



# QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER

July 2023

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## QGbtS General Meeting

**Date: July 11, 2023**

**Program: "Inspiration"**  
Lecture and Trunk Show  
**Candace Hassen**

**Show 'n Tell**

**50/50 Raffle**

**Name Badge Drawing**

### Guild Address:

Quilt Guild by the Sea  
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### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:



We need your help! The following positions are open:

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

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hi Everyone,

It's so strange to be writing the President's letter two weeks before our Guild meeting. It's June 23<sup>rd</sup>, and I am sitting at my desk in Boca during the middle of another torrential thunder storm. I am listening to the thunder and watching the rain, and pondering my upcoming trip through the Canadian Rockies.

Did you know that I can tell the future ... so, first, let me tell you about the trip Frieda, Dellie, and I are taking. Prior to July 2, we will be on a train somewhere in the Canadian Rockies. The scenery will be absolutely magnificent, and the temperature should be wonderful, high 50's at night and mid-60's during the day. Just like home, right? A break from the extreme heat of southern Florida will be like heaven!

We will arrive in Vancouver on July 2nd. On July 3rd, we will visit Butchart Gardens in Victoria. These are the most beautiful gardens. We will have a glorious day taking in the sights and smells of this famous garden.

We will be renting a car for a week and driving to Sisters, Oregon for the Quilt Show on July 8th. The whole town will be covered in quilts. That should be a fabulous sight. Photos will be forthcoming as soon as possible.

At some point Mary Rao will be joining us for the rest of our journey which will include driving to Seattle through the Oregon wine country. Lot's of wine tasting. Yum!

I'm now looking forward to quilt camp and seeing everyone. I'm sorry to be missing the July meeting and speaker; it should be great. Hope your month will be as exciting as ours. See you at camp.

Happy Quilting.

Sarah



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**UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

**July 11, 2023: "Inspiration" Lecture and Trunk Show Candace Hassen**

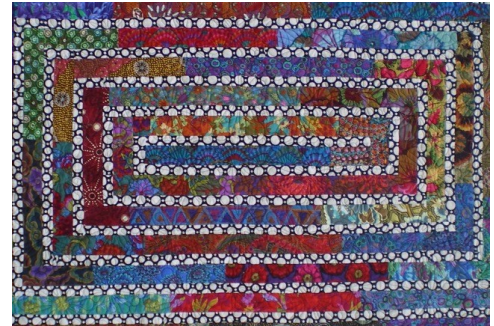
Candace Hassen loves to turn traditional blocks on their heads using subtle color variations that result in stunning and complex quilts. During her trunk show of over 20 large quilts, she will share how she got the idea to make each one, her design decisions, and her strategies to stay organized and get things finished.

Candace was a professional weaver and yarn dyer for decades before turning to quilting and quilt design, and credits weaving for her unique take on color interplay and repeated geometric design. Candace's hometown of Porterdale, Georgia has named her its Quilter Laureate. If you subscribe to The Quilt Show, watch Candace with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims on Episode 3107.

**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)



**SHOW 'N TELL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers are needed at our "live" meetings to hold Show N Tell quilts and assist Marlys



with pictures. Please contact Sarah Crew at (561-809-0244) or email [sfcrew41@gmail.com](mailto:sfcrew41@gmail.com) if you would be willing to help. (561-809-0244) [sfcrew41@gmail.com](mailto:sfcrew41@gmail.com)

**PROMOTION/PUBLICITY CHAIR NEEDED**



Quilt Guild by the Sea is one of Boca's best kept secrets, and we need to get our name out there and let people know who we are and what we do! If you have publicity or promotional experience, or media contacts, and would like to help put us on the map, so to speak, this position is perfect for you. For further details please contact President Sarah Crew. Your assistance will help the Guild continue to benefit its members and people in need.

**EVENTS CALENDAR:**

July 11, 2023	General Meeting
July 12, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
July 19, 2023	Outreach Workshop (BRCC)
July 25, 2023	Board Meeting
July 26, 2023	QOV Mini at Laura's
August 8, 2023	General Meeting
August 9, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
August 16—19, 2023	"Leaf Your Worries Behind" Camp (BRCC)
August 23, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
August 29, 2023	Board Meeting
August 30, 2023	QOV Workshop (BRCC)
September 12, 2023	General Meeting
September 13, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
September 26, 2023	Board Meeting
September 27, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
October 10, 2023	General Meeting
October 11, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
October 18, 2023	QOV Workshop (BRCC)
October 19, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
October 31, 2023	Board Meeting
November 8, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
November 14, 2023	Board Meeting
November 15, 2023	Outreach Workshop (BRCC) <b>Tentative</b>
November 22, 2023	QOV Mini Workshop at Laura's
November 28, 2023	Board Meeting
December 12, 2023	General Meeting



Welcome to all returning members of Quilt Guild by the Sea for 2023.

And a **HUGE** welcome to all new members and those of you who are joining us from Gold Coast.



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  
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: August 8, 2023**

**Speaker: Laretta Crites, "How to Create Pictorial Art Quilts"** Lecture and Presentation. Have you ever wanted to make a representational quilt, but you didn't have a photo of that scene or person? I'll take you through the process I use to make my wonderful realistic quilt images using a variety of photo sources and collage techniques, plus the key tools to getting all those visuals to work together. If you can dream it, you can do it!

**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)

**Date: September 12, 2023**

**Speaker: Kestrel Michaud**

**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)



## "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 **QOV.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.

### QOV NEWS:

- 62 QOV quilts have been awarded YTD.

### QOV WORKSHOP AT LAURA'S:

- QOV Workshops at Laura's are scheduled on **July 12th and July 26th** from 11 AM—3 PM. Please contact Rochelle Staiano at (203) 505-0273 or via email [sashakins@hotmail.com](mailto:sashakins@hotmail.com) if you would like to attend or sign-up on the sign-up sheet at the monthly Guild meeting.

### QUILT PRESENTATIONS:

Kristi and I had the pleasure of awarding Alvin his Quilt of Valor on June 11th.



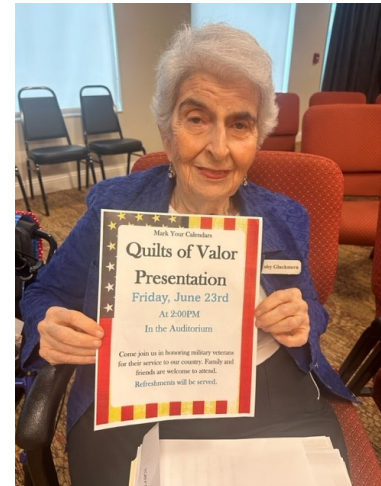
**QOV PRESENTATION:**

Kristi and Linda presented Ralph his Quilt of Valor.



**QOV PRESENTATION:**

Toby Gluckstern organized a wonderful event honoring 6 Korean Conflict Veterans and 2 Vietnam Veterans. The wives of some of the Veterans had the opportunity of wrapping their husbands with their quilts. Kristi and I had the privilege of helping honor them with their Quilts of Valor.

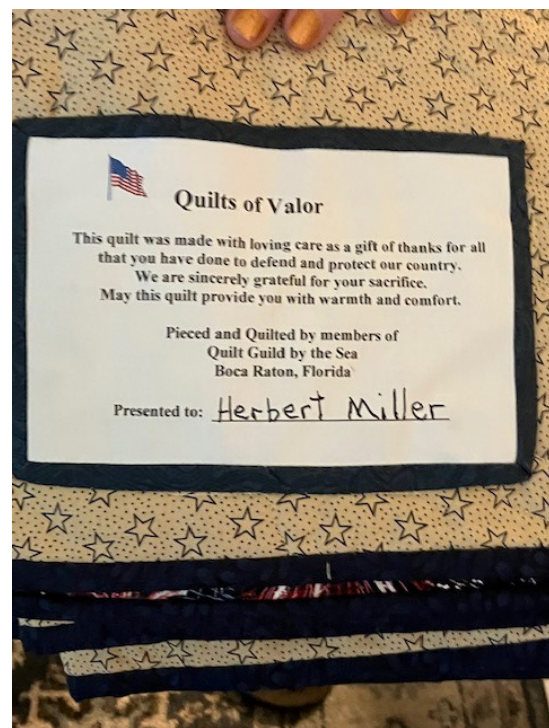


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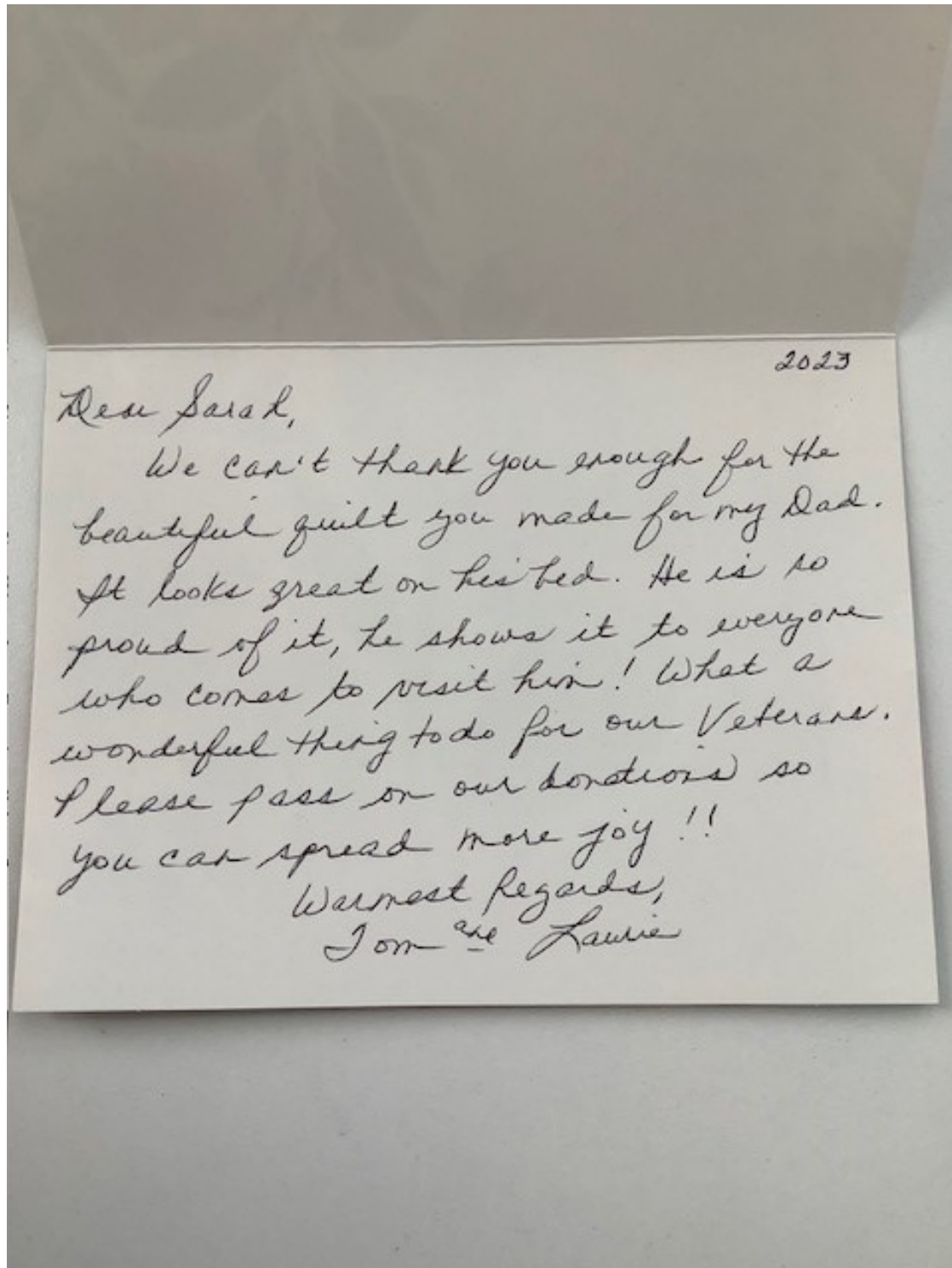
Pat Lynes presented Herbert Miller his Quilt of Valor.





THANK YOU FOR QOV QUILT

Sarah received this lovely note to the Guild along with a generous donation.





**QUILT GUILD by the SEA**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023**

**OUTREACH WORKSHOP & EXCHANGE**

**COMFORT QUILTS, FIDGETS and BEARS**

*We are having an Outreach Workshop & Exchange on Wednesday, July 19, from 10:00 AM -3:00 PM. Please mark your calendars and hold this date for a fun day of sewing!*

*The Comfort Quilt special project for the day will be the "CHARM AND A HALF" pattern using 5" charm squares cut from some fun fabrics (brights, children's, geometric shapes and lines and assorted prints in all the colors of a rainbow) and 2 1/2" x 5" rectangles cut from neutral fabrics.*

*Thank you to Melinda Schwartz for providing the diagram for this pattern and two beautiful, finished sample quilts for us to view so we have a very good idea of how this is sewn together. Melinda likes it because it sews up very quickly and makes a nice overall pattern!*

*We will have some kits ready and 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. So, if you do not want to bring your sewing machine, you could still help. 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 - Royal Palm Room*

*(same room as our Monthly Meeting)*

*Time: 10 AM—3 PM*

*Bring your lunch and sewing supplies*

*Ironing stations, cutting stations and electric cord reels will be set up by the guild.*

*Feel free to come sew or just come to gather with friends or exchange/drop off your completed projects.*

*Looking forward to seeing you!*

**Maureen**

## **COMFORT QUILTS:**

### **A Note From Maureen Drudi:**

This is an amazing total for only halfway through the year! Year to date we have delivered 238 quilts (109 adult, 95 Child/teen, and 34 NICU). This just shows the wonderful generous spirit and hard work by the dedicated members of QGBTS. Thank you!

A delivery was made to Lynn Cancer Institute which included quilts, afghans, knitted caps and special shawls that were knitted for the nursing staff. They were very much appreciated !

The next **Outreach Workshop and Exchange** is scheduled for July 19th at the Boca Raton Community Center from 10:00 AM—3:00 PM.



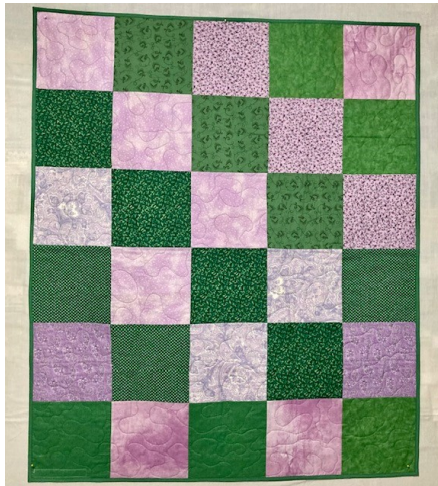
### **Needed: Men's and teenage boy/boy Comfort quilts.**

- NICU quilts are always needed and much appreciated.
- 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: [mdrudi@hotmail.com](mailto:mdrudi@hotmail.com) with any questions.

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**FIDGET QUILTS:**

- The demand for Fidget Quilts, for adults and children, is higher than we are able to meet. Think about using UFOs or some unfinished projects and turning them into Fidgets!  
**Many more are needed for our community.**

- **Join the Fidget Challenge!** It's as simple as creating 1 Fidget quilt per month.
- 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!

- The next **Outreach Workshop and Exchange** is scheduled for July 19, 2023 at the Boca Raton Community Center from 10:00 AM—3:00 PM.

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



FIDGET QUILTS:



### COMFORT BEARS/PILLOW PALS:

- There are several new bears in production. Additional kits will be available at the General Meeting or contact Jean DeFrances for more Pillow Pal information.
- 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.



**NOTE: If you have taken any bear faces and not returned a completed bear, please do so. We have a limited number of faces. Thank you!**





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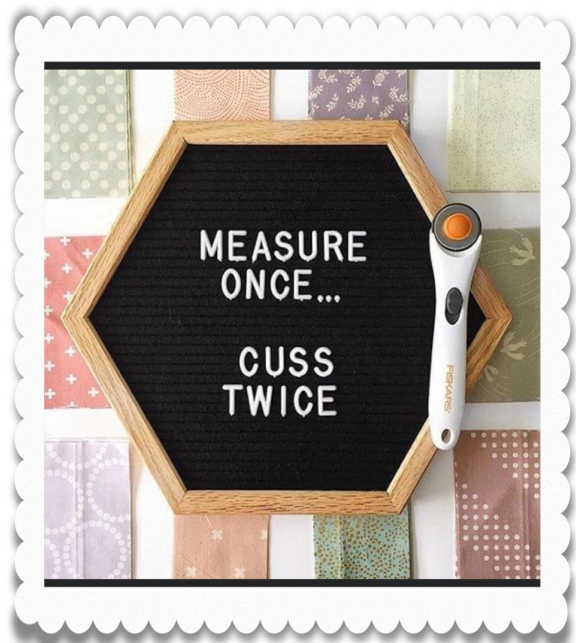
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**WILD 'N WACKY HOLIDAYS IN JULY:**

- July 4:** Independence Day (U.S.)
- July 7:** Chocolate Day
- July 10:** Pick Blueberries Day
- July 14:** National Motorcycle Day
- July 16:** National Ice Cream Day
- July 22:** Hammock Day
- July 24:** National Tequila Day
- July 25:** Threading the Needle Day
- July 28:** National Waterpark Day
- July 29:** National Day of the Cowboy
- July 30:** International Day of Friendship
- July 31:** National Watermelon Day



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