



# The Rocketeer

## FEBRUARY 2026



### President's Blurb

Susan Baker

Brrrr! Rocket Quilters, I hope you're staying warm! I've been using my "indoor" time to sandwich quilts. Hope to have some quilts ready for binding at our February 13th meeting. I was so glad to have M&M back at the January meeting. I learned so much and they are such a fun program. They are going to teach a class for us in April. It will be a one day class at the Extension, so there should be plenty of room for us all. See Community Quilts below for the info.

Hope you were able to join us for the retreat. It went well, except that we were unable to use the room on Tuesday. We were able to get in for an alternate sew day on Friday and then the scheduled Monday. Shelia made us a great sloppy Joe lunch and several of our ladies baked some outstanding goodies.

We're having a Member/Teacher after the March meeting. I'll be teaching the Stacked quilt. Hope you can join us. Sign up sheet and details at the February meeting. It's a quick way to use up those 5 inch squares.

Marti Rich was able to drop by the retreat. It was so good to see her up and around! Glad you're doing so well!!

Stay warm and keep quilting!

Susan Baker  
Rocket Quilt Guild President

**DON'T FORGET!**  
**NEXT MEETING**  
**BRING :**  
**Your *Block of the Month***  
Recycle Table Stuff  
Fat Quarters

### Upcoming Events At a Glance

- Next Meeting - FEB 13
- Daytona Beach Quilt Show Bus Trip - FEB 18

### This Month's Birthday's

Mary Witcher 9-Feb  
Yvonne Makowski 16-Feb  
MaryAnne Novak 16-Feb  
Dorothy Rifkin 18-Feb  
Tina Revett 24-Feb

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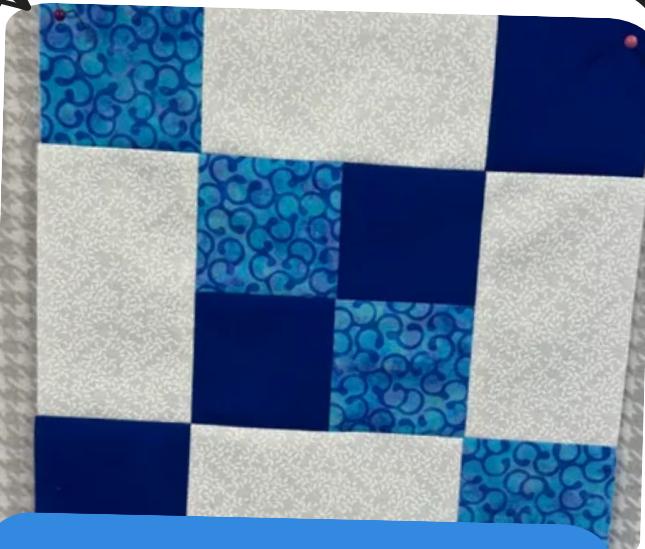
## Block of the Month

### Chain 4 Patch

Please use Blues as your colors

Directions were emailed and can be found on the website at [www.rocketquilters.com](http://www.rocketquilters.com)

If you have any questions, please email either Cassandra at [crafty.cassandra.quilts@gmail.com](mailto:crafty.cassandra.quilts@gmail.com) or Chrissy at [cmskiddy916@gmail.com](mailto:cmskiddy916@gmail.com).



## Chain 4 Patch



## Quilt Show & Daytona Day Trip!

We would love for you to join us for a fun-filled day trip to Daytona! Whether you are looking for inspiration or just a great day out with friends, this trip has something for everyone.

### Trip Details

Date: February 18, 2025

Cost: \$43 per person

Departure: The bus leaves The Great Outdoors at 8:15 AM

Return: We will be back by approximately 4:30 PM

### What's Included

Your ticket covers your transportation, a show admission ticket, and some extra perks to make the day special. We will provide a breakfast treat on the way to Daytona, hold drawings for door prizes, and enjoy a sweet treat on the return trip.

### About the Show

Get ready to explore over 70 vendors and beautiful quilt exhibits. It is the perfect opportunity to find unique supplies, view incredible artistry, and enjoy the vibrant quilting community.

### How to Register

If you would like to attend, please mail your check to:

Judi Sierer

253 Harmony Ln

Titusville, FL 32780

For any questions, feel free to contact Judi at 260-665-2566. We can't wait to see you there!

## NEW CHALLENGE QUILT

Chrissy Skidmore

### April 2026 General Meeting / Tea Party Quilt Challenge

Calling all quilters! For our upcoming April 2026 gathering, we invite you to create a quilt panel that showcases your creativity and flair. Here are the guidelines:

#### Panel Requirements

- Minimum finished size: 40" x 40"
- Include creative borders using a block of your choice

(Borders may be partial—no need to frame the entire quilt)

#### 🌐 Suggested Sites for Panels & Ideas

- Equilters

- Etsy

- Pinterest

- Honest Quilters

Let your imagination run wild—whether it's bold colors, themed blocks, or unexpected layouts, we can't wait to see what you bring to the party!



# Community Quilts

## Production *Shelia Bland*

To all you Superstars of Rocket Quilters—thank you! I'm continually amazed and so grateful for the steady, beautiful work you do. Your commitment helps us share comfort and kindness in the form of quilts—bringing warmth, hugs, and smiles to those who need it most.

I've received a few questions about quilt sizes, so here's a quick guide:

- Wheelchair quilts: Please aim for approximately 40" x 40".
- Other quilts: Try to keep them within the range of 40" x 45" to 40" x 54". These dimensions work well with standard fabric widths and can be quilted on domestic machines.
- Baby quilts: At this time, we are not collecting baby quilts, so please keep that in mind when selecting fabrics.

A big thank you to everyone who picked up quilts to be longarmed or bound—we truly couldn't accomplish this monumental task without your help and generosity!

## Distribution *Donna Hogan*

For 2025 Here is the FULL Distribution Report:

- Collected: 353 quilts
- Distributed: 480 quilts (including those from the Thursday Group)
- Quilts carried over to 2026: 28 in storage

Thank you for your beautiful gifts of comfort and care. Each quilt is a heartfelt gesture that makes a meaningful difference. We couldn't do this without you!

A batch of beautiful placemats was recently donated to Aging Matters, helping brighten mealtime for local seniors. Please bring in your finished Placemats so that we can get them distributed.

Thank you for your beautiful gifts of comfort and care.

We're happy to share that our handmade dog beds are now being donated to shelters in both Titusville and Eau Gallie. These cozy beds offer comfort to animals in need while they wait for their forever homes.

## Membership

*Diana Marchand*

At the January meeting, we had 76 members in attendance. We have 1 new member:

**Delia Angel, Cocoa, FL**

We are now up to 118 members. The roster has been revised, and was emailed out to the membership on Sunday, January 11th at 6:00pm. Please be sure to only use the latest roster, as some home addresses, email addresses and phone numbers have changed since the previous printing. If you see anything in the roster that needs correcting, let me know. Thanks!

## Website Access

### Member Area Access

There is a members-only section on this website. If you need access, you can request it through the chat.

To receive access, please verify:

- Your full name (as it appears on the membership list), and
- Your email address

### Questions & Support

You can also ask questions through the chat. Please allow up to 24 hours for a reply, though I try to respond as quickly as I can.

### Resources

- See what Accu Cutter plates we have
- See pictures of everyone's work
- Advertise Quilt/Sewing related items
- and sooo much more

## Sunshine

Marti Richi

Do you know a Rocket Quilters member who could use a smile, a little encouragement, or just a reminder that they're missed? Whether it's a cheerful "thinking of you," a heartfelt "you've got this," or a friendly "miss you," we want to lift their spirits.

Our Sunshine Chair, Marti Rich, is ready to send a thoughtful card—and maybe even a surprise—to brighten their day.

✉ To share a name, just reach out to Marti at [mmrich@cfl.rr.com](mailto:mmrich@cfl.rr.com). Let's keep the sunshine flowing!

## Nifty Notions

Faye Carroll, Peg Buckler, and Beverly Torbert

Get ready for some fun—Nifty Notions is happening this month! 🎉

Bring a little cash and take a chance at winning fabulous items, fun fabrics, and maybe even something you didn't know you needed.

## Upcoming Events

March TBD  
1 day Class with M & M  
Details to come

March Meeting  
Member / Teacher  
Stacked quilt  
5" inch Squares -Susan is teaching



## New Section - Classifieds

Need to sell sewing / quilting related items  
....send it to Wendy by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the Month to be included in the Newsletter for the next month

[sewcurquie@gmail.com](mailto:sewcurquie@gmail.com)

## Purpose and Address

The purpose of our not-for-profit Guild is to provide fellowship and social opportunities to members while promoting quilting arts and skills.

Rocket Quilters  
PO Box 793  
Cocoa, FL 32923

## Recycle Table

Irene Harrington

Re-cycle table is back.

If you have scraps, mark the bag scraps and put it in my box on table

If you have projects you don't want to finish(in progress) include pattern and put in my box on table so someone else can finish it. (do not put on re-cycle table) we want to keep everything together.

## FAT QUARTERS

Yvonne Makowski & Becky Osborne

Bring your fat quarters and join the fun—your stash swap could be someone else's perfect piece!

## February - Batiks

March - Flowers, Butterflies, and or Birds

April - TBD

May - Florida Flair

June - Sewing Notions

July - Tone on Tone

August - Autumn Colors

September - Snowman

