

Maye River Quilters

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear MRQ members,

I ended my last message: "as you get requests to help with a committee or the raffle quilt or others please consider being a part of these experiences. You bring a new color (shade, tone or hue) to the mix of fun and learning we have as a guild. Each of you are talented, creative, and resourceful and we need everyone in the mix to have the best mix of color in our "quilt." A few more people have agreed to join the leadership team but we still need additional volunteers to lead the raffle quilt project and a chair to coordinate publicity. I will begin calling members in July so avoid a call by volunteering now!!

In my last letter I also made note of the color wheel. In one of the books I am reading about color the author (Perry, Gai, 1999. *Color from the Heart: Seven Great Ways to Make Quilts with Colors You Love*, C&T Publishing.) discusses the color wheel in greater detail and provides an interesting discussion about basic color theory principles including Value, Contrast and Harmonious Color Schemes. These concepts are shared by both artists and quilters alike. Where she suggests we part company is how we look at colors. Instead of focusing on the color wheel quilters are more comfortable with "Color Families". Unless we are dying our own fabric, we depend on the fabric manufacturers for "to supply a palette of desirable colors." (Perry, P. 6). She notes that this palette is made up of Color Families that focus on six spectrum colors – red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. When you think about these six colors across the concepts of values, contrast and harmony you can end up with an infinite variety of tones and hues that create beautiful quilts from neutrals to pastels to bright-brights.

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July Regular Meeting

July 10 – 10:00am Via ZOOM

Program to follow – See page 2

Please join in!

President's Message—continued

With these thoughts in mind the book challenges the reader to create a quick sampler of favorite colors using 20-1.5-inch squares glued to an 8 1/2 x 11-inch piece of paper. She suggested writing out favorite colors and then cutting the squares from solid colored fabric. I would like to challenge each MRQ member to try this exercise and jot down your first impressions about what you see and what it tells you about how you look at color as you build a quilt. If you are willing, send me a picture of your sampler and your observations via email by August 1st and these artifacts will be part of my message for the September letter to members. Next month, a new challenge!

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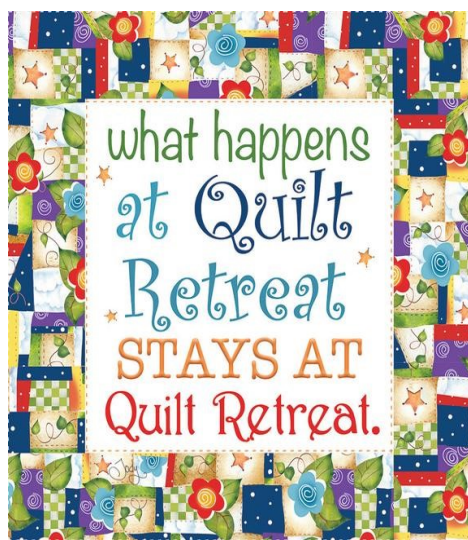
QUILTING ABBREVIATIONS

- **BDNQ:** Bad Day, Not Quilting
- **FART:** Fabric Accumulation Road Trip
- **FOB:** Fear of Binding
- **HIPS:** Hundreds of Ideas Piling Skyward
- **HSY:** Haven't Started Yet
- **PIGS:** Projects in Grocery Sacks
- **SABLE:** Sewing Accumulation Beyond Life Expectancy
- **SQUID:** Sewing a Quilt Until I Die
- **TGIF:** Thank God It's Finished
- **WOMBAT:** Waste of Money, Batting, and Time
- **WIWMI:** Wish It Would Make Itself

FABULOUS AND FUN IN 21

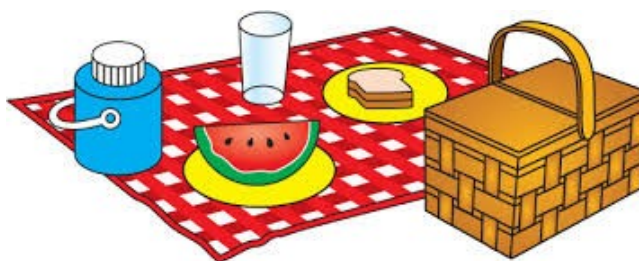


July 10	August 7
Program	Program
<p><i>Don't miss July meeting and the tour of several sewing spaces! We have quite the display of spaces to share. It will be fun to see where our guild members create their master pieces!</i></p>	<p><i>August is going to bring a panel of experts for your burning questions! So your assignment for July is to come up with questions of "how to" or "what's a better way".</i></p> <p><i>Please send your questions to april_boyd@hotmail.com by July 25th!</i></p>



2021 Fall Retreat

We have about ten spaces left for the October 22-24, 2021, Fall Retreat. We are traveling to St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center on Seabrook Island, SC, for a new venue. Good food, beautiful surroundings, comfortable accommodations and a great sewing space are all a part of the weekend. Find the registration form in this newsletter or on the website under Members Page—Events—Meetings and Programs. Send the 2-page form to Debi Bacon with your check for at least one-half of the final price to reserve your space. You don't want to miss this new venue and it is a great way to make new friends, especially since we haven't seen each other in a long time!





It's Mystery Quilt Time



Take a LEAP. Don't be afraid... It's a Mystery and it's spectacular! Here is how it works. After you join our group, each month for 8 months you will receive instructions for cutting and sewing. Month 1 will give you yardage for your quilt and your first sewing clues.

We will have a special celebration for you to show off your quilts.

Cost of the Mystery Quilt is \$25. This covers the cost of a ruler you will need for your quilt and the printing of the patterns. A demo of the ruler will be held during your journey don't worry we will hold your hand and have some great fun as we go.

Let's do the first Mystery Quilt in Maye River Quilt Guild history. You will be a quilting superstar when you are finished.

Email Joan Darr and she will get you all signed up and we will order the ruler for you. Joan has made the quilt but she cannot be bribed! jd21010@gmail.com

Pat Wys

(who read all the Nancy Drew books! I love a good mystery)



If you have questions about meetings, times, or places, or some other guild function, please send your question to mayeriverquilters@gmail.com.

Your question will then be answered by the proper person.

Birthday Bundles

WE NEED YOUR HELP! One quilter's stash is another quilter's treasure!

The Fund Raising Committee is seeking donations of items such as fabric, patterns, books, and sewing notions, to make up additional bundles to add to our ongoing monthly birthday bundles. There has been a drop in the number of Birthday Bundles we have been receiving each month, so we thought we would reach out to everyone. Please look in your stash for those duplicate rulers you may have purchased, a quilt kit you no longer like or extra fabric you can part with.

July 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 **July 10** 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.

August 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/item to irisgirl54@yahoo.com or ssavy51@gmail.com by **July 28**.

Happy Birthday and bidding. Stay safe.

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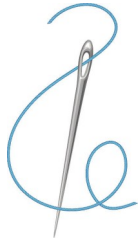
Go to the Members Page. Enter the password (**2021morequilts**). Click on the balloons. Place your bids by entering your first and last name and bid amount as a comment under the bundle you are bidding on. Then hit the comment button. Put your name and email address in the boxes on the page that comes up. No need to fill in the website box. Hit the 'Comment as Guest' box below your name and you should see your amount underneath the Comment Box on the bidding page. The instructions are also on the website next to the balloons.

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Needles to say...



MEMBERSHIP

Total Paid Members : 106

May via Zoom: Members— 36

June via Zoom: Members—38

No New Members in June



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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| July 2 - Beth Colburn | July 22 - Deborah Bennett |
| July 8 - Linda Pirtle | July 23 - Gaye Paquet |
| July 12—Bobbie Precht | July 25 - Debi Bacon |
| July 15 - Eileen Reichel | July 26 - Sharon Franz |
| July 18 - Jane Warren | July 30 - Sandi James |



FIRST RESPONDERS'

Eileen Keohane is Chair of the First Responders. They are the ladies who go in early to get the room set up for our meetings and breakdown after the meeting. In the event, the room at Palmetto Electric will be open for us to use in the near future, Eileen is looking for a few volunteers. Please contact Eileen at jekeohane13@gmail.com or 843-987-557.





Charitable Interests

A word about Charitable Interests.....

We have a number of great projects in the plans for Charitable Interests for this year.

These are projects that take little time so we should be able to complete an item when we need to take a break from a bigger item.

I met with the activities director at the Pines in Bluffton, formally Bloom in Bluffton. They are excited that we chose them as our Charitable Group.

Just to give you a short overview of the conversation....

They are interested in adult bibs...I will have a pattern for us to use shortly and will make it available at our first in person meeting or before if necessary. There are numerous ideas out there for adult bibs, but to keep it simple for now, the pattern will be pretty easy. The facility has 14 residents in memory care. I am sure they will use more than 14 and the facility washes them between each meal.

They are also interested in pillowcases for 40 + residents. - I am thinking that we should have all enclosed seams if possible or double seamed as these will be washed frequently. If you are not familiar with the Burrito Pillowcase, there are other names for this, please look at You Tube.

Now for fabrics...they are looking for pillowcases and bibs that can be used year round. No red because it bleeds. How well most of us know that. Suggestions were that we avoid geometrics or anything that is too busy, this would include stars. So, more colorful soothing fabrics; thinking fish, sea shells, candy, trucks, cars, animals, license plates like those from row by row, butterflies, etc.

Linda Forry is heading up a subgroup that will be working on fidget quilts for the Vineyard, but also possibly for Hospice and the Pines. So, the fidget quilts are also in the mix for us if you are interested. Linda plans to meet with the Vineyard and find out what restrictions might apply from the DHEC folks. We have been told that there are some limitations. If you are interested in helping with this, please contact Linda at linda4e@gmail.com

A suggestion is to plan an afternoon at the Haven to begin to work on our projects. Is there interest in doing this? Please contact me at mindyweaver@gmail.com if interested. And we will work to set something up. We are still unsure of when we will be able to use the Palmetto Electric Community Room.

Edie from Granny's donated material for us to use for Charitable interests and Pat Wys is also donating material. So, start stash diving and look for fabrics that you might like to use. I know I am looking through mine. And, thank you Edie and Pat for your generosity.

So, if you are interested in a work afternoon, please let me know and I will work with Debi Bacon to arrange it for us.

Again, thank you and happy sewing!

Maye River Quilters Guild Minutes

June 5, 2021, Guild Meeting via ZOOM

President Fran Oblander opened the meeting on Zoom at 10:00 am. There were 41 members present, with no new members or visitors attending.

Vice President **Gaye Paquet** called Palmetto Electric Coop to discuss when their meeting room might reopen for our use. There is no decision on reopening at this time but the Coop will decide in June when to reopen. We are hoping to be back to in person meetings in September or October.

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

Fran noted that there were several items of new business to be discussed and voted on. The votes were conducted by poll and a test poll was done by **Kristine Richardson** prior to the actual voting. Two members had members with them for the Zoom meeting; it was noted that each group of two would have to agree on their one vote.

The first item of new business was the Budget Review. **Debi Bacon** made a motion to adopt the budget as proposed; **Judy Hertel** seconded the motion. The motion was opened for discussion with no questions asked. Attendees voted by poll and the budget was approved unanimously.

Three items were proposed for this year's Charitable Interests projects. **Linda Forry** presented the fidget quilts for patients at The Vineyard, a memory care facility. These are small quilts with manual activities on the front such as zippers, beads, buckles, prairie points, pockets, loops, etc. If this project is selected, the group would have to research safety laws and facility guidance for what could safely be put on the quilts. **Linda** can talk to Libby, who is in charge of the facility about this guidance. The Vineyard has 20 residents currently. There is also a facility on HHI, Memory Matters, that should be reopening soon and would also be interested in this project.

Debi Bacon discussed the pillowcases project which could be donated to The Pines, a facility with 40 residents, mostly women with 7-8 men. The Pines also has memory care patients. They could use adult bibs which are easy to sew. **Debi** suggested we could have a sit and sew to make these items, which would be fun for the members.

Debi also discussed the raffle quilt project proposed for **Osprey Village**. She has not been able to talk to the Osprey management to see if they are interested. The raffle quilt would be created by having members submit blocks to be consolidated into the quilt top. The Osprey management would be given the quilt to raffle off as a fund raiser. **Pat Cohen**, works at the Osprey store and thinks they could use a quilt for raffle as they are still fundraising for the Village.

Fran noted that the attendees would be voting for the one official charitable interest project but the projects not selected could be done by group members unofficially. The guild bylaws state that we select one official project to focus the majority of work and budget on. **Kristine** submitted the poll for group voting; results were 32% for Fidget Quilts, 56% for Pillowcases and Bibs, and 12% for the Osprey Raffle Quilt. The 2021 Charitable Interest project will be the pillowcases and bibs. Chair for Charitable Interests for 2021 is **Mindy Weaver**.

Fran announced the 2021-22 Committee Chairs: Audit – **Brenda Lucas**, Charitable Interests – **Mindy Weaver**, First Responders – **Eileen Keohane**, Fundraising – **Sharon Savastano & Karla Ward**, Guild Friends – **June Jones**, Historian – **Diane Kretkowski**, Membership – **Sandra Walsh**, Newsletter – **Gaye Paquet**, Programs – **April Boyd**, Retreat – **Debi Bacon**, Webmaster – **Brenda Lucas**, and Workshops – **Pat Wys**. We still need Publicity and Raffle Quilt Chairs.

April Boyd, Programs Chair, said she is working on a tour of sewing rooms for the July meeting and has several members willing to do tours of their rooms. She is also planning to have the garage sale when we are able to get back to in person meetings.

Pat Wys, Workshops Chair, is planning for some virtual and face to face workshops. Some members have really enjoyed the expanded access Zoom has given us to presenters. She is trying to schedule another workshop with **Diana Mann**. She is also planning for some lunch and learn workshops.

Sandy Walsh, Membership Chair, said the committee is planning to meet via Zoom soon to talk about how the membership table will work when we are able to once again meet in person.

Debi Bacon, Retreat Chair, noted that she has 13 registrants for the retreat and is looking for more. The registration form was sent out with the June newsletter and is also available on the website. Complete the form with your selections and total the fee due, then submit the form with ½ of the total fee to **Debi**.

Karla Ward, Fundraising Co-chair, said that birthday bundles is the only current fund raising activity. Once we resume face to face meetings, the committee will start looking at other fundraising activities.

Eileen Keohane is wrapping up the 2020 Charitable Interests and has 7 lap size quilts ready to deliver to the Bluffton PD. Contact **Eileen** if you have any more lap size quilts to donate.

The program consisted of five demos presented by guild members. **Lynn O'Neal** did a demo called 'Flange in a Flash', showing how to insert a faux flange in the quilt binding. **Gaye Paquet's** presentation was 'Seven Deadly Sins of Paper Piecing'; **Debi Bacon** showed four methods for sewing Flying Geese; **Lill Helming** demonstrated several methods for making Half Square Triangles and **Pat Wys** showed a quick method for cutting bias strips for bias binding plus discussing why bias binding should be used on all your quilts. Several of these presentations were pre-recorded videos and will be made available on our YouTube channel. Links will be sent out to all members via email and will be available on the website.

Birthday bundles were won by **Sandra Walsh**, **Julie Hiscox** (twice), **Sharon Savastano**, **Fran Oblander** and **Judy Hertel**.

Sue Smith noted that Island Quilters is having a warehouse sale this weekend and **Sylvia Cameron** announced that Sew Suite Studio is having their Grand Opening on July 14th (although they are already open).

Fran Oblander adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by **Julie Hiscox**, Secretary



2021-2022 Officers

President	Fran Oblander
Vice President	Gaye Paquet
Secretary	Julie Hiscox
Treasurer	Jean LeBlanc
Member-at-Large	Lill Heming
Past President	Linda Forry

Committees

Audit	Brenda Lucas
Charitable Interests	Mindy Weaver
First Responders	Eileen Keohane
Fund Raising	Sharon Savastano
	Karla Ward
Guild Friends	June Jones
Historian	Diane Kretowski
Hospitality	Linda Robinson
Membership	Sandra Walsh
Newsletter	Gaye Paquet
Photographer	
Programs	April Boyd
Publicity	
Raffle Quilt	
Retreat	Debi Bacon
WebMaster	Brenda Lucas
Workshops	Pat Wys

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 don't know when we will be able
to meet at Palmetto Electric.

Meeting Dates

* Indicates meeting on 2nd Saturday

July 10 *	August 7	September 11 *
October 2	November 6	December 4



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American Quilter's Society
Quilt WEEK

ALL 2021 AQS SHOWS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED



QUILT CON
Atlanta GA—February 24-27, 2023



GRAND OPENING- BLUFFTON

July 15, 16 & 17

Sales, bundles, goodies & more!

Scissor sharpener available

On Saturday

