

# Hernando Quilters' Guild Newsletter



July August 2009

## President's Message



Dear Guild Members,

With summer in full bloom and all the snowbirds back in their cooler nests, we can take time to indulge in the thing we love most "Quilting."

I am sure your imaginations are working overtime to create that perfect quilt for our 2010 challenge of "Who Am I." I know my wheels are turning in so many directions that I would need to make several quilts to capture all my ideas, but for sake of time and life getting in the way, I'll narrow it down to just one and hope I don't falter along the way.

I'm looking forward to the unveiling of all the pink and white breast cancer blocks everyone will be bringing in at the September meeting. Such a worthy cause and a chance to do our part in fighting this dreadful disease.

Sandy Mihalus is running full speed ahead with the plans for our Christmas Luncheon. Our date is set for December 3<sup>rd</sup> at R-Beach with more info to follow later.

So, until next time dear quilting friends, remember .... *A creative mess is better than idle neatness and a block a day keeps the doctor away!*

Barb

## 2009 Fat Quarter Schedule

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

## Officers/Committee Chairs

2009/2010

President	Barbara Theriault
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2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres	Ellie Fries
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Membership	Bonnie Giustozzi
Newsletter	Barb Theriault
Phone Tree	Doris Speidel
Shows/Travel	Betty Schielein/ Elaine Metz
Sunshine	Mary Ellen Schnellmann

**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 **August 6, 2009.** Do not forward messages not dealing with sewing, crafts, or quilting to this e-mail address.

## NEWS/NOTES

- ❖ Sandy Mihalus spoke about our Christmas Luncheon coming up this year. It will be held at R-Beach on 4054 Shoal Line Blvd. on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. She passed out a questionnaire to be filled out for suggestions on games, party favors, gift exchange, etc.
- ❖ It has been confirmed with the Garden Club that our Quilt Show will be held on **Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>** with a rain date of October 31<sup>st</sup>. Unfortunately, the November date we wanted was not a good date for the Garden Club members that help us with all we have to do to get set up.
- ❖ Gene Chambers went over some of the up-coming education plans in the absence of Ellie Fries. She reminded everyone of the 12-1/2" Breast Cancer block due at the September meeting. She also reminded us that the boutique items you are making for the Quilt Show should be turned in at the August and September meetings because our Quilt Show has been moved up to October 24<sup>th</sup>. Last minute items can still be turned in at the October 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting as well.
- ❖ The new **Red Work Group** will be meeting after the September meeting from 12:00 - 2:00. Bring a bag lunch.
- ❖ Our **UFO Sewing** will be held at the Blood Bank on July 15<sup>th</sup> and the **Neo-Natal Sew-A-Thon** will be held at the Blood Bank on August 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.
- ❖ If you have not picked up your rules for this year's challenge, please see Shirley Kerstetter. If you are a new member there is still time to participate in the challenge and we look forward to a large participation.

## Happy Birthday

### July

Mariann Ingle	16
Paulette Hinton	19
Dianne Cass	25
Bonnie Staveski	31

### August

Edith Mielke	8
Viola Imhof	10
Patricia McCleary	13
Sandy Mihalus	15
Eileen Vyvyan	23
Jeanne Perras	24
Pat Gentilini	24
Joyce Elliffe	26
Ruby Garner	31

### Welcome New Members

**Sharon Allard**- 9224 Bassin St., Brooksville,  
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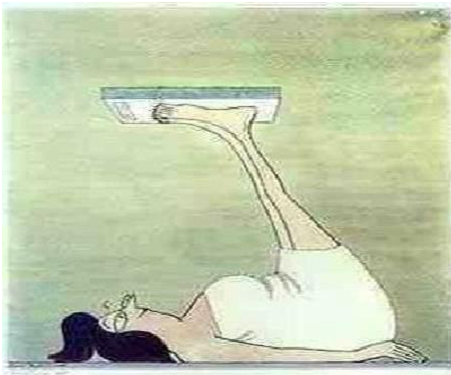
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**Dorothy Montauti** – 13446 White Plains St.,  
Spring Hill, FL 34609 Phone: 727/773-6711

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



And to think we were doing this wrong all these years! Bring on the chocolate!

## Raffle Block of the Month Schedule

Preview	Distribute Kits	Raffle	Presented By	Pattern
Apr	May	Jun	Eileen Vyvyan	Shooting Star
May	Jun	Jul	Bonnie Giustozzi	Broken Dishes
Jun	Jul	Aug	Noreen Sullivan	TBD

\* See Muriel Johnson to sign up

### AND THE WINNER IS

<b>April</b>	50/50 Mystery Door Prize Fat Quarters	Lucy VanLiew Linda Hrab Noreen Sullivan Fran Jones, Sally Marra Bonnie Giustozzi, Sandy Mihalus
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<b>May</b>	50/50 Mystery Door Prize Fat Quarters	Eileen Vyvyan Carol McCarthy Joyce Elliffe Barb Theriault, Betty Grissom, Edith Mielke, Gene Chambers, Sandy Mihalus
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### RAFFLE BLOCKS

<b>April</b>	M Wash Star By Barb Theriault	Carol Aldrich
<b>May</b>	Black/White By Irene Barese	Bonnie Giustozzi

### FIELD TRIPS

Betty has planned the following trip for July. Please take advantage and get to know the members better.

#### July 17<sup>th</sup> - Friday

A Trip is planned to Heritage Quilt & Needlework, Bernina Pfaff Sewing Center and Keep Me In Stitches – all in Tampa. Meet at the Publix Shopping Center, corner of Mariner & County Line Road at 9:00am. There will be no trip in August.

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



Sandy Mihalus made this wonderful cake to say goodbye to our good friend, Elaine Metz. We are all still hoping that she will be back someday and we will truly miss her.



# Calendar of Events



## Meetings/Classes/Events

July 15th (Wed) - Board Meeting @ Life South Blood Bank - Cortez Blvd. (9:30am)

July 23rd (Thur.) - Regular Guild Meeting Day @ Christ Lutheran Church - North Street (9:30am)

August 19th (Wed.) - Board Meeting @ Life South Blood Bank - Cortez Blvd. (9:30am)

August 27th (Thurs.) - Regular Guild Meeting Day @ Christ Lutheran Church - North Street (9:30am)

## Classes/Events

July 15th (Wed) - UFO Sewing (Unfinished Quilts @ Life South Blood Bank - Cortez Blvd (9:00 - 3:00)

August 19th (Wed) - Neo-Natal Sew-A-Thon @ Life South Blood Bank-Cortez Blvd. (9:00 - 3:00)

September 16th (Wed) - Paper Piecing - Details to follow

October 21st (Wed) - Painting On Fabric - Details to follow

## Quilt Shows, Retreats, Etc.

### TROPICAL SHOP HOP - CENTRAL FLORIDA

July 9th - 12th 2009

Passports are \$5.00 before the hop, but during the hop \$6.00. Sign up early and receive a chance to win a gift basket filled with lots of goodies. When you pay for your passport you will receive a free Lanyard.

At each shop you will receive a quilt pin and a chance to win a gift basket with a retail value of \$150.00. Spend \$25.00 or more and receive one panel of foundation by the yard and another chance to win the gift basket. The shops in the hop are:

A Quilters' Dream in Leesburg  
Material Girl in Apopka  
Quilt Shop of Deland  
Clermont Sewing and Quilting

To purchase your tickets contact Connie Czernuch at 352-728-1482. Oh yes there will be snacks and door prizes and a mystery special at each shop.

### RETREATS IN LEESBURG

BeSewCreative Quilt Retreats are located in Central Florida, near Leesburg. They host 3-4-5 day retreats with open registration, fund raiser retreats for quilt guilds, and retreats for quilt shops that want to offer their clients a chance to get away together. All retreat activities, meals and accommodations are included. Non Quilting Companion rates available for spouses who like to golf or fish while you quilt. See [www.BeSewCreative.com](http://www.BeSewCreative.com) for more details.

July 8-12, Retreat features Margaret Miller teaching 2-day workshop.

July 22-26, Mystery Quilt Retreat

August 12-16 Retreat featuring Debbie Caffrey teaching 2-day workshop.

September 23-27, Retreat featuring Bonnie McCaffery teaching 2-day workshop.

For more info contact - Rhonda Baker BeSewCreative Quilt Retreats [www.BeSewCreative.com](http://www.BeSewCreative.com)

**NOTE FROM CHARITY COORDINATOR – Rhonda Norton**

**NEO-NATAL SEW-A-THON**

Will be held on August 19<sup>th</sup> (Wed) from 9:30am to 3:00pm at Life South Blood Bank on Cortez Blvd. Supplies needed: 6-1/2” squares of solid colored or fabrics that read as solid in just about any color, bright as well as pastel. I have many backing fabrics and multi-colored squares. We could also use binding. We have very little left. The Guild will be supplying the batting and we will have it available on August 19<sup>th</sup>. Things you will need to bring are your sewing machine, thread, scissors, bag lunch, drinks. You may want to bring your rotary cutter and mat and we'll need a few irons. Please come even if just for a couple of hours and bring the rest home to finish if need be. We would really like to make as many as possible for these precious little ones.

- Baby Caps:** Knitted or Crouched for neo-natal unit – See Ruth Redeker for info or patterns.
- Aluminum Tabs:** (off soda cans) used for Ronald MacDonald House – Give to Ruth Redeker.
- Labels for Education:** Labels off soup cans and from boxes, box tops for education – Give to Joyce Elliffe.
- Migrant Workers:** If you have food and clothing, especially long sleeve shirts, please bring them in. Give to Paula Lawery.
- Military Hats:** Knitted hats that go under helmets of our soldiers in Iraq to keep them warm. Camouflage yarn used. Please see Gene Chambers for pattern or to donate yarn.
- Veteran's Quilts:** Quilts made for the VA Hospital in Tampa. We encourage every member of our Guild to make at least one quilt 45” x 45” (wheel chair size) to be brought in by our October meeting as they are presented to the VA Hospital on Veteran's Day in November.

A beautiful little poem I thought you might enjoy!

***Remember Me***

*It was not a woman's desire  
to be forgotten.  
In one simple,  
unpretentious way,  
She created a medium  
that would outlive even many  
of her husband's  
houses, barns and fences.  
She signed her name in  
friendship  
onto cloth and  
in her own way,  
cried out,  
Remember Me*

*Linda Otto Lipsett*



<b>Hernando Quilters Guild</b>	
<b>Approved Budget 2009/2010 (April-March)</b>	
President	\$ 50.00
1st Vice President (Pot Luck, Christmas, Deco's, Etc.)	\$ 400.00
2nd Vice President (Programs/Education)	\$ 300.00
Secretary	\$ 25.00
Treasurer	\$ 25.00
Membership Chairperson	\$ 50.00
Newsletter (Copies, Stamps, Labels, Printer Ink, etc.)	\$ 1,000.00
Tax I.D. #	\$ 62.00
Church - Meeting Facility Cost (\$50.00 Per session) (Includes 4 class days per year - October, January, February, March)	\$ 750.00
Life South Donation (Board Meetings/Classes)	\$ 200.00
Library Annual Book Donation	\$ 20.00
Quilt Show	\$ 120.00
Donations/Charity	\$ 400.00
Misc/Other	\$ 100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,502.00</b>
Last Year's budget total: \$3,102.00	
Increased: Meeting Facility, Blood Bank, 1st VP, Quilt Show	
Decreased: Newsletter	
Net Budget Increase: \$400.00	



# 2010 Quilt Challenge – "Who Am I"

A guideline sheet was passed out at the April meeting for the new 2010 quilt challenge due February 25, 2010. It was decided by a show of hands that the challenge would be called "Who Am I." Everyone was asked to make a wall-hanging no smaller than 16x16 and no larger than 36x36. The quilt should depict something about you. It could be your heritage, a hobby, favorite things, etc. You can use any fabric of your choice - the sky's the limit. You may use embroidery, buttons and other embellishments as needed to complete your entry. The possibilities are endless.

The categories will be Appliqué, Pieced, Mixed Technique, Wearable Art. The guideline sheet will offer you many suggestions to help you get started. Perhaps you have a favorite hobby like Sewing/Quilting, or one involving sports or nature like Hiking or Camping. Maybe it's about your heritage like your birthplace or you like to travel. Again, the possibilities are endless so start making plans now and by all means, have fun!

If you have any questions, or need a copy of the guideline sheet please see or call Shirley Kerstetter (352) 686-9057.

## Show & Tell



Betty Schielein made this beautiful table runner as a result of Bonnie Staveski's class.



Carol McCarthy with one more of her double wedding rings. Beautiful.



Muriel Johnson made this beautiful landscape quilt from a photo above. Great job Muriel.



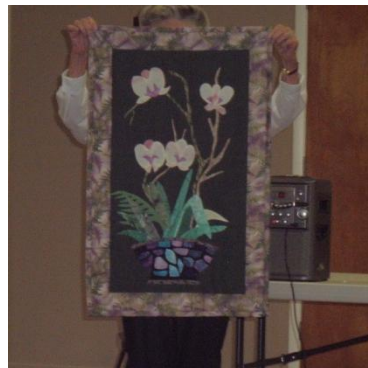
Gene Chambers is really getting the hang of her new Bernina Embroidery Machine. What beautiful work.



Who made the "Bunnies" Peek-a-boo – Oh so cute!



Irene Barese has been busy again with these two quilts.



Ruth Redeker with another one of her beautiful appliques'



Bonnie Staveski – look at all those geese! Beautiful Quilt!



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