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President's Message

Yesterday Habitat for Humanity came and disassembled my kitchen. Three hours, 5 men, gone, Whoosh! This morning a plumber came and hooked up my new sink to a temporary countertop which straddles a new cabinet (not attached to a wall and my dishwasher). This project, when done will be great, but the struggle during process is difficult. It requires effort, patience and a lot of grace.

There are simple quilts to make, for example, one with large blocks. It goes together quickly, and it is simple. Then there are those quilts with multiple pieces to each block. The outcome will be totally different. The process is more difficult and required more effort and patience and probably a few choice words along the way! But with the more difficult project we learn, we grow, we increase our knowledge of this amazing art called quilting.

I am excited to have some members of the Charleston Modern Quilt Guild at our next meeting. Learning how the art of quilting works within them, how each of them works through a quilt project and the effort put forth.

If you are interested in helping with a road trip to Quiltcon in February 2023, let me know. We have a member who would like to plan, but doesn't want to go it alone.
See you July 9!

Cynthia



July 9* —Church of the Palms

Social—9:30am

Meeting—10am

Program to follow—See page 2

Please join in!

*Second Saturday of July

- ◆ Wear your nametag
- ◆ Bring something for Show 'n Tell
- ◆ If you have a birthday in July, bring a birthday bundle for auction
- ◆ Last, but not least—bring a friend (or enemy— we're not picky!)

WHAT'S NEW in 2022

Saturday, July 9

Program

For our July program we will welcome two members of the Charleston Modern Quilt Guild to share insights about modern quilting and information about QuiltCon 2023 to will be held in Atlanta, February 23-26, 2023. They will also present a trunk show of modern quilts.



Saturday, July 9

Workshop

Cynthia Cassidy's Workshop
Fabric Collage Faces
(rescheduled from last January)

After the morning's Guild meeting, Cynthia Cassidy will teach fabric collage faces.

This workshop will stretch our creative skills!

The workshop will be held at The Haven following our morning guild meeting.

Please arrive by 12:30.

The cost for the workshop is \$30.00. If you would like to participate in this fun workshop, please complete the registration form included with this newsletter.

Workshop details can be found on the registration form. Required supplies are outlined on the supplies form also included in this newsletter



2022

Programs and Workshops

Saturday, August 6



Program and Workshop Committees invite you to a "Wonderful Watermelon Weekend" The program will be Brenda Anderson Dyer, Quiltworx Certified Instructor and owner of Savannah Sews, a new quilt shop in Pooler. Brenda will share her Quiltworx journey and a trunk show of inspiring quilts

Saturday, September 10



Around the Border demos.
Kick-off to the Fancy Border Challenge
to be awarded in May 2023.

Saturday, October 1

Have you ever thought about creating your own fabric line?
We have someone lined up who has done it and
will tell us about her journey.

Saturday, November 5

Bag making! Getting ready for Christmas! Sit 'n Sew

Saturday, December 3

Holiday Party

What's ahead in



Saturday, January 7

To be announced

Saturday, February 4

New York Beauty program and workshop

Saturday, March 4

Accordian HST program and workshop

Saturday, April 7

To be announced

Saturday, May 6

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

Saturday, June 3

A special surprise!

Needles To say...

MEMBERSHIP

Total Paid Members : 96

May Meeting: Members— 31
and 1 guest

June Meeting: Members— 37
and 4 guests

One new member in June

Welcome, Sandra Smith!



8—Linda Pirtle 12—Bobbie Precht
15—Eileen Reichel 18—Jane Warren
23—Gaye Paquet 25—Debi Bacon
30—Sandi James

Happy Birthday, Ladies!!!



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

Birthday Bundles

Happy Birthday this month! I'm writing to remind/ask you if you would kindly donate a birthday bundle for silent auction at the guild meeting, Saturday, July 9th. If you are new, this is a tradition and our main source of income. Bring a new or very gently used "something". Most people put together a basket or box of "things" quilt related. It can be as small as a little bucket with six fat quarters to as large as you want. My birthday is this month and I'm donating a gift certificate to Blue Heron. The amount is a surprise!

As a bonus, that member who's bundle brings in the most money this year will receive a prize next May. AND, your donation is tax deductible.

I hope you have a happy one and we hope to see you at the meeting.

~ Debi Bacon, Chair—kansaswx@verizon.net





Eileen Keohane, First Responders Chair, is in need of volunteers for the July meeting. Please contact Eileen at 843-987-0557.

Many of our committees need members. If you have an interest on serving on one of our many committees, please contact any board member or the chair of your committee choice. They are listed on the page 13 of this newsletter.



Retreat is just around the corner!

Join us for a relaxing weekend at St. Christopher's Camp and Conference Center, Johns Island, SC. Sew from Friday, September 9 at 3:30 pm to Sunday, September 11 at 2:00 pm. Double occupancy only this year, so choose your roommate and sign up together.

Restricted to 12 people total. You may pick and choose which meals you will participate in. Cost for lodging, retreat space and all meals is \$248 (choose less meals, your cost is less).

The retreat registration is included in this newsletter. Complete and bring to the June, July, or August meetings with total due **not later than August 9, 2022**. Your registration will be confirmed on a first-come-first-served basis and secured with at least one-half of your retreat total. We will maintain a wait list after reaching the total.

~ Debi Bacon, Chair— kansaswx@verizon.net



Maye River Quilters Guild Minutes

June 4, 2022—Church of the Palms

The meeting was called to order by **President Cynthia Cassidy** at 10:00 at the Church of the Palms.

Cynthia asked the Guild Friends to introduce the guest members in attendance. They were Barbara Heagney, Mary Carter, Vicki Nash (joined), Laura Casey (joined) and Diane Merrick (joined).

Cynthia discussed her expectations for the guild for both the board and the membership.

Cynthia requested questions or changes to the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the newsletter. **Lill Helming** moved to clarify that the changes to the bylaws would be voted on in July rather than today. **Debi Bacon** seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Cynthia asked for any questions about the financial statement. There were none. The report will be filed for audit.

Cynthia introduced the new chairs that were present and asked for volunteers to chair the Hospitality, Guild Friends and Publicity committees.

The committee reports followed.

- **Karen Park-Bigelow**, Program Chair/**Lill Helming**, Workshop Chair asked members to fill out the questionnaire at the check in desk. They gave a review of the year's program and workshops, explaining how challenges will be presented. The first is the Block of the Month. **Cynthia** showed a traditional four patch and a modern four patch. Each month a guild member will demonstrate a new block. The challenge is to have some or all of these blocks in a finished quilt project by May 2023. Prizes will be awarded. Members are to sign up with **Fran Oblander** to demonstrate a block. Details about the finished product will be published in the newsletter. The Charleston Quilt Guild will have a trunk show of modern quilts at the July 2023 meeting. This will be followed by a faces workshop taught by **Cynthia Cassidy**.
- **Debi Bacon**, Fundraising Chair/Retreat Chair explained the Birthday Bundles and the scrap bag fundraisers that would happen monthly. A prize will be given at the end of the year for the person whose birthday bundles bring in the most money this year. Debi reminded members that your contributions are tax deductible and receipts are available upon request. The Fall Retreat will be September 9 – 11 and sign ups begin today. 9 of the 12 spots available.
- **Gaye Paquet**, Newsletter Chair and **Brenda Lucas**, Web Site Chair have deadlines the 17th of each month.
- **Joan Darr**, Membership Chair reported five guests and 36 members present. Joan will have a list of the contents of the new member folder published in the newsletter; any member wishing one can ask for it next month. Name tags are available for pick up from her.

Cynthia announced bylaw amendments will be voted on at the July meeting. **Debi Bacon** suggested it would be helpful to go to the Maye River website and look at the existing wording with the changes proposed side by side. **Gaye Paquet** will email the proposed amendments again to everyone.

Cynthia announced the 2022-2023 Charitable Interest will be placemats for Meals on Wheels. Details will be published in an upcoming newsletter.

Cynthia announced the proposed budget was distributed and asked for questions. **Debi Bacon** moved to approve the budget as presented. **Fran Oblander** seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Fran Oblander gave the raffle quilt summary from last year. **Debi Bacon** won a prize for selling the most tickets. **Linda Pirtle** drew the winning ticket, **Linda Farineau**. As Lill Helming sold the winning ticket she was also awarded a prize. **Fran** showed the quilt made by **Lill** to be raffled this year. The quilt and the tickets to be sold will be ready by September.

Debi Bacon inducted the new Board with a description of their duties and a presentation of star blocks. They were challenged to use the blocks to create a quilted item and present it at the May 2023 meeting.

Cynthia asked for a volunteer to coordinate a trip to Quilt Con in Atlanta GA February 23-25, 2023.

Show and Tell was presented.

The program this month was a presentation of quilted creations by the new board members. Each member shared several items they had made with a brief description of each. The program also included an ice cream social and one game of Left-Right-Center.

Birthday bundle winners were announced.

Cynthia adjourned the meeting at 11:50 am.

Suzanne McClure
Secretary

FUND RAISING

July is MY birthday month. Through the years I've had a Birthday, then it morphed to a Birthday Week and now.....Birthday Month! I think birthdays are YOUR special day and if you share the month with me, I hope you have a great day, week, month. Happy Birthday!

Please consider sharing your birthday with Maye River Quilters. If your birthday is in July, bring something new or very gently used for silent auction. Small or large, we appreciate your contribution. And because we are a 501(c)(3) organization, it is tax deductible. PLUS, this year, the Fundraising Committee is tracking what your basket raises and one, maybe two people whose basket(s) brought I the most money will win a PRIZE! And yes, if you contribute more than one basket through the year, your TOTAL is considered for the prize.

~ Debi Bacon, Fund Raising Chair



MRQ BLOCK CHALLENGE

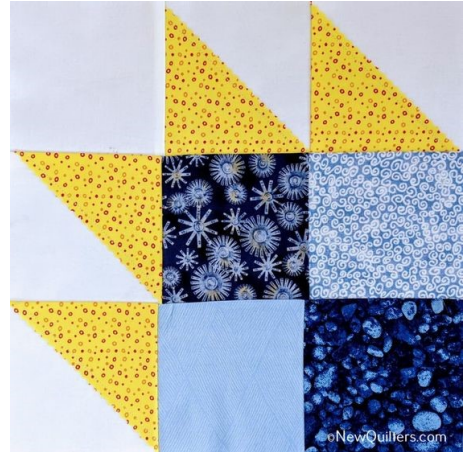
Our Block Challenge—to demo traditional blocks with wonky versions—kicked off in June with the 4-patch and 9-patch blocks. July will feature the Bear Paw Block.

It's been decided to limit the block demonstrations to a total of ten, so that all ten blocks might be included in quilts to be completed for the May 2023 challenge. We still need volunteers to demo the blocks at future guild meetings.

Please sign up with Fran Oblander in July.

The final list of blocks will be shared in August.

~ Karen Park-Bigelow and Lill Helming, Chairs



And the survey says...

At the June meeting Programs & Workshops collected a survey from members. Here is a sampling of the results:

52% of those surveyed have been quilting for more than 20 years

42% fall into the 5–20 year category

In response to “how many quilts do you own or have?” 57% of you have a LOT!

In regard to fabric stash it was a tie between “my stash is organized and under control” and “my stash is out of control”. Only a few felt their stash needs decluttering. (Birthday bundles anyone?)

Thanks to everyone who participated.

~ Karen Park-Bigelow and Lill Helming for Programs and Workshops



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PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS

President Fran Oblander appointed a Bylaws Committee to review our current bylaws and make recommendations for amendments. This newsletter includes a document with those recommended changes. When members don't work with bylaws much, often we don't understand how this process works so here is a guide:

1. Find the current bylaws dated October 3, 2020 on our website at <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5bb6a86a7a1fbd0130cf4869/t/5f90ac9ce6fa3e43c36949e2/1603316894235/MRQ+By-Laws%2C++Revised+Oct.+3%2C+2020.pdf>
2. Use the recommended amendments document to see the changes.
 - A. The left hand column refers to a section of the bylaws (for example: Article III B). This column contains the current wording with those words that will be changed in red.
 - B. The center column shows the current wording "redlined". This means that words that will be stricken have a red line through them and words that will be added are in red.
 - C. The right hand column shows how that section of the bylaws will look **if the amendment is passed.**
3. Review those recommended changes and make any notes if you have questions. The Chair will be prepared to answer your questions.
4. This publication serves as your notice that the bylaw amendments will be on the agenda at the July meeting. Be prepared to vote for the amendments.
5. At the July meeting, assuming a quorum is present (20% of our membership) the Bylaws Committee will move that the amendments be accepted and the members present will vote. Passage of the amendment(s) require a simple majority of those present. This can happen for all the amendments together, or each amendment could be a separate vote.

Lill Helming, Chair
Debi Bacon
Suzanne McClure

A new study shows buying supplies for
a beloved hobby can prolong your life...

In other news, I have discovered I
am now immortal.

Buy fabric = live forever.



Let's face it.

Life is just a bunch of
obstacles preventing
you from sewing.

Maye River Quilters

Committee Chairs June 2022—May 2023

Membership - Joan Darr
Workshops - Lill Helming
Charitable Interest -
Fundraising - Debi Bacon
Web Site & Facebook - Brenda Lucas
Newsletter - Gaye Paquet
Publicity -
Programs - Karen Park-Bigelow
Retreat - Debi Bacon
First Responders - Eileen Keohane
Education - Becky Robinson
Historian - Lynne Mortenson
Hospitality -
Guild Friends - Molly Sauls
Founding Mothers—Ann Godwin & Debi Bacon

2022-23 Meetings

Social: 9:30am
Meeting: 10:00 (unless otherwise posted)

**Our meetings July 2022 thru June 2023 will be held at
the Church of the Palms, 1045 Okatie Hwy**

2022

July 9*	August 6	Sept 10*	Oct 1	Nov 5	Dec 3
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2023

Jan 7*	Feb 4	March 4	Apr 1	May 6	June 3	July 7
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* Indicates meeting on SECOND Saturday

NEWSLETTER

The MRQ Newsletter is published every month for guild members. Articles or other information must be submitted to Gaye Paquet by the 17th of each month. Please submit your info to sewcrazy723@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Gaye.

Maye River Quilters Calendar 2022-2023

Jul 9	Regular Meeting
Jul 9	Workshop—Fabric Collage Faces The Haven, 12:30 following meeting
Aug 6	Regular Meeting
	Watermelon Weekend Workshop
Sep 10	Regular Meeting—Around the Border
Oct 1	Regular Meeting— Your own fabric line
Nov 5	Regular Meeting—Bag making
Dec 3	Regular Meeting and Christmas Party
Jan 7	Regular Meeting
Feb 4	Regular Meeting
Mar 4	Regular Meeting
Apr 1	Regular Meeting
May 6	Regular Meeting

Dates and events
will be added to
this calendar as they
become available



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FOR SALE

2019 Brother ND2750D Sewing/Embroidery Machine

Works perfectly, recently serviced (cleaned and lubricated). All original manuals, attachments, hoops, etc. included as well as carrier. Bonus: brand new box of embroidery thread values at \$150, custom made Sew Sweetly extension table.

Asking price is \$1350. Reason for selling: I upgraded.



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 **QuiltCon**
ATLANTA 2023

presented by **The Modern Quilt Guild**

February 23-26, 2023, at the Atlanta Convention Center at AmericasMart - quiltcon.com

MAJOR 2022 QUILT SHOWS

Heartland Quilters Quilt Show	Cullman, AL	July 8 – July 9
Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show	Sisters, OR	July 9
Sacred Threads	Herndon, VA	July 14 – July 24
Quilting Expo CANCELLED	Columbia, SC	July 15 – July 16
Black Canyon Quilt Show	Montrose, CO	July 15 – July 17
North East Ohio Quilt Show	Wooster, OH	July 21 – July 23
International Quilt Festival	Salt Lake City, UT	July 21 – July 23
Sacred Threads	Herndon, VA	July 21 – July 25
America: A Patchwork Quilt Show	New Braunfels, TX	July 22 – July 23
Methods of Madness QS	Aston, PA	July 22 – July 24
Maine Quilts Quilt Show	Augusta, ME	July 28 – July 30

