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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope like me you are very excited about our opportunity to meet in person for the December meeting. Please remember to bring a mask, we are encouraging everyone to wear a mask, just in case! But the good news is we will have lots of time to visit, catch up, and have a festive gathering!

We will have a limited free table. Once the table is full, please do not add to it before there is room. Also please remember to take home anything you had on the table that is not claimed by a new owner. This is an important courtesy to those of us who will be doing clean up at the end of the meeting!

We will also have show and tell but please limit your sharing to one quilt for this meeting. We have done a lot of sewing over the last year and as much as we would like to see everything, we want to give everyone a chance to share!!!

This meeting will bring 2021 to a close and 2022 promises to get us closer to in-person meetings. We are continuing to explore in-person options. For January we will be back on Zoom for a wonderful expert on needles, thread and batting! Back to basics for the new year! We will also have an opportunity to stretch ourselves with a faces collage quilt class with our own Cynthia Cassidy.

Wishing you the very best for a normal and family filled Thanksgiving holiday, see you on December 4th at Church of the Palms!

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## REGULAR MEETING

December 4, 2021

Meeting at 10:00am

Christmas Party to follow

Church of the Palms—1419 Okatie Hwy—Okatie SC





## Saturday, December 4

#### Program

Put your party hat on, mask and Christmas sweaters because we are having a Party!!

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Christmas Party! If you have made a stocking, please place it (or them) in a bag and put a piece of paper inside with your name on it. Turn them in at the appropriate table. Get ready to vote your favorite! We will have ballots for everyone to mark their favorite stocking. First and second place winners will receive a great prize! Bring some cash to purchase raffle tickets for our beautiful Holiday Baskets! Sit back and enjoy some much anticipated socializing.

## FIRST RESPONDERS Eileen Keohane

I'm chairing the first responder committee for MRQ this year, and this is my first assignment! I have sufficient members coming to set up at Church of the Palms for the December meeting.

I will be away, but Linda Forry is going to pass around a clipboard for members to sign up for First Responder duty for (hopefully) upcoming in-person meetings. I'd appreciate members volunteering for this as we transition back to in-person meetings for the winter and spring. I know this isn't definite yet, as last I knew the Church of the Palms hadn't confirmed our use of the hall, but hopefully we can do that until Palmetto Electric Coop re-opens.



# Programs

## Saturday, January 8

The fabulous Carrie Zizza will join us virtually and talk about Needles, Threads, Fabric and Batting!

## Saturday, February 6

Katherine Redford, who will speak on" the language of flowers"

## Saturday, March 5

Diana Mann back to join us either in person or via Zoom

## Saturday, April 2

Nancy Mahoney will offer a workshop in April



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## **Christmas Stockings**

Have you received your stocking pattern yet? MRQ is partnering with the Emily Geiger Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, to make and donate stockings to be filled with personal care items for veterans at the Walterboro Veterans Victory House. Here's how it works: • Email Debi Bacon at kansaswx@verizon.net and ask her for a stocking pattern/instructions. She will mail it to you.

- · Make at least one stocking using the pattern. Other than using the size of the pattern, you can design your own. Embellish, trim, applique, piece the front. It is totally up to you as to what your stocking will look like. Yes, patriotic stockings are welcome as are Christmas fabrics.
- · Each stocking must have a hanging loop, a lining and must be the size of the pattern.
- · Bring your stocking to the December meeting. Those attending will have a chance to vote for "Best of Show" and "Most Original". OF COURSE, there are prizes for those two stockings.
- · We will collect the stockings and they will be displayed at the Emily Geiger Christmas luncheon. Afterwards, chapter members will stuff them with personal care items and deliver them in time for Christmas to Veterans Victory House.

## **Charitable Interest - Linda Forry**

We have met and surpassed our goal of 100 bibs and 100 pillowcases!! Thanks to all of you who have contributed time and materials to make this happen! If any of you still have any kits or finished items, please contact Linda Forry <a href="linda4e@gmail.com">linda4e@gmail.com</a> or 513-519-4271 to arrange drop off or pick up. Along with the bibs and pillowcases already given to Caris Hospice and The Pines, we also had a workshop October 30th to construct the Fidget Quilts and made 31 of them along with around 40 Marble Mazes. Thanks to the 11 ladies who came and sewed that day. We had a good time!

We have delivered 14 Fidget Quilts to the Vineyard along with a dozen Marble Mazes. They were so excited to have them. They have a lovely facility, but need these for the memory care unit. They also indicated they would be interested in some bibs, so 10 of those were delivered the next day. We also gave 10 Fidget Quilts and a dozen Marble Mazes to Caris Hospice and will be delivering the remainder to The Pines in the next week.

After all the bibs and pillowcases are collected, we will check to see if any of these 3 facilities need any more. If not, we will be contacting other care facilities to see if they need any.



### MEMBER & HIP

**Total Paid Members: 116** 

October via Zoom: Members — 41

**November via Zoom:** Members — 44;

Guests—2

One new members in November!

Please welcome Corrie Melanson

If you are aware of a member who is ill or needs some cheer, please announce at our monthly meetings.

We would all appreciate the information.







2—Maggie Krejci

20—Phyllis Yingling

22—Nancy Vandenberg

29—Lily Hebert

Happy Birthday, Ladies!!!

## Birthday Bundles

Well the holidays are just around the corner and we will be meeting in person for the Holiday gathering in December. There will be no need to send in your December Birthday Bundles. Please save them for the January meeting.

Both December and January birthday ladies, please email either Karla at irisgirl54@yahoo.com or Sharon at ssavy51@gmail.com with a picture of your donation and a brief description of its contents. We will need that information by the end of the year on December 30. A new year, can you believe it?

Our birthday bundle raffles contribute money to defray the cost of our ongoing workshops and programs. Thanking you in advance for your generous donations.

Have a wonderful and safe Holiday Season.



## Maye River Quilters Guild Minutes

November 6, 2021, via Zoom

**President Fran Oblander** opened the meeting on Zoom at 10:00 am. There were 44 members present, 2 guests and Diane Knott, our presenter.

#### Announcements

We welcomed two guests to this meeting: Cathy Heinbaugh and Vicki Nash (Martha Watkins' daughter).

**Sandra Walsh** noted that she got one new member today, Corinne Melanson. Fran also welcomed new member, Janine Fontain, who was present at this meeting and also last month. Lill had two members watching the meeting with her, Jane Warren and Karen Park-Bigelow, who is a new member.

Our December meeting will be in person at Church of the Palms. Pat is working on an announcement for the newsletter. April and the committee are working on some fun activities, cookies and time to visit with each other.

#### Program

**Pat Wys** introduced Diane Knott who will be presenting our program today. Diane's topic today will be "How to use our Scraps to Make our Quilts Sparkle".

#### Committee Reports

#### **December Program Xmas Party**

**Fran** said that the member survey indicates that we will have 50 to 60 people in attendance and that the members prefer that we encourage masks. **April** said they will have some great baskets for attendees to purchase raffle tickets to win.

**Debi Bacon** has been distributing the pattern for making Xmas stockings. Completed stockings should be placed in a bag with your name in the bag. Bring them to the December meeting and give the bag to the committee member at the designated table. The committee member will take the stockings out and display them on the table. Votes for best of show and most original stockings will be collected and first and second place winners will receive prizes. Stockings will be taken to the DAR Luncheon for display. After the luncheon, the stockings will be filled with personal care items and delivered to the Veteran's Victory House in Walterboro before Christmas.

**Fran** said there are several different baskets in progress. Let April know if you want to donate to one of the baskets or if you have a group that wants to create a basket to donate. Also Debi and April requested that all please bring small bills to buy raffle tickets for the Xmas baskets.

#### Retreat

**Debi** reported on the retreat. 13 attendees really enjoyed the venue. The food was good and it was nice to be able to choose the meals you wanted from the facility. Debi is trying to book for next year at the same venue but having a hard time finding a date for March or April. Debi may have to plan a fall date again for next year. There is room for up to 20-24 people at the facility.

#### Website and Facebook

**Brenda** is doing updates on the website and FB. Please visit both to see the changes. If anyone has pictures from workshops from the last year, Brenda would love to get those for possible inclusion on both sites. Pictures can be uploaded to FB for Brenda to retrieve or can be emailed directly to Brenda.

#### Hospitality

**Linda Robinson** said the hospitality committee will have store bought, individually wrapped goodies for the December meeting. Refreshments will be kept simple but tasty.

#### **Programs**

**Pat Wys** said the January workshop with Cynthia Cassidy will teach how to create collage quilts. The January presentation will be about doing faces. Pat will have registration information for the workshop in the next newsletter, Facebook and website soon. Pat also mentioned that Judy Hertel will start forming small interest groups in December and January, to be launched in February. Judy has eight people who are interested in joining so far.

#### Mystery Quilt

Joan Darr will be sending clue 3 out for the mystery quilt. She also said there was good attendance for the Diana Mann presentation on the Corner Beam tool. The Corner Beam block will be in Clue 4 next month, so there will be time to practice with the tool. If you missed the live presentation, Diana Mann sent out a pdf to all the mystery quilt registrants.

#### Charitable Interests

**Linda Forry** said the Charitable Interests committee has already taken 10 bibs and 5 pillowcases to Caris Hospice. Linda also took 2 At Ease quilts, 9 fidget quilts and 12 marble mazes. Linda had 11 attendees at the fidget quilt workshop last weekend. The Pines in Bluffton have received their pillowcases and bibs; they will get their fidget quilts and marble mazes sometime this week or the next. Linda visited The Vineyard with Judy Sneed and took them 14 fidget quilts and 12 marble mazes. They were very thankful and expressed an interest in getting bibs as well. Linda took 10 bibs to The Vineyard the next day. The Guild has made 84 bibs and 92 pillowcases to date. Linda calculated that members spent 92 hours doing fidget quilts alone, which was recorded because Caris Hospice tracks donated labor hours.

#### Birthday Bundles

Bundle #1 Gaye \$35 Bundle #2 Karla \$10 Bundle #3 Gaye \$45

Bundle #4 Karla \$15

**Fran** asked for other comments and there were none. We still don't have access to Palmetto Electric so we will be back in Zoom in January. Meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m

Fran Oblander adjourned the meeting at 11:24am.

Submitted by Julie Hiscox, Secretary



#### 2021-2022 Officers

President Fran Oblander
Vice President Gaye Paquet
Secretary Julie Hiscox
Treasurer Jean LeBlanc
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Past President Linda Forry

#### Committees

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## Founding Mothers

Debi Bacon Ann Godwin



## **2021 Meetings**

Meeting: 10:00 (unless otherwise posted)

Our November meeting will be held via ZOOM

You will receive an email with instructions on joining the meeting.

We don't know when we will be able to meet at Palmetto Electric.

**Meeting Dates** 

**December 4** 

In-Person—Church of the Palms
1419 Okatie Hwy, Okatie SC

