



QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER

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Guild Meeting

- Program: Linda Martin-Mills presents "The Reluctant Quilter"
- Hotseat Poker

Guild Address:

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

Meeting Place: Zoom until further notice



Membership dues for 2022 are \$50.00. They may be paid by check; send to the Guild's PO Box or directly to our Treasurer, Karen Ber- man, at 8716 Sunbeam Mountain Terrace Boynton Beach FL 33473.

Dues may also be paid on- line on the guild website: QuiltGuildbytheSea.com

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

President Letter

Hooray! It's here...2022 !!!! Happy New Year!

I am so happy this year is finally here, and we can say "goodbye" to 2021. Last year was a phenomenal year for our guild, despite Covid... or possibly because of it. Who knows? We grew so much, thanks to our wonderful leadership and the great programs Sheryl found for us. We embraced Zoom and all it had to offer, and we are a much stronger guild because of it. Our outreach programs were hugely successful and in December we met in person for the first time since the lockdown. To say that our "What was I thinking sale" was a success would be an understatement. Thank you, everyone for making 2021 an outstanding year.

That leads me to why I am so happy for 2022. Last year has given us a giant springboard to launch us into 2022. So many exciting things are in store for us. We will be resuming in person meetings at some time during the coming year; January and February will be on Zoom. The Board will monitor the health status and will make a decision as to when it will be safe to resume in-person meetings. We are hoping to have four in-person meetings. It is so good seeing everyone in person.

Our bees are starting up again. That's wonderful news. We're going to be getting together in the coming weeks for a comfort quilt workshop. And we are lining up some local teachers to, once again, start having workshops. Which leads me to ask all of you... Do you have a specific technique or topic you would like to have in a workshop; if so, please call me. I would love to hear from you. I welcome any and all suggestions.

Marcia Degner has some great ideas for this year's challenge. This is one of my favorite activities of the guild. I am really looking forward to her announcement. I know whatever she chooses will be a great learning experience. Thank you, Marcia, for doing this again this year.

Last but far from least, I'm beginning to sound like a broken record. Please, please, please. We need a Program Chair. One of the backbones and strengths of our Guild's success has been our programs. You won't have to do it alone; we can form a committee to help. Please I do desperately need help. I'll work with you hand in glove. I'll be your best friend. I'll buy you dinner, a puppy...

Oh look! I just consulted my crystal ball and Tarot Cards. Someone is out there and is coming to help with pro- grams. Hurry someone. Hur- ry fast.

It's going to be an exciting year for our guild.

'Til next month, then.

Have Happy, New Year.

Sarah



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

The following positions are open and we need help:

- Program Chair
- Newsletter Assistant
- Photographer (in-person meetings only; no experience necessary)

TURNOVER OF THE GAVEL



TURNOVER OF THE GAVEL (Cont'd)



CARING HEARTS



Please share your thoughts and prayers with Pat Lynes' for the passing of her son, Doug.

Barbara Murphy's husband passed away; prayers are sent out to Barbara and her family.

Prayers to Diane Provost for the loss of her father.

Wishes for a quick recovery from Covid to Linda Eddy and Judy Shelton. Hope you are back on your feet and feeling better soon.

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@.com.

UPCOMING PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

January 11, 2022

Linda Martin-Mills presents "The Reluctant Quilter"

I am a wife, mother and new grammy to 6 month old. I am a Registered Nurse for a major hospital in New Jersey as a patient advocate and Patient Experience Manager. I handle all complaints and grievances as part of my job so sewing is my Zen time. I will tell you about my very reluctant journey into quilting and share in a power point presentation. You will see the fruits of my labor taking class after class from national speakers who I now count as friends. I have held almost every position in my guild and will encourage the members of your guild to join in and get all the benefits of the work that goes into running the guild.

I love every facet of quilting but tend to piece and applique by machine more than do handwork. I have a need for speed and the machine lets me fly! I am so excited to spend time with you all. See you in January!

Location: Zoom

Guest Fee: \$10.00





ANNUAL

MEMBERSHIP DUES

'MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS PRIVILEGES'

Membership dues were lowered for 2021 to \$36.00 as a courtesy during this horrendous pandemic. **Membership dues for 2022 have been set at \$50.00** which is our regular rate of \$45 plus \$5.00 to cover additional banking fees that allow us to accept credit card payments on our website.

Remember, your membership dues enable us to bring you award winning quilting teachers every month. They also cover Guild operating expenses such as Zoom, Website, meeting venues, liability insurance, supplies for QOV and Outreach Programs, Hot Seat Poker prizes, and more.

Dues may be paid by credit card or PayPal on the Guild's website: QuiltGuildbytheSea.com or checks may be sent to the Guild's PO Box or our Treasurer's home address 8716 Sunbeam Mountain Terrace Boynton Beach FL 33473

For further information contact: Ellen Birnbaum via email: twinee38@gmail.com

UPCOMING PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

February 8, 2022

Bernie & Shelley Tobesch, owners of Little Oak Pattern Company present "How your Machine May be Working Against Your Accurate Piecing"



Bernie is a sewing machine technician with 44 years of experience. After moving to Canada from Germany at the age of 6, he traded his lederhosen for jeans and has never looked back. In his career, he has serviced over 50,000 sewing machines of all brands. He is the author of "You And Your Sewing Machine" and "Sewing Machine Reference Tool" from C&T Publishing.

Shelley has been a passionate quilting instructor for 30 years. She has developed many new methods and tools, to help you get spectacular results. She is the author of "Easy Precision Piecing" from C&T Publishing. Shelley's new System for accurate piecing, and organization, are getting rave reviews from beginners and seasoned quilters alike!

Whether it's Easy Precision Piecing or Build a Better Relationship with Your Sewing Machine, we are sure you will learn a lot and have some laughs doing it! Our goal, is to give information in a very understandable and fun way that makes learning a pleasure. By having two instructors, we are able to offer more one on one time than you would normally get in class. It's a great way to learn!

Location: Zoom

Guest Fee: \$10.00



SPRING CAMP 2022

Pique-Nique in the Park

Join Quilt Guild by the Sea's **8th Annual Spring Camp**. Everyone makes memories with their friends and receives a surprise or two!

Place, Dates and Times:

- Junior League of Boca Raton: 261 NW 13th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33432
- Wednesday, March 30 from 9:30am to 9:00pm
- Thursday, March 31 from 9:00am to 9:00pm
- Friday, April 1 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 nights.
- Your lunch, drinks for all days.

Cost:

\$60.00 per person.

- The cost includes your dinner on Thursday night. Please check with us later for the menu. Note: If the menu does not meet special diet requirements, you must bring your own dinner.
- There is a fridge and a microwave for your convenience.

Payment Instructions:

Mail payment « ON or AFTER » January 1st, NO EARLIER

- **Send to: Quilt Guild by the Sea**

c/o Lee Hasse

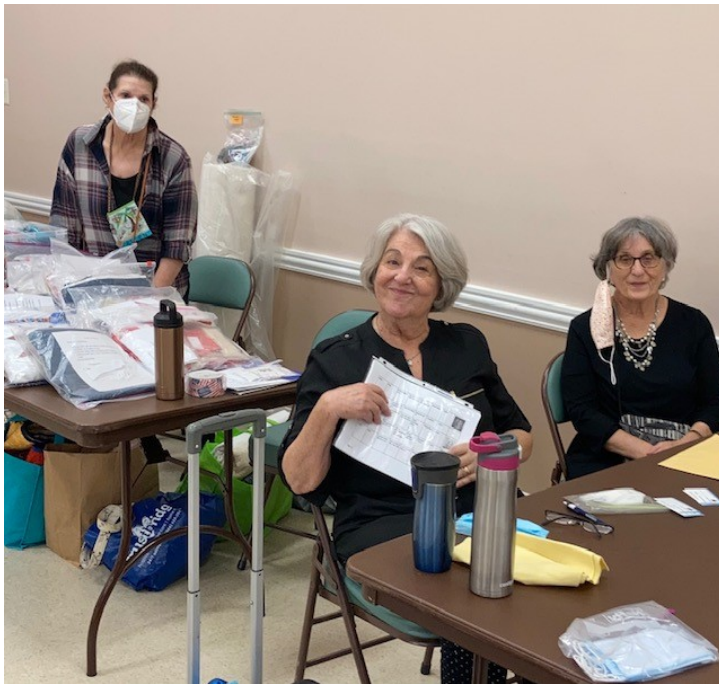
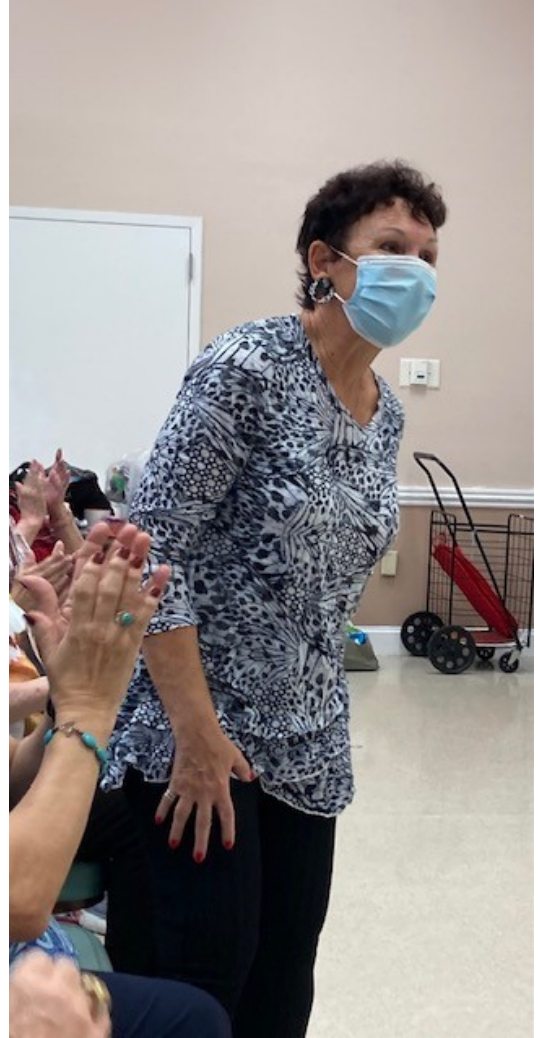
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**A large part of making those
quilt pieces fit better
is to stare at them like this.....
Right before you get the seam ripper!**



OUR FIRST IN PERSON MEETING SINCE THE BEGINNING OF COVID





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"WHAT WAS I THINKING" SALE (Cont'd)



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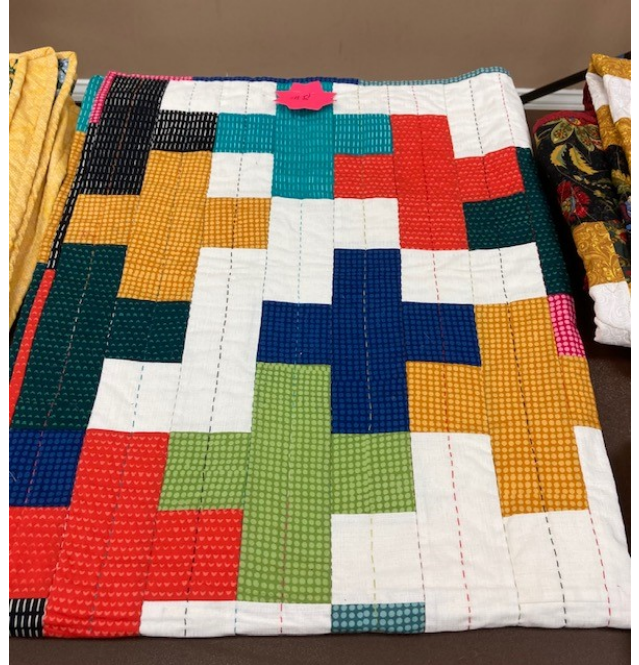
THE SILENT AUCTION



THE SILENT AUCTION QUILTS (Cont'd)



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QGbtS Challenge "WORDS TO THE WISE"



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"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 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.



..: quilt of valor ..:

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 going to Quilt Guild by the Sea.

WRAPPERS NEEDED:

- Volunteers are needed for Broward County to attend QOV quilt presentations, and assist with wrapping the quilt around the recipient. Anyone interested should contact Rochelle Staiano, QOV Program Chair, at 561- 509-9914 or via email, sashakins@hotmail.com .

QOVF ON AMAZONSMILE

What is AmazonSmile?

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QOV VOLUNTEER NEEDED: PRODUCTION:

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QUILTS OF VALOR JOB DESCRIPTION

- Cut and prepare kits for QOV tops for members to sew at home
- Collect completed kits from members.
- Arrange for completed quilt tops to go to the longarmer.
- Bring uncompleted quilts for members to bind and to make pillowcases (if not already made).
- Collect completed quilts.
- Order appropriate fabric as needed.

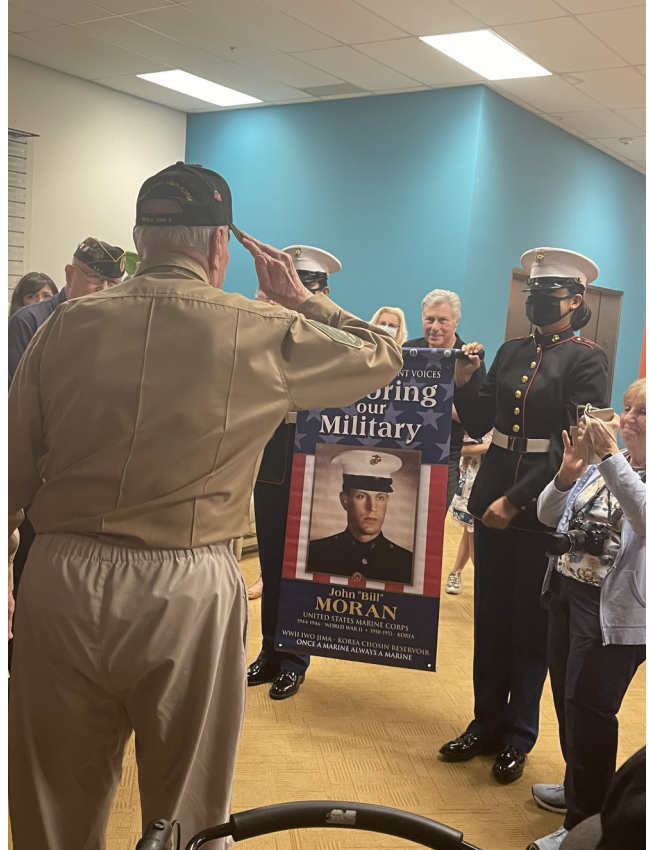
QOV PRESENTATION:

The 80th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor was on December 7th. Pat Lynes and Marie Christine Leavitt joined in the ceremony honoring WWII veterans with Quilts of Valor. They presented 14 quilts with the help of ROTC Cadets.

The group that put on the program honors not only the men that served in the military but also the families that kept the home fires burning. There was also entertainment by the Victory Dolls; they performed music from the 40's and made a big fuss over the Vets.



GOV PRESENTATION:



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QOV PRESENTATION:



COMFORT QUILTS

- This year, we 225 Comfort Quilts (compared to last years 218) to recipients at the Infusion Center and Trauma Center. Great job! Is our goal 250 next year?
- **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.

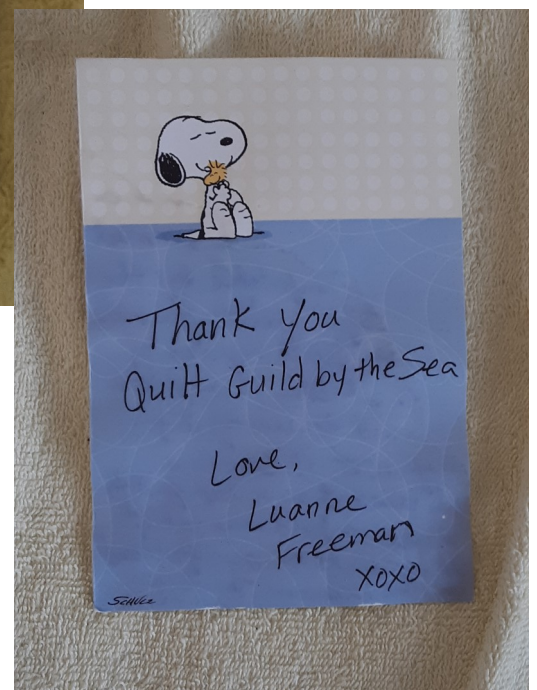
Comfort quilt size specifications are:

- ♦ **A 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"**.
- Longarmers are needed to quilt Comfort Quilts. If you would like to volunteer your skills, please contact Linda Eddy.
- Contact: Maureen Drudi at 954-918-3377 or email: drudimo@gmail.com with any questions.



COMFORT QUILT THANK YOU NOTE:

Ladies, 12/3/21
Today was my first day of chemotherapy at Boca Hospital. It was a long day, made so much more comfortable by the beautiful quilt you made. It is truly a piece of art. I love it and look forward to using it for my next 11 sessions. I used it as a lap pad to write on hold my tablet. At home it's on our footboard in the bedroom. Thank you,
Luanne Freeman



FIDGET QUILTS:

- **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.



For additional information, please contact Ellen Heckler (561-245-8280) or by email ellen.heckler@gmail.com



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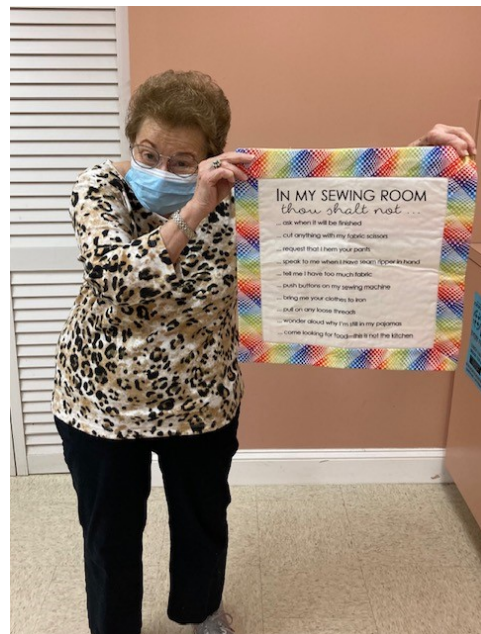
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SHOW 'N TELL—DECEMBER



Rochelle Staiano:
Cork Coasters done on
embroidery machine.



Ellen Heimlich

Jo Wilson

FIDGET QUILTS (Cont'd)



COMFORT BEARS:

- Janet Copens reports there are bears waiting for their new homes.
- 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 can be found on the QGbtS website.
- Contact Janet Copen at (954) 632-1181 or email jecopen@aol.com for additional information.



For Knitters and Crocheters:

- This year, 139 Hats for Chemo patients, 26 Hats to NICU, 45 pairs of Booties to NICU, and 7 burp pads were delivered.
- Knit and Crocheted Caps have been well received. Additional caps have been requested.
- Contact Linda Bouvier at (561) 498—9777 or email lbouvier@bellsouth.net for additional information.



SHOW 'N TELL—DECEMBER



Marcia Degner

SHOW 'N TELL—DECEMBER



Sheila Solen



Sheryl Platt

SHOW 'N TELL—DECEMBER



Sheryl Platt



SHOW 'N TELL—DECEMBER



Linda Eddy



WILD 'N WACKY HOLIDAYS IN JANUARY:

January 2: Science Fiction Day

January 3: Thank God It's Monday!

January 6: Cuddle Up Day

January 9: Static Electricity Day

January 10: Save the Eagle Day

January 14: Dress Up Your Pet Day

January 15: National Bagel Day

January 19: Popcorn Day

January 20: National Cheese Lovers Day

January 23: National Handwriting Day

January 28: International Lego Day

January 31: National Hot Chocolate Day





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