



# QUILT GUILD BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER

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## Guild Meeting:

**Program:** "Different Features of Sewing Machines" **presented** by Bernie Tobisch.

## Program:

**Show 'n Tell**

**Hot Seat Poker**

## Guild Address:

Quilt Guild by the Sea  
PO Box 64

Boca Raton, FL 33429

**Meeting Place: Zoom  
until further notice**



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

The following positions are open and we need help:

- President
- President Elect
- Newsletter Assistant
- Photographer, for in-person meetings only, is needed. No experience necessary.

## President Letter:

Hi Everyone,

I really want to thank everyone for responding to the survey. It was incredibly eye-opening. Deb is publishing the results in the newsletter. The members of the Board are going to do our best to incorporate your suggestions into our future meetings.

We are in the investigative and planning stages to begin hybrid meetings, where we will have both in-person meetings and Zoom the meeting to those who prefer to stay at home. This will hopefully begin in January. Due to some restructuring at the Boca Raton Community Center and change of staff, *this* seems to be the earliest we are able to begin.

The *temporary* manager of the Center, Jason, has said to give him at least 2 weeks before he will be able to make an appointment for Ann K. Ford and me to view their Smart TV set up. After this, we will be able to start planning for next year. As it stands now, the September, October and November General Meetings will be on Zoom. December will be in person at the BRCC for our "What Was I Thinking" sale.

For those of us who don't want to wait until January to get together, we are planning a **"TEST THE WATERS"** quilting event. **On October 19th- from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM, at the Community Center in the Silver Palm room**, we will have a **Sit and Sew Party**. Bring lunch. If you have a project you want to work on, bring it. If not Maureen, Kristi, Linda B., and Ellen Heckler will have kits available and we can work on charity projects. Bring your sewing machine, or not. This will also be a great time to drop off projects you have completed at home. Watch for further announcements.

One more thing... Our board meetings are open to all members. And since we are not meeting in person, the only way we can really communicate is at the board meetings. This is the place where you can speak and be heard. We need and welcome your suggestions. Without them, we are working in a vacuum and we need to hear from our membership. We meet on Tuesday morning, 10:00 AM, two weeks prior to the general meeting via Zoom; to attend all you need to do is contact Ann K. Ford and let her know you want to come to the meeting and she will then send you a link to the meeting. I hope to see many of you at our next board meeting.

Remember our guild is only as strong as our members. I'll see you at the meeting.

Til then

Happy Quilting,  
Sarah

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**A MESSAGE FROM FRIEDA TOBACK**

The dog days of summer are almost over and we are facing the most beautiful part of living in Florida; the climate—no cold winters! Our guild continues to move forward as well.

As I've previously mentioned, registration for workshops has been slow. Our next workshop is coming up on September 13th, with Shelly Tobisch. We still have openings and I urge you to join us. Shelly has techniques and suggestions to offer all quilters, regardless of their level of experience. That morning, her husband, Bernie Tobisch will give a lecture comparing sewing machine features.

October brings us a lecture and trunk show on Wool Applique. Even if you think you have no interest in this topic, join us and I think you'll be impressed.

November's lecture will be presented by David Sirota, AKA Quilt Mavin Dave. Please look at his web site to be inspired and awed by his classes.

The November workshop is on ice dying, a two day event, in person, at Linda Roraff's house. I'm surprised that there are any openings left since the class size is already limited. We will meet on November 9th to prepare our fabric, discuss dyes and eat lunch. Once the fabrics have been dyed, we will leave them there overnight and return the next day to rinse and admire our work. For me, looking at everyone else's' results will be an education. The supply list is not yet complete but will consist mainly of ice, fabric, a container for dying, and a drying rack. The last two can be purchased at the Dollar Store. The dyes and potash will be supplied by the guild and are part of your class fee. No other fees will be applied. We will be working outside which should make everyone more comfortable.

I look forward to seeing you all.

Regards,

Frieda

**LET  
US  
INSPIRE  
YOU**

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

**September 13, 2022**

**"Different Features of Sewing Machines"** presented by Bernie Tobisch. Bernie will discuss the differences between machines from different manufactures to enable us to make educated comparisons when looking at and using different machines.

Location: Zoom

Time: 10:00 AM—12:00 PM

Guest Fee: \$10.00



**October 11, 2022**

**Wool Applique** lecture and trunk show presented by Vicky McCarty

Vicki showcases her beautiful quilts and discusses her inspiration for creating, as well as the basic techniques used in the quilt. Hear stories behind the quilts as well as touching stories of Vicki's 40+ years quilting and tips passed on through 4 generations of quilting.

Location: Zoom

Time: 10:00 AM—12:00 PM

Guest Fee: \$10.00



**November 8, 2022**

**"What Makes A Quilter Tick — a fun filled look in the mirror"** presented by David "Quilt Maven" Sirota

Join David for a laugh out loud and interactive look at ourselves as quilters. We'll examine the little quirks, passions, idiosyncrasies and obsessions we all share. We'll hold a mirror up to ourselves and help us see what others see when they look at us. So, bring your friends and family and maybe "What makes a Quilter tick" will help explain to you and to them why they look at us the way they do.

Location: Zoom

Time: 10:00 AM—12:00 PM

Guest Fee: \$10.00







### CARING HEARTS

Sadly, we have lost one of our members. Barbara Murphy was killed in a car accident in July. Barbara will be missed.

Best wishes to Pat Lynes on a speedy recovery from surgery.



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](mailto:DebShoemaker22@.com).

### UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

**September 13, 2022**

**“Circle of Friends Blocks” (aka Companion Star): Different Paper Piecing Techniques and Sewing and Pinless Precision Piecing** presented by Shelly Tobisch

Shelly will discuss pinless precision piecing from cutting to pressing to sewing, with more accuracy and ease than ever before. Turn your sewing machine into a precision piecing instrument. Discover how the right tools can make accuracy easy to achieve.

Location: Zoom

Time: 1:00 PM—4:00 PM

Fee: \$30.00



**November 9 & 10, 2022**

**Ice Dying presented by Linda Roraff**

Ice Dying will be a wonderful in-person class at the home of Linda Roraff. On the first day, for approximately 3 hours, we will prepare and dye our project, then leave it to soak overnight. We will return the next day to admire our work of art, rinse it and take it home. This is a unique opportunity. Please don't miss it. Attendance is limited, so sign up as soon as it quickly.

Location: Linda Roraff's home

Time: TBD

Fee: \$30.00 (class fee) and a \$5.00 materials fee.



**Workshop payments:** Payments can be made on the QGbtS website or by sending a check directly to our Treasurer, Karen Berman, 8716 Sunbeam Mountain Terrace, Boynton Beach, Fl. 33473





**MEMBERSHIP SURVEY RESULTS—AUGUST 2022**

**Question 1 has 70 responses**

“I would prefer (choose one)”

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|--|-----------|---------------|
| • To continue attending membership meetings in my home   | <b>16</b> | <b>22.9 %</b> |
| • To meet in person and view the speaker via Zoom on the meeting room screen. Members at home will be unable to see the presentation               | <b>5</b>  | <b>7.1 %</b>  |
| • a combination which would include in-person meetings for local presenters and at-home Zoom presentations for national and international speakers | <b>41</b> | <b>58.6 %</b> |
| • A combination of 6 in-person meetings (no at home Zoom) and 6 in-home Zoom meetings  | <b>8</b>  | <b>11.4 %</b> |

**Question 2 has 72 responses**

“If we continue our general meetings only on Zoom at home (choose one)”

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|-------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| • I would rejoin the Guild    | <b>62</b> | <b>86.1 %</b> |
| • I will not rejoin the Guild | <b>10</b> | <b>13.9 %</b> |

**Question 3 has 73 responses**

“I would be willing to take a workshop from home via Zoom (choose one)”

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|-------|-----------|---------------|
| • Yes | <b>56</b> | <b>77.8 %</b> |
| • No  | <b>17</b> | <b>23.3 %</b> |

**MEMBERSHIP SURVEY RESULTS (CONT'D)**

**Question 4 has 68 responses**

“I prefer to take an in-person workshop” (choose one)”

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|-------|-----------|---------------|
| • Yes | <b>46</b> | <b>67.6%</b>  |
| • No  | <b>22</b> | <b>32.4 %</b> |

**Question 5 has 72 responses**

“Would you be interested in in-person QOV and Outreach Sew Days on a quarterly basis? (Choose one)”

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|-------|-----------|---------------|
| • Yes | <b>56</b> | <b>77.8 %</b> |
| • No  | <b>16</b> | <b>22.2 %</b> |

**YOU ARE INVITED**

Anyone who wishes to attend the Quilt Guild by the Sea Board Meetings via Zoom is welcome. The Board meets every month, on Tuesday, two weeks before the General Meeting from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Contact Ann K. Ford via email ([Ann.K.Ford@gmail.com](mailto:Ann.K.Ford@gmail.com)) for a link to the Zoom meeting.

Everyone is encouraged to participate. We welcome new faces and ideas!





**SAVE THE DATE**

**October 19, 2022**

**10:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**Boca Raton Community Center**

*Be among friends*

*Work on a project*

*Work on a kit from QOV, Comfort Quilts, or Fidget Quilts*

*Bring your machine (and extension cord)*

*Or*

*sew by hand*

*Bring your lunch*

**HAVE AN AMAZING DAY AMONG FRIENDS**



FIDGET WORKSHOP PHOTO GALLERY





## HOT SEAT POKER



Make sure to stay until the end of the meeting to play Hot Seat Poker.

Two winners receive a \$25.00 Gift Certificate from one of the quilt shops or long-armers advertising with us. Your choice!

The lucky winners for August were:

- Ann K. Ford
- Tee Kerin

## Membership Dues

Membership dues for 2023 are \$50.00. **New members paid by October 1st, 2022 will get October, November, and December 2022 free.** 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: [QuiltGuildbytheSea.com](http://QuiltGuildbytheSea.com) or preferably by check.

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

## NEW! EXCITING! THE 2022 QUILT CHALLENGE



Clint Eastwood's famous quote as "Dirty Harry" leads us into our 2022 Challenge.

### WHAT IS IT THAT WOULD "MAKE YOUR DAY"?

What is it that would make your spirit soar—that would "make your day!" Dream big. Think about what would be the most wonderful thing in your life that could happen... did happen...will happen...or you wish would happen. Could it be a very special family event like the birth of a grandchild? Perhaps it's a fabulous trip you long to take to Venice, seeing Machu Picchu, a safari or riding a camel to the great pyramid. Maybe it's something on your dream bucket list, a dream of having a quilt in the Houston show, winning the lottery or how about world peace?

### The Challenge: *Create a quilt that expresses the theme "Make My Day!"*

**Rules:** There are none! The quilt can be any size or shape. All quilting techniques and surface embellishments are allowed: piecing, hand or machine appliqué, embroidery, photography, painting, foiling, beading, any type of quilting. The style is up to you. A hanging sleeve is optional.

**Details:** One entry per member. There will be a \$100 prize for Viewer's Choice, and a \$50 prize by random drawing from among all participants. The same member cannot be awarded both prizes. Please submit an entry that has not been shown to the Guild before.

**Due date:** Email one overall photo and one closeup of your quilt, in JPEG format, to Deb Shoemaker at [DebShoemaker22@gmail.com](mailto:DebShoemaker22@gmail.com) by Friday, October 21.

Quilts will be shown, and winners announced, at the November meeting, either via Zoom or in person as the situation requires.

**Questions:** Email Marcia Degner at [msdegner@gmail.com](mailto:msdegner@gmail.com)



## **GOLD COAST LIVE QUILT AUCTION**

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

You and your friends are invited to the Gold Coast Live Quilt Auction.  
(No guest fee)

Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022; 7:00 PM

Boca Raton Community Center

Preview quilts, starting on September 9th, at [www.gccgg.org](http://www.gccgg.org)  
in the Gold Coast September Newsletter after 9/8/22.

Bring your credit card or check book and find some great gifts!





**"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 2022 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.

**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 [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection, and convenient shopping experience as [Amazon.com](https://amazon.com) 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.

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**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.

**NOTES FROM QUILTS OF VALOR:**

- Quilts of Valor received a very generous donation of fabric from the Susie Knott; they are relocating.
- Quilts of Valor, Comfort Quilts and Fidget Quilts received a generous donation of assorted fabrics (12 bins) from Barbara Murphy's nephew.
- New patterns coming soon!
- Please contact Linda Bouvier (561) 212-3997 or Kristi Kristol (561) 241-6717 if you live in a community with a clubhouse and Veterans that may be eligible for a Quilt of Valor. We would love to plan some extra special events for a presentation.



**QOV PRESENTATIONS:**

Kristi Kristol and Linda Bouvier had the honor of presenting Ruben Sepulveda with his Quilt of Valor.





QUILTS OF VALOR PRESENTATION:

A Quilt of Valor was awarded to Mark Bratter for his involvement during the Korean Conflict.



COMFORT QUILTS (CONT'D)

- To date, we have received 152 fully quilted Comfort Quilts; 75 adult quilts, 51 children's quilts, and 26 NICU quilts. An additional 50 quilts were received unquilted.
- Linda Bouvier delivered 31 children's quilts to Delray Medical Center Trauma Unit and Kristi Kristol delivered a quilt to an infusion patient.
- 24 Comfort Quilts are scheduled for delivery after Labor Day.
- Don't forget, the Guild will provide batting!
- **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.
- 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 954-427-2456 or email: [mdrudi@hotmail.com](mailto:mdrudi@hotmail.com) with any questions.



Trauma Team



CEO, COO &  
Admin Director  
Behavioral Health

COMFORT QUILTS:



Trauma Clinical Manager



Trauma RN for pediatric patient



For a trauma patient

Thank you  
From the bottom of our hearts  
to this precious Guild that does  
such beautiful work and  
already making a difference  
today 💕💕





COMFORT QUILTS:

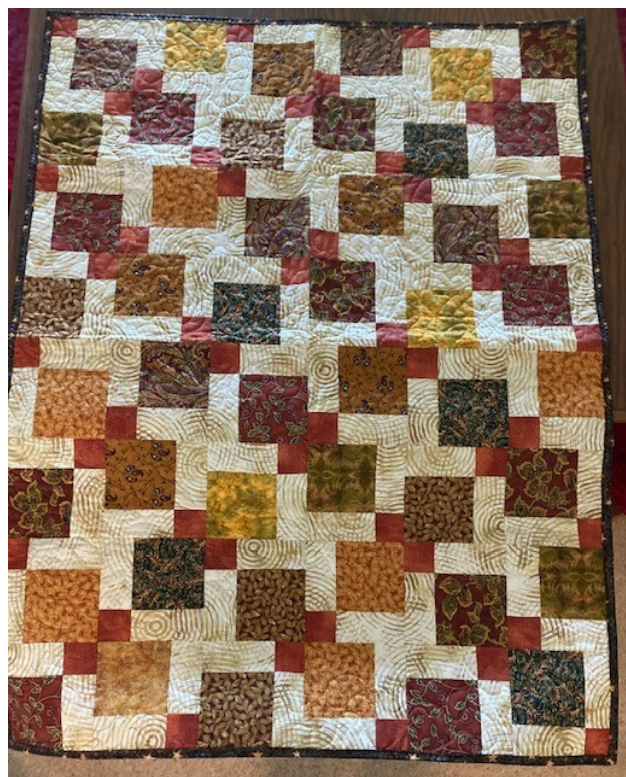


Physical Therapy





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## COMFORT BEARS:

- Janet Copen reports there are 6 new 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 if you need fiberfill stuffing for your bears—there is plenty available.
- Contact Janet Copen at (954) 632-1181 or email [jecopen@aol.com](mailto:jecopen@aol.com) for additional information.





**FIDGET QUILTS:**

- Twelve Guild members attended the August Fidget Workshop at Pat Lyne's home. 11 Fidgets were completed.
- A big "Thank you" to Pat Lynes for hosting a lovely day of Fidgets at her home.
- **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 at [ellen.heckler@gmail.com](mailto:ellen.heckler@gmail.com)





SHOW 'N TELL—AUGUST 2022



Kristi Kristol





SHOW 'N TELL—AUGUST 2022



Pat Lynes





## **GRAND OPENING— BOCA RATON LAURA'S SEWING AND FABRIC**

**SEPTEMBER 17, 2022**

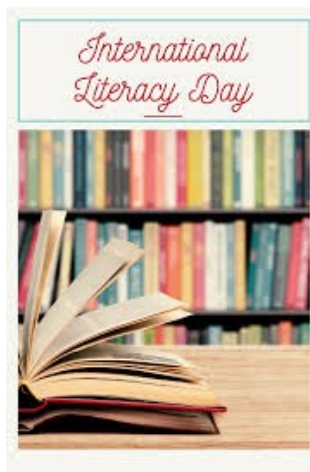
Come check out our new store in Boca Raton. We are a full service dealer for Brother and BabyLock sewing and embroidery machines and Horn and Koala Furniture. Hundreds of fabric bolts, thread, notions, and sewing and quilting supplies in stock. Free lessons with sewing machine purchase. Additional classes available via teachers of various sewing/quilting crafts. Check out our website for class calendars.

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WILD 'N WACKY HOLIDAYS IN SEPTEMBER:

- September 1: American Chess Day
- September 3: National Doodle Day
- September 5: Labor Day
- September 7: Grandma Moses Day
- September 8: International Literacy Day
- September 9: Stand Up to Cancer Day
- September 11; Grandparents Day
- September 12: Day of Encouragement
- September 20: National Pepperoni Pizza Day
- September 25: National Cooking Day
- September 27: Family Day
- September 29: Goose Day





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