

# Maye River Quitters



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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear MRQ Members,

Well, until the Governor lifts the restrictions on June 11, Palmetto Electric will not be available to us for the June 6 meeting. I know several of you were a bit uneasy about coming anyway. We are currently working on getting another Zoom meeting set up for June and have Keven Sevier join us for our program on "Are you Insured?". It will be at our regular meeting time of 10:00am on June 6. Be watching your inbox for an invite!

All information for the guild will be emailed or posted on the website, so it is important that you read those emails or check online on a regular basis. And we have a new contest for you in conjunction with the ongoing list of projects that the Maye River Quilters have completed during the shelter in place. See details in the newsletter!

Any ideas you have or suggestions you want to make are always welcome. Just shoot me or any board member an email. And I am still working on the committees, so if you want to do something, call me or send an email. Don't make me call you!

Go wash your hands and QUILT SOMETHING!!





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June Regular Meeting

Via ZOOM – June 6 – 10:00am



We are going to see what a couple of months of sheltering at home for quilters looks like. We hope that EVERYONE in the guild has been keeping track of what you have finished during this time.

There are 3 categories:

Quilts—anything 56" x 56" or larger

Small items—table runners, miniatures, handbags, wall hangings, etc.

Masks—we all know you may not have counted every single mask so please give your best estimate.

This contest includes all items FINISHED between March 16 through the end of the day on June 15. That means if you had a UFO started 10 years ago and you got it finished during this timeframe, you can count it! (Not to mention I bet you are excited it's done!) It also includes quilts or projects quilted by our longarm quilters that may actually be someone else's project. On June 8, we will email each of you so you can submit your item count by category. All item counts must be submitted no later than June 30 to be counted.

The contest phase will be a prize to the person who guesses closest to the actual number of items submitted WITHOUT going over. We will only move on to the contest phase of this guild activity if a minimum of 50% of our membership reports their total items finished. We would love to have 100% participation from our members! When we have established that 50% participation has been reached, we will again send each of you an email. We will tell you how many quilters responded and ask for your best guess. We will send this out on July 1 and the deadline to submit your guess will be July 10. We will then announce the winner at the July 11 meeting and share the numbers of all those projects with the guild. So start counting now so you are ready!





LANCASTER – THE NOOK, PA AUGUST 5–7, 2020 CANCELLED	<b>GRAND RAPIDS, MI</b> AUGUST 19–22, 2020
CHARLESTON, SC	PADUCAH
SEPTEMBER 30–OCTOBER 2, 2020	SEPTEMBER 2—5, 2020
CANCELLED	RESCHEDULED FROM APRIL

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



# 2020

## JUNE

**6**Saturday

#### **Program**

We are having Kevin Sevier from
State Farm (rescheduled from May
meeting) talking about "Are We Covered?". We hope to have him available for our ZOOM meting to talk
about insurance on all our machines.
It may be videotaped and put on the
website.

## JULY

11

Saturday

Program

#### **BLOCK OF THE MONTH UNVEILING**

We will have the grand unveiling of our Block of the Month quilts.

We are hoping that by waiting an extra month (or two), we will be able to have a meeting and everyone will have finished their quilt to show us.

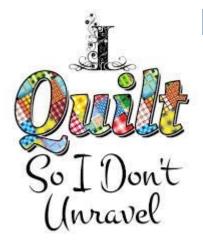
#### **T-Shirt Quilt Class**

We are working on new details for the second session -- stay tuned, and reach out to Kristine if you have any questions -- she is happy to help!!

You can reach Kristine at kristine@mysoftbubbie.com
OR 843-263-7704



DECEMBER		
<b>5</b> Saturday	<b>6</b> Sunday	
Program	Workshop	
Gyleen Fitzgerald  "Path to Modern"  Rescheduled from April	Gyleen Fitzgerald Workshop – "Uptown"  To be held at Hampton Hall room.  We will restart signups in the fall when we know more about possible closures. Members signed up for the original class will have right of first refusal. We will then fill the class from the waiting list. To get onto the waiting list, call Kim Gleason.	



#### 2020 RETREAT

**Denise Nierstedt** 

WHEN: October 9—11, 2020

WHERE: Epworth by the Sea, St. Simons, GA

COST: \$240.00 per person—First payment due at July meeting. Final pay-

ment due at August meeting.

Retreats are a lot of fun! A great way to make new friends, find inspiration and get those projects done. MRS has put down an \$800 deposit for this retreat. We will forfeit the money if there are not enough participants.

Please sign up and join the fun!!!

We will continue to monitor the situation with COVID-19 to decide whether to hold the retreat or not. Please watch the newsletter or website for more information.



We used ZOOM for our officer installation in May.

If you would like to see the installation, it is on the website.

#### **2020-2021 Committees**

Due to the fact we have not had a meeting since March, we have LOTS of spaces that need filling on our committee sheet.

President Linda Forry is in need of volunteers to Chair Guild Friends and Programs committees. Please contact Linda at linda4e@gmail.com so that she can get these committees up and running for the new year. It will be greatly appreciated!

#### Charitable Interests

If you still have any comfort quilts, you can drop them off at the Blue Herron. Brandy has a big plastic bin you can place them in.

After a request from the Boys and Girls Club, Sharon Savastano and Janet Swan along with Linda Forry and sewers from Church of the Palms completed 50 adult and 100 children's masks for their drive by Pep Rally in June. Thank you, ladies! What a great way to help out the club while we are sheltering in place.

Maye River Quilters had a great year fundraising and selling raffle tickets. Both activities netted the guild more operating funds. However, as a non-profit organization, a certain amount of our funds need to go toward charitable interests. This is not only because we need to address tax implications, but also because we are called on to help those less fortunate. In reviewing our yearly expenditures, and after a positive discussion at the officer's installation meeting, the Board officers voted to donate funds to two local food banks to bring our charitable contributions as a non-profit into balance. We have sent \$300 each to Bluffton Self Help in Beaufort County and to Mercy Mission in Jasper county. In this time of uncertainty, it will be much appreciated by many.

# Birthday Bundles

For all of you that need to go fabric/quilt shopping but are afraid of venturing out, have we got a deal for you! There are 3 Birthday Bundles posted in the Members Only section of the Maye River Quilters website. You can log in with the provided instructions and bid those bundles up. The bidding will be open until the end of the June 6th meeting. We will notify the highest bidder she has won. Then the winning bidder will send a check to our treasurer – Jean LeBlanc (43 Waterview Ct., Bluffton, SC 29910). As soon as the check is

received, we will make arrangements to have your Bundle delivered to your doorstep. We are trying out a new way of doing this fun activity so be sure and check it out.

Go to the Members Page Enter the password 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. The instructions are also on the website next to the balloons.

# Maye River Quilters Guild

May 9, 2020 Guild Meeting via ZOOM

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Forry at 2:00pm on Zoom. Present were Linda Forry, Kristine Richardson, Cindy Rosenberry, Eileen Keohane, Denise Nierstedt, April Boyd, Holly Martin, Fran Oblander, Sandra Walsh, Peggy Anderson, Linda Robinson, Ellen Turner, Pat Cohen, Karla Ward, Judy Cain, and Ruth Casner.

Linda welcomed us all to our first Zoom guild meeting, and reminded us all to watch our newsletter notices and visit our website frequently for meeting announcements. We will use this meeting to install our new board members for the 2020-21 year. Our first goal for the upcoming year is to stay safe. Our plans will have to be flexible as we confront the pandemic. We have three returning board members, which will be helpful in facing the challenges of running our guild in the upcoming year. The committees still need members to volunteer to serve, please consider helping the guild in some manner this year.

Cindy Rosenberry is completing her term as treasurer, and closing the books on our financial year. The books should be ready for audit on June 1, 2020.

Our charity project of providing quilts for children in foster care is ending this month. Any finished quilts can be dropped off at The Blue Heron Stitchery in Bluffton. Brandy Yingling will have a drop-off box on her porch to collect them, and they will be forwarded for distribution. There were no new ideas submitted for charity projects for the upcoming year, but Nan Brown and Barb Wanthal suggested that we provide quilts for older children in Kinship care, who will not be going into foster care. Beaufort County has more kids in Kinship care than in foster care. The quilts should be twin sized, but fewer quilts will be needed.

A suggestion has been made that the guild donate a sum of money locally to food banks in Beaufort and Jasper counties, as the need is great. Fran Oblander suggested that perhaps individual guild members might wish to make a financial donation that the guild could match. No decision on the donation or recipient organizations has yet been made.

It was announced last month that a guild member, Elaine Warwick, had passed away in late March after undergoing a double lung transplant last summer. The guild received a letter from her husband John thanking us for our condolences, and asking for help in binding Elaine's last quilt, which was a Civil War quilt intended for her son Dave. Eileen Keohane volunteered to bind the quilt so that John could present it to her son.

Linda Forry is asking guild members to keep track of all projects made during our quarantine. We will keep track of projects through May 31, and hopefully at the June meeting we can collect some fantastic numbers.

At this time Palmetto Electric Cooperative has closed their community room through May 31. Our June meeting is scheduled for June 6, and at this time we do not know if the room will be open and available for us. We have tentatively scheduled Kevin Sevier, from State Farm Insurance, to speak to us about whether our sewing machines and quilt supplies are covered. If the meeting cannot happen, we may have Kevin tape his presentation for us, and perhaps air a virtual meeting on ZOOM for June. The board will be discussing whether we may need to buy a ZOOM membership so that the whole guild can sign on and participate in meetings that way. Our July 11 meeting is scheduled to be a showing of our Block of the Month quilts. Pat Wys began leading this project last year, and tops should be complete for a July show and tell, which might also have to be a virtual program.

Fran Oblander did a wonderful job of installing our officers for the upcoming year, using quilt blocks to signify the links between us all. As a surprise to the board, she had emailed quilt blocks for members to print out, and as each board member was installed, a quilt block was held up for display. The sampler quilt grew as each of us was installed. It was a delightful surprise for the board, and a clever way to bring us all together while online. The selections were:

Peggy Anderson- Member at Large- Friendship block Eileen Keohane- Secretary- Hither and Yon block Jean LeBlanc- Treasurer- Robbing Peter to Pay Paul block Kristine Richardson- Vice President- Follow the Leader block Linda Forry- President- End of the Day block

The new board will be meeting via Zoom to continue planning programs for the upcoming year, and adapting as the situation dictates. We hope all guild members are safe and productively sewing at home. We hope to all be together again soon.

Submitted by Eileen Keohane, Secretary

# What's happening around the river bend...



4—June Jones	21—Linda Robinson	
13—Julie Hiscox	21—Sandra Walsh	
13—Eileen Keohane	23—Barbara Heagney	
19—Martha Greenly	25—Cindy Rosenberry	
30—Carol Treanor		



Somehow in all the recent chaos, someone decided they needed to join our group.

When we get around to meeting in person again, please welcome **Linda Solis** to our guild.

We now have 128 members!

# 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.



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# 2020-2021 Officers

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Vice President Kristine Richardson
Secretary Eileen Keohane
Treasurer Jean LeBlanc
Member-at-Large Peggy Anderson
Immediate Past President April Boyd

### Committees

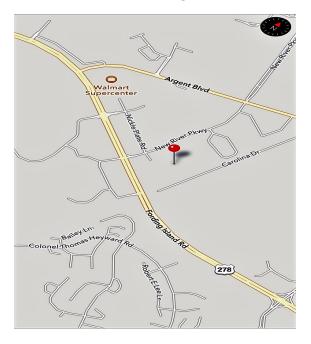
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# Founding Mothers

Debi Bacon Ann Godwin 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

June 6-ZOOM

July 11 \* August 1 September 12 \*

October 3 November 7 December 5

\* Meeting is on 2nd Saturday

All meetings will be held at Palmetto Electric Coop