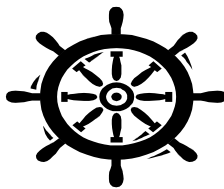




Lake Miona



Quilters



November 2012

President's Message

November is here with the countdown to Christmas. Isn't it nice that we don't have to stand in line and fret about the latest toys? Some things are nice to pass on to the next generation. As I write this the next President is yet to be elected. We all have our preferences and I am hoping for My Man to win! Don't forget Nov 6 is Bring your checkbook day. Lets get the dues paid, retreat monies to close out your debt for Feb and buy your raffle tickets. I am sure Teresa would like to turn them over. Just think if you bought them for all the family and they won, it would be one less quilt you would have to make.....

We will have a quilt and hobby trunk show by Nancy O on November 13 so make sure you don't miss it. On November 27 we will have guests from SAET to pick up our charity quilts. If you haven't turned your quilt in to Robin, please do it as soon as possible. I am looking forward to seeing them all together.

We will be forming new committees for the 2013. If you would like to remain where you are just let me know. All of you have done such a great job this past year and for those of you who would like to participate more, we can always find a place for you to help.

The Guild will be hosting Linda Visnas who will discuss Tsukineko Inks, threads and a trunk show at the November 6 meeting.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving and look forward to seeing you every Tuesday.

Joyce Doig

Dues are due

It's time to pay your dues. Dues for 2013 are \$22.00. Please pay by Thanksgiving. The payment to the guild is due on the first of December . thank you.

For seasonal quilters, you can mail your checks to Teresa Hatfield, 1127 McBee Ave, The Villages, Fl 32162.

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Quilt Show

Chinese Auction—Nancy Wildzunas

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Tips for September -Teresa Hatfield

After threading your needle, give the thread a quick pul or snap to help avoid tanling and twisting. Use large paper clips to hold your binding in place while hand stitching it. The thread is less likely to catch on paper clips than on pins.

When changing thread on your sewing machine, cut the thread at the spool, and pull the thread out toward the needle. This will avoid fuzzing up the tension disks and will actually "Floss" the tension mechanism at the same time.

When using plastic zip top storage bags to store fabrics or projects, cut a very small corner off the bag to allow air to flow out of the bag. The bag will store flatter and you have less chance of trapped moisture.

Retreat Planning Committee:

!As the date for Lake Miona Quilters 4th Annual Retreat draws near, the planning committee is working hard to arrange fun projects from which we may learn something new. If you have a balance due, be sure to see dee Burns or one of the committee members with your check payable to Lake Miona Quilters right away. The retreat is always a special time for us to share with friends creating fond memories!



Blessed be the ties that bind in November

Bonnie Harshaw

At this past week's chapter meeting we were treated to a fantastic trunk show by Bonnie Harshaw. She started quilting with the Polk County Community Quilters in northwest Pennsylvania on an Amish frame made with 2x4s and C-clamps sitting knee to knee at the center of the piece. She brought pictures of this apparatus and the ladies seated. That was her fabric art beginning and, Boy, has she blossomed since then. Bonnie does it all and does it well. Her present love and forte is hand appliqué but her vivid imagination takes her work on many interesting turns. One wall hanging she showed even had a string of battery powered lights for illumination!

She is the mother of four adult children, three boys and her precious Shannon. Now she is the grandmother of six AND the Great grandmother of three. I suspect by her youthful appearance, she must have started at ten years old.

Three sewing machines grace her "tool shed" but she firmly denies owning any that would fit a Cadillac metaphor; a Singer "school" model, another pedestrian Singer, and a traveling Brother from Costco. When you see Bonnie's work makes you wonder just why a machine would ever be worth thousands of dollars.

One of my favorite Harshaw quotes is, "There is no ugly fabric", however a runner up may be, " The important quilts are the one's that have memories".

So, that is a little bit more about our gal. If you stop by her seat someday ask about her prolific Sun Bonnet Sue collection.

Donna Kudner

Quilting Lil

First, a bit of a caveat. Last month's quilting Lil was a bit over edited. The bathing suit article was not my creation. Unfortunately it was gleaned from the Internet and no author was identified to whom to credit. I found it just so hysterical that I just felt I had to share it with all of you. Thanks to all who thought that I could possibly be that funny and thanks to the very creative and humorous author who actually did write it. Sorry for the misconception and thanks for your presumed understanding.

New for October:

I have a cousin, Bonnie, whom I dearly love. She is an eighth grade English teacher in a public school. She insists that she loves what she does. I look forward to receiving her emails hoping each time to get a few of her hysterical anecdotes about her charges.

There is the OCD kid who comes to class armed with a container of Clorox surface wipes. While all of the other germy kids are sniffing, coughing and sneezing she makes sure the sanitizer sits directly in front of her. She has a very strong survival instinct. Then there is the one about confiscating the cell phone from the some boys who were ogling a picture of another scantily clad eighth grade girl! Geesh, when I was in eighth grade my figure resembled that of my desk top. Nothing to ogle there, clad or not. Recently she sent me a copy of a literary magazine through which she shepherded her students. It included short stories, poems, fantasy, all too real reality and drawings all done by the kids. Like making a quilt of words, she helped select, cut, piece and perfect each contribution. This was accomplished without stifling creativity by demanding grammatical excellence or that each contributor be a budding novelist.

Although Bonnie can and has done some quilting, it is not her forte or passion. Coincidentally, the name of the publication is "Counterpane" which is a multi-syllabic synonym for quilt. She and her students can be mighty proud of their accomplishment. As highly as I regard her, I'm sure there is an army of similarly talented and dedicated teachers working with our nation's youth, nudging and cajoling them toward excellence that they never knew they could achieve. So if you were or are a teacher, thank you. We cannot do without you.

'Til next time.

Quilting Lil

Show case –Sue Kreick and Carol Goldman

October Showcase was done by Kathy Lofty and Teresa Hatfield. Ladies, you need to take a month. It is not fair for just a few to do the showcase. We would like everyone to see what a great chapter we are. We have November open . December has been taken. Let Carol or Sue know that you will help with these months.

October Trunk show– Jan Collom

Bonnie Harshaw

From very humble quilt beginnings to the Villages. From hand quilting on a wooden frame to machine quilting. Screw ups that worked and ones that didn't. I will try to remind you why we quilt and why never to be afraid to try something new. Come see the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat. It's not a trunk show, but a suitcase show and I don't know why I let them talk me into this !!!

November 6 , 2012

Business meeting- 50/50 Show and tell, Freebie table Please bring sewing /quilting items you do not want and want to give them away and take what you do want. Have fun.

November 13, 2012

Trunk Show Nancy O
Own projects

November 20, 2012

Bonnie Hartshaw is doing needle turn appliqué and hand sewing tools will be required.

November 27, 2012

Guests from SAET to pick up charity quilts
Own projects
Lunch at Mallory CC

Cathedral Windows was a great demo

October 23rd MaryAnn showed us how to make Cathedral Windows. Maryann made up a kits for the girls that signed up for the demo. 18 ladies signed up and they made beautiful squares. Thanks Maryann

Upcoming events

✂ November

6 / GUILD MEETING: LINDA VISNAW (Arizona)

Tsukineko Inks, Fabrico Markers, Threads and Trunk Show

6 / Linda Visnaw's Workshop, Daisy Chain

7 / Linda Visnaw's Workshop, Doodling - All Over Quilt & Border Design

20 / EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

✂ December

4 / GUILD MEETING: LINDA BEACH (Alaska), Designing from Nature

CLICK LINK, BELOW, FOR A VIDEO

www.quiltersnewsletter.com/videos/episode-1.html

5 / Linda Beach's Workshop, Pieced Landscapes

18 / EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER - WORKSHOPS, all classes full

DECEMBER - Linda Beach - Program Meeting Tuesday, Dec. 4th - Laurel Manor - 7:00 pm doors open 6:30 pm - NO

HOLIDAY PARTY (party will be held at February's Parade of Quilts meeting

3 spaces left - Wednesday, Dec. 5th - Designing From Nature, 9am - 3pm - NEW Villages Library [CR466A](#) - \$25 sign up.

2013 starts off pretty quick and fun:

NO GUILD MEETING....January 1

JANUARY 8,2013 - GUILD GARAGE SALE (PARKING LOT SALE if good weather and necessary, of course) Location is Paradise Rec Center 8 am - 11 am in both rooms used by Piecemakers and Quilting B's.

FEBRUARY 2013 - PARADE OF QUILTS & PARTY

SULKY SEMINAR - February 6 and 7

FIRST TUESDAY MARCH PROGRAM MEETING - PATTI HEMPEN FROM ARIZONA - QUILTING SYMMETRY

DEMO DAY MARCH EVENT - DATE/LOCATION - TBD

Please see Ruth Mazurski for sign up. Flyers for above classes will be at our meetings.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Guild Meeting on January 1 (due to Holiday).

There will be a Garage Sale at Paradise Rec Center on **Tuesday, January 8.**

Start looking through your stashes, patterns, tools no longer used, and

Maybe make yourself some extra cash to start the New Year.

Charity Committee Robin Hensley

Several important items will be taken up at the monthly business meeting. The first will be discussion of charity work for 1213--When and what. The Charity committee wishes to change the charity months to be January, February and March. This is so our snowbird friends will be able to participate more fully. It has also been suggested that we should not participate as a group in Operation Shoebox making stockings and ornaments for the troops, the feeling being that this should be an individual choice rather than a group choice. The Charity Committee also has suggested that next year's charity project should be making nap mats for a wildwood daycare center. If anyone has other suggestions please bring them to the November meeting so they may be discussed and voted on so work can begin in January.

So far 27 quilts have been turned in for the SAFE-T program. Ladies be proud of yourselves. The quilts are truly beautiful. You have outdone yourselves! To date quilts have been turned in by: Marlene(2), Rosa(2), Kathy Lofy, Betty Knudson, Bev Jahn, Mary Murray(3), Ann Boudrot, Judy Richter, Helen Valois, Dee Burns, Sue Rivers, Mary Laux, Sarah Cockrill, Bev Riley, Darlene Bandy (3), Two anonymously, and two groups (the group of Kay, Cathy B.,and Jody) and (the group of Jan, Mickey, Nancy O., Donna K.). If your name isn't here I'm truly sorry. I missed a few weeks and quilts were handed to other members of the committee. Please let me know so I can include your name.

Finally, The Charity Committee has invited the contact person for this project, Sue Gregory and her supervisor, Sabra to come to receive the quilts and celebrate with us the end of a highly successful charity project. They have accepted and will be with us on Tuesday, November 27th.
Robin for The Charity Committee

Highlights of the Guild Executive Board Meeting October 16, 2012

- 1) Lake Miona Chapter has chosen by lottery to have guild meeting hosting duties for December, 2013
- 2) The treasurer requests that all dues monies be held until the middle of Dec. for ease of deposit. Joy Lynch still needs updated membership information.
- 3) Web site will have comprehensive information for quilt show including copies of documents necessary.
- 4) Current membership stands at 753. There will be no new chapter shirts for awhile. The company that manufactured them has filed for bankruptcy. Alternatives are being explored, stay tuned. If we have close to a thousand members, how did the company go under?
- 5) Showcase:
 - need chapter banners in Dec.
 - They have > 200 quilts for display
 - At the November meeting there will be sign up sheets for volunteers in the areas of parking, rack assembly and dissembly, angels, etc.
 - If a quilter who is showing their quilt is interested in selling it, let the committee know and a very discreet indication will be placed on the piece. The transaction will then be between the seller and the buyer. This will be quietly tolerated but not encouraged.
- 6) Jill Smithson sent out an APB for a roster of "In House" teachers and demonstrators for both the chapter level and guild-wide. A sign up sheet will be at the guild meeting on Tuesday.
- 7) The slate of nominees for the upcoming executive board vacancies of vice president and recording secretary are a bid for re-election by Micki MacCumbee for VP and Heather Farnell for secretary. It is presumed that nominations will be entertained from the floor at the guild meeting before voting proceeds. (Don't we all suffer from "electile dysfunction" by now???)
- 8) Bradenton will be our fourteenth chapter soon. They have requested and been granted afternoon status. Hours will be 12:30 'til 4:20 on Tuesdays. This begs the question, how will they get to executive board meeting at 3 PM and share in the fun with the rest of us?
October's done, two to go.....Yippee!

[November 6, 2012

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday

New Villages Library, CR466A

\$25 Registration Fee

\$16 Kit Fee

Includes two workbooks

Linda Visnaw

Daisy Chain

Introduce yourself to Tsukineko Inks and Fabrico Markers; top off Blendables Thread stitching and you have instant *Wow!* Full-day workshop uses the pattern and placemat project from the newest "Fun with Sulky Blendables Thread Book #900-B21"

Absolutely NO artistic talent is required

PDF WORKSHOP FLYER & SUPPLY LIST

November 7, 2012

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday

New Villages Library, CR466A

\$25 Registration Fee

\$55 Kit Fee

Includes inks, markers, prepared and dyed fabric, pre-cuts, a 90/14 topstitching needle, thread, batting and handouts

Quiltin Lil

OK, I've been mulling over this bee in my bonnet for quite a while now. Allow me to vent....nothing new there! What is the hang up concerning quilters who are cross over knitters? Are people allergic to the wool? Does the clickity-clack of the needles drown out conversation? Is knitwear inappropriate for Florida weather?

I am blessed with a room in my home dedicated solely to sewing and fiber arts. Not that I consider myself an artist but a girl can dream. As most of us who do hand work, I enjoy having something portable to carry and keep me busy. However, many of my quilting projects are large, complicated and do not lend themselves to being schlepped all over kingdom come. Frequently, as all of you have had an opportunity to observe, I am involved in piecing and hand quilting. But that is not always my travel piece du jour. If all we have to do is knitting on a given Tuesday morning, do you anti-knitters prefer we stay home?

Now, I can hear you saying, "But this is a quilting group!!!" What? We knitters, crocheters, and embroiderers can't enjoy and be inspired by the quilting to which we are witnesses each week? Our concentration on knit one, purl two is such that we are left unable to appreciate the other beautiful work being presented and worked on? Or is it, Heaven Forbid, that some "Future Villager" touring with a real estate agent think us a mixed group? What is the point of a weekly gathering? It is the pleasant company of folk with a common interest, the laughter and ideas that we share, the increasing of knowledge and technique, and the blow-your-sox-off "show (sew?) and tell" I would think. I would venture that Operation Shoe Box drawstring Christmas stockings and sand-less beach bags have the employ of a sewing machine as their sole commonality (neither are quilted). If that be the criteria, then bring on the aprons, jackets, pants, skirts and all manor of projects that are facilitated by Isaac Singer's invention!

Obviously, we rogue knitters are missing a chip. We find it impossible to understand the objection to alternative hand work being done at a meeting. Now if we were making pizza or splashing wet clay around \$11.00/ yd fabric, perhaps we could be a little more receptive to the objection.....perhaps.

It takes many little squares to make a sewing circle. Can't we find some tolerance for the gal or Ed who every now and then enjoys the beat of a different drummer? We're not jumping ship, just taking a land excursion.

Gotta go, just dropped a stitch...

Quilting (and sometimes knitting, embroidering, crocheting and just plain old sewing) Lil



with Sulky

November 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6 Business meeting _ Money for Dues, Retreat, Raffle tickets 50/50/freebie table show n tell Lunch Lighthouse	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Trunk Show Nancy O Own projects Lunch Gators	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Bonnie Hartshaw is doing needle turn applique and hand sewing tools will be required.	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Guests from SAET to pick up charity quilts Own projects Lunch at Mallory CC	28	29	30	

Notes