



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am hoping you all had a wonderful, if not quiet, Thanksgiving and are looking forward to the holiday season. I am ready to put the tree up and get 2020 over with, but 2021 looks a little shaky yet. Hope they figure out a solution to this virus because the best gift would be to finally meet as a guild in person! Be sure and read the newsletter closely, and don't forget you only have until December 31st to renew your membership without a penalty. Fun things are being planned in 2021 and you don't want to miss out. By the time your newsletter gets to you, you should have received an email where you can renew your membership in online and pay by PayPal or check. Don't forget to mark a committee or two you would like to serve on and maybe even consider being an officer. Just wanted to say that our parking lot drive through for the raffle tickets went well! If you didn't come, you missed the Show and Tell Cynthia Cassidy had on the hood of her car displaying what she will be presenting for our January program. You also missed trunks of goodies that went rather quickly! Thank you so much for taking time to drive out and actually getting to talk to some of the members. (And for emptying my trunk – my storage chest thanks you!) See you on the 5th for a much-anticipated presentation by Gyleen Fitzgerald.
See you then!

Linda

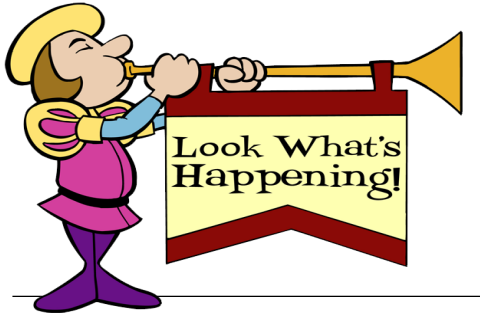
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December Regular Meeting

Via ZOOM – December 5 – 10:00am



Program to follow – See page 2

Please join in!



2020

DECEMBER

<p style="text-align: center;">5 Saturday</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5, 6 & 7 Saturday, Sunday & Monday</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Program</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Workshop</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Gyleen Fitzgerald "Path to Modern"</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Rescheduled from April</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Gyleen Fitzgerald Workshop – "Uptown" to be held online via Facebook Live</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>

SIGN UP is for Gyleen Fitzgerald **"UPTOWN"** Workshop which will be on **FACEBOOK LIVE** – Saturday December 5th at 2:00-5:00, Sunday, December 6th at 2:00-5:00 and Monday, December 7th at 2:00-3:00 (wrap up) for registered/paid participants.

Gyleen will speak live and demo the project **ONLY** at the initial time. Participants will be free to work on the project and ask questions after the live presentation. Participants will have recorded demonstrations and instructions **AT ANY TIME** for only 3 days regardless of the time.

Materials: Uptown Pattern \$10 and there is an optional Angle Trim Tool \$15.


Website link is www.colourfulstitches.com

Cost of Class is \$30. You can purchase the book "Bricks, Cobblestones, and Pebbles", Author Gyleen Fitzgerald, for \$30 which includes the pattern Uptown + 20 additional patterns that also uses the ruler.

Registration for sign-up is open on our website: mayeriverquilters.com

ATTENTION: We still have supplies for 4-6 people if you are still interested in taking Gyleen's workshop. Let Sandy Graves (843-540-4481) or Linda Forry (513-519-4271) know ASAP so we can pickup your check and deliver your pattern before next Saturday!



<p>January 9 Saturday</p>	<p>February 6 Saturday</p>
<p>Program</p>	<p>Program</p>
<p>Our own Cynthia Cassidy will present how to create free hand collage quilt creations</p>	<p>Studio 180 Design Tools Tools for the Realist, Not the Idealist! Trunk show and lecture with Dianna Mann, Studio 180 Design Certified Instructor <i>More on Dianna below</i></p>
<p>March 6 Saturday</p>	<p>Diana began quilting in 2014 when her husband bought her a sewing machine for Christmas. After taking a beginning quilting class her machine was never idle. She started taking more classes and learning as much as she could about precision piecing. In 2016 she was introduced to Studio 180 Design Tools through the Lemoyne Star tool and quickly bought up many of the other products in the line. Once she realized the precision they brought to her quilting, she set out to convert patterns to use the tools. In 2019 when she was at a retreat the owner of Wish Upon a Quilt in Raleigh, NC asked her to demo Lemoyne Star. Soon after she was teaching the tools at the shop. In February of 2020 she trained with Deb Tucker and her staff to become a Certified Instructor. Her enthusiasm for quilting, the Studio 180 method, and love of sharing her passion makes her a dynamic instructor. She teaches through Wish Upon a Quilt in Raleigh, NC. Since the pandemic started, she teaches over Zoom, allowing her to reach people out of her geographical area. If you are interested in individual classes or guild workshops, contact her to set up an online class demo.</p>
<p>Program</p>	
<p>MRQ President Linda Forry will give us a demonstration on the At Your Fingertips Stand Up Quilt Tool Caddy</p>  <p>Everyone who attends will receive the pattern sheet FREE!</p>	

Maye River Quilters Quilt Raffle

Ticket pick up options are:

- * Members from Sun City community can contact Sylvia Cameron, sacquilts@gmail.com, to arrange pick up.
- * Members from the Haven community can contact Debi Bacon, kansaswx@verizon.net, to arrange pick up.

All envelopes will contain 10 tickets. Each ticket is \$1.00.

There will be a prize for the member who sells the most tickets and the member who sells the winning ticket.

All tickets will need to be returned by April 1st. For those

of you selling more than one pack, you can pick up more from the neighborhood reps or contact Nancy Vandenberg (vandenberg_nancy@yahoo.com) for more. Be sure to return the money and tickets you have sold when picking up extra packs. For those who pick up from Debi or Sylvia, you can return your tickets and money to them.

We are hopeful our meetings will be back in session at Palmetto before April 1st allowing for times to return tickets; however, if not we will provide details for return options.

We are hoping for a better picture after it is quilted. It measures approximately 84" x 101". Drawing will be May 1, 2021.



If you haven't already done so, it is time to renew your MRQ membership! You should have received an email where you can fill in your information, click pay by check or PayPal, and hit send. Very painless and quick!

Please understand the dues are \$42 which will cover Jan. 2021 through May of 2022. Do not pay the \$47 unless you pay AFTER December 31, 2020.

We have had multiple people who have hit pay by check AND PayPal, so please only pick one. Paypal may take a few days to clear. Checks need to be sent to Sandra Walsh, Membership Chairman, 579 Sisters Ferry Rd., Clyn, GA 31303.

Birthday Bundles

December Bundles

Place your bid by going to mayeriverquilters@gmail.com membership/birthday bundles five days prior to zoom meeting. Winners will be announced at the end of the December 5 Zoom meeting. Karla Ward and/or Sharon Savastano will then deliver the bundle to the winning bidder and will collect payment upon delivery or you can now pay via Paypal. Thanking you in advance.

January Birthday Ladies

Please consider donating a birthday bundle to help out with fundraising for ongoing programs and workshops. Email a picture of your donation with a brief description of your item/items to irisgirl54@yahoo.com or ssavy51@gmail.com by **December 24th**.

Happy Birthday and bidding. Stay safe.

Go to the Members Page
Click on the Balloons

Place your bids by entering your first & last name and bid amount as a comment under the bundle you are bidding on and hit the comment button. Put your name and email address in the boxes on the page that comes up. No need to fill in the website box. Hit the Comment as Guest box below your name and you should see you amount underneath the Comment Box on the bidding page. The instructions are also on the website next to the balloons.



NOTICE TO MEMBERS

The Board has had a few inquiries about posting information by email to our members. We realize it is harder to reach out to each other during the pandemic, but do not want to overload our member with emails.

If you have something you are looking for, wanting to sell, or wanting to get rid of, please consider using our Facebook page to reach out to our guild members.



Maye River Quilters Guild

November 7, 2020, Guild Meeting via ZOOM

The meeting was called to order by **President Linda Forry** at 10:00 am. We had two new members in attendance, Jane Warren and Kathy Lennox. Welcome to both ladies. There were 50 members present on ZOOM for our meeting.

Linda announced that our meeting would begin with our program speaker, Brandy Yingling. Brandy is the owner of Blue Heron Stitchery in Bluffton. She gave us a tour of her expansive shop and studio area, and showed us many of the fabric lines she carries in her shop, as well as the notions and patterns available to us. We are so fortunate to have several independent quilt shops in our area. Brandy mentioned that she will be initiating a machine embroidery club sometime next year, and that she loves it when customers bring show and tell items to the shop. Brandy began her quilting journey by taking a paper-piecing class at Granny's, taught by guild member **Judy Cain**. She later decided to open up her own quilt shop, which opened in early 2019.

The minutes from the October guild meeting were accepted as published in the newsletter. The treasurer's report was accepted as published in the newsletter, and will be filed for audit.

MRQ will be updating the membership renewal form on the website to include the option to pay via PayPal; that new form should be uploaded soon.

Julie Hiscox discussed our ongoing efforts to make and donate charity quilts during the COVID situation. It has come to our attention that the Pregnancy Center of the Lowcountry gives layettes to new moms in need, and would love baby quilts to add to their layettes. They can use as many as we are willing to donate, with a suggested size of 36 x 36 to 30 x 40. This size is small enough that members should be able to quilt them on their domestic sewing machines. Completed quilts can be brought to Blue Heron Stitchery where **Julie Hiscox** and **Eileen Keohane** will coordinate their delivery. **Julie** is also contacting Bluffton police department as to their interest in taking some of our larger lap quilts to have on hand for emergency situations.

Nancy Vandenburg spoke on behalf of the quilt raffle committee about the distribution of raffle tickets for our raffle quilt. The top is currently being quilted by Lynn **O'Neal** and is almost complete. It will be raffled on May 1, 2021. The tickets were handed out at a drive-through event in the parking lot of Palmetto Electric Coop on November 7, and any member who did not receive their packet will be able to access them through a neighborhood representative. **Sylvia Cameron** will cover Sun City South, **Linda Forry** will cover Sun City North, **Debi Bacon** has tickets for The Haven, **Kristine Richardson** has tickets for the Beaufort area members. Money and ticket stubs must be returned by April 1, 2021.

Fran Oblander discussed upcoming programs, and announced that Gyleen Fitzgerald will be our program speaker at the December 5 meeting. **Cynthia Cassidy** is scheduled to bring us a demonstration of making freeform collage pillows at our January 9 meeting. The February program is planned to be a trunk show on the use of several Deb Tucker rulers. In March, **Linda Forry** will offer us a demonstration of an acrylic and fabric tool stand for our sewing area. The free pattern will be included. The newsletter will bring further information on these and other upcoming programs.

Workshop news includes the upcoming “Cool Cars” workshop scheduled via Zoom on November 14, given by Andrea West. In December, Gyleen Fitzgerald will bring us her workshop entitled “Uptown”, which will occur on December 5 and 6 via Facebook Live, with a rap-up session to be held on December 7. More information on these is available on the guild website. Several members confirmed that Facebook Live is very easy to use, and Gyleen will leave our group access up for several days so we can re-visit the page on our computers.

There has been a suggestion that the guild make Bosom Buddy protective seatbelt pads to give to chemo patients to protect their ports or tender surgical site areas. There is a free pattern available at Byannie.com. Members can download the pattern, which requires fat quarters and Soft and Stable foam to make. The local Breast Cancer centers will all accept as many of these as we can create. There was discussion on planning to have a workshop after Christmas to try making these.

Sharon Savastano and **Karla Ward** announced the winners of the five Birthday Bundles; the winners included **Fran Oblander, Julie Hiscox, Gaye Paquet, Sharon Savastano, and M.J. McConnell**. Sharon reminded us that Birthday Bundle information must be sent to her by November 21 in order to be uploaded for the December 5 meeting.

Linda Forry adjourned the meeting at 11:00.

Submitted by Eileen Keohane, Secretary



Vision 2 Gammill Long Arm machine for sale.

Price is reduced to \$6500.

I would like to get it out of my sewing space.

Contact Nan Brown—scnanbrown@gmail.com—
828-989-7477



What's happening around the river bend...



1—Joan Darr	3—Lynn Havelka	3—Holly Martin
3—Cynthia Taylor	4—Pat Wys	8—Ann Godwin
11—Edie Vestal	17—Pat Stoval	21—Joanne Moss
22—Lucy Wick	23—Barbara Wanthal	25—Barbara Nelson
	30—Kris Klotz	

MEMBERSHIP

Total Paid Members : 128

October via Zoom: Members—38; Visitors—2

November via Zoom: Members— 39; Visitors—1

Two New Members in November.

Welcome, Katherine Lennox and Janet Warren!

Tips 'n Tricks

If you have a tip or trick to share,

please send to gaye.paquet@hotmail.com

ONLINE SEW 'N TELL

Here's how it works:

1. Email a picture of your finished project to mayeriverquilters@gmail.com (projects must be finished - a completed quilt top is considered finished)
2. Include your name (first name & last initial will be included for privacy. If you want more info on a project please use our Member Directory to contact the quilter directly).
3. Include a description and/or source - **MAXIMUM of 15 WORDS PLEASE**
4. Limit 3 submissions per member each month please. You may submit anytime - photos will be added regularly.

All rules are Board approved.

CHARITABLE INTEREST!



We will be making baby quilts for the Pregnancy Center of the Lowcountry. Small quilts that are 36" x 45" or not larger than 45" x 50" will do the trick. If you do not have batting or backing, please let Julie Hiscox (912-656-1183) or Eileen Keohane (843-987-0557) know and we will get some to you. The quilts should be small enough to quilt on our home machines, but if you are uncomfortable quilting your own, let Julie know and we will get it to a volunteer to quilt it.



2020-2021 Officers

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 Raffle Quilt Barbara Millsap
 Nancy Vandenberg
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 Workshops Sandy Graves
 Sue Smith

Founding Mothers

Debi Bacon
 Ann Godwin



2021 Meetings

Meeting: 10:00 (unless otherwise posted)

Until further notice all meetings will be held
via ZOOM

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

We will NOT be able to meet at
Palmetto Electric until at least March 2021.

Meeting Dates

January 9 *	February 6	March 6
April 10 *	May 1	June 5
July 10 *	August 7	September 11 *
October 2	November 6	December 4

* Indicates meeting on 2nd Saturday



American Quilter's Society
Quilt WEEK

ALL 2021 AQS SHOWS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED

QuiltFest, Inc.
of Jacksonville, FL



NEW DATES
MAY 13-15, 2021
 Prime Osborn Center
 Jacksonville, FL