

The Procrastinating Quilters Guild Newsletter

November 2023 Newsletter

Sylvan Abbey United Methodist Church
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President's Message

**Michelle Reinhard -
President**

So, it's officially fall, and we've entered the giving season. It's a time for giving Thanks, and

going by all the begging letters I get in the mail, time to share money with everyone. For me, I'm thankful for the cooler weather, time to share with family and friends, completion of the brown bag challenge and for the service of all our military members past and present.

Veterans Day was originally known as Armistice Day and was first celebrated in 1919. It is celebrated on November 11th because it was on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 that World War One ended. It was started to remember all those who had served and continues to do so. The name was changed to Veterans Day in 1954. It's a special day for me as I, my husband, my parents, my brothers, and many of my extended family all served in the military. If you have any family member who served or is serving, please tell them Thank you and give them a big hug. It means more than you know.

On to fun things. I can't wait to see all the Brown bag/ President's challenge quilts. I know that they'll be beautiful, even if they were a pain in the Butkus to make. Looking forward to seeing you all at our next meeting. Please think about charities or organizations that you think would be a good fit to receive the funds that our beautiful opportunity quilt will generate.

Michelle



Mystery Quilt (2023)

Open

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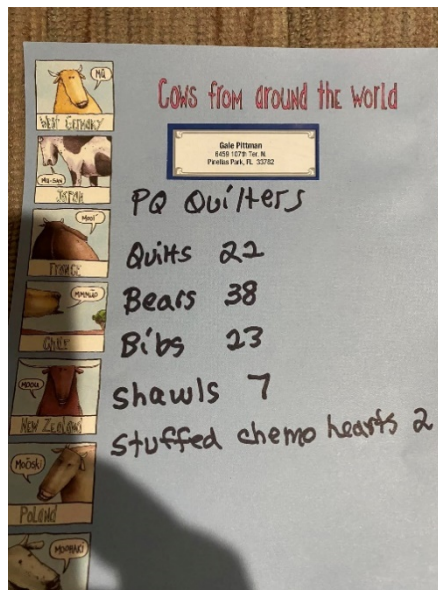


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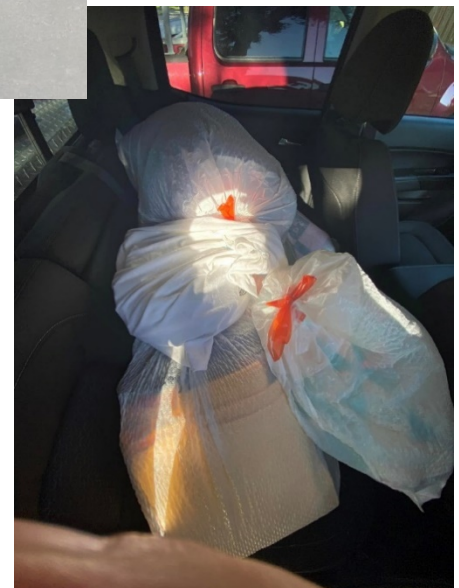
Community Outreach

(Gale Pittman, Chair)

Making a donation today!



Thank you all!



Procrastinating Quilters Guild Upcoming Events

November 11
November 16
December 14

Sit N Collage
Brown Bag Challenge Reveal
Winter Party



From an email:

I was at Jay's Fabrics today. all quilting cotton is \$6.00/yard and they had a nice selection. The store will be closing at the end of January 2024. Address is: 801 Pasadena Ave South, St. Petersburg

From an email:

Largo Cracker Quilters has a mini fabric outlet set up at Christ Presbyterian Church 3115 Dryer Ave Largo. Donations for fabric is \$2.00 a yard. There is also some thread and other notions. To schedule a time to come to the fabric outlet call or send a text message to June Sanchez at 727-409-4199. The best days are Tuesday or Thursdays at 10:00 AM or what can be arranged with June.



November 2023 Birthdays

Gale Pittman	11/7
Theresa Arrison	11/14
Elma May Brey	11/22
Joanie Thuemling	11/21
Elaine Rice	11/28



December 2023 Birthdays

Norma Santiago	12/3
Denise Swenson	12/7
Susan Pisano	12/14
Stephanie Sikes	12/14
Kat Carlson	12/20
Fred Friedman	12/22

PQ Brown Bag Challenge 2023 - Norma Santiago - Coordinator

Brown Bag Challenge

We are almost to the finish line. I only need to finish the binding and sew the label on my quilt. November meeting is the big reveal. Bring your finish quilt. Can't wait to see all the beautiful quilts been made by you all.

Reminder: Brown Bag Challenge: no larger than 36" X 36" quilts due at November meeting. There must be a star somewhere in or on the quilt, and have a label. This will also be our President's Challenge.

Any questions you can send me a message: nvstgo@me.com

Winter Gathering – Woodland Trees (Judy Wedekind)

The Winter Gathering moves up a week and starts earlier, it is **Thursday December 14 at 6:30pm**. This year's theme is Woodland Trees. The Guild will provide meat and a sign-up sheet will be passed around during our November meeting. If you are not able to attend this Thursday, send me an email so I can get an accurate headcount. Judy.wedekind@gmail.com

Any questions, please contact Judy Wedekind

Email from Joan DeSantas:

As we discussed, the "party block" for this years winter gathering will be made from a simple FREE pattern from Amy Smart of Diary of a Quilter blog, and the member's own stash. The instructions and tutorial can be found on Amy's blog page (<https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/modern-christmas-tree-quilt-block/>). I propose two options: super scrappy or green/white version.



2024 Annual PQ Retreat Karen Pieczonka (Chair)



The 2024 PQ Retreat will be held Thursday May 2 through Sunday May 5 at the Hampton Inn, Oldsmar.

The cost will remain the same at \$130.00 for the sewing room rental and a \$50.00 deposit will hold your spot.

Members can choose to stay at the hotel with rates of \$119.00 for 2 queen beds per night or \$139.00 for 2 queen studio suite per night, plus taxes.

There will be a separate email with the link to make the hotel reservation.

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend the 2024 Retreat.



50/50 NEEDS YOU!!! Please bring small bills \$1.00's and \$5.00's for 50/50. Money is going to the Angel Tree at the church, for the children in need at Christmas time.

Interesting Links:

- ❖ Whim So Doodle: <http://www.whimsodoodle.com/>
- ❖ The Florida Quilt Network: <http://www.floridaquiltnetwork.com/>
- ❖ Buttermilk Basin: <http://www.buttermilkbasin.com/>
- ❖ Country Quilts and Bears: <http://www.countryquiltsandbears.com/>
- ❖ Fabric Smart: <https://www.fabric-smart.com/>
- ❖ Craftsy: <https://www.craftsy.com/>
- ❖ Inspire Quilting: <http://inspirequiltingandsewing.com/>
- ❖ Pinterest: <https://www.pinterest.com/>
- ❖ SewCanShe: newsletter@sewcanshe.com
- ❖ Sew'n Wild Oats Quilting Blog: <http://sewnwildoaks.blogspot.com/>
- ❖ Sue Spargo: <http://www.suespargo.com/index.php>
- ❖ Sweet Darling Quilts: <http://www.sweetdarlingquilts.com/index.htm>
- ❖ Rainbow's End: <http://rainbowsendquilting.com>

Please email all newsletter submissions for the **December** Newsletter to Diane Friedman at diane@QuiltingElegance.com by midnight, **Friday, December 8, 2023**

If you have anything important that must go out to the membership, please contact Judy Wedekind at judy.wedekind@gmail.com