



OCEAN WAVES NEWS

The Ocean Waves Chapter meets on the second Saturday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at

**Miami West Active Day Center
13776 SW 8th Street
Miami, FL**

APRIL:

Puppy Pillows

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Mary Jo Robles showed a giant pastel hexagon baby quilt.

President's Message

Why didn't I think of this?

Add a seam allowance to any pattern by rubber banding two pencils together and tracing the pattern.

A flannel backed table cover works well as a design wall.

Use alphabet beads on safety pins to mark quilt rows.

Do you have a tip or technique to share with the Guild? Just let me know before the meeting and I'll give you a spot on the meeting agenda. Sharing tips, offering lectures, workshops, trunk shows, making community quilts, all help our members to learn new methods and improve skills. Be sure to take advantage of all that Ocean Waves Quilting Guild has to offer. And, if you have a skill to share please speak with the Program VP (Deda) or the Advanced Program VP (Helen) about setting up a demo, lecture, class, etc. at a future meeting.

The March meeting featured international quilt teacher Maria Baraldi. She introduced us to one of the latest trends, using rulers for the home sewing machine quilting process. Thank you, Deda, for translating.

I had an aha! moment during Maria's lecture when she stated that you must have a large enough surface to support the quilt as you are machine quilting. Don't allow the quilt to hang off the table, onto the floor, where the weight of the quilt fights your machine. By supporting the entire quilt your quilting will go much smoother. Everyone who attended Maria's workshops raved about the technique and the class. The Guild will purchase a couple of the rulers for the Guild's library, for member use. Following the Sunday workshop several members went to dinner with Maria to Finka's - good food and good company.

Since Guild members have donated so much material for pet beds, we are going to hold a Puppy Pillow work day after the April meeting. Bring your sewing machine and tools, and plan to stay and help create some dog and kitty beds for a local shelter. And, Joan Vigil and Joyce Cotner will have returned from the Bahamas and will tell us all about the delivery of the 36 rag quilts we helped make.

Over 90 million chocolate Easter bunnies are made each year.

76% of people eat the ears first

5% go for the feet and

4% go for the tail

Are you an ears, feet or tail person?

Sharon Krutulis
President
Ocean Waves Quilt Guild

This newsletter is available online, in color and with working links, to members of Ocean Waves at the site below:

Ocean Waves e-mail list: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Ocean_Waves

Printed directions on how to join our Yahoo group are available at the Membership Table.

Visit Ocean Waves on the Web – <http://www.OceanWavesQuilters.com>

**Click on "Members Only" and log in with the password: dedaow to access our Newsletter and lots more pictures than we have room for in the Newsletter.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN APRIL TO:

- 3 April Atlas
- 4 Vanessa Wallace
- 6 Carol Grassbaugh
- 8 Lila Friedman
- 11 Nonah Johnson
- 13 Liana Miller
- 15 Alene Kubinek
- 19 Dianne Stebbins
- 20 Jeanne Pachowicz
- 29 Linda Davis



Ellen Sherman and her wheelchair quilt made for the “ugly” fabric challenge.

APRIL CALENDAR

Mar. 30	Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Thursday Leisure City Moose Lodge 15490 SW 288 St. Homestead
1	April Fool’s Day
	Monday Sewers – work on take home projects
8	Ocean Waves Meeting
10	Happy Passover!
15	Editor’s Deadline 5:00 p.m. Saturday Send to Leslie Pope, popela1@fastmail.fm
16	Happy Easter!
22	Earth Day

CHECKLIST for APRIL

- Nametag (or pay 25¢).
- Checkbook for door prizes, membership, and programs
- Cash for door prizes
- Refreshments **M – N – O – P – R**
- Library books to return
- Quilts for Show & Help
- Fabric and stuffing for puppy pillows
- Sewing machines, sewing tools and supplies
- Center block and fabric for Round Robin

Please note: Sharon has a new email address.

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Monday Sewers

Joan Vigil

As the Monday Sewers are trying to do what we can to help our leader, Gerry Tucker, she takes a fall. Yes, Gerry visited the hospital for a week (see Sunshine for details). The group has banded together and made some decisions. At the last meeting of the Quilt Guild there was some discussion about a Saturday workshop to tie quilts. That is a possibility but (for me) it will have to wait until late in June or July. Norma Jeanne Green has a better idea. She has taken select quilt tops from Gerry's to the "We Care Quilters" to be tied. We would like each small group to do this. Just tell Norma Jeanne how many and she will make the selections for your small group.

Gerry will let us know when Monday Sewers meetings will resume.

Community Quilts Co-chair Needed

Gerry is still looking for someone to co-chair Community Quilts for the Guild. Gerry is willing to continue to be a part by storing the stash of fabrics at her house and getting the donated quilts to their destination. The job responsibilities are very flexible. Do you like creative planning and organizing? It could be the role for you. We have fun and lots of fellowship.



Joan Vigil is looking awfully pleased with this abundance of rag quilts.

Photo by Pam Chamberlain.

Family and Consumer Sciences Quilt Guild Small Group

Joan Vigil

Is this exciting or what??? The show of "Rag Quilts" at the last quilt guild meeting was outstanding. Many pictures were snapped. If you took pictures of the parade of rag quilts, please email them to me. I would like pictures to complete a presentation that may go national.

The total number of rag quilts has exceeded the goal of 30 and is now exceeding 50. Some may go to another children's home to be identified. Some of the Florida Family and Consumer Sciences board members will make the decisions. They are pleased and ecstatic about the Quilt Guild's generous gift. Thank you for your hard work.



Myra Diaz shows a sampler quilt.

Round Robin Begins

Phyllis Salt

I am looking forward to seeing how creative our quilters will be this year.

We will meet at 9:00 a.m. on April 8th before our general meeting. Please bring your center block and fabrics you want used in your piece. Place them in a bag with your name on it. I will furnish little notebooks which will travel with your bag.

Please let me (phylsalt@mindspring.com) know if you have any questions



Ocean Waves members show off some rag quilts.

Membership News

Sr. Clare Stephen, Membership VP and Mary Jo Robles, Jean Fowler

The March meeting had 64 members present. Many members were sporting their green in honor of St Patrick's Day. We also welcomed two new members: Celeste Balado and Kammy Melton. Our guest speaker and teacher was Marcia Baraldi, and Pat Helmcamp brought her sister-in-law --Jackie Woolten. We regret that the new directories weren't ready but we have them in hand now and they will be available at the April meeting. Everyone will find a copy with their name on it.

Programs *Deda Maldonado*



March's program: Marcia Baraldi, and translator Deda Maldonado

Puppy Pillows! April 8, 2017 Led by *Arlene Goldberg*

Forget what I said about not bringing scraps to the April meeting. Our afternoon project this month will be Puppy Pillows and EVERYONE is welcome to bring scraps for stuffing and medium-heavy weight fabric for pillow covers, even if you can't stay and sew.

But if you can stay, please bring your sewing machine, neutral thread and pins OR a cutting set-up, including a 24" ruler. If you have a 60mm rotary cutter, bring that (it's very helpful for cutting up the scraps). Regular 45mm cutters will be fine for the pillow cover fabrics. Fabric and scraps will be provided so you don't have to bring your own unless you want to.

In staying with our theme, we will have treats you can take home to your own dog or grand-dog. Don't have a dog? We'll have treats for cats, too. Doesn't everyone know a cat or two or twelve?

If you'd like to get a head start or make a pillow or two at home, cut out a pillow cover as shown below, so that one short side is on the fold and you need only cut the other three sides. Cut 28" x 20". With fabric right sides together, stitch along the two long sides. Trim corners and turn inside out. LOOSELY stuff the pillow then turn the open end in about 1/2 and inch and stitch down.

← fold



NOTES:

- 1) You can make a pillow that is larger or smaller if you like.
- 2) The pillows are softer when the stuffing is cut into small pieces. Lay some scraps out on your cutting board and slice & dice them with your (preferably) 60mm cutter.



The line.....



And the reward!

Hospitality *Maria Alvarez*

Our next Guild Meeting will be April 8, 2017, and the Refreshment group will be:

M - N - O - P - R

FOR ALL NEW MEMBERS AND AS A REMINDER TO OLD MEMBERS:

Members and guest enjoy hospitality and refreshments provided by members on a rotating basis determined alphabetically.

Check the newsletter each month to determine if you are alphabetically selected for hospitality. Duties include:

- bringing a treat to share (such as sandwiches, salads, casseroles, fruit, small desserts and drinks),
- helping with the "Setting-Up" and "Clean-Up",

Please pick-up your dishes and leftover food after the meeting.

Write all ingredients on food contributions to help our members who have food allergies.

If you miss your turn, it will still be your turn the next time you come.

THANK YOU for your co-operation.

Photos in this Newsletter by
Chauncey and Nancy Barnes and Leslie Pope
unless otherwise noted.



Library News

Janet Hodges

March 2017

Items Returned:	2	
Overdue Books fines:		\$ 0.00
Books/Magazines donations:		9.50
Total		\$ 9.50

Books checked out previously:	31
Checked out in March	8
Total:	39

Total Library Items: 1,075

Donations:

Quilting Livre: desvendando Segredos by Marcia Baraldi

Quilting Livre com o uso de reguas by Marcia Baraldi

Sunshine and Shadows

Phyllis Salt

Gerry Tucker fell recently and broke a bone in her left arm near her shoulder and injured her right side.

She was in Baptist Hospital West and then was moved to Heartland for therapy. Gerry enjoys short telephone calls but wants me to stress NO VISITORS – PLEASE.

Give Gerry a call or drop her a card, she will appreciate hearing from her friends in Ocean Waves.

Bonnie Askowitz had a small exhibition of her quilts hanging in the lobby of the Capital Bank branch on U.S. 1 in Palmetto Bay.

Ocean Waves' own Kasha Abbott was recognized as Fairchild Tropical Botanical Garden's Volunteer of the Year. Congratulations Kasha!



Kasha Abbott, accepting her award. Photo by Bar Werner



Photo
by
April
Atlas

2017 Florida Quilt Shows

Mar. 1- Apr. 17: *Piecing Together a Changing Planet*, presented by Florida Region Studio Art Quilt Associates and the National Park Service, at the University of Miami Otto G. Richter Library, 1300 Memorial Drive, Coral Gables

<http://www6.miami.edu/communications/evites/libraries/climatechange/register.html>

Feb. 2 - Apr. 23, 2017: *FABRICATED*, a contemporary fiber art exhibition, Cornell Art Museum at Old School Square, Cornell Art Museum, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Delray Beach <http://oldschoolsquare.org/events/fabricated/>

April 3 – May 30: *Clothworks – An Exploration of Textile Design*, Tampa Bay Surface Design Guild Member Show, Clearwater Main Library, 100 N Osceola Ave, Clearwater <https://surfacedesignguild.wordpress.com/2017/03/06/tampa-bay-surface-design-guild-march-2017-newblog/>

April 14-15: *Quilts by the River*, 301 St. Johns Avenue, Palatka <http://www.missdsquilts.com/>

May 6-7, 2017: *Where Stitches Bloom 2017*, Tree City Quilters' Guild, Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel, 4200 NW 97th Blvd, West of I-75, Exit 390, Gainesville <http://treecityquiltersguild.blogspot.com>

Save the Date --January 13, 2018

Nicki Jamieson

It will be time for the Ocean Waves Quilt Guild Installation Luncheon before you know it.

It will be held again at the Renaissance Ballroom, 5910 SW 8th Street, Miami FL 33144.

The luncheon theme will be "A Day at the Beach"

The memorial quilt challenge theme is "Beachy", with a size limit of 100 inches maximum perimeter.



More quilts from the SAQA exhibit listed on page 5.
Photos by April Atlas

Treasurer's Report

Judy Millero, Treasurer
February 2017

Beginning Balance - February 1, 2017	Preliminary
Checking	\$ 20,333.41
PayPal, Inc.	1,580.63
Petty Cash	9.44
CD	16,269.87
	38,193.35
Income	
Door Prizes	96.00
Library	30.50
Membership	660.00
Programs - 2017	910.00
	1,696.50
Expenditures	
FL Corp Annual Report (annual)	61.25
Community Quilts	249.56
Hospitality	68.42
Installation Luncheon 2018	300.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
PayPal, Inc.	17.26
	746.49
Net Income	950.01
Outstanding Items	(1,065.55)
Ending Balance - February 29, 2017	
Checking	19,765.13
PayPal, Inc.	2,033.37
Petty Cash	9.44
CD	16,269.87
	\$ 38,077.81

Quilts of Valor: (QOV)

At noon on May 11, 2017 a Quilts of Valor Ceremony & Luncheon will take place at Homestead Air Reserve Base. If you're interested in attending, please contact Joyce Cotner or Charlotte deOgburn for information regarding security clearance.

In addition: our Guild's November 11, 2017 Meeting will feature a Quilts of Valor Ceremony; we will show our veterans how much their sacrifice is appreciated.

If you have a family member or a friend who is or has been a member of the military and served in combat, let Joyce Cotner or Charlotte deOgburn know. This will be an excellent opportunity to honor and recognize "our own".

We hope that members of a local Girl Scout Troop will again serve as Honor Guard for the Ceremony.

Thank you! Charlotte & I are sincerely appreciative of and grateful for your generous past Quilt of Valor donations. Yes, the need continues to show our gratitude to our veterans, -- therefore, we respectfully request additional quilts.

FYI: A QOV does not necessarily have to be red, white & blue. Lap-size is encouraged, -- (55"x65" – 72"x90"). A QOV is usually awarded encased in a coordinating Presentation Bag or Pillowcase.

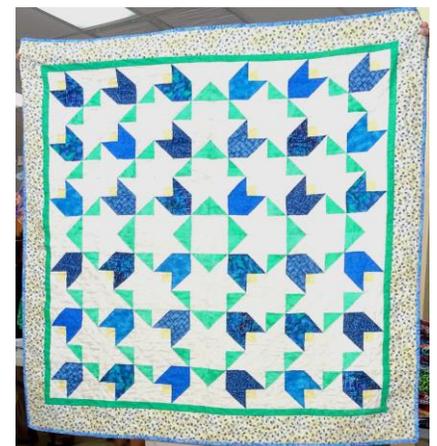
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Ellen Sherman's patriotic four-patch quilt

Carol Grassbaugh showed a blue and green quilt with geometric tulips.





Lila Friedman's improv quilt



Barbara Garvine's Turks and Caicos wall-hanging



Yvonne Emmanuelli's camper quilt

Minutes of the Ocean Waves Quilt Guild March 11, 2017 *Pam Chamberlin, Secretary*

Meeting called to order by President Sharon Krutulis at 9:32 a.m.

"Fun Facts" shared by President Sharon Krutulis:

First known quilted fabric was from 1360-1400 AD. The word "quilt" is derived from Latin *culcita*, or stuffed sack. The world's largest quilt is the AIDS Memorial Quilt. Some Civil War and African quilts were made to carry messages.

Door Prize info shared by Mary Ann Ericson:

Books donated by this month's teacher Marcia Baraldi will be part of the "biggy" door prize.

Approval of prior meeting minutes:

Prior meeting minutes prepared by Secretary Pam Chamberlin and appeared in this month's Newsletter. Motion to approve minutes of February 11, 2017 meeting and annual luncheon made, seconded and passed.

Treasurer: The current report was in this month's Newsletter. Former Treasurer Judy Millero reported that the Guild's name change on the bank and official state records is in process.

Sunshine and Shadows: Report by Phyllis Salt.

Ocean Waves member Sally Bartelt died on February 17 after becoming suddenly ill while on a quilting cruise. A number of Guild members attended the viewing and funeral, and Sally will be missed. Former member Kay Smith, who now lives in Belleview, lost her mother on March 10.

Round Robin: Report by Phyllis Salt.

Five or six members have signed up for the Round Robin so far. The Round Robin will start in April and will take place every month.

Membership: Report by Sr. Clare Stephen

The Directory is in process and should be done by next month.

62 members in attendance

1 new member: Celeste Bolado

2 visitors: Jackie Wooten and Marcy

Total current membership is 132

July 4th, 2017: Report by President Sharon Krutulis.

The Town of Cutler Bay contacted the Guild through our website, to invite us to do a demo and provide information on the history of quilting following the Town's July 4th parade. Lois Erickson, Barbara Garvine and Sandy Smith volunteered to help plan the Guild's participation.

Hospitality: Report by Maria Elena Diaz.

Maria requested help cleaning up after the meeting so that she can participate in the class today.

Puppy Pillow Project: Report by Arlene Goldberg.

Arlene says she has enough donations of scraps for now, and needs help catching up in sewing the pillows. She suggested a sew day after a meeting or on a Sunday.

Tip: By Sharon Krutulis

Use scraps of upholstery fabric and batting to make a needle case.

Historian: Report by Ellen Sherman

She has received the luncheon photos from Chauncey and will start making monthly updates to the Guild's photo archive.

Facebook: Report by Gayle Williams

March is National Quilting Month and March 18 is National Quilting Day. Challenges members to put something on the Guild Facebook page for that date and encourages members to join our Facebook page.

Community Quilts:

Sharon Krutulis reported that Former member Liz Chiffari made a donation to the Guild to support our Community Quilts program. The Secretary will send a thank you and acknowledgement letter. Mary Ann Ericson reported that there are over 80 tops that need to be tied or quilted for Community Quilts. Joan Vigil said that Gerry Tucker is looking for a co-chair to help out with Community Quilts, and that Gerry is willing to continue to store the donated fabric at her house. Sharon Krutulis said that the Guild would plan a work day to sandwich and tie the quilts.

Ugly Fabric Challenge: Report by Sharon Krutulis

Challenge pieces will be revealed in June, but some members have already finished and will show them at Show & Help.

Rag Quilts Project: Report by Joan Vigil.

The goal of 30 quilts was surpassed - 40 quilts were completed. They will be shipped on March 30 to the Children's Home in Nassau.

Future Programs: Report by Helen McKane

Helen invited all members to give her their ideas about what members want for programming in 2018. She is new to this role and is open to suggestions about what members want to do and learn.

Chapter Raffle Quilt: Report by Gail Polk.

Gail reported that she has the pattern for the chapter quilt. Sharon Krutulis described it as an Irish Chain with large appliques. Gail will meet with committee volunteers after the meeting to get organized.

Lecture by Marcia Baraldi, prize-winning quilter, teacher and author from Brazil.

Deda Maldonado, Programs VP, introduced Marcia and translated her lecture. Marcia discussed her passion for quilting and her ideas for preparing the quilt, the space and the quilter to free motion quilt. After today's meeting she will teach a class on free motion quilting on a domestic machine. Tomorrow's class is on free motion quilting using rulers.

Humor was offered by Lois EricksonQuilt Show 2018: Report by Deda Maldonado

Deda asked for volunteers for the planning committee.

Door prize winners: Nelly Molina, Sharon Krutulis, Nicki Jamieson, Linda Lever, Jean Fowler, and Linda Fayant. Mary Ann Ericson won the 50/50

Business meeting was adjourned at approx. 11:15 a.m.



For St. Patrick's Day!



Yvonne Emmanuelli shows a yo-yo quilt.



LaVerne seems to appreciate the Colonial gentleman made by Gary Iglesias.

Show and Help:

Sharon Wylie and Ellen Sherman showed their Ugly Fabric Challenge finished quilts.

Joan Vigil and the members who worked on the Rag Quilt Charity Project showed their finished rag quilts.

Carol Grassbaugh showed a blue and green quilt with geometric tulips.

Mayra Diaz showed a burgundy and white block-of-the-month sampler style quilt.

Yvonne Emmanuelli showed a quilted calendar, a camper quilt, two tote bags, and a yo-yo quilt.

Gary Iglesias showed an applique quilt depicting a Colonial gentleman at home.

Norma Jeanne Green showed a turquoise quilt with improvisational blocks made by Lila Friedman for We Care Quilters.

Barbara Garvine showed her Turks and Caicos wall-hanging with sailboats and starfish.

Ellen Sherman showed a patriotic four-patch quilt.

Mary Jo Robles showed a giant pastel hexagon baby quilt.

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