

Newsletter of the Racing Fingers Quilt Guild

October 2016

October meeting: Monday, October 17, 2016

Place: Fellowship Hall, Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, 204 Amsden Road, Ormond Beach.

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

Program: "Color Your Quilt" presented by Victoria Rondeau.

Bring out your Inner Artist. Learn how to add color and texture to your quilts with Shiva oil paint-sticks. Victoria Rondeau will create original quilted designs on her longarm machine and provide each participant with an individual quilted piece. The demonstration will include techniques on how to use paint-sticks to "fill in" the background and highlight the design. The guild will purchase Shiva Paint-sticks for members to share during the program. Pinterest, Craftsy and You Tube all have samples of this technique for your inspiration. Here's an opportunity to try something new and leave with an original piece of Art.

Victoria Rondeau is a professional longarm quilter, a longarm quilting teacher, and a representative for Legacy batting, sold by Pellon. She is a member of Racing Fingers Quilt Guild, and also a member of the Studio Art Quilt Group. She became interested in quilting about nine years ago while serving as an officer in the US Air Force.

November meeting: Monday, November 21, 2016

Place: Fellowship Hall, Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, 204 Amsden Road, Ormond Beach.

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

Program:

"Delectable Holiday Table Runner" presented by Dee Duckworth.

Using just twelve 9" by 9" squares of fabric, a focus fabric for the border, and 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. Bring your sewing machines and basic sewing supplies. We will set up a few cutting stations and pressing areas. If you have a 12" square-up ruler, bring it along; if not, you can borrow one. 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. Dee will bring a sample to the October meeting so we can see what the finished project looks like. You will need:

To bring your own rotary cutter with a fresh, sharp blade

- 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.

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.



A message from our President, Sally McCarroll

Hopefully everyone is recovering from our hurricane. Darn Florida weather!! Thank goodness technology gives us a lot of notice so we can prepare. We had so much notice that I washed and ironed a lot of fabric. During the one and one-half days of power outage, I cut out a number of projects. Of course, now I have to stitch them up.

I’m looking forward to this month’s painting project with our own guild member Victoria Rondeau. The samples she showed at the last meeting looked like wonderful small projects; and, better yet, doable for a traditional piecer like me.

We have a number of on-going projects, such as our guild officer elections, fall programs and Holiday party. And, last but not least, we have to start up the work for the AQS show next year.

The October meeting is the deadline for members to sign up for the retreat on February 3 – 6, 2017. If we do not have 25 members sign up by this time, we will open up registration to friends and family. We have a number of ladies waiting in the wings.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting on October 17 whether or not you will be painting.



Nominating Committee presents 2017 slate of officers

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers to serve on the 2017 Executive Board of the Racing Fingers Quilt Guild. Elections will take place at the November 2017 meeting. Our thanks to Marianne Pitts for performing this task.

President:	Sandi Makowski
1 st Vice-President/Programs:	Marianne Pitts
2 nd Vice-President/Membership	Pat Aschman
Treasurer:	Judy Glover
Secretary:	Kim Christenson

Hospitality: Our thanks to Karen Licht (healthy snack) and Karen Acheson (sweet indulgence) for providing refreshments for the October meeting. Refreshments in November will be provided by Pat Aschman (healthy snack) and Edie Ervey (sweet indulgence).

October birthdays: Heather Shaw, 10/6; Sandi Makowski, 10/10; Kendra Wiggins, 10/10; Cathy St. George; 10/25.



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.



Sewing Retreat may be opened to friends and family

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 October 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. If we do not have 25 members signed up for the retreat at this meeting, we will open up registration to friends and family.



Ormond Beach Library Display

Our thanks to Sophie Bastan, Jean Roth, and Susan Sauro, for the great job they did setting up the guild's display in the window at the Ormond Beach Library. Thank you also to everyone who loaned quilts and

quilted items to the project. If you haven't seen the display, there's still time; you have until the end of October.



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, November 10 and December 8. 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.



Please welcome these new members

Carole Lytle: We welcome back Carole, a former guild member, who has rejoined us after taking a break for a few years. A Florida native, Carole has been quilting off and on since 1976 when the Bicentennial recreated an interest in quilting. She also enjoys reading and puzzles.

David Vandervoort: Originally from Nebraska, David was inspired to start quilting eight years ago after seeing a certain quilt. She also enjoys camping and reading. David found us through the Byrd's Nest Quilt Shop.



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.



An important message from Jean Roth, Volunteer Hours Coordinator

Dear ladies: Many of you may not be aware that, now that we have attained non-profit status, we may be required by the IRS to report volunteer hours as part of the paper work which we will have to file at the end of this year. In order to arrive at a comprehensive number I thought I would try a new approach. If each of you would identify the average level of your volunteer efforts per week in the following way, I could arrive at a number for the guild:

Level 1: 1 hour per week

Level 2: 3 hours per week

Level 3: 5 hours per week

Level 4: 8 hours per week

Level 5: 10 hours per week

Remember to consider time spent stitching blocks for our opportunity quilt, around the world blocks, fidget quilts, hospice quilts and any other stitching that benefits others. For the time being this is for information purposes only. I will be requesting this information from each member in November. If you have any questions please contact me at

Jeanroth9@gmail.com



Upcoming Events

Satellite Beach: Upcoming fall sales will offer gorgeous quilted projects as well as quilts at Satellite Beach's Founders Day on Saturday, November 5 and at Buena Vida Estates on Monday, November 7. [Email: margie@cfl.rr.com].

Ocala: The Country Road Quilters of Ocala will present their 2016 Quilt Show, "Down a Sunny Country Road of Quilts" from 9 am to 4 pm, on Friday and Saturday, November 4 and 5, at the College of Central Florida, Ewers Century Center, 3001 SW College Road (SR 200) Ocala, Florida' [\[www.countryroadquiltersocala.blogspot.com\]](http://www.countryroadquiltersocala.blogspot.com)

Davenport: The Davenport Quilts and Tea Festival will be held from 9 am to 3 pm, on Friday and Saturday, November 11 and 12, 2016, at the Davenport Historic District, 1 South Allapaha Avenue, Davenport, Florida [\[www.quiltsandtea.com\]](http://www.quiltsandtea.com).

Lake Worth: Quilted Dollmaking presented by Linda Lane on Saturday, November 12; class starts at 11:30 am and will be held at Salvation Army, 4051 Kirk Rd, Lake Worth, Florida [email: Hibiscus Quilt Guild at hggosf@gmail.com].

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.

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