

**APRIL 2012** 

#### **VOLUME 2, ISSUE 4**

#### MARCH GUILD MEETING

#### Tuesday, April 17, 2012

To be held at:

Grace Community Church

600 W. Camino Real, Boca Raton

Time: 10:00AM - 12:00 PM

#### April 2012 Program:

- SAQA Trunk Show
- Show and Tell
- Dog Show featuring participants Of Pauline Salzman's Workshop

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**



QGbtS is in need of volunteers for the following positions:

- Corresponding Secretary: Communicate with other guilds and guest. All you need is organizational skills, the ability to send 'Thank You' notes and a few hours every month.
- Local Longarm Quilters

#### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

#### Hi, y'all,

Spring is here and while we in Florida often have our seasons all rolled into one, elsewhere it is a time of transformation. It is a time of re-birth and renewal. In times past, Easter bonnets were a stunning reminder of all the new flowers soon to be sprouting forth.

Spring is also a time to clean house. For some, it is a time of great physical labor. For others it is a spiritual house cleaning; a time to reflect on all the coulda, shoulda, woulda's of a prior season of cold inactivity.

As president of Quilt Guild by the Sea, my reflections have been on our mission as a guild. Are we doing everything we set out to do over a year ago? Are we living up to our mission statement? (Please refer to the QGbtS Bylaws, page 1) As president, have I been able to direct us on a focused and positive path?

Well, in answer to these questions--I think that, as a guild, we are definitely headed in the right direction. Two recent events have caused me to stop and think, "We won't be doing that again". However, that was knee jerk reaction to what I perceived to be failures. In retrospect, they weren't failures; they were learning opportunities. I learned a lot from them. I learned that it is really easy to become over-protective when things don't seem to be going well. I'd really like everything to be perfect, but, just like a baby bird learning to fly, we have to take a few tumbles along the way. We have not failed in our mission and our goals are not impossible to attain. We will continue to keep working at it. As I've said in the past, if it weren't for the dedication and hard work that all the Board members put in to this guild, well, I don't think we'd be where we are today.

I would like to mention one area of our mission statement that has not had much attention paid to it. That is ensuring that our "art" continues to be passed on to younger generations. We all continue our own quilting education by taking classes to learn the latest and greatest new techniques. But there is an entire population that has not had the benefit of our knowledge and experience

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#### **President's Letter (Continued)**

to carry on the work that we consider so valuable. I would really like some feedback/ideas on how to remedy this situation. It would be a sad commentary if quilting were to become the "lost art" that is was back in the 1970s. Look at where we are today. There are over 3 million quilters in the US. An amazing number given the few thousand 40 yrs. ago. My thought on this was to approach school/college art programs regarding "fiber arts". Just a thought. Let me know what you think or if you're interested in investigating this idea further.

Anyway, enough reflecting for one day. It's time to start the physical labor and, later, some physical therapy. New shelves are in the sewing room and now it's time for the heavy lifting.

Quilt Happier, y'all,

Linda

PS. I'd really like to see some photos of all the "spring cleaning" efforts/organizing of sewing rooms. Would be great to share some organizing ideas. L

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR CYNTHIA'S FINE FABRICS GUILD APPRECIATION DAY

on May 6th

As a "Thank You" for the support of your organization and membership, Cynthia's Fine Fabrics is Hosting a "Guild Appreciation Day" on Sunday May 6th from Noon -3PM with savings store wide 20-75% OFF\*.

In order for your members to participate they must have in their possession a current and valid membership card from our organization Quilt Guild by the Sea. This is a private sale that has not been advertised to the public.

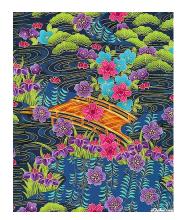
Cynthia's is located at: 8126 N. University Dr. Tamarac, Fl. 954-724-2900



#### REMINDER

All QOV Kit Blocks should be back by the April meeting. We will schedule a date for a workshop to start assembling the quilts. Your participation is greatly appreciated and we encourage you to continue doing blocks with your own Red, White and Blue fabrics using the patterns from the kits.

#### FAT QUARTER OF THE MONTH: SPRING FLOWERS



#### ASIAN ALLURE WATER GARDEN —MARINE/GOLD

Aqua, Hot & Candy Pink, Amethyst, Iris, Sapphire, Ocean, Lime, Leaf, Jade, Marine, Gold Metallic. The cherry blossoms and iris of early spring blossom over swirling water in this romantic print; featuring garden leaves and flowers, a picturesque bridge, highlighted with luminous gold metallic. From Blank Textiles' 'Asian Allure' collection.

#### MARCH FAT QUARTER

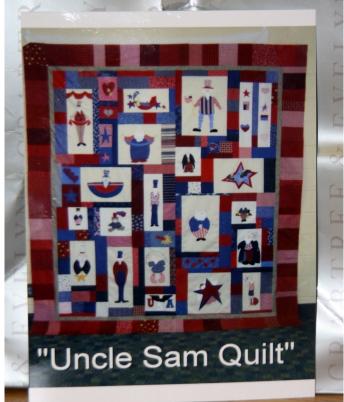
**BASKET WON BY:** 

Ellen Heckler

#### UNCLE SAM RAFFLE QUILT

Tickets for the Uncle Sam Raffle Quilt are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Please see Linda McKnight for tickets. The drawing for the Uncle Sam quilt will be the first week of July and will be featured on You Tube.

The Uncle Sam Raffle Quilt is 87" X 107" (Queen). Blocks have been both handmade and machine appliqued by a group of Georgia quilters. It was machine guilted at the Quilts of Valor retreat, January 13-15, 2012 in Toccoa, Georgia. The quilt pattern, Sam and Company, was designed by Nancy Hieronymus Barrett, and is used with the designer's permission.



#### **QGBTS BEE UPDATE**

We currently have two bees working, Wilton Manors and north of Boynton Beach. If anyone is interested in forming/joining another bee please contact Ronnie Luber, lulber@comcast.net. and let me know what area you are in. We have quite a few members that live north and /or west of Delray and Boynton.

Thanks, Ronnie Luber



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#### **QGbtS QUILT CHALLENGE**

Quilts created by members of the QGbtS will be featured in the West Palm Beach Mancuso Show in November, 2012.

The theme of the challenge is FLOWER GARDEN. The quilt should measure 24" X 36", made with the technique of your choice and have at least one bird and/or butterfly in the garden. Quilts created by members of the QGbtS will be featured in the West Palm Beach Mancuso Show in November, 2012.

For more information, please contact Janet Eckard via email: janeteckard42@yahoo.com.

#### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

QGbtS annual membership dues for 2012 **remain \$30.00.** 

#### **`MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS**

#### **PRIVILEGES'**

Paid members of the QGbtS are eligible to:

- participate in Guild programs
- participate in workshops at a reduced rate
- receive monthly newsletter
- place ads in the classifieds.

Guests are welcome to attend our meetings with a donation of \$5.00 per month twice during a year.

For information, contact Ellen Heckler.

#### NANCY BILLINGS, MODERN ART QUILTER

Nancy explained her creative process in designing her quilts and displayed quilts from her creative journey. She discussed fabric dying, fusing, photography in quilts, and "twists on traditional quilting".

Nancy's presentation was enjoyed by all. Several members also had the opportunity to ignite their creative spirits by attending Nancy's workshop.

We will be welcoming Nancy back for another workshop in November.

If you missed this presentation, you'll be able to see some great mini-quilts by SAQA members at the April meeting. Don't miss this one!















NANCY BILLINGS, MODERN ART QUILTER (CONTINUED)















NANCY BILLINGS WORKSHOP















LINDA McKNIGHT'S WORKSHOPS

ONE BLOCK WONDER AND SINGER FEATHERWEIGHT MAINTANENCE













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We have wonderful books. Take the opportunity to look through or borrow a book or magazine that interests you.

All books must be checked out and returned at the next Guild Meeting. Late fees will be charged when applicable. Thanks to all who have donated!

Guild Librarian: Joan Cohn

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



#### JOIN OR START A BEE!



Contact: Ronnie Luber lulber@comcast.net

#### NANCY BILLINGS (CONTINUED)



# QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA BUILD-A-QUILT

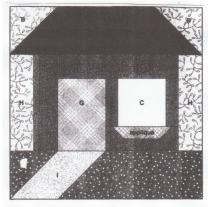
#### **`MY FAVOROTE THINGS'**

Each month, beginning in November 2011 through June 2012 you will receive four block patterns with the same theme. Patterns will be sent via email after the monthly guild meeting.

You will choose two blocks to complete each month and set them aside. For the month of March the theme is 'My Favorite Housing'. Coming up in the next months will be Americana, Friendship, and more.

We suggest scrap fabrics to make these blocks. The finished top, without borders, will measure  $40'' \times 56''$ .

In July, you will receive instructions for block placement and border suggestions.

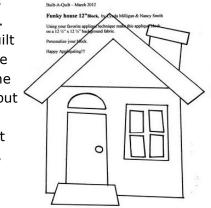


color, and technique.

Register by sending an email to: paquinprovost@gmail.com

In November 2012, we will have a Show & Tell featuring the quilts that each of

you has created. Each quilt will have the same theme but will be different in style,



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**EVENT CALENDAR:** 

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2012

- Guild Meeting
- SAQA Mini Quilts Trunk Show
- ◊ Show 'N Tell
- Pauline Salzman Workshop
  Dog Show

#### **TUESDAY MAY 1, 2012**

• Board Meeting 10:00AM

#### TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2012

- Guild Meeting
- Fabric Fashion Parade presented by by Johanna Felberbaum (Stitchcraft) and Fay Nicoll (Sunshine Sewing)
- ◊ Show 'n Tell
- Fat Quarter of the Month: Patriotic
- Workshop—Scrap Circle Paper Piecing by Eleanor Yura

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2012**

 Sculpted Doll Head; Paint with Pencils and Pastels by Karen Contreray

#### FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012

• Board Meeting 2:30 PM

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2012**

- Guild Meeting
- Fat Quarter of the Month: Black & White

#### TUESDAY, JULY 3, 2012

• Board Meeting 2:00 PM

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

#### One Block Wonder by Linda McKnight

Tuesday, April 24, 2012, Hours: 10AM — 3PM Location: Grace Community Church Del Rio Room, Boca Raton Fee: \$30.00



#### Scrap Circle Paper Piecing by Eleanor Yura Tuesday, May 15, 2012 Hours: 12:30 PM — 3 PM

Location: Lincolnwood Clubhouse Fee: Members \$20



#### Sculpted Doll Head; Paint with Pencils and Pastels by Karen Contreray

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 Hours 10:00 AM-3 PM

Location: Lincolnwood Clubhouse

Fee: Members \$30.00



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EV	ENT CALENDAR (Continued):	South Florida Modern Quilt Guild Charity Sewing Day	
ти • ◊	<b>Fat Quarter of the Month:</b> Christmas/Holiday in July	The South Florida Modern Quilt Guild is hosting its first charity sew- ing day, and I wanted to pass along the information to the various quilt guilds in the area! Our sewing day benefits Project Linus, a wonderful charity that provides blankets to babies and children who are ill, traumatized or in need.	
	IURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2012	Date and Time: Saturday, April 21st, 2012. 10:00am - 2:00pm. Location: Boca Raton Library (1501 Spanish River Blvd., just west of	
• SE	Board Meeting 2:00 PM PTEMBER 20-22, 2012	I-95). Cost: \$10 per person (room fee). All extra proceeds donated to Project Linus.	
•	Jacksonville Quilt Show	RSVP Required: Kathy Adams @ 561-883-0459	
FR •	<b>IDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2012</b> Sunrise on the Beach	About Project Linus: As Charles Schulz's Linus character from the PEANUTS® comic strip was comforted by his blanket, Project Linus strives to do the same and more for children who are seriously ill,	
(D	MING SOON FOR FALL ates and times to be an- ounced)	traumatized, or otherwise in need. The blankets our nearly 400 chapter coordinators collect from thousands of "blanketeers" (volunteers) across the United States and then distrib- uted to these children provide love, a sense of security, warmth, and comfort.	
•	Reverse Applique Workshop- by Linda Silverstein	Details: Come join in the fun as we make small 36" x 36" quilts to benefit babies and children in South Florida! Everyone is welcome to participate, and fun projects for non-sewers will be available! Fabric Requirements: Please "bring your own everything," including fabric, batting, sewing/cutting supplies and sewing machine. Fabrics should be cotton, flannel or fleece in child-friendly patterns (no holi- day-themed fabrics, please). Please bring extension cords and/or	
•	One Block Wonder by Linda McKnight		
•	Selvage Workshop		
•	Quilt as You Go		
•	Nancy Billings returns for a Curved Piecing workshop	surge protectors. I have attached a flyer with more information about the sewing day.	
•	Japanese Folded Patchwork- Blocks by Diane Provost	If possible, we would really appreciate it if you could send this to your members and/or mention it at your upcoming meetings. Of course, please feel free to send us information about classes or events that your guild is hosting, and we will be sure to tell our members about your wonderful programs!	
•	David Martelli –Guest speaker for December		
•	Chinese Auction	Thank you for your support, and we hope to see you there. Happy quilting!	
		Best regards, Nicole Kaplan	















SHOW 'N TELL-MARCH 2012













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#### **GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH RAFFLE**

The quilt created by the members of QGbtS for Grace Community Church will be raffled on Saturday, April 28, 2012. Raffle tickets will be available. Good luck!



#### NOTE TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS:

We are respectfully asking everyone to refrain from wearing perfume and fragrances to the guild meetings in respect to other members sensitivities and allergies. Thank you.

#### **QGbtS CLASSIFIEDS**

My name is Myra Frank and I am a South Florida (Coral Springs) quilter. I have been quilting for over 10 years and absolutely love to piece. About a year ago I bought a Tin Lizzie Eighteen from Sunshine Sewing in Margate, Fl. thinking that I would also enjoy the quilting aspect of the hobby. Unfortunately, giving it my best, I just don't really enjoy it.....So, I am now looking for someone who will enjoy quilting but cannot afford a new machine (this cost over \$8000 new and I have a second set of handles and a huge roll of batting that will go with the machine) but maybe can afford \$4000? It is very lightly used; Richard from Sunshine Quilting set it up and may possibly be available to take it down and pack it either for shipping or pick up.

I know this is a strange email - but if you know of anyone, please give them my email and my phone # - 954-340-7068. Pictures are available upon request.

Thank you very much for your time...... Myra Frank



**SPRING SHOWERS** 

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**MAY FLOWERS** 

