

**MAYE RIVER  
QUILTERS  
PROGRAMS &  
WORKSHOPS**

*Fran Oblander  
Workshops  
Gaye Paquet  
Programs*



**July 8  
Palmetto Electric  
Coop**

**Social—9:30am  
Meeting—10am  
Program to follow  
Please join in!**

**NOTE:**

THE SEPT 9 MEETING  
WILL BE HELD AT THE  
CHURCH OF THE PALMS  
SEE PAGE 11

**Saturday, July 8, 2023**

**Program by Lisette Niemond—Fabric Designer**



Lisette is inspired by nature and she will show us her designs inspired by nature. She mentions how they moved a few times because of her husband's work, but she never had to worry because she could create patterns anywhere because all you need is computer, Adobe Illustrator and an internet connect to add or sell new designs,

Lisette's website is: <https://sassiniemand.com/contact-lisette-niemand/>

She is also on Instagram at <http://www.instagram.com/sassiniemand>

Please check out her work! Absolutely stunning!!!

*We will also introduce our "Christmas in July Service Project and stocking contest as we continue to make stockings for the Walterboro Veterans Home.*

**Saturday, August 5, 2023**

**Augusta Cole Program**

Augusta began her quilting career 35 years ago in North Carolina. She has served on the board of directors for the NC Quilt Symposium. After moving to Virginia, she got involved in local quilting groups and eventually served as President of the Virginia Consortium of Quilters, a statewide quilting group. She regularly teaches up and down the East Coast and beyond! She loves to teach and travel.



Her website is: [augustacolequilting.com](http://augustacolequilting.com).

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Variety  
is the  
Spice  
of  
Life

Just ask Augusta!



**Saturday, August 6, 2023**

### **Augusta Cole Workshop—Curved Log Cabin**



Wow! Can you believe the comeback of the Log Cabin? Some traditions are just too good to let go. Now we have made it curve! The curves are created by using different size logs. The logs can be made from your stash or with fat quarters or a combination of both. Beginners as well as advanced quilters are equally intrigued with this design. The pattern possibilities for the log cabin are just endless, so come make your blocks and play with the plentiful designs. See you at the curve!

Water and snacks will be provided. Lunch is bring your own.

Workshop Fee: \$30 (make checks payable to Maye River Quilters)

Bring to a meeting or mail to Fran Oblander, 27 Heathrow Ave, Bluffton 29910 or pay via Paypal to Maye River Quilters.



**Saturday, September 9, 2023**

### **Garage Sale Program—a joint effort of programs and fundraising!**

***NOTE: Location change to Church of the Palms!!!***

Buy a table and join in the fun while reorganizing your sewing room and making space for new stuff. You must reserve and pay for your table ahead of the meeting. You may only sell quilting-related items, such as fabric, notions, rulers, patterns, kits, quilts, or items you have make. Yes, you may sell sewing machines but remember this is a yard sale so they should be yard-sale priced if you expect to sell. Sign-up in July or August at the workshop table. Remember — one woman's trash is another woman's treasure!

Complete your registration at the workshop table and make a little money from selling your sewing related treasures. You provide the change fund and keep all your proceeds.

Rules of the sale:

- Full table \$10.
- Half table \$5, sign up with a partner or we will find you a partner
- No sales during the meeting
- Set up will begin at 9:15

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"You can't use up  
creativity.  
The more you use  
the more you have."

*- Maya Angelou*

**Saturday, October 7, 2023  
Sassy Sunflower Designer & Owner—Julie Dobson**



Julie is the creator of the wonderful half-pack concept and designer of the patterns that come with each half-pack. She will share her quilting journey and her designs.

Check out her patterns and half-packs at <https://sassysunflowerquilts.com>



**Saturday, October 7, 2023  
Sassy Sunflower Designer & Owner—Julie Dobson**

Grab a half-pack from your stash or select from Julie's collection. We will be doing Square Affair and can finish during the afternoon.

Water and snacks will be provided. Lunch is bring your own.

Workshop fee: \$30 (make checks payable to Maye River Quilter)

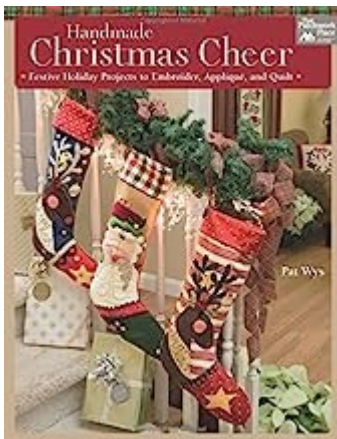
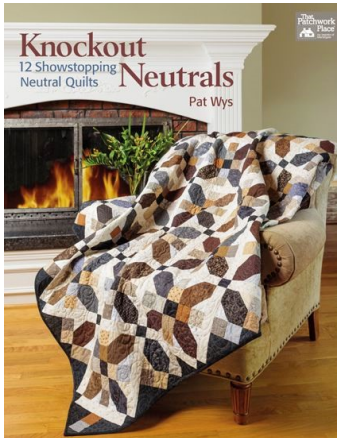


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**Saturday, November 4, 2023**

**Pat Wys, Quilt Teacher, Designer and  
Maye River Quilters Member**



Our very own Pat Wys will present a variety of quilts showcasing applique. Her lecture will impart extensive knowledge on the “Art of the Needle” and the key techniques associated with beautiful applique. 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.



**Sunday, November 5, 2023**

**Pat Wys—The Art of the Needle with Machine Applique  
Techniques**

Come and spend a day with Pat and we will unlock the not so difficult techniques that being applique to the head of the class. This workshop will be a day of learning how to create machine applique with ease, speed, accuracy...and MAGICAL results. Your friends will think you have spend months hand sewing beautiful motifs. By days end you will know how to take this technique, go forward, open up worlds of possibilities for adding that artistic touch of applique to ANYTHING! This class is a technique and practice driven. You are not going to leave our class with another UFO. Pat will bring a large variety of motifs, drawings and designs to trace/copy and take home to applique. We will discuss and practice techniques and get fired up and ready to create AFTER we learn the process!

A short supply list will be provided at registration. We spend the day in APPLIQUE SCHOOL. Use the supply list and gather some scraps of fabric... *if you have some*, and head down the road to creativity. Pat will bring a bag of scraps for you to use as we practice. Do not buy fabric... we have it covered.

Water and snacks will be provided. Lunch is “bring” your own.

Workshop Fee: \$30 (make checks payable to Maye River Quilters)

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## Saturday, December 2, 2023 Annual Christmas Party

Come for the pot luck lunch and treats and stay for the basket raffle! We will have a pincushion gift exchange (participation is optional with more details coming later). There will also be a stocking display and voting for viewer's choice and prizes will be involved.



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## Planning for 2024

The Program and Workshop Committees are continuing to finetune plans for the second half of the year. Already on the schedule is a ruler and notion demonstration. Anniversary celebration and an ice cream social. Workshops will include making portable design boards, paper-pieced pickle dish quilt, and at least one sewing afternoon.

We are also asking you to let us know if you have a willingness to share your knowledge through a program or workshop for our members. If you have a referral for someone local who has something cool to share with our guild that would also be helpful. Just contact Gaye or Fran with your ideas!

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

*Kellie Coombs  
President*



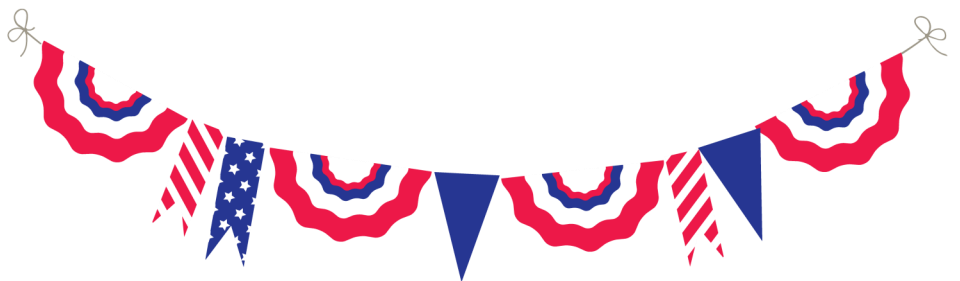
Happy Summer MRQ!

The new board year is off to a fantastic start. I can't thank everyone enough for coming to our joint board meeting at Bluffton United Methodist. Thank you for Fran for arranging it and Karla and Dayna for keeping us fed and hydrated. (Hint: Dayna's cookies are a delight!)

In this newsletter you should find our Treasure's Report from Suzanne McClure. This report includes the budget we are submitting to the guild for approval. Take a minute to look it over and please ask questions should any arise. A vote will be taken at the July meeting.

Finally I wanted to take a minute to express my deep gratitude to the guild. As the nominating committee moved forward this Spring, the doors were unexpectedly opening for my husband and I to make an overseas move. The nominating committee was gracious to allow my name to go forward to prevent any embarrassment I may feel in needing to withdraw my name. I've spent these first few weeks of our new guild year working with the entire board and committee chairs to get the year up and running. Per our By Laws, Judy Hertel will step in as President after our August guild meeting. Judy's move to President leaves the role of VP vacant. Per our By Laws, Judy and I are working together to bring a name to the board to fill the VP role. MRQ is a guild of kindness and compassion. I'm grateful to be a part of it. In September, my husband and I will be back in Europe and get back to our love of travel and exploration from our new home in Nazare, Portugal.

Hugs and Stitches!



## MEMBERSHIP

Linda Farineau



## FREE TABLE



**Total Paid Members: 103**

**June Meeting:** 49 members—2 new members

**June Meeting:** 65 members—1 new member



**NEW MEMBER:**

KATE GIBSON



**Happy Birthday to our July gals!**

8—Linda Pirtle

10—Kate Gibson

12—Bobbie Precht

18—Jane Warren

23—Gaye Paquet

25—Debi Bacon

30—Sandi James



If you have gently used items and want to clean out your sewing room, you can bring your quilt-related items for the Free Table. Once on the table, anyone can help themselves. Anything left on the table after the meeting **MUST** be taken back home with you or it will be thrown out.



**CHARITABLE  
INTEREST**

*Kathy Coates  
Chair*



It was initially decided that our focus this coming year would be placemats and clothing protectors for the Veterans Victory House in Walterboro. However, I was informed that they have no interest or need for these items. I asked what was needed there and was told that they could always use walker bags, even though not all residents use a walker. They have some extras on hand but would gladly take more. Something that they all need and would use on a daily basis is some type of pouch/drawstring bag for residents to keep their glasses and cell phones handy. There are currently 220 residents at the home, but I would like to strive for 250 bags so they have extras. This would be an easy project and I like the fact that ALL residents need one! I made up some samples (using patriotic fabric) which I will bring to the July meeting. My hope is to have these bags completed and delivered to the Veterans home by Veterans Day in November. This is very doable. Then the walker bags could be “phase 2” which would commence in January so we’ll talk more about that later. In the meantime, if anyone has any patriotic fabric and/or ¼” elastic that they could donate to our project, please bring it to the July meeting. One yard of fabric makes 8 pouches so we need a lot of fabric! If you have any questions or concerns call me (Kathy Coates) at 843-757-6284.



**HOSPITALITY**

*Karla Ward  
Chair*

Attention all coffee and tea drinkers. The Hospitality Committee is considering serving Hot Coffee or Hot Tea at our meetings in addition to water. Cookies or a breakfast treat such as coffee cake or mini muffins may also be provided. They hope this new idea will help our Members feel more welcomed and encourage socialization before our meetings start. Before putting their idea into action, Hospitality will be polling members who attend the July meeting to see if there is an



**FIRST  
RESPONDERS**

*Cynthia Cassidy  
Chair*

Cynthia is in need of volunteers to help with table and chair set-up and takedown for the July meeting.

Please contact Cynthia at 614-397-9004.



## FUNDRAISING

*Debi Bacon  
Jane Warren  
Lill Helming*

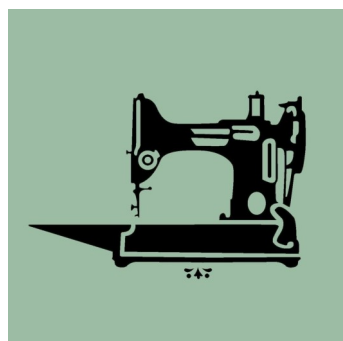


The Fundraising Committee has been busy devising fun activities for Membership to participate in, which will help fund our programs and workshops.

Birthday Bundles—always popular—will continue for the 2023 – 2024 guild year, and we invite everyone to participate. Happy July Birthday to Linda Pirtle, Kate Gibson, Bobbie Precht, Jane Warren, Gaye Paquet, Debi Bacon, and Sandi James!

Plans are in the works for the next Raffle Quilt. Karen Park-Bigelow will spearhead this project. We are hoping for maximum participation from all Guild members. More information will be available at the next few guild meetings.

Drum roll...Saturday, September 9, 2023 we are having a Garage Sale! It is time to clean out your closet and make room for more fabric. Tables are available for rent from Fundraising for \$10.00 each, or \$5 for a half table. You must reserve and pay for your table ahead of the meeting. You may only sell quilting-related items, such as fabric, notions, rulers, patterns, kits, quilts, or items you have made. Yes, you may sell sewing machines but remember this is a yard sale so they should be yard-sale priced if you expect to sell. Sign-ups and more specific details will be available at the next two Guild meetings. Remember, one woman's trash is another woman's treasure!



### **Generosity Abounds!**

Kellie Coombs had a Singer Featherweight she wanted to donate to the Guild, with a condition: any proceeds from selling the machine would be earmarked for Workshops. Committee folks strategized how to make this happen. An auction? A special item at the upcoming Yard Sale? Deliberations ended when Judy Hertel said she would buy the Featherweight. Thanks to both these ladies the Guild has received a generous donation which will benefit our Workshops.



**MRQ**  
**BEE KEEPER**

*Judy Hertel*



**Bee Groups ... Mini Groups**

Joyce Haskins is looking to start a needle turn applique group. Please reach out to Joyce, Pat Wys or Judy Hertel if you would like to join or learn more about this new group.

Please note: The reason groups are full is because of meeting space constraints and this is why I like to call them "mini" groups. We'd love to see more mini groups form! Remember you can start a group with any theme or interest. Groups generally meet once a month at a time and space of their choosing.

We are considering starting a waiting list for groups, but why not start your own?!?!

Our current mini groups:

Judy Niemeyer Tuesday Bee

Judy Niemeyer Thursday Bee

(Currently taking a break for the summer)

Scrappy Ladies

Threadheads



## GUILD MEETING MINUTES

*Liz Penke*  
*Secretary*

### Maye River Quilt Guild General Membership Minutes June 3, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Kellie Coombs at 10:00 at Palmetto Electric.

Cindy Tracy reported 3 guests and 1 new member.

Guests: Tanya Hertel was introduced by her sister-in-law, July Hertel

Kara Palm was introduced by her Aunt Kristine Richardson

Anne Dickerson was introduced by Martha Greenly

and new member, Kate Gibson, was introduced by Eileen Keohane

Joan Darr reported 65 members present. Reminder that a late fee is now added onto the dues which increases to \$35.

The minutes of the May 6, 2023 meeting were printed in the newsletter. Debi Bacon, seconded by Suzanne McClure, moved to approved the minutes as published. The motion passed unanimously. The Treasurer's report was filed for audit.

Kellie reminded everyone to visit the birthday bundles.

#### Committee reports:

1. First Responders: Cynthia Cassidy described the committee's responsibilities: set up before the meeting, and take down at the close. She asked for volunteers.
2. Hospitality: No report
3. Charitable interest: Kathy Coates reported that we will be making patriotic placemats for the Veterans' home in Waterboro.
4. Retreat: A Chairperson is needed.
5. Newsletter: Gaye Paquet reminded everyone that information must be submitted to her by the 17th of each month.
6. Website: The site is being worked on by Brenda Lucas and Karen Park-Bigelow.
7. Bee Program: Judy Hertel reported we have 4 bees at present and they are all full. Two meet at Savannah Sews in Pooler. One meets in members homes, and the fourth group meets at the Blue Heron. If others are interested, we will consider adding more bees.
8. Raffle Quilt: The winner of the quilt was Linda Hartrick, a guild member. And the winning ticket was sold by Linda Hartrick. In total, 1490 tickets were sold. A special thanks to Fran Oblander for all of her work. Sue Smith sold the most tickets at 80 and won 2nd place. Debi Bacon sold 85 and won first place, a gift certificate to Blue Heron.



## GUILD MEETING MINUTES

*Continued*



The 2023-2024 raffle quilt will be made with full guild participation. Karen Park-Bigelow will chair this effort to be raffled in 2025.

9. 2025 will be the guild's 10th anniversary. Be thinking about anniversary plans.
10. Programs: Gaye Paquet noted the following programs and workshops:  
July: Lisette Niemand, fabric designer  
August: Augusta Cole program and workshop, Curved Log Cabin  
September: Garage sale and auction. This is a fundraiser. Table can be rented for \$10 or shared for \$5/each.
11. Historian: Vacant position, responsible for summarizing at the end of the year.
11. Challenge Quilt: Cathy Dale said the theme of the quilts will be "Welcome to My Garden". She will later detail four blocks that must be included.

Guild members showed off their beautiful work during Show 'n Tell.

Reminder: the meeting next month will be on the second Saturday due to the 4th of July holiday. July 8 at Palmetto Electric Coop.

It was reported that Janet Swan lost her husband on June 1 after a long illness. Cards would be welcomed.

A brief recess was called.

Lill Helming introduced the Pizza Girls, Patti and Cindy, who presented a wonderful trunk show. They will conduct a workshop on Sunday, June 4, at the Haven. Jack's Chain will be the pattern taught.

Birthday bundle winners were announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 am.



**MRQ 2023  
MEETING DATES**

**Our meetings throughout 2023 will be held at  
the Palmetto Electric Coop, 1 Cooperative Way, Hardeeville**

**Social: 9:30am**

**Meeting: 10:00 (unless otherwise posted)**

**2023**

July 8*	August 5	Sept 9*
Oct 7	Nov 4	Dec 2

- Indicates meeting on SECOND Saturday
- **NOTE:** The Sept 9 meeting will be held at Church of the Palms



**MRQ 2023-2024  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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## NEWSLETTER

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### **JULY** **HOLIDAYS**

- 1—International Joke Day
- 2—UFO Day
- 3—Disobedience Day
- 4—4th of July
- 5—Workaholics' Day
- 6—International Kissing Day
- 7—National Macaroni Day
- 8—Math 2.0 Day
- 9—National Sugar Cookie Day
- 10—Pina Colada or Smoothie Day
- 11—Free Slurpee Day
- 12—International Picnic Day
- 13—Embrace your Geekiness Day
- 14—National Mac & Cheese Day
- 15—Give Something Away Day
- 16—Fresh Spinach Day
- 17—World Emoji Day
- 18—National Caviar Day
- 19—National Raspberry Cake Day
- 20—Moon Day
- 21—National Junk Food Day
- 22—Hammock Day
- 23—Vanilla Ice Cream Day
- 24—National Drive-Through Day
- 25—National Merry-Go-Round Day
- 26—All or Nothing Day
- 27—Take your Pants for a Walk Day
- 28—National Milk Chocolate Day
- 29—National Lipstick Day
- 30—Father-in-Law Day
- 31—National Mutt Day



## Advice from a QUILT™

Make lasting memories  
Block out time for family  
Cherish tradition  
Keep your friends in stitches  
Find common threads  
Know when to cut corners  
It's OK to be a little scrappy!



Remember when we  
were young and  
couldn't wait to  
grow up, so we  
could do whatever  
we wanted, whenever  
we wanted?

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How's that  
working  
out for  
you?



**JULIE'S  
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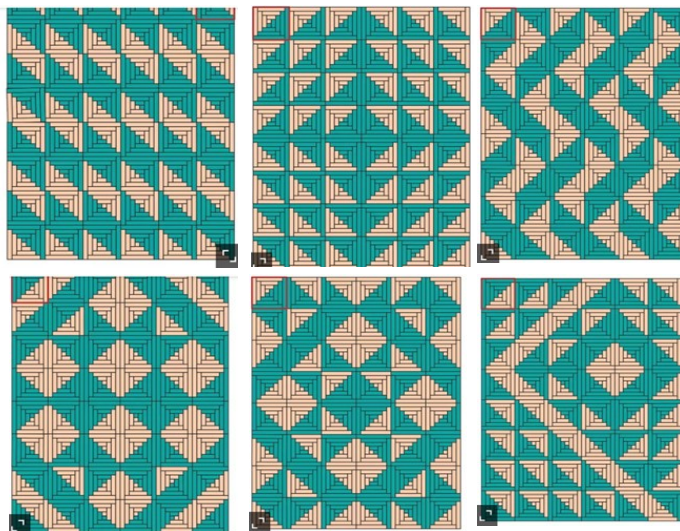
*Julie Hiscox*



**Log Cabin Blocks**

Log cabin blocks are familiar to most of us; we just had a workshop to learn one variation of a log cabin block that creates an illusion of a curve within the block. It's a great variation for creating curved patterns over the area of the quilt.

I found some other ideas for variations on the log cabin block. One article started with a basic log cabin block in two colors and created a variety of designs by simply rotating the blocks in a number of ways. Very similar to creating a design with half square triangles, the variations are almost endless. I've shown six from an article that had over 30 variations just using two colors. Imagine what could be done with more colors!



A more modern take on the log cabin could be to use bold colors in contrast with a background color in a bigger block, creating an entirely different feel. Use a pieced block as the center of a log cabin; the quilt shown below could be called 'A Cabin in a Cabin', if it were mine. Or simply make one huge log cabin block over an entire quilt.



If you are looking for log cabins, my source for these was <https://www.allpeoplequilt.com> There are patterns for some of these and a lot more ideas to stir your creativity.

**MRQ**  
**MARKETPLACE**



*From Joan Darr ~*

A number of people have asked me about the recently held fabric sale at God's Goods, the thrift store of the Church of the Church, Bluffton. A number of people from MRQ generously donated fabric, trims, etc. and a sewing machine. The sale was a great success. All sales from God's Goods are donated to missions around the world. They have now established a fabric department dedicated to this project and plan more sales in the future. So, you now have another place to shop and/or donate any fabric, etc. in the future. As a member of both the Church and the guild, thank you for all your generous donations.

*From Sylvia Cameron ~*

*Rulers for sale:*

*Block Lock 6.5" ruler - \$15.00*

*Clearly Perfect Slotted Trimmer (New in package) - \$30.00*

*June Taylor's Shape Cut (2 of them) used - \$8.00 each*

*June Taylor's Quarter Cut used - \$15.00*

*If interested please call Sylvia at 834-705-7853 or email [sacquilts@gmail.com](mailto:sacquilts@gmail.com)*

I see people my age out there climbing mountains and zip lining and here I am feeling good about myself because I got my leg through my underwear without losing my balance.

An advertisement for Pineapple Fabrics. It features a central illustration of a green sewing machine. Above the machine, the text reads "It's a proven fact...". Below the machine, the text reads "You cannot be sad when holding fabrics and thread". The background is white with teal dots scattered in the corners. At the bottom, there is a logo for "PINEAPPLE FABRICS" and the website "PINEAPPLEFABRICS.COM".



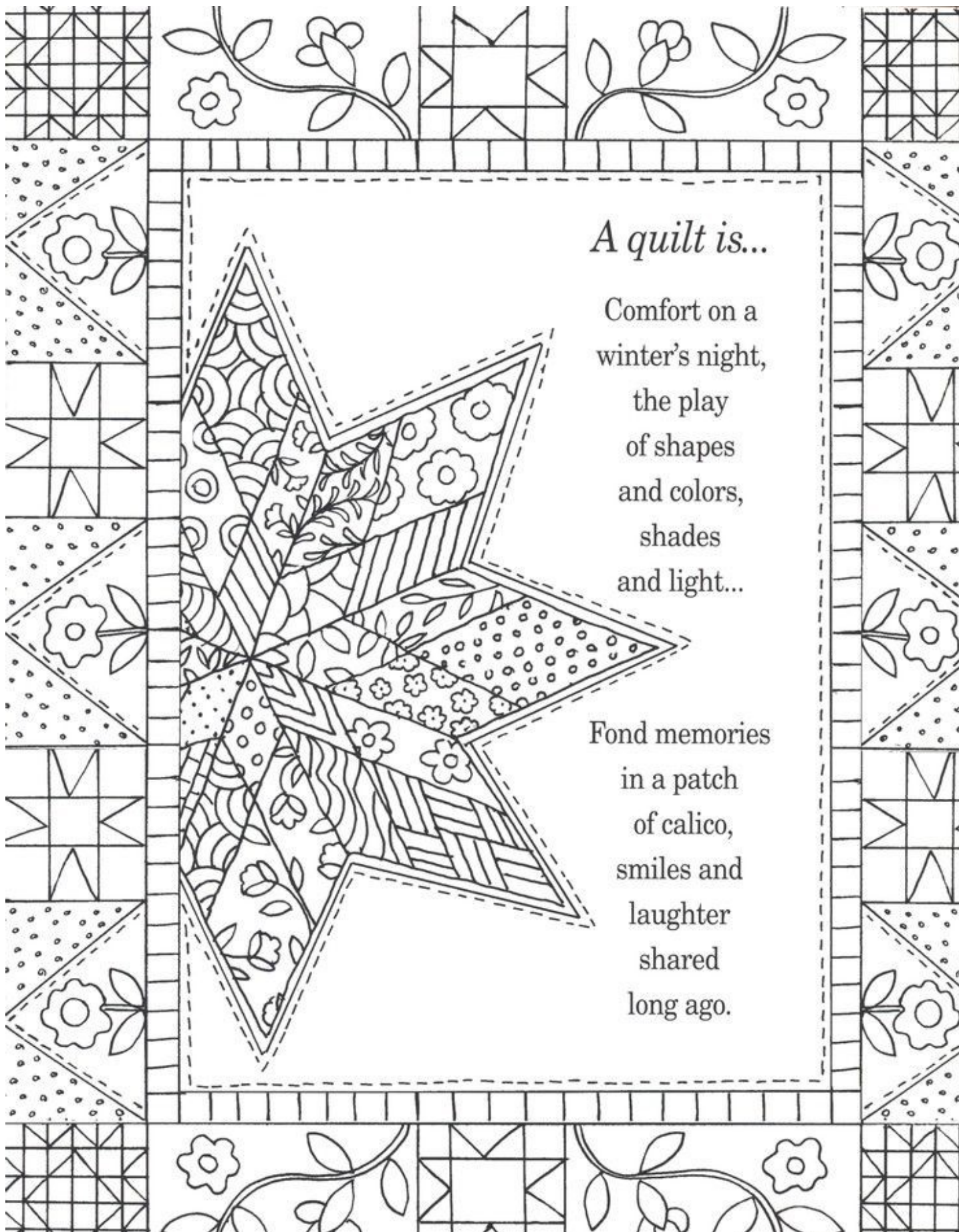
QUILT SHOWS  
AND  
EVENTS  
CALENDAR



## MAJOR QUILT SHOWS JULY 2023

<u>Sew Magical Expo</u>	Nashville, TN	6/30 - 7/2
<u>Buzzing Along the Tow-path Show</u>	Syracuse, NY	6/30 - 7/1
<u>Quilt Barn at Kutztown Folk Festival</u>	Kutztown, PA	7/1 - 7/9
<u>Spring Quilt Festival</u>	Long Beach, CA	7/6 - 7/8
<u>Sisters Quilt Show</u>	Sisters, OR	7/8
<u>Quilt Company East Guild Show</u>	Monroeville, PA	7/13 - 7/15
<u>Wildflower Quilt Guild Show</u>	Temple, TX	7/14 - 7/15
<u>Black Canyon Quilt Show</u>	Montrose, CO	7/14 - 7/16
<u>Quilts in the Vineyard</u>	Westby, WI	7/15
<u>Quilter's Hall of Fame Quilt Show</u>	Marion, IN	7/20 - 7/22
<u>Northeast Ohio Quilt Show</u>	Wooster, OH	7/20 - 7/22
<u>Quilts for All Seasons Quilt Show</u>	Cedar Rapids, IA	7/21 - 7/22
<u>Maine Quilts Quilt Show</u>	Augusta, ME	7/27 - 7/29
<u>American Sewing Guild National Conference</u>	New York, NY	7/27 - 7/31
<u>Common Threads Quilt Guild Show</u>	Gainesville, TX	7/28 - 7/29
<u>Quilts on the Beach</u>	Camano, WA	7/29

If you need a break from sewing, get a cuppa, relax and color for a while!



*A quilt is...*

Comfort on a  
winter's night,  
the play  
of shapes  
and colors,  
shades  
and light...

Fond memories  
in a patch  
of calico,  
smiles and  
laughter  
shared  
long ago.