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HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2020

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I write this I am finishing up those last minute items for the holidays. Hope you find time for all your projects and are having a wonderful holiday break with your family. As we head toward 2020 and a New Year, I hope you take time to read the newsletter so you know all the wonderful things we have planned for you in the coming months. Rita Fischel is coming to speak at our January meeting and there were only 3 spots left for the workshop. Contact Kim Gleason ASAP if you are still interested in the workshop. February is Birthday Month and we have a potluck luncheon planned so be sure and sign up to bring your dish along with the recipe! One thing I want to pass on is that we only have until April to sell almost 1500 quilt raffle tickets, so if you have not picked up a pack yet, see Susan Taylor at the January meeting to get yours. Ticket sales have been slow so I hope you all will take at least one pack to sell. This is a big fund raiser for us and it is an easy way to support your guild!! See you all in the New Year!!

Linda

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January Regular Meeting

Saturday, January 4

Palmetto Electric Co-op

Block of the Month: 9:00 am

Hospitality Committee: 9:15 am

Social Time: 9:30 am

Meeting: 10am

REMEMBER

- Wear your Nametag
- Payment for workshop and supplies
- Something for Show 'n Tell
- Birthday Bundle – if you have a January birthday

2019-2020 Officers

President	Linda Forry
Vice President	Kristine Richardson
Secretary	Eileen Keohane
Treasurer	Cindy Rosenberry
Member-at-Large	Denise Nierstedt
Immediate Past President	April Boyd

Committees

Membership	Jean LeBlanc
Charitable Interest	Nan Brown Barbara Wanthal
Programs	Elaine Laffey Joan Darr
Workshops	Kim Gleason Sandy Graves
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Raffle Quilt	Susan Tyler Ann Piercy
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Nominating	Denise Nierstedt
Education	Sharon Savastano
Guild Friends	Janet Swan
Financial Review	Brenda Lucas Carol Trainor
Retreat	Denise Nierstedt
Social Media	Maureen Henault
Historian	Peggy Binder
Publicity	June Jones
Newsletter	Gaye Paquet
Webmaster	Holly Martin

Founding Mothers

Debi Bacon
Ann Godwin

Happy
New Year!

MEMBERSHIP

Total Paid Members : 126

November: Members—75; Visitors—2

December: Members—68; Visitors—0

New Members: Linda Hartrick, Lill Helming,
and Beth Rasmussen

Please welcome our new members!!!

Membership Reminder

Last call for members to pay their 2020 membership dues. If you have not paid by now you would have received a reminder email from Jean LeBlanc. You will need to complete a membership form and submit your \$35 payment at the January meeting in order to continue to receive the guild newsletter and attend guild meetings. Not able to renew in person? Mail your payment to Jean LeBlanc, 43 Waterview Court, Bluffton, SC 29910.

The 2020 Membership form is on the website

www.mayeriverquilters.com

A completed 2020 form must accompany your payment.



2	Ann Morgan	5	Diane Kretkowski	17	Lori Smalarz
21	Joyce Fowler	25	Sue Guardino	26	Lynne Mortenson
		29	Karla Ward		

Birthday Bundles

Most of us are transplants from other states that use the four letter word "snow" on a regular basis. Living in coastal South Carolina we now get use the four letter word "sand"! Make your January birthday extra special this year by creating a wonderful basket, box, or bag of quilty goodies for the guild to raffle off. I'd say add a chocolate bar or two, but January usually brings those optimistic New Years Resolutions to loose weight and exercise more. Perhaps your resolution is to purge your stash! A birthday basket is a great way to do that!

JANUARY

PROGRAMS

Elaine Laffey and Joan Darr

A Tribute to the Signal Quilts of the Underground Railroad

Rita Fishel, a native of northeastern Ohio, has a BA in Clothing & Textiles/Business from the University of Akron, and certification in Machine Art through Sew Art International. In late 1992 after relocating from Phoenix, AZ, she purchased Creations SewClever, a full-line quilt shop now housed in an old 1863 Georgian-style funeral home in Chillicothe, OH.

Rita vends, teaches and demos at all the national as well as many regional shows and lots of guild shows. She has published 2 books with AQS (Mystery Quilts and Everyday Quilts) and is currently working on her 3rd. She also writes for several quilt publications. Rita teaches on national and international Quilt Cruises and is a designer/consultant and National Demo Goddess for Creative Grids USA rulers.

One of her most requested lectures is based on Signal Quilts of the Underground Railroad. Rita speaks about the folklore/story as told in the book Hidden In Plain View, by Jacqueline L. Tobin and Raymond G. Dobard, Ph.D. and uses the visual aid of a 20-block quilt pieced with blocks inspired by the book. Rita works with the full knowledge and permission of Ms. Tobin and besides re-telling her tale, has researched about 15-20 other sources and incorporated those facts into her talk.

Join us on this fascinating trip back to the time before the Civil War, and use your imagination as we travel through the threads of time.

Workshop

Kim Gleason, Sandy Graves,
Debi Bacon, Martha Greely,
Sue Smith



NOVA

When: Sunday, January 5, 2020, 9am – 4pm

Where: The Haven

Cost: \$30

Taught by: Rita Fishel

Lunch will NOT be provided. Please bring your own.

Registration sheet was sent with this newsletter and is available on the website, mayeriverquilters.com

Additional details to be provided at the guild meeting.

FIRST RESPONDERS

Karla Ward

MRQ First Responders are volunteers who assist in setting up chairs and tables at our monthly meetings. Those who have signed up for the January meeting are:

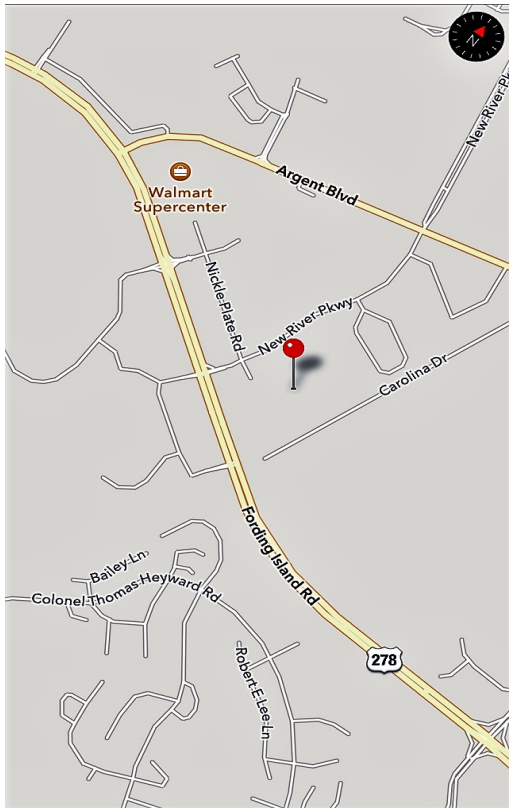


Cathy Persson
Ruth Casner
Sharon Franz
Ann Morgan

Thank you, Ladies!

Please arrive by 8:30 to assist in setting up.

All Members—Please sign-up with Karla Ward for even one month.



**MRQ meets the first Saturday of the Month
(except May, July & Sept—2nd Saturday)
at the following location:**

**Palmetto Electric Co-op
1 Cooperative Way, Hardeeville**

Traveling West on Highway 278, pass Sun City and the Technical College. Turn right on New River Parkway. This is the turn where the Lexus dealership is. Take the first right onto Cooperative Way and then another right into the parking lot. Do not park at the front of the building. Continue around towards Highway 278 and park on that side of the building. The entrance to the Community Room is just to the right of the regular entrances. Go into the hall and to the right.

2020 Meetings

Social Time: 9:30; Meeting: 10:00 – 12:00

All meetings will be held at Palmetto Electric Coop

January 4	February 1
March 7	April 4
May 9 (2nd Sat)	June 6
July 11 (2nd Sat)	August 1
September 12 (2nd Sat)	October 3
November 7	December 5

February

In February, we will celebrate the

5 Happy Anniversary!

of MRQ!!!

To celebrate this auspicious occasion, there will be a potluck luncheon followed by games immediately after the regular meeting.

Please bring a dish to be shared. There will be a sign-up sheet at the January meeting. Lucy and her committee are asking for appetizers, main dishes, and salads. ALSO, please bring the recipe for your dish.

To participate in the games, please note the following:

Fabric Swap: *Bring one (1) yard of fabric in a brown paper bag—more details to follow.*


Games: *Crowd favorite “Left, Right, Center”. Play 2 or 3 games, time permitting. Bring three (3) fat quarters for each game played. If you need FQs, we will have them available to purchase (donated by Debi Bacon) and all proceeds go to our guild.*

Thank you, Debi.



PROGRAMS FOR



January 4, 2020	February 1, 2020	March 7, 2020
<p>“Underground Railroad Quilts” Rita Fishel makes her 3rd guild appearance with us.</p>  <p>See Page 4</p>	<p>Anniversary Celebration, Fabric Swap and Game Day MRQ celebrates our 5th birthday with a Potluck lunch, games and a fun way to obtain fabric.</p> 	<p>Round Robin Demonstrations Once again, a guild favorite. Learn some new things!</p> 
April 4, 2020	May 9, 2020	June 6, 2020
<p>“Path to Modern” Gyleen Fitzgerald</p> 	<p>“Are we covered?” Kevin Sevier, local State Farm agent talks about coverage for your sewing machines</p>  <p>“Officer Installation”</p> 	

For more information on 2019-2020 programs, contact Elaine Laffey (elaffey@hargray.com or 843-757-8862)
OR Joan Darr (jd21010@gmail.com or 843-705-9590).

Next Newsletter Deadline

is Friday, January 17, 2020.

Send your information to Gaye Paquet at sewcrazy723@gmail.com

Please note NEW EMAIL!!!

2020



WORKSHOPS

January 5	Rita Fishel "NOVA" - using the Stripology Squared Ruler (See Page 3)	
March 7	Kristine Richardson—T-shirt quilts, Part 1	
April 4	Kristine Richardson— T-shirt quilts, Part 2	
April 5	Gyleen Fitzgerald "Uptown" Workshop To be held at The Haven—Cost \$30 Bring your own lunch. Additional info coming.	
June 6	Sit 'n Sew—immediately following guild meeting. Topic TBD	
August 1	Half-day workshop immediately following guild meeting. Topic TBD	
November 7	Sit 'n Sew—immediately following guild meeting.	

For more information on 2020 programs, contact Kim Gleason (k-gleason@comcast.net or 224-565-3151),
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Martha Greenly (mgquilt@gmail.com or 843-705-2751)
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or Sue Smith (camhill2@hargray.com or 973-670-5832)



Maye River Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes December 7, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 by **Linda Forry**, President.

Jean LeBlanc reported that there were 68 members present, and that 3 new members joined today, bringing our total attendance to 71. We currently have 133 members, and 99 have renewed their membership for 2020.

The minutes from the November meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.
The treasurer's report was accepted as published, and filed for audit.

Show and Tell was exceptional, as always. Photos are on our Facebook page so that those not in attendance can see what our talented members have produced recently.

Martha Greenly gave us an update on a prior guild project where we made and gifted 6 quilts for Habitat for Humanity homes in Beaufort. As coordinator of that project, she was invited to the dedication of home #5 on November 30, where a family with 4 children accepted the keys to a 5 bedroom home. The sixth home will be dedicated on December 15.

Linda Forry reminded us all that our May meeting will be on Saturday, May 9, 2020, which is the second Saturday of the month. Palmetto Electric Coop always uses their community room on the first Saturday in May for their annual meeting. Therefore we've moved our meeting back a week in order to use their community room.

Denise Nierstedt has been working on scheduling our quilt retreat, and it will be held at Epworth by the Sea on St. Simon's Island on October 9-11, 2020. There will be all adult ladies present at the Epworth facility that weekend, no children will be onsite.

Joan Darr spoke about the Quilters of South Carolina organization, which is dedicated to promoting quilting. They will be holding their spring meeting in Greenville, SC on March 21. There are workshops scheduled the day before and after the meeting, and more information can be found at their website quiltersofsc.org.

The raffle quilt committee reminded everyone to please turn in money for the raffle tickets you have sold. Money is due at the April meeting. The raffle quilt winner will be drawn on May 2 as stated on the tickets. The winner will be announced at our May 9 meeting.

Nan Brown discussed our progress towards completing 60 quilts for our charitable interest program this year. There is a need for some larger, twin-sized quilts for the older children. Tote bags and cosmetic bags are also needed. A speaker from the DSS program will be attending our meeting in April or May to share some information on the foster children program with us all.

We had a beautiful display of Christmas stockings at our December meeting, made by members to be donated to Veteran's Victory House in Walterboro, SC. Many items to stuff the stockings were also donated. The Hilton Head DAR chapter will be providing additional items for the stockings as a service for our veterans. **Debi Bacon** will deliver the stockings to Walterboro next week.

Minutes of December 7, 2019, continued ~

Elaine Laffey reminded us that at our January 4 meeting our speaker will be Rita Fishel, sharing information on the topic of Underground Railroad Quilts. Our February meeting will be the 5th anniversary celebration of the guild's formation. We will be having a potluck lunch as well as games and a fabric swap.

Kim Gleason reminded us that Rita Fishel will be offering a workshop on Sunday, January 5 at The Haven. A supply list for participants will be emailed, and lunch is NOT provided so you must bring your own. You will buy the "Nova" pattern from Rita, and can buy the Stripology ruler from her at the workshop if you don't yet have one. **Debi Bacon** informed us that the gate code at The Haven will be changing, and that a new code will be sent to participants. Information for all upcoming workshops can be found on our website.

The workshop committee has scheduled afternoon mini-workshops for after our March 7 and April 4 meetings. **Kristine Richardson** will be teaching us her method for making tee shirt quilts. March will be the planning part of the workshop, where she will discuss how she plans her setup. We will then go home and plan our own quilt. At the April workshop, we will actually be making the quilt top using her method. Sue Smith informed us that the Gyleen Fitzgerald workshop "Uptown" will be on Sunday, April 5. This is Palm Sunday, but the committee could not find a location to hold it on Friday so we've finalized the Sunday date.

Linda Forry adjourned the meeting at 10:55, and we proceeded to enjoy refreshments and vote for viewers choice for our stocking project. **Liz Penke** was one winner, the second winner was not present and is TBD.

We all enjoyed Christmas cookies provided by our board members, and a wonderful punch courtesy of our Hospitality committee

Submitted by Eileen Keohane, Secretary

RAFFLE QUILT

Ann Piercy, Susan Tyler, Pam Brown, Janet Swan, Cynthia Taylor, Cindy Tracy

Our Raffle quilt is finished and is making the rounds to our local quilt shops. If you haven't picked up your raffle tickets, please make sure you drop by the raffle quilt table to get them. Ann and Susan will more than happy to make sure you get a package or two! If everyone in the guild sells one package they'll be gone. This is an easy way for all of us to contribute to our guild!

All ticket proceeds are due back at the April meeting and the drawing will be held on May 2. Because our guild meeting will be held on May 9 this year, the winner will be announced at the meeting.



***Results
of Our
December
Program***



The Program Committee thanks those of you who so generously made Christmas stockings and donated them to our joint project with the Emily Geiger DAR Chapter. We received more than SIXTY stockings and each was a work of art! Congratulations to Liz Penke who won one of the Viewer's Choice awards. We have a second winner but are not sure who it belongs to and Chair Elaine will award that prize in January! Thank you also for the many, many personal care item donations.

Debi took the stockings to the DAR Christmas luncheon where they were on display. DAR Daughters oohed and ahhed and were quite impressed with our work. They also contributed many items for the stockings. On Friday, December 13th, Elaine Laffey, Debi Bacon, Bobbie Precht, Susan Dykes and Pat Wys worked together to stuff the stockings. Each got a pair of socks in the toe and then various items. There were SO MANY donations, that there were eight bags of overflow items. Many thanks to Phyllis and Brandi Yingling for donations of 250 pair of socks and to Kevin Sevier, State Farm for \$200 worth of items.

Debi delivered a car loaded to Veterans Victory House in Walterboro on Monday, December 16th. This Christmas Stocking Challenge was a tremendous success and we appreciate all of you who made it a reality.

CHARITABLE INTERESTS

Barbara Wanthal, Nan Brown, Brandy Yingling, Liz Penke

Thanks to all those who have donated quilts, totes, toiletry bags and items for those bags. Current accounting for the quilts is 47, 37 for the tote bags, and 43 toiletry bags. We will be making up more tote bag kits and will have them ready for the January meeting. Please keep them coming. Our goal is 60 of each item.

Some larger quilts for those 18 year old foster children (and abused adults if we have extra) would also be great. Think 60x72 in size or larger.

The plan is to have the rest of the quilts, totes and cosmetic bags ready by April. Hopefully Ms. Bradley from DSS will attend the meeting so we can present the rest of them to her and she will talk with us briefly about the impact we are having.



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by our members

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All over to custom and
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If you would like to be listed here,
or if you want your listing changed in some way, please let me know.
sewcrazy723@gmail.com



Roadtrip to quilt shows...



30th Annual Myrtle Beach Quilt Party

Thur, January 16, 2020 to Sat, January 18, 2020

Double Tree Resort (formerly Springmaid) 3200 S Ocean Blvd, Myrtle Beach, SC

Registration opens Sept. 1, 2019. For info: myrtlebeachquiltparty@gmail.com



DAYTONA BEACH, FL FEBRUARY 26–29, 2020	LANCASTER – DOWNTOWN, PA MARCH 25–28, 2020	PADUCAH, KY APRIL 22–25, 2020
LANCASTER – THE NOOK, PA AUGUST 5–7, 2020	GRAND RAPIDS, MI AUGUST 19–22, 2020	CHARLESTON, SC SEPTEMBER 30–OCTOBER 2, 2020



THE PALMETTO QUILT GUILD

presents

2020 QUILT FESTIVAL

March 20, 21 & 22

Hilton Head Beach & Tennis Resort
40 Folly Field Road, Hilton Head Island

Friday & Saturday: 10am to 5pm

Sunday: 10am to 3pm