Bernando Quilters' Guild Newsletter

JULY/AUGUST 2024

President's Message 💐



Dear Friends,

On June 6, the 80th anniversary of D-Day in Normandy was observed. 150 proud military survivors flew to France to take part in the solemn ceremony. The average age was 100 years old. How dedicated these men were to our country to return to the place where this horrific battle took place. They lost friends and in some cases family during the battles that took place during WWII, their lives changed forever by the horrors of war. It is in honor of these brave individuals who have fought for our country that we are considering joining the Quilts of Valor Foundation[®]. Sandy DeRosso is at the helm of this endeavor. She has done a great deal of research to bring it forward to the Guild. If we decide to join, I hope you will consider participating in creating guilts that will be presented to a well-deserved veteran.

Another summer is upon us. What are your plans? For me it's a time to catch up on indoor projects – cleaning closets and purging all those extra things we no longer have space for. It's amazing how much we have accumulated over the course of eight years since moving to Florida!

Enjoy your summer!

Best, Eileen

We Stitch, We share Stories and Dreams. We laugh, we cry, We Learn, We Grow. We Care and We Love. We're There, We're Family, We're QUILTERS!

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2024 Fat Quarter Schedule	
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 JULY

Suzanne Williams 8 Gail Wright 13 Lauren Kermode 21 Pat Wilcox 22

<u>AUGUST</u>

Monica Sheppard 8 Louise Isabelle 11 Ruth Koch 11 Cindy Fitzgerald 12 Sandy Wesley 16 Margo Wyllie 16 Christine Allard 16 Penny Vallauri 17 Diane Heckenbach 20 Donna Anderson 26 Diane Meyer 28 Penny Dyer 28



Raffle Block of the Month Schedule 2024

Preview	Distribute Kits	Raffle	Pattern	Presented By:
Apr	May	June	Snail	Kathy Chapman
May	June	July	String	Bonnie Hinton
June	July	Aug	Arrow Deco	Art Deco
July	Aug	Sept	Hootie	Quilt Maker
Aug	Sept	Oct	Christmas Tree	Ann Koetter
Sept	Oct	Nov	Bowtie	Yvonne Khin

* See Marilyn Ryder to sign up

FIELD TRIPS
NO TRIPS FOR JULY/AUGUST

There will not be any trips for July and August. Trips will resume for September 2024.

I'm In Love With A Quilt

By: Sylvia Campbell-Landman

I'm in love with a quilt, because as you will see, All quilts are beautiful and exciting to me I see them as art which we can all treasure And, I see them as play and means of great pleasure Quilts are an outlet of deep self-expression And for many of us, they've become an obsession!

I see quilts as work, as a diligent task, And I see them as challenge, all one could ask. I can see quilts as history, showing the way Our grandmothers quilted and sewed in their day. I see quilts in museums, whose makers, long gone Have left as a legacy, to urge us on.

I see quilts as part of my household's décor, And I see them on people and on walls and on floor. I see antique quilts that are treasured as riches While other less lovelies, live in dark little niches. Quilts record feelings, so special to us, Such as weddings and babies. Oh! What a fuss!

I love making quilts for all the reasons above, But the one I like best; the one that I love... Is to make quilts for beds and for just sleeping Under....all that fabric, and color, And pattern and wonder...

Meeting Type	Day	Date	Place	Time
Board Meeting	Wed.	6/19/24	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	6/27/24	Krueger Center	9:00
Board Meeting	Wed.	7/17/24	Eileen Gorzelic Home	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	7/25/24	Krueger Center	9:00
Board Meeting	Wed.	8/14/24	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	8/22/24	Krueger Center	9:00
Board Meeting	Wed.	9/18/24	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	9/26/24	Krueger Center	9:00
Board Meeting	Wed.	10/16/24	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	10/24/24	Krueger Center	9:00

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 or Cell: 678-793-5335. Next deadline August 10th, 2024.

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

GUILD NEWS AND NOTES



- 2024 New Member Directory Coming In a Few Months Barb Theriault will be updating pictures of members. This process will take a few months and by April meeting we should have an accurate count of members. Some drop off for various reasons and we also get new members during this time. She will be working on a software that we can marry the picture along with the member info. When this is complete it will probably be updated and sent out about 4 times a year. In the meantime you will be sent an updated list of members. She will continue to update the regular roster as well to avoid any unforeseen problems with the new Directory..
- 2024 Guild Christmas Luncheon _On December 5th our Christmas Luncheon will be a High Tea to be held at the Krueger Center. Start thinking about wearing a hat for a contest and perhaps an optional flowery dress and gloves. We will again have our gift exchange, bring a gift, get a gift. More details to follow.
- 2023 Continued Hernando Quilters Sampler Quilt Penny Dyer is running this challenge which started in May 2023. Participants have been receiving a new block each month, through April 2024. They will get instructions for 12-12.5"(12 inch finished) Blocks. There were months with 6"blocks, to make x4 for the 12" block. Completed quilt s should be 56"x70" and will be displayed at the December Christmas Luncheon where a winner will be chosen.
- 2024 Cookbook Project Patty Richey has volunteered to head up the Guild Cookbook Project. Members were asked to submit at least 3 recipes. She now has the 300 recipes that she needed. Eileen Gorzelic and Ann Koetter are going to proof read and then the books can be printed.
- 2024 UFO Challenge Started in January Your new form was e-mailed out in December. Your lists must have been turned in by the January or February meetings. After February only new members will be able to sign up for the challenge. As you complete one of your items on your list you will receive a raffle ticket. The object is to help you complete some of your long overdue tasks. It again will be a \$5.00 entry fee. The entire sum will be given to the winner at the December 24 Holiday Party.
- 2024 Hernando Quilters Sampler Quilt Penny Dyer and her committee have chosen the subject of Houses for our new challenge for 2024 which started in May. Participants will receive a new block each month, through April 2025. They will get instructions for each block along with the pattern. In April 2025 they will receive instructions on finishing the quilt.
- 2025 LAKE YALE RETREAT Monday, March 3rd to Thurs March 6th 2025 Karen Pilon has secured the date for our 2025 Retreat at Lake Yale. We will be in the lighter, but a little smaller room in the building next to the Magnolia Dining Hall. Our Pods will be 4 Pods instead of 6 Pods due to limited space, so It was asked of people at the 2024 Retreat to give a \$165 deposit made out to Hernando Quilters' Guild, to our treasurer, Raelee Russavage, if they wish to go in 2025. The cost has increased to \$345.00 for a double room and \$390 for a single room. The final deposit of \$180.00 is due at the October 2024 meeting. For your advanced planning Fat Quarters for 2024 Retreat have not been chosen yet. Stay tuned for more info. When colors are chosen, please adhere to the colors requested. Do not try to use any other color, or you will not be able to participate in the Left/Right/Center game at the Retreat.

Our lives are a patchwork of beautiful moments and what we make with our hands we give with our hearts!



QUILT SHOWS/EVENTS

September 19 - 21, 2024





Prime F. Osborn III Convention Center 1000 Water Street Jacksonville, Florida Thursday, Friday & Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

November 15 and 16 Quilt Show in Leesburg, FL Hosted by "Lake County Quilters"

You're Invited!! 2024 Fantastic Quilt Show Hosted at The Venetian Center, 1 Dozier Circle, Leesburg, F 34748



FANTASTIC 41st Annual QUILT SHOW

November 15 & 16, 2024 Friday 9 am - 5 pm Saturday 9 am - 4 pm

Venetian Center

1 Dozier Court Leesburg, FL 34748

Make Friends. Make Quilts. Make a Difference.



In addition to the gorgeous quilts, our show also features a huge Boutique, a beautiful Raffle Quilt (pictured above), Quilt Sales, and Raffle Baskets.



Guild Events and Classes

Date	Quarry – 800 Gary Grubbs Blvd. Brooksville, FL	Krueger Center Spring Hill, FL	Instructor
	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	
JULY			
2nd			
4th	Holiday		
9 th	Fun & Done		Anne Koetter
11 th		Badges and Boards	Judy/Kathy
16 th	Quilts of Valor		
18th			
AUGUST			
1st			
6 th	Collage		Sharon Allard
8 th		Quilts of Valor	
13 th	Neighborhood		Pam Russavage
15th			
20th	Neighborhood		Pam Russavage
SEPTEMBER			
3rd			
5th			
10 th	Quilts of Valor		
12 th			
17th	Rope Bowls		Louise Isabelle
19th		Santa Stocking	Pam/Sharon

Guild Challenge Directions 2025

Bev Abenante as the winner of the 2022 Challenge, has chosen the following which runs from March 2024 to February 2025. All entries will be shown and judged at the February 27, 2025 meeting.

Four Colors of Fall

Orange, Green, Gold and Brown



The challenge is to make a quilt using the four colors of fall. Members may make either a wall hanging (no larger than 30X30}, or a Lap Quilt (no larger tan 45 X50).

We encourage everyone participating to use your imagination.

You may use embellishments on your quilt such as buttons, yoyo's, beads, ribbons, etc.

Some suggestions are leaves, acorns, horn of plenty, pumpkins, vegetables, sun flowers, scarecrows or a variety of blocks using the four colors.

Have fun making your quilt for the challenge.!

Categories: Judging:	Entries will be judged in one category. We will again try to bring in an outside judge and will have "Best of Show", 1 st place, 2 nd place and 3 rd place. Guild members will vote for the winner of "Viewer's Choice."
Quilting:	You must have hand or machine quilting on your entry.
Size:	A wall hanging (no larger than 30x30), or a lap quilt (no larger than 45x50).
Due Date:	February 27, 2025 – Guild Meeting
Rules:	You are not allowed to use a project that has been made previous to this challenge. It must be made between March 28, 2024 and February 27, 2025. There will be a sign-up sheet when you turn in your entry and you must have your name on the back of the entry.









Guild Events and Show & Tell - April/May

When we find moments of creation in our everyday activities, we also find simple satisfaction.



TRUNK SHOW BY LOUISE ISABELLE

At our May 23rd Guild meeting, Louise Isabelle presented a Trunk Show of some of her amazing quilts. She is an enormous talent both in piecing and long-arm quilting. Below are just some of her masterpieces.





Chances were sold for the last few months on a Bernette B38 Sewing Machine which was donated by a Guild Member. The final drawing took place at the April meeting. The Lucky winner was Maryann Wilkinson. Congratulations Maryann!!

A thank you goes out to Bonnie Holliday for volunteering to sell the tickets at the last 3 meetings prior to the drawing!



Patty Richey is giving us a sneak peek of the 1st Annual Sampler Quilt. Nice job Patty.



Denise Jolliffe made this really cute sparkly purse. Very creative!

Guild Show & Tell – April/May continued



Glenda Corn is showing a beautiful patriotic quilt. Great Job!



Diana Kilgore is also showing her patriotic quilt - Quilt of Valor! Very nice!



Kay Johnson is displaying her Amish Life Quilt. Nice job!



Eileen Gorzelic shows her wall hanging of a Pelican! Very Florida!



Denise Jolliffe taught a wonderful sweatshirt jacket class in April. Here are some of the students showing off their jackets. Nice class!



Louise Isabelle is showing her table runner she made at the Retreat. She is also showing some Rope Baskets she recently made and will be teaching a class on them on September 17th at the Quarry.



Monica Sheppard is showing her cute little bear she recently made at a class. Great job Monica!





The ladies really enjoyed the class and Pam will be teaching it again in August.



