

Hernando Quilters' Guild Newsletter



January/February 2009

President's Message



Dear Guild Members,

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and you are now ready to move forward with a new year of quilt-making. The creative possibilities are endless.

We have some nice classes coming up, so if you are looking for a nice project, be sure to check them out.

Don't forget our annual challenge is due in February and I am looking forward to seeing some spectacular "Star" Quilts.

Some wonderful Quilt Shows are coming up in 2009 as well, so keep a watch out for them and enjoy!

See you in 2009 and in the meantime...

Happy Quilting!

Terri

Let **Mary Ellen Schnellmann**, our **SUNSHINE LADY**, 352-686-6066, know about the needs or illnesses of our members.

2009 Fat Quarter Schedule

January	Batik
February	Red/Pink or Hearts
March	Black/Whites
April	Plaid/Checks
May	Flowers
June	Pastels
July	Stars or Stripes
August	Nautical
September	Fall Colors in Tone on Tones
October	Halloween Theme
November	Apples/Fruit
December	No Exchange

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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; or call 352-597-8816. Next deadline is **February 2, 2009**. Do not forward messages not dealing with sewing, crafts, or quilting to this e-mail address.

News & Notes

- ❖ **REMINDER: DUES ARE DUE IN JANUARY AND ARE \$18.00.** Our membership chairman, Bonnie Giustozzi, has asked if possible that we pay by check for easier bookkeeping.
- ❖ The Botanical Gardens has their annual Christmas in the Gardens with decorated trees on display for the entire month of December beginning on December 6th. This year they have designated a Tree For the Hernando Quilter's Guild and we were all asked to make or donate craft or quilted ornaments for our Tree.
- ❖ Shirley Kerstetter read a letter from the Chinsegut Nature Center thanking us for our participation in their annual Pioneer Days on Saturday, November 1st from 9:00 to 4:00.
- ❖ Our Christmas Luncheon was wonderful as usual and we would like to Thank Joyce Elliffe for all her hard work in putting it all together as well as her husband who provided us with some beautiful music before lunch. In lieu of the Gift exchange this year, everyone donated \$5.00 to be given to the Dawn Center for Christmas.
- ❖ Rhonda Norton, our charity chairperson has scheduled a sew-a-thon for after the January meeting to make Neo-natal quilts. Bring your machines and a bag lunch. She asks that we bring 42 pre-cut 6 1/2" squares in pastels and baby prints and 1 yard fabric for backing to put kits together.
- ❖ Our Christmas charity donations this year were given to the Dawn Center and the Food Pantry as voted on by the members. Unwrapped children's gifts, clothes and food were donated as well.
- ❖ We have several classes, events/trips planned for 2009 starting in January, so check your trips info and events page for upcoming schedules.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO**January**

Barb Childress.....	6
Ruth Wright	13
Mary Smith	18
Marion Daniels.....	18
Marjorie Crocker.....	21
Mary Sweeney.....	23
Sonja Kleist.....	25
Sherry Bell	26
Barbara Ogden	27
Carole Robinson.....	28

February

Noreen Sullivan.....	2
Marilyn Ryder.....	7
Barb Sherrard.....	10
Christine DeTomasi.....	13
Mary Ellen Schnellmann.....	17
Judy Thew.....	20
Ann Baucus.....	25
Elaine Metz.....	27
Denise Jolliffe.....	28

Raffle Block of the Month Schedule

Preview	Distribute Kits	Raffle	Presented By	Pattern
Oct	Nov	Jan	Elaine Metz	Hearts
Nov	Jan	Feb	Fran Spooner	Pin Wheel
Jan	Feb	Mar	Terri Wessling	TBA
Feb	Mar	Apr	Barb Theriault	Martha Washington Star

AND THE WINNER IS

Oct	50/50 Mystery Door Prize Fat Quarters	Gene Chambers Paula Lawery Marge Ishler Shirley Kerstetter/ Betty Schielein/ Gene Chambers
Nov	50/50 Mystery Door Prize Fat Quarters	Mary Smith Karen Vols Elaine Metz Edna Johnson/ Elaine Metz/ Bonnie Giustozzi

RAFFLE BLOCKS

Oct	Puss In Corner By Muriel Johnson	Meg Smith
Nov	Christmas Surprise By Ellie Fries	Paulette Hinton

SCHEDULE FROM CHARITY COORDINATOR

January Sew-A-Thon – There will be a Sew-A-Thon for Neonatal quilts after the January Guild Meeting. Bring your sewing machines and a bag lunch.

Needed for Neonatal quilts – 6 ½” x 6 ½” squares of light colored or baby print fabric, 1 yard pieces for backing, binding. If you are not able to stay for the Sew-A-Thon then you can make and donate a kit containing 42 6-1/2” squares, 1 yd. material for backing. Batting will be available.

Please remember that you can continue to bring things in for the other charities each month. Such as: Dawn Center/Jericho Ministries, Migrant Workers, Neonatal (baby caps and quilts), Alum. Tabs, Labels for Education, Knitted Military Hats and Military Quilts.

If anyone has any questions or comments you may contact me at 352/688-9267.

Rhonda Norton

Welcome New Members

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FIELD TRIPS

Betty and Elaine have planned the following trips for January/February. Please take advantage if you can – you will enjoy yourself.

January 23rd - Friday

Quilt Fever 2009 Show at the Central Florida Fairgrounds, Orlando. Meet at Publix on Rt. 50 and Rt. 41 at 9:00am.

February 6th – Friday

Quilter's Workshop of Tampa Bay Show at the Salvation Army Community Worship Center, Sligh Ave, Tampa. Meet at Publix at Mariner Blvd. & Cty Line Rd. at 9:30am.

If you have any questions, call Betty Schielein at 352/684-5245.

Editor's Note: I will continue the Guild Member Biography page with the March/April 2009 Newsletter. There is so much info to go into this Newsletter with pictures of the Christmas luncheon, the Garden Quilt Show, etc. that I decided to eliminate the biography section until March.

Barb Theriault



Classes & Events

January 14th (Wed) - Board Meeting @ Life South (9:30 am)

January 21st (Wed.) - Veterans Quilt Sew-A-Thon @ Life South Blood Bank (9:00 – 3:00)

January 22nd (Thur.) - Regular Guild Meeting Day (9:30am @ The Church) Neonatal Sew-A-Thon to follow meeting.

February 12th (Thur.) – Judy Thew’s Kaffe Facett Quilt Class @ Church (9:00-2:00) \$12.00 Fee

February 18th (Wed.) – Board Meeting @ Life South (9:30am) – Possible Judy’s Class Part 2 after meeting.

February 26th (Thur.) – (@ Church 9:30) - Regular Guild Meeting Day – “Stargazer” Challenge Quilts” due for judging

March 12th (Thur.) @ Church, Bonnie Staveski “French Braid Quilt Class” Part I (9:00-2:00) \$12.00

March 18th (Wed) – Board Meeting @ Life South (9:30am)

March 26th (Thur.) – Regular Guild Meeting Day – Program Guest Speaker Linda Wade: Antique and Treadle Sewing Machines.

Quilt Shows, Retreats, Etc.

Jan 23rd & 24th, 2009: Friday/Saturday – 9:00am – 5:00pm - Quilt Fever 2009, Orlando Florida

The Florida Cabin Fever Quilt Guild is pleased to present the 2009 Quilt Show at the Central Florida Fairgrounds, 4603 West Colonial Drive, Orlando, Florida 32808. There will be approximately 25 Vendors that will appeal to a variety of quilting interests. They will have a Boutique and Miniature Auction as well as the Chinese Auction. They will have a beautiful raffle quilt that will be shown in Quilt Shops in the area soon. Admission is \$7.00 and parking is free. They have made arrangements with the Food/Beverage Vendor service this year to enlarge their service to two areas instead of one and more eating/sitting area both inside and outside. **Contact: Trish Bowman E-mail: LNCtrish@aol.com**

January 30-31, 2009 - Largo Cracker Quilters, Inc. will be hosting our biennial quilt show, Celebrate the Quilt Explore the Art , 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Admission \$6.00. Free Parking – Buses Welcome – Handicap Accessible St. Paul United Methodist Church Christian Life Enrichment Center, 1199 Highland Ave. NE, Largo, FL 33770 For more information see **www.largocrackerquilters.org**.

January 30-31, 2009 – Villages Quilters present “Showcase of Quilts 2009” They will be hosting their annual show on January 30 and 31st at the Savannah Center, 1545 Buena Vista Blvd., The Villages, FL 32159. \$5.00 Admission. There will be Quilts, Demos , Merchants, Boutique, Raffle Quilt, Challenge Quilt, Door Prizes, NOA Certified Judges, Appraiser, Silent Mini Auction, Lunch Area & parking. For more info contact Victoria Lipp at mizamigo@gmail.com.

February 6th and 7th, 2009 Quilters' Workshop of Tampa Bay is proud to announce it’s next quilt show at the Salvation Army Community Worship Center, 1100 W. Sligh Ave. in Tampa. The theme of our show is “Sunshine and Sisterhood,” Amenities include a tea room, high-quality vendors, a quilt appraiser, a display of our members’ challenge quilts, the drawing for our gorgeous opportunity quilt, demonstrations, and last but not least, the live small quilt auction benefiting the Salvation Army. For more info contact: **www.quiltersworkshop.org**

February 14th & 15th, 2009 Dade City, Florida - Pioneer Florida Museum & Village invites you to join them for their 19th annual Farm Fest & Quilt Show. Each year they secure the Hoffmann Challenge traveling collection with fashion show as well as the Robert Kaufman Fabrics traveling quilt collection. A local Quilt Appraiser and historian, a trunk show, quilts and quilting items for sale. If you are interested in displaying your quilt, it will be displayed among other quilts in the Mabel Jordan Barn. You will be permitted to put your quilt up for sale during the show. The consignment fee is 15% of the sale price. If you choose not to sell your quilt, there is no fee to display. For further info contact Helen Fike-Interim Director at **curator@pioneerfloridamuseum.org** or call **352/567-0262**.

February 20th and 21st, 2009 Highlands Country Quilt Guild presents “A Festival Of Quilts” at the AGRI Civic Center, US 27 at George Blvd, Sebring, Florida. There will be Demos, Door Prizes, Raffle Quilt, Boutique, Mini-Raffle, Vendors, Refreshments available. Admission \$5.00. For more info contact (863) 465-7496 or quiltshow@gmail.com.

February 27th and 28th, 2009 Quilter’s Crossing of Palm Harbor presents their 11th Bi-Annual Quilt Show “**Quilting Under The Palms**” at Countryside Recreation Center, 2640 Sabal Springs Drive, Clearwater, FL 33761 from 9:00am to 4:00pm Friday and Saturday. Admission \$6.00. over 200 Quilts, Wearable art, small auction, boutique, vendors, door prizes, Hoffman Challenge, Quilting Demos. Free Parking. For more info contact: **www.quilterscrossing.net**

March 20th and 21st, 2009 Creative Quilters presents their 11th Biennial Quilt Show “**Quilts On Parade**” at Crystal River Armory, 8551 W. Venable St., Crystal River, FL. Friday – 9:00am to 5:00pm and Saturday – 9:00am to 3:00pm. Admission \$5.00. Judging will be done by NQA Certified Judge, Brenda Kalata of St. Augustine, FL, Teddy Pruitt will be available for appraisals, 2008 Hoffman Peacock Challenge will be displayed, Raffle Quilt – proceeds will go to Hospice of Citrus County, Silent Auction, Vendors, Demo’s. For more info contact: **Show Chairman: Edie Wehner (352) 860-1115. Website: www.geocities.com/creativeqcc**

Community Outreach

The 13th annual Pioneer Day took place at Chinsegut Nature Center on Saturday, November 1, 2008.

It was very rewarding to all who took part. We had an exhibition of wall hangings and taught quilting to all who were interested.

Representing our Guild was Marilyn Bacon, Emily Hamilton, Shirley Kerstetter, Paula Lawery, Kay Pacecca and Betty Schielein.

There were free activities throughout the day to attract and keep busy the more than 1,800 visitors. Among those attending were boy and girl scout troops from the Tampa Bay area who visited our quilting demonstration area and took home a 6 inch "sandwich" on which they had quilted a heart, star or flower.

Many thanks to all who donated muslin and batting for the "sandwiches" and to those who taught. Below is a letter we received from Chinsegut thanking us for our participation.

Shirley Kerstetter



*Hernando County Quilters
Thank you for your recent quilting demonstration at Chinsegut's annual Pioneer Day. This year we had a record crowd of 1800 people. The participants appreciated all the hands-on activities including the quilting activities. Thank you for partnering with us.
Kristin Lewis
Chinsegut Nature Center Director*

2009 "STARGAZER" QUILT CHALLENGE

There's not much time left to complete your "Stargazer" Challenge Quilt. It is not due until the February 26th meeting.

The challenge must contain one or more star patterns with a nine patch in the center of the star. Kits can be purchased from Shirley for \$3.00 that contain directions and a fat quarter of the fabric you must use. You can use up to five additional fabrics in your quilt. The quilt must be a minimum of 26" and there is no maximum size.

If you need more challenge fabric, you can purchase it at Nana's Quilt Shop. It is Hoffman Fabric - Dragonfly Style 885, Color 24. Categories are listed in the directions. The judging will be by our own members and there will also be a "Best Of Show" award. Everyone who enters gets a pin. You can do it! Start Now!

Shirley Kerstetter



After our Christmas Lunch we all went over to Muriel Johnson's church to admire her beautiful beaded, hand crafted ornaments she made for her Church Christmas Tree. They were absolutely beautiful. What a wonderful way to share her remarkable talent for all to see. God will bless you Muriel!



A Special Gift For Our Veterans

For Veteran's Day this year our Guild made and delivered 46 lap quilts to the Veteran's Hospital in Tampa. Thank you Eileen Vyvyan and her husband along with Irene Barese and Paula Lawery for delivering the well received quilts. These are just a few of the 46 quilts that were delivered.



Christmas In The Gardens

Our Guild was assigned a tree for the annual Christmas Walk in the Botanical Gardens. We made our own ornaments and a tree was decorated in the name of the Hernando County Quilt Guild. Enjoying the tree are Irene Barese, Shirley Williams, Elaine Metz, Barb Theriault, Bonnie Giustozzi and Joyce Volpe.

Quilts blooming in the Botanical Gardens

Our first annual Quilt Show in the Spring Hill Botanical Gardens held in November was very well received. The sun was shining and the weather was absolutely perfect. We would like to thank Bonnie Staveski for the wonderful job she did putting this all together.



Christmas Lunch



Our Christmas Lunch was held on December 4th and was enjoyed by all. Thank you Joyce Elliffe and all her helpers for a great job in putting this all together!



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