

The Procrastinating Quilters Guild Newsletter

November 2024 Newsletter

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President's Message

Michelle Reinhard



Greetings fellow PQ's. I'm writing this while waiting for our next uninvited guest to arrive. Milton passed and hopefully everyone made it through safely. I was out of power for five days. Thank goodness for the generator. Hopefully, this next storm will bypass us. If not, please reach out if you need help. Can't wait for hurricane season to be over.

This is the month of giving thanks. I'm thankful for minimal damage with the storm. I am thankful for my health and that my family members are healthy. And I'm thankful that my brown bag challenge has progressed and that I can see the end in sight. Looking forward to the reveal and everyone's gorgeous creations.

As we get closer to the end of the year, we still have some ongoing business. It will be time to elect new officers. Thank you to those who are willing to be nominated. We also have to really get moving with the quilt show. Please enter your quilts and sign up to volunteer. It really is a team effort. I am working on some boutique items in between my brown bag challenge. I am looking forward to seeing a great show. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and don't eat yourself into a coma.

Michelle Reinhard

Brown Bag Challenge (2024)

Pat Holliday

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Many hands make light work!

Gale Pittman, Chair

I will not be at the October meeting as I am recovering from surgery. But please bring your donations to the meeting. Friends will get them to Morton Plant. I will see you at the December meeting.

Gale Pittman

Procrastinating Quilters Guild Upcoming Events

November 21st – Brown Bag Reveal

December 12th – Winter Party

December 14th – Sit and Sew

We have reserved St John's Episcopal Church Hall for Saturday, December 14th, all day for a Sit and Sew. This would be a great time to finish up holiday gifts or to work on boutique items for the February show. We will have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. Cost is just \$5. Come join the fun.

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

Upcoming Florida Quilt Shows

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

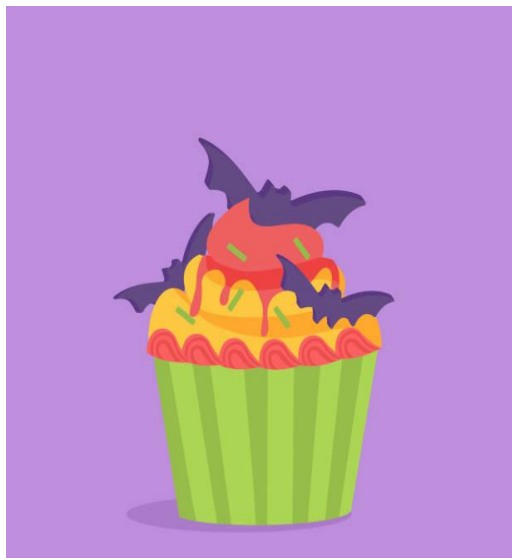
February 14-15 **Quilt Show** in Seminole (**Procrastinating Quilters Quilt Guild & Largo Crackers Quilt Guild**)

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.



October 2024 Birthdays

- 10/13 Lynn Frank
- 10/14 Diane Turscak
- 10/15 Lori Lewis
- 10/16 Erin Kaminsky
- 10/18 Paula Riccio
- 10/19 Judy Bartlett
- 10/20 Judy Wedekind
- 10/22 Joan DeSantis
- 10/29 Janis Magee

November 2024 Birthdays

- 11/6 Jacquelin Hurst
- 11/7 Gale Pittman
- 11/10 Jacquelyn O'Connor
- 11/14 Theresa Arrison
- 11/18 Michele Sinadinos
- 11/21 Joanie Thuemling
- 11/22 Elma May Brey
- 11/28 Elaine Rice





December 2024 Birthdays

12/3 Desiree Etheridge

12/3 Norma Santiago

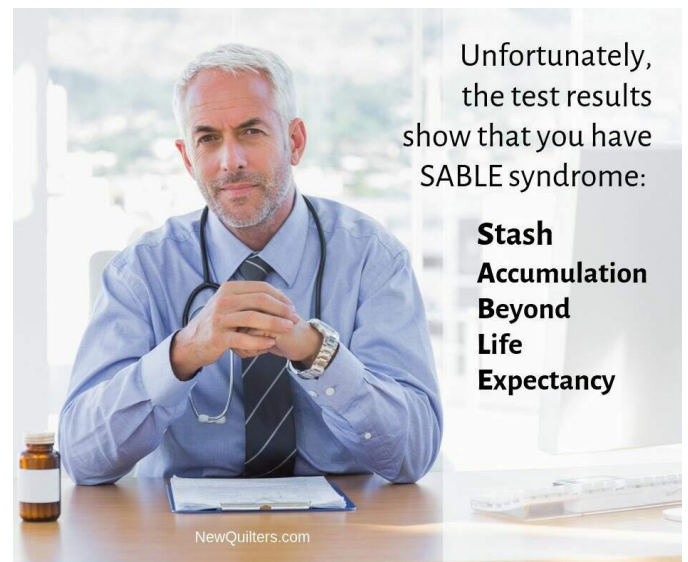
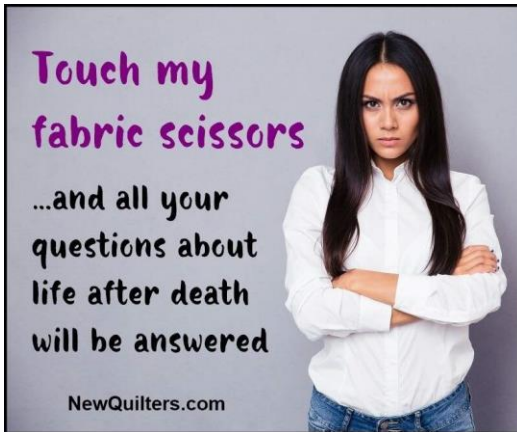
12/7 Denise Swenson

12/14 Susan Pisano

12/14 Stephanie Sikes

12/22 Fred Friedman

Quilting Humor



2025 Annual PQ Retreat Karen Pieczonka, Retreat Chairperson

I am pleased and surprised that the 2025 retreat is full with 36 participants!!!

There is currently a waiting list of members wanting to attend. If for some reason you not able to attend, please contact me ASAP, and a refund will be issued and names on the wait list will be contacted. A deposit or full payment will be needed at that time.

A link was provided last month for hotel reservations, if there are no rooms available when booking on line, please let me know and the hotel will release more rooms. Room rates are \$119.00/night for 2 queen beds, and \$139.00/night for studio with 2 queen beds, these rates do not include tax or other hotel fees. All rooms include a microwave and small refrigerator.

Parking is free, and a complimentary continental breakfast is served daily from 6:00 am to 9:00 am.

If you made a deposit for the retreat, final payment is due by the May 2025 meeting.

Retreat Dates: Thursday May 29 noon to Sunday June 1, 2025 until
3:00 pm

Place: Hampton Inn, Oldsmar

**** (Look at the Procrastinating Quilters Facebook Page to see pictures of this year's quilt retreat. ****

Quilt Show 2025

Hello fellow quilters! We are rapidly approaching the Mid Pinellas Quilt Show being held at the Seminole Recreation Center on February 14th and 15th, 2025. The preplanning is complete and now we need your participation.

Please sign on to midpinellasquiltshow.com and read all about it. There is a lot of information available to the public. You can enter the members only site with the password `pqlargo2025`. Here you can submit up to three quilts per guild. The deadline to enter quilts is December 15. The Quilt Selection Committee needs time to organize the display of quilts on the show floor.

Quilts do not need to be complete to enter, but please don't enter any quilts that you will not be able to finish. We have seen many beautiful quilts at Show and Tell. Now is the time to get them registered for the show!

We will need all available people at the show. Please look at the Volunteer section and sign up to work a minimum of four hours on the 14th and 15th. We also need as many people as possible to help set up for the show on the 13th.

Are you working on items for the boutique? This is a great way to earn a little extra cash and help supplement the guilds.

We need to help in selling ads for the program. Please think of people and businesses that you know who would like to advertise in the program. Information regarding ad sizes, prices and the form are on the website.

If you need help entering quilts or signing up for volunteer hours, please reach out to anyone on the quilt show committee.

Cathy Starman and Lynda Weingart
Show Co Chairs

2025 Mid-Pinellas Quilt Show Boutique

I hope everyone is working on their boutique items for our 2025 Quilt Show Boutique in February. There is only about 3 months left to make items. The guild still needs a good idea for a Valentine-themed boutique item - right price, easy to make and something that will sell. Let me know if you have an idea.

Please return the completed Microwave Bowl Cozy that Robin VanScoy gave out at the September meeting. These bowl cozies will be sold our boutique and the profits will be returned to our guild.

Now is the time to sign up to volunteer at the boutique. The following explains the volunteer opportunities at the boutique. One bonus of helping to set up the boutique is that you see all the items for sale before anyone else!

Boutique Setup on February 14, 2024

- Receive items from seller to be sold in the boutique
- Check to see that tags are filled out properly and the number of items is correct
- Arrange items to be sold on tables, racks, etc.

Boutique Positions on February 15, 2024 and February 16, 2024

The following are all sit-down positions!

- **Sales Clerks** fill out sales slip with information from sales tags of items that were chosen by customer to buy.
- **Cashiers** total the amount of purchased items, add the sales tax, and take the money from the customer.
- **Baggers** remove the item tags, staple tags to the original sales slip which is then placed in a box for Boutique treasurer to process. The purchased items are then bagged and given to the customer.

Boutique Takedown on February 16, 2025

- Sort all unsold items by member consignment number along with a duplicate of the boutique item form.
- Take down racks and other items used in setting up boutique.
- Return unsold items to sellers.

Go to <http://midpinellasquiltshow.com> to sign up for the above volunteer opportunities.

If you any questions about volunteering or making boutique items, call or text me.

Think boutique in the coming months.

Teri Roberts, Boutique Chair for Mid-Pinellas Boutique Quilt Show
727 481-7286

More Boutique Info

Robin is looking for scraps for the scrap bags to be sold at Quilt Boutique. She is asking folks to bring scraps at least 2", quilt shop quality and pressed to the Dec and/or Jan meetings?

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

Items for Sale

For Sale: 8 foot New Joy machine quilting frame, Babylock 1500 sewing machine to fit the frame and a huge assortment of pantographs for use with the laser on the quilting frame. This is a great setup for free motion quilting or all over pantograph quilting using a laser. \$500. For more information, contact Cathy Starman at (727)391-0005.

Items for Sale

Due to the recent hurricanes, I have decided to move to Tennessee. I was a Longaberger Basket Consultant for many years. So I have about 300 baskets I would like to sell. None were in the flooding we got in our home and were stored in a climate storage unit. They are priced to sell. If you would be interested in seeing what I have available, please call Janet Jensen at 727-423-7132. I can make arrangements for you to see what is available.

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>
- ❖ Whim So Doodle whimsodoodle.com

Please email all newsletter submissions for the **December** Newsletter to Diane Friedman at diane@QuiltingElegance.com by midnight, **Friday, December 6, 2024.**

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