

The Procrastinating Quilters Guild Newsletter

September 2023

**Sylvan Abbey United Methodist Church
2817 Sunset Point Rd, Clearwater, FL 33759**

PQ website: ProcrastinatingQuilters.com



President's Message

Michelle Reinhard - President

September 2023 President's Message

I can't believe that we've sped through the summer and on the way to Fall, and hopefully some cooler weather. I did my best to stay cool this summer. Lots of pool time, AC, and a camping trip to Ginnie Springs. That water was on the chilly side. But it felt great.

I hope everyone made it through Idalia okay. I used the storm as a good day to sew. And I needed it since I was being a true procrastinator and waiting for the last minute to finish quilts for Quiltfest Jax which is happening this weekend (Sep14-16). I finished my challenge quilt for Quiltfest the day (late night) before we had to drive up and turn in the quilts. Speaking of challenges, I hope everyone is having fun with the Brown Bag/President's challenge. Mine is underway and coming along well. I'm having more fun than I thought that I would, considering these are not colors or fabrics that I usually work with. Sometimes it's good to step out of the box.

We have some great programs coming up. That being said, we're still looking for someone to take over programs for next year. Hope to see you all at the meeting.

Michelle

(I left the flamingo in honor of the flamingos currently visiting in the Tampa area)



2023 Officers and Committee Chairs:

President

Michelle Reinhard

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Joan DeSantis

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Janet Jensen/Robin VanScoy

Audit

Robin VanScoy

Community Outreach

Gale Pittman (Chair)

Fifty/Fifty

Linda Steinport

Historian

Norma Santiago

Membership

Denise Appleman!

Mystery Quilt (2023)

Open

Newsletter Editor

Diane Friedman Fred Friedman

Nominating Committee

Open

Parliamentarian

Penny Black

Party Coordinator

Joan DeSantis

Party Blocks

On Hold

Programs (Chair)

Karen Bishea

Quilt Nanny (2025)

open

Quilt Show Liaison

Joan DeSantis

Opportunity Quilt (2025)

Pam Sprague

Retreat Planner (2024)

Karen Pieczonka

Sunshine

Paula Riccio

Website

Judy Wedekind

Spring/Winter Exchange Blocks (Chair)

Open



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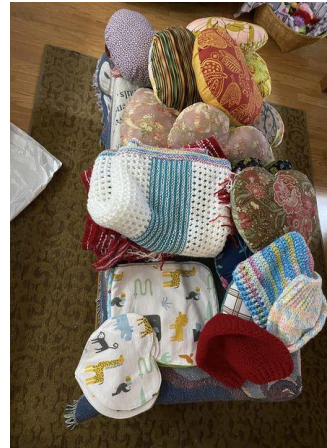
Community Outreach

(Gale Pittman, Chair)

I made a large donation to the hospital as seen on our Facebook page. Bring me your donations to the meeting if I have not seen you over the summer break.. I would like to have you show them at the meetings or on our FB page so everyone can see how pretty they are. Cant wait to see what you all have made over the summer

Making a donation today!

- Baby quilts 15
 - Adult bibs 16
 - Large quilts 6
 - Chemo stuffed hearts 12
 - Chemo yarn hats adult 4
 - Chemo shawls 3
 - Baby burp cloths 4
 - Baby bonding hearts 4
- Thank you all!



Procrastinating Quilters Guild Upcoming Events

September 21	Robyn Kohler – Trunk Show
September 23	Sit 'N' Collage
October 19	Karen Pieczonka – Bag Making
November 4	Bag Making Primer Class
November 16	Brown Bag Challenge Reveal
December 14	Winter Party

Historian Jottings (Norma Santiago)

I want to make a section in the newsletter and in the historian record of our quilters. If you don't mind, I would like to ask you a couple of questions.

How long have you been quilting?

How did you learn to quilt?

Who taught you?

What size was your first quilt?

Where did you learn to quilt?

What do you do with your quilts?

How do you quilt your quilts?

How long have you been a member of PQ?

Have you held a position in the guild?

Which positions?

Have you been committee chair?

Which committee(s)?

What is your favorite technique?

How many sewing machines you own?

What is your favorite activity that PQs has done or doing?

What has been the best ever tip you have been given?

What would you say to a new quilter?

Thank you in advance for your response. (Please send your responses to nvstgo@me.com)

Norma, PQ's Historian



September 2023 Birthdays

- 9/4 Karen Bishea
- 9/5 Karen O'Malley
- 9/6 Melanie Hunter
- 9/11 Janice Corse
- 9/19 Denise Appleman
- 9/19 Mary Ann Blackmore
- 9/20 Carol Stens

October 2023 Birthdays

- 10/13 Lynn Frank
- 10/14 Diane Turscak
- 10/15 Lori Lewis
- 10/19 Judy Barlett
- 10/20 Judy Wedekind
- 10/22 Joan DeSantis
- 10/29 Janis Magee





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.

PQ Brown Bag Challenge 2023 - Norma Santiago - Coordinator

This year the brown bag challenge will be a fun one. Here are the rules:

- 1 - One charm pack inside a brown bag - lunch size. Do NOT write your name in the bag. Please!
- 2 - Bring bag to the summer party.
- 3 - Your bag will be given a number and we will log your information.
- 4 - You will be picking a bag to take home. You will check that it isn't yours and we will log the partner.
- 6 - Make a Small Quilt max size 36" X 36". Use the fabric given on the front of the quilt.
- 7 - Add fabrics or embellishments from your stash.
- 8 - Quilt needs to be completed with biding and quilt label. Quilts will be display.
- 9 - Bring finish quilt to the November meeting to do the Big Reveal.

If you are not able to attend the November meeting, please make arrangements to get the quilt to the meeting.

Quilts will be display and to make it fun we will be voting on three winners.

You will be getting your charm pack back in a beautiful quilt.

Have fun!!!

Volunteers Needed

Heritage Village Volunteers

If anyone is interested in volunteering at Heritage Village, the information is below.

Here is the link to the online volunteer application:

<https://pinellas.gov/volunteers-in-pinellas-team-member-application-form/>

One of the application questions is: **Have you spoken to the volunteer site coordinator about the position? If so, include name and department.**

If applicants mention my name (Kimberlynn Martin, Heritage Village) in the answer box, their applications will be sent directly to me.

Another application question is: **Is there any expertise or special experience you would like to offer? Please explain. Based on your response, we will attempt to match your interests and talents to available volunteer opportunities. ***

If applicants mention that they are quilters and/or part of the guild in the answer box, I can then sort and process everyone together.

Once we have the applications in, we can set up a time to do a group orientation at the Daniel McMullen House (aka the Fine Arts Building) here at Heritage Village, with the possibility of a second orientation sometime in the Fall or Winter when seasonal residents are back in town.

Please let me know if I can answer any questions!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Kimberlynn Martin

Curator of Education, Heritage Village

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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.

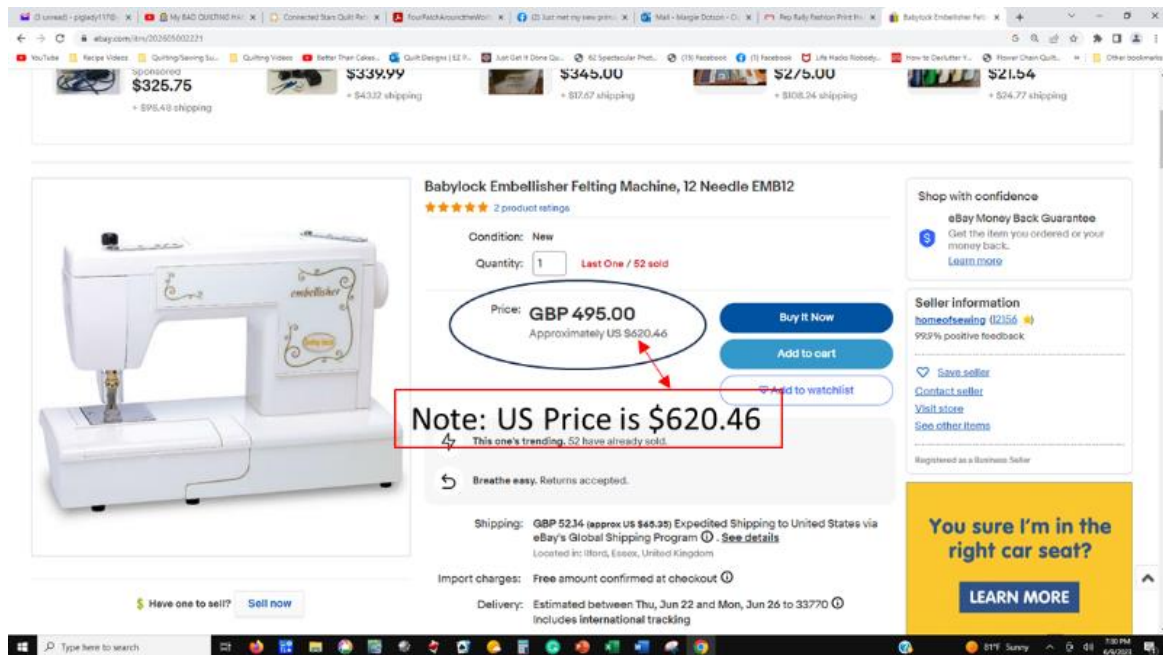
Members can choose to stay at the hotel with rates of \$119.00 for 2 queen beds per night or \$139.00 for 2 queen studio suite per night, plus taxes.

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.

For Sale - Margie Dotson

Baby Lock Embellisher Felting Machine, 12 Needle EMB 12 -- The machine is in great shape and has had very little use. It has been sitting for probably a year or a little better.



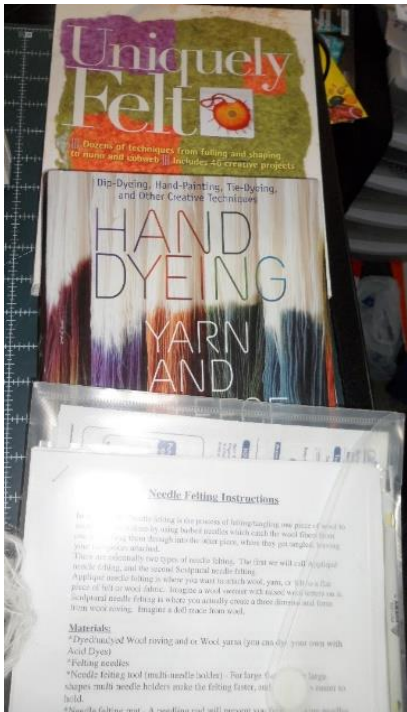
All items shown in the pictures are included. The prices shown below are the original prices shown on the backs of the books.

- The Big book of needle felting -- \$24.99
- needle felted fashions -- \$19.99
- A Touch of Felt -- \$26.95
- Making More Needle-Felting Magic -- \$18.99
- fast fun & easy NEEDLE FELTING -- \$14.95
- Uniquely Felt -- \$24.95
- HAND DYEING YARN AND FLEECE - \$18.95

The packet with the Needle Felting Instructions has several pamphlets in it regarding various aspects of needle felting.

I'm asking \$200.00 **for everything** but I'm willing to negotiate.

Margie Dotson
piglady117@yahoo.com
870-405-5706 (Please call afternoon or evening)



BY THE YARD

by Jen Lopez

Proquiltinate /prə kwilt ə nāt/ verb

to put off doing all other tasks in favor of quilting

BABE - DID YOU FORGET TO GO TO WORK AGAIN?

JUST FINISHING UP THIS BINDING REAL QUICK!



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Interesting Links:

- ❖ 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 **October** Newsletter to Diane Friedman at diane@QuiltingElegance.com by midnight, **Friday, October 13, 2023.**

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