

Newsletter of the Racing Fingers Quilt Guild

April 2019

April meeting: Monday, April 15, 2019

Place: Fellowship Hall, Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, 105 Amsden Road, Ormond Beach.

Time: 6:30 pm

Program: "Passing on the Comfort: The War, The Quilts, and The Women Who Made a Difference" presented by Lynn Kaplanian-Buller.

Lynn Kaplanian-Buller, from Holland, and her co-author An Keuning-Tichelaar wrote a book named "Passing on the Comfort: The War, The Quilts, and The Women Who Made a Difference". It was about An and her husband sheltering refugees in WWII in Holland, and receiving homemade quilts from Mennonite women in North America to give them relief in the war. Twenty years later, Lynn discovered the quilts, which reminded her of her Minnesota childhood, and the two women put together the story with the quilts as center. The quilts and the two ladies toured both North America and Europe for several years featuring their story and displaying some of the quilts both at shows and museums. They were the keynote speakers at the Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Quilt Show in 2005, when the book was launched. An has since passed away. There have been other groups of women in Europe, as well as the U.S. and Canada, who have continued the cause of making quilts and distributing them through the Mennonite Church to places in the world where folks are victims of war or refugees. Not only will Lynn be telling us

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the story but she is bringing a few of the "old quilts" along and will have some books for sale.

May meeting: Monday, May 20, 2019

Place: Fellowship Hall, Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, 105 Amsden Road, Ormond Beach.

Time: 6:30 pm

Program: "Her Journey" a trunk show and talk presented by Molly Waddell.

Molly Waddell will show us several of her quilts, which have won numerous awards on the local, regional, and national levels. Some of her work has been published in the Quilting Quarterly Magazine, Quilt Art Calendars, Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting Magazine and Quilters Newsletter Magazine. The American Quilter Magazine published an article on Molly and how she makes quilts based on her mom's paintings (March 2013 issue). In addition to teaching, Molly is also a National Quilting Association Certified Quilt Judge and is a member of the National Quilting Association of Certified Quilt Judges. Her goals as a judge are to recognize the creativity and expertise of each quilt maker, to objectively and fairly evaluate quilts and wearable arts, to give positive and constructive comments to quilters so that they may improve their workmanship and artistry and to encourage them to stretch their creativity. Molly has judged in New York, Pennsylvania, Florida, New Hampshire, Maine, Vermont, and Massachusetts. Molly now lives in Port Orange.

A message from our President, Linda Derryberry

April! A true sign that warmer weather is coming, with plants starting to bloom and grass growing again. Yes, that means yard work. So remember to tend to yourself too as you continue to sew and quilt. Crafting is so very good for your health - both physical and mental. I was lucky to attend my first RFQG retreat in March. What a wonderful experience! Besides all the sewing that went on, we laughed a lot, learned about each other, cried a few times, played games, and ate way too much of Miss Sarah's yummy food. Our committee deserves many thanks for all

their hard work. Plans are already in the making for next year! We also talked and talked and discussed, and came up with many great ideas which we hope to implement in our guild soon, so keep your eyes open for future events and plans. The board wants to find ways for our guild to grow in friendship and time together, both as one large group, or in smaller groups. If you have any thoughts or ideas, please send them to me so we can discuss them. Having more members means we have more ideas to work with - what a great problem to have!



One small request

When you bring items for our "free" table, please take whatever has not found a new home with you when you leave. Linda has been storing all this accu-

mulation in her home and would like to find her kitchen floor again. Thank you!



A wonderful retreat

A huge THANK YOU to Jean Roth and her committee, who did an outstanding job organizing this year's retreat! What a wonderful time we all had, and what a wonderful way to get to know more about our fel-

low members. These gals have been working on the retreat for several years now, and during the weekend we found a new committee to take over for next year. Fantastic news. Looking forward to it, ladies!!



Hospitality: Our thanks to Jo Quaglia (healthy snack), Karen Myrick (veggies), Kathi Carlson (sweet indulgence) and Jean Roth (salty snack) for providing refreshments to the April meeting. May's refreshments will be provided by Cynthia Rose (healthy snack), Susan Chance (veggies), Claire Sadowiczak (sweet indulgence) and Pat Aschman (salty snack).

April Birthdays: Vera Huckaba, 4/7; Bonnie Godwin, 4/9; Kim Ramos, 4/15; Linda Costello, 4/22; Marilyn Knowles, 4/24; Alisa Rogers, 4/26; Sally McCarroll, 4/28; Marita Kelly, 4/30.



RFQG Block of the Month

When you make a block of the month (or more than one block) you will be entered to win the month's blocks. We'll also enter you into a year-long drawing for prizes: A jelly roll, a fat quarter pack, and \$50 in free quilting (gee I wonder where). This year we're taking advantage of Missouri Star Quilt Company and most of our blocks come from Jenny's fabulous collection of videos. They also use 2 1/5" strips and 5" squares. Most are pretty simple. And there

are NO COLOR REQUIREMENTS. We just ask that you keep to a white or ivory background. I hope you'll pick out your favorites, and join us!

April's block is *Tulip*. Google

<https://www.missouriquiltco.com/TotallyTulips/>

May's block is *Butterfly*. Google

<https://www.missouriquiltco.com/StripButterfly/>

Need help? Contact Terri Lynch at

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Please welcome these new members

Cindy Amicone: Cindy is originally from California. Following the quilting tradition in her family, she started quilting about twenty years ago. She also enjoys knitting, crocheting and reading. Cindy was introduced to our guild by member, Clair Sadowniczak.

Mary Ann Kyte: Mary Ann is from Maryland. While she has been quilting for about twenty years, she also enjoys stamping cards. Mary Ann was introduced to our guild by member, Jan Doyle.



Mother Hen Group

Our mentoring Mother Hen group continues to be held on the second Thursday of each month at the Ormond Beach Library. Here is an opportunity to get some help if your skills are rusty or if you are new to quilting. You can pass along some tips or techniques to other quilters and perhaps pick up something new yourself. In addition to our members, we welcome quilters from the community or non-quilters who would like to get started. We meet at the library at 9:30 a.m. for about two to two and a half hours in

Room 4. Even if you don't need help, come join us for a sit 'n' sew at that time. There is plenty of room around the tables. We'd love to see you!

Our upcoming gatherings will be on Thursday, April 11 and May 9, 2019 (unless advised otherwise). Please join us—either for the occasional session or every month. It's a nice opportunity to stitch together and meet potential members. For more information, contact Susan Sauro at Motherhen@racingfingersquiltguild.com



Monthly Sit 'n' Sew

The next RFQG Sit 'n' Sew will be held on Wednesday, May 1, from 1 pm to 5 pm, at the Aberdeen Club House, 50 Allwood Green Boulevard, Ormond Beach, Florida. Many members need a time to just sew together, to work on their own projects or to work on charity projects for the guild. So bring your machine, an

extension cord and your project. There will be an ironing board and tables. Aberdeen is a gated community - tell them you are there for the new sewing group. They will probably ask for your name. For information contact Sandi Makowski at Sitnsew@racingfingersquiltguild.com



Chair of our Sunshine Committee needs your help

If you hear of a RFQG member who has been hospitalized, is very ill, or who has lost a family member please contact Cynthia Rose, the Chair of our Sun-

shine Committee at cintin@sbcglobal.net so she can send a card.



AccuQuilt Big Go available

Just a reminder ladies, the guild was fortunate to be able to purchase an AccuQuilt electric cutter and several dies to be used by guild members to make cutting our projects easier. If you are coming to any of our gatherings such as the monthly Sit and Sew at Aberdeen, Mother Hen at the library, or the guild

meeting, and you would like to use it, please contact me and I will bring it along. You may also make arrangements to check it out for a few days by making arrangements in advance. Contact Nora (Hartzler) Vigliotti at hartzler.nora@gmail.com or 574-286-8712.



PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS AT ALL OF OUR MEETINGS

Bring your latest projects for "Show and Tell"



Upcoming Events

For information about lectures, workshops and other events in Florida go to www.floridaquiltnetwork.com.



The RFQG Newsletter is edited by Pat Aschman at pataschman@gmail.com

Quilt related submissions to the newsletter are welcome.

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