5 projects you want to complete by December 6 and complete a sign up sheet listing the projects. You can work at your own pace to complete the projects as long as they are completed and ready for Show $n$ Tell at our December 7 Holiday Party. Everyone that participates will receive one of many great prizes. You must complete a signup sheet to be eligible for the December 7 Show $n$ Tell and prizes. Sign up sheets were handed out at the January meeting and will be available on the Membership page of the website, and at the February meeting.


## March 18 Program

The program for March brings Lorraine Stallings and Bonnie Barron, both incredible cross stitchers, to share a trunk show and tips/ tricks for the art of cross stitch. Lorraine is an associate at Tiny Stitches and has a YouTube channel (ragstostitchesUSA). Bonnie Barron worked years ago at the Needle Noook in East Cobb and has continued her love of cross stitch on linen. The Guild will be providing small cross stitch kits to everyone in attendance ( $\$ 5$ fee for non-members attending the meeting.) Join us for a great night of stitching!

March Fat Quarters for Ways \& Means<br>NEUTRALS

> January Birthdays
> 5 - Robin Banks
> 8 - Alison Stafford
> 22 - Doris Jamieson
> 24 - Dawn Milton
> 27 - Tomomi Maejima
> 28 - Anita Melton
> 29-Pat Roberts
> 31—Brenda Pavlik

February Birthdays
4 - Carole Forzono
8-Cheryl Ekstrom
20-Anna Brown
26-Patsy King

