



NEWSLETTER

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MAYE RIVER **QUILTERS** PROGRAMS & **WORKSHOPS**

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March 4 Palmetto Electric Coop

Social-9:30am Meeting-10am Program to follow-See page 2 Please join in!

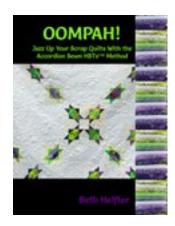
Saturday, March 4, 2023 Guild Meeting Speaker—Beth Helfter, EvaPaige Quilt Designs

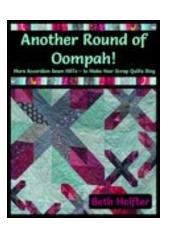


Beth Helfter presents her "Oompah Accordion Sewn Half Square Triangles (HST)" program. What happens when you have a designer who not only wants to be as scrappy as possible and also hates wasting fabric? Well...all sorts of things. Beth took her passion one step further to develop a technique where her triangles do not have a twin and do not waste fabric. The technique is sewing HSTs in "accordions".

Add another step and you can sew the blocks for an entire quilt in individual accordions that come together like magic!

The workshop will start immediately following the meeting. Please bring lunch so we can jump right in.





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Saturday March 4, 2023 Beth Helfter Workshop—Hurdy Gurdy Table Runner



Adapted from Beth's "Oompah" book, the Hurdy Gurdy runner is a quicker version of the much loved Hurdy Gurdy throw. Learn to use the Accordion Sewn HSTs method while creating this stunning version of a classic block using gorgeous scrappy HSTs. You'll be amazed how the blocks lay out almost like magic! Check the supply list to ensure you have all the requirements needed for class. Irons and cutting stations will be provided. Water and snacks will be provided. Lunch is bring your own.

Workshop Fee: \$30 (make checks payable to Maye River Quilters and mail to Lill Helming, 22 Devant Dr West, Bluffton 29909 or by Paypal to Maye River Quilters) Instruction Fee: \$8 (Make checks payable to Beth Paige at the Workshop) Please note that Beth accepts all forms of payment.

https://evapaigequilts.com/products/hurdy-gurdy-class.pdf





10 THINGS ALL QUILTERS WANT:

- 1. Quilt supplies
- 2. Friends with quilt supplies
- 3. A large house to hold quilt supplies
 - 4. Money to buy quilt supplies
- 5. A spouse that doesn't mind quilt supplies
 - 6. Storage to hold quilt supplies
 - 7. Friends who encourage guilt supplies
 - 8. A room just for quilt supplies

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Saturday April 1 2023 **Guild Meeting Speaker—Joyce Hughes**



Joyce is an Award Winning self-taught quilter, fiber artist and author. Her first quilt was a tee-shirt quilt, which she enjoyed making, but felt limited in the ability to express er artistic capabilities. Within several months she began to design pictorial landscape quilts using raw edge applique, thread painting, and a variety of embellishments. Never knowing the "rules" she broke a lot of them, but with exciting results!

Sunday, April 2, 2023 Joyce Hughes Workshop—Dimensional Thread Painting



Learn Dimensional Thread Painting, a fun and creative technique. In this workshop, you will start with this Beautiful Daisy Panel to Create a piece of Art! Explore thread selection, setting up your machine for stitching techniques with free motion quilting, zig zag and straight stitching, bobbin work and crystals. You will leave the Workshop with a full knowledge of Dimensional Thread Painting and have created a One-of-A-Kind piece of Art!



Saturday, May 13, 2023

Installation of New Officers Challenge Quilt Show and presentation of Challenge Awards!

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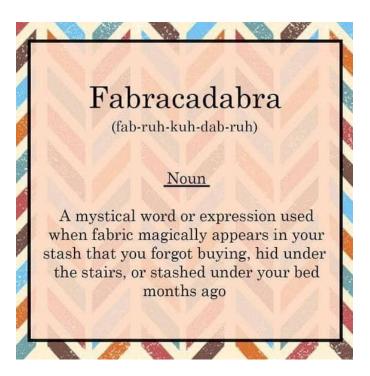
We enjoyed a wonderful program last month with Linda Hahn, who shared her New York Beauty Block techniques, and offered a fun workshop the next day.

At our March meeting Beth Helfter will present her "Oompah Accordion-Sewn Half Square Triangles" program. That same afternoon, there will be a half-day workshop to make a table runner using Beth's methods. This one is going to be cool! See Page 1 for more information and find the registration form and supply list attached in this email.

In April Joyce Hughes will visit with her Dimensional Thread Painting program and workshop. This is a great opportunity to try something new! See Page 2 for more information. The registration form and supply list can be found on the MRQ website or attached to this email.

Drum roll...in March the LAST block to be presented for the Challenge Quilt will be the House Block, presented by Fran Oblander. How is your challenge quilt coming along? Have you started yet?

9-Patch Teaser: What can you do with scraps and strips that are 1 ½" wide? Something really fun! 9-patch squares that finish at 3" in a quilt are so stinkin' cute! Stay tuned because there is a workshop in our future that will teach a pattern that calls for lots of these. All scrappy, anything goes, and the results will be gorgeous! The only thing you have to be thinking about now is...do you want a scrappy quilt with a dark background or a light background?



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

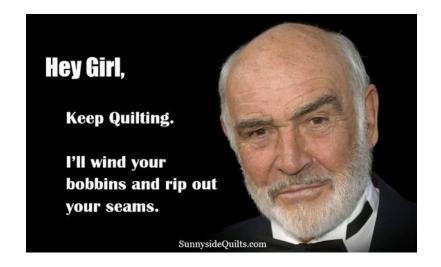
Cynthia Cassidy President Hello, Quilters!

I just returned from a day at Quilt Con in Atlanta. Some truly amazing quilts using geometric shapes, graphics, color, really pushing the envelope of art vs quilt. I met a young man (around age 10) who came in 2nd place in the Youth Category. His smile was ear to ear!

Promoting our craft to the next generation is important. Making quilts for younger family members is a great way to introduce them to quilting. Perhaps one day they will get bitten by the guilt bug too. New minds into the quilting sphere, those who aren't limited y "quilt rules" will be bringing an exciting and new dimension to quilting! Try something new on your next quilt—and push some boundaries!

Happy quilting!





CHARITABLE INTEREST

Sylvia Cameron Chair



Kits for the Meals on Wheels placemat project will be ready for distribution st the March meeting. If you have s placemat from your stash, please being it to the March meting so that we can count it in with the others. Placemat dimensions should be $12^{\prime\prime}$ x $16^{\prime\prime}$. Thank you so much for your participation.

MOW have told me the clients really appreciate the "clothing protectors" that were given to them at the holiday distribution and that they hoped that there would be more. The committee has cut some "clothing protector" kits also and they will be available at the March meeting.



FIRST RESPONDERS

Eileen Keohane Chair Eileen is in need of volunteers to help with table and chair set-up and takedown for the March meeting.

Contact Eileen at 843-987-0557

MEMBERSHIP

Joan Darr Chair





Total Paid Members: 114

January Meeting: 54 members, 1 new and 3 returning members, and 3 visitors

February Meeting: 58 members—5 new members NEW MEMBERS: SHARON SNODDY, JILL STAUBITZ, KIMBERLIE DENMARK, ANN RITCHIE & LORI HUFFORD

WELCOME TO ALL!!!

It's that time again to renew your MRQ membership! Renewals begin March 1 until May 31. Please go to the MRQ website and fill in your payment information to pay by Paypal or pay by cash or check at the meeting. It is important to fill out the form on the website as ti gives us an accurate record of renewals as well as any change in your information, i.e. phone, email address, etc. Please remember, if you pay by Paypal it takes a few days for it to process, so be sure you do not wait until the last minute.

FUNDRAISING

Debi Bacon Chair

BIRTHDAY BUNDLES



RAFFLE QUILT

Fran Oblander



MRQ BEE KEEPER

Judy Hertel



February was another stellar fundraising month. Our birthday bundles and scrap sales brought in over \$300. Thank you to our birthday girls and to our donators!

There are many March birthdays. Birthday wishes to Kathy Lennox, Sue Quinn, Janet Swan, Teri Levin, Lynn O'Neal, Nan Brown, Margot Silva, Lorraine Ochs, Becky Robinson, Mindy Weaver, Vicki Nash, Joyce Haskins, Brandy Yingling, Kellie Coombs, and Susan Tyler.

An integral part of MRQ fundraising is Birthday Bundles. In your birthday month we ask you to bring a silent auction "basket" or "bundle of new or very gently used items. Our members love swarming the table to find a bargain, a unique item or just something fun to add to their sewing rooms. We appreciate those of you who contribute and don't forget......in May we will have a gift for the two members whose baskets raised the most money. You may bring multiple baskets any time!



Please stop by the raffle ticket table to turn in money and pick up more tickets. We have an exceptional quilt that will allow us to publicize our guild and raise fund for out mission.

As a reminder, for each 20 tickets sold the members get to select a free pattern when they return their ticket money. The member's name is also added to the box for drawing for quilting-related prizes. The individual who sells the most tickets and the individual who sells the winning ticket will receive a gift card to a local quilt shop. Thanks to everyone who is participating in this fund-raiser!

If you have questions, please contact Fran Oblander, fran@alien87.com



Four bee groups have started meeting!

We have 2 groups meeting at Savannah Sews in Pooler. Both groups are working on Judy Neimeyer projects. One groups meets the 3rd Tuesday fo each month and is currently full. The other meets on Thursday once a month and is currently full, to my knowledge.

Scrappy Ladies meets on the 4th Sunday of each month at Blue Heron from 12:30—4:30. This group will support each other working with their fabric stashes and helping organize Brandy's back room. It also is currently full.

A new group begins the 4th Thursday of each month 6:30—9:30 in member's homes. This group is limited by space so will have 8 members. It currently has 6.

GUILD MEETING MINUTES

Suzanne McClure Secretary

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 5, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Cynthia Cassidy at 10:00am at Palmetto Electric Coop.

Cynthia asked Linda Farineau to introduce our guests and new members. Guests: Kay Larson, Deb Johnson, Beth Deesem. New Members: Sharon Snoddy (rejoined), Lori Hufford, Jill Staubitz, Kimberlie Denmark and Ann Ritchie.

Joan Darr reported that 58 members were present with a total of 66 people at the meeting.

Cynthia reminded everyone to bid on the birthday bundles, check out the free table and the scrap bags for sale.

She also announced that Diane Kretkowski, Fran Oblander and Karla Ward, this year's nominating committee, will be meeting on Tuesday to start the process of getting nominations for next year's board.

Committee Reports:

- First Responders—Eileen Keohane reported that all is going well.
- Hospitality—Kellie noted that bottled water is in the red cooler in the back of the room. May is the next event that required her committee. She will reach out as needed.
- Charitable Interest—Sylvia announced that she has collected 45 placemats prior to today's meeting with many more donated to day to start off the spring placemat donation for Meals on Wheels. Kits will be available next month.
- Fundraising—Debi Bacon reminded all about the scrap bags for sale.
- Retreat—Debi Bacon had nothing to report.
- Newsletter/Website—Cynthia reminded all that the newsletter and the website deadline is the 17th of each month.
- Programs & Workshops—Lill Helming & Karen Park-Bigelow noted that Linda Hahn will be teaching the New York Beauty Block at tomorrow's workshop which is at River Bend. Non-Sun City residents need to stop at the gate for a visitors' pass. In March, Beth Helft will present "Oompah Accordion Half Square Triangles" at the Palmetto Electric Coop following the meeting from 11:30 to 4:00pm. Joyce Hughes will present "Thread Painting" on Sunday, April 2, 10:00am—3:30pm, at River Bend.
- Raffle Quilt—Fran Oblander has 190 tickets left to distribute for the quilt. The winners of five door prizes were picked today from those who have sold at least 20 tickets. The winners were: Janet Swan, Lily Herbert, Sus Smith (x2) and Jan Jones.

Cynthia thanked Sue Smith for coordinating a donation of fabrics, many of which are on the free table.

GUILD MEETING MINUTES

Suzanne McClure Secretary



Cynthia also talked about the current "bees" of the guild. Two bees are working on Judy Neimeyer quilts at Savannah Sews in Pooler. A group has started meeting on Sundays at Blue Heron with the goal of cleaning up a spare room in order to work on scrap busting. Judy Hertel is starting a group which will meet in members' homes to sew and socialize. This will be limited to 10 participants.

The Sea Island Quilt is also raffling a quilt which Lynn O'Neil has here today, Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

The traditional vs modern block this month is the Log Cabin block and was presented by April Boyd.

Several members showed their latest creations during Show 'n Tell.

After a short break, Linda Hahn presented a trunk show featuring many New York Beauty variations.

Birthday bundle winners were announced.

Cynthia adjourned the meeting at 12:01.



BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to our March gals!

1–Kathy Lennox 3-Sue Quinn

6-Janet Swan 9-Teri Levin

12–Lynn O'Neal 12-Nan Brown

15-Lorraine Ochs 13—Margot Silva

16—Becky Robinson 16-Mindy Weaver

17-Vicki Nash 21-Joyce Haskins

24—Brandy Yingling 25-Kellie Coombs

30-Susan Tyler



MRQ 2023 BLOCK CHALLENGE

February's Block Challenge will be the house block, presented by Fran Oblander. This is the last block to be presented for the Challenge Quilt. How is yours coming along? Have you started yet?

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Our Block Challenge—to demo traditional blocks with wonky/modern versions—kicked off in June with the 4-patch and 9-patch blocks. Below is the list of blocks and the guidelines for the quilt to be presented in May.



June	Four Patch & Nine Patch	Cynthia Cassidy	
July	Bear Paw	Lill Helming	
August	Ohio Star	Sylvia Cameron	
September	Square in a square	Sue Smith	
October	Dresden Block	Linda Farineau	
November	Pinwheel	Karla Ward	
December	Friendship Star	June Jones	
January	Churn Dash	Liz Penke	
February	Log Cabin	April Boyd	
March	House Block	Fran Oblander	



MRQ 2023 BLOCK CHALLENGE



QUILT CHALLENGE GUIDELINES:

- Present a finished quilt (quilted and bound) at the May meeting
- Quilt may include one or more of the 11 blocks demonstrated, you can choose the traditional, wonky/modern or both.
- You may include all three challenges in your creation.
 - ♦ Traditional or Wonky block—you may use any or all of the 10 blocks presented.
 - ♦ Border Mania—you may use any of the fancy border ideas presented in September or create a fancy border of your own.
 - ♦ Ugly Fat Quarter—you may use the ugly fat quarter given out by Diane Kretkowski.
- Minimum quilt size is 24" x 36", but may be as large as you wish.
- You may embellish or not, your choice.
- Quilt must be completed and bound for submission in May.
- Labels must be on the back of the quilted items to be judged in May. The label should include your name and the name of the challenge(s) you wish to be judged on. Label can be paper and pinned on. Please write clearly.
- Use your imagination!
- Challenge your creativity!
- Prizes will be awarded for:
 - ♦ Best use of Ugly Fat Quarter
 - Best use of Monthly Featured Blocks
 - ♦ Best use of a Fancy Border
 - ♦ Most Creative Border
 - ♦ Triple Challenge Award Best use of FQ, Monthly featured blocks, and border in same quilt
 - ♦ Other Awards as determined by Program and Workshop chairs

Remember: Most important - HAVE FUN!!

Entrants must be members of MRQ. Entrants may submit more than one quilt for the challenge but will not win more than one best use award.

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

March 4	Apr 1	May 13*	June 3	July 8*
August 5	Sept 9*	Oct 7	Nov 4	Dec 2

* Indicates meeting on SECOND Saturday



MRQ 2022-2023 OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

ELECTED BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President—Cynthia Cassidy Vice President—Gaye Paquet

Secretary—Suzanne McClure Treasurer—Carol Treanor

Member-at-large—Diane Kretkowski Past President—Fran Oblander

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Membership—Joan Darr

Workshops—Lill Helming

Charitable Int—Sylvia Cameron

Fundraising—Debi Bacon

Website & Facebook—Brenda Lucas

Publicity—Vacant

Newsletter—Gaye Paquet

Programs—Karen Park-Bigelow

Retreat—Debi Bacon

1st Responders—Eileen Keohane

Education—Becky Robinson

Historian—Lynne Mortenson

Hospitality—Kellie Coombs

Guild Friends—Linda Farineau

FOUNDING MOTHERS

Ann Godwin and Debi Bacon

Nominations for Officers are now open and the slate will be presented at the March meeting. If you are interested in being an officer, please contact Diane Kretowski, 843-706-3467 or 843-816-6356

NEWSLETTER

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In this special quilt memories play a part in putting it together so it warms your heart.

Each little block has a story to tell, and with just a glimpse you'll recall it well.

So as the memories flow wrap it around snug, and close your eyes tight for a big heartfelt hug!

Send all corrections, comments, and articles to be published in the MRQ Newsletter to:

Gaye Paquet, newsletter editor, sewcrazy723@gmail.com

Deadline for submission of articles or photos is the 17th of each month.

Contents may be reproduced with acknowledgement of source. All submitted articles will be edited for typographical, punctuation and grammatical errors (if I see any). Additional art and photos may be added in order to fill space or enhance the overall look of the newsletter.



QUILTING QUIPS

Julie Hiscox

If you find a four leaf clover it means you have entirely too much time on your hands

Historical Quilt Patterns Jacob's Ladder

I love researching quilt block designs and Gaye gave me an excuse to do more poking around. We have looked at some quilt blocks this year comparing traditional blocks with their more modern/wonky versions. Let's look at a few more for both history and variations.

The Jacob's Ladder quilt block is characterized by strong diagonal lines running in both directions through the block. Four patches fill the corners and center of this variation on a nine patch pattern, with half square triangles completing the design.

The quilt pattern known as Jacob's Ladder is also has several other names - Underground Railroad, Road to California, Off to San Francisco, Gone to Chicago, Stepping Stones and Trail to the Covered Wagon. All of the names have one thing in common; they refer to traveling somewhere. The pattern of Jacob's Ladder looks like roads crossing the quilt, hence the names for this design.

The first illustration of Jacob's Ladder was two color only, like the first illustration below. Later versions used more colors, then played with the elements of the block while still maintaining the theme of the diagonal lines. The final photo is of a modern version of Jacob's Ladder.

Jacob's Ladder has often been said to originate in pre-Revolutionary or Civil War years. However, there are no historical examples of this pattern before the beginning of the 20th century. It could be that the names Jacob's Ladder and the Underground Railroad were intended to honor the Bible and the history of slaves respectively.









MRQ MARKET PLACE

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All members contact information can be found on the guild website, www.mayeriverquilters.com

If you require assistance logging in to the guild member section of the website, please contact Brenda Lucas, btlucas11@gmail.com

QUILT SHOWS AND **EVENTS CALENDAR**

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Charlotte Quilters' Guild Carolina Lily Quilt Show

Quilt Show & Specialty Vendors March 3-4, 2023 (9am—4pm) Union Co Agricultural Center 3230 Presson Road Monroe, NC 28112 Admission \$8.00, Free Parking Vendors listed on our website www.charlottequiltersguild.org



QuiltVV——K shows

BRANSON, MO MARCH 22-25, 2023

BRANSON CONVENTION

CENTER 200 S SYCAMORE ST PADUCAH, KY

APRIL 26-29, 2023

SCHROEDER EXPO CENTER 415 PARK ST

GRAND RAPIDS, MI

SEPTEMBER 13-16, 2023

DEVOS PLACE CONVENTION CENTER 303 MONROE AVE NW

QUILT SHOWS AND EYENTS CALENDAR





James H. Woodside Conference Center at the Greenville Convention Center

1 Exposition Drive, Greenville, SC 29607

(The Conference Center is located off Eisenhower Drive.)



April 28th 10 am - 5 pm & April 29th 10 am - 4 pm

NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY

1 Cavalry Lane • Beaufort SC Admission \$8 • Children under 12 free



Featuring vendors, 100+ quilts, silent auction, demonstrations, items for sale, and door prizes.

Drawing for "Stars over the Lowcountry" Quilt April 29th at 3 pm. (Need not be present to win)



QUILT SHOWS
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MAJOR QUILT SHOWS MARCH 2023

Sewing & Stitchery Expo	Puyallup, WA	Mar 1 – Mar 5
<u>Indiana Heritage Quilt Show</u>	Bloomington, IN	Mar 2 – Mar 4
Emerald Coast Quilt Show	Fort Walton Beach, FL	Mar 3 – Mar 4
Naples Quilters Quilt Show	Naples, FL	Mar 3 – Mar 4
Charlotte Quilter's Guild	Monroe, NC	Mar 3 – Mar 4
Manteca Quilters Quilt Show	Stockton, CA	Mar 4 – Mar 5
Art Feeds the Soul Quilt Show	Elon, NC	Mar 8 – Mar 11
Original Sewing & Quilt Expo	Duluth, GA	Mar 9 – Mar 11
Northwest Quilters Festival	Hillsboro, OR	Mar 10 – Mar 11
Into the Garden Quilt Show	Dallas, TX	Mar 10 – Mar 12
Original Sewing & Quilt Expo	Lakeland, FL	Mar 16 – Mar 18
Capital Quilters Quilt Show	Raleigh, NC	Mar 17 – Mar 18
<u>Cascade of Quilts</u>	Monroe, WA	Mar 17 – Mar 19
AQS Quilt Week	Branson, MO	Mar 22 - Mar 25
Quilt Arizona - Canyon of	Mesa, AZ	Mar 23 - Mar 25
Quilt, Craft & Sew	Sacramento, CA	Mar 23 - Mar 25
Georgetown Quilt Show	Georgetown, TX	Mar 24 - Mar 25
<u>Lancaster Quilt Show</u>	Lancaster, PA	Mar 29 – Apr 1
Three Rivers Quilt Show	Washington, PA	Mar 30 – Apr 1
Southern Colorado Quilt	Pueblo, CO	Mar 30 – Apr 8
<u>Upper Cumberland Quilt</u>	Algood, TN	Mar 31 – Apr 1