



Pieceful News

February 2021

NEWSLETTER FOR LADIES OF THE LAKES
QUILTERS OF LAKELAND, INC.

Remember this is a fragrance-free guild for meetings as well as guild activities.

Happy Birthday!

Jenny	Brooks	11
Pat	Groeller	12
Flo	Bradbury	16
Carolyn	Haug	18
Bridget	Gilmore	21
Robin	Barauskas	23
Donna	Almon	28

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Please take a look at our new website for all the information you need regarding Guild events.

Ladies of the Lakes website: www.ladiesofthelakes.org
Ladies of the Lakes Instagram: @ladiesofthelakesquiltguildfl
Ladies of the Lakes Facebook: @ladiesofthelakes

Original Sewing and Quilt Expo

We still need volunteers to sign up for our booth at the Sewing Expo March 18-20!

Please contact Marci Walterman at

Cell: 863-701-7860

Home: 305-610-5535

Email: swalterman@verizon.net.

Message from our Outgoing President:

It has been my pleasure to serve as your president. I have enjoyed getting to know most of you and surely have appreciated that whenever I have needed a job done, you have stepped up to the plate and helped out. This guild is and will continue to be very important to me. I look forward to enjoying your friendship for many years to come.

Happy Quilting,
Teddy

Message from our Incoming President:

I don't know about you, but after the holidays, after all the hustle and bustle has settled down, I like to take some time and reflect on the past year. I also like to think about and plan for my new year. This past year has been so different from our collective "normal", it's a little more difficult to know exactly what we might be facing ahead of us. What is in the future for the Ladies of the Lakes Quilt Guild? I don't think that any of us can really truly answer that question given the last year we have all lived through. I, however, am choosing to think positively and plan for a glorious year ahead! There are quilts to make, friends to reach out to (socially distanced, of course!), and a quilt show to get ready for! We should have a banner year with all of those COVID quilts! Now is the time to be planning what quilts you want to enter in the show this year. It's not too early! It's also not too early to be thinking about our Christmas challenge! You will have to come to the February meeting to find out exactly what that is. It promises to be something different and fun! Something just around the corner to look forward to is the Original Sewing and Quilt Expo. The dates for that are March 18, 19 and 20, 2021. Please consider volunteering to work either in our booth (contact Marcie Waltermann swalterman@verizon.net) or as an Ambassador. You can contact the expo via their website www.sewingexpo.com and click on the volunteer tab for more information. Both areas are vital. We are able to have a booth because of the volunteers to the expo. I am so looking forward to all of the wonderful memories that we are about to make as a guild family this year. Hugs!

Sunshine and Shadow Report

- Sent Donna Turner a sympathy card. Her husband has passed away.

Upcoming Meeting and Classes

We are going to have a little make it & take it at our meeting. Please bring the following items:

- Hand Sewing supplies i.e. needle, thread (neutral color), snips
 - Craft scissors (may be needed to trim cardboard).
 - 9 3/4" by 8" piece of fabric, 2 circles 4" diameter (I will have some fabric already cut, but if you would like your own fabric, these are the dimensions that you will need).
- Pins
- Something that will help you finger press your seam: a brayer or clover roll and press or iron finger. No irons or sewing machines needed.

Kimberly will provide instruction and the cardboard and batting parts.

Please bring your favorite quilt so you can tell us a little bit about it.

There is still room in the binding class that Judy Hansen will be teaching on Apr. 24th, the cost is \$50.00 & that includes the kit she is providing. It will be from 10:30-2:30. I will be advertising this class in Fabric Warehouse & opening it up to the public if we don't fill the class. If you are interested please fill out a registration form & give it to me at the meeting along with your check or mail it to me at: 1330 Walt Williams Rd. Lakeland 33809.

Thanks, Jacqui

Ladies of the Lakes Challenge

There hasn't been a new challenge set up for 2021. I have something in mind if you would like to participate. You can make a wall hanging, a quilt, a jacket, a handbag, or any other object that you have in mind. There will be no size restrictions, use your imagination any way you wish. Here are the only restrictions: You must sign up, you must use the colors I assign you, & you can only add black OR white to the colors I give you, & your project has to be completely finished. The challenge will be due at the Christmas party. First prize is a gift card to Fabric Warehouse.

Thanks, Jacqui

Quilt Show Boutique

Suzi and I are looking forward to your donations for the quilt show 2022 starting at the meeting this month. We welcome your items that are oriented toward sewing and quilting. Fabric is always a favorite. **Please label the length of the fabric.** Books, Magazines, and fat quarters will not be accepted until January 2022.

If you have any questions, please call.
Thank you
Andrea Schmookler

Community Opportunities and Challenges

Opportunities:

- **STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL** March 4-14, 2021
Strawberry Festival quilt entries: Due February 23, 2021 from noon-6. Please go to www.flstrawberryfestival.com for rules and more information. Click on Department 1 Quilts
- **BLOOMING ARTS FESTIVAL** March 6, 7 2021
This festival has a quilt show. Unfortunately, the deadline for entry has past, but the festival is still on, so it's an opportunity to go see some quilts.

Challenges:

- **MONARCH SEWING ART CHALLENGE.** Challenge by Lorraine Turner. For more information, go to: Calicohorses.com and scroll down to her blogs. Her latest blog explains her challenge.

Do you know of any opportunities or challenges in the Central Florida area? Let us know!

Charity Quilts

For those of you who were not at the January guild meeting, I would like to report that 2020 was a banner year for charity quilt donations: 282

Kudos to everyone for your generosity. We've all obviously been busy during the pandemic!

Also, to date we have donated 72 quilts for the Flight to Honor. We signed up for 87, so we are making really good progress. Thank you! The flight is the end of April. If you would like to attend the orientation meeting with me on April 25 at St. Paul Lutheran Church when the quilts are presented, please let me know. I'm sure this will be a memorable event.

Louise Morgan

Quilt Show Ribbon Party

There will be a quilt show ribbon making party at The Fabric Warehouse on Saturday, February 27, from 10am-4pm. We already have volunteers that have graciously agreed to work on the embroidery, but if there are still other things that can be done that require sewing and assembling. If you would like to help, please email Kimberly Boothe at: kimboothe@gmail.com.

January Ladies of the Lakes Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes: 1/21/21

- Meeting started at 6:30pm by Teddy Wenner (President)
- 45 members, 2 guests, and 1 new member present
- Brown bag total was \$52- winnings were \$26
- Teddy Wenner gave the financial report as Peggy Ashley was not in attendance.

Chris Arthur, Mary Goodin, and Bridget Gilmore- Quilt Show Chair

- We are still in need of an advertising and publicity person for 2022 Quilt Show
- We have people to make the centers of the ribbons, need people to help make tails
- Set up date for the show will be Jan 20, 2022

Teddy Wenner- Opportunity Quilt:

- Revealed the new opportunity quilt
- Explained that there was a box of postcards to hand out as well as reminded people to pick up their tickets
- The left over log cabins will be used to create an incentive quilt
- Entry Forms must include a photo or block of the quilt and will be due December 1st.

Marci Waltermann- Tickets and Expo Volunteers:

- Explained that tickets are 25 tickets for \$30 per member
- The upcoming Sewing Expo is March 18-20, 2021. We need volunteers to manage the booth for the guild.
- We also need volunteers to work the show as this is how the guild is able to get a free booth space.

Suzi Olson and Louise Morgan- New Charity

- A new Breast Cancer Charity has reached out asking us to make quilts and pillows for the survivors
- Our total 2020 donations:
 - 282 total donated quilts
 - 55 went to flight of honor
- Each meeting there are labels for Veterans quilts

Andy Schmookler- Quilt Show Boutique

- The storage unit we have rented is ½ the size of the previous year (2019)
- Label all fat quarters as you bring them as well as any fabric must be measured and labeled.
- Anne Troutman mentioned that basket items can be turned in at any time.
- **NO SCRAPS, BOOKS, OR MAGAZINES UNTIL 2022**

Ira Gleason- Officer Transition

- Officer Nominations
 - President: Kimberly Boothe
 - 1st VP: Sue Tanner
 - 2nd VP: Jacqui Anderson
 - Treasurer: Peggy
 - Secretary: Sara Ellis
- Voting- Anne Troutman Motioned, several members seconded the motion. There were no objections.

Teddy Wenner- Lost and Found

- Several items were left after last meeting, please claim them
- One of the items are pictures from the 2019 quilt show of VIP quilts. If you won a VIP ribbon please contact Teddy Wenner.

Jacqui Anderson- upcoming events

- If you are interested in participating in an upcoming Judy Henson class please let Jacqui know asap. Class includes a kit.
- Update on Lisa Lloyd- breast cancer is very bad but she loves the quilt. Check out the LOL Facebook page for pictures
- The 2021 Christmas party is December 4th at Mt. Olive. More details will be released closer to the time.
- If you need to get in contact please email or call Jacqui's house. A lot of times her cell phone blocks callers or sets it as spam including text messages.