

NEWSLETTER

A Publication of the Maye River Quilters 🎔 October 2023

MAYE RIVER QUILTERS PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS Fran Oblander Chair

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October 6 Palmetto Electric Coop Social—9:30am Meeting—10am

Please join in! Remember: Your nametag Show 'n Tell

Saturday, October 7, 2023 Sassy Sunflower Designer & Owner—Julie Dobson



Julie is the creator of the wonderful half-pack concept and designer of the patterns that come with each halfpack. She will share her quilting journey and her designs.

Check out her patterns and half-packs at

https//:sassysunflowerquilts.com

Saturday, October 7, 2023 Sassy Sunflower Designer & Owner—Julie Dobson

Grab a half-pack from your stash or select from Julie's collection. We will be doing Square Affair and can finish during the afternoon.

This workshop will follow the meeting.



PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

Fran Oblander Chair



Saturday, October 7, 2023—Continued Sassy Sunflower Designer & Owner—Julie Dobson

Water and snacks will be provided. Lunch is bring your own.

Workshop fee: \$30 (make checks payable to Maye River Quilter)

Bring to a meeting or mail to Fran Oblander, 27 Heathrow Ave, Bluffton 29910 or pay via Paypal to Maye River Quilters.

Please make a note in the comments so we know where to account for your workshop payment.



Saturday, November 4, 2023 Pat Wys, Quilt Teacher, Designer and Maye River Quilters Member



Our very own Pat Wys will present a variety of quilts showcasing applique. Her lecture will impart extensive knowledge on the "Art of the Needle" and the key techniques associated with beautiful applique. For all of you who have been expressing a strong interest in applique, this program is for you! And you get the Daily Double because there will be a workshop the next day.



PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS Continued





Sunday, November 5, 2023 Pat Wys—The Art of the Needle with Machine Applique Techniques

Come and spend a day with Pat and we will unlock the not so difficult techniques that being applique to the head of the class. This workshop will be a day of learning how to create machine applique with ease, speed, accuracy...and MAGICAL results. Your friends will think you have spend months hand sewing beautiful motifs. By days end you will know how to take this technique, go forward, open up worlds of possibilities for adding that artistic touch of applique to ANYTHING! This class is a technique and practice driven. You are not going to leave our class with another UFO. Pat will bring a large variety of motifs, drawings and designs to trace/copy and take home to applique. We will discuss and practice techniques and get fired up and ready to create AFTER we learn the process!

A short supply list will be provided at registration. We spend the day in APPLIQUE SCHOOL. Use the supply list and gather some scraps of fabric... *if you have some,* and head down the road to creativity. Pat will bring a bag of scraps for you to use as we practice. Do not buy fabric... we have it covered.

Water and snacks will be provided. Lunch is "bring" your own.

Workshop Fee: \$30 (make checks payable to Maye River Quilters)

Bring to a meeting or mail to Fran Oblander, 27 Heathrow Ave, Bluffton 29910, or pay via Paypal to Maye River Quilters.

Saturday, December 2, 2023 Annual Christmas Party

We have a lot of fun activities planned!

Bring your completed Christmas stocking(s). There will be winners for who made the most stockings and who made the cutest (viewers' choice). Stocking patterns available at workshop table.

We will play 50-50 Bingo and have a homemade pincushion exchange (participation optional—see more on attachment).

Then we will enjoy a pot luck lunch and the now annual basket raffle!

Please plan on joining us!!!

PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS Continued







Villa Rosa Designs



Saturday, January 6, 2024 Anniversary Celebration, Ruler Demonstration and Design Board Workshop

Our program will be a round robin with ruler demonstrations. If you've ever wondered what can be done with those specialty rulers, this one is for you!

Then we will have a Saturday afternoon workshop on how to make your own portable design boards (block size). All supplies will be included in your \$30 registration fee.

Saturday, February 3, 2024 Batik Making

Beth Ridder from Island Quilters will join us to share her knowledge on batik making. She will also bring batik fabric half packs for those of you who get bit by the half-pack bug in October.

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Saturday, March 2, 2024 Cathy Dale's Quilting Journey and French Roses Workshop

Cathy, who is a very prolific quilter, will share her vast array of quilts followed by another Saturday afternoon workshop featuring French Roses quilt taught by Cathy.

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Saturday, April 6, 2024 Villa Rosa Designs—Quilt Block Demo

Members of the Workshop/Program Committee will demonstrate a few of the quick and easy Villa Rosa Designs quilts.

PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

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Saturday, May 2024 Challenge Quilt and Officer Installation

Our Challenge Quilts, started in August and led by Cathy Dale and her committee, will be presented and judged. See Page 12 of this Newsletter for more information.

New officers, elected in April, will be installed.

Saturday, June 2024 Ice Cream Social

What more needs to be said??!? It's ice cream for brunch!!!

Saturday, July 2024 Scrappy Collage

Katie Lewis will walk us through the entire Scrappy Applique technique. share a ton of inspiring quilts, and let us in on all the insider tips and tricks.





We are still working on a Diana Mann virtual workshop for April, May or June.

Many of us have the Corner Beam, Wedge Star tool, and many of the basics. What other rulers would you be interested in doing?

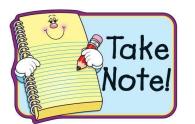


FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Judy Hertel President







Is it really October? Have you begun or even finished your holiday sewing? I am trying to get caught up on guild things: making community service pouches, deciding on my challenge quilt garden, designing my flower for the raffle quilt and creating my Christmas stocking and pin cushion for the December meeting. Where are the days going?

While I was in Northern California I went to several of my favorite quilt shops planning to buy NO fabric... I didn't want to pack it and haul it home. You guessed it! I bought quite a bit.

In fact, I bought so much that when I threw my purchases on the front passenger seat and started the car, the seat belt buzzer began buzzing at me ... my fabric needed a seat belt!

I should have posted a picture!

I hope to see you all at the October 7 meeting!



EDITOR'S NOTE: Taking an idea from Judy's message, here is a listing by month of the guild projects you may (or may not) be working on at this time.

<u>DUE DATE</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>
November 4, 2023	Veterans' Pouches—Charitable Interest
December 2, 2023	Christmas Stocking—Veterans' Home
December 2, 2023	Homemade Pin Cushion—Member Swap
February 3, 2024	Flower block—Raffle Quilt
May 11, 2024	Welcome to My Garden—Challenge Quilt

MEMBERSHIP

Linda Farineau Chair





FREE TABLE



Total Paid Members: 109

August Meeting: 53 members, 3 visitors, 3 new members September Meeting: 51 members, 3 visitors

NEW MEMBER!

Please be sure to welcome and introduce yourself to the new member who joined our guild last month:

Jay Lewis

Welcome to our guild! We are looking forward to getting to know you in the coming months!

Happy Birthday to our October gals!

2–Pattie Van Buren	3–Sharon Savastano
4—Peggy Anderson	5—Ann Piercy
6—Kathy Zipser	20—Judy Cain
20–Susan Dykes	20—Jill Staubitz
21—Ann Ritchie	22—Cynthia Cassidy
24—Molly Sauls	25—Mimi Levinson
26–Lill Helming	29–Darlene Sneden



If you have gently used items and want to clean out your sewing room, you can bring your quilt-related items for the Free Table. Once on the table, anyone can help themselves. Anything left on the table after the meeting MUST be taken back home with you or it will be thrown out.

HOSPITALITY

Karla Ward Chair

MEMBERSHIP

Linda Farineau Chair



Hospitality will be looking for volunteers to help with our Holiday Brunch in December. We will have a signup table at the October meeting. To help make this event a success, please stop by to volunteer to bring dish or to help set up or clean up.

For the workshop on Saturday, October 7, we will be providing water and snacks.



TADAHH!!! Thank You All!!!

Thanks to all who rose to the challenge and made their nametags! Additional thanks to those who had previously made their nametags but made a real effort to bring and wear their nametags to our meeting.

31 gals wore their name tags at the August meeting and 34 at the September meeting! Those who did entered their names in the "Tadahh!!!" Bucket for the opportunity to win a prize at our September meeting. Winners of the small prizes were: Deb Johnson, Diane Foster and Martha Watkins.

Hoping that we can all still make the effort to wear our Maye River Quilt Guild nametags each month.

Thanks for your participation

Membership Cards

Ww have 2023-2024 Maye River Quilters membership cards at our membership table each month. In years past, membership cards were written out and many left unclaimed and tossed into the recycle bucket at the end of the guild year. This year, we are giving out membership cards upon request to avoid wasting the cards themselves and the time to fill them out. Please stop by the membership table to get yours.

Thank you!

CHARITABLE INTEREST Kathy Coates Chair





Moving right along!!!

As of our September meeting, all 80 packets were signed out and some finished pouches have been returned. Nice variety! I am hoping to see a lot more finished products in October, so if you are done please bring them to the October meeting. We discussed the possibility of using iron-on tape so each veteran can print their name on their pouch. It sill cost an additional \$30 but the general consensus was to go for it. So I am in the process of checking out the best deal for iron-on tape. Veterans' Day this year is Saturday, November 11. My plan is to have the project completed by our meeting on November 4 which gives me time to take the pouches to the Veterans' Home.

Several people said they were not taking any packets because they had fabric at home to use. Terrific! Remember to follow the directions carefully.

As a side issue we need to start thinking about Phase 2 of our Charitable Interest projects this year. We will be making walker bags, starting in January. Let me know if you have a simple pattern that we might use. Fortunately I have a lot of fabric!!!

Happy Sewing! If you have any questions or concerns call me (Kathy Coates) at 843-757-6284.

VETERANS' HOME POUCH INSTRUCTIONS

- Cut two (2) pieces of fabric to 8" x 10-1/2". Finished size is 7" x 9".
- You can pink, zigzag your seams or do a narrow French seam. Up to you.
- Turn in the upper opening to either make a casing for the elastic or stretch and sew the elastic on the inside of the pouch. Again, up to you.
- Lastly, make sure the ribbon is securely fastened on the seam line. (Ribbon is **not** to be used as drawstring).

Elastic is 10" long and the ribbon is 36" long.

FUNDRAISING

Jane Warren Chair



Most importantly, Happy Birthday to all our October ladies. Just remember, we're not getting older, we're getting better!

Don't forget if you would like to bring a bundle to the next meeting, the next meeting is October 7 at Palmetto Electric Coop. All the proceeds from the birthday bundles will go to the programs and workshops that our guild offers to us.

We will also be doing a 50/50 raffle at the next meeting. Tickets will be \$5.00 each. Good luck!

Fundraising Reminders:

October 7th: Birthday Bundles and 50/50 Raffle (Palmetto Electric Coop)



November 4th: Birthday Bundles December 2nd: Holiday Raffle Baskets (No birthday bundles this month. If you have a December birthday, please bring your bundle to the November or January meeting).

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Judy Hertel



Bee Groups ... Mini Groups

Robin Porter is looking for a longarm group. The group would discuss, support and offer ideas among its members. If you are interested, please reach out to Robin Porter, Robin.porter.rpq@gmail.com OR 937-216-5930

Joyce Haskins is looking to start a needle turn applique group. Please reach out to Joyce if you would like to join or learn more about this new group. lapappstore@gmail.com OR 484-695-5836







YES, I really do need all these sewing machines!

2024-2025 RAFFLE QUILT

Be a part of the 2025 raffle quilt for Maye River Quilters by making one or two flower blocks that reflect your personality or style of quilting. Wendy Williams "Pretty Little Pots" was our inspiration for the quilt. You can use paper piecing, applique, 3-D, embroidery, etc, your choice of technique. The size of the block will allow as many guild members as possible to participate. And it allows for the variety of talent within our guild. The Scrappy Bee group will be the layout and construction group once the individual blocks are collected in February 2024. Brandi at Blue Herron has graciously agreed to supply sashing and border fabrics for our project. Cynthia Cassidy has agreed to do the quilting and we all know she will do a beautiful job with our creation.

I am trying to bring a new sample to each quilt meeting for all to see Also we are asking you to sign up so we know how many participants (blocks) to count on If you have not been able to attend a guild meeting to receive the guidelines, sizing hart and pot template samples, please visit the website or ask a quilt friend to help retrieve the information. If it is easier for you, please contact me at kp0697sf@gmail.com or 352-586-6927 and I will get a copy to you.



CHALLENGE

QUILT *Cathy Dale*



WELCOME TO MY GARDEN

2024 Challenge Quilt

See Newsletter Attachment for more information

At the last meeting, it was announced that a bird needs to be added to your

Welcome to My Garden challenge quilt.

A new announcement for an additional element will be made at the October meeting.

Stay tuned!

It's not too late if you decide you still want to participate. The cost will be \$10.00. All the money that is collected for this challenge will be used for prizes at the end. The committee is very excited that we've had 25 people sign up thus far. It will be so much fun to see what everyone has created.





GUILD MEETING MINUTES

Liz Penke Secretary



Meeting was called to order at 10:00.

The minutes from the August meeting were presented for approval. There were 2 changes in the published minutes. There will be birthday bundles in the September meeting. Cynthia Cassidy will do the set up for the September meeting not Fran Oblander. Motion to approve minutes with the changes - Fran Oblander Seconded by Cathy Dale Motion passed.

Maye River Quilt Guild

General Membership Minutes

September 9, 2023

Treasurers report: In October there will be an amended budget vote at the October meeting. Projected is including \$250.00 budget amount for the challenge quilt committee and increase of programs budget by \$800 and workshops budget by \$700. The full proposal will be in the October newsletter.

Cindy Tracy stated there were 3 visitors. Lill Helming introduced Joan Larkin Pat Cohen introduced Donna Cleveland Cindy Tracy introduced Katie Beckwith

Membership: Total Members 108 Members present 51 Visitors 5

Reminder: October meeting will be at Palmetto Electric Community Room

Hospitality. Thank you to Diane Kretowski, Dayna Weinert, Joan Darr and Eileen Keohane for the cookies.

Charitable interest: Glasses and phone bags to the Veterans Home in Walterboro. Goal 250 bags to be distributed on Veterans Day. Vote to add Iron on tape to bag to allow vet to put name on it for identification passed. This will be within budget. All bags to be delivered by the November meeting.

Newsletter: submissions by Sept 17th

Raffle Quilt: 36 people have signed up to make a block. The goal is 100. All submissions by February. Block size is approximately 6x10. Pick up a pattern. Brandi form Blue Heron Quilt Shop will donate the sashing fabric and the Scrappy Ladies Bee will assemble.

Website: Send any information for the website to Karen Park-Bigelow directly.

Challenge quilt: Add ons for the challenge quilt will be presented in September, October and November. 20 people have signed up. September add on is a BIRD. This can be appliqué or cut out or pieced. Martha Greenly commented that there are many types of gardens IE: herb, vegetable, underwater, rock, etc. So use your imagination.

Mini Groups: There is a new mini group starting. Hand appliqué to meet twice a month on the first and third Thursday. The goal is a maximum of 6 participants. Cathy Dale will host the first meeting September 21.

Programs and Workshops: The rest of the year schedule.

- 1. October: Julie Dobson from Sassy Sunflower will do the program. Workshop following the meeting will be Julie teaching Square affair.
- 2. November: Pat Wys , appliqué conversion and demonstration. Workshop Sunday at

GUILD MEETING MINUTES

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the Haven, a machine appliqué techniques class.

- 3. December: Lots of fun to celebrate the holidays. Play 50-50 bingo, participate in a pin cushion exchange, pot luck lunch and basket raffle. Bring your completed stockings, winners for who made the most stockings and who made the cutest (viewers Choice).
- 4. January: Ruler demonstration. Workshop following the meeting. Make your own design boards, supplies included.
- 5. February: Beth Ridder from Island Quilters will share her knowledge on batik making. She will have batik half packs available for purchase.
- 6. March: Cathy Dale will share her Quilting journey. Workshop following the meeting: "French Rose"
- 7. April: Villa Rosa designs Quilt Block Demo.
- 8. May: Challenge Quilt presentation and Officer Installation.
- 9. June: Ice Cream Social.

Still trying to schedule Diane Mann for a Virtual Workshop. Show of hands indicates May to be the best month. Will try to schedule a ruler people already have. Let Fran know what rulers you have.

Show and Tell

Short break

Program: Garage Sale

Drawing for the winner of prizesfor wearing MRQ completed name tags. August—April Boyd September—Cathy Dale

Birthday Bundles awarded

Adjourned 11:30.

We just checked...

...and it turns out it is perfectly normal to have several ongoing crafting projects. In fact the average number of projects in progress is 18 and the average time of completion is 27 years. So if you are coming in under that **you're good!**

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TREASURERS REPORT AUGUST 1—31, 2023

Suzanne McClure Treasurer



			NEW PROPOSED	Already
				Approved 2023-2024
	August	YTD	2023-2024 Budget	<u>2023-2024</u> <u>Budget</u>
Beginning Balance	9,753.31	9,485.92	Duuget	Duuget
	9,735.31	9,403.92		
INCOME				
Fundraising	273.00	580.00	3,200.00	3,000.00
Raffle Quilt				
Membership	30.00	1,110.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
Workshop	505.00	1,350.00	2,670.00	2,200.00
Retreat				1,500.00
Other—Restricted for Program		500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL INCOME	808.00	3,540.00	11,470.00	10,800.00
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
Accounting	169.90	169.90	170.00	450.00
Administration	3.87	307.54	700.00	1,500.00
Challenge Quilt			250.00	
Charitable Interest			300.00	300.00
Education			—-	325.00
Fundraising			325.00	325.00
Guild Friends			25.00	25.00
Hospitality			300.00	300.00
Insurance			1,600.00	1,600.00
Membership		(5.00)	50.00	50.00
Nametags			200.00	200.00
Programs	1,177.15	2,268.14	2,700.00	1,900.00
Raffle Quilt				
Retreat				1,500.00
Social Media				100.00
Workshops	1,377.15	2,452.10	3,250.00	2,550.00
Other				
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,728.07	5,192.68	11,470.00	10,800.00
Ending Cash Balance	7,833.24	7,833.24		



MRQ 2023-2024 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)





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NEWSLETTER

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OCTOBER HOLIDAYS

- 1—World Vegetarian Day
- 2—Name Your Car Day
- 3—Techies Day
- 4—National Golf Day
- 5—Do Something Nice Day
- 6—Mad Hatter Day
- 7—Bald and Free Day
- 8—American Touch Tag Day
- 9—Cheese Day
- 10—Handbag Day
- 11—It's My Party Day
- 12—Silly Sock Day
- 13—Interntional Skeptics Day
- 14 National Dessert Day
- 15 –Information Overload Day
- 16 –Learn a New Word Day
- 17 Wear Something Gaudy Day
- 18— No Beard Day
- 19—Think About Your Future Day
- 20— National Brlandied Fruit Day
- 21— Count Your Buttons Day
- 22— Caps Locks Day
- 23— National Mole Day
- 24—National Bologna Day
- 25—Punk for a Day
- 26—Howl at the Moon Day
- 27—National Tell a Story Day
- 28—Plush Animal Lovers Day
- 29—Internet Day
- 30—National Candy Corn Day
- 31—Carve a Pumpkin Day

- Murphy's Laws of Sewing (Anonymous)
- Fusible interfacings always fuse to the iron.
- The serger only eats the customer's garment.
- If you need 6 buttons, you will find 5 in your button box.
- The seam you meant to rip out id invariably the other one.
- When you are in a hurry, the needle eye is always too small.
- The fabric you forgot to pre-shrink will always shrink the most,
- The pattern you wanted to make again will have one key piece missing.
- If you drop something out of your sewing basket, it will be your box of pins. ... with the cover off.
- Whenever the construction process is going well, the bobbin thread runs out.
- The magnitude of the goof is in direct proportion to the cost of the fabric.
- Your lost needle will be found by your son, husband or brother-in-law ... while walking around barefoot.
- Facings tend to be sewn to the wrong side. (Opposite sides attract).
- Collar points don't match, and you're trimmed all the seams.
- The iron never scorches the garment until its final pressing.
- The steam iron only burps rusty water on light silk fabric.
- The sewing machine light usually burns out on Sunday.
- Pinking shears get dull just by looking at them.
- Gathering threads always break in the middle.
- The scissors cut easiest past the buttonhole.

Gaye's Note: Even tho' we are quilters, I'm sure we can all relate to these!

MRQ MARKETPLACE



If you have something to sell, trade, or something you are looking for, please have it posted here!

Our marketplace has amazing results!!!





QUILT SHOWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR



MAJOR QUILT SHOWS SEPTEMBER 2023

Original Sewing & Quilt Expo	Lebanon TN	Oct 5-7
Richmond Quilters Quilt Show	Richmond BVA	Oct 7-8
Lighthouse Legacies Quilt Show	Sturtevant WI	Oct 7 -8
Quilting in the Land of Milk &	Middlebury VT	Oct 7-8
All Cut Up Quilt Show	Chatham NJ	Oct 7–8
Falling Leaves Quilt Show	Lakeport CA	Oct 7 - 8
Utah QuiltFest	Leyton UT	Oct 10–14
Original Sewing & Quilt Expo	Sharonville OH	Oct 12–14
Celebration of Quilts	Beaver Falls PA	Oct 12–14
Pacific Int'l Quilt Festival	Santa Clara CA	Oct 12–15
Colors in Motion Quilt Show	Dubuque IA	Oct 13–14
Scrubgrass Stitchers Quilt Show	Emlenton PA	Oct 13–14
Autumn in the Ozarks Quilt Show	Mountain Home AR	Oct 13–14
Capitol City Quilt Guild Show	Lansing MI	Oct 13–14
San Juan Quilters Guild	Farmington NM	Oct 13–14
Threads Across Nebraska	Kearney NE	Oct 13-14

QUILT SHOWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR



MAJOR QUILT SHOWS OCTOBER 2023-CONTINUED

UpCountry Quilt Guild Show	Pickens SC	Oct 13–14
Ninigret Quilters Quilt Show	Westerly RI	Oct 13–15
Columbus / Evening Star Quilt Show	Columbus IN	Oct 14-15
Wrapped in Comfort Quilt Show	Abington MA	Oct 14—15
Southtowns Piecemakers Quilt Show	Hamburg NY	Oct 20-21
Quilting Under the Palms	Clearwater FL	Oct 20–21
Niles Piecemakers Block Party	Edwardsburg MI	Oct 20–21
Longmont Quilters Guild Show	Longmont CO	Oct 20–21
Stafford Piecemakers Quilt Show	Stafford VA	Oct 20–21
Autumn Splendor Quilt Show	Rocky River OH	Oct 21–22
Quilts on the Red	Grand Forks ND	Oct 27–28





Upcoming Quilt Shows

- Daytona Beach, FL: February 21-24,2024
- Branson, MO: March 13-16, 2024
- Paducah, KY: April 24-27, 2024
- Grand Rapids, MI: August 21-14, 2024
- Lancaster, PA: September 11-14, 2024

Show Hours: Wed-Fri: 9am—5pm Sat: 9am-4pm

