

Thimble Thoughts

December 2024

Chat with Tonya

December is the time for WBQG's annual Holiday Party which is filled with surprises, laughter and, of course, lots of eating. December is also a time for reflecting our successes and challenges of the past year.

In January 2024, I became President and so much has happened along the way. It takes a while for everyone to adjust to new leadership and styles. As the guild leader, I was focused on inspiring guild members with the joy of quilting, and attending guild meetings, programs and workshops. We are fortunate to be able to partner with QUIP for additional opportunities. There were road trips and Quilting Retreats for some as well.

WBQG made a beautiful charity quilt for "Kids in Distress" which will be showcased at the South Florida Quilters Expo. Cecilia McConnell did an amazing job with the block of the month. (I still have a couple that I need to complete before I put my blocks together.) Cecilia worked hard and it brought in a new perspective about BOM.

I want to thank all of our Board and Committee Members: Jan Ross, Denise Glaser, Geri Tredway, Barbara Tate, Lisa Imberman, Cecilia McConnell, Debby Pennington and Hugh Murphy for their support, dedication and wisdom. I would like to especially thank Lisa Imberman for her incredible work in designing, collecting the much-needed information and sending out our monthly newsletter to keep us informed.

We have made new friends and we have lost a great quilter and friend, Eleanor Sasnett.

The Guild brought incredible joy to our veterans with the patriotic quilt wall hangings. I was so proud of the unity and the spirit in which the wall hangings were made. Debby Pennington worked hard to coordinate, collect and distribute the wall hangings.

At the last meeting I asked for feedback because this is your Guild. What worked well and what can I do better as a leader? I need your direction and I need to hear your voice. I received two emails that were valuable as we champion our Guild to be the very best. I hope that I inspire you to come and participate in Guild meetings and to reach beyond your potential as a quilter.

We all have our own style and preferences in our quilting journey but what can we do to be better quilters? What can we do to grow our Guild and connect with our members?

We have a great guild. Let us continue to enjoy many, many successes and wins in 2025.

Happy Holidays!

Tonya

Charitable Outreach

Hello, all,

Thank you to all the Guild members who helped make the Veteran wall-hanging donation project such a huge success. It is so special to see many members along with the many hangings at the Veterans' Day event.

We are now looking forward into projects for our Guild to pursue for 2025.

Thank you to all.

Debby and Ziva



Guild Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2024

Minutes – November 2024

Call to Order – 10:05 am

1. Welcome & Introduction of New Visitors and New Members
2. Announcements from Members – Hugh Murphy home from hospital stay
3. Motions to approve October's meeting minutes. Following a motion by Anne T and a 2nd by Annette, the minutes were unanimously approved.
4. Birthdays
 - Kay Walker 11/8
 - Lisa Imberman 11/10
 - Christine Wells 11/10
 - LauraJean Niesel 11/28
5. Old Business
 - SFQE Updates – Denise Glaser
 - Volunteers to Coordinate WBQG at the SFQE
6. New Business
 - Pot Luck Sign-up for Holiday Party in December & Gift Exchange (\$20 value)
 - December's Meeting
 - i. Fat Quarters for Birthday Cupcakes – Barbara is getting a big donation and will give to Sydney to make the cupcakes.
 - ii. 2024 Feedback and Input for 2025 – give ideas for the future and feedback on what is going well to Tonya.
7. Reports
 - VP – Jan Ross – 28 members present, 3 guests
 - Treasurer – Gerri Tredway – current balance \$5911
 - Programs – Nina Anderson
 - Workshops – Barbara Tate
 - Charity – Debbie Pennington

- i. Veterans Day Home Visit Monday Nov 11
- ii. Hanging of Patriotic Wall Designs Wednesday Nov 13 2 pm

- Newsletter – Lisa Imberman
- ReadyWebsites - www.WestBrowardQuiltGuild.com

8. BOM – Cecilia McConnell

Break

9. Program

- Half Yard Guild Challenge – winners - 1st place – Charlotte L. tied for 2nd place –Ziva, Anne Marie and Paula
- Snap Bags – See video from Riley Blake on YouTube – snap bag instructions. Make 2 – one for guild and one for you

10. Raffles

- Fat Quarters – winners – Sandy S, Annette and Bridgette
- Gift Bags – winners – Janet, Tonya, Ziva and Joan O
- 50/50 \$44 winner – Bridgette
- Vet bags from Leenas aunt – winners – Bridgette, Sydney, Gerri, Lisa, Annette, Lisa I and Anne T

12. Show and Tell

13. Reminders volunteers needed to work WB booth at show

Meeting Adjourned – 11:50 am

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Glaser

Secretary

<https://www.westbrowardquiltguild.com/welcome.html>

Upcoming Events

Programs and Workshops

Nina and Barbara are busy planning the 2025 programs and workshops. To that end, workshop ideas will be presented at the December meeting. You will be asked to complete a survey with your preferences for the coming year. It is very important that you voice your opinions and give your input and/or your own ideas of what you would like to learn. Workshops are a great place to get to know your fellow Guild members, make new friends and learn a new tool for your quilting tool belt.

December

Holiday Party

Get ready for some holiday fun!

Don't forget to bring the tasty treat for our potluck brunch!



*Bring a small, \$20 quilt related gift, to the December party if you'd like to participate in the gift exchange.



Important Note: There will not be a Resource Table for resale goods at the December meeting. **However, there will be a fabric sale to support the upcoming SFQE.** Bring some money. \$\$\$

2025 Fat Quarter Raffle Colors

Once again, we are coordinating the fat quarter colors with the holiday/theme of the following month:

January - **Valentine's Day** -- Red, pink, white

February -- **St. Patrick's Day** -- Green, white, black

March -- **Spring** -- Pastels

April -- **April Showers** -- Blues and white

May -- May flowers -- Small and medium florals

June -- **4th of July** -- Red, White and Blue

July-- Back to School -- Black, Brown, Beige

August -- **Fall** -- Brown, Green, Orange, Yellow

September -- **Halloween** -- Orange, Black

October -- **Thanksgiving** -- Brown, Orange, White

November -- **Holiday Colors** -- Red, Green, Blue, Yellow, White,

BOM –

Stay tuned for the intro to the 2025 Block of the Month at the December meeting. You don't want to miss this!

Block Rock'n

12" Paper Pieced Block Series

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Simple, easy and fun. No need to rip foundation papers out. Paper pattern is reusable.
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*The January workshop will teach you how to do the freezer paper piecing technique!

Membership Renewal

Don't forget to renew your membership in January. Only \$24 for the year.

December Snack Reminder:

Holiday party treats...Everyone is reminded to bring their dishes.

Thanks to Daisy, Shirley, Lily and Diana for the November treats and raffle gifts!

December Birthdays

Cathy Donn 12/4
Hugh Murphy 12/10
Charlotte Lorenzo 12/14



**What's happening at
South Florida Quilt Expo**

**WORKSHOP
SCHEDULE**

March 8-9, 2025

www.SouthFloridaQuiltExpo.com



SOUTH FLORIDA
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Cost \$55

**Beginning
Quilting**

Patterns and all supplies provided, just bring your sewing machine



Cost \$35

**Reverse
Applique**

All materials provided, just bring your sewing machine.



Cost \$35

**Quilted Foam
Board**

No sew project

Class fee includes a one-day ticket for admission to the show.

Quilt appraiser

This year we will have Sharon Metzger - AQS certified appraiser at Expo.

Fees: \$75 for written appraisal of any type of quilt including antiques

\$50 each for 2 or more appraisals

SFQE will have a safe place for you to keep your quilt(s) during the show while you shop.



Quilt entry is open!

Quilt entries close Monday, January 20, 2025, Midnight EST- No exceptions
Quilt Collection Drop off is Thursday, January 30, 2025, 3-8 pm at Charles F. Dodge City Center, Pembroke Pines, FL 33025

See category descriptions and entry rules/ forms at
www.SouthFloridaQuiltExpo.com.



Don't forget the Gnome challenge!

Volunteers Wanted

Expo is looking for volunteers for various positions. For volunteering opportunities, please contact Robin Eck 954-290-3251 (Leave a message and she will return your call.)

WBQG Expo Booth ...

Remember to bring in the **snap bag** for the booth sale. Be sure to check off your name when you turn it in.



By the Way...



We have received so many wonderful donations for the raffle basket that we are going to present **2 baskets!**

We have lots of fat quarters, but we could use yardage, notions, and other items. Please bring your donations to **Sheri Passwater**.

Big thanks to all who have generously contributed to the **Expo Raffle Basket**.

Kids in Distress

<https://www.kidinc.org/>

Please bring ticket stubs and money to Delle . Ask for additional tickets. It's for a great cause!



November Mystery Fabric Quilts

And the winners are...



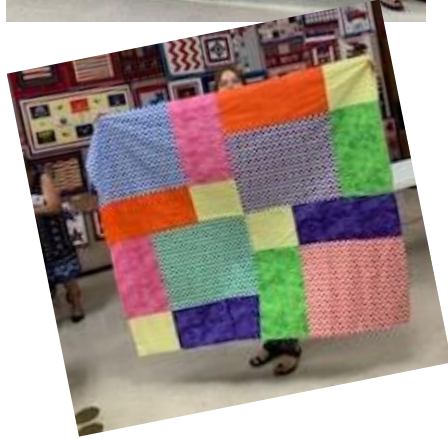
Charlotte



Anne Marie, Paula and Ziva

Show and Tell





Final Thoughts

Wishing you and your families a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year! May all your quilting dreams come true.

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