

The Procrastinating Quilters Guild Newsletter

June 2024 Newsletter

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It's hard to believe that we are halfway through the year and coming up on our country's birthday. I hope everyone is having a great summer so far. And I hope everyone is staying cool and hydrated. My pool has been getting a lot of use. I can't really say that it is very cool, but at least it is wet. It seems an ideal time to stay inside in the AC and get some quilting done.

I have been working on my challenge quilt for Jacksonville and I have several UFOs that I would like to get completed. We'll see, because my procrastination has been battling with my motivation and procrastination seems to be winning. 🤔

Maybe the brown bag challenge will give me a boost. I am looking forward to it and to seeing everyone at our summer gathering.

Michelle



Brown Bag Challenge (2024)

Pat Holliday

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Many hands make light work!

Gale Pittman, Chair

Hello all!

I just want to remind you to bring your donated items to the June party since we won't see each other till September.

I will set up a table as I have had some fabric donations for charity to share. Watch your fingers...some are blocks pinned together as a group that have a common theme. I have some bags of strips...please take the whole baggie. I'm trying to keep fabric tamed.

As always, the quilts can be quite simple with cute fabrics. Most of what I have are kid's fabrics. I also have a good amount of Christmas and Halloween prints. Look through and see what you can make with them. Two of the ladies who donated these are in their 90s!

*****Welcome New Members*****

Tammy Barton and Carol Lee

Say Hello and welcome them to our group.

Procrastinating Quilters Guild

Upcoming Events

June 20- Spring Gathering

July/August - Summer Break – no meetings

September - John Schunck from The Sewing Machine Service Center in St. Petersburg

October – Need ideas, need member input - share any ideas you have.

November – Brown Bag Reveal

Suggestion for future programs

How would you feel about making use of the hall at St John's this fall for a MEMBER'S SHOWCASE? I am suggesting that we have 6 members teach a specific technique for about 1 hour each. What a fun way to learn and share without pressure on one teacher! The only cost would be the hall rental and any materials the teachers may ask you to bring.

I also ran across a website for online classes:

kathymcneilquilts.com. if you are an AQS member, you may already know her.

News of Interest

My daughter, Marcia, is the new manager for Flash Sew and Quilt in Sarasota. They are looking for classroom teachers in that area, so please let us know if you have friends or guild connections who may be interested.

The shop is offering guild member discounts on Tuesdays all summer.

Mary Ann Pickard
727 512-4227



Beat the SUMMER heat

With our *Quilt Guild Summer Spectacular*
Grab Your Friends this summer and head into *Flash Sew & Quilt!*

We have designated every Tuesday from June 1st through September 30th as **The Procrastinating Quilters' Special Day** at Flash Sew & Quilt - Sarasota featuring exclusive **savings and discounts!**

- **25% OFF all regular priced fabric** (minimum 1 yard cuts)
- Our Guild Specials of the week will include a **"surprise item"** with an even deeper discount... you'll find out when you walk in the door. The "Surprise Item" could include Stabilizers, Batting, Threads, Presser Feet, Jelly Rolls, Fat Quarter Bundles, Machine Accessories, etc.

Please Note: Must wear your Quilt Guild Name Badge so we know who you are

We look forward to seeing you this summer

SPRING GATHERING BLOCK

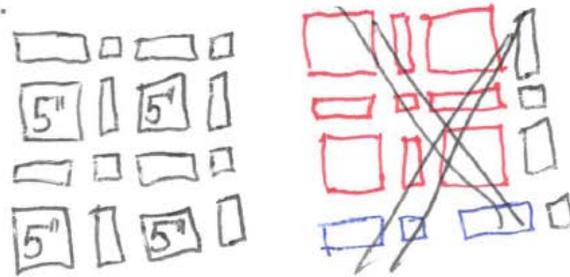
We're making the free pattern called 'Peanut Butter Quilt' by Meghan Buchanan at Then Came June, here's the link if you want to get the full pattern:

<https://thencamejune.com/blogs/blog/the-peanut-butter-quilt-the-cover-one>.

For each block cut:

- 4, 5" squares (floral print)
- 4, 1.5" squares (white on white or white low volume)
- 8, 1.5" x 5" strips (solids)

For fabric I am looking for very scrappy quilt. Floral prints for the 5" squares, white on white or white low volume for the 1.5" squares, and solids for the 1.5" x 5" strips. Please use different floral prints for all the charm squares, and use minimal black and brown fabrics.



SPRING GATHERING BLOCK

Brown Bag Challenge

Brown Bag Challenge is all about **COLOR**. At our June meeting each participant will draw two (2) crayons from the Brown Bag.



RULE #1: other colors may be added to your project, but your Crayon Colors must dominate.

RULE #2 does not exist.

You may complete any project of your choice. Could be a king size quilt (for over achievers) or potholders (for under achievers). **TIME LINE:** Summer months, work, work, work on your project. November PQ Meeting: present your completed project along with your two crayons. "Best use of crayon colors" and PQ members favorite" prizes will be awarded.

Thanks for taking part, Pat Holliday

Brown bag add on: If by chance you are unable to attend the PQ Spring Gathering and want to participate, just randomly pick two Crayon Colors and go for it!!

Upcoming Florida Quilt Shows

2024

September 12-14 **QuiltFest of Jacksonville**
Prime F. Osborn III Convention Center
1000 Water Street, Jacksonville, Florida

November 15-16 **Quilt Show** in Leesburg lakequiltguild.com

November 15-16 **Manatee Patchworkers Quilt Show** in
Palmetto www.ManateePatchworkers.com

2025

January 31-Feb 1 **Quilt Show** in Lake Placid

February 7-8 **Quilt Show** in Vero Beach Quilt Guild

February 14-15 **Quilt Show** in Seminole (Procrastinating Quilters Quilt Guild
& Largo Crackers Quilt Guild)

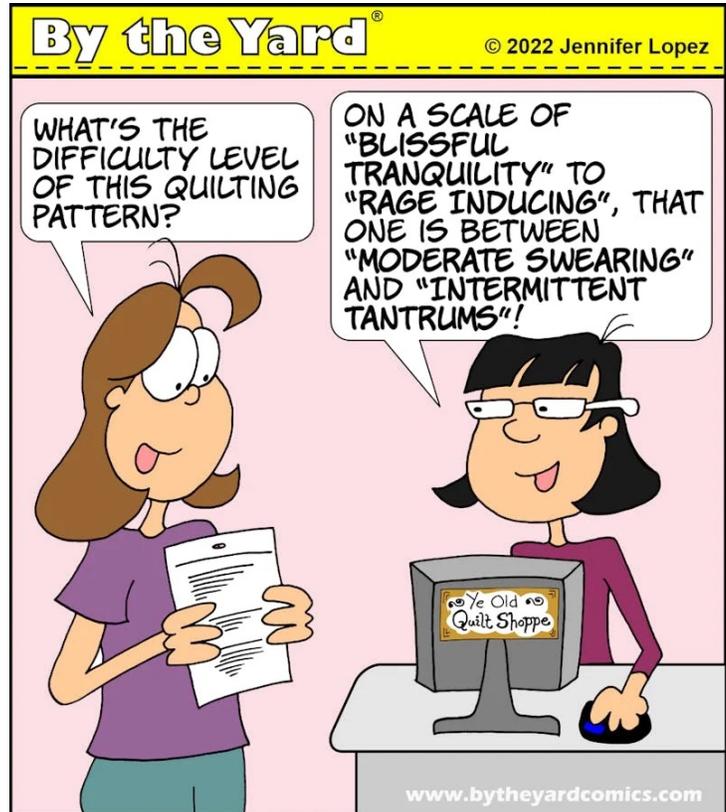
March 8-9 **18th Biennial South Florida Quilt Expo** in Pembroke Pines [info here](#)

March 21-22 **Stars Above, Quilts Below Quilt Show** in
Pensacola pensacolaquiltersguild.org



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.

Quilting Humor





June 2024 Birthdays

- 6/7 Amanda Kreiling
- 6/10 Tammy Barton
- 6/13 Maggie Stokes

July/August 2024 Birthdays

- 7/28 Peggy Shaw
- 8/8 Panny Black
- 8/15 Pat Holliday
- 8/17 Linda Steinport
- 8/18 Janet Jansen
- 8/22 Lynda Weingart
- 8/28 Robin VanScoy
- 8/30 Sheri Merrifield



Annual PQ Retreat Karen Pieczonka, Chair

Retreat 2025

The 2024 PQ Retreat was a great success thanks to all the participants, 35 in total. It was great getting to know new and returning members.

After the accounting at the conclusion of the retreat, participants attending will receive a cash refund of \$40.00. It is easier to provide a refund than to collect any additional fee needed from participants to cover the cost of expenses for the retreat. If you attended the retreat and have not received your cash refund envelope, please see Karen Pieczonka at the June meeting.

The registration for the 2025 PQ Retreat will open in September when we resume meetings after the summer. Dates for the 2025 retreat are Thursday May 29 to Sunday June 1st at the Hampton Inn, Oldsmar. The cost will remain the same of \$130.00 for the sewing room and a link will be available in near future for hotel reservations. We are limited to 36 participants, and remember, you must be a PQ member to attend the retreat so definitely plan on renewing your dues in January.

[Take a look at the Procrastinating Quilters Facebook Page to see pictures of this year's quilt retreat.](#)

Quilt Show 2025

2025 Mid-Pinellas Quilt Show Boutique

Over the summer when our guild is not meeting, it would be a good time to start making a few items for our 2025 quilt show boutique. If each PQ member could make at least 10 items, we would have a good start on a great selection of boutique items. Use your imagination. Look at Pinterest. YouTube, etc. for ideas.

Also, it might be a good time to look through your wall hangings, table runners, or other small items that you have already made that you might want to sell at the boutique. I know I have some items that I can part with.

Let's not procrastinate on making these boutique items. Our past boutiques have had outstanding items for sale. When people come to the quilt show, they always want to know where the boutique is located.

I'm thinking of doing something with some old bobbins that I have.

Teri Roberts
Boutique Chair for 2025 Mid-Boutique Quilt Show
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Opportunity Quilt Reminder

We encourage all members to buy \$20 worth of tickets

Also, if you know of a place that the Opportunity Quilt can be displayed to sell tickets, contact our Quilt Nanny – Mary Ann Pickard

Quilt Show Baskets

Quilt show Baskets - consider making a basket for the Basket Walk, we need 15, for the 2025 Quilt show. When making the basket, list the items with the approximate value on a separate piece of paper. – Theresa Arrison

Interesting Links:

- ❖ Kathy McNeil Quilts: kathymcneilquilts.com.
- ❖ 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 **September** Newsletter to Diane Friedman at diane@QuiltingElegance.com by midnight, **Friday, September 13.**

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