

# NEWSLETTER

A Publication of the Maye River Quilters 🎔 September 2023

MAYE RIVER QUILTERS PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS Fran Oblander Chair

MRQ



NOTE LOCATION CHANGE September 9 Church of the Palms Okatie Social—9:30am

#### Social—4:30am Meeting—10am Garage sale to follow Please join in!

## Saturday, September 9, 2023 Garage Sale Program—a joint effort of programs and fundraising!

## NOTE: Location change to Church of the Palms!!!

#### Remember, one woman's trash is another woman's treasure!

Don't forget your pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars to pick up a wonderful bargain or two for your sewing room.

*Complete your registration at the workshop table* and make a little money from selling your sewing related treasures. You provide the change fund and keep all your proceeds. There will be vintage quilt kits, beautiful fabric, special rulers and notions! This is also a great program to bring a quilting friend too!

#### Rules of the sale:

- No sales during the meeting
- Set up will begin at 9:15.
- Sellers make change and take home any money and whatever does not sell!

# A Note from the Hospitality Committee

During the garage sale, please stop by the Hospitality Table while you shop to enjoy some baked good that we will be offering.



# PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

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## 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.

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.

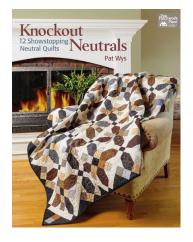


Please make a note in the comments so we know where to account for your workshop payment.

## PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

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## 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.

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.

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We started "Christmas in July" with the distribution of stocking patterns for the Christmas stocking contest in August. We will continue to distribute patterns from the workshop registration table We have active registrations for all of our workshops and are very excited about the plans we have for this fall. Below are highlight on our plans for Spring.

## Saturday, December 2, 2023 Annual Christmas Party

Come for the pot luck lunch and treats and stay for the basket raffle! We will have a pincushion gift exchange (participation is optional with more details coming later). There will also be a stocking display and voting for viewer's choice and prizes will be involved.

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Saturday, January 6, 2024 Anniversary Celebration

A celebration with a surprise program! We will also 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 Ruler Demonstration

We are also planning a workshop featuring French Roses taught by our own Cathy Dale. We will have a round robin on Villa Rosa Design Quilts presented by our program/workshop committee members, Challenge quilt presentation, installation of new officers and wrap up the year with an ice cream social. Also planning a scrappy collage quilt for early Summer as we transition to our 10th year as a guild!

# MORE TO COME!!!

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

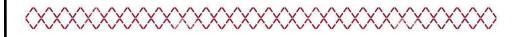
Judy Hertel President

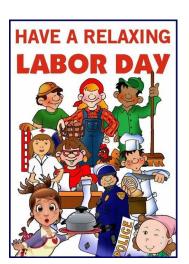


I hope you have all been quilting during this hot and humid summer in the low country. I know I have been. I've been working on my Jack's Chain (very slowly), a baby quilt for a dear friend, and the Curved Log Cabin from our most recent workshop. Thank goodness for air conditioned sewing rooms!

Becoming President was a surprise but I will do my best to support our vision statement, "Maye River Quilters seek to advance the art of quilting and fulfill particular need of our community in a friendly climate." I look forward to getting to know our wonderful membership.

At our August 24 board meeting I appointed June Jones as Vice President with approval of the board. Welcome, June! I look forward to working with you and the board. Thank you in advance for presiding over our September meeting as I will be in California visiting with quilting and golfing friends.





# THERE MAY COME A DAY



BUT TODAY IS NOT =THAT DAY!=

#### MEMBERSHIP

Linda Farineau Chair





#### Total Paid Members: 108

**July Meeting**: 49 members, 1 guest **August Meeting**: 53 members, 3 visitors, 3 new members

## **NEW MEMBERS!**

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

## Melinda Seigler, Linda Solis and Debi Boccanfuso.

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



## Happy Birthday to our September gals!

2—Lori Hufford	3–Jan Sinclair
6—April Boyd	6–Barbara Barrett
9–Patty Crowe	18—Brenda Lucas
21—Kathy Coates	22—Bonnie Gregory

27—Lisa Schmidt

28—Fran Oblander



FREE TABLE



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.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Linda Farineau Chair

GUILD FRIENDS Cindy Tracy Chair





#### Membership News You Can Use!

I was THRILLED to see the number of ladies who made and wore their name tags at the August meeting! Those who did entered their name in the "Tadahh!!!" bucket for the opportunity to win a prize at our September meeting. There is still time to make/wear your name again for our September meeting and get another entry into the "Tadahh!!!" bucket!!!

You should all have received when you joined our guild, a piece of blue fabric with the Maye River Quilters emblem and your name beautifully embroidered on it. (If you did NOT get n embroidered nametag, please be sure to see me at the membership table). As the guild grows it is hard to know and remember everyone's name. Wearing your name tag is a way to make new friends and help remember the names of those we already know, but perhaps only see once a month.

I am extending a special challenge to our membership old and new! Let's MAKE and WEAR our Maye River Quilters nametags! This is your opportunity to be as creative or as simple as you want to be in making/assembling your nametag. It can be as large or as small as you want to make it. You can hang it from a lanyard or pin it to your clothing. You can make beaded, braided or string straps for it. You can add other fabric to the blue, put buttons, bows or feathers on it. You get the idea!

For those of you who have already made your nametags, BRA-VO! You are a step ahead of the rest of us! Let's make an extra effort to put our nametags into a favorite bag that we designate our Maye River Quilt Guild bag and wear our nametags each month at our meetings.

Thanks for your participation.

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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



#### FIRST RESPONDERS

Cynthia Cassidy Chair So far so good! At the August meeting I had 40 packets to sign out and all were taken. I am sure you are busy making your patriotic pouches. If completed please bring them to the September meeting. Also, don't worry, I will have 40 more packets to sign out then!!! Each packet will have the fabric, elastic and ribbon included to make 3 pouches. Veterans Day this year is Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. So my plan is to have the project completed by our meeting on November 4<sup>th</sup> which will give me time to take the pouches up to the Veteran's Home.

Several people said they were not taking any packets because they had fabric at home to use. Terrific!

Directions are as follows – Fabric is cut 8" x 10 1/2". Finished size is 7" x 9". You can pink, zigzag your seams or do a narrow French seam if you want. Up to you. You will 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. Up to you. Lastly make sure the ribbon is securely fastened. Elastic is 10 inches long and the ribbon is 36 inches long.

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

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Cynthia is in need of volunteers to help with table and chair set-up and takedown for the September meeting.

Please contact Cynthia at 614-397-9004.



FUNDRAISING

Jane Warren Chair



## MRQ BEE KEEPER

Judy Hertel



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

Many people have asked me what they should put in their birthday bundles. Here's a list of bundles that were very successful. Idea#1: six fat quarters, a pin cushion pattern and a cute scrap basket container. Idea#2: fat quarters, coffee mug with chocolates, all placed in a pretty decorative box. Idea #3: kid printed material, book with kid quilts, all placed in a nice carry all. Idea#4: fat quarter bundle with some chocolates or quilting notions, all placed in a small basket. (Hobby Lobby has many cute carry alls, baskets and decorative boxes! The good news is they always seem to be having a sale.) It's also a good idea to attach an index card to the bundle listing the contents. That way people won't have to go through the container to see what is inside. Remember that we're looking for new or gently used items. The program is strictly voluntary. However, all the money raised goes to programs and workshops for the guild. Good cause!

Fundraising Reminders:

**September 9th**: Garage Sale and Birthday Bundles (Church of the Palms) **October 7th**: Birthday Bundles and 50/50 Raffle (Palmetto Electric Coop)

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#### 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

Cathy Dale

QUILT





## WELCOME TO MY GARDEN

2024 Challenge Quilt

See Newsletter Attachment for more information

The first addition to the challenge quilt will be announced at the September meeting.

Happy quilting and we are excited to see everyone's creations in May!





## GUILD MEETING MINUTES

Liz Penke Secretary



Maye River Quilt Guild General Membership Minutes August 5, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Kellie Coombs at 10:00 at Palmetto Electric.

The July minutes were published in the August newsletter. Judy Hertel made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Diane Kretowski. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: There was a question regarding the insurance cost. There were multiple quotes. This was the best but reflected s significant increase. The report was accepted and filed for audit.

Membership: 53 members present, 3 visitors, and 1 new member.

Guild Friends: Lill Helming introduced Kay Larson

Bonnie Ridgely introduced Sally Layda Sharon Snoddy introduced Deborah Bryant June Jones introduced new member Melinda Seigler

First Responders: April Boyd will handle set up in September. Garage Sale set up will begin at 9:15. The tables should be covered after set up. There will be no free table. The sale will end at 11:45. Bring change for the sale. There will be no birthday bundles.

Hospitality: Will provide water and snacks for the garage sale.

Charitable Interest: Kits are available to make 3 pouches. 250 is the goal. They need to be completed the first week of November for delivery on Veterans' Day.

Fund Raising: The primary source is the birthday bundles.

Newsletter: Due to Labor Day holiday, the newsletter info is due August 24.

Raffle Quilt: The raffle quilt goal is 100 blocks to be provided by members. Instructions are available. The blocks are due January or February. Please bring in when completed. The Scrappy Bee will assemble blocks and border.

Programs and Workshops:

September: Garage Sale at Church of the Palms

October: Julie Dobson of Sassy Sunflower, Half Packs workshop doing Square Affair pattern

November: Pat Wys, machine applique with workshop

December: Pot luck, pin cushion exchange, and Christmas stocking vote and donation to the Veterans' Home. Note: there is a new pattern for the stocking as they need to be bigger than previous years.

Challenge Quilt: there are currently 13 people participating. The 4 elements will not be blocks but add-ons. They will be introduced in September, November, June and March. The finished quilts, completed and bound, will be displayed in May. There is still time to sign up

Show and Tell

After Show and Tell, Kim Denmark announced there is sewing of Quilts of Valor at the Blue Heron Quilt Shop on the 3rd Wednesday of the month with the goal of finishing quilts for the Korean Wat Veterans.

## GUILD MEETING MINUTES

Continued

.A short break was taken.

The program, a trunk show, was given by Augusta Cole.

Birthday bundles were announced.

Kellie Coombs stepped down as president and handed the gavel to Judy Hertel, Vice President, to assume the position of president.

President Judy Hertel adjourned the meeting at 11:54.



## QUILTING IS ALL FUN & GAMES UNTIL YOU REALIZE YOU'VE BEEN SEWING WITHOUT THREAD



## 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

Sept 9*	Oct 7	Nov 4	Dec 2
• Indicates meeting on SECOND Saturday			

**NOTE:** The Sept 9 meeting will be held at Church of the Palms 1425 Okatie Hwy, Okatie SC



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#### NEWSLETTER

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#### SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS

1—International No Rhymer (Nor Reason) Day 2—Labor Day / World Coconut Day 3—Dkyscraper Day 4—National Wildlife Day 5—Int'l. Day of Charity / National Cheese Pizza Day 6—Read a Book Day 7—World Beard Day 8-National Grandparents Day 9—Opposite Day / Wonderful Weirdos Day / Teddy Bear Day 10—Swap Ideas Day 11—Patriot Day 12—National Video Games Day 13—Chocolate Day 14 – Iguana Awareness Day 15 – Wife Appreciation Day 16 – National Guacamole Day 17 – Constitution Day 18—National Cheeseburger Day / National First Love Day 19—Talk Like a Pirate Day 20—Pepperoni Pizza Day 21—International Day of Peace 22—Ice Cream Cone Day 23—First Day of Fall 24—Punctuation Day 25—National Daughter Day 26—Love Note Day 27—Ancestor Appreciation Day 28—National Drink Beer Day 29-National Coffee Day 30—National Love People Day





#### **One Block Wonder Quilts**

#### JULIE'S

#### JOTTINGS

Julie Hiscox



Have you ever made a "One Block Wonder"? To make one, you place 6 layers of the same fabric on top of each other, lining up the patterns exactly, then cut them into 60 degree triangles. This will give you six triangles with the same print pattern. The triangles are then sewn into hexagons. The beauty of the 60 degree triangles is that they can be rotated so each of the three points could be placed in the center of the hexagon, creating three unique patterns to choose from when making the hexagons. It's so much fun and offers so many opportunities for creativity!

One block wonder quilts are generally sewn together in rows of hexagons like the one below. The rows in this quilt are diagonal.



The one block wonder was originally created by Maxine Rosenthal and she has a book called "One Block Wonders" that is widely available. There are many other books available since her was written about various ways to be creative with one block wonders.

One of the quilt artists whose work with One Block Wonders really dazzles me is Bruce Seeds. He has a website gallery of his quilts at bruceseeds.com/ I have added some photos as ideas of what can be done with a one block wonder.





## MRQ MARKETPLACE



## In search of .....

I am looking for scraps of Christmas fabric with large themed things to cut out and use for a collage, i.e., pinecones, poinsettias, candy canes, ornaments, etc. If you have such scraps and are willing to give away, please bring to a meeting for me. I will be very, very, appreciative of any and all.

Thank you!

Gaye Paquet

How to stay financially stable in life:

1. Don't get into quilting. I can't clean my sewing room Because I get distracted By all the good stuff I found.... AGAIN QUILT SHOWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR



MAJOR QUILT SHOWS
SEPTEMBER 2023

Little Balkans Quilt Festival	Pittsburg KS	Sept 1–2
Quilts by the Lake Quilt Show	Eufaula OK	Sept 2
Great Wisconsin Quilt Show	Madison WI	Sept 7–9
Amish Country Quilt Festival	Mount Hope OH	Sept 7–9
Wilkes County Quilters Silver- Jubilee	North Wilkesboro NC	Sept 8–9
Red River Quilters Quilt Show	Shreveport LA	Sept 8–9
AQS Quilt Week	Grand Rapids MI	Sept 13—16
Quilt, Craft & Sew	Aurora CO	Sept 14—16
Quiltfest Jacksonville	Jacksonville FL	Sept 14-17
PA National Quilt Extravaganza	Oaks PA	Sept 14—17
Skip a Week Quilt Show	Estacada OR	Sept 15—16
Sierra Quilt Guild Show	Sonora CA	Sept 15—16
Twilight Stitchers Quilt Guild Show	Blue Springs MO	Sept 15—16
Northland Needlers Quilt Show	Kansas City MO	Sept 15—16
Garden of Quilts	Lehi UT	Sept 15—16
Walla Walla Valley Quilt Fest	Walla Walla WA	Sept 15—16

QUILT SHOWS AND EVENTS CALENDAR



# MAJOR QUILT SHOWS SEPTEMBER 2023-CONTINUED

Bennington QuiltFest 2023	Bennington VT	Sept 16-17
Sew Magical Expo	Kissimmee FL	Sept 21-24
Quilts & Needle Arts Festival II	Bowling Green OH	Sept 21-23
Northwest Quilting EXPO	Portland OR	CANCELLED
Quilting in the Key of Life Show	Des Moines IA	Sept 21–23
Heartland of Kentucky Quilt Show	Elizabethtown KY	Sept 22–23
Misty Mountain Quiltfest	Blairsville GA	Sept 22–23
Greater San Antonio Quilt Show	San Antonio TX	Sept 22–23
Lone Star Heritage Quilt Guild	Sulphur Springs	Sept 23-24
AQS Quilt Week	Des Moines IA	Sept 27- 30
Original Sewing & Quilt Expo	Fredericksburg VA	Sept 28-30
Asheville Quilt Show	Asheville NC	Sept 28-30
Autumn Splendor Quilt Show	Kankakee IL	Sept 29—30
Sheboygan County Quilters Guild Show	Sheboygan WI	Sept 30

Take a road trip with friends! See a quilt show and visit as many quilt shops as you can find along the way.