



QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER

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December 11, 2018

Guild Meeting

- Program: What Was I Thinking Sale
- Book Sale
- Fat Quarter: Batik
- 50/50 Raffle

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed for the following positions:

- Program Director
- Retreat Chair/Co-Chair



Guild Address:

Quilt Guild by the Sea
PO Box 64
Boca Raton, FL 33429

Meeting Address:

Grace Community Church
Teen Center— West side of
the Church campus
600 West Camino Real
Boca Raton, FL. 33486

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

A warm hello to my QGBTs friends from far away Australia.

I will be sailing around Australia as you read this newsletter and looking forward to seeing you when I return in January. This is a bucket list voyage. Most of the shore excursions I booked are visits to animal sanctuaries, so I can see kangaroos, wallabies, Tasmanian devils, emus, and penguins up close and personal. I will be thinking of you as I hand quilt on deck during the days at sea.

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends and are getting into the spirit of the holiday season.

As I look at our 8th year, I see how much our Guild has flourished: new members and great participation in our programs and workshops. Let's not forget about our dedicated volunteers in Comfort Quilts, Fidgets, Comfort Bears, and QOV. So many of you keep finding meaningful ways of serving the community; I am very proud of your contributions. I hope that being an active member in QGbtS gives you the opportunity to have fun, learn something new, share your love of fabric, and build your community of quilting friends.

I so enjoyed being your President this year. It could not have been possible without all the support I received from our Board members. They made my job easy. I will be taking a year off and look forward to just be a QGbtS member.

Our December 11th program will be our second "What Was I Thinking Sale". I hope by now most of you have gone through your closets and gathered the quilting treasures you want to share. See this newsletter for details. It should be lots of fun and you may find something you have been looking for and "need".

See you in January and have a wonderful Holiday season.

Marie-Christine Leavitt
President



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What Was I Thinking Sale!!

1. Check closets, drawers, and hidden boxes for “treasures” that you know you will never use...

For example:

- *½ yard or more of fabric; bundles of similar fat quarters; special rulers; an iron you used once; unused project bags; sewing or embroidery books; or a sewing tool or notion you thought you needed but really didn't!*
 - Using blue painters tape or masking tape, and using a dark marker, clearly write a price. (***even dollars only!***) Be realistic... Please price items to sell!
 - Be sure to bundle, tag and bag smaller items (use clear plastic bags)
 - Bring items to the December 11th meeting and deposit on “Sale” tables.
2. Shop at the end of the meeting and take home something you always wanted! Be sure to bring **CASH or CHECKS!**
 3. Bring a **shopping bag** to take home your purchases!!

Thank you in advance for your support

Remember! All proceeds will go to fund QGbtS Programs and Projects!!

happy
holidays!



ANNUAL

MEMBERSHIP DUES

QGbtS annual membership dues for 2019 are **\$45.00.**

'MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS PRIVILEGES'

Paid members of the QGbtS are eligible to:

- participate in Guild programs
- participate in workshops
- receive monthly newsletter
- place ads in the classifieds.
- **Guests are welcome to attend all of our meetings with a donation of \$5.00.**
- Dues are non-refundable.

For further information contact:

Ellen Heckler [561-245-8280](tel:561-245-8280) or quiltguildbythesea2011

ATTENTION, ALL MEMBERS:

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN IN AT THE GUILD MEETING!



QGBTS Workshop Protocols

As you know, we try throughout the year to bring you varied and interesting workshops. We are delighted to see good attendance. If you are interested in a particular workshop that is not being offered, let us know.

With a new year about to start and a healthy crop of new members, we thought it would be beneficial to review our Workshop policies and procedures to eliminate any misunderstandings:

- You must pay for the workshop the day you sign up. If that is not possible, please mail a check to the Guild PO Box.
- You must pay by check; however, we will occasionally accept cash. If you pay with cash please remind us to give you a cash receipt.
- Workshops may be opened to non-members depending on availability for an additional fee.
- If you need to cancel, workshop fees are only refundable until 7 days prior to the workshop.
- Make sure we have your latest email address and phone number, so we can send you a supply list and contact you when necessary.

If you have any other questions, feel free to contact our Program and Workshop team listed in the newsletter.

Also note that our current By-Laws and Policies and Procedures are available on our Website.

Your Program and Workshop Team

The Guilde Acadienne de Clare Annual Quilt Show and Sale

Held at the Saulnierville Parish Church in the French shore region of Nova Scotia.

A lovely setting for a quilt show.



EVENT CALENDAR

MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

December 11, 2018

Guild Meeting

- Program: Sale
- Fat Quarter: Batik
- 50/50 Raffle

December 18, 2018

- Board of Directors Meeting

December 18, 2018

- QOV Workshop **Cancelled**

January 8, 2019

Guild Meeting

- Program: Marcia Layton Trunk Show
- Fat Quarter: Paisleys and Mandalas
- 50/50 Raffle

January 8, 2019

- Tea Towel Workshop by Marcia Layton

January 15, 2019

- QOV Workshop

January 29, 2019

- Board of Directors Meeting

UPCOMING WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS:

Tea Towels Workshop by Marcia Layton

Date: Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Location: Grace Community Church, Music Room

Time: 1 PM — 4 PM

Member Fee: \$30.00

Non Member Fee: \$35.00

(Kits will be available for \$19.00 or patterns only for \$9.00)



UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

Double Reverse Applique Workshop by Ellen Lindner

Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2019

Location: Grace Community Church, Music Room

Time: 10 PM — 4 PM

Member Fee: \$30.00

Non Member Fee: \$35.00

(Kits available for \$5.00 each at the workshop)



Workshop Policies: Payments for workshops must be received at the time of sign-up. Workshop fees are refundable up to 7 days prior to scheduled date.

EVENT CALENDAR

MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

January 30, 2019

- Comfort/Fidget Quilts Workshop

February 12, 2019

Guild Meeting

- Program: Mixed Media by Ellen Lindner
- Fat Quarter: Black & White
- 50/50 Raffle

February 12, 2019

- **Rescheduled:** Sashiko Workshop with Diane Provost, Grace Community Church, 1:00 – 3:00 PM

February 13, 2019

- Double Reverse Applique by Ellen Lindner

February 19, 2019

- QOV Workshop

February 26, 2019

- Board of Directors Meeting

February 27, 2019

- Comfort/Fidget Quilts Workshop

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

Wool Applique by Beverly DeCrane

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Location: Grace Community Church, Music Room

Time: 10 PM — 4 PM

Member Fee: \$30.00

Non Member Fee: \$35.00

Kits available for \$17.00



Techniques Workshop by Brenda Grampas

Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2019

Location: Grace Community Church, Music Room

Time: 10 PM — 4 PM

Member Fee: \$30.00

Non Member Fee: \$35.00

Workshop Policies: Payments for workshops must be received at the time of sign-up. Workshop fees are refundable up to 7 days prior to scheduled date.



EVENT CALENDAR

MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

March 12, 2019

Guild Meeting

- Program: Wool Applique Workshop by Beverly DeCrane
- Fat Quarter: Botanical
- 50/50 Raffle

March 13, 2018

- Wool Appliques Workshop by Beverly DeCrane

March 19, 2019

- QOV Workshop

March 26, 2019

- Board of Directors Meeting

March 27, 2019

- Comfort/Fidget Quilts Workshop

March 27-29, 2019

- Spring Camp at Junior League of Boca

April 9, 2019

Guild Meeting

- Program: Mini Quilt Wall by Brenda Grampas
- Fat Quarter: Around the World (any country, any culture: you pick)
- 50/50 Raffle

CARING HEARTS

Caring Hearts is an on-going part of our newsletter. Any information to be included in this portion of the newsletter should be emailed to: DebShoemaker22@gmail.com.



NEW MEMBERS:

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|-----------------|------------------|
| Andrea Elliott | Christine Franko |
| Barbara Lamb | Nardis Nagji |
| Barbara Pollack | Ginnie Tenney |
| Ellen Weston | |

WELCOME GUESTS:

- Selale Kozanli
 Carol Stoltenberg
 Patti Walton

FAT QUARTER OF THE MONTH DRAWING WINNER:

Jan Holler



50/50 RAFFLEWINNER:

Holly Faillace



Need a reimbursement check?

- Reimbursement forms must be filled out and submitted to the Treasurer with appropriate receipts to receive a reimbursement check.
- Monies that are to be turned in (i.e. payments for workshops, donations, and dues) must itemized on the Money-Turn-In form.
- Forms are available on the QGbtS website.



Expense Reimbursement

EVENT CALENDAR:

MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

April 10, 2019

- Brenda Grampsas Techniques Workshop

April 16, 2018

- QOV Workshop

April 24, 2019

- Comfort/Fidget Quilts Workshop

April 30, 2019

- Board of Directors Meeting

May 14, 2019

Guild Meeting

- Program:
- Fat Quarter: Batiks
- 50/50 Raffle

May 21, 2019

- QOV Workshop

May 28, 2019

- Board of Directors Meeting

May 29, 2019

- Comfort/Fidget Quilts Workshop

“THE FRANK MCGEE MEMORIAL QOV WORKSHOP”

The December 18th QOV Workshop has been cancelled.

The next workshop will be held on January 15, 2019 from 9:30 AM—3:00 PM Grace Community Church in the Music Room



∴ quilt of valor ∴

Thanks to the generous participation of our members, we are producing a remarkable amount of quilts for our veterans. We would like to thank everyone who is doing her share, whether you are sewing at home or at the workshop, whether you are sewing stars, sewing strips, assembling tops, making pillow cases, binding, longarm quilting, etc..... Every little bit helps.

Bring your sewing machine with basic accessories, thread, and lunch.

For those unable to attend the workshop, prepared kits are available to pick up at the workshops and guild meetings.

A huge **THANK YOU** for your participation.

For additional information, contact Diane Provost [561-409-3114](tel:561-409-3114), paquinprovost@gmail.com

NATIONAL QOV MEMBERSHIP DUES

Your \$5.00 annual QOV contribution/membership will be collected at the guild meetings in November, December and January. If you cannot attend these meetings, please send a check to the order of Quilts of Valor Foundation and mail it to the QGBtS, PO Box 64, Boca Raton, FL 33429.

EVENT CALENDAR:

QUILT SHOW CALENDAR:

January 11–12, 2019

- Florida Haiti Benefit Quilt Auction, Sarasota Fl.

January 25-26, 2019

- "Quilting Under the Palms" Quilt Show, Countryside Recreation Center, Clearwater, Fl.

January 25-26, 2019

- Highlands Quilt Show, Sebring, Fl.

January 25-26, 2019

- Showcase of Quilts, The Villages, Fl.

January 31–February 2, 2019

- World Quilt Show, Tampa, Fl.

February 2-3, 2019

- Farm Fest and Quilt Show, Pioneer Florida Museum, Dade City, Fl.

February 2, 2019

- Airing of the Quilts, Venice, Fl.

February 8-9, 2019

- Sunbonnet Sue Quilters Quilt Show, Indian River Fairgrounds, Vero Beach, Fl.

QUILT PRESENTATIONS:

On November 8, 2018 a Quilt of Valor was presented to Larry Nielsen; he served in the Air Force and was nominated by his sister.



Irene Zuckerman, served in WWII as an Army nurse. She was awarded her Quilt of Valor on Friday, November 9, 2018.

We were notified that this beautiful lady passed away, November 12, 2018. We are glad that we were able to award her Quilt of Valor and make her happy.



EVENT CALENDAR:

QUILT SHOW CALENDAR:

February 15-16, 2019

- A Quilter's Journey, Seminole, Fl.

February 15-16, 2019

- Quilt Fiesta, Biennial Quilter's Workshop of Tampa, Tampa, Fl.

February 15-16, 2019

- Mid-Pinellas Quilt Show, Seminole Recreation Center, Seminole, Fl.

February 22-23, 2019

"Celebrate" Peace River Quilters Quilt Show, Punta Gorda, Fl.

February 27-March 2, 2019

- AQS Quilt Week, Daytona Beach, Fl.

March 1-2, 2019

- Stitches in Time Quilt Show, Naples, Fl.

March 8-9, 2019

- Broward Quilt Expo "Jazz", War Memorial, Fort Lauderdale, Fl.

March 8-9, 2019

- Quilts in Paradise, Sarasota, Fl.

QOV PRESENTATIONS

On November 11, 2018 a Quilts of Valor awards ceremony in the Vizcaya community was coordinated by Linda Bouvier. Thirty-eight (38) veterans were awarded quilts. Quilt Guild by the Sea members were joined by members of the Gold Coast Quilters Guild.



EVENT CALENDAR:

QUILT SHOW CALENDAR:

March 14–16, 2019

- Original Sewing and Quilt Expo, Lakeland, Fl.

March 16, 2019

- Trenton 13th Annual Quilt Festival, Trenton, Fl.

May 3–4, 2019

- Tree City Quilter's Guild Quilt Show, Gainesville, Fl.

October 2–5, 2019

- AQS Quilt Week, Virginia Beach, Va.

November 15-16, 2019

- "Fan"tastic Quilt Show, Mt. Dora, Fl.

SCRAPPY STOCKINGS

Courtesy of TulaPinkAllstars

These stockings are just adorable. What a way to use scraps.



QUILT PRESENTATIONS (VIZCAYA CONTINUED)



QUILT PRESENTATIONS:

Commander Lisa Evans MD, Navy Reserves, was awarded a Quilt of Valor by QGbtS during Boca Raton Regional Hospital's Veterans Day Program. Dr. Evans has been serving since 2008 and served in Djibouti, a country located in the Horn of Africa. Dr. Evans was designated as our symbolic 200,000 QOV awardee.



COMFORT QUILTS

- The next **Comfort Quilt Workshop** will be held on **January 30, 2019** from 9:30 AM—3:00 PM Grace Community Church in the Music Room.
- Comfort Quilts received a generous donation from Mel Atlas, a recipient of a Comfort quilt at Lynn Cancer Center.
- A total of 130 Comfort Quilts have been made so far in 2018. Juvenile Comfort Quilts are needed in Trauma Centers. Crib size suggested.
- Novelty and juvenile fabrics in blues and browns are needed as well as 2 yards of fabric for backings.
- New Comfort Quilts and Fidget kits are available at the Guild meeting. Please stop by the Comfort Quilt table.



Comfort quilt size specifications are:

- ◆ a minimum of **38 - 42" wide**, and a minimum of **48 - 54"** in length

Kits will be available at the Guild meeting. There is something for everyone to do!

Any questions, please contact: Janet Fredricks [954-242-9010](tel:954-242-9010) or email quilthoney@aol.com or

Wanda Goldfarb [516-592-7575](tel:516-592-7575) or email unity_777@hotmail.com

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

FIDGET QUILTS

- The next **Fidget Quilt Workshop** will be held on **January 30, 2019** from 9:30 AM—3:00 PM Grace Community Church in the Music Room.
- A total of 78 Fidget Quilts were made so far in 2018.
- Ellen Heckler, Linda Eddy, and Sarah Crew were interviewed by an On-line Streaming program "Caregiver Solutions" . They discussed the purpose of Fidget quilts, who receives them, etc. The interview can be seen on the Fidget Quilt page of the guild website.
- Kits with supplies are available for anyone who would like to participate in making a Fidget Quilt.

Any questions, please contact Linda Eddy: [561-376-3996](tel:561-376-3996) or email: eddylinda1007@yahoo.com



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

COMFORT BEARS:

- The next **Comfort Bear Workshop** will be held on **January 30, 2019** from 9:30 AM—3:00 PM Grace Community Church in the Music Room.
- If you have suggestions of places to donate bears, please contact Holly Faillace.
- Comfort Bear kits complete with paper pattern, fabric, and ready-to-sew-on bear faces are available. This is a quick and easy project that will make a child smile.
- **Please do not fringe corduroy bears—they shred!!**



Volunteers needed:

Members interested in making embroidered faces by machine or hand are needed or a digitized file for machine embroidery is available.

For additional information, contact Holly Faillace: hfaillace@bellsouth.net

HEART PILLOWS FOR BREAST CANCER

The Lincolnwood Bee is creating these lovely heart pillows, pictured, for breast cancer patients and survivors.

The pillow fits under the arm pit and eases the pain of lymph node surgery.

- Anyone interested in joining us, our next meeting will be on **Friday, December 21, 2018.**



SPRING CAMP

ZENSPIRATIONAL

March 27-29, 2019

Join QGBTS' 6th Annual Spring Camp.

Everyone gets a gift and lots of fun memories!

Place, Dates and Times:

Junior League of Boca Raton—261 NW 13th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33432

Wednesday & Thursday, March 27, 28 from 9:30am to 9:00pm

Friday, March 29 from 9:00am to 4:00pm

What to bring:

Your sewing machine with basic accessories and your sewing projects.

All sewing machines, tools, and fabrics can be left in the room on Wednesday and Thursday night.

There is a fridge and microwave available for your lunches and drinks and Wednesday night dinner.

Cost/Payment

This includes your dinner on Thursday night. If the dinner menu is not compatible with your dietary needs, you must bring your own dinner.

Mail your payment of \$55.00 to Quilt Guild by the Sea « ON or AFTER » January 1st. DO NOT MAIL EARLIER

To: Diane Paquin Provost

22600 Esplanada Circle W, Boca Raton, FL 33433

We will honor RSVP's in the order received **AFTER** January 1, 2019.

No refunds after February 15, 2019.

Checks from those on the waiting list will be deposited only when space becomes available and after they confirm attendance.

Please indicate the following when sending your payment; this may open spaces for more members to attend:

If you will bring and/or share a portable sewing table

If you plan on hand sewing only

Kenny, Lee, Melinda, & Diane

Your Spring Camp Committee

"BIRDS OF HAPPINESS" DONATION QUILT

TICKETS ON SALE!

1 for \$1.00

6 for \$5.00



QGbtS LIBRARY



We have wonderful books!

Take the opportunity to look through or borrow a book, a DVD, or a magazine that interests you.

All books must be checked out and returned at the next Guild Meeting. Late fees will be charged when applicable.

New books and magazines are always accepted.

Guild Librarians:

Joan Cohn & Dellie Krebs

Library Hours: 9:30—10:00 AM during every Guild meeting.

LIBRARY BOOK SALE

December General Meeting

Books \$1.00 each
Or
Buy 2, Get the 3rd Free

FRIEND US!

QGbtS now has its very own **FACE-BOOK.**



Send in your pictures, comments, etc. to Joanne Miller at:

Barniesmom123@gmail.com

FAT QUARTER OF THE MONTH: GRACEFUL JELLYFISH BATIK

The depths of the ocean take you into blackness, only the jellyfish in hues of sky and slate blue, aqua and turquoise, copper mist, orchid pink, maple brown, and lavender can be seen floating gracefully in the dark waters. The larger jellyfish are approximately 5 1/2", from Hoffman Fabrics.



BOOK REVIEW: Scrap Quilts and Fun, Leisure Arts

Personally, I never get tired of reading and using books dedicated to scrap quilting. Not only are they useful, creative and interesting; they are my necessity.

Scrap quilts, no matter how scrappy, seem to need a common element: design, color, pattern, or style. This book has it all. All the quilts are based on traditional patterns, familiar to quilters. Scraps are incorporated into each quilt, resulting in dynamic quilts. Every technique is explained and well illustrated.

Keep your scraps!



Submitted by Joan Cohn



HOW TO SANDWICH QUILT LAYERS

Courtesy of The Quilt Board, October 2018

To learn to sandwich quilt layers, first practice on a small project such as a wall quilt or baby quilt. The method for sandwiching and basting small projects is exactly the same as for larger projects. Once you get comfortable with small quilt sandwiches then try sandwiching a larger quilt.

When sandwiching a small quilt simply tape the backing fabric wrong side up to the table using masking tape. Don't stretch the backing as you are taping, it needs to be firm and smooth as when it is ironed but not stretched.

Then lay the batting on the backing and sort of "pat" the batting in place. You don't want to stretch the batting. If you need move the batting "lift" and replace. If the batting is stretched when it is laid on the quilt it will "spring back" when the backing tape is released causing the quilt to pucker.

Place the quilt top over the batting. When you are placing the quilt top on the batting pull it towards the outside by lifting and pulling not by pressing down and smoothing, thus stretching the batting again.

It helps to place a few long straight pins along the edge and a throughout the quilt until the basting safety pins are in place. For best results, place small safety pins approximately 4" - 6" apart.

Layer And Baste A Large Quilt

To sandwich a large bed-size quilt you will need two or three large "banquet" size tables placed together. This works well for layering and basting a quilt and is easier on your back. Check out a church, library, or community room and ask if you can use their tables to baste your quilt. It might be a good idea to have a friend who will help especially if you have a very large quilt. You could work together and pin baste two quilts in an afternoon.

One of our local groups meets in a church hall with banquet tables. The standard height of the tables are low and cause back strain so we cut 16" lengths of 2" diameter PVC plumbing pipe and placed one of them under each table leg to raise the table so we don't have to bend and strain our backs. The length you cut your PVC pipe is determined by how long the table legs are in comparison to the height you would like to have the tables. You may want to cut them a little longer and shorten them as necessary.

Place the backing fabric on the table with the wrong side of the fabric up. Tape the edges of the backing to the edge of the table using masking tape. Your backing fabric needs to be firm but not stretched. It is important for your backing to be smooth or you will have puckers when you quilt.

The next layer is the batting. Take the batting out of the package and unroll it or unfold it and let it rest at least overnight. Or you may fluff it in the clothes dryer for a few minutes to take out the wrinkles. Read the package directions for fluffing in the dryer or for pre-shrinking instructions. Some cotton battings will shrink after the first washing. If you want the antique crinkled look of your quilt don't pre-shrink cotton and cotton blend battings. If you do not want the batting to shrink, pre-shrink your batting as recommended by the batting manufacturer and use the instructions printed on the batting package. Different brands of batting have different methods for pre-shrinking. Do not pre-shrink polyester batting; only fluff it in the dryer.

Layer the batting on top of the backing by spreading it carefully and not stretching it. You will want to sort of "pat" it out on the backing to get it flat and smooth. If the batting is stretched slightly, it will relax when the quilt is taken off the basting table and cause puckers when quilting.



HOW TO SANDWICH QUILT LAYERS (Continued)

Then layer the quilt top -- right side up. Smooth the quilt top carefully so you don't stretch the batting under it. Place long quilt straight pins about six to eight inches apart along the outside edge of the quilt top through all three layers.

Baste the quilt with safety pins. You will need several hundred for a large quilt. Be sure to buy good quality safety pins that are rustproof. Inexpensive pins that rust on your quilt are not a bargain. There are some safety pins available that are "bent" especially for quilt basting and they are easier to use...

With safety pins, start pinning in the middle of the quilt. Place the safety pins approximately four to six inches apart depending on the type of batting you are using. Polyester batting is slippery and would need the pins to be closer whereas cotton batting clings to the cotton fabric so six inches apart would be plenty. As you pin from the center, smooth the quilt top toward the outer edge and continue pinning. When you get to the edge of the quilt, remove the straight pins and replace them with safety pins. I don't close the safety pins until the entire quilt is pinned. Then I go back and close all the pins. That way if you need to move pins to smooth out an area they are easier to move.

When closing the pins, your fingers might get sore and tired. I use the serrated edge of a grapefruit spoon to help me close the pins. Just place the serrated part of the spoon under the point of the pin to bring it toward the pin latch to close. The grapefruit spoon does help you from getting sore fingers.

When you have pinned the entire quilt, remove tape from table and you are ready to quilt. Begin by quilting in the center of the quilt and quilt toward the outside edge. As you are quilting a specific area you may remove pins as needed to facilitate quilting.

Foundation Piecing On Muslin

Do you enjoy paper foundation piecing but dislike removing all those little paper fragments with tweezers? Try foundation piecing on muslin. Foundation piecing on muslin is very easy and the only difference would be the finished product. When foundation piecing we don't always pay attention to the grain line of the small pieces of fabric so the edges of our foundation may be on the bias and cause stretching. With a muslin foundation your finished block will be more stable along the edges because of the grain lines of the muslin and reduce stretching. And best of all you will save a lot of time and frustration not having to remove all those little pieces of paper.

Muslin foundations don't need to be hand traced. They can be made on the copier. Simple directions for making your own muslin foundations are listed below.

To Make Muslin Foundations

You will need lightweight inexpensive bleached or unbleached muslin -- 40" wide, freezer paper, rotary cutter, mat, 12 1/2" or larger square ruler, and an iron and ironing surface.

Rough cut freezer paper into approximately 9" x 12" sheets. Most freezer paper comes 18" wide so this is fairly simple. Fold a length of freezer paper in half lengthwise and cut into 12" lengths with a rotary cutter or scissors. Then cut at the fold. Remember to use a rotary cutter with a dull blade or paper scissors to cut the freezer paper. The paper only needs to be rough cut at this stage.



HOW TO SANDWICH QUILT LAYERS (Continued)

Set the iron to wool setting and allow it to heat. Iron the long edge of the shiny side of the freezer paper to the muslin parallel to the selvage. Do not use the selvage area. Place the next piece of freezer paper about a half inch from the first one. You can place three sheets across the width of fabric with little waste at the opposite selvage edge. Continue ironing more rows of freezer paper to the muslin. After two or three rows you might want to rough cut the muslin apart with shears. You only need to cut the muslin between the freezer papers -- again a rough cut.

Go back and iron each sheet thoroughly. You need to have a good fuse between the freezer paper and muslin so it will go through the copier without jamming.

Take the ironed paper and muslin units back to the cutting table. Use a large square ruler. Carefully trim all four edges with rotary cutter and ruler making the paper/muslin units exactly 8 1/2" x 11". These will go through the copy machine. Don't handle the sheets excessively being careful of the edges so the threads don't begin to fray. Once they have been through the copier you don't need to worry anymore about the edges.

Look at your original foundation pattern. If there are dark numbers on the pattern and you are going to use a light colored fabric in your piecing you need to remove these numbers before copying. You can either make one accurate tracing without the numbers, or use typing correction fluid to cover the numbers before copying.

Take your original foundation pattern and the prepared muslin/paper sheets to the copy machine. A standard copier is fine. The toner is heat set so even though the ink may not be permanent it will last long enough for your stitching to be completed.

If the copier that has a "bypass" feed or a "sheet" feed -- this would be ideal as the muslin/paper sheets do not have to be loaded into a tray below and then curled as they come into the copier. With muslin side up, feed the prepared muslin/paper sheets into the copier using the bypass or sheet feed option. Feed ONE sheet through at a time. Don't try to stack the sheets. The muslin/paper sheets are allowed to go directly into the copier and don't need to turn over as they come through a feeding system. The printed muslin may be heat set if desired but is not necessary.

If the copier does not have a "bypass" feed or "sheet" feed -- simply place one muslin/paper sheet face down in the paper tray. If you stack the muslin/papers the copier could take more than one sheet and cause a paper jam.

An inkjet printer will work as well but the ink would need to be heat set if you wanted it to be more stable but it is not necessary. Many inkjet printers need to have the muslin be face down and then turn over before it is printed. Remember to only place one sheet in the feed tray at a time to avoid jams.

After copying is finished the freezer paper may be peeled away. The freezer paper may be reused for other projects or discarded. You now have your printed muslin foundation. Use these muslin foundations in the same way as paper foundations. You just don't have to remove all the paper fragments and your piecing will be stabilized by the muslin.



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Sunbonnet Sue Quilt Show

“Treasures of the Treasure Coast”

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26 Vendors

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BROWARD QUILT WEEK

MARCH 4-10 2019

Dear Quilter,

Our biennial quilt show, Broward Quilt Expo (BQE), will be held Monday, March 4th through Sunday, March 10th, 2019, again at the historic Holiday Park in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

As the Quilt Entry Chair, I would like to invite members of your guild to participate by entering a quilt (or two!) in our show (judging to be held in February). The award-winning quilts receive not only a beautiful ribbon for your quilt, as well as one for you to wear, but also a cash prize.

We have 13 quilt categories this year:

- Appliqué – Single Maker**
- Appliqué- Two Person**
- Art Quilt**
- Group**
- Intermediate Pieced – Single Maker**
- Intermediate Pieced – Two Person**
- Large Pieced – Single Maker**
- Large Pieced – Two Person**
- Miniature**
- Modern Design – Single Maker**
- Modern Design – Two Person**
- Small Quilt**
- Workmanship**

Please visit our website, browardquiltexpo.com and click "participate" choosing "quilt entry" for more information.

Our 2017 show included over 200 quilts and we're looking forward to even more quilts in 2019. Our vendor booths are going to be full, and we'll have demonstrations and activities throughout Saturday and Sunday. We hope that you'll not only enter a quilt but will also bring your friends to see the show and to shop at our vendor booths.

We'll be offering some great value GROUP-VIP packages this year --- our Admissions chair will be in touch very soon with the details.

We're hosting workshops Monday through Thursday before the show with teachers Jean Wells and Tara Faughnan. These are also open to your members. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me at judywkap@gmail.com, or (954) 753-5493.

Sincerely,
Judy Kaplan
BQE 2019 Quilt Collection Chair

QGbtS RETREAT at Duncan Center



QGbtS RETREAT at Duncan Center (Continued)



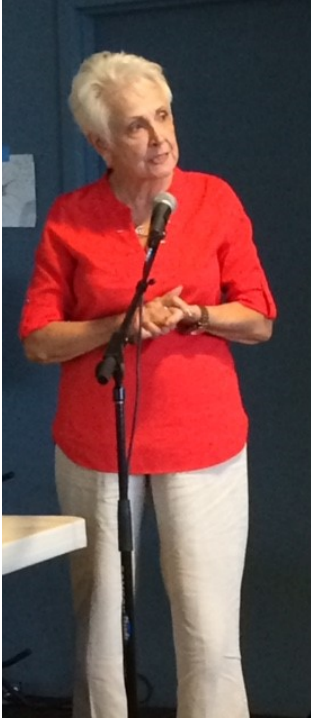
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2018 Mystery Quilt



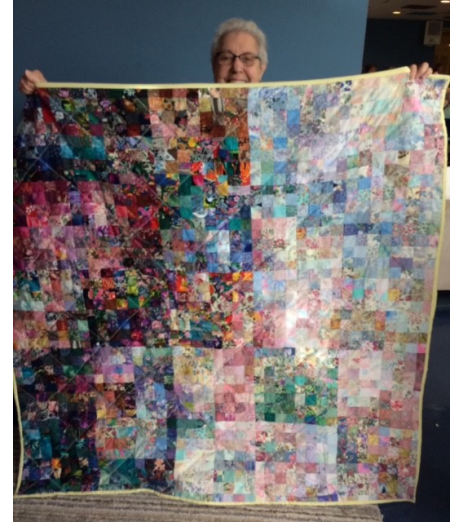
SARAH MICHAELS' TRUNK SHOW



SHOW 'N TELL—NOVEMBER



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HOLIDAYS IN DECEMBER:

- 1 Eat a Red Apple Day
- 3 Advent begins
- 3 Chanukah
- 4 Santa's List Day
- 5 Bathtub Party Day
- 6 St. Nicholas Day
- 7 Pearl Harbor Day
- 9 International Children's Day
- 9 National Pastry Day
- 12 Poinsettia Day
- 13 Violin Day
- 14 International Monkey Day
- 15 National Lemon Cupcake Day
- 18 Bake Cookies Day
- 20 Go Carolling Day
- 21 Crossword Puzzle Day
- 21 Winter Solstice
- 22 Annual Boca Raton Holiday Boat Parade
- 24 National Egg Nog Day
- 25 Christmas Day
- 31 New Year's Eve



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Please call Nancy Jo Michaud 651-806-5385 (home) or 704-608-4669 (cell) for information. Additional colors and sets of spools are available. Thread spools can be delivered at the December guild meeting.



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C. Ten (10) spools of Blue/Purple tone 100% Polyester Isocord 40 thread. New in original wrapper. \$50.00



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G. Four (4) spools of fluorescent 100% Polyester Isocord 40 thread. New in original wrapper. \$20.00



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