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QGbtS Program:

January 10, 2023

Program: Patricia Belyea, Okan Arts, presents "The Unknowing of Creativity", a talk and virtual trunk show.

Show 'n Tell

Name Tag Drawing

50/50 Raffle

Guild Address:

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



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

The following positions are open and we need help:

- Newsletter Assistant •
- Photographer, for in-person meetings only. No experience necessary.



President's Letter:

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday. I am somewhere in New Zealand or Australia. I am taking lots of pictures and will have lots of stories to tell. I have been warned, though, not to buy fabric; the same fabric is more expensive in Australia.

The meeting and "WWIT" sale in December were wonderful. I can't tell you how happy I was. It was so good seeing everyone in person, again. I want to thank each and every one of you for coming and making it such a success. Thank you everyone who helped with the set up and break down for the meeting—we couldn't have done it without you.

This year the remaining fabrics from our sale will be divided between the Native American tribe in Oklahoma and the prisoners in Missouri. Thanks to Dellie Krebs for making the arrangements to get the fabric delivered to Oklahoma and to Linda Eddy for mailing it to Missouri. Additional thanks to everyone who donated extra money to help defray mailing costs, and thank you Linda for making up the difference in postage costs. I will collect additional money for mailing costs to help Linda with the postage during the January meeting.

Everyone who attended the Ice Dyeing Workshop taught by Linda Roraff had great time. I can't wait to see the results during the January Show 'n Tell. Rumor has it that the workshop was so successful that another may be scheduled for those of us who were not able to attend. More details coming soon.

The January meeting will be our first virtual meeting. This meeting should accommodate those of you who want to be together again, and those of you that are still not comfortable meeting in person. During the meeting, we will once again have our 50/50 raffle, tables set up for QOV, Comfort Quilts and Bears, Pillow Pals, and Fidgets. We will also be able to pick up

and drop off items for all outreach programs. In addition, we will again be having a name tag drawing; so wear your name tag !

I'm signing off now. Time to go looking for kangaroos, or koalas or some other exotic animals.

Happy quilting,

Sarah





WHO ARE YOU?



NAME TAG DRAWING

WEAR YOUR NAME TAG SIGN IN AT THE MEMBERSHIP TABLE AND RECEIVE A TICKET FOR THE DRAWING.



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

Date: January 10, 2023

Patricia Belyea, Okan Arts, presents "The Unknowing of Creativity", a talk and virtual trunk show.

Patricia shares her creative approach to developing new ideas for original quilt designs. Leap-frogging from one compositional concept to the next, Patricia takes guild members on a journey of exploration with her newest series of quilts, Big Grids with Inserted Curves, made with vintage Japanese yukata cottons and other global fabrics.



Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Hybrid Meeting (In-person and Zoom)

In-person at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton, FL or by Zoom, in the comfort of your own home.

Guest Fee: \$10.00

Date: February 14, 2023

Jenny Bowker from Australia presents "Pack and Follow"

Location: ZOOM ONLY

"My husband was a diplomat and we travelled and lived on many postings with our growing family. I studied Visual Arts as a mature age student and in 1997 left art school and learned to quilt. These are the stories of my

PACK AND FOLLOW JENNY BOWKER

quilts, and they tell the story of my life as we moved through Syria, Jordan, Jerusalem, Egypt and Australia.

Time: 7 PM—9 PM

Location: Zoom

Guest Fee: \$10.00

!!MEETING TIME CHANGE!!

Due to the time difference

HOT SEAT POKER

CORRECTION



The lucky winners for November were:

- Jean DeFrances
- Ann P. Ford

There will be no Hot Seat Poker at our in-person meeting in January.



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 online on the guild website: QuiltGuildbytheSea.com or preferably by check.

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

WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE!

ICE DYING WORKSHOP GALLERY:

Frieda Toback, Frances Student, Pat Lynes, Mitzi Hallidy, Barbara Factor, Sheryl Platt, Linda Roraff up to their elbows in dye creating amazing colorful fabrics, clothes, shoes, with the help of ice. The best part was the camaraderie of sharing past dying experiences and learning from each other.

























































From Pat Lynes





President Sarah Crew greeting our members.



Linda Bouvier doing a QOV Foundation report



Linda Eddy giving Outreach report.



Sheila Solen (doing a QOV Foundation report)



Just under 50 members attended. Several members were at side tables and not in the photo.



The big reveal and shopping spree.



WHAT WAS I THINKING" SALE:



Members setting up fabric tables





Outreach table ready for action



Tables for kits and notions



Finished quilts for sale



"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 themself.

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



.: quilt of valor :.

• In the comments area, please write that you wish to have this quilt request go to QGbtS.

QOVF ON AMAZONSMILE

What is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop at no cost to you. When you shop at <u>smile.amazon.com</u>, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection, and convenient shopping experience as <u>Amazon.com</u> with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from over one million organizations to support.

How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to <u>smile.amazon.com</u> from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You may also want to bookmark <u>smile.amazon.com</u> to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile

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 Linda Bouvier (561) 212-3997 or Kristi Kristol (561) 241-6717.

Annual QOV Membership Renewal

It's time for us to renew our annual QOVF membership. Renewal is due by February 15, 2023. This is also the time for new members to join.

There are two ways you can submit your dues of \$10 to renew your membership or join up.

You can send a check to Sheila Solen and she will enter your renewal on-line for the QOVF Foundation. (NO cash)

Make your check payable to **Quilt of Valor Foundation** for **\$10**.

Mail it to:

Sheila Solen 13278 Avila Beach Cove Delray Beach, FL 33446

Do this <u>by 1/31/2023.</u>

If you are a new member, please also provide your address, city/state/zip, phone #, and email address.

You can renew on-line at **QOVF.ORG** by yourself. You will need to <u>use your credit card</u>. There is a processing charge for using a credit card of \$.57 or \$.61 for AMEX but you save a stamp so it's even.

Complete the renewal on-line by 2/15/2023.

New members can also join on-line at QOVF.ORG. When you complete the form with all your information be sure to specify QGBTS as your group.

If you have any questions about how this works, you can email Sheila at: Sheila_solen@yahoo.com or call at 305 799-5772.

If you need a pin, we have extras...just ask at the next sew-in.

QOV PRESENTATIONS:

- 42 QOV Quilts were awarded in December.
- 13 Quilts are scheduled to be awarded in January 2023.
- Total QOV quilts awarded for 2022 109
- Total made in 2022 60

QOV Presentations:

Shiela Solen, Kristi Kristol, and Linda Bouvier presented a QOV quilt Bob Kamen at Valencia Palms on 12/12/2022. Bob is an Army veteran who saw combat in Viet Nam. He was the radioman for his squad.







On December 12, 2022 Kristi Kristol awarded her uncle, Timothy Dobbins, with a Quilt of Valor.





SAVE THE DATE

FEBRUARY 21, 2023

QOV WORKSHOP DETAILS TO FOLLOW

QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER Page 14 **QOV "THANK YOU" NOTES:** nov. 18,2022 Thank you thist & Linda, Our Rotary club of Dournioun Bron Rotary ceally enjoyed Boca Raton rea you gals from us Veterans the satruliz quille. 4 next to my ko my hus stop by to see the two of you and your facility on his both day Dec 21, if you are available. We can do lunch if you is available. Alease let me know fihat would work for you. Dun son would work for you. Dun son might be available. Have a Loon



Bruce C. Spizler, Esquire **2503 North Riverside Drive** Pompano Beach, FL 33062

November 16, 2022

Quilt Guild by the Sea P.O. Box 64 Boca Raton, FL 33429

Attn: Ms. Kristi Kristol and Ms. Linda Bouvier

Dear Ms. Kristol and Ms. Bouvier:

Just a quick note to thank you both from the bottom of my heart for the beautiful and, oh so meaningful, quilt you bestowed upon me on Veterans' Day, November 11, 2022. I am deeply moved, honored, humbled, and so appreciative of your outstanding acts of kindness, compassion, and, yes, love. I will treasure my quilt, and all it represents, always and forever.

Please accept the enclosed donation to Quilt Guild by the Sea as a mere token of my deep and sincere appreciation.

God bless,

Sgt. Bruce C. Spizler, Retired Co. B, 826th MI, 2nd Bn.

Enclosure

QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER Page 16 **OOV "THANK YOU" NOTES:** Joe Cesarottí NOU. 11 2022 TO ALL THE QUILTERS, MANY THAMES FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL GIFT WHICH YOU PRESENTED TO WE AT OUR ROTARY MEETING ON NOV. 11. IT IS BEAUTIFUL AND I WILL THEASURE IF. Jorlesareth-



COMFORT QUILTS:

- **That's a stack of Quilts!!** Wow ! 41 quilts turned in at the December meeting !Now that's a quilt stack !!
- YTD 245 Comfort Quilts (96 adult, 91 teen/child, and 58 NICU) made. They were delivered as follows:

84 to Delray Medical Trauma (+6 pillow pals)
6 to Pinecrest Rehab
39 to BRRH NICU (+25 bootie sets and 20 preemie caps)
6 to BRRH Inpatient Infusion
62 to Lynn Cancer Center (+ 16 chemo caps)
3 to hospital inpatient
45 quilts and 21 chemo caps remaining—to be delivered

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: <u>mdrudi@hotmail.com</u> with any questions.





COMFORT QUILTS:

Delray Medical Trauma Unit shared some of the quilts/Afghans that they received on our last delivery with Pinecrest Rehab which is part of Delray Medical Center. Therapist John wrapped them with beautiful bows for presentation to extended stay inpatients. They were well received!



Knitted afghans wrapped for presentation





Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year with this adorable mini quilt.

COMFORT BEARS:

- 65 Comfort Bears received new homes in 2022; The Trauma Unit in Delray received 50, 6 went to Linda Bouvier for QOV presentations, and 9 went to Women in Distress.
- Elaine Silberman delivered 9 Comfort Bears to Women in Distress.
- There are now 14 bears waiting for new homes, as well as several in production.
- Linda Bouvier has requested patriotic bears be given to children at QOV presentations. Linda gave bears to veteran's grandchildren receiving a QOV, they were well received.



- 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 for additional information.



- Year-to-Date we have had 92 Fidget Quilts. Let's try for a goal of 100 in 2023; the Fidgets are so appreciated by their recipients.
- 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



FIDGET QUILT GALLERY:

















Linda Eddy



Linda Eddy



Linda Eddy





Marie-Christine Leavitt



Shiela Solen





Kristina Kristol: "My first paper pieced quilt made for my sister-in-law's 50th birthday".

QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER Page 25 WILD 'N WACKY HOLIDAYS IN JANUARY: MONOPOLY January 1: **New Years Day** January 4: **Trivia Day Monopoly Game Day** January 5: January 8: **Argyle Day:** Show and Tell Day January 9: January 10: Houseplant Appreciation Day January 12: National Hot Tea Day January 15: National Bagel Day January 16: Martin Luther King Day January 18: Thesaurus Day January 20: National Cheese Lovers Day January 21: National Hug Your Puppy Day January 21: National Use Your Gift Card Day January 22: China New Year January 27: National Geographic Day January 28: Local Quilt Shop Day

























