



# QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER

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## QGbtS Program:

**Date:** April 11, 2023

**Program: Speaker:** Timna Tarr, "Flying Colors"  
Lecture and Trunk Show

**Show 'n Tell**

**50/50 Raffle**

**Name Badge Drawing**

## Guild Address:

Quilt Guild by the Sea  
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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:



The following positions are open and we need help:

- Quilt Exhibit Chair
- Donation Quilt Chair
- Newsletter Assistant
- Publicity Chair
- Workshop Coordinator

## President's Letter:

Hi Fellow Quilters,

Unfortunately, I'm in excruciating pain; I've injured my back all because of my love for our guild. We've been given a moving van truck load of fabric that Dellie Krebs and I are organizing for a giant fabric sale. A third of the fabric was delivered to my garage, and two thirds to Dellie's house. The photos show just a corner of what's in my garage.

For the past couple weeks we've been working on moving everything to Dellie's, and trying to organize it into some semblance of order. In the process of this, I've injured my back, but help is on the way. A big thanks to Linda E. Linda B and Joel; they are coming to move what's left of the fabric in my garage to Dellie's. My days of lifting these crates are over.

Keep your eyes open for an announcement coming in the next few weeks, as to when and where the **Great Fabric Distribution** will occur.

In addition, elsewhere in the newsletter we have an announcement of our need for a publicity director. Please, we really need you. Our guild is only as strong as our members.

We have 2 workshops currently scheduled: Linda Roraff's Shibori Dyeing on April 13 & 14, and Frieda Toback's Tote Bag class on Oct 4. The guild also needs a workshop coordinator in order to keep track of workshops. Please contact me if you are interested in either of these positions.

Now it's time to go back to bed, take my meds, and rest my back. See you all in 2 weeks,

Happy Quilting.

Sarah



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**UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

**Date: April 11, 2023**

**Speaker:** Timna Tarr, "Flying Colors" Lecture and Trunk Show

Timna is known for making fun, colorful, award-winning quilts. Join her for a trunk show of her quilting journey. She talks about her design and color choices, as well as the personal stories behind the quilts.

**Location:** Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd

Zoom is also available

**Time:** 10:00 AM—12:00 PM

Guest Fee: \$10.00 (non-refundable)





**DON'T FORGET ...**



**WEAR YOUR NAME TAG!**



Membership dues for 2023 are \$50.00. Dues may be paid by check; send to the Guild's PO Box or directly to our Treasurer, Karen Berman, at 8716 Sunbeam Mountain Terrace Boynton Beach FL 33473 or they may be paid on-line on the guild website: [QuiltGuildbythe-Sea.com](http://QuiltGuildbythe-Sea.com) or preferably by check.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Karen at (954) 729-7893.

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

**Date: May 9, 2023**

**Speaker:** Kena Tangi Dorsey, "The Bold and the Beautiful: Using Vibrant African Wax Prints in Quilts"

I'm Kena Tangi Dorsey, and I'm a quilt artist, teacher, speaker, mentor, pattern designer and owner of Kena Quilt Studio. I began sewing and quilting almost 20 years ago and have enjoyed designing and selling custom-made modern and traditional quilts ever since.

Now, I have expanded the artistry of my business to focus on helping others revel in the joys of quilt-making. I teach quilting classes using the style and techniques that I've fallen in love with while making portrait art quilts, modern quilts, and quilted bags over the years. I love using the big, bold, rich colors that you may find in African wax print fabrics, or Indonesian batiks, and Kaffe Fassett collections, to name a few. They're so much fun to work with, and I want to share that passion with you!

**Location:** Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd

Zoom is also available

**Time:** 10:00 AM—12:00 PM

Guest Fee: \$10.00 (non-refundable)



**UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:**

**APRIL 5, 2023**

**QOV WORKSHOP**

**Location:** Laura's Sewing, 6190 N. Federal Hwy, Boca Raton

**Time:** 10:00 AM—3:00 PM

Limited Space (7) available. Contact Rochelle Staiano at [sashkins@hotmail.com](mailto:sashkins@hotmail.com)

**APRIL 12, 2023**

**QOV WORKSHOP**

**Location:** Laura's Sewing, 6190 N. Federal Hwy, Boca Raton

**Time:** 10:00 AM—3:00 PM

Limited Space (7) available. Contact Rochelle Staiano at [sashkins@hotmail.com](mailto:sashkins@hotmail.com)

**APRIL 13, 2023 or APRIL 14, 2023**

**INDIGO DYING WORKSHOP WITH LINDA RORAFF**

Indigo dying class using the Shibori method to create patterns on fabric

**Location:** Linda Roraff's house

**Time:** 10:00 AM—3:00 PM

Cost: \$30.00 (\$35.00 non-members)

Class limit is 9.



**APRIL 19, 2023**

**OUTREACH PROGRAM AND EXCHANGE**

**Location:** Boca Raton Community Center, Silver Palm East and West

**Time:** 10:00 AM—3:00 PM

Bring your lunch (no refrigerator available)



**PICTURES FROM QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA'S MARCH MEETING:**

Look at this stack of quilts that Maureen took in today! Love this picture.

We were not in our usual meeting room due to voting day, so we crammed into the Silver Palm room and it was packed. I think we had about 52 or 53 in person, and 23 via Zoom.

That's the best percentage of attendance I can remember in a long time.









## HOLD THE DATE

# 2023 QGbtS Quilt Camp “*Leaf Your Worries Behind*”

Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> -Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

Boca Raton Community Center

includes lunch Wednesday thru Friday

Cost: \$125



## **"THE FRANK MCGEE MEMORIAL QOV WORKSHOP"**

### **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 2023 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 "Nominations and Awards" at the top of the page
- Read the Eligibility and Mission of Quilts of Valor
- Click the box for "online nomination form" and complete the form
- In the comments area, please write that you wish to have this quilt request go to QGbtS.



*..: quilt of valor ..:*

### **QOV NEWS:**

- During the month of March 43 Quilts of Valor were awarded.
- Twenty-three quilts were completed for Quilts of Valor during the month of March.

### **QOV WORKSHOP AT LAURA'S:**

- This was our first QOV Workshop at Laura's making strip blocks.
- Additional workshops at Laura's are scheduled for the following dates:
  - April 5 (overbooked)
  - April 12
  - May 2
  - May 9

Limited Space (7) available.

Please contact Rochelle Staiano at [sashkins@hotmail.com](mailto:sashkins@hotmail.com) if you would like to attend or the sign-up sheet will be available at the monthly Guild meeting.





**QOV PRESENTATIONS:**

Linda B. awarded 5 Iraqi veterans their Quilts of Valor.



## **COMFORT QUILTS:**

- Adult and Children's Quilts were delivered to Delray Medical Center Trauma Unit and Pinecrest Rehab Hospital on Thursday, March 23 by Maureen D. and Linda B. Our quilts are very well received here! There were so many smiling nurses and technicians who are thrilled to be able to hand out these quilts to their patients. Thank you to all our QGBTS Quilters for making this possible.
- YTD we have 100 finished Comfort Quilts. In March, we have 55 finished Comfort Quilts (16 Adult, 32 Teen/Child, and 7 NICU).

### **Needed: Men's and teenage boy/boy Comfort quilts.**

- Juvenile Comfort Quilts are needed in Trauma Centers. Crib size is suggested.
- Teenage and Tween Comfort Quilts are needed. The size should be approximately 40" X 70" in bright colors, geometric or modern prints, sport prints, or denim fabrics.
- The Guild has some batting available.
- Novelty and juvenile fabrics are needed as well as 2 yard measures of fabric for backings.

### **Comfort quilt size specifications are:**

- ♦ **A maximum of 40" wide**, and a minimum of **48 - 54"** in length.
- ♦ **NOTE:** Quilt tops should be 40" wide so that we can use one width of fabric and do not have to piece the backs. If you are using your own backing and batting and are doing your own quilting, feel free to make them wider and/or longer.
- The size of the NICU coverlets quilts is **36" X 36"**.
- We need domestic machine quilters to help us get our quilt tops finished! Feel free to practice your quilting or quilt simple straight lines. Take the time and opportunity to quilt your Comfort quilts on your machine; practice, hone your skills, and try new techniques and patterns. The final product does not have to be perfect.
- Longarmers are needed to quilt Comfort Quilts. If you would like to volunteer your skills, please contact Linda Eddy.
- Contact: Maureen Drudi at 954-427-2456 or email: [madrudi@hotmail.com](mailto:madrudi@hotmail.com) with any questions.







**OUTREACH PROGRAM WORKSHOP AND EXCHANGE**

**APRIL 19, 2023**

The comfort quilt special project for the day will be the Disappearing Nine Patch pattern using 5" charm squares cut from some really fun fabrics ( brights, children's, geometric shapes and lines ).

We will have some kits ready and also some loose charm squares for those who would like to pick out their favorites to work with.

Participants can sew blocks, sew a quilt top, iron fabric, cut 5" inch charm squares, or put kits together.

It will be a sewing, ironing, cutting and kitting party day !"

Fidget kits and bear parts will also be provided so there will be lots to choose from to work on for the day.

Boca Raton Community Center  
Silver Palm east and west  
10 AM—3 PM

Bring your lunch (no refrigerator available)

COMFORT QUILTS—DELIVERED :





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### COMFORT BEARS/PILLOW PALS:

- 7 Pillow Pals were delivered to Delray Medical Center. They were well received.
- There are now 14 bears waiting for new homes, as well as several in production.
- 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 can be found on the QGbtS website.
- Contact Janet if you need fiberfill stuffing for your bears.
- Contact Janet Copen at (954) 632-1181 or email [jecopen@aol.com](mailto:jecopen@aol.com) for additional information.



## FIDGET QUILTS:

- We received 15 Fidgets during February that will be delivered soon.
- **Join the Fidget Challenge!** It's as simple as creating 1 Fidget quilt per month.
- 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, knick-knacks, and any other fun objects to create Fidget quilts! Please contact Ellen Heckler if you have anything to donate.

FYI: Placemats make wonderful Fidgets; all they need is embellishment!

- For additional information, please contact Ellen Heckler (561) 245-8280 or by email at [ellen.heckler@gmail.com](mailto:ellen.heckler@gmail.com)
- **CALLING FOR ORPHAN BLOCKS:** Meridian has requested orphan blocks for their facility. Please bring them to the next meeting, if you have any available.

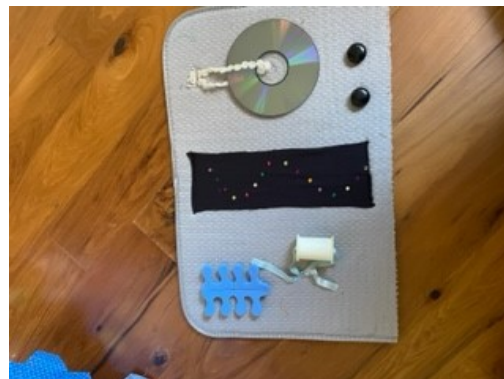
*In our work with residents suffering from memory impairment one of the greatest things we can do for them is engagement. Quilting blocks are amazing for getting a person in the flow or zone – minimizing the effects of the disease for the time of engagement.*

*We put flannel up on the wall and they can piece the blocks together in patterns or have some residents match different thread colors to fabric – some simply sort the blocks by color or size. It is amazing the hours of engagement.*

*Thank you Ellen – I have cc'd Hillary our Memory Care Program Director and we would love to partner together to change the world for someone with dementia using the great art of quilting and textile.*

*If you and your group have orphan blocks we would love to have them – let's make a plan.*

*Most Sincerely,  
Sue Johnston , VP Program Development  
Meridian Senior Living*



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SHOW 'N TELL—MARCH 2023





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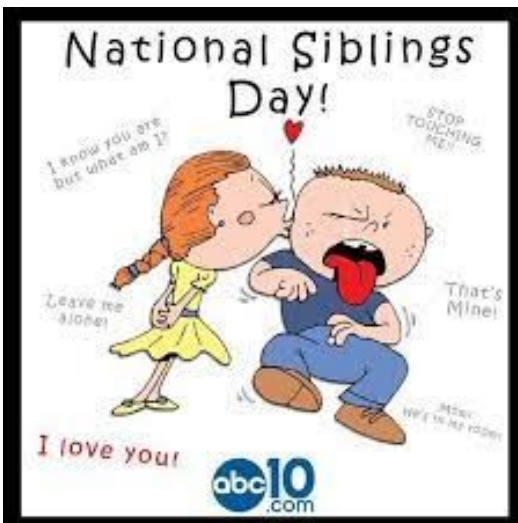


SHOW 'N TELL—APRIL 2023



**WILD 'N WACKY HOLIDAYS IN APRIL:**

- April 1:** April Fools Day
- April 5:** National Walk Day
- April 5:** Passover begins
- April 6:** Charlie the Tuna Day
- April 7:** Good Friday
- April 8:** World Circus Day
- April 9:** Easter
- April 10:** National Siblings Day
- April 11:** National Pet Day
- April 16:** National Orchid Day
- April 22:** Earth Day
- April 26:** Audubon Day
- April 27:** National Little Pampered Dog Day
- April 30:** Bugs Bunny Day







**MESSAGE FROM LINDA RORAFF:**

I received a bag of quilt pieces from a sale but no pattern. I'm sending you 2 pics. Can you post them in the newsletter.

Maybe someone will recognize them. I've fiddled with the pieces and the square in a square seems to fit

Can anyone help?



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