

A Publication of the Maye River Quilters ♥ February 2023

MAYE RIVER QUILTERS PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

*Lill Helming &
Karen Park-Bigelow
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February 4 Palmetto Electric Coop

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

Saturday, February 4, 2023 Guild Meeting Speaker—Linda Hahn



Linda's classes are fun and empowering! Linda has a way of taking a project that looks complex and breaking it down in such a way that's easy to understand. Linda adds her own sense of style while at the same time making it a **WHOLE LOTTA FUN!** Her infectious passion for quilting shines through in her classes. Linda is a high energy - low stress instructor.

Linda will present her most requested lecture - New York Beauty State of Mind with almost all the quilts from each of the three books in her New York Beauty series!!

For more information about Linda, visit **Frog Hollow Designs**.

<https://www.froghollowdesigns.com>



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Sunday, February 5, 2023

Linda Hahn Workshop—Wicked Wahini (or Beauty on the Beach)



Linda will teach a workshop on Sunday, February 5, 2023, from 9:00m to 3:00pm at the Riverview Room, Riverbend Lodge at Riverbend.

We will be making a quilt tht incorporates the New York Beauty block into a larger Carpenter's Star, with NO inset seams. See this quilt in other colors and fabric combinations in the Wicked Wahini quilt album on Linda's Facebook page: [froghollowdesigns](https://www.facebook.com/froghollowdesigns).

Linda's website is [froghollowdesigns.com](https://www.froghollowdesigns.com)—whet your whistle with lots of ideas.

Check the supply list to ensure you have all the requirements needed for class. Fabrics **MUST** be pre-cut and ready before class.

Irons and cutting stations will be provided.

Water and snacks will be provided.

Set-up time: 9:00am. Ten minutes to set up is allowed as class will start as close to 9:00am as possible.

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

Kit Fee: \$30 payable directly to Linda Hahn day of workshop.

Linda will have Pigma pens for optional purchase for \$3 if you cannot find them.

Students are provided with a workshop tab at the workshop and may add other purchases, such as book bundles, foundation paper, pigma pens, etc. to the kit fee. Payment is by cash, check, Visa or MasterCard.

There's still room and it's not too late to register if you can pull together fabrics and complete the preliminary class assignments by the 5th.

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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.

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

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>

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Saturday, April 1, 2023
Joyce Hughes—Guest Speaker



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 her 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!



Saturday, May 13, 2023

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

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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

**FROM THE
PRESIDENT'S DESK**

*Cynthia Cassidy
President*



First, I want to thank Sue Smith and Lynne Mortenson for stepping forward at the last minute to fill in for our program at the January meeting. I am always amazed at the talent we have in our guild!

Secondly, we are all hoping Pat Wyses improves with her health concerns!

So last year my kitchen renovation was a major project. (I will post a photo sometime this month on facebook.) My next major hurdle is a wedding in May! Oh, yes, May! My daughter, Sara, is getting married in Beaufort. We are so excited! So if I seem a bit scatter-brained... you know why! So much to do!

Having a deadline, like wedding, is always a good motivator to get things done! I haven't approached my challenge quilt yet... but I know the deadline, and that is my motivator!

Also, if you are considering helping the guild out next year, there are many opportunities. Become a board member, chair a committee, or become a committee member. See something you want changed? Be the change! If you are interested in a board position, please contact Diane Kretkowski.

See you at the February meeting.

Quilter [kwilt·er] [noun]

Prone to bouts of excitement when surrounded by fabric and others of their kind. If you come in contact, please be advised to GET OUT OF THE WAY.



**CHARITABLE
INTEREST**

*Sylvia Cameron
Chair*



Thanks to everyone for agreeing to make more placemats for the Meals on Wheels organization. We have 45 at this time and would like to have at least 175 for another distribution in April. My committee will have a cutting session sometime in February to assembly kits for those of you who would take them to sew and will have them ready to distribute at the March meeting. If you want to make placemats with fabric from your stash please make the placemats 12" x 16". They can be of any color fabric and could be enveloped and quilted or quilted and a binding added and need to be turned in at the February or March meeting. I think this is a good way to give an orphan block a new look. If you have any questions, please call or email me. Thanks again for your willingness to participate in this project.

Sylvia Cameron— scquilts@gmail.com or 843-705-7853



**FIRST
RESPONDERS**

*Eileen Keohane
Chair*

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

Contact Eileen at 843-987-0557



MEMBERSHIP

*Joan Darr
Chair*

December Meeting: 44 members—1 new member

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

NEW MEMBER: LYNN REPOSS

RETURNING MEMBERS: LINDA HARTRICK,

DONNA DOBRZYNSKI & BARBARA BARRETT

WELCOME TO ALL!!!

It's that time again to renew your MRQ membership! You can go on the MRQ website and fill in your information to pay by Paypal, pick up a membership form at the meeting or print a copy from the website and send a check to Membership Chair - Joan Darr. The deadline for paying your dues on time is **May 31st**. 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

The January meeting was overwhelmed with baskets netting us over \$500! Thanks to those with December and January birthdays and one even, from October. We appreciate your support of the guild this way.

Happy February birthday to Sherry Rackliff, Martha Watkins, Mary Jane McConnell, Linda Forry, Cathy Dale, Jan Jones, Sylvia Cameron and Kris Ducharme. Thank you to those of you who contribute to this important fundraising activity.

Whether it is your birthday or not, you are always welcome to contribute a basket, large or small. That member whose basket(s) raised the most money this guild year is in for a nice surprise!

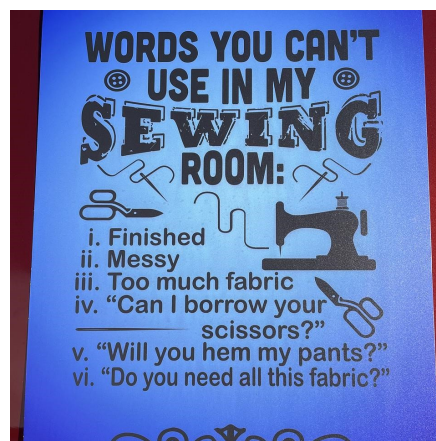
RAFFLE QUILT

Fran Oblander

As of the January meeting, MRO members have signed out 1200 raffle tickets. \$700 in funds have already been returned. With only three months in and five months to go we have obtained 230 more tickets to sell. 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 our 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 fundraiser!

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



**GUILD MEETING
MINUTES**

*Suzanne McClure
Secretary*

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**Minutes from Maye River Quilters General Meeting
January 3, 2013**

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

Cynthia asked Karla Ward to introduce our guests and new/returning members:

Guests—Donna Blanche, Sierra Welding, Diane Porter

New Member – Lynn Reppas

Returning Members— Barbara Barrett, Donna Dobryznski, Linda Hartrick

Debi Bacon introduced Ann Godwin, the other founding mother of Maye River Quilters. In recognition of the guild's Eighth Birthday, they told the story of how the guild started.

Cynthia reported the minutes of the last meeting were printed in the newsletter. Debi Bacon moved to accept as published. Liz Penke seconded. The motion passed. The Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

Membership Chair Joan Darr reported that 54 members were present with a total of 61 people at the meeting.

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

Cynthia asked for volunteers to help Diane Kretkowski with the nominating committee. Fran Oblander and Karla Ward volunteered.

Committee Reports:

- First Responders – Eileen Kehoe reported that all is going well
- Hospitality - Kellie Combs thanked everyone for all the help in November and December
- Charitable Interests - Sylvia Cameron thanked all the guild members who helped donate 260 placemats, 21 adult bibs and 13 bowl cozies to Meals on Wheels. She asked whether the guild members would be willing to make spring placemats. There was a positive response. She will have kits ready at the February meeting.
- Fundraising/Retreats - Debi Bacon reported the holiday baskets brought in almost \$500. The person who brings in the most money with birthday baskets will win a prize. Fran Oblander reported she printed 500 more tickets since they were selling so quickly. Very few are left.
- Newsletter/Website - Cynthia reminded all that the newsletter and the website deadline is the 17th of the month.
- Programs & Workshops—Lill Helming/Karen Park-Bigelow— see the website for signups.

January—Working with Scraps and Color (Pat Wys is sick and can't do the applique workshop as originally planned.) Workshop Sunday, January 8, 2023, at the Haven 11:30-4:00

GUILD MEETING MINUTES

Suzanne McClure
Secretary



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February – New York Beauty Block with Linda Hahn. Workshop Sunday, February 5, 2023, at Riverbend Lodge 9:00-3:00. Lots of prep work, register early.

March – Mary Beth Page presents “oompah Accordion Half Square Triangles at Potomac Electric after the meeting from 11:30 -4:00

Cynthia announced that those who signed up for the Mentor Program will be posted on the member's page of the website.

There will be a quilt bee meeting after this meeting for those interested in getting something started.

Show and Tell - Sharon Savastano showed a hug quilt as a potential charitable interest project for next year.

The program was a bed turning showing the quilts that Sue Smith and Lynne Mortenson have made over the years.

Birthday Bundle winners were announced with over \$500 raised.

Cynthia adjourned the meeting at 11:52.



BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to our February gals!

- 1—Sherry Rackliff
- 3—Martha Watkins
- 16—Mary Jane McConnell
- 24—Linda Forry
- 25—Cathy Date
- 25—Jan Jones
- 27—Sylvia Cameron
- 29—Kris Ducharme

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CHALLENGE**

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February's Block Challenge will be the Log Cabin block, presented by April Boyd. Gals—after February's Log Cabin, there is only ONE more block to be presented for the Challenge Quilt. How is yours coming along? Have you started yet?

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



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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

Feb 4	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

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Membership—Joan Darr

Programs—Karen Park-Bigelow

Workshops—Lill Helming

Retreat—Debi Bacon

Charitable Int—Sylvia Cameron

1st Responders—Eileen Keohane

Fundraising—Debi Bacon

Education—Becky Robinson

Website & Facebook—Brenda Lucas

Historian—Lynne Mortenson

Publicity—Vacant

Hospitality—Kellie Coombs

Newsletter—Gaye Paquet

Guild Friends—Linda Farineau

FOUNDING MOTHERS

Ann Godwin and Debi Bacon

NEWSLETTER

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28 Holidays

To Celebrate In FEBRUARY

- 2/1 Robinson Crusoe Day
- 2/2 Groundhog's Day
- 2/3 Carrot Cake Day
- 2/4 National Homemade Soup Day
- 2/5 Chocolate Fondue Day
- 2/6 Frozen Yogurt Day
- 2/7 Send a Card to a Friend Day
- 2/8 Boy Scout Day
- 2/9 National Pizza Day
- 2/10 Umbrella Day
- 2/11 Make a new Friend Day
- 2/12 Plum Pudding Day
- 2/13 Change your Name Day
- 2/14 Valentine's Day
- 2/15 Gumdrop Day
- 2/16 Do a Grouch a Favor Day
- 2/17 Random Acts of Kindness Day
- 2/18 National Drink Wine Day
- 2/19 National Chocolate Mint Day
- 2/20 Love your Pet Day
- 2/21 National Sticky Bun Day
- 2/22 Stay in PJ's Day
- 2/23 Play Tennis Day
- 2/24 National Tortilla Chip Day
- 2/25 Chocolate-Covered Nuts Day
- 2/26 Tell a Fairy Tale Day
- 2/27 No-Brainer Day
- 2/28 Tooth Fairy Day



A Quilter's Prayer:



*God, Grant me the serenity-
To accept the things I cannot change,
The fabric stash-
To make a quilt to help me cope,
A quilt to give-
To comfort those I love in times of
Hurt, fear and uncertainty.
And the courage-
To keep on sewing when life itself seems
held together by a single thread of hope.*

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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.

GUESS WHO
FINALLY CLEANED
THEIR
SEWING ROOM?

NOT ME..... BUT I'M SURE SOMEONE
DID
AND I'M PROUD OF YOU

FOR SALE

Bernina Aurora 440 QE with stitch regulator, straight stitch plate, and two soled walking foot with seam guide. This machine has a total of 819 stitching time of which there were 770 standby hours, 47 sewing hours and no embroidery hours.

This machine has been recently serviced and works perfectly. Also included are two manuals and an instructional CD-ROM.

Price \$975.00

If interested,
contact
Sylvia Cameron at
sacquilts@gmail.com
or 843-705-7853



BABY LOCK LYRIC—\$550

Includes various feed including quilting foot

Extension surface included

Contact April Boyd at

843-252-4996



**QUILT SHOWS
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Low Country Scrap Quilters
are participating in the
African American Cultural Art Festival
during the month of February

Date: February 9—20, 2023

Time: 10am—5pm daily

Place: Walterboro Wildlife Center
494 Hampton St, Walterboro SC

Admission: Free

Over 60 quilts will be on display

 **QuiltWEEK** SHOWS

DAYTONA BEACH, FL

FEBRUARY 22-25, 2023

OCEAN CENTER

101 NORTH ATLANTIC AVE

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

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POP UP QUILT SHOP

HOLIDAY INN, SURFSIDE SC

FEBRUARY 16 & 17

It's that time of year! Again, we will have The Quilters Gallery, Empty Pockets Alpaca,

Featherweight Poppy and the Cotton Quit. The room will be filled with all things quilting along with yarns and various alpaca goods. Featherweight Poppy will be doing service work on Featherweights while we are there.

There is no entry fee. The dates are February 16 and 17, which is a Thursday and Friday.

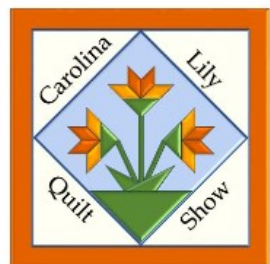
No Saturday. The hours are 9-3 each day.



QuiltCon ATLANTA 2023

presented by The Modern Quilt Guild

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



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

Raffle Prizes, Boutique by the Quilters' Guild and more!

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James H. Woodside Conference Center at the Greenville Convention Center

**MAJOR QUILT SHOWS
FEBRUARY 2023**

Cedar Chest Quilters Guild Annual Retreat	Cedar City UT	Feb 1 –Feb 4
Surfing a Sea of Quilts	Robstown, TX	Feb 3 – Feb 4
Highland Lakes Quilt Festival	Burnet, TX	Feb 3–Feb 4
Under the Sea Quilt Show	South Padre Is,	Feb 10–Feb 11
Vero Beach Quilt Show	Vero Beach, FL	Feb 10–Feb 11
Kauai Quilt Show	Kauai, HI	Feb 10–Feb 22
Winter Quilt	West Bend, WO	Feb 11
Sew Magical Expo	Grapevine, TX	Feb 17–Feb 19
Quilt Con	Atlanta, GA	Feb 23–Feb 26
Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival	Hampton, VA	Feb 23–Feb 26
Not Your Grandmother’s Quilt Show	Punta Gorda, FL	Feb 24–Feb 25
Quilt Fiesta!	Tucson, AZ	Feb 24–Feb 25
PVQA’s 45th Annual Quilt Show	Watsonville, CA	Feb 25–Feb 26