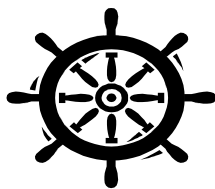




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## President's Message

November was a busy month full of a lot of sewing info and good times. Thank you to Jan Collom and Mary Ann Caggiano for running for the office of Vice-President. Mary Ann was the winner and will take over the office on Dec. 14, 2010. Mary Loux won the sawtooth star blocks in the exchange with Chatham and as always the food was very good. Both groups had items for show and tell. We had a workshop on the grommet purse and a lot of beautiful purses were being made. Joyce McKee had a workshop on English paper piecing Christmas ornaments and the turnout was great the biggest we've had for a workshop this year. It's hard to believe that January will be here soon. We have a great charity committee working on a project I think we all will have fun working on. We need a demo/workshop committee. I've looked at the schedule for 2011 and we have eight weeks to fill. Marty Snider is going to have a workshop Feb. 22, on the table runner from last year that a lot of you wanted. There will be a sign up sheet and all the instructions handed out. Using the 50/50 money for the children's Christmas gifts worked out this year and we'll discuss doing the same thing next year. We need a shop hop committee. I'd like to see us visit some new locations. Traveling to some of the Southern shops is not farther than going to Suwannee in Trenton. If you have adventure in your soul let me know. We will have meetings on Dec. 21 and 28, 2010 for anyone wanting to sit and sew. The number attending lunch has increased and it's a good way to get to know each other better. We go at 11:00 a.m. and everyone is welcome to attend.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Bev

### December 7

Business meeting  
 Show-N-Tell  
 50/50  
 Give and Take  
 Lunch-Too Jay's

### December 14

Chapter Christmas Party  
 Check back pages for information

### December 21

Sewing  
 Lunch-R.J. Gators

### December 28

Sewing  
 Lunch-Beef O 'Brady's

### January 4, 2011

Business meeting  
 Show-N-Tell  
 50/50  
 Lunch-Cody's

**President- Bev Jahn**

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**Secretary /Treasurer-  
Teresa Hatfield**

**Advisors-Cathy Bluemling and  
Michele Butson**

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**Historian- Joyce McKee & Nancy Oberliesen**

**Newsletter Editor- Nancy Wildzunas**

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**Dee Burns, Helen Kumpfmiller**

**Showcase Committee:**

**Carol Goldman and Sue Kriek**

**50/50**

**Janet Stanley and Marlene Serra**

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Nancy Oberliesen**

**Sunshine-Elaine Kent**

**Nominating Committee**

**Nancy Wildzunas ,Nancy Oberliesen**

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**Board meetings Rep**

**Donna Kudner**

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**Joyce Doig**

**Quilt Show**

**-Chinese Auction -Rosa Barber,**

**Boutique- Fran Schieler**

**Webster**

**Nancy Wildzunas**

## December 2010 Events

### Gentle Announcement –Nancy W

And now it's time for this gentle announcement:

***There are only four weeks until Christmas!***

How's the state of your "to-do" list? Have you managed to turn it into a "ta-da!" list yet, or are you still plotting and planning and scheming and deciding? If you need a bit more time, watch me do math:

***There are twenty-eight days until Christmas!***

Somehow the larger number makes me think that I have more time. Let's try something else:

***There are 40,320 minutes until Christmas!***

Oh that's *wonderful!* That's the number I like to see; it makes me feel like I've got everything under control, everything down pat. With 40,320 minutes (and counting) until Christmas,

### **Guild meeting December 7,2010**

#### **Christmas Party**

We are to bring a finger food to share

#### **December 7, 2010**

#### **Business Meeting—Only 17 days to Christmas Eve**

Show-N-Tell

50/50

Lunch-Too Jay's

### **December 14, 2010 LAKE MIONA CHAPTER CHRISTMAS BRUNCH:**

Chapter Christmas Party

December is upon us bringing lots of holiday merriment to us all. Our Chapter Christmas Brunch is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. The festivities start at 9:00 a.m. The sign-up sheet for you to name the brunch treat you wish to share will be available at the next Chapter meeting. Please think about your contribution so you may list it on the sign-up sheet. You ladies never fail to provide delicious, interesting dishes—can't wait! (In fact, if you wish, why don't you have copies of your favorite recipe to place on the table along with the dish??? What fun to share!)

### **December 21, 2010**

Sewing—do our own thing

Lunch-R.J. Gators

### **December 28**

Sewing—do our own thing.

Lunch-Beef O 'Brady's

### **January 4, 2011**

Business meeting

Show-N-Tell

50/50

## **Quilt Retreat at Lake Yale -dee Burns, Mary Ann Caggiano, Beth Dombek**

Retreat - February 8, 9 and 10, 2011

We feel that everything is falling into place and that we will have a great Retreat. Within the next two weeks, we should have the signed Waiver from each participant. dee will have them at meeting. We will be getting information to you regarding each class and a note covering other pertinent issues. .... and hope that you will enjoy three days of fun and camaraderie!!

We wish you a very happy holiday season and a happy New Year.

## **Showcase: Carol Goldman and Sue Kriek**

The showcase ladies for December are Kathy Lofy, Teresa Hatfield, and Sue Kriek. Thank you to Lucette Fortier and Donna Kudner for the November display. We can still use somebody for January to partner with Marlene Serra. That is all over and out. Carol

## **Quilting Lil**

Will it surprise you if I don't go on and on about the cheeriness, warmth, hope and feeling of the Christmas season? Sorry, I'm burned out after having the retail world bombard my senses with "seasonal" merchandise and music since September. I'm no expert but not even Dr. Luke mentions anything about tinsel, evergreens, conspicuous consumerism, or Grinches in his gospel about the birth of the Savior. No, let's instead discuss exercise. Now that's an eight letter word that often either raises hackles or provokes yawns. You may exercise regularly, infrequently or not at all saying you don't need to. You're wrong, but this is America and you're entitled to your opinion, 'nuf said. This nice cooling month of December is an ideal time to get out and shake your booty. Our neighborhoods are so beautiful and the weather so clement I can't understand why everyone isn't compelled to take a walk, a bike ride, play tennis or pickle ball, go for a swim or ,better yet, water aerobics. Also, as mentioned above, it is December, a notorious season of increased calorie intake with every club in The Villages having brunches and dinners and probably even breakfasts. To how many clubs do you belong? Church? Yup, that's what I thought.

Don't misunderstand, I'm not suggesting a marathon or triathlon here. Just please consider a nice brisk walk. Take a friend and it'll turn into not only exercise but psychological therapy. Go alone and use the time for thinking, praying, sorting out a sticky problem ( just how will I set those log cabin squares that have accumulated on my machine over the last few years??) Get a good pair of shoes, check with your health care provider for clearance and MOVE. There are more studies than angels on a pin head that prove the benefits of regular exercise. These include but not limited to increased energy, weight loss, increased muscle mass, improved out look, and improved immune system response (one less cold this year?). Eighty plus year old women confined to a chair that worked out with one pound weights three times a week had measurable improvement in all of the previously mentioned.

Just cannot get motivated? How about considering a little competition? Instead of heading right out to lunch after a quilting meeting, we divide into small groups and go for a walk. Keep track of our progress, slowly increase the distance, maybe carry light weights, put up a map and "walk" across the state of Florida (theoretically of course). You get the picture. It's a win/win proposal. With a group, a friend, by your lonesome, or a team of doubles choose your "poison" and get going.

I'm sure all of you find time for that last minute must have table runner, shepherd's costume for the church tableau, baby quilt for the preemie who wasn't suppose to arrive until February. Find time for yourselves. Thirty to sixty minutes a day is chump change compared to a serious sewing project. Please just think about it and get rid of those holiday goodies and give yourselves the gift of improved physical and emotional health. Take care, God Bless and Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, Providential Kwanzaa.

'Til the new year, Quilting Lil

## **Tips By Robin -Here are the tips for December**

1. Double check all calculations before buying (or cutting) fabric so you don't have to make another trip to the store and risk that the fabric will be sold out.
2. Spray fabric with starch before cutting it. The starch keeps bias edges from stretching, which makes it easier to piece accurately.
3. Read all directions first. If using a kit double check that all fabrics in the proper yardages are included.

## **Guild Programs for 2010 and 2011—Joyce Doig**

DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY

JANUARY LEIGH MCDONALD LECTURE AND TRUNK SHOW

FEBRUARY QUILT SHOW WINNERS

MARCH GARAGE SALE

APRIL DAVID TAYLOR PICTORAL APPLIQUE

### **Classes at Oxford Methodist Church**

OXFORD METHODIST CHURCH CLASSES

DEC 7

Dale Angione- Christmas Tress snippets( filled)

JAN 4

Leigh McDonald national teacher sign up \$25

circle 4 patch machine appliqué

February Mystery Quilt 3 weeks \$10.00 a week

Teacher Doreen Hunter - FEB 8,15,22

MARCH 1

Jackie Whitehead \$10

needle turn appliqué

MARCH 8 &14

Molly Waddell National teacher sign up \$25

quilt show judge

adorable clown appliqué (2nd day not full day)

MARCH 15,22,29 & APRIL 1 \$10 EACH CLASS

Beth Bender

beginner quilting

APRIL 5

David Taylor National teacher

pictorial appliqué

### **Upcoming Events**

Look for your Lakeland, Florida Original Sewing & Quilt Expo class program online starting January 6, 2011 – we'll see you there! Change in location for 2011! Original Sewing & Quilt Expo moves inland, to **The Lakeland Center in Lakeland, Florida** on March 17, 18 & 19, 2011.

After the holidays we will all be ready for the wonderful Quilt Show & Event Season!

**Jan 17-22, 2011 Florida Breeze Shop Hop - visit 6 of your favorite central Florida shops for prizes, sales ,great quilting blocks & more!**

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Jan 21 & 22 Florida Cabin Fever Quilt-Central Florida Fair grounds, 4602 W. Colonial Drive. Orlando  
www.cabinfeverquilts@aol.com for more info

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Jan 28 & 29 The Villages Quilt Show - Savannah Center-Villages Reception Center

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Feb. 11 & 12 Space Coast Quilters, Brevard Community College Titusville

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Mar 3 & 4 Lake County Quilters Guild- Lake Receptions Center  
Mt. Dora

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Mar. 18-20 Broward Expo - War Memorial Auditorium  
800 N.E. 8th St, Ft. Lauderdale 33304

## **Quilt Show 2011 Boutique–Fran Scheitler**

Just a reminder. I hope you are working on items to sell at the show in January. I have all the information, tags, sign up sheets etc. The guidelines were in the November newsletter but if you have any questions, please e-mail me at [frans453@embarqmail.com](mailto:frans453@embarqmail.com) or call on 751-6008 and of course I will be at our weekly meetings.

As in the past you will price your items and keep in mind we give the Guild 10% and the State 7%. All you have to do is get busy and CREATE.

Here are the guidelines for the show

### **Boutique Guidelines for the Showcase of Quilts 2011**

#### **Allowed items**

**Any sewn or quilted item. ( if the pattern is from a quilt shop, it's allowed)**

**Quilt kits– must have everything to complete it, except backing. Can be partially completed**

**Quilt patterns– if it's sold at a quilt shop, it's allowed. No copies and must be complete.**

**Quilt Books**

**Quilting Magazines– neatly bundled in group of six and wrapped neatly in both direction with fabric strips. ( no Strings) Must be quilting magazines. No catalogs or other fillers.**

**Used quilting supplies. Such as rulers, cutting boards, hangers, quilt rack, stencils, etc **No fabric****

#### **Not allowed**

**Sewing machines and sergers**

**Needlework, hand embroidery, cross-stitch**

**Knitted or crochet items**

**Fabric**

**Any item that is not made by a paid member of the Villages Quilting Guild.**

**Any Questions, call Judy Porter 259-2461 or Jackie Whitehead 750-5946**

## Board meeting for November

Meeting of Nov. 16, 2010

A late arrangement has been made for Leigh Mc Donald to teach Adventures in Circles at the Methodist Church so people are encouraged to sign up quickly. The cost is \$25 pp and the project can be found in her book through the Martingale Press. Google it for a picture. Leigh McDonald class will be on 1/4/11

Quilt Show Report:

There are five candidates who have agreed to "shadow" the coordinators this year to be able to decide if they would like to throw themselves under the bus, uh, run the show, rather, for 2013. Four of these people are from one chapter. It was duly noted that the coordinators must be from two different chapters.

227 quilts have been submitted for judging.

Program committee voiced frustration in being unable to fill classes especially those given by nationally known teachers. Suggestions made to help remedy this were: Hold more challenging classes and encourage chapter members to make suggestions and perceived needs known to their program committee..

Use only local teachers after May (currently booked until then), which would be less costly. It was voiced that price may be a factor.

Issue of changing the time of guild meetings to the daytime, 3 PM to 5 PM. It was suggested that a vote of the entire membership be polled. Also mentioned was the consideration of quarterly meetings. The entire subject was tabled until the membership could voice their opinions.

Christmas Party: there is currently \$619 in the budget for this function. Mulberry Chapter will make the centerpieces. This will be a solely social occasion with the only business transacted will be installation of officers. (no 50/50).

There was stated a need to check the pertinent data for new members ( address, phone #, Email address etc.)

Each chapter will host one guild meeting a year. The month will be assigned by the president.

The program committee wanted to stress the need for more participants for the October 12 through 14, 2011 guild-wide fall retreat at Lake Yale. There is room for 46 participants, this year only 20+/- attended. The cost is \$140 pp/dbl occ. A personally provided brown bag lunch will be required on the first day, all other meals will be included in the cost. There are no teachers planned, UFOs are encouraged.

The Villages Christmas Parade sign-up is quickly approaching closing for applications. There was little interest voiced for participation and even less enthusiasm for volunteering to be chairperson for this event. Our application will be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Kudner