

The Procrastinating Quilters Guild September 2026 Newsletter

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What I did this summer...

President's Message

Mary Ann Pickard

Hello Quilting Friends,
Another season has arrived. Remember, back in the day, when one of our first class assignments was some kind of report: "What Did You Do Over the Summer"? I guess these days, AI could summarize your life from your social media accounts. For me, I am more active in my sewing room during the heat of summer. It is also the time to plan for upcoming events, so I registered for Quiltfest in Jacksonville, and QuiltCon in February in Atlanta. It was time to stop saying someday...I am sorry I will miss our September meeting, but I will post cool stuff from Jacksonville.

Wishing you all good health and happy quilting!

Brown Bag Challenge

Pat Holliday

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Nominating Committee**Parliamentarian**

Penny Black

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vacant

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vacant

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Penny Black

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Gail Pittman, Chair

Hello all!

Hope you all had a good summer.

I will not be at the September meeting to pick up the donations, however Lori Lewis, Karen Pieczonka, and Mary Ann Blackmore will get them to our donation person.

The need is still there for all items we make, but they are especially low in teddy bears and the stuffed chemo hearts. If you don't have stuffing, you can turn them in without stuffing as there are some hospital volunteer ladies who will stuff them and sew them closed. They also keep handing out the chemo throws without batting.

As always, thank you to all who participate!

I hope to be at the October meeting!

Gale Pittman

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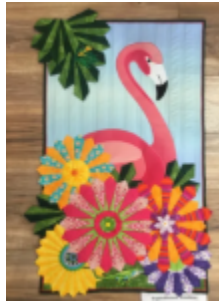
UFO Challenge:

Looking forward to seeing all of the UFO projects that everyone completed over the summer!

Upcoming Programs:

October: Spell Binding - techniques and skill building for finishing those quilts!

November: Our Speaker is national 3D Fiber Artist, Margaret LoBianco. Her website is <https://margaretsewfunquilts.com/> There is a workshop using the flamingo pattern, Tropicallicious Dresdens at the West Pasco Quilt Guild on Thursday 11/19/26 in the afternoon and Friday 11-20-26 all day. \$60/Student + Full kit available for \$65 or pattern only \$22



December: Holiday Party, also the 2nd Thursday of the month. More to come later.

January 2027: Guest Speaker is Bonnie Langenfeld, national quilter whose specialty is Landscapes in fabric. Her website is: www.landscapesinfabric.com/ There will be a workshop hosted by West Pasco Quilt Guild.

PQ Retreat 2027

Judy Wedekind

2027 PQ Retreat

April 29th 12:00 pm – May 2nd 3:00pm

Hampton Inn

4017 Tampa Road

Oldsmar, FL 34677

Will have a maximum of 36 sewing stations. There is no requirement to stay the night at the hotel, but if you want to attend as a day-sewer, will need to commit to pay for the entire weekend even if you are unable to attend all of the days.

Registration Details:

Must be a member of the guild to register and attend

Registration opens at the September 17 meeting

Deposit: \$50 secures your spot or pay in full (\$130)

Sewing room accommodates 36 participants, so early registration is encouraged

Final payment due: April PQ Meeting (April 15, 2027)

Cancellation cutoff is April 15, 2027 for refund; you must notify me!

Hotel Info:

Hotel Rates, small increase of \$5 per night:

Standard Room – 2 Queen Beds: \$124 + fees/taxes per night

Suite – 2 Queen Beds: \$144 + fees/taxes per night

Check-in April 29th, 2027 at 3:00 pm / Check-out May 2, 2027 at 12:00 pm

A block of rooms has been reserved, and a booking link will be sent to members separately.

Hotel Amenities:

Free parking – Wi-Fi – Coffee/Tea in Lobby – Water Cooler in sewing room

Complimentary continental breakfast for guests staying overnight at the hotel
(6:00–10:00 am)

Outdoor pool, fitness center, business center

Looking forward to another wonderful weekend of quilting, friendship, laughs and snacks.

Any questions please contact me.



September

09/02	Angela Morrison
09/05	Karen O'Malley
09/19	Denise Appleman
09/19	Mary Ann Blackmore
09/24	Karen Foggin

October

10/11	Gretchen Vautier
10/14	Diane Turscak
10/15	Lori Lewis
10/18	Paula Riccio
10/20	Judy Wedekind
10/22	Joan DeSantis
10/29	Janis Magee

Upcoming Florida Quilt Shows

- 09/17 - 09/19 QuiltFest in Jacksonville - Osborn Convention Center
<https://quiltfestjax.com/>
- 09/17 - 12/24 Quilters Crossing Challenge Quilts on display at Dunedin Fine Arts Center on Michigan Blvd; Exhibit on 2nd floor of museum and free admission
- 11/13 - 11/14 "Fantastic" Quilt Show - Lake County Quilters Guild - Leesburg, FL <https://lakequiltguild.com/quilt-show/>

