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President's Message

Happy Holidays!

Welcome to the busiest time of the year. I am feeling overwhelmed with long arm orders, my own quilt projects, my kitchen and traveling for Thanksgiving! My trio are all arriving for Christmas and my mind is busy with what I need to prepare!

Good news! My countertops are in and, oh my, they look amazing! Reconsidering my choice for white...every speck and crumb is visible! I just love them! I started the installation of the backsplash tile (so similar to quilting!).

I so enjoyed our speaker, Muriel Pfaff, last month! And I do wish we would have more time to spend with her quilts. Rumor has it that we may invite her back for a workshop!



Our December meeting is shaping up nicely! Come hungry! Kellie has ensured me will have lots of food! Be ready to buy some raffle tickets for our lovely raffle baskets. And vote on the stunning Holiday stockings we are creating for Veterans.





December 3 Palmetto Electric Coop

Social-9:30am

Meeting—10am

Program to follow—See page 2

Please join in!

- If you signed up, remember your food item for our brunch!
- ♦ Wear your nametag
- Bring something for Show 'n Tell
- NO birthday bundles this month
- ◆ Last, but not least—bring a friend (or enemy— we're not picky!)



Saturday, December 3 Holiday Party

PROGRAM

At our December meeting we will celebrate the holidays.

There will be some fun surprises, and since we have been asked...Yes!

DO bring Show 'N' Tell.

Remember we will be at Palmetto Electric Cooperative.

BLOCK CHALLENGE

June Jones will present the Friendship Star block.

Please visit the MRQ website for a complete guide of
the quilt challenges for May 2023!

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

MRQ has partnered with the Emily Geiger Chapter, National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution to provide filled stockings for Veterans Victory House in Walterboro.

Patterns were passed out at the November meeting. Please don't use another pattern—we need to keep them a uniform size. If you missed yours, or don't still have it from previous years, give Debi Bacon a call at 410-375-3416 for the pattern.

Make at least one stocking and bring it to the December meeting.

Please put your stocking(s) in a bag with a note inside with your name on it.

All stockings will be displayed and all attendees will vote for their favorite two. Remember that you are DONATING the stocking.

Prizes for the top two picks will be awarded.

You may enter as many stockings as you like. Use the basic pattern but embellish as you wish. Please make sure you have a hanging loop and a lining. Patriotic stockings are welcome as all residents are veterans and yes, a few of them are women.

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Christmas Stockings—Continued

Make at least one stocking using the pattern. You may make as many as you want but remember that you are DONATING the stocking. Please don't decrease or increase the size of the pattern; they need to be uniform. Other than maintaining the size, you can design your own stocking. Embellish, trim, applique, piece the front, quilt it. It is totally up to you as to what your stocking will look like. Yes, patriotic stockings are welcome as are Christmas fabrics.

What's ahead in



Saturday, January 7

2-Day Applique!

Our very own Pat Wys will present a variety of quilts showcasing applique.

Her lecture will impart extensive knowledge of "Art of the Needle" and all the techniques.

For all of you who have been expressing a strong interest in applique, this program is for you!

And you get the Daily Double because there will be a workshop the next day.

Saturday, February 4

Program

NEW YORK BEAUTY

Linda Hahn will present her popular New York Beauty.

She has perfected a technique for creating perfect

New York Beauty blocks with just one pin! And no puckers!

Everyone is successful on their first attempt!

Information about the workshop on next page

Sunday, February 5 - Workshop

WICKED WAHINI

Also known by the new name of "Beauty on the Beach", is going to be featured in a full-day workshop on Sunday, Feb. 5. We will be making a quilt that incorporated the New York Beauty block into a larger Carpenter's Star, with NO inset seams.

See this quilt in other colors and fabric combinations in the Wicked Wahini quilt album on Linda's facebook



page: froghollowdesigns. Linda's website is froghollowdesigns.com—whet your whistle with lots of ideas.

Please note there is significant prep work prior to this workshop.

A supply list will be provided upon receipt of registration form.

Saturday, March 4

Beth Paige presents her "Oompah Accordion Sewn Half Square Triangles (HST)" program.

What happens when you have a designer who not only wants to be as scrappy as possible and also hates wasting fabric? Well...all sorts of things.

Beth took her passion one step further to develop a technique where her triangles do not have a twin and do not waste fabric. The technique is sewing HSTs in "accordions". Add another step and you can sew the blocks for an *entire* quilt in individual accordions that come together like magic!

Saturday, April 1

Dimensional Thread Painting with Joyce Hughes Originals

More info to come

Saturday, May 13

Installation of Officers

Challenge Quilt Show and a presentation of Challenge Awards!



MEMBER & HIP

Total Paid Members: 96

September Meeting: Members— 37

and 4 guests

November Meeting: Members— 48

and 1 new member

New members in November:

Welcome, Diane Foster



- 1 Joan Darr
- 3 Cynthia Taylor
- 4 Pat Wys
- 8 Ann Godwin

11 - Edie Vestal

19 - Judy Hertel

22 - Lucy Wick

26 - Robin Porter

30 - Kris Klotz

Happy Birthday, Ladies!!!



All members contact information can be found on the guild website, www.mayeriverquilters.com

If you require assistance logging in to the guild member section of the website, please contact Brenda Lucas, btlucas11@gmail.com

Birthday Bundles

Thank you to the Birthday Girls from October and November. Along with some donations, we had one dozen birthday bundles in November which raised more than \$200. Thank you, Ladies!

Happy December birthday to Joan Darr, Cynthia Taylor, Pat Wys, Ann Godwin, Edie Vestal, Judy Hertel, Joann Moss, Lucy Wick, Robin Porter and Kriss Klotz.

At December's meeting we will NOT have birthday bundles but will instead have raffle baskets. We hope that you will bring us a birthday bundle in January instead.

Best wishes to you for your winter time birthday!

~ Debi Bacon, Chair-kansaswx@verizon.net

'Twas the night before Christmas,

And the quilts were not made.

The threads were all tangled, the cookies delayed.

The stockings weren't hung, the pantry was bare.

The poor weary Quilter was tearing her hair.

Stacks of fat quarters, tipped over in streams.

Visions of Log Cabins, had turned into dreams.

When what to her wondering eyes should appear,

But a bus full of quilters with all of the gear.

They went straight to work with just a few mutters,

Sorting and stitching and brandishing cutters.

The patterns emerged from all of the clutter,

Like magic the fabrics arranged in a flutter.

Log Cabins, Lone Stars, Flying Geese and Bear Tracks

Each quilt was a beauty—even the backs.

Her house how it twinkled, her quilts how they glowed.

The cookies were baking, the stockings were sewed.

Their work was all done, so they folded their frames,

And packed up their needles, without giving their names.

The boarded the bus, and checked the next address.

More quilts to be made, another quilter in distress.

She heard one voice echo, as they drove out of sight,

Happy quilting to all and to all a good night!

~ Author Unknown







FUND RAISING — DEBI BACON

Raffle Baskets Bring your cash to the December meeting! All four area quilt shops and various guild members have donated baskets to be raffled at our December meeting. Tickets will be available at \$1.00 each or 15 for \$10.00. Deposit your tickets for the basket(s) you'd like to win. Drawing will be at the end of the luncheon.

Quilt Raffle As of November 11, MRO members have signed out 750 of 1000 raffle tickets. \$250 in funds have already been returned. We are off to a great start to raise \$1000 for our guild.

As a reminder, for each 20 tickets sold the members gets to select a free pattern when they return their ticket money. The member's name is also added to the box for drawing for quilting-related prizes. The individual who sells the most tickets and the individual who sells the winning ticket will receive a gift card to a local gift shop. Thanks to everyone who is participating in this fundraiser! If you have questions, please contact Fran Oblander, fran@alien87.com

HOSPITALITY—KELLIE COOMBS

Happy Thanksgiving MRQ! I hope November's Colonial treat tickled your sweet tooth. Colonial as well as Restoration fabrics are my favorites to work with in my sewing room. As 2023 approaches, I'm starting to set my plans for what I'd like to accomplish in my sewing room this coming year. Wool applique on cotton and on wool will be my focus. I am looking forward to being back with you in January and hearing your own goals for 2023. But I am getting a little ahead of myself. Firstly, we need to have a fantastic brunch in December with yummy food, fellowship, and a charitable project for our Veterans! I will be sending a note after Thanksgiving to those who have signed up for brunch items. Thank you for signing up! All of the slots have been filled! The brunch has come together splendidly. The paper products and serving utensils have been purchased and I can't wait to see the pictures from our lovely Holiday Brunch. See you all in January. Until then, Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah!



Maye River Quilters Guild Minutes

November 5, 2022—Palmetto Electric Coop

The meeting was called to order by **President Cynthia Cassidy** at 10:00 at the Palmetto Electric Coop.

Joan Darr reported that 48 members were present and Diane Foster a former member who rejoined was introduced.

Cynthia reported the minutes of the last meeting were printed in the newsletter. Debi Bacon moved to accept as published. Gaye Paquet seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Cynthia asked for any questions about the financial statement. There were none. The report will be filed for audit.

The Board made a motion to pay The Church of Palms \$500 for the use of their facility. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee reports followed.

- Fundraising Debi Bacon asked December birthday gals to bring their raffle baskets in January. The Board and local shops will bring raffle baskets for December. There are prepacked scrap bags for \$5, pick your own bags for \$2 and bird needle threaders for \$2. At the December meeting there will be prizes for the first and second choice stockings that guild members make and all will be donated to the local DAR chapter. Fran Oblander revealed this year's raffle quilt, which was pieced by Lill Helming, quilted by Karen Park-Bigelow and bound by Fran Oblander and Debi Bacon. The drawing will be June 3, 2023. Tickets are \$1 each and we have 1,000 to sell. For every 20 sold you will receive a quilt pattern and your name will be put in a hat for a prize drawing. There will be a prize for the winning ticket seller and the one who sells the most.
- Charitable Interests Sylvia Cameron has 175 placemats and 10 clothing protectors ready to go to Meals on Wheels today. Lilly Coleman from Meals on Wheels was present to receive the donations and was very grateful.
- The Bee and Mentor programs were explained by Cynthia. The Quilt Bee is a small group of quilters meeting independently for a common purpose. Two are currently meeting and working on Judy Neimeyer patterns at Savannah Sews in Pooler. There will be a discussion at the January meeting to help facilitate the creation of more Quilting Bees. The Mentor Program is a resource for guild members who are looking to get guidance on a particular topic. A survey will be created asking you to indicate the skills you would be willing to help others with. A compilation of the collected information will be posted on the members only page of our website.
- First Responders Eileen Kehoe thanked her committee for helping with the set up.
- Retreat Debi asked for a show of hands with 10 members indicating interest in a spring retreat. She will do a survey and research based in the findings.
- **Programs/Workshops** Lill Helming and Karen Park-Bigelow reported that a sit n' sew with snacks is scheduled after today's meeting. December will be the holiday party which Kellie Coombs is coordinating. January will be an all-day applique workshop with Pay Wys. February will be Linda Hahn doing the

Minutes of November 3, 2022—Continued

American Beauty Block. There will be homework prior to the workshop so sign up early. March will be Accordion Half Square Triangles with a workshop. April will be Dimensional Thread Painting with a workshop on March 31. Karen Park-Bigelow gave details about the December Holiday Party. There is a sign-up sheet being passed around with food items to bring. There will be raffle baskets to bid on and three make -an-take projects. Lisette Niemand, the fabric artist designer, has been rescheduled for September (or as a backup in March or April).

Karla Ward presented last month's Pinwheel block in a traditional and modern way. Linda Farineau presented this month's Dresden Plate block in a traditional and modern way. Either or both of these can be used in the quilt challenge to be judged in June 2023.

Cynthia reported that Sharon Savastano worked with the Columbia Women's Prison who gratefully accepted the guild's donation of ten sewing machines and accessories to start a program for the incarcerated women.

Following the break, Muriel Pfaff, dressed as Martha Washington, presented a history and quilt show highlighting the dress and quilt making in Colonial history. Refreshment from that time period were shared with the members present.

Birthday bundle winners were announced.

Cynthia adjourned the meeting at 12:30pm. The sit 'n sew was immediately following.

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne McClure Secretary



Maye River Quilters

Committee Chairs June 2022—May 2023

Membership - Joan Darr Programs - Karen Park-Bigelow

Workshops - Lill Helming Retreat - Debi Bacon

Charitable Interest - Sylvia Cameron First Responders - Eileen Keohane

Fundraising - Debi Bacon Education - Becky Robinson

Web Site & Facebook - Brenda Lucas Historian - Lynne Mortenson

Newsletter - Gaye Paquet Hospitality - Kellie Coombs

Publicity - Guild Friends - Linda Farineau

Founding Mothers—Ann Godwin & Debi Bacon

2022-23 Meetings

Social: 9:30am

Meeting: 10:00 (unless otherwise posted)

Our meetings July 2022 thru December 2023 will be held at the Palmetto Electric Coop,

2022

Dec 3

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Jan 7*	Feb 4	March 4	Apr 1	May 12*	June 3	July 7
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^{*} Indicates meeting on SECOND Saturday

Newsletter

The MRQ Newsletter is published ever month for guild members. Articles or other information must be submitted to Gaye Paquet by the 17th of each month. Please submit your info to sewcrazy723@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Gaye.



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February 23-26, 2023, at the Atlanta Convention Center at AmericasMart - quiltcon.com



Charlotte Quilters' Guild Carolina Lily Quilt Show

Quilt Show & Specialty Vendors

March 3-4, 2023 (9am—4pm)

Union Co Agricultural Center

3230 Presson Road Monroe, NC 28112

Admission \$8.00, Free Parking

Vendors listed on our website www.charlottequiltersguild.org

Raffle Prizes, Boutique by the Quilters' Guild and more!

Judged Exhibition of members' quilts



James H. Woodside Conference Center at the Greenville Convention Center

1 Exposition Drive, Greenville, SC 29607

(The Conference Center is located off Eisenhower Drive.)

MAJOR QUILT SHOWS JANUARY 2023

Desert Lily Quilt Show	Yuma, AZ	Jan 6 – Jan 7	
Quilting & Fiber Art Marketplace	Sanford, NC	Jan 13 – Jan 14	
Road to California	Ontario, CA	Jan 18 – Jan 21	
Myrtle Beach Quilt Party	Myrtle Beach, SC	Jan 19 – Jan 21	
Quiltfest Virtual Schoolhouse 4	VIRTUAL	Jan 25 – Jan 28	
Quilt, Craft & Sew	Phoenix, AZ	Jan 26 – Jan 28	
Quilting & Needle Art Extravaganza	Statesville, NC	Jan 27 – Jan 28	

