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## President's Message

As I am writing this I am waiting for a delivery of kitchen cabinets. Nothing like a kitchen renovation to start off the summer! There are parts of the kitchen that just didn't work for me, hence the renovation (and it is very dark). I have studied Pinterest on kitchens, pinned a thousand ideas, consulted an architect (the hubby—but he manages construction of plane hangers, not kitchens) and finally we have decided on a simple renovation. No moving of water or drain lines, not changing the footprint—just shifting the stove left and the fridge to the right making use of corner cabinet carousels, adding some more counter space and lighter cabinets and countertops. Evolving the design to make it work better.

Do we do the same with quilts? Study Pinterest, pin a million things we like? (my husband catches me looking at “quilt porn” all the time). Soon we finally decide on a pattern, a kit, or even a block we like and construct our own layout/design. I am striving to become a more improv/modern/wonky quilter as peruse Pinterest. As we evolve as quilters our style changes too. How has your quilt style changed over the years?

The Guild is still in need of a few committee chairs: Hospitality, Guild Friends and Publicity. Even if you are unable to attend every meeting, consider chairing a committee and ensuring that the task is covered for the meeting. These committees have worker bees, just not a queen. Thank you!

I look forward to an evolving year with Mayer River!

*Cynthia*



## June Regular Meeting

**June 4 —Church of the Palms**

**Social—9:30am**

**Meeting—10am**

**Program to follow—See page 2**

**Please join in!**

- ◆ Bring payment for dues
- ◆ Wear your nametag
- ◆ Bring something for Show 'n Tell
- ◆ If you have a birthday in June, bring a birthday bundle for auction
- ◆ Last, but not least—bring a friend (or enemy— we're not picky!)

# WHAT'S NEW in 2022

Saturday, June 4

## ice cream social



Ice Cream!!!

Fun and Games!!!

It's all fun & games



until the

bobbin runs out...



ICE CREAM PARTY AND GAMES!!!

Let's have some fun at the June meeting!  
We will play 3 games (there will be prizes) and of course eat ice cream!

One of the games will be Left Right Center.  
For the game please bring 6 fat quarters. They need to be: Patriotic, Christmas,  
Solid Colors or Batik, or any combination of those.

MRQ members will be given a special presentation at the June meeting. Members of the Modern Quilt Guild in Charleston will be doing a show 'n tell, and talk about quilting, modern quilts and Quilt Con.



And then!!! Another show 'n tell presentation by your very own MRQ Board of Directors who will be showing their own quilts.

## ***Charitable Interest Submissions***

As we were preparing for the board transition, we discovered that the Charitable Interest is actually selected by the board rather than the full membership. As a result, the following nominations will be reviewed by the board and the new official charitable interest will be announced at the June meeting. Please note that this was my (Fran Oblander) mistake and the new board is simply following our by-laws.

### **Osprey Village—by Debi Bacon**

Osprey Village is a South Carolina non-profit corporation founded in 2008 advocates championing a better way to provide resources to empower adults with developmental disabilities by providing affordable housing options for adults.

Osprey Village was Maye River Quilters' very first charitable interest; we provided two quilts for raffle.

I suggest we once again provide a large (more than lap quilt size) quilt for Osprey Village to raffle at a suitable venue. We would find and use a design that could be completed by any members who wanted to make squares, preferably a design that could be oversized. Volunteers would combine those blocks into a quilt and other volunteers would quilt, bind, and label the quilt, presenting it to the Osprey Village Board.

### **Baby Quilts for Pregnancy of the Low Country—by Kathy Coates**

Quilts should be approx. 42-48 in square (finished). Quilts can be for a baby boy, baby girl or neutral. Colorful! Simple patterns such as rail fence, 5" square patchwork, etc. Easy and fun way to use up those scraps. The reward would be knowing that your quilt may be passed down to future babies too!!!

### **Meals on Wheels—by Jean LeBlanc**

The suggested project is to make placemats for Meals on Wheels Bluffton-Hilton Head. They provide daily hot nutritious meals and reduced social isolation for elderly, ill, disabled and homebound individuals in Bluffton, Hilton Head and Sun City on a temporary or long-term basis. In 2021, they served 29,671 meals and are projected to serve 33,000 meals. On average, 110 clients are delivered six meals weekly. 250 volunteer drivers are a daily point of contact and security net for the clients, including all holidays. Each year the clients are given shelf stable meals at the start of hurricane season. 74% of clients do not pay for their meals.



## Needles To say...

### MEMBERSHIP

**Total Paid Members : 118**

**April Meeting:** Members— 44  
and 1 guest

**May Meeting:** Members— 31  
and 1 guest

*One new member in May*

***Welcome, Sandra Smith!***



- 4—June Jones
- 5—Karen Bigelow
- 13— Julie Hiscox
- 13—Eileen Keohane
- 21—Linda Robinson
- 21—Sandra Walsh
- 22—Cathy Harris
- 23—Barbara Heagney
- 25—Cindy Rosenberry
- 30—Carol Treanor

**Happy Birthday, Ladies!!!**



All members contact information can be found on the guild website,  
[www.mayeriverquilters.com](http://www.mayeriverquilters.com)

If you require assistance logging in to the guild member section of  
the website, please contact Brenda Lucas, [btlucas11@gmail.com](mailto:btlucas11@gmail.com)

### Birthday Bundles

Happy birthday to those of you celebrating in June. The committee hopes you will have the best possible day and will celebrate being one year older.

Maye River Quilters began in January 2015. We were small and had no money so Founder Ann Godwin suggested "Birthday Bundles". They quickly became our signature fundraiser. One time a member found a \$1.00 Longaberger Basket at a yard sale. She filled it with GOBS of fat quarters and it went for more than \$199! To date, it was the most productive bundle.

Is your birthday in June? Please consider bringing an item for a silent auction. It can be as small as a small bucket of 6 fat quarters or as large as a huge basket stuffed with sewing tools. Please consider buying something new to donate (don't forget we are a 501(c)(3) organization so it is tax deductible). Very gently used items are good too. Bring your item to the Birthday Bundle table at the June meeting.

This year, the Fundraising Committee will track whose basket raises the most money and at the end of the year, THERE IS A PRIZE. Maybe even two!

~ Debi Bacon, Chair—[kansaswx@verizon.net](mailto:kansaswx@verizon.net)





Eileen Keohane, First Responders Chair, is in need of volunteers for the June meeting. Please contact Eileen at 843-987-0557.

Many of our committees need members. If you have an interest on serving on one of our many committees, please contact any board member or the chair of your committee choice. They are listed on the last page of this newsletter.



*Retreat is just around the corner!*

Join us for a relaxing weekend at St. Christopher's Camp and Conference Center, Johns Island, SC. Sew from Friday, September 9 at 3:30 pm to Sunday, September 11 at 2:00 pm. Double occupancy only this year, so choose your roommate and sign up together.

Restricted to 12 people total. You may pick and choose which meals you will participate in. Cost for lodging, retreat space and all meals is \$248 (choose less meals, your cost is less).

The retreat registration is included in this newsletter. Complete and bring to the June, July, or August meetings with total due **not later than August 9, 2022**. Your registration will be confirmed on a first-come-first-served basis and secured with at least one-half of your retreat total. We will maintain a wait list after reaching the total.

~ Debi Bacon, Chair— [kansaswx@verizon.net](mailto:kansaswx@verizon.net)



# Maye River Quilters Guild Minutes

May 7, 2022—Church of the Palms

**Gaye Paquet**, Vice President, opened the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

There were 32 members present and 1 guest. **Lill Helming** and **Jane Warren** brought a guest, Sandra Smith. Lill introduced Sandra, who lives in Sun City and is originally from upstate NY. Sandra is a fabulous quilter and Lill really thinks she should join us as a guild member.

The meeting minutes were published in the newsletter. **Gaye** asked for a motion to approve minutes. **Suzanne McClure** noted that the minutes incorrectly stated that she has been quilting since she was 8. She actually said she had been quilting since 2008. **Gaye** asked if she wanted to make a motion to amend the minutes. The order of procedures was discussed and it was determined that a motion to approve the minutes must be made and seconded, then the motion to amend can be made, seconded and voted on. Once that is done, the motion to approve the minutes would be voted on. **Lill** made the motion to approve the minutes as presented in the newsletter and the motion was seconded. **Suzanne** then made a motion to amend the minutes to correctly state that she has been quilting since 2008. **Debi Bacon** seconded the motion; vote to amend was unanimous. Motion to approve the minutes then approved.

The Treasurer's report was also published in the newsletter. **Gaye** asked for corrections or questions on the treasurer's report. As there were neither, the Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

**Gaye** asked for members to form a line for show and tell. Quilts were then displayed for the members.

**Gaye** requested nominations for charitable interests for the 2022-2023 term.

- 1) **Kathy Coates** suggested doing baby quilts for the Pregnancy Center of the Low Country. She said that everybody likes sewing baby quilts and the Center always appreciates donations. Someone said that the Center gets quilts from Sun City and other groups as well so quilts might not be a high priority need for us to fill.
- 2) **Kathy Coates** also suggested making placemats for Meals on Wheels. The suggestion was seconded by **Jean LeBlanc** whose husband is the current president of Meals on Wheels and the group would love to be able to give placemats with the meals they deliver. Placemats are small, quick projects and good for using up scraps,
- 3) **Debi Bacon** suggested the Guild make a quilt for raffle for the Osprey Center. In the past, the guild has chosen a simple pattern and members make blocks to be assembled. Osprey Center has property and plumbing infrastructure for housing for disabled adults but there is still a lot to be done. Osprey Center was the first charitable interest for this guild and **Debi** suggested that it would be nice to circle back to them again.

**Debi Bacon** will write up a proposal for the raffle quilt for the Osprey Center. **Kathy Coates** will write proposals for the baby quilts and the placemats. The write ups will be put in the newsletter for review by the membership and members will vote on them at the next meeting. **Debi Bacon** noted that the By-Laws say that the Guild will select one charitable interest to focus on during the year, but members have supported more than one charitable interest before.

**Gaye** recognized the great service of the current board members **Fran Oblander**, President; **Gaye Paquet**, Vice President; **Jean LeBlanc**, Treasurer; **Julie Hiscox**, Secretary; **Lill Helming**, Member at Large and **Linda Forry**, Past President.

Committee chairs for the last term were also recognized: **April Boyd, Pat Wys, Pat Cohen, Eileen Keohane, Sandy Walsh, June Jones, Linda Robinson, Sharon Savastano, Karla Ward, Debi Bacon, Brenda Lucas, Linda Forry, Mindy Weaver, and Diane Kretkowski.**

**Debi Bacon** talked about the Founder's Award. The awardee was selected by the founders of the Guild, **Debi Bacon** and **Ann Godwin**. The awardee is selected on the basis of exceptional service during the ending term. The award pays the awardee's dues for the next year. Awardee this year is **Linda Forry**, specifically for how well she got the Guild reactivated after missing only one meeting in 2020 due to COVID. Linda took the lead in arranging for Zoom meetings, workshops, and programs. Due to her efforts, this Guild has stayed active and in communication over the last two years, unlike other guilds in the area.

A committee has been formed to review and revise the By-Laws. Chair is **Lill Helming** with members **Suzanne McClure** and **Debi Bacon**. They will review, revise and update the By-Laws which will then be published in the newsletter for review by the members. At the meeting, after the ByLaws are published in the newsletter, the members will discuss and vote on whether to accept the revisions.

**Karla Ward** talked about Birthday Bundles and how much fun it has been. They have met a lot of the members but they are kind of glad it's over. This is the last Birthday Bundle for this term and there are still two bundles that don't have any bids, so **Karla** and **Sharon Savastano** suggested members bid. They reminded all that the members put time, effort and money into preparing these bundles for the benefit of the guild and we should show appreciation of their efforts by supporting fundraising activities like this.

**June Jones** was not present to discuss Guild Friends.

**Linda Robinson**, Hospitality, reminded all about the ice cream social next month and to bring Fat Quarters for the games. Specifics about the types of Fat Quarters to bring are in the newsletter.

**Debi Bacon** said our retreat is scheduled at St. Christopher's near Charleston for September 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>. There will be a note in the June newsletter about the retreat and in June, members can start signing up for the retreat. Members can choose to pay in two payments in June and July; the total must be paid by the August meeting. It was fun last time and the food was great!

**Brenda Lucas** had nothing to share about the website or the Facebook page.

**Pat Wys** was not there to discuss programs but Gaye noted that she is probably very glad this year is finished.

**Sandy Walsh** is doing membership duties remotely as she is unable to attend meetings for a while. **Gaye** noted that dues are due by the end of this month. If they aren't paid by the end of the month, the member won't receive the newsletter, be in the directory or have access to the website. So please be sure your dues are paid.

**Jean LeBlanc** will be collecting dues via the website and PayPal through the end of the month. Jean can send a PayPal invoice to a member if someone is not familiar with PayPal. Be sure to fill out the membership form so your interests within the guild can be noted.

**Gaye** will be sending out the directory this weekend for review by members to ensure all information is correct. If there are errors, please notify Gaye to update the information.

**Eileen Keohane** will continue to be chair for the First Responders for this next term. She has a clipboard for members to sign up as first responders for the future. For newer members, First Responders arrive about 30 minutes before the meeting to help set up chairs, tables and other equipment. They will also help put furniture back where it was originally if needed.

The Bed Turning program was initiated by **Debi Bacon**, who introduced **Linda Pirtle** who shared some of her quilts. Linda talked about each quilt as it was displayed. **Lill Helming** and **Jane Warren** helped with turning and displaying the quilts.

**Gaye** reminded members to turn in money and/or raffle tickets for the drawing next month.

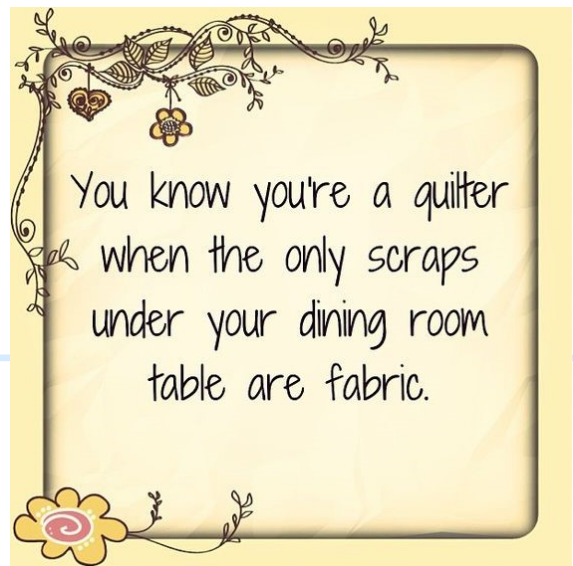
**Gaye** also reminded members to take home any items they put on the free table that are still there. Anything left on the free table will be thrown away.

Birthday Bundle Winners

- #1 \$20 Brandy Yingling
- #2 \$15 Cindy Rosenberg
- #3 \$40 Linda Farineau
- #4 \$40 Jan Jones
- #5 \$20 Brandy Yingling

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Hiscox, Secretary



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# Maye River Quilters

## PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS

President Fran Oblander appointed a Bylaws Committee to review our current bylaws and make recommendations for amendments. This newsletter includes a document with those recommended changes. When members don't work with bylaws much, often we don't understand how this process works so here is a guide:

1. Find the current bylaws dated October 3, 2020 on our website at <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5bb6a86a7a1fbd0130cf4869/t/5f90ac9ce6fa3e43c36949e2/1603316894235/MRQ+By-Laws%2C++Revised+Oct.+3%2C+2020.pdf>
2. Use the recommended amendments document to see the changes.
  - A. The left hand column refers to a section of the bylaws (for example: Article III B). This column contains the current wording with those words that will be changed in red.
  - B. The center column shows the current wording "redlined". This means that words that will be stricken have a red line through them and words that will be added are in red.
  - C. The right hand column shows how that section of the bylaws will look **if the amendment is passed.**
3. Review those recommended changes and make any notes if you have questions. The Chair will be prepared to answer your questions.
4. This publication serves as your notice that the bylaw amendments will be on the agenda at the July meeting. Be prepared to vote for the amendments.
5. At the July meeting, assuming a quorum is present (20% of our membership) the Bylaws Committee will move that the amendments be accepted and the members present will vote. Passage of the amendment(s) require a simple majority of those present. This can happen for all the amendments together, or each amendment could be a separate vote.

Lill Helming, Chair  
Debi Bacon  
Suzanne McClure

### **WISE WORDS...**

"The Repository for Textile Accumulation & Investment" sounds more impressive than "fabric stash".



**Measure twice, cut  
once  
curse, repeat**



# Maye River Quilters

## Committee Chairs June 2022—May 2023

Membership - Joan Darr  
Workshops - Lill Helming  
Charitable Interest - Karen Bird  
Fundraising - Debi Bacon  
Web Site & Facebook - Brenda Lucas  
Newsletter - Gaye Paquet  
Publicity -  
Programs - Karen Park-Bigelow  
Retreat - Debi Bacon  
First Responders - Eileen Keohane  
Education - Becky Robinson  
Historian - Lynne Mortenson  
Hospitality -  
Guild Friends -  
Founding Mothers—Ann Godwin & Debi Bacon

## 2022-23 Meetings

Social: 9:30am  
Meeting: 10:00 (unless otherwise posted)

**Our meetings July 2022 thru June 2023 will be held at  
the Church of the Palms, 1045 Okatie Hwy**

### 2022

June 4	July 9*	August 6	Sept 10*	Oct 1	Nov 5	Dec 3
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### 2023

Jan 7*	Feb 4	March 4	Apr 1	May 6	June 3	July 7
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\* Indicates meeting on SECOND Saturday

## NEWSLETTER

The MRQ Newsletter is published every 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](mailto:sewcrazy723@gmail.com). If you have any questions, please feel free to email Gaye.

## ***Maye River Quilters Calendar 2022-2023***

Jun 4	Regular Meeting and Ice Cream Social
Jul 10	Regular Meeting
Aug 6	Regular Meeting
Sep 10	Regular Meeting
Oct 1	Regular Meeting
Nov 5	Regular Meeting
Dec 3	Regular Meeting and Christmas Party
Jan 7	Regular Meeting
Feb 4	Regular Meeting
Mar 4	Regular Meeting
Apr 1	Regular Meeting
May 6	Regular Meeting

Dates and events  
will be added to  
this calendar as they  
become available

**FOR SALE**

**2019 Brother ND2750D Sewing/Embroidery Machine**

Works perfectly, recently serviced (cleaned and lubricated). All original manuals, attachments, hoops, etc. included as well as carrier. Bonus: brand new box of embroidery thread values at \$150, custom made Sew Sweetly extension table.

Asking price is \$1350. Reason for selling: I upgraded.



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**Georgia Celebrates Quilts**

Quilt Show & Market  
June 9—11, 2022  
Cobb County Civic Center  
Marietta, Georgia



**QuiltCon  
ATLANTA 2023**

presented by **The Modern Quilt Guild**

February 23-16, 2023, at the Atlanta Convention Center at AmericasMart - quiltcon.com

## MAJOR 2022 QUILT SHOWS

<a href="#">Black Hills Quilt Show</a>	Rapid City, SD	June 2 – June 4
<a href="#">Mountain Top Quilt Show</a>	Prescott Valley, AZ	June 2 – June 4
<a href="#">Birmingham QuiltFest</a>	Birmingham, AL	June 3 – June 4
<a href="#">North Country Quilting Guild Show</a>	Clayton, NY	June 3 – June 5
<a href="#">Schoolhouse Quilt Show</a>	Cumberland, MD	June 3 – June 5
<a href="#">Carson Valley Quilt Show</a>	Gardnerville, NV	June 4 – June 5
<a href="#">A Mountain Quiltfest</a>	Pigeon Forge, TN	June 6 – June 9
<a href="#">Panguitch Quilt Walk Festival</a>	Panguitch, UT	June 8 – June 11
<a href="#">Georgia Celebrates Quilts</a>	Marietta, GA	June 9 – June 11
<a href="#">Quilt Show Reno</a>	Reno, NV	June 9 – June 11
<a href="#">Stars Over Abilene Quilt Show</a>	Abilene, TX	June 10 – June 11
<a href="#">Fort Wayne Quilt Fest</a>	Fort Wayne, IN	June 10 – June 11
<a href="#">Minnesota Quilt Show</a>	St. Cloud, MN	June 15 – June 18
<a href="#">Virtual Quilt Festival</a>	Virtual	June 16 – June 18
<a href="#">A World of Color</a>	Bryan, TX	June 17 – June 18
<a href="#">Shipshewana Quilt Festival</a>	Shipshewana, IN	June 22 – June 25
<a href="#">Vermont Quilt Festival</a> <b>CANCELLED</b>	Essex Junction, Vermont	June 22 – June 25
<a href="#">Quilt, Craft &amp; Sewing Expo</a>	Oklahoma, OK	June 23 – June 25

