



Hernando Quilters' Guild Newsletter

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2024



Website: www.hernandoquiltersguild.com

President's Message



Dear Friends,

As I sit here stitching together pieces of fabric, I am reminded of my youth in the 1960's; penny candy, freedom to walk to the playground by yourself and some of the most awesome toys (some dangerous – remember clackers?) that were ever made. The decade was filled with many events; the assassinations of two Kennedys' and Martin Luther King, psychedelic drugs, awesome music, the Vietnam War, Woodstock, and the first human, Neil Armstrong, walked on the moon.

It was during this decade that I learned to sew on some of the clunkiest machines ever made. I absolutely hated that part of Home Economics, loved the cooking/baking part, but the sewing gave me shivers.

Fast forward to my 30's when I saw an applique block that a friend was making. I was smitten! I knew nothing about piecing, stashes or the myriad of products I would need (or want) over the next few decades. And so began decades of collecting fabric, notions and books!

To our newer quilters who may feel overwhelmed by show and tell and the intricate patterns, remember, every quilter who stands before you were once a beginner. How do you improve and hone your skills? Take classes—not only will you learn a new skill, but you may make some lifelong friendships. Your proficiency will grow, confidence will build and before you know it, you too will be inspiring someone new with your own creations.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for being a part of our community. Your involvement with our charity projects is much appreciated, it will make someone smile.

Best,
Eileen

Welcome Fall

*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!*

2024/2025 Officers/Committee Chairs

President	Eileen Gorzelic
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Fat Quarter Drawing	Judy Thew
50/50/Food Bank	Sally Cosenza
Mystery Prize	Sandy DeRosso
Membership	Jane Ericson/Judy Bukowski
2024/25 Sampler Quilt	Penny Dyer
2024/25 Quilt Challenge	Bev Abenante
2024 UFO Challenge	Eileen Gorzelic
Newsletter/Communications	Barb Theriault
Facebook/Pinterest	Kristin Kelley
Website Liaison	Kristin Kelley
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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

SEPTEMBER

Cheryl Berkey 5
Suzanne Wilkerson 10
Sandy Gantenbein 12
Bobbie Uballez 15
Beverly Brown 16
Cindy Downey 16
Sharon Groesbeck 25
Sally Marra 26
Anne Koetter 28



OCTOBER

Darla Matthews 1
Jerrilynn Kelso 4
Judy Damico 5
JoAnne Blasé 7
Helen Anderson 7
Betsy Anderson 8
Ann Beaudry 10
Susan Herron 13
Milrae Hareng 17
Grace Mastrangelo 21
Emily Hamilton 24
Kristin Kelley 25
Diana Kilgore 26
Mary Moran 30
Marcia Kerker 31
Joan Taylor 31

Raffle Block of the Month Schedule 2024

Preview	Distribute Kits	Raffle	Pattern	Presented By:
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

Meeting Type	Day	Date	Place	Time
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
Board Meeting	Wed.	11/13/24	Quarry	10:00
Guild Meeting	Thurs.	11/21/24 3 rd Week	Krueger Center	9:00
Guild Christmas Lunch	Thurs	12/5/24	Krueger Center High Tea	11:00

FIELD TRIPS

SEPTEMBER TRIPS

On Friday September 20th we will be going to Winter Haven- Heartfelt Quilting, Heart to Heart Quilting and the Barn in Lake Alfred for Lunch. Meet at Publix 41 and 50 at 8:30.



Barb leaving on vacation – Oh poor Dick! A few favorite Quilt Shops in New York! Yippy!

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 20, 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 we hope to have a photo list by end of September. 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. Approximate cost of the Luncheon will be \$35.00 per person and we will again have our gift exchange, bring a \$25.00 gift, get a gift. More details to follow.
- ❖ **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. So far 4 blocks have been sent out w/directions. Remember, the key is color variety and/or theme.
- ❖ **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. The books will be printed after final review of the cover with our logo. You can see Patty at the August meeting to order on a form that was passed out. Patty has extra forms.
- ❖ **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.
- ❖ **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"

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



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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 than 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.!

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| Categories: | Entries will be judged in one category. |
| Judging: | 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. |



TRUNK SHOW BY NANA'S QUILT SHOP IN JUNE

At our June 27th Meeting Coleen and Mary from Nana's Quilt Shop, brought some of their quilts to show and also set up a table of items for sale. She did several door prize drawings for items based on tickets she gave to each member of the Guild. Below are some photos of their visit to our Guild Meeting.



Eileen Gorzelic is displaying a patriotic quilt she made for her son who is in the Navy.

Debbie Burns shows her Christmas Table Runner and her On Point Lap Quilt. Nice job Debbie.



Judy Silva is showing her Paper Doll Blanket. She put a pocket in the bottom of the blanket using Velcro, added additional outfits for the doll. Really a fun quilt for a little girl. Great job Judy.



Guild Show & Tell – June/July continued



Anne Koetter taught a class in July called "Fun & Done" The ladies are showing their accomplishment. All different and very nice.



A few of the ladies are showing off their "Bargello" quilts from a recent class. Behind their quilts are Connie Jablonsky, Ann Beaudry and Patty Richey.



Kathy Bixby is showing a Red/White/Blue Quilt she just made and said "Never Again" Not her style!" Nice job Kathy!



Sandy Wesley with her Texas Quilt. Really cool!



Renee Lowdenslager made a few items for the Bee Festival. Really cute!

I JUST WANT
To Create
PRETTY
THINGS
And Ignore
ALL MY ADULT
Problems



Sally Cosenza showing her very striking Black & White Quilt. Nice Sally!



Denise Jolliffe finished her king size quilt called "Plum Fusion." Just Remarkable Denise!



Red/White/Blue by Kathleen East. Great Patriotic Quilt. Great Job!

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