



# Hernando Quilters' Guild Newsletter



## JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2023

Website: [www.hernandoquiltersguild.com](http://www.hernandoquiltersguild.com)

### President's Message



Happy New Year Fellow Quilters!

Thank you for electing me as your new President for the 2023/2024 Term. How lucky are we to live in an age with such wonderful tools, fabrics with a myriad of colors and more patterns than any one quilter could do in a lifetime! What does the New Year mean for you? What inspires you – colors, shapes, viewing other members' projects? For me the New Year brings a renewed spirit with new inspiration and a desire to move some of those UFO projects off my shelves. I have so many that I am trying to inspire myself to complete one every other project – new project, UFO project. Will it work? I'm going to try. Of course there are those projects that I've come to realize I know I won't finish **ever!** Consider sharing it with a fellow quilter to complete it. What may be trash to me, may be a treasure to someone else. In January, we will tell you about a possible solution to entice you to finish up some of those nagging projects.

I would like to thank Karen Pilon and Louise Isabelle for the years of service they have given to our Guild as President and Vice President. They will continue to stay involved with teaching classes and planning special events for all of us. This is dedication! Without them and all the volunteers who have stepped up to make this Guild a success we would not survive. When you attend a meeting or class please be sure to say a word of thanks to all these special people who put in many hours behind the scenes to make this Guild a success.

Sandy Wesley and Penny Dyer put in a lot of time and effort to bring new and exciting classes to us. Whether you are a beginner or advanced quilter, it's always fun to learn a new and exciting technique. The classes are affordable and it provides an opportunity to socialize beyond our regular meetings. If you would like to share your passion, a quilt pattern, technique or another skill, Sandy and Penny are always looking for new classes and teachers.

A great deal of focus this year will be on the upcoming quilt show 'Sew It Up!' which takes place November 3 & 4, 2023 at St. Joan of Arc Church. This event provides the funding for our expenses for the next few years. The boutique, in particular, is significant to make the show a success. There will be many opportunities for you to show off your talents. We've already had a Make and Donate class to make Gnomes (you make one and donate one) with more scheduled in the coming months as well as Sew-Ins to make items to sell in the boutique. We know that many of you have talents beyond quilting. We hope you will draw on those skills to make the boutique a success. In the next month or two, a list of suggested items to donate will be provided in the newsletter.

My last request is and always will be to welcome our guests at our meetings. They are part of our future and we want them to feel at 'home' when they visit and hopefully join us in all the fun. If you see someone sitting alone, please be sure to say hello and maybe ask them to join you.

What other surprises do we have for you? Stay tuned because a lot of planning is going on behind the scenes. Thank you all for being a part of my life,

Eileen Gorzelic

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1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	Ann Brock
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2023 Quilt Show	Sharon Didden/Cindy Fitzgerald
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January	Red/White/Pink or Hearts
February	Greens or Shamrocks
March	Earth Tones: i.e. Browns/Tans, Golds, Burgundy, dark greens, etc.
April	Florals or Pastels
May	Batiks Only
June	Red/White/Blue
July	Black, Grey or White
August	Neutrals: Beige/Tan/Cream
September	Fall Colors i.e. Golds, Orange, Browns, Reds, Yellows
October	Any Fat Quarter you want to enter, but no more than 5 per person.
November	Christmas Theme
December	No Exchange

## Happy Birthday

### **JANUARY**

Veronica Barrass 3  
 Barbara Childress 6  
 Ava Rossler 7  
 Linda Wells 10  
 Karole Adams 13  
 Darlene Livingston 14  
 Carol Chase 14  
 Eileen Gorzelic 15  
 Betty Haney 21  
 Lisa Calby 21  
 Nancy Jenkins 22  
 Daun Boerum 24  
 Raelee Russavage 26  
 June Ziegler 31



## Raffle Block of the Month Schedule 2023/2024

Preview	Distribute Kits	Raffle	Pattern	Presented By:
Oct	Nov	Jan	Bee Mine	Quiltmaker
Nov	Jan	Feb	Rocky Road to Dublin	Marilyn Ryder

\* See Marilyn Ryder to sign up

Meeting Type	Day	Date	Place	Time
Board Meeting	Wed.	1/25/23	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	1/26/23	Krueger Enrichment Ctr.	9:30
Board Meeting	Wed.	2/22/23	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	2/23/23	Krueger Enrichment Ctr.	9:30
Board Meeting	Wed.	3/22/23	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	3/23/23	Krueger Enrichment Ctr.	9:30
Board Meeting	Wed.	4/26/23	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	4/27/23	Krueger Enrichment Ctr.	9:30

### **FIELD TRIP Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

We will be going to the **AQS Quilt show in Daytona**. We will be meeting at Publix on Cortez and Broad St (41) **at 6:30 am**. We will be meeting early as this trip takes approximately 2 and a half hours to drive. We will be gone the whole day as the show hours are 9 to 5. Sign up sheets will be available at the January Guild meeting.

We will need to know how many are interested and how many can drive. Even if you aren't interested in driving, please join us as I'm sure we will be able to put 4 and 5 people in cars. **(NOTE) if you have signed up and decide you will not be going please out of courtesy, notify Louise Isabelle (352-428-8588) in advance so she can take you off the list.**

No trip planned for March as we have the retreat and then the bus trip to Lakeland.

**NEWSLETTER:** Call or send any information, suggestions, correspondence, tips, or sayings dealing with quilting to **Barbara Theriault, 8181 Weatherford Ave., Brooksville, FL 34613**; e-mail: [btheriault1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:btheriault1@tampabay.rr.com); or call 352-597-8816 or Cell: 678-793-5335. Next deadline is **February 5, 2023**

Let our **SUNSHINE LADY**, Bonnie DeFranco (352-942-7336), or [sewingnurs1118@gmail.com](mailto:sewingnurs1118@gmail.com) know about the needs or illnesses of our members.



## GUILD NEWS AND NOTES



- ❖ **2023 NEW GUILD MEETING VENUE** We will be meeting at the new **Krueger Enrichment Center, 392 Beverly Court, Spring Hill, FL** starting with our January 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. We will no longer be at Jerome Brown. We have attached a Map to the new Krueger center.

KRUEGER ENRICHMENT CENTER  
392 BEVERLY COURT  
SPRING HILL 34606



- ❖ **2023 MYSTERY QUILT** Please mark your calendars for January 10, 2023 and February 14, 2023 for the Mystery Quilt class at The **Quarry Enrichment Center**. We have secured the Quarry upstairs and downstairs for these two classes. Karen will be sending out an e-mail with cost and instructions soon.
- ❖ **2023 LAKE LAND BUS TRIP TO EXPO** - We will be doing a bus trip to the Lakeland Sewing Expo on March 17, 2023 which is a Friday (2<sup>nd</sup> day of Expo). Sandy Wesley has a sign-up sheet on her table for those who wish to go so that we have an idea of how many will be attending.
- ❖ **2023 LAKE YALE RETREAT – Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> to Thurs March 9<sup>th</sup> 2023** – Karen Pilon and your Retreat committee have secured the date for our 2023 Retreat at Lake Yale, but have decided to keep our sewing room in the Maguire Auditorium because there are so many people who have signed up for the Retreat and we can therefore, accommodate anyone who wants to go. We have increased the cut off to all members who have signed up and paid the first installment of \$100.00. We will go back to 6 Pods. The cost will be \$280.00 per person for a double room. If you have not paid yet you need to make your check out to Hernando Quilters' Guild and give to Raelee Russavage at the January meeting. Karen has to give a count to Lake Yale ASAP.
- ❖ **2023 OPPORTUNITY QUILT**– The Quilt Raffle Tickets were designed by Barb Theriault and will be available for sale in January. The form is at the Printers now. The Quilt is called **“SNAILS AT SEA”** and it measures 86” x 96”. Each member is being asked to purchase 2 sets of 6 for \$5.00.
- ❖ **2023 QUILT SHOW**– The dates for the show are November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The venue for the show will be at the Parish Hall at St. Joan of Arc Church 13485 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill, FL. Sharon Kenny Didden and Cindy Fitzgerald will be co-chairpersons for the show. If you are interested in volunteering for a committee, please see Cindy Fitzgerald at the meeting to sign up or let Sharon Kenny Didden know.



# QUILT SHOWS



❖ **January 27 and 28, 2023 SHOWCASE OF QUILTS IN THE VILLAGES.**

❖ **February 4, 2023 - QUILT SHOW IN DADE CITY**

Farm Festival and Quilt Show, **Feb. 4, 2023**, 10 am.- 5 pm.  
Pioneer Florida Museum & Village  
15602 Pioneer Museum Road, Dade City, FL 33523

34th annual Farm Festival and Quilt Show: Southern Draft Horse Pull at 12 noon, Quilt Show ALL day, live entertainment, the Geared Up Band, food, vendors, blacksmith, model trains, demonstrations, all museum buildings open with docents, many in time period attire. More information and Quilt Show Exhibitor Form available: [www.pioneerfloridamuseum.org](http://www.pioneerfloridamuseum.org).

❖ **February 17 & 18, 2023 Appliqué in Tampa Bay – Feather Princesses - Fun in the Sun!**

**LOCATION:**

Higgins Hall, St. Lawrence Catholic Church 5221 N. Himes Avenue, Tampa, FL 33614

**HOURS: Friday:** 10 a.m. to 5 pm **Saturday:** 10 a.m. to 4 pm.

**Vendor Mall** (vendors from all over the U.S.)

**Mini Quilt Auction** (benefitting a local charity)

**Opportunity Quilt**

**Gift Baskets**

**Boutique**

**Cafe** (serving lunch both days)


**Quilt Appraisals**

❖ **March 17 & 18, 2023 – Creative Quilters of Citrus County present: “Quilts of Gratitude 2023”**

Over 100 Quilts on display, Vendors – Raffle Baskets – Small Quilt Sale – Boutique – Certified Quilt Appraiser

Admission at door \$8.00

Location: National Guard Armory, 8551 W. Venable St., Crystal River, FL 34429 (Corner of US Hwy. 19 and W. Venable St. Across from the Home Depot.



## 5 Health Benefits of Sewing

**1. Relieves Stress**

The meditative action of sewing encourages positivity and feelings of relaxation.

**2. Promotes Brain Growth**

The creative nature of sewing encourages the formation of new brain cells!

**3. Happiness!**

Sewing increases dopamine in the brain, which makes us feel HAPPY

**4. Fights Dementia**

Sewing keeps the mind clear, focused & active, which can help prevent dementia as we age.

**5. Improve your Hand/Eye Coordination**

Sewing requires a certain type of attention to detail, that encourages coordination, especially hand/eye.



Let's admit it:  
We put "Made with Love"  
on our quilts  
because "Made with  
cursing, 3 trips to the  
quilt store  
and lots of wine"  
just won't fit  
on a quilt label.

# CLASSES



## 2023 Calendar of Classes



Date	Quarry – 800 Gary Grubbs Blvd. Brooksville, FL	New Enrichment Center – 392 Beverly Court, Spring Hill, FL	Instructor
	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	
<b>JANUARY</b>			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Self Bind/Make/Donate		Penny/Ann
5 <sup>th</sup>		Brain Storm Meeting	Board Members
10 <sup>th</sup>	Mystery Quilt		Karen Pilon
12 <sup>th</sup>		Open Sew	
17 <sup>th</sup>	How Do I Quilt/Quilt		Louise Isabelle (10 People only)
19 <sup>th</sup>		Mark Fabric For Sale	Volunteers
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
2 <sup>nd</sup>		M/D Casserole	Sharon Didden
7 <sup>th</sup>	Make & Donate		Judy Thew
9 <sup>th</sup>		Open Sew	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Mystery Quilt		Karen Pilon
16 <sup>th</sup>		M/D Armchair Holder	Penny Dyer
21 <sup>st</sup>	M/D Travel Pillow		Sharon Didden/Eileen
<b>MARCH</b>			
2 <sup>nd</sup>		M/D Cell Phone Bag	Penny Dyer
6 – 9 <sup>th</sup>	RETREAT (Lake Yale)		
16 <sup>th</sup>		Open Sew	
21 <sup>st</sup>	Spring Trash Can		Sandy Wesley



## November, 2022 Quilt Challenge Winners – “Triangles”

Pam Russavage ran the 2022 Challenge and the theme chosen was **“Triangles.”** The idea was all blocks in the quilt must be made from one or more of the triangles (Half Square, Quarter Square, Equilateral and Isosceles triangles). We again had a Quilt Judge this year by inviting Nana’s Quilt Shop, Coleen and Mary. They picked the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Best of Show winners and the members voted on “Viewers Choice.”



**Our Judges  
Coleen & Mary from Nana’s  
Quilt Shop**

### Best Of Show – Bev Abenante



**“Day & Night”**

### Viewer’s Choice – Pat Barnum



**“Pink Flowers”**

### 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Tekla Bell



**“HQG”**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Kristin Kelley



**“Triangle Table Topper”**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Jennifer Hayes



**“Retro Twist”**

A note of appreciation to all those who participated in the challenge. All your quilts were wonderful! Other participants were: Ann Brock, Penny Dyer, Renee Lowdenslager, Helen Anderson, Anne Koetter, Kathy Chapman, Pam Russavage, Marilyn Ryder, Ava Rossler.

# Guild Christmas Luncheon – December 2022

On December 8<sup>th</sup> our annual Christmas Luncheon was held at the Quarry and catered by Sonny's Barbeque. Everyone brought a gift for the gift exchange. Below are some of the pictures from the Event.



Millie Singleton and Sally Marra manned the sign in table.



Our Secretary, Sharon Kenny Didden helped out at the Food Table.



The Gift Table!



The custom in our Guild is to present the outgoing President with quilt blocks made by the members and she can then put together a quilt of her choosing. The presentation of the blocks is done at our annual Christmas Luncheon. Louis Isabelle presented the blocks to Karen Pilon. She was so excited to receive so many beautiful star blocks!



# THIS & THAT

## INSTALATION OF NEW OFFICERS FOR 2023 - 2024

At our annual Christmas Luncheon the Installation of Officers took place. We would like to congratulate our remaining officers as well as our two new officers for the 2023 and 2024 Term. We would like to thank our two outgoing officers for a wonderful job for the last two consecutive terms: Karen Pilon and Louise Isabelle! Pictured Below!



From Left to Right: Penny Dyer - 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Programs, Sharon Kenny Didden – Secretary, Sandy Wesley – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Programs, Eileen Gorzelic – New President, Ann Brock – New 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. Our two outgoing officers: Karen Pilon – President and Louise Isabelle – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President.

Here is a small map of both the enrichment centers we use for classes. Tuesdays are the Quarry and Thursdays are the Krueger Center. This map was e-mailed out to everyone about a month ago.

### CLASS START AT 10 AM

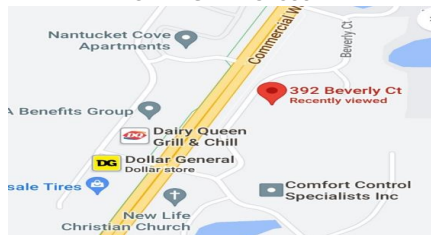
#### TUESDAY CLASSES

ENRICHMENT CENTER-QUARRY  
800 JOHN GARY GRUBBS BLVD  
BROOKSVILLE 34601



#### THURSDAY CLASSES

KRUEGER ENRICHMENT CENTER  
392 BEVERLY COURT  
SPRING HILL 34606



Below is a small copy version of the Flyer for the Quilt Show that Barb Theriault designed. This info will be going on the website very soon.

**Quilt Exhibit & Craft Show 2023**  
Hernando Quilters' Guild Presents  
*"SEW IT UP!"*



**Date:** November 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
**Time:** Friday - 10:00 – 4:00  
Saturday – 10:00 – 3:00  
**Place:** Parish Hall at St. Joan of Arc Church  
13485 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill, FL  
34609

**General Admission:** \$10.00

**Quilts On Display . Vendor Booths . Quilted and Craft Items Boutique . Raffle Baskets . Opportunity Quilt . Small Quilts For Sale . Food Served By Knights Of Columbus**

For more information contact Sharon Kenny Didden or Cindy Fitzgerald (352) 678-1176 ,or visitour Website: [www.hernandoquiltersguild.com](http://www.hernandoquiltersguild.com)



# Show & Tell November



At our November meeting I took the following pictures of the ladies that head up the various committees as you sign in at the membership table. I thought it would be nice to see who they are.



**Our Membership Chair:** Judy Bukowski Rt. and her very helpful assistant; Sandy Gantenbein on the left.



**Our 50/50 and Food Bank Chair:** Sally Cosenza



**Our Mystery Gift Chair:** Jennifer Hayes



**Our Fat Qtr. Raffle Chair:** Judy Thew



Penny Dyer is showing her Puppy Potholders and her Arm Chair Caddy. There will be a class on those for the Boutique.



Eileen Gorzelic is showing her Tree Skirt and also her Poinsettia Wall hanging. Beautiful job.



Louise Isabelle displays her latest star quilt. As usual, just awesome!



Raelee Russavage showing another one of her masterpieces!



Diane Meyer is showing her strip quilt. Nice Job Diane!



Helen Anderson is showing her Seasons Quilt. Nice job!

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