



SEPTEMBER 2025

West Pasco Quilters' Guild, Inc.

Mission Statement: The West Pasco Quilters' Guild, Inc. provides charity within our community and quality education to the public about quilts and quilt making.

Website: <http://www.westpascoquilters.org>

Spotlight News!



September
Membership
Meeting
will NOT be held
at
New Port Richey
Recreation and
Aquatic Center!!
We will meet
instead at
Veterans
Memorial Park,
14333 Hicks Rd,
Hudson, FL,
34669

President's Message

Happy September to all our quilters, piece makers, and creators!

We are nine months into 2025 and I still can't believe how fast our time is flying by. Five months and it will be Quilt Show time! This month's membership meeting will revolve around all things needed for the show. Our quilt show chairs: Rhonda Koning, Pam King and Susanna Branon, will go over the ins and outs of submitting a quilt into our show. If you are not sure which category your entry should be in, bring it to our September meeting and someone will help you select the right place.

Note that our September 18th membership meeting will be at Veterans Memorial Park & Recreation Center, 14333 Hicks Rd, Hudson, FL 34669. Our regular meeting place/gym will be under renovation through the month of September.

The 2025 Fall Frenzy Mystery Quilt is underway. We should be on clue 3 by the time this edition goes out. If you want more information on this, join our Facebook group: WPQG 2025 FALL FRENZY. We currently have 77 members — this is a public group so invite your friends to join. All information and clues will also be available on the Guild's Members Only page. Thanks to Sue Kolczak for her hard work on this project.

We are close to our 500 charity quilts for our Christmas rush. The Hen House has most of the Christmas stockings for their count. Monthly doves are being made for Hospice. QOV count is short but only needs quilters to get it up to what's needed. Food Bank is giving generously to our participants each month. We have recently donated finished quilts to local organizations to raffle off for their money raisers. The Boutique is receiving donations from all directions. YOU GIRLS ROCK! West Pasco Quilters' Guild is charity in action. Keep up the great works you are doing in our community. I am so proud to be a part of

such a generous group.

A simple thank you is never enough!

God bless and keep quilting!

Julie



2025 - 2026 WPQG Executive Board



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Children's Charity Quilts –
Coop and Hen House
Food Bank – Sandra Teclaw, Kim Smith
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Opportunity Quilt 2026 –
Merna Allen, Nancy Meinhardt
Opportunity Quilt 2026 Ticket Sales –
Karen Oertel
Opportunity Quilt 2028 – Janie Franco
Quilts of Valor (QOV) – Barbara Manning
Scholarship – Penny Black

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Block of the Month – Barbara Manning
Fat Chance/Art Challenge – Trish Wallick
Programs – Julie Gohring, Pam King
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Quilt Show 2026: Susanna Branon, Pam King, & Rhonda Koning

Special Events: OPEN

Holiday/Anniversary – Julie Gohring
Hospitality – Jerrye Winters
Quilters' Escape 2027 –
Susan Pisano, Lysette Rivera

Ways & Means: Penny Black

Gift Basket – Penny Black
Share the Wealth (50/50) – Penny Black
Yard Sale – Penny Black

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MEMBERSHIP

Well! This month we have no new members, I am shocked, SHOCKED! This has never happened before in the history of our great organization! (Actually, I think it has but alternative facts are so much fun. Why waste a glorious opportunity?) Anyway, 76 members signed in for our August meeting. And, in other news, a new bad-for-you confection appeared on the refreshment table. Little tiny frosted donuts (about 2 inches across) with holes in them and everything. Very cute. Why don't more of you people help me eat these things? I could really use some assistance.

Our September meeting will be held at Veterans Memorial Park Recreation Center (hereafter known as "Vets") in Hudson. For those of you who want directions, here they are. Vets is on the north end of Hicks Rd. Hicks runs north/south between New York Ave. (north) and State Route 52 (south). So, from north of Hudson, take 19 or Little Rd. south to New York, make a left on New York (there's a light) and when you have to turn right at the end of New York you'll be on Hicks. Vets is about 2 blocks south on the right. From the south, take 19 or Little north to Hudson Ave. and make a right. When you get to the light at Hudson and Hicks, make a left and Vets is the first driveway on the left. You can also take Moon Lake north to 52, make a left and Hicks is the second light. Make a right. For those of you who live in Hudson, get yourselves to the corner of Hicks and Hudson and go north. There is parking on both sides of the building. For those of you who have trouble with north and south, North is to the left of the RISING sun and South is to the right. Don't look at the sun. And, no matter what your GPS says, stay off of Shady Hills Rd., it's a school day!

Pat Donohoo,
Membership Chairperson Extraordinaire



Join
A
Small
Group !!

POSITIVE POINTS

Everyday you can do
ONE thing just a tiny
bit better.
I believe!

By The Way...

I NEED HELP

I'm collecting mason jar lids and round, plastic throw away lids from such products as sour cream, cottage cheese, etc. I need them as part of signage for the 2026 show.

Please bring them to the September and October meetings.

Thanks,
Anne Templeton
727-838-3620

Membership Blocks

ATTENTION: New Members, and those that have NOT turned in a membership block, please do so by October 2025 membership meeting. Click [here](#) for instructions provided on the guild website.

Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales

Get your Opportunity Quilt tickets at our Membership General Meetings!
See Karen Oertel for more information.



Name	Birthday
Stephens, Diana L.	9/1
Schwarzkopf, Cathy	9/3
Lloyd, Hannah (Junior)	9/7
Lloyd, Rachel (Junior)	9/7
Brown, Beverly	9/16
Conley, Brenda	9/16
Landers, Sonya	9/16
White, Marsha	9/21

Name	Birthday
Wilton, Sue	9/22
Marshall, Ann	9/23
Allar, Diane	9/24
Lloyd, Marluce "Luce"	9/26
Robertson, Kathy	9/26
Beaver, Glenna L.	9/27
Beasley, Glenda	9/29
Copeland, Zoe Ann	9/29



It was good to be back at the NPR Rec Center for our August meeting. However, due to the work going on in the gym, our September meeting will be held at Vet's Park on Hicks Road, therefore the Library will not be available for that meeting. See you at our October meeting.

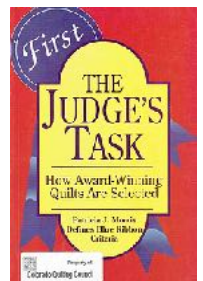
Thank you to those who made donations last month and all who returned the items checked out in May. Items checked out in August are due at the October meeting.

We will continue clearing out excess inventory.

We still have a lot of patterns for \$.25 each. Come to see us in October.

October is quilt registration for the Quilt Show, perhaps you would be interested in "THE JUDGES TASK: How Award Winning Quilts Are Selected". It is located in the White Reference area.

Valerie Stanton
Librarian



EDUCATION

Don't forget, our meeting will be at Veterans Park on Hicks Road in Hudson this month.

Most of our meetings leading up to the 2026 Quilt Show will be about the Quilt Show. Do you have questions about the show? Jot them down and we will answer them for you.

We are always looking for our members to teach a class. What could you teach? Don't be shy. We learn from each other. Do you have a national teacher you would like us to contact? Anyone you have read about or have seen their videos? Tell me and I will contact them.

Pam King

Schedule

Sep 18, 2025 Quilt Show Categories with trunk show – Rhonda Koning

Oct 16, 2025 Quilt Registration Day — have forms and photos ready to submit to Quilt Show Registrar, Shirley Zerbe
S&R Sharpening (see price list)

Nov 20, 2025 Ann Troutman, certified Quiltworx instructor, Trunk Show

November 21, 2025 – Workshop, Ann Troutman, Star Baby quilt, 10am-4pm, \$60 plus pattern, NPR Rec Center

Dec 18, 2025 Holiday Party

Jan 15, 2026 All You Want to Know about Applique – The Gathering, small group that focuses on applique

Feb 19, 2026 To be announced

Mar 16, 2026 Guild Anniversary Party

March 4 and March 25, 2026 – Janie Franco's Sweatshirt Jacket class, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., \$35, Country Place, 2 days

Apr 16, 2026 Color Theory — Ellen Ault

Sharpening Event !

October 16, 2025

Bring your garden tools, knives and scissors to your Pasco quilters meeting, S&R Sharpening will arrive at 8 a.m. We will be sharpening your items on site and will do our best to have them done by the end of your meeting. We accept cash, check or card. Any questions feel free to contact me anytime.

Thank you,
S&R Sharpening
727-510-7640 voice or text
srsharpening@gmail.com

S&R SHARPENING PRICE LIST

SCISSORS

10-12" \$11

7-9" \$6.60

Small \$5.50

Pinkers \$7.70

Convex beauty shears \$25

(See more prices on page 7)



Learn or improve Paper piecing skills!

(The Star baby pattern includes foundation papers to make a small lonestar. It is an introductory pattern that can be completed in just a few hours and be used to learn basic paper piecing techniques.)

◆ Upcoming Events ◆

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

(NOTE MEMBERSHIP MEETING LOCATION)

Sept 4 – WPQG Board meeting 10:00 Rec Center, Palm Room

Sept 11 – WPQG Quilt Show Meeting 9:00 Coop/9341 Osceola Dr, NPR

Sept 17 – Jelly Roll Day @ the Coop 9:00-1:00 Kits available for Charity Sew, bring your machine

Sept 18 – MEMBERSHIP MEETING – 9:00-12:00 Veterans Memorial Park & Rec Ctr., 14333 Hicks Rd, Hudson, FL 34669

Our regular meeting place, NPR Aquatic & Rec Center, is having work done in the gym for the month of September. We should be back there in October. We are sorry for this inconvenience but progress is happening!

Sept 20 – Jelly Roll Day @ Soup & Sew 10:00 Audrey Bucaro, 15414 Little Rd, Hudson, FL, bring your own project, machine & supplies



JELLYROLL MONTH

Several of our small groups are having special Jelly Roll days.

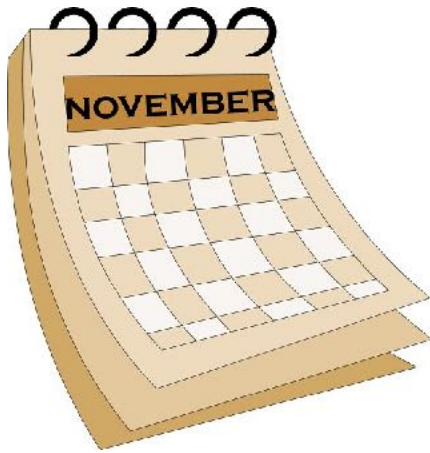
Sept. 17 from 9:00-1:00 at the Coop – 9341 Osceola Dr., NPR. Donna Siebold has been putting together kits for Jelly Roll quilts for Charity Sew. Come on in, pick up a kit and get to work! These will be fun quilts for the kids

and for our support of Jelly Roll month. The Coop has a few sewing machines set up for your use but it's okay to bring your own. All materials are available, or bring one of those jelly rolls you've had in your stash. We have loads of patterns and ideas.



Sept. 20 at Soup and Sew starting at 10:00 AM. Audrey Bucaro opens her home at 15414 Little Rd., Hudson, FL. Bring your machine, project and supplies for whatever you plan on making. Enjoy the fun and fellowship and put your jelly roll together!

Get a few of your friends and join one of these or have your own special Jelly Roll day! You can find lots of patterns on Google. I'm sure you have a spare jelly roll that just needs a plan!



2025 DAY CAMP is JUST around the corner... NOVEMBER will be here sooner than we can blink...

Our Day Camp this year is Monday - Friday, NOVEMBER 17th thru 21st at the home of Rhonda & Bob Koning, 9341 Osceola Drive, NPR, 34654.

This year our camp focus will be all things QUILT SHOW. We will have workshops for boutique items, we will work on indoor signage, outdoor yard signage, miscellaneous committee needs and, of course, our own quilts....

The cost for the week is \$35 and promises to be filled with productivity, fun, and fellowship! Join us if you can!

Registration for our annual Day Camp gathering will be open at our September and October general membership meetings - or you can mail in the registration by October 31st.

Questions? Call Rhonda Koning, Colleen Beckett, Carol Buonomo or Cheryl Fausak.

Click [here](#) for Day Camp Registration Form.

S&R SHARPENING PRICE LIST (continued)

GARDEN TOOLS

Loppers \$6.60
Pruners \$6.60
Grass clippers \$6.60
Manual hedge trimmer \$11
Lawn mower blade \$10
Axe & hatchet \$6.60
Machete \$11
Shovels \$6.60

CUTLERY

\$1.10 per inch blade length
includes pocket knives

**** NO HAND SAWS, CHAIN SAW BLADES, CLIPPER BLADES OR NAIL CLIPPERS****

Call us with any questions!!

S&R Sharpening

727-510-7640 voice or text

srsharpening@gmail.com



WPQG 2026 Quilt Show

"America's Garden of Quilts"

SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM INFORMATION

At this month's meeting we will be reviewing our QUILT SHOW CATEGORIES - our "trunk show" of possibilities!

Our registration contains 31 category titles and it's quite helpful to review them together. Have a question about your quilt entry or registration process? Write it down now and we will address your question at this program. Please bring your quilt - finished or not and let's make sure you have your registration in order. We will have forms available for review (a link is included in this newsletter) - bring a pen and hard surface board to take notes.

Remember NEXT month - October - is our official quilt show registration turn-in and the kick off of our Quilt Show COMPLETED quilt photography. Any questions about the program offering?

Quilt Show questions? Call one of the show chairs:

Susanna Branon — 561-389-0142

Pam King — 727-207-9371

Rhonda Konig — 727-808- 3667

West Pasco Quilters' Guild Inc.
19th Biennial Quilt Show
"America's Garden of Quilts"
Sew Many Quilts 2026

Admission
Donations:
One day \$10
Multi-day \$15

February 13-14-15, 2026
Friday-Saturday 9am-5pm - Sunday 10am-4pm



2026 Opportunity Quilt - "Libbie's Garden" 87" x 87"
is entirely hand appliqued and hand quilted
Recipient: "HEALTHYSEMIQUILTSWPQG.ORG"

The pattern is called Kansas Album Quilt, used with permission from Overbrook Quilt Connection, Overbrook, Kansas

Over 300 quilts on display - VENDORS - Demos
Lectures - Food - Basket walk - Boutique - ANTIQUE quilt display by West Pasco Historical Society - Quilts of Valor - Bed Turning

New Port Richey Recreation & Aquatic Center
6630 Van Buren Street, New Port Richey, FL 34653
WestPascoQuilters.org

Quilted Twins 
Thanks to our Sponsor QuiltedTwins.com, 13829 US-98 BYP, Dade City, FL 33525

**Please view the list of
2026 WPQG Quilt Show Committees**

Click [here](#)

Your help is still needed!!!

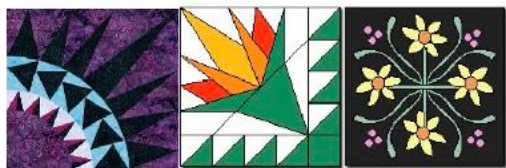
Block Party Silent Auction

With the success of the Block Party at our last quilt show, we are doing this fundraiser again at the 2026 "America's Garden of Quilts" show.

WPQG would appreciate your help!

Get with your small group, a friend or two and come up with a theme and/or a color scheme and make a set of blocks. It's that easy.

Show attendees will be bidding on packages of completed quilt blocks that they can put together by adding blank blocks, sashing, borders, etc.



Keep these guidelines in mind:

- Sets should have a standard amount of blocks to make a balanced quilt, wall hanging, or table runner (i.e., 4 - 12 blocks depending on the size and purpose).
- Blocks should be uniform in size and include seam allowances (8.5" not 8" blocks)
- Showcase your special skill – embroidery, paper piecing, applique, etc.

Have fun with it!

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Sonosky at 727-992-7419.

DON'T MISS OUT!

Last day to order t-shirts

is

Sep 18

at

Guild Membership Meeting

Quilt Registration

Registration is open for quilts in the 2026 Quilt Show. Shirley Zerbe or Mary Parkin will be available at Membership meetings to take your forms. Click [here](#) for Registration Guidelines and Form. If you have questions, contact Shirley — 727-858-3876 or Mary — 727-389-6549.

AMERICA'S GARDEN of QUILTS T-SHIRT sale for 2026 show!

-PREPAY orders-

The September membership meeting will be the final order date.

-COST-

\$20.00 each for short sleeve light blue or long sleeve royal blue

-PAYMENT-

cash, check, credit card

-ALL shirts will be V- neck-

- DECISIONS - DECISIONS -

(Please read carefully - there have been CHANGES since May meeting announcement due to our supplier. ALSO, "WPQG 2026" will be larger on our shirts

SLEEVE OPTIONS



CAP SLEEVE shirts will be light blue and have the color of shirt and printing in the photo above.

SIZE

If you are ordering the SHORT SLEEVE light blue shirt, base your size on what you would buy if you went to Walmart and bought a unisex T-shirt. (They are cotton. Shirt shown is a medium and the opening at the bottom is 40".)



LONG SLEEVE shirts will be royal blue and have the color of shirt and printing in the photo above.

(We will be getting long sleeve, NOT 3/4 length as previously stated)

SIZE

If you order the LONG SLEEVE shirt, base your size on what you would buy in WOMEN'S sizing. You may want to go up one size if you like a little bit more room. (i.e., if you wear a medium in unisex, you might want a large in this style).

We hope you will consider participating in emphasizing the theme for our show! It makes our members easily identifiable to our guests!

If anyone has questions, please call me.
Anne Templeton 727.838.3620

WPQG Challenge America's Garden of Quilts



February 13 - ~~14~~ - 15 2026
Richey Rec & Aquatic Ctr
6630 Van Buren St
New Port Richey, FL
9-5 Friday & Saturday
Sunday 10-4



Your challenge entry must be a "true quilt" NO LARGER than 20" x 20".

You must use enough of the challenge fabric so we see what it is.

You will purchase your fat quarter for \$5.
This \$5 will be returned to you when you turn in your entry.



If you do not turn in your entry your
\$5 will be donated to our charity quilt program



Special ribbons and prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Viewer's choice ballots are provided at the challenge table

Remember to keep your entry a secret and don't forget your quilt label.



For more information please contact
Genie Betts
727-283-2846
geniequilts@gmail.com



It's only 5 months, (that's right 5 MONTHS!), until the 2026 Quilt Show.
Mark your calendars now and block off the week of February 9, 2026!
Your volunteer time will be crucial to the success of the Quilt Show.





Community Outreach



Food Bank

In July, Bev Webster collected the food bank for Trinity Presbyterian Church on Little Road in New Port Richey. We collected \$146 in cash and a basketful of groceries.

The August food bank was sent to Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Spring Hill with a check in the amount of \$105.31 and over \$200 in goods sponsored by Sandra Teclaw.

At September meeting look for the Food Bank table. Although Kim and I will not be available, there will be someone accepting the goods.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK, IT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

Sandra Teclaw and Kim Smith
Food Bank Co-chairs



Hospice Doves

The guild is making white felt doves for Gulfside Hospice. The doves are given to the family of the person who passed away under Hospice care. Betsy Turner and I have made kits and will be distributing them to the members at the monthly guild meetings. The Hospice Dove instructions are also on the guild web page. This is an ongoing project and they have asked if we could provide 20-25 doves per month. If you take a kit and you do not feel comfortable sewing on the eyes, bring the completed dove back and we have a member who has volunteered to attach the eyes. You can return the kits to either of us at the guild meetings. Thank you.

Avis Merritt
Betsy Turner

Charity Sew

Join us anytime at the Hen House (8301 Joliet St. Hudson) on Monday and The Coop (9341 Osceola Dr. NPR) on Wednesdays. Come join the fun. We always have something to do for willing hands!

I would like to thank ALL of our members that help make Charity Sew a success. It is so much appreciated! All your hard work making such beautiful quilts is our Guild's way of touching the lives of children, and many adults, in a very real way. Without you, it could not be done. Continue to make all those quilts! Thank you so much for your generous spirit of giving. It is a tremendous help.

PLEASE NOTE: DURING THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER THRU OCTOBER 8th, THE COOP HOURS WILL BE FROM 9:00 UNTIL 1:00.

Lori Romanosky; Co-Chair Charity Sew and Scrap Chair
Ann Marshall; Co-Chair Charity Sew



Ways and Means



Gift Basket and Share the Wealth (50/50)

No sales once the meeting begins. Please bring small bills. I am setting up volunteers for next year. Call me (727-372-6456) or email me (pennyb1618@gmail.com) to set your month up. Save your receipts and turn in to me or Mary Borders. The Guild advances \$100 toward the purchases. Please attach a listing of items in the basket. Most baskets retail at \$300 to \$400.

For the remainder of this year:

Sept. - Tuesday Evening Nimblers

Oct. - Marsha White & Beverly Webster

Nov. - Hen House

Dec. - Trish Wallick

If you are lucky and win, please give your name to our Secretary for the records. You must be present to win.

Penny Black, Chair



Fat Chance / Art Challenge



Month	Fat Quarters	Art Challenge
September	Warm colors, orange	Cats, witches on broomsticks, picket fences
October	Green and Red	Thanksgiving scene: table food, turkey, table setting
November	Red	Christmas scene: Santa Clause, snow, toys, Christmas tree
December	None	No art challenge
Jan. 2026	Green	Valentine cards, presents, chocolates, on a date

In case you missed it....

The August membership meeting included an interesting and informative talk by Tomás Monzón from the West Pasco Historical Society. Those in attendance learned all about what the historical society does and how it benefits the local community. Some of the functions of the historical society are:

- Manages a museum that exhibits local historical archives
- Educates and entertains the local community by hosting events
- Conducts tours and field trips for the local civic groups and schools



An upcoming event hosted by the historical society is a program by Madonna Wise, author of “A Haunted History of Pasco Society”. You can get more details and request tickets on the historical society website — [here](#).

Also, don't forget that the historical society has an opportunity quilt that was provided by our guild. The drawing will be held on Feb 15, 2026. The quilt was made by guild member Debby Uργο.





Sew 'n Tell

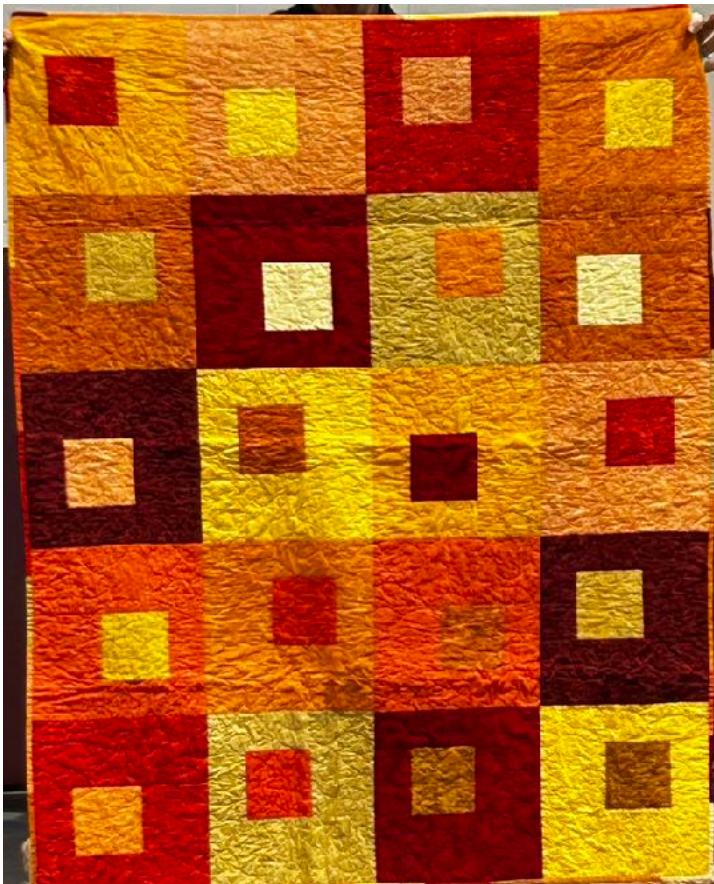
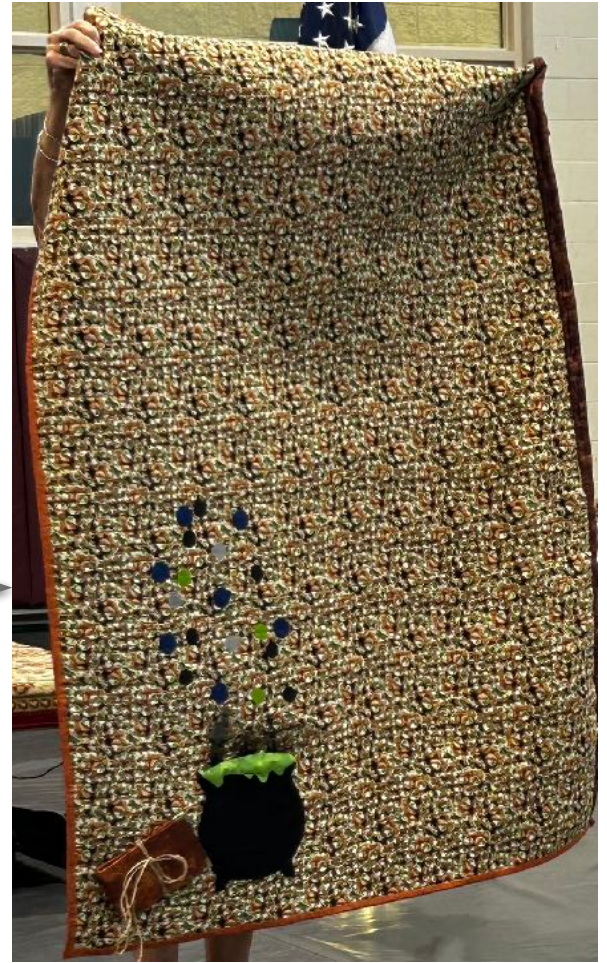




Front



Back



Beach quilt with bag to carry. Donation to local club for silent auction.





The Coop opportunity quilt.
Won by Jeanette Gonzalez.

Wall hanging made by Shelley
Murrell. To be given to
Marilyn Matyus for her office
in the new Veterans complex.

