

# HERNANDO QUILTERS' GUILD NEWSLETTER



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a nice Christmas.

Thank you Joyce for all your hard work to make our Christmas party so special. Also thanks to everyone for helping with all our positions that had to be filled. Everyone has been so helpful and understanding. I think our Board is now great and I look forward to working with them.

I wish all of you a special happy healthy new year.

Happy Quilting.

*Terri*

## 2008 Fat Quarter Schedule

January-----Landscape  
February-----Red or Hearts  
March-----Leaves  
April-----Plaid  
May-----Flowers  
June-----Yellow Mix  
July-----Red & Blue  
Aug-----Fish  
Sept-----Apples or Fruit  
Oct-----Trees  
Nov-----Harvest/Fruit  
Dec-----No Exchange

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Shows/Travel	Betty Schielein
Sunshine	Elaine Metz
	Mary Ellen Schnellmann

**PLEASE NOTE: Annual dues must be paid by the January meeting to keep your membership current. The dues for current and new members are \$18.00.**

**Editor's Note:** Due to family obligations at this time, it is necessary to resign as your editor. I want to thank those members who have contributed articles and pictures during the past two years. Without you the newsletter would not have been the same. It has been a lot fun and I've learned so much publishing this newsletter. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to contribute to the guild.

Barbara Theriault has volunteered to take over as editor (thanks Barbara). She published a newsletter for her former place of employment so I'm sure we will have some great upcoming newsletters. Barbara contributed the pictures included in this newsletter.

Judy

## Field Trips

Betty and Elaine have planned the following trips for the next few months. Please take advantage of them, you will enjoy yourself.

Jan 26 (Saturday) - Kumquat Festival, Dade City (has quilt display and crafts). Meet at Publix Plaza at Mariner Blvd. & County Line Rd. at 9:30 A.M.

Feb 22 - Ocala Quilt Show. Meet at Publix at Rts. 50 & 41 at 9:30 A.M.

If you have questions about any of the trips please call Betty Schielein at 684-5245 or Elaine Metz at 835-3267.

## News and Notes

1. At the October meeting Carole Robinson resigned as 2nd Vice President and Dianne Cass accepted the position.
2. Rowena Cox and Mary Sweeney volunteered to help Bonnie Giustozzi with the upcoming dues.
3. Irene Barese set up a quilt-a-thon for military quilts for Wednesday, January 16 at Life South at 9:30.
4. As a thank you for a job well done, Shirley Kerstetter awarded her Chinsegut Pioneer Days volunteers with pins. See the article on our contribution to Pioneer Days on page 2.
5. Terri reviewed her president's challenge and reminded everyone to fill their paper bag and bring it to the Christmas party. The challenge is due in April.
6. In November Barb Wilson resigned as Treasurer and Irene

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Catherine Ross, one of our charter members who just turned 96 years young attended our Christmas Luncheon and showed us a lovely quilt that was made for her 96<sup>th</sup> birthday. Catherine stated due to health reasons she will not always be able to attend meetings, but hopes everyone will attend her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party! God speed Catherine!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO**

**January**

Barbara Wilson .....2  
 Barbara Childress .....6  
 Patricia Hendrix .....6  
 Marion Daniels .....18  
 Marjorie Crocker .....21  
 Mary Sweeney .....23  
 Sherry Bell .....26  
 Carole Robinson .....28

**February**

Noreen Sullivan .....2  
 Mary Ellen Schnellmann .....17  
 Judy Thew .....20  
 Ann Baucus .....25  
 Coleen Poole .....26  
 Elaine Metz .....27

**Corrections to Address and e-mails**

**Judy Williams**, 1431 CR 542 E, Bushnell, FL 33513; e-mail: [jwilliams63@embarqmail.com](mailto:jwilliams63@embarqmail.com)

**NEWSLETTER:** Call or send any information, suggestions, corrections, 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. Next deadline is **February 16, 2008**. Do not forward messages *not* dealing with sewing, crafts, or quilting to this e-mail address.

**Pioneer Day at Chinsegut, November 3, 2007**  
 by Shirley Kerstetter

Chinsegut Nature Center continued its conservation theme at the November 3 Pioneer Day.

Many participants took part in the activities throughout the day: demonstration crafts, games, and skills of yesteryear.

The Guild's contribution was beginner's quilting on a six inch square, and snippets for fun.

Our hard working volunteers were Kay Pacecca, Paula Lawery, Emily Hamilton, Muriel Johnson, and Shirley Kerstetter.

A big "Thank You" to all who donated muslin squares and batting.

We taught many children the quilting stitch and the children had fun making snippet pictures. So many children participated that we ran out of snippets by afternoon. Demonstrators are all well received with a free lunch of a quarter chicken, heaping helpings of baked beans and coleslaw, and a brownie. Come join us for all the fun next year.

**AND THE WINNER IS**

<b>Oct:</b>	50/50 Mystery Fat Quarters	Barb Wilson Mary Bon Kathy Hess, Betty Schielein, Barb Theriault
<b>Nov:</b>	Door Prize 50/50 Mystery Fat Quarters	June Callahan Gene Chambers Fran Spooner Karen Pilon & Marion Daniels

**Raffle Blocks**

<b>Oct:</b>	Pinwheel by Eileen Vyvyan	Linda Hrab
<b>Nov:</b>	Embroidered Angel by Elaine Metz	Betty Schielein

*See Muriel Johnson to sign up for the Raffle Block.*

**Fat Quarter Schedule**

January - Landscape February - Red or Hearts

**Raffle Block of the Month Schedule**

See Muriel Johnson to sign up

Pre-view	Distrib-ute Kits	Raffle	Presented by	Pattern
Oct	Nov	Jan 08	Susan Norbut	
Nov	Jan 08	Feb	Irene Barese	
Jan 08	Feb	Mar	Sandy Milhalus	
Feb	Mar	Apr	Fran Spooner	

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

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- Barese was unanimously elected to fill that position.
- 7. Second VP Dianne Cass passed questionnaires to the members to get feed-back as to what everyone would like for classes, etc. She set up a meeting to form a committee for future education projects.
- 8. In November a basket was passed for monetary contributions for the children at the Dawn Center. \$136.15 was collected which the guild matched and rounded up to \$275.00. Many members also brought in personal care items and toys and supplies for Fran to take to the center.

## The Quilter's How-To Dictionary

By Marie Shirer (*Contributed by Emily Hamilton*)

*We're winding down with our list of definitions. I hope you have found them interesting as well as useful through the many months they have appeared in the newsletter.*

**Progressive Quilts:** those made as group projects where one person begins a quilt and passes it along to the next person, who adds something (often appliqué or embroidery) and passes it along to the next person. The work continues until everyone involved has had a turn and the quilt is finished. Some quilt groups establish rules or guidelines before beginning a progressive quilt.

**Protractor:** a tool for measuring and making angles when drafting a pattern.

**Puff Patches:** small pillows that are made stuffed, and joined to make a thick comforter. (Biscuit-Puff-Quilting).

**Pulling a Thread:** a sure (albeit slow) method for finding the exact straight of grain. Snip the end of the fabric for about an inch, than ravel one thread and pull on it gently. The thread will "run", giving a line on which to cut. The "run" will probably be only a few inches long, and then another thread can be pulled to continue the line.

**Putting In:** mounting a quilt in a frame for hand quilting. Sometimes the three layers (lining, batting, and quilt top) are basted before putting in; other times the lining is fastened to the frame, the batting is spread out on top of the lining, and the quilt top is added before basting the layers in the frame. The task of mounting a quilt in a frame is made easier if two or three people are available to help.

**Rotary Cutting:** a method recommended for cutting long strips because the rotary cutter allows fast, accurate cutting through several layers of fabric. Always use a cutting mat underneath a rotary cutter.

**Rounded Corners and Edges:** a quilt's curved perimeter, which requires bias binding that can stretch and lie flat.

**Rows:** horizontal or vertical units of a quilt. Blocks are usually sewn to make rows, and then rows are joined to construct a quilt top.

**Ruffled Edging:** novelty edge finish for quilts in which a long strip of fabric (which is often pieced) is folded wrong sides together, gathered along the raw edges, and sewn between the turned-under edges of the quilt top and quilt lining. Before gathering, the strip of fabric should be two to three times the perimeter of the quilt. Shorter lengths of fabrics can be pieced to make the ruffle this length.

**Ruler:** a useful tool for measuring. Many quilters prefer a see-through ruler. Some plastic cutting templates also serve as rulers.

**Running Stitch:** (1) passing the needle in and out of the fabric along the seam line for hand piecing. The thread color usually matches one or both patches. Running stitches are often about 1/16".

**Running Stitch:** (2) passing the needle in and out of the quilt to make even quilting stitches with equal spaces in between.

**Sashing Seam Allowances:** 1/4" allowances that are usually pressed away from the block and toward the sash. When setting squares are used, seam allowances between sashes and setting squares are usually pressed toward the setting squares.

**Sawtooth Edging:** another name for Prairie Points.

**Scallop Edging:** another name for Clamshell Edging.

**Scissors:** a necessary tool for quilting. It is important to have special scissors used only for sewing so they will be as sharp as possible (Cutting paper will dull scissors quickly.) Most quilters enjoy using a pair of dressmaker's shears for cutting patches and a smaller pair of embroidery scissors for clipping threads. Quilters who use a frame often leave their embroidery scissors and thread on the quilt while they work, so they prefer scissors with blunt points that won't accidentally pierce the quilt top.

### ***ANNUAL QUILT CHALLENGE***

Reminder for those of you who plan on entering the Guild's annual quilt challenge. Your entry is due at the February meeting. See details in the July/August 2007 newsletter. If you have any questions, call Elaine Metz at 352-835-3267.

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### Christmas Luncheon

Thanks to Joyce Elliffe for another great Christmas celebration. This year's luncheon was a Pot Luck due to the increased prices for catering. There was an exchange of fat quarters or a sewing related item. Door prizes were also awarded.



Fran Spooner and Betty Grissom display the Appreciation Certificate received from the Dawn Center for the Hernando Quilt Guild, thanking us for our contributions, commitment and compassion to the victims of domestic and sexual violence.



And The Winner Is! And The Winner Is! Yes, would you believe, June Callahan was the lucky winner twice at our Christmas Party winning both the Quilt Basket so nicely put together by Gene Chambers, and also the Quilt Cutter donated by Gene Chambers. Way to go June! Thank you Gene – the generosity of a true quilter!



Rita's Italian Ice and Custard has just opened a franchise in Brooksville in the new shopping center on Cortez Blvd. The franchise owner, Karen Rockwell, a good friend of Bonnie Giustozzi's was gracious enough to donate two large coolers of Italian Ice/Custard for our Guild Christmas Party. So girls, when you need a break from quilting, just run right down to Rita's and treat yourself to a cold one!

# Calendar of Events

## Guild

- Jan 16, Wednesday**, board meeting at the Java Bean, 13157 Cortez Blvd (Western Way Plaza), 10:00. **Charity Workshop:** Life South (N. side of Rt 50 just west of Mariner), 10:00 - Working on Homefront Quilts; bring sewing machine, etc **and** lunch.
- Jan 24, Thursday**, regular meeting of the Hernando Quilters' Guild, 10:00 at Christ Lutheran Church, Brooksville.
- Feb 20, Wednesday**, board meeting at the Java Bean, 13157 Cortez Blvd (Western Way Plaza), 10:00
- Feb 28, Thursday**, regular meeting of the Hernando Quilters' Guild, 10:00 at Christ Lutheran Church, Brooksville. The annual challenge is due.
- Mar 19, Wednesday**, board meeting at the Java Bean, 13157 Cortez Blvd (Western Way Plaza), 10:00
- Mar 27, Thursday**, regular meeting of the Hernando Quilters' Guild, 10:00 at Christ Lutheran Church, Brooksville.

## Quilt Shows, Retreats, Etc.

- Jan 18-19** - Quilt Show in Orlando. Central Florida Quilters Guild in Sanford brings you Quilt Magic 2008, "Tropical Traditions." Central Florida Fairgrounds, 4603 West Colonial Blvd, Orlando.
- Jan 26** - Kumquat Festival in Dade City. The guidelines and entry forms for the 2008 Kumquat/Citrus Quilt Challenge are now available. Theme for the challenge is 'Orange You Happy To Be In Florida?', and the prominent use of orange fabric is required. Small quilts, miniature quilts, clothing and miscellaneous items expressing the theme may be entered into the one day Kumquat Festival, with a two day follow on display at the Pioneer Museum's Farm Festival and 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show on Feb 9 & 10. Rules and entry forms will be available online at [www.kumquatfestival.com](http://www.kumquatfestival.com). You may also contact: Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce Office at 352-567-3769 or Rozanne Ritter at 352-458-4588 or email at [epquilters@yahoo.com](mailto:epquilters@yahoo.com).
- Feb 1-24** - Quilt exhibit in Tarpon Springs. Quilters' Crossing is honored to have our 2008 Challenge shown in conjunction with "The Highwaymen – Florida's African-American Landscape Painters" exhibit – at the Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art, 600 Klosterman Rd, Tarpon Springs. In keeping with their vision, we are honoring them by creating "A Tribute to Florida in Fabric". Contact: challenge chairman, Anne Emslie, at [timemslie@verizon.net](mailto:timemslie@verizon.net).
- Feb 8-9** - Quilt Show in Anthony. The Anthony Quilt 'n' Go Club is having a quilt show from 10 am to 4 pm at Ocala Marion County Association of Realtors, 3105 NE 14 St. in Ocala. There will be an AQS Certified Appraiser on premises. Drawings & Boutique too. For additional info contact: Rachel Johns [RachJ131@netzero.net](mailto:RachJ131@netzero.net).
- Feb 9-10** - Farm Festival & 18th Annual Quilt Show in Dade City. Farm Festival & 18th Annual Quilt Show will be held at the Pioneer Florida Museum & Village. Adm: \$8/adults, \$4/children ages 10-17, \$2 for children 5-9, Children under 5 free. For more information or to display your quilt please call 352-567-0262 or [www.pioneerfloridamuseum.org](http://www.pioneerfloridamuseum.org). Located 1 mile north of Dade City off US 301 on Pioneer Museum Road.
- Feb 22-23** - Quilt Show in Ocala. Belleview Busy Bees Quilt Show at Silver Springs Shores Presbyterian Church, 9-4 p.m. Wonderful quilts by guild members, raffle quilt, vendors, demonstrations and huge boutique. Contact Othie at 352-753-1984 or mail to: [BOLingles@wmconnect.com](mailto:BOLingles@wmconnect.com).
- Mar 2** - Quilt Show in Tampa. The Cypress Creek Quilter's Guild is a Charitable Nonprofit organization. This 3 year old guild will be partnering with the USF Botanical Gardens to host their first quilt show. This is the first outdoor quilt show in the Tampa area. **Bright Beginnings from Our Garden** will be held throughout the USF Botanical Gardens, 4202 E Fowler Ave, NES 107, on Sat, March 1<sup>st</sup>. The hours are 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. There will be a Charity Quilt Auction with proceeds to benefit Hope House which supports those with eating disorders. The auction will take place at 2:00 pm. We will have many vendors for your shopping pleasure. Contact info: Cathleene Tokish, 813-486-6927, [itsgrandma@verizon.net](mailto:itsgrandma@verizon.net).
- Mar 6-7** - Quilt Show in Mt. Dora. Lake County Quilt Guild is hosting their 26th Annual FANTastic Quilt Show at Lake Reception (4425 Hwy 19A) in Mt. Dora. Hours are: Thurs 9 am - 7 pm & Fri 9 am - 4 pm. There will be on-going demonstrations, door prizes, raffle quilt, boutique and over 15 vendors. Admission is \$6.00 (pre-arranged bus groups of 25 or more will save \$1.00 each on admission). If you would like more information, please visit their website at: [www.lakequiltguild.com](http://www.lakequiltguild.com) or e-mail at [lcqgquiltshow@hotmail.com](mailto:lcqgquiltshow@hotmail.com).
- Mar 7-9** - Quilt Show in Hudson. West Pasco Quilters' Guild will be holding their Sew Many Quilts 2008 - Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow - Our First 20 Years - 10th Biennial Quilt Show at Veterans Memorial Park 14333 Hicks Rd, Hudson. Fri & Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 10am-5pm. Featuring: Large Quilt Auction, Small Quilt Auction, Vendor Mall, Special Exhibits, Antique Quilt Exhibit, Boutique, Quilt Appraisals, Cafe, Lectures and Demos, Door Prizes, Charity Quilt Drawing. Contact: Robby Wargny 727 372-8219 or [crwargny@aol.com](mailto:crwargny@aol.com). For more information: [www.westpascoquilters.org](http://www.westpascoquilters.org), [2008quiltshow@westpascoquilters.org](mailto:2008quiltshow@westpascoquilters.org).

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