



Hernando Quilters' Guild Newsletter

May/June 2016



Website: www.hernandoquiltersguild.com

President's Message



Dear Guild Members;

It's hard to believe that we are already saying goodbye to our snow bird quilting friends! We will miss them.

Our March Quilt Retreat was a big success! There were so many beautiful projects and quilts that our members made. A big thank you to Leida Martinez, Donna Bleier and Ava Rossler for all their hard work in preparing, organizing and running the retreat. Ava's classes were enjoyed by all.

Our Retreat for next year is already in the works. Thank you to Debbie McCabe and Kathy Bixby for stepping up to the plate to organize our 2017 Quilt Retreat. We have quite a few members who have volunteered to help on the committee.

At our March Guild meeting I informed members that due to the lack of a quorum of our Board members during July and August we will not have Board meetings or Guild meetings during July and August. We are; however opening up the Spring Lake House on the Guild meeting dates for July and August with an open sew. I asked our members for willing volunteers to take responsibility to open & close the Lake house for members. Barb Theriault and Beverly Abenante have offered to take this on. Thankyou Barb and Beverly.

As I write this, we are planning a pot luck for the Guild's 25th anniversary celebration at our April Guild meeting. Ruth Redeker and Shirley Kerstetter will be sharing their wealth of knowledge about our Guild's beginning and history.

Happy Quilting,

Bonnie

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2016 Fat Quarter Schedule

January	"REDWORK" Fabric
February	Greens or Shamrocks
March	Reproduction (i.e. Civil War, 1800's, 1930's or Shirtings)
April	Spring Colors (Tone on Tone, Reading Solid)
May	Batiks Only
June	Red/White/Blue
July	Black, Grey or White
August	Beige/Tan/Neutral (Backgrounds)
September	Stripes or Plaids
October	Fall Colors
November	Christmas Theme
December	No Exchange

Let Shirley Kerstetter, our **SUNSHINE LADY**, 352-686-9057, know about the needs or illnesses of our members.

Happy Birthday

MAY

Sharon Allard 10
Sheila Jones 20
Meg Smith 24
Ellen Green 27
LaVeda Myers 28
Marion Gibson ??

JUNE

Annette Reyes 1
Mollie Gibney 8
Sally Cosenza 23
Bonnie Holliday 26
Bonnie Giustozzi 28
Rowena Cox 30



Raffle Block of the Month Schedule 2016/2017

Preview	Distribute Kits	Raffle	Presented By	Pattern
Feb	Mar	Apr	Ruthanne McGookey	Taking Flight
Mar	Apr	May	Shirley Kerstetter	May Flowers
Apr	May	June	Marilyn Ryder KCS*	Pineapple
May	June	July	Marilyn Ryder KCS*	Honey Bee
June	July	Aug	Marilyn Ryder KCS*	Corner Star
July	Aug	Sept	Marilyn Ryder KCS*	Scrap Bag



* See Marilyn Ryder to sign up

* Kansas City Star

**FIELD TRIPS**

The Guild has planned the following trip for May 2016 to be run by Sharon Allard – 401-965-4548.

Friday, May 20, 2016

Trip to Keep Me In Stitches North Store, 14833 N. Dale Mabry, Tampa. Then KMIS South Store, 4504 W. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa. Lunch and then Scrap n Sew on SR54 on the way home: Meet at Publix corner of Barclay and Spring Hill Drive. 9:30am.

There will be no trips for June, July and August. They will resume in September.

If you have any questions, call Barb Theriault at 352-597-8816 or Cell: 678-793-5335

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Meeting Type	Day	Date	Place	Time
Board Meeting	Wed	4/27/16	Enrichment Center	9:30
Guild Meeting	Thurs	4/28/16	Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake, SH	9:30
Board Meeting	Wed	5/25/16	Enrichment Center	9:30
Guild Meeting	Thurs	5/26/16	Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake, SH	9:30
Board Meeting	Wed	6/22/16	Enrichment Center	9:30
Guild Meeting	Thurs	6/23/16	Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake, SH	9:30
No Board Meeting on 7/27/16	Wed	All Board Members on Vacation	Enrichment Center	9:30
No Regular Mtg. - come and sew only.	Thurs	7/28/16 – No regular Mtg. Come and Sew.	Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake, SH	9:30
No Board Meeting on 8/24/16	Wed	All Board Members on Vacation	Enrichment Center	9:30
No Regular Mtg. - come and sew only.	Thurs	8/25/16 – No regular Mtg. Come and Sew.	Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake, SH	9:30

GUILD NEWS AND NOTES

- ❖ **25 YEAR GUILD ANNIVERSARY -** We will be celebrating our 25th Anniversary as Hernando Quilter's Guild at our April 28th meeting with a Pot Luck Lunch. Everyone was asked to bring a dish to pass. Ruth Redeker and Shirley Kerstetter will be sharing their wealth of knowledge about our Guild's beginning and history. We will have a decorated cake for dessert to be enjoyed by all.

- ❖ **2017 GUILD CHALLENGE - "COLOR"**– As the winner of Best of Show of the 2016 Guild Challenge, Shirley Kerstetter has chosen the subject for the February, 2017 Challenge. The subject is "**Color**" The idea is to choose complementary colors from the color wheel (any two colors directly opposite each other on the color wheel. Example: (Blue and Orange). You may use shades of the colors of your choice. Solid, Moda type or tone on tone small print. The possibilities are endless with such a broad category. Get your creative juices flowing. We would like to have a large participation. The directions and subject will be available at the April meeting and e-mailed before summer, so the snowbirds could start working on it while home for the summer. Just remember the rules. The quilt has to be made between February 25th, 2016 to February, 23rd, 2017. Size should be no smaller than 16x16 and no larger than 45x60. You must put your name on the back of the quilt, or it will not be judged. The quilts will be judged at the February 23rd, 2017 Guild Meeting.

- ❖ **NO FORMAL MEETINGS IN JULY & AUGUST**
At our March Guild meeting Bonnie informed members that due to the lack of a quorum of our Board members during July and August we will not have Board meetings, or Guild meetings during July and August this year. **We are, however opening up the Spring Lake House on the Guild meeting dates for July and August with an OPEN SEW. Barb Theriault and Beverly Abenante have offered to take this on.**

- ❖ **2017 LAKEWOOD RETREAT – MARCH 6 – 9, 2017**– Our annual Quilt Retreat for 2017 will again be at Lakewood Retreat Center, 25458 Dan Brown Hill Rd., Brooksville, FL, March 6th to 9th. Remember the retreat covers a room with two single beds and one double bed, with a private bathroom. As far as we know now we will have the place to ourselves, so we will be using two buildings. Meals will be served Buffet style and we will have two sewing rooms, one very large room and one smaller room. The estimated cost at this time will be \$145.00 per quilter and sign-up and first payment will be in October. Our Retreat Committee for 2017 is Debbie McCabe and Kathy Bixby plus volunteers not yet announced. The Registration Form will be passed out at a later date and also e-mailed to everyone. Again there will be a choice of 3 payments beginning with sign-up in October, then next in November and final payment due at the January meeting. As time goes on there will be more info.

- ❖ **SUGGESTION BOX AVAILABLE AT GUILD MEETINGS**– Bonnie DeFranco, President, will be placing a "Suggestion Box" at the entrance table for everyone to use. It was requested that if you have any suggestions for teachers, classes, trips, changes for the Guild, etc., this is the perfect opportunity to voice your suggestions and opinions in writing. Please don't forget to put your name on your suggestions so Bonnie can discuss them with you. This box will be present at all future meetings, please use it, do your part for the Guild.



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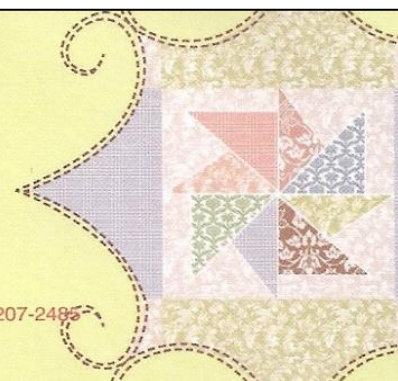
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Calendar of Classes/Meetings



Please Note: Larger classes may need to be held at the Quarry. We will determine after checking the sign-up sheet if the number of students is too large for the Enrichment Center, we will notify you that the class location will be changed to the Quarry.

April 19th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Sampler Quilt Blocks #5 and #6 (Churn Dash and Friendship Star) – Millie Singleton Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

April 26th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – UFO Sewing Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

April 28th, 2016 – Thursday 9:30am General Guild Meeting at The Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake Ave., Spring Hill, FL. **Anniversary Celebration and Pot Luck.**

May 10th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Sew-cial/UFO Sewing Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

May 17th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Sew-cial/UFO Sewing Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

May 24th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Fabric Bowel Taught by Ava Rossler Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

May 26th, 2016 – Thursday 9:30am General Guild Meeting at The Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake Ave., Spring Hill, FL.

June 14th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Sew-cial/UFO Sewing Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

June 21st, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Sew-cial/UFO Sewing Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

June 23rd, 2016 – Thursday 9:30am General Guild Meeting at The Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake Ave., Spring Hill, FL.

June 28th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Big Block 18" Block Taught by Ava Rossler Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

July 12th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Sew-cial/UFO Sewing Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

July 19th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Sew-cial/UFO Sewing Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

July 26th, 2016 – Tuesday 10:00am – 3:00pm – Tube Quilting Taught by Ava Rossler Bay front Health Brooksville Enrichment Center, Bring Lunch, or you can purchase a lunch in the café at a discount.

July 28th, 2016 – Thursday 9:30am General Guild Meeting at The Spring Lake House, 1202 Kenlake Ave., Spring Hill, FL. Due to all officers on vacation and having no quorum, there will not be a regular meeting in July and August, but the Lake House will be available on those meeting dates for a Sew-in run by Beverly Abenante and Barb Theriault.



QUILT SHOWS/RETREATS



August 18th 2016 – August 21st, 2016 RETREAT IN LEESBURG

Paper Piecing Retreat sponsored by Crafty Threads - Lake Yale Conference Center, Leesburg, FL

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September 15, 16, 17th, 2016 Quilt Fest In Jacksonville, FL – Theme: “All That Stash”

Prime F Osborn III Convention Center, 1000 Water Street, Jacksonville, Florida

Free parking in the Prime Osborne parking lot (has a train engine just inside the entrance) access on Bay Street

HOURS: Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Wheeled totes are not allowed in the show.

October 17 and 18, 2016 NANCY PRINCE LECTURE IN ST. PETERSBURG, FL

Nancy Prince will be lecturing and doing a workshop at The Suncoast Quilting Circle in St. Petersburg on

October 17 and 18, 2016. She will be lecturing on October 17 at 7pm. Her lecture is open to all. Non-members will be charged a \$5.00 fee.

She will also be teaching a Thread Sketching and Thread Painting Class on the 18th of October. The Class is open to non members as well. The cost is not determined as yet. *For info contact: Diane Gardner*

Rhoden godessdi9@aol.com

<http://www.SuncoastquiltingCircle.org>

November 11 and 12, 2016 QUILT SHOW AND TEA IN DAVENPORT

Davenport Quilts and Tea Festival Friday and Saturday, November 11 & 12, 2016

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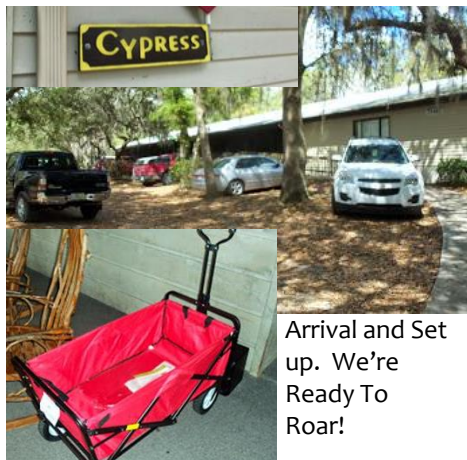
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Lakewood Retreat - 2016

On March 7 - 10, 2016 approximately 42 members attended our 3rd annual Quilting Retreat at the Lakewood Retreat Center in the hills of East Hernando County. We had 3 days and nights of sewing, eating, relaxing, laughing and being with friends. Everyone had a wonderful time and can't wait until next year's retreat. Here are a few pictures of the retreat.



Arrival and Set up. We're Ready To Roar!



Barb T. - Two Blocks Done! Yahoo!

The Modern Sweat Shop! Ladies, Start your engines!

And Sew It Begins !



Charlene, Kathy and Sally - The Bag Ladies



Millie Singleton - Wow! Only 7 more to go!



Sally - Look, I found another use for my Table Runner! If it rains, I'm all set!



Bonnie DeFranco - Gotta finish these placemats!



Kathy Bixby - Think this is easy, huh???



Charlene Brodeur - I made this while you were all sleeping! Kudos for me!



Dianne Favero - A Few Projects Finished!



Annette Reyes, Debbie McCabe - The Pajama Twins!



Darla and Karen - The Michigan Mystery Quilters!



Barb Childress - A new Sweatshirt - They'll see me coming a mile away!



Donna Bleier - Colorful Easter Eggs Table Runner!



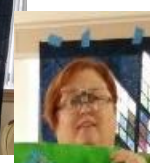
Bev Abenante - Exquisite Embroidery!

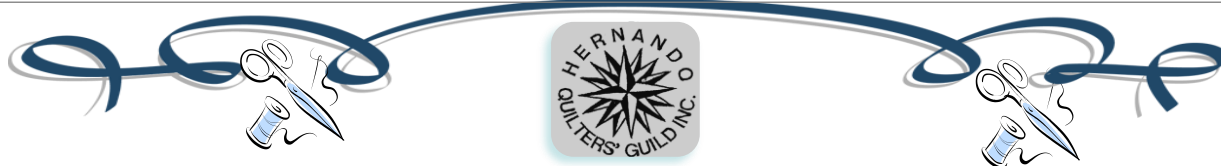


Sandra Davis - My Civil War Blocks are almost done!



Cindy Fitzgerald's masterpiece. Are we in Church??





February, 2016 Quilt Challenge Winners – “It’s All About Water”

At our February, 2016 meeting the members displayed their 2016 challenge quilts - “It’s All About Water.” Everyone was asked to create a quilt or wall-hanging depicting water in their design. You could use any quilt pattern, or design your own. A winner was chosen from each category plus a “Best Of Show.” There were so many creative entries that it was hard to choose!

Best Of Show – Shirley Kerstetter – Mixed/Pieced Technique



2nd Place – Ruthanne McGookey – Mixed/Pieced



3rd Place – Joyce Shively– Mixed/Pieced



1st Place – Jamie Crowe– Applique



2nd Place – Linda Woytisek– Applique



3rd Place – Judy Thew– Applique

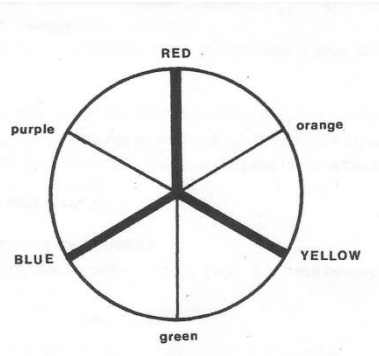
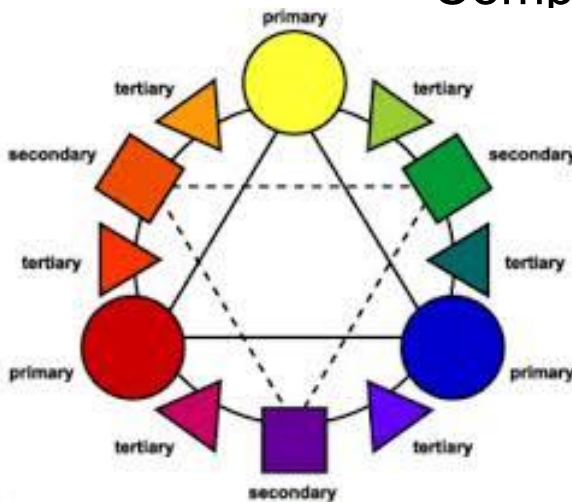


2016 Challenge Winners

Guild Events

2017 Hernando Guild Challenge – “Color”

“Complementary Colors”



Example Wheel: Shows Shades of Primary and Secondary

As the winner of Best of Show of the 2016 Guild Challenge, Shirley Kerstetter, with the help of Emily Hamilton, has chosen the subject for the February, 2017 Challenge. The subject is **“COLOR”**. The idea is to choose complementary colors from the color wheel (any two colors directly opposite each other on the color wheel, i.e. Primary/Secondary. Example: (Blue and Orange). You can only use two colors and also shades of the colors of your choice. Solid, Moda type or tone on tone small print. The possibilities are endless with such a broad category. Get your creative juices flowing. We would like to have a large participation. If you have any questions, see or call Shirley Kerstetter at (352) 686-9057.

Categories: Applique’ (hand and machine in the same category*), Pieced (machine and paper in the same category*), Embroidered (hand and machine in the same category*), Mixed Technique and Wearable Art.

Judging: Viewer’s Choice in all categories for 1st, 2nd and 3rd and “Best of Show.”

Quilting: You must have hand or machine quilting on your quilt.

Size: No smaller than 16x16” and no larger than 45x60”. If you are smaller, or larger than the specifications, **your quilt will not be judged.**

Due Date: February 23, 2017 – Guild Meeting

Rules: You are not allowed to use a quilt that has been made previous to this challenge. It must be made between February 25th, 2016 and February 23rd, 2017. There will be a sign-up sheet when you bring in your quilt to put your name on and which category your quilt is in. ALSO, you must have your name on the back of your quilt. No name, no judging.

* There must be 4 quilts in each category to be judged separately (example 4 hand appliqued and 4 machine appliqued). Otherwise, all appliqued quilts will be judged as one category.

Quilter's Corner

A Busy Quilter and Newsletter Editor

Barbara Theriault

Barb was born in Mt. Vernon, New York in Westchester County. At the age of two her family moved to Newburgh, a small town in the Hudson Valley. She was the oldest daughter having one sister and two brothers.

Barb's first introduction to sewing was at the age of 12 when she took lessons at the old Singer Company. She made a cotton dress which took 2nd place in her age group, winning a pair of really good sewing scissors. Her 2nd attempt was as a teenager when she tried to make a pair of slacks and sewed them together wrong, allowing no opening for each leg... oops!

Her sewing took a back seat for a short time while she studied voice and was soloist for her Church, and enjoyed concert work throughout New York State including a special invite from the Postmaster General to sing the National Anthem with the Airforce Band at a dedication of the new Post Office in her home town. She was also the National Anthem soloist for all the sporting events during her high school years. One of her most memorable moments as a folk singer in the 60's, was performing with Pete Seeger and Don McClain to benefit the cleaning up of the Hudson River. The other was after high school when she was called by her old music teacher and asked to do a concert tour with the Mt. Saint Mary's College Chorus to San Juan Puerto Rico. She quickly accepted and sang an aria "Un Bel Di" from the Opera, Madame Butterfly. It was a very large audience and also, her first time on a plane. Talk about being nervous... but, she has loved flying ever since and an audience no longer intimidated her.

Barb married at 22 and after the stillbirth of her son and a failed short first marriage, met her present husband, Dick. They have been married for 40 years. She has four step children and 8 grandchildren. She raised the two boys full time and the girls in the summers, so her sewing resumed when she started making clothes for all four children – **pant legs correct this time!**

They moved about the country with promotions and job transfers, but spent most of their time in Chicago, then a transfer to Atlanta for Dick's job and Barb's job with General Mills in Trade/Marketing at the same time.

Her quilting addiction began in 1999 while living in Marietta, Georgia. She joined a Georgia Guild and learned a great deal from a very talented, experienced quilter. She entered a block contest for Wal-Mart for Children's Miracle Network and won first place with a teapot block, which was the inspiration for a later quilt she made for her Aunt called "Tea With Aunt Kate." Her quilt making was more selective then due to job demands and taking care of her aging parents.

Retirement and a move to Brooksville in 2006 brought her to the Hernando Quilters' Guild. She dug in with both feet and a year later in 2007, took over the Guild Newsletter. Her experience in sales/marketing publications made her a perfect candidate. Her quilt-making is very selective and projects are not completed as fast as the others because she likes to slowly design her own in many cases, and also spends a lot of time on the Guild Newsletter and correspondence for the Guild. At one time she was President of the Guild and Newsletter Editor at the same time! Deadlines keep her on her toes. Barb really enjoys the friendships she has made through quilting and hopes to continue for a long time to come! Pictured on the right are a few of her creations through the years.



"Tea With Aunt Kate"



"Porcelain Cat"



"Rosewood Cottage"



"Wedding Gift/Memory Pillows"



Tips / Tricks/This & That

TIPS FROM QUILTERS AROUND THE COUNTRY

Selecting Fabrics

- Usually I choose a print first, then pick colors from the print to match the solids, or the smaller design prints I want to include. *Betty Boyton – Gordonville, PA*
- If I am working with a photo of a finished block or quilt, I try to match values (lightness and darkness), rather than trying to match fabrics or colors exactly. I achieve the same feeling as the quilt in the photograph, but I've made my own choices! *Sue Seeley - New Bern, NC*
- I look for fabrics with color combinations which are either opposite, or neighbors, on the color wheel. I vary the hues and values within these color choices. *Elaine F. Asper, Stroudsburg, PA*
- I go into a quilt shop with an open mind. I have found that if I go looking for a specific fabric or color, I spend twice as much time choosing fabric. *Leslie Lott, Englewood, CO*
- I choose fabrics without large open spaces in the prints. Too much open space can appear as a solid when the fabric is cut into small pieces. *Faye Meyers, San Jose, CA*
- For the quilt back, I am certain to use fabric of equal quality to the quilt top. If the backing is of a looser weave it is impossible to attain the finest quality quilting stitches, for even the most experienced quilter. I prefer to have enough fabric to allow for two seams on the back when it is not possible to have just once piece. With the panels being of equal size, it allows me to avoid having seams where folds are often made (the center), or where the quilt hits the edge of the bed, both of which hasten wear. *Ann Reimer, Beatrice, NE*

Tips For Pressing

- When ironing a large quilt top, or back, I put the iron on an extension cord and place two ironing boards end to end. I can work down the whole quilt at once. *Barbie Mockenhaupt, Palmdale, CA*

Guild Trip – March 25, 2016

The Guild took a trip on Friday, March 25th to Happy Apple's new location on Linebaugh and Rainbow's End Quilt Shoppe. There were approximately 42 woman. A stop for lunch in between shops was at Eve's Family Restaurant in Oldsmar. We had great meals and the service was excellent. In spite of a few down pours of rain throughout the trip, everyone had a wonderful time. Below are a few photos.



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