

Patchwork Garden Chapter



Chapter Reminders:

Programs - The QGOTV trip to the AQS Daytona show will be on Thursday, March 1, 2018. Cost is \$35.00, and checks should be made out to QGOTV. To register, please pay Patty Wooten or Anne Marie Phillips or go online to qgotv.org and use PayPal to purchase. The event is listed under the "Members Only" tab under calendar - go to March 2018 and click on the bus trip entry to be directed to PayPal for purchase. Please continue to check the website for up-to-date information about programs and classes. qgotv.org

Thank you to Kathy D. and Mary Ellen for volunteering to provide 2 dozen cookies for the annual guild cookie exchange on 12/5.

We need to volunteers to bring finger foods for our annual gift exchange on 12/11. Please e-mail Ellen at qgotvpatchworkgarden@gmail.com if you are able to help.

There will be no chapter meetings on 12/25/17 or 1/1/18, due to the holidays.

Upcoming dates to add to your calendar: 12/4 - Holiday dinner at Nancy Lopez at 7 p.m.; 12/11 - Holiday gift exchange, \$15.00 limit on gifts; 12/18 Mug rug sew and yearly recap and visioning for the chapter - last meeting of the year; 1/29/18 Pincushion challenge.)

December's Guild meeting will feature Heather Kojan. Meeting is on 12/5 at Laurel Manor. Doors open at 6:30, meeting is at 7. Remember to wear your name tag!

Pam is looking for anyone who would be interested in teaching a class to the chapter in 2018. Please contact her if you would like to teach :)

We were so happy to see Chris Phillips at our business meeting this evening! Chris is encouraging all of her fellow quilters to learn about IBD. Check here for more info: <https://www.cancer.gov/types/breast/ibc-fact-sheet>

Guild News

Treasurer's Report: Budget approved for 2018; last day of the year for reimbursement requests to Sheila is 12/5/17. Charity reports are also due on 12/5.

When you register for a QGOTV class via PayPal, please use your name as it appears on the guild roster. Sheila is having trouble with class rosters due to members using their spouse's PayPal accounts, nicknames, or different last names on the registration site.

Programs - Tables will be set up at the January guild meeting on 1/2/18 by each chapter to celebrate the guild's anniversary. Since it is an afternoon meeting, it will be at the Savannah Center at 2 p.m. Members that are setting up the chapter table may arrive at 1 p.m. The table should reflect the work, interests, and history of the individual chapter. Thanks to Shirley for agreeing to be in charge of our table :) The meeting will also include a presentation by the Web Committee about the guild website as well as CAKE!

Plus: **Bus tickets for AQS Week in Daytona** available from our representatives, on the web (as detailed above in the chapter notes), or at Guild Meetings. Cost is \$35 and includes transportation from Lake Sumter Landing, the tip for the driver, a ticket to the show and the program. Deadline to purchase tickets is January 20th. The date of the bus trip is Thursday, March 2nd, 2018.

Website: Web masters are asking for guild committees to put their minutes and meetings on the "Members Only" tab on the website. Please submit this information using the form on the website.

Membership: 1,171 members; the 21st chapter of the QGOTV at Moyer has just opened with 13 members on their roster! Chapter meets on Tuesdays from 8:30-11:20. Please direct Villagers interested in joining the guild to our newest chapter.

Charitable Donations:

Honor Flight: 25 quilts are needed by 3/1/18 for the next Honor Flight that the QGOTV is sponsoring. Sharon Duemler also announced that we will be sponsoring another flight later in 2018, but numbers needed for quilts as well as the date is unknown at this time. A suggestion was made to not put a date on your quilt label, as it may be given out at any time.

100 play mats are needed for the Shriners. This will be an ongoing guild-wide charitable drive, so feel free to make one at any time. Directions for the mats are at QGOTV.org

Quilts are needed for the Cornerstone Salutes Hospice program honoring veterans and their families. Quilts must be at least 36" x 36" and should include a printed square from the program on the front of the quilt. Squares will be available at guild meetings. Sharon Warner at Captiva will collect the quilts for the southern half of TV, Beth Bender from the B's will collect quilts from the northern half.

Marketplace 2018: Wrist bands for members will be given to the chapter reps on 12/5 before the guild meeting.

Showcase 2019:

Tickets for the raffle quilt will be distributed to chapter presidents at the January guild meeting, ahead of the big reveal of the quilt at Marketplace:)

New guild officers will be sworn in at the December guild meeting and 10- and 20-year membership pins will also be awarded at this time.

There will be no guild EB meeting in December!

Easy Chocolate Cookies

Quick to make, perfect for those last-minute get togethers or gifts!
(These are the cookies I brought to retreat, for those who asked for the recipe! Ellen)

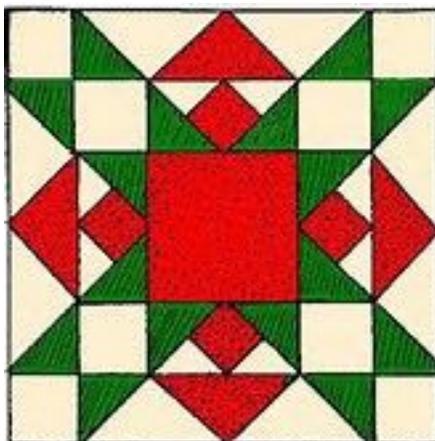
INGREDIENTS

- - 1 box chocolate cake mix
- - 1 egg
- - 1/2 cup butter softened
- - 2 TB Hershey's syrup
- - 3/4 cup milk chocolate chips
- - 3/4 cup M&Ms
- - 1/2 cup M&Ms for the top (optional)



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. In a large bowl, combine cake mix, egg, butter, and Hershey's syrup. Mix on low speed until combined well.
3. Fold in chocolate chips and 3/4 cup M&Ms.
4. Using a cookie scoop or two tablespoons, place dough on a greased or parchment-lined cookie sheet. You can also add more M&Ms on top.
5. Bake for 10-12 minutes. Allow to cool on cookie sheet for 2 minutes, then remove to rack to cool completely.





“Life isn’t about finding
yourself. Life is about ~~creating~~
~~yourself.~~”

Finding the perfect
fabric and never
cutting it.

-George Bernard Shaw



December Guild Meeting:

**Heather Kojan
Quilt Remix**

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Laurel Manor

1985 Laurel Manor Drive, The Villages, FL 32162

Doors open at 6:30

Meeting begins at 7 PM

50/50, Nametag drawing, Show and Tell



UFOs

Orphan Blocks

And

What was I thinking??!

Fresh Ideas for Stale Projects

Heather Kojan is the founder and first president of the Baltimore Modern Quilt Guild. She considers herself a modern quilter with traditional roots. One of her passions is to show others how to find their own creativity within the classes that she teaches. Heather teaches and lectures both locally at shops and guilds, and nationally with the Original Sewing and Quilt Expo. She is a contributing author to the book Classic Modern Quilts. You can also find her quilt blocks in Quiltmaker's 100 Blocks. Most recently, she was honored to have a quilt featured in The Improv Handbook for Modern Quilters by Sherri Lynn Wood.



Quilting Guild
of The Villages

welcomes you!

Sundays at Sterling

Sterling Heights Recreation Center

2508 St. Charles Place

The Villages FL 32162

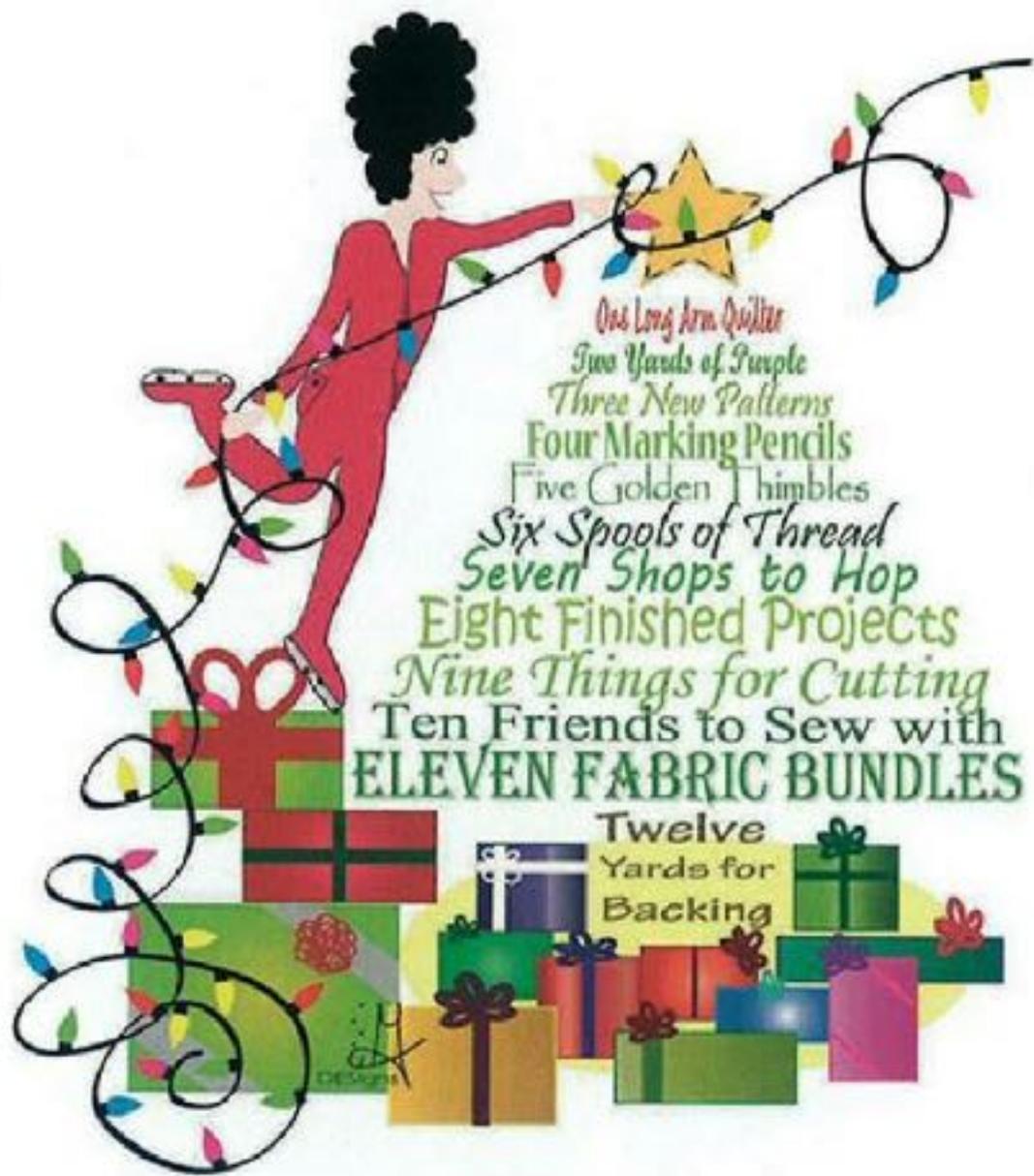
11:30 am - 3:50 pm.

Scrap Day
every 3rd
Sunday!

Bring your projects & join other
Guild members for a fun day!

quiltprograms@jmc.com

No bathing sprays
or personal
fragrances, please





PG Quilter's Corner: Interview with Kaye Feenstra

1. When did you start quilting? How did you learn?

I made my first quilt when I was in high school when I bought my first sewing machine. I learned to sew from my mother and being in a 4H group. I took my first quilt class in the 80's.

2. Do you have a favorite style of quilt? What about fabrics?

I like doing appliqué quilting. Hand quilting was the first class I took and I still prefer doing things by hand, if time allows. I like batiks and fabrics with dark backgrounds and bright colors especially flowers.

3. If you were stranded on a desert island and could only take 10 quilt-related items, what would they be?

Scissors, needles, thread, fabric, cutting board, rotary cutter, frame for quilting, pins, marking pencils, ruler.

4. Do you have a quilt or quilts that are on your "someday" quilt list?

A Baltimore quilt.

5. What is your favorite quilt out of all your projects? Why is it your favorite?

The wedding quilt I made for my oldest son and his wife. It was an Amish quilt with a black back ground with primary color baskets and grape vines in the borders. It was all hand done. I made a quilt when each of my children got married. Thankfully there were years in between each one. I also made a baby quilt for each of my grandchildren. The first four I made all by hand, until one year we had a set of twins and another grandchild was born then the time factor became very pressing and my machine became very busy. The quilts were hand sewn but mostly quilted by machine. All three of these babies were premature, too.

6. How many WIPS do you have currently?

Too many to count.

7. Why do you quilt / what is it you love most about quilting?

It is relaxing and I love to give my handwork away as gifts to friends and family. Designing and planning out the fabric and the quilting is challenging and exciting.

8. As a first-time PG retreat attendee, how would you describe your retreat experience? What would you say to a fellow quilter who is hesitant about going on our retreat?

The retreat was great. I finished a project, got two ready to quilt, started a couple new ones and observed many new ways to do things. Watched other ladies complete their projects. Had many great laughs and got to know many new friends. It is the best and “funniest” way to get to know the group.

Since the location of the retreat is not far away you feel comfortable being able to go home to sleep (especially when you have back problems).

Quilter Shout Out



Congrats to Kathy D. on her epic achievement - 6 completed jar quilts as gifts for her grand-babies! Great job!





Quilters don't
make mistakes...
we make
variations

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