



# QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER

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**March 9, 2021**

Guild Meeting

- Program: Tammi Silvers (Tamarinis) "Interrogating Your Quilt"
- Hot Seat Poker

**SAVE THESE DATES  
"SEW HAPPY HOUR"**



We have scheduled "Sew Happy Hours" in 2021. Join us on **March 3rd from 4:00—5:30 PM** via Zoom.

This happy hour will be specifically for hand work and socializing; everyone is welcome to join in.

**Guild Address:**

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

**Meeting Place: Zoom  
until further notice**

**President Letter**

Dear Guild Members,

I hope you all had a pleasant Valentine Day with someone special.

Our weather here in South Florida has been delightful this winter but our hearts go out to all of you that suffered from the extreme weather that was experienced throughout the rest of the country. Perhaps the best reward for harsh weather is it allows us to stay in and work on some old and new projects. When we moved here to Florida, I was going to sell my treadle sewing machine; Glenn said it could come in handy in a hurricane. So far, I've not needed it.

The Covid numbers are finally going down and the number of vaccines given is going up. There seems to be a light at the end of the tunnel. I'm hoping that by fall we will be able to meet, again, in person. Zoom has been great but it's so much more special to meet in person.

Our next **General Meeting** is on **March 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM** on Zoom. Our speaker is Tammi Silvers. "Interrogating Your Quilt". Remember that you need to **register before the meeting starts**. Ann Ford will send out a reminder the Wednesday prior to the meeting. Guests are welcome for a \$10.00 fee. Guest fees may be paid online and they **must** register in advance.

We will be meeting again on **March 24<sup>th</sup>** to collect more of the wonderful caring outreach projects that have been finished by all of you. If you have any suggestions for places that could use the blankets, bears, hats etc. please call Linda Eddy.

**Mark your calendar to reserve April 13<sup>th</sup>**; it will be here before we know it! The program for this meeting is extra special because our presenter is from Australia. This meeting will be held from **7:00 PM – 9:00 PM via Zoom**. More details in this newsletter.

I hope everyone is getting excited about the upcoming challenge, "**Words to the Wise**". It will be due in October, but we all know how fast time flies. I'm looking forward to seeing all your ideas and completed projects. The rules and details are in this newsletter.

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**Presidents Letter (Cont'd)**

Please think about joining us for our Sew Happy Hour on **March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00 PM- 5:30 PM.** It is a great time spent with friends, hand sewing, and sharing ideas.

Looking forward to seeing you on the Sew Happy Hour and on our Guild meeting on Zoom. Count your blessings and not your disappointments. Be safe.

Pat Lynes

**THE 2021 QUILT CHALLENGE  
"WORDS TO THE WISE"**

Make a wall quilt using a phrase, quotation or meaningful words as your inspiration. **The wording must be readable on the front of the quilt, in any size.** Pre-printed commercial fabric cannot be used for the inspiration wording.



All quilting techniques and surface embellishments are allowed: piecing, appliqué, embroidery, painting, foiling, beading, free-motion, etc. It's YOUR quilt!

Size: No smaller than 18x18" (or a 72" perimeter) and no larger than 24"x24" (or a 96" perimeter). Any shape is acceptable within the perimeter measurements. A hanging sleeve will be required if we are having a live meeting.

Due date: October 12, 2021 General Meeting. If the meeting is live, bring your quilt. If the meeting is via Zoom, Deb Shoemaker will need your quilt photos one week prior to the meeting.

Details: One entry per member. There will be a prize for Viewer's Choice and a prize by random drawing from among all participants. The same member cannot receive both prizes.

Some thoughts: Your inspiration can come from a statement by a famous person, from a book or movie title, from your quilting passion or from those things your mother taught you. Put on your thinking cap and have fun with it!

Questions? Email Marcia Degner at [msdegner@gmail.com](mailto:msdegner@gmail.com).

### HOT SEAT POKER



Make sure you stay until the end of the meeting to play Hot Seat Poker.

Two lucky winners receive a \$25.00 Gift Certificate from one of the quilt shops or longarmers advertising with us. Your choice!

Last month's lucky winners:

- Rhoda Lubetkin
- Sue Glasnapp

### QGbtS WEBSITE

The updated and improved website for Quilt Guild by the Sea is now on-line for all to visit at: **QuiltGuildbythe-Sea.com**

It includes present and past information, updates to Show 'n Tell, Outreach programs, Calendars and events, and best of all ...

**PAY ONLINE** for *Workshops, Membership, and Donations by credit card (Visa and Mastercard) or PayPal.*

Checks will also be accepted. Send checks to: Quilt Guild by the Sea, PO Box 64, Boca Raton, Florida 33429

### UPCOMING PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

**March 9, 2021      General Meeting**

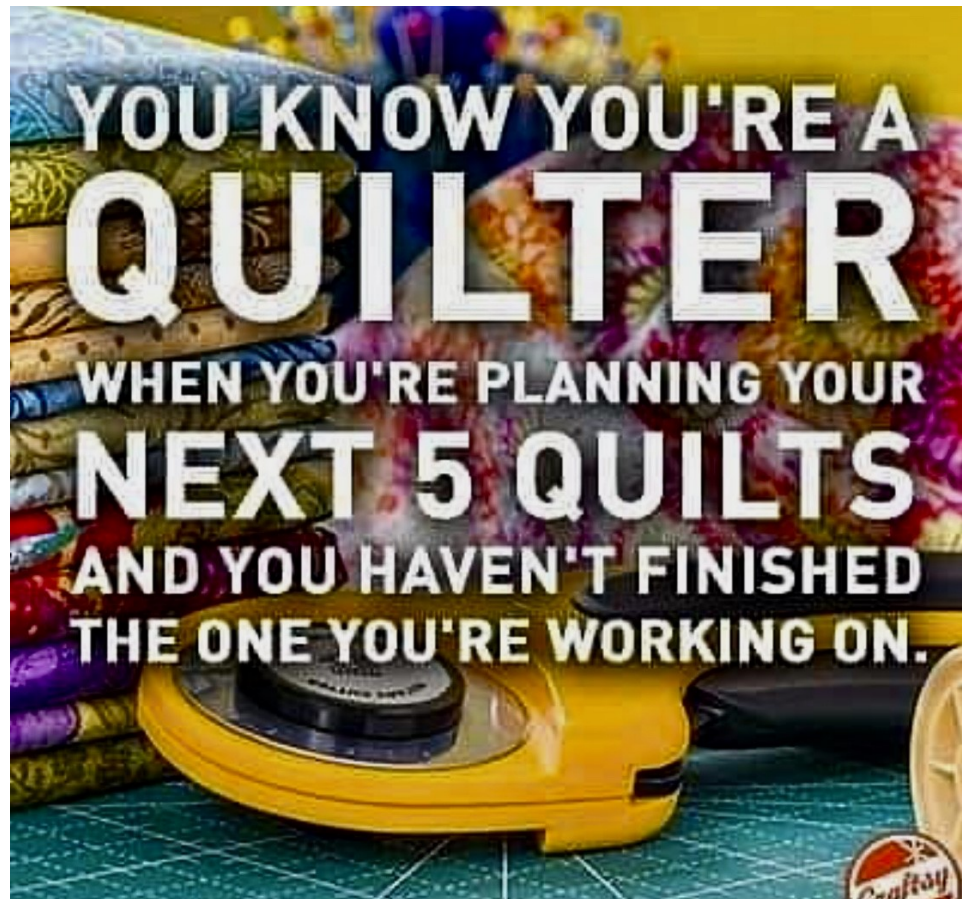
Program: Tammi Silvers (Tamarinis) "Interrogating Your Quilt"

**April 13, 2021      General Meeting**

**TIME CHANGE: 7:00 PM—9 PM**

**GUEST FEE: \$10.00**

Program: Australia's **Helen Godden "10 Top Art Techniques"**



2021 ANNUAL

MEMBERSHIP DUES



'MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS  
PRIVILEGES'

**Membership dues have been lowered for 2021 to \$36.00.**

Please note that as a not-for-profit organization, we **can** accept donations. So, feel free to pay whatever you would like - but no less than \$36.

Paid members of the QGbtS are eligible to:

- participate in Guild programs
- participate in workshops
- receive monthly newsletter
- place ads in the classifieds.
- Dues may be paid by credit card or PayPal on the Guild's website: [QuiltGuildbytheSea.com](http://QuiltGuildbytheSea.com) or checks may be sent to the PO Box.
- Dues are non-refundable.

For further information contact:

Ellen Birnbaum by  
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"THE FRANK MCGEE MEMORIAL QOV WORKSHOP"

The QOV Workshops

Due to self-isolation and social distancing, the next date for the QOV Workshop is undetermined. We will notify you when we can restart our program.



*∴ quilt of valor ∴*

Nominate a Veteran

Do you know a deserving Veteran that was touched by war? It is time to nominate them. We are hoping to restart our Quilts of Valor awards in 2021 and we have many quilts available right now to present. Reserve one for a family member, a friend, a colleague, a neighbor etc...or tell them how to nominate themselves.

It's easy to nominate a Veteran in 4 easy steps

- Sign in to **QOVF.org**
- Click the red rectangle in the center of the page
- Read the Eligibility and Mission of Quilts of Valor
- Click and fill out the form

In the comments area, please write that you wish to have this quilt request going to Quilt Guild by the Sea.

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**QOV PRESENTATION:**

In February a Quilt of Valor was awarded to this Vietnam Air Force Veteran by Linda Bouvier.



## COMFORT QUILTS

- Due to self-isolation and social distancing, the next date for the Comfort Quilt Workshop is undetermined. We will notify you when we can restart our program.
- A pick-up and drop off date has been scheduled for QGbtS QOV and all Outreach programs. Meet Diane Provost, Rochelle Staiano, Linda Eddy, Janet Fredricks, Janet Copens, and Ellen Heckler on **Wednesday, March 24 at 11:00 AM** at the Boca Raton Community Center.
- Keep making Comfort Quilts, Hats and Isolette Covers ... they are much appreciated!
- **Needed: Men's and teenage boy/boy Comfort quilts.**
- Juvenile Comfort Quilts are needed in Trauma Centers. Crib size is suggested.
- Novelty and juvenile fabrics are needed as well as 2 yard measures of fabric for backings.

### Comfort quilt size specifications are:

- ♦ a minimum of **38 - 42" wide**, and a minimum of **48 - 54"** in length. If you are using your own backing and batting and are doing your own quilting, feel free to make them wider and/or longer.
- ♦ Quilt tops should be 40" wide so that we can use one width of fabric and do not have to piece the backs.
- The size of the NICU coverlets quilts is 36" X 36".

**For Knitters and Crocheters:** Knit and Crocheted Caps have been well received. Additional caps have been requested.

- Contact: Janet Fredricks [954-242-9010](tel:954-242-9010) or email [quilthoney@aol.com](mailto:quilthoney@aol.com) or Wanda Goldfarb [516-592-7575](tel:516-592-7575) or email: [unity777@hotmail.com](mailto:unity777@hotmail.com) with any questions.

## MASKS

- 30 masks were delivered to Delray Medical Center in February. Thank you to everyone who continues to make or donate masks.
- Additional masks, any type and all sizes. If anyone would like to contribute, masks are needed in trauma as well as the ER.
- If you need elastic please contact Linda Eddy (561) 376—3996.
- Contact Linda Bouvier at (561) 498—9777 for additional mask information.

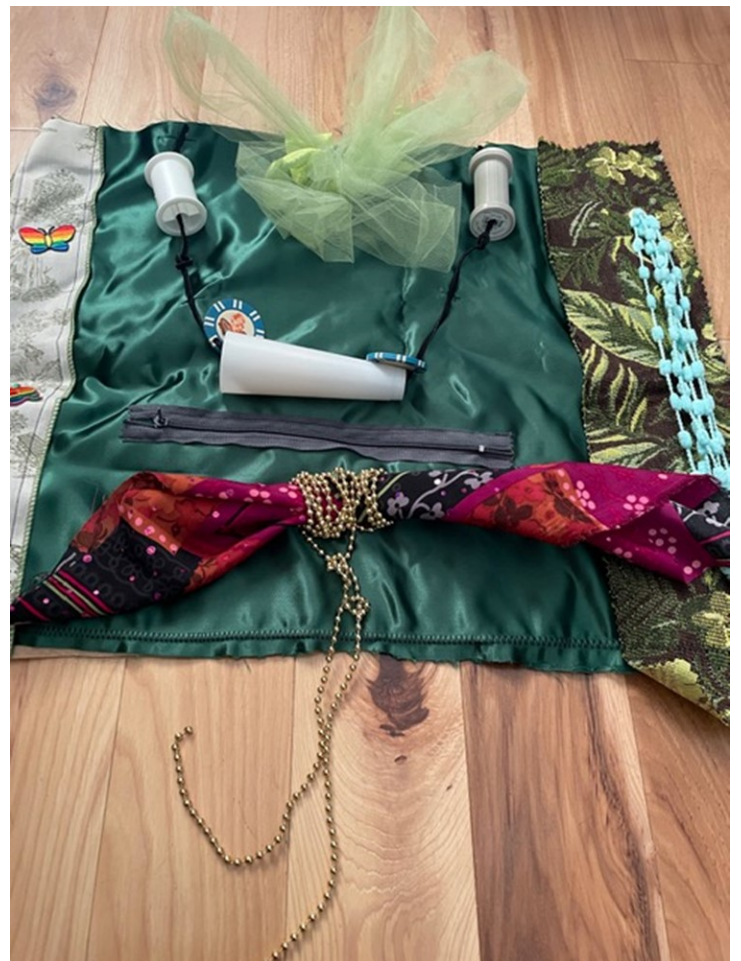




### FIDGET QUILTS:

- Due to self-isolation and social distancing, the next date for the Fidget Quilts Workshop is undetermined. We will notify you when we can restart our program.
- The next date for the Fidget Quilts workshop is undecided due to continued isolation. We will notify you when we can restart our workshop.
- The demand for Fidget Quilts is higher than we are able to meet. Think about using a UFO or some unfinished projects and turning them into Fidgets!
- Fidget Quilts are needed for children as well.
- **Needed: Embellishments, nick-knacks, and any other fun objects to create Fidget quilts! Please contact Ellen Heckler if you have anything to donate.**
- A pick-up and drop off date has been scheduled for QGbtS QOV and all Outreach programs. Meet Diane Provost, Rochelle Staiano, Linda Eddy, Janet Fredricks, Janet Copens, and Ellen Heckler on **Wednesday, March 24 at 11:00 AM** at the Boca Raton Community Center.

For additional information, please contact Ellen Heckler (561-245-8280) or by email [Ellen.Heckler@gmail.com](mailto:Ellen.Heckler@gmail.com)



**COMFORT BEARS:**

- Twenty-nine (29) new bears were collected at the Pick-up and drop off on January 27th.
- Due to self-isolation and social distancing, the next date for the Comfort Bears Workshop is undetermined. We will notify you when we can restart our program.
- A pick-up and drop off date has been scheduled for QGbtS QOV and all Outreach programs. Meet Diane Provost, Rochelle Staiano, Linda Eddy, Janet Fredricks, Janet Copens, and Ellen Heckler on **Wednesday March 24 at 11:00 AM** at the Boca Raton Community Center.
- More Bears are needed and greatly appreciated!
- 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!!**
- Pattern and instruction for the Bear and Mask can be found on the QGbtS website.





MARCH 20, 2021



**SHOW 'N TELL—April**



**Sharing a "QQ" Show 'N Tell quilt is easy:**

- Take pictures of any entries you wish to submit on your phone.
- There is a limit of 4 quilt submissions.
- Please include your name, the name of your quilt, and your inspiration, if you wish, to the body of the email or text if you would like it included in the newsletter.
- Send your picture(s) to Deb via Email at [debshoe-maker22@gmail.com](mailto:debshoe-maker22@gmail.com) or text to 954-629-1720.
- The deadline for all pictures is **no later March 24, 2021.**



**SAVE THE DATE**

**March 24, 2021**

**QOV AND OUTREACH PROGRAM DROP OFF AND PICK-UP**

A pick-up and drop off date has been scheduled for QGbtS QOV and all Outreach programs. Meet Diane Provost, Rochelle Staiano, Linda Eddy, Janet Fredricks, Janet Copens, and Ellen Heckler on **Wednesday, March 24 at 11:00 AM** at the Boca Raton Community Center.

**Baarack from the brink: Wild sheep rescued in Australia shorn of 35 kg (78 pounds) fleece**

By Nur-Azna Sanusi, Posted on [February 24, 2021](#)



*Sheep Baarack is seen before his thick wool was shorn in Lancefield, Australia*

(Reuters) – A wild and ailing sheep found in a forest in Australia, named Baarack by rescuers, has yielded a fleece weighing more than 35 kilogrammes – nearly half the weight of an adult kangaroo – after being shorn for the first time in many a year.

The sheep was found by a member of the public who contacted the Edgar’s Mission Farm Sanctuary near Lancefield, Victoria, about 60 kilometres north of Melbourne, according to the Mission’s Kyle Behrend.

“It would appear Baarack was once an owned sheep,” said Behrend, “he had at one time been ear-tagged, however these appear to have been torn out by the thick matted fleece around his face.

“Sheep need to be shorn at least annually otherwise the fleece continues to grow and grow, as happened here,” said Behrend. After his much-needed shearing, Behrend said Baarack’s fleece weighed in at 35.4 kilogrammes.

“Whilst his hooves were in great condition from running over the rocks in the forest, he was in a bit of a bad way. He was underweight, and due to all of the wool around his face he could barely see.”



*Sheep Baarack is seen before his thick wool was shorn in Lancefield, Australia*



*Sheep Baarack is pictured after his thick wool was shorn in Lancefield, Australia*



WHO IS THIS?



Gracie's new penchant for "helping" me to quilt!

Submitted by Lisa Coles







# *Firing of the Quilts*

**SUNDAY  
MARCH 7**

10 AM-3PM  
MINI QUILT FUNDRAISER  
QUILT YARDSALE

New River Inn  
Downtown Fort Lauderdale



**WILD AND WACKY HOLIDAYS IN MARCH**

- March 2:** Old Stuff Day
- March 3:** Caregiver Appreciation Day
- March 4:** Hug a GI Day
- March 6:** National Frozen Food Day
- March 9:** Panic Day
- March 11:** Popcorn Lover's Day
- March 12:** Plant a Flower Day
- March 13:** Smart & Sexy Day
- March 14** Daylight Savings begins at 2:a.m.
- March 17:** Saint Patrick's Day
- March 19:** Poultry Day
- March 20:** National Quilting Day
- March 23:** National Puppy Day
- March 27:** Passover begins at sundown
- March 28:** Palm Sunday
- March 30:** Take a Walk in the Park Day





Show 'n Tell— February 2021



Linda Roraff (top left and right)



Ellen Anderman



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Linda Roraff



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Amy Chiera

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