

Newsletter of the Racing Fingers Quilt Guild

November/December 2016

November meeting: Monday, November 21, 2016

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

Time: 6:30 pm social; 6:45 pm program

Program: "Delectable Holiday Table Runner" presented by Dee Duckworth.

Using a quick piecing method, you will put together Delectable Mountain blocks for a holiday table runner that you will mostly complete during our meeting time. We will set up a few cutting stations and pressing areas or you may bring your own if you don't care to stand in line. The project will finish at 20" x 36".

This block might appear challenging, but you will be surprised at how quickly your blocks will go together.

You will need:

- A sewing machine with 1/4" foot
- Sewing supplies, pins
- A rotary cutter with a fresh, sharp
- A 12-inch square-up ruler if you have one
- We will be making half-square triangles, so if you have a favorite notion for this technique please bring it.
- Six 9" x 9" background squares (white, cream, beige)
- Six 9" x 9" accent fabrics (4 red and 2 red prints or 4 of one color/print and 2 of another complimentary color/print). These fabrics will pair up, so the 6 squares should all be the same color.

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The border fabric is 2½" x 113". You can use a fat quarter and piece the border or cut three 2½" strips across width of fabric.

Please join us and try something new. We think you will be happy to learn this technique for future projects. If you have any questions, please call Dee at 386-871-5787 or email dee.duckworth@yahoo.com.

A longtime member of RFQG and former president, Dee has shared her quilting talents with us many times. A co-chair, with Jean Roth, of the Community Outreach and Special Projects Committee, she is the person who comes up with our "Challenge" projects, and makes sure that we keep up the supply of "Fidgety Quilts" for donation to Florida Memorial Hospital.

December meeting: Monday, December 12, 2016

(Note: This is the second Monday of the month.)

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

Time: Arrive 6:00 pm; **dinner begins at 6:30 pm.**

Program: Annual Holiday Season potluck supper.

Ham will be provided by the guild, bring a vegetable or dessert to share.

Judy Viviano, Heather Shaw and Cynthia Rose, our snowbird members from Colonial Colony South, will have a surprise activity for you. **Please bring three fat quarters that have polka dots or circles.**

The officers who will serve on the 2017 Executive Board will be installed.

The RFQG 2016 "Hexies" Quilt Challenge quilts will be on display and ready for your votes.

Instead of a gift exchange, it has become a guild tradition to remember the less fortunate with donations of paper products or disposable diapers which will be given to Family Renew temporary quarters in Holly Hill. Financial donations are also appreciated. Once again, these donations will be delivered to the facility.

January meeting: Monday, January 16, 2017

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

Time: 6:30 pm social; 6:45 pm program

Program: "Batiks – Then and Now," presented by Pat Aschman.

Pat lived in Jakarta, Indonesia, from 1978 to 1981. During this time she was introduced to batiks and quilting, and for her, the two were inextricably entwined. The program will be based on her experience with batiks and on articles published in Issue #347 (November 2002) of Quilter's Newsletter Magazine.

A member of RFQG since 1992, Pat has served as President, 1st Vice-President and Secretary on the Executive Board at various times, and has been 2nd Vice President for Membership for many years. She is the editor of the guild Newsletter and manages the guild's website.



Membership Dues

Article XI, Section 2 of the RFQG by-laws states that "Dues shall be payable to the Treasurer at the November meeting and become delinquent at the January meeting." Dues remain \$25.



Mark these dates for AQS Show

Just a reminder that Wednesday, March 1 through Saturday, March 4, 2017 are the dates for the next American Quilters' Society Show at the Ocean Center, Daytona Beach. Please clear these dates on your calendars as we will have sign-up sheets available

soon. Also keep in mind that volunteers will be needed for set up on Tuesday, February 28 and take down after the show ends on March 4. For more information, contact Linda Derryberry at Lderryberry@msn.com.



A message from our President, Sally McCarroll

Sally McCarroll is currently gallivanting around the country. She sends greetings and looks forward to seeing you all at the November meeting.



Nominating Committee presents 2017 slate of officers

Last month the Nominating Committee presented a full slate of officers to serve on the 2017 Executive Board of the Racing Fingers Quilt Guild. Unfortunately, due to circumstances totally beyond her control, Sandi Makowski, the nominee for President, has been forced to withdraw, leaving the position of President available at this time. Elections for the other positions will take place at the November 2017 meeting. We hope to have a nominee for President

by the December meeting. Our thanks to Marianne Pitts for agreeing to serve on the Nominating Committee.

President:	Open
1 st Vice-President/Programs:	Marianne Pitts
2 nd Vice-President/Membership	Pat Aschman
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Program ideas needed

Marianne Pitts has agreed to be in charge of programs in 2017. It's not an easy job so she really needs our help. She has programs or activities in place for January, February and May but has yet to fill slots for April, September, October and November. We need

to know what kind of programs you would like. Do you prefer speakers or learning new tools or new applications or all of the above? If you have any ideas or suggestions she would appreciate it if you would contact her at M9083@aol.com

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**Hospitality:** Our thanks to Pat Aschman (healthy snack) and Edie Ervey (sweet indulgence) for providing refreshments for the November meeting.

**November/December birthdays:** Pat Ellis, 11/4; Terri Lynch, 11/5; Dee Duckworth, 11/15; Sherry Boullion, 11/19; Diane Hageman, 11/19; Elizabeth Hall, 12/4; Deanna DeLeeuw, 12/11; Debbie Merelo, 12/22.

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Don't forget the RFQG 2016 Quilt Challenge - "Hexies"

Our 2016 challenge project: Make a quilt using hexagons (aka hexies). The quilt must measure **36 inches in at least one direction**, but there are no other size requirements. Use as many hexagons as you wish, in any way that you wish...pieced, fused,

applique. Surprise us! As always, we will have a Viewer's Choice Award at our December meeting with prizes.

Please contact dee.duckworth@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

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**Sewing Retreat opened to anyone**

Plans are moving along for the Racing Fingers Sewing Retreat at Epworth by the Sea on St. Simons Island, Georgia, from Friday, February 3 through Monday, February 6, 2017. Rates (per person) are as follows: Single \$440.88, Double \$297.63, Triple \$244.23. Quad \$232.80, for three nights and nine meals beginning with the Friday evening meal and ending with Monday lunch.

If you wish to attend please bring \$40.00 the November meeting to reserve a spot. The \$40.00 will be deducted from the full reservation fee which you will send directly to the resort in 2017 with a form that will be provided by Epworth. Registration is open to anyone who is interested. Please contact Jean Roth at [Jeanroth9@gmail.com](mailto:Jeanroth9@gmail.com).

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Mother Hen Group/Sit and Sew

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 and Sew* at that time. Put aside your "must do" list and spend a couple of hours of social quilting—you'll be able to make some progress on a project while enjoying friendly conversation. There is plenty of room around the tables. We'd love to see you!

Our upcoming gatherings will be on Thursday, December 8 and January 12. 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 pelicanpatrol@mindspring.com.

Local quilters win ribbons at Houston International Quilt Show

Congratulations to RFQG member, Victoria Rondeau, who was awarded a second place ribbon in the Art Miniature category for her quilt "57 Chevy" and to Port Orange resident, Rahna Summerlin, who was

awarded a first place ribbon in the Traditional Pieced category for her quilt "Grandmother's Cabin." The winners names and their quilts may be viewed at <http://www.quilts.org/winners.html>

Please welcome this new member

Susan Polizei: Originally from New Jersey, Susan has been quilting for over forty years--so long ago, she can't remember what started her interest in the first

place. She also enjoys knitting and camping and has recently started a new career in real estate. She was introduced to our guild by Dee Duckworth.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS AT ALL OF OUR MEETINGS

Bring your latest projects for "Show and Tell"

Fidget Quilt Project

A Fidget, Fiddle, or Busy Quilt is a small lap quilt, mat or blanket that provides sensory and tactile stimulation for the restless or "fidgety" hands of someone with Alzheimer's or related dementias.

Thank you to everyone who continues to make Fidget Quilts; the nurses at Florida Hospital tell us their patients are so pleased that someone in the

community is thinking of them.

If you need batting, fabric, or notions please contact Dee Duckworth at dee.duckworth@yahoo.com.

PS: If you have any old keys, bring them to the meeting; the patients love to have something that makes a little noise.

Upcoming Events

Orlando: "World Quilt Florida," presented by Mancuso Show Management, will held on Thursday, January 19 through Saturday, January 21, 2017, from 10 am to 6 pm, at Orlando's Orange County Convention Center [<https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/world-quilt-florida-2/>].

The Villages: The Quilting Guild of the Villages presents its "2017 Showcase of Quilts" on Friday, January 27, from 9 am to 5 pm, and on Saturday, January 28, 2017, from 9 am to 4 pm, at the Savannah Center, 1545 North Buena Vista Drive, The Villages, Florida [www.qgotv.org].

Sebring: Highlands County Quilt Guild presents "Quilting in the Highlands" on Friday and Saturday, January 27 and 28, 2017, from 9 am to 4 pm, at the Highlands County Fair Grounds, 781 Magnolia Ave, Sebring, Florida [hcgg2017quiltshow@gmail.com]

Clearwater: Quilters' Crossing Inc. presents "Quilting Under the Palms" on Friday and Saturday, January 27 and 28, 2017, from 9 am to 4 pm at Country-side Recreation Center, 2640 Sabal Springs Drive, Clearwater [www.QuiltersCrossing.net].

For more information about anything connected to quilting in Florida go to:

www.FloridaQuiltnetwork.com

The RFQG Newsletter is edited by Pat Aschman at pataschman@att.net

Quilt related submissions to the newsletter are welcome.

Don't forget to go to our website www.racingfingersquiltguild.com.

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