



# Pieceful News

## February 2020

NEWSLETTER FOR LADIES OF THE LAKES  
QUILTERS OF LAKELAND, INC.

Remember this is a fragrance-free guild for meetings as well as guild activities.

**February 20**, (Third Thursday) Guild Meeting at  
First Presbyterian Church, 175 Lake  
Hollingsworth Drive from 6:30-9pm.

**Every Wednesday** 9:30am-1pm Sit and Sew\*  
with Needle Benders

**March 4**, (First Wednesday) 9:30am-1pm Sit  
and Sew\* with Needle Benders and Ladies of  
the Lakes.

**February 17**, (Third Monday) 9am-2pm Sit and  
Sew\*\* at Lakeland Hills Estate Clubhouse,  
behind Aldi's.

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### \*SIT AND SEWS\*

\*We will continue to sew and socialize on the first Wednesday of each month. We meet with the Needle Benders at 202 Griffin Road starting at 9:30. Do NOT park on the grass you may park in a parking space or on the side of the road. Come and join the fun, don't forget to bring your lunch. They meet every week so if you would like to go every week or every other week, please do.

\*\*We will be meeting at Lakeland Hills Estate Clubhouse, behind Aldi's on the Third Monday of the month. Contact Sharon Sweet at 321-795-2776 for more information.

## Message from our President:

Sending snowy thoughts from the mountains of Colorado! A huge thank you to everyone who helped out with our show last month. The quilts on display showed the many talents of our guild to not only our Lakeland community, but all over Florida. I am always so proud of our members.

While the excitement from the show has died down, I hope you haven't forgotten about the upcoming Expo in March. There is still time to volunteer.

Skiing has afforded me the opportunity to clear my head, but as my vacation comes to an end, I am excited to get back to my projects. Do you ever feel that way after a vacation? Bring a quilt you made after you were re-energized from a vacation. It will be fun to see how you were inspired!

See you at the meeting! Teddy



## Welcome New Members!



Becky Abare  
Bridgett Cox  
Kim Garrett

Dianna Kukk  
Donna Turner

If you know of anyone wanting to take a beginning quilting class, have them call the main library in Lakeland and get on the list for upcoming events. The class will be March 16- May 11. 6-8:30pm.



Please take a look at our website for all the information you need regarding Guild events.

Ladies of the Lakes website: [www.ladiesofthelakes.org](http://www.ladiesofthelakes.org)  
Ladies of the Lakes Instagram: @ladiesofthelakesquiltguildfl  
Ladies of the Lakes Facebook: @ladiesofthelakes

## Message from the Program Lady – Jacqui Anderson

Hi Everyone,

The dates for the 2022 show have been decided. It will be Jan.20,21,22,2022. We will also be renting the youth hall for the boutique area & hanging more quilts in the area we have been using for the boutique. There have been so many great compliments given to our show. On Facebook, in person, & passed from members. Thanks to all that participated in making it our best show yet! We already have several vendors signed up to come back next time!

I will be handing out the 3-yard quilt pattern at the next meeting. You will use your own fabric to make this quilt. You have until June 18th to get it made & quilted. Please bring them to show everyone at the June meeting. After that it's yours to do with as you wish. For those of you that are winter visitors, your picture of your quilt is also due on that date. Please email your picture. If you don't complete the quilt by that date you owe the guild \$6.00 for the pattern. Thanks.

**If you are planning to bring a guest to the Feb. meeting, it is \$20.00 for non-members.** We are having the maximum number of chairs put in our meeting room so membership, sign up, etc. will be out in the hall. Sorry for the inconvenience, ladies, but it's only temporary.

If you have signed up to go on the bus trip to Ocala on March 12 & haven't paid your \$33.00 yet, please send it to me. **I don't want to be collecting money at the meeting.** Thanks.

Happy Stitching, Jacqui

### **\*\*Upcoming Programs\*\***

**February 20, 2020** Lorraine Turner. Her website is [www.calicohorses.com](http://www.calicohorses.com)

**February 21-22, 2020** In Lorraine's 2-day workshop we will be making 1 of her patterns (not chosen yet) that is collage, embroidery, & thread painting. Price is \$225 for workshop and \$20 kit fee. \$75 non-refundable deposit due by Nov. 1.

**March 19, 2020** To Be Announced--- this is the first day of the Sewing Expo

**April 16, 2020** Reeze Hanson (Morning Glory Designs)

**April 17, 2020** Workshop with Reeze Diamond Star quilt

## The Quilt Show

A special thank you to all of the beautiful, helpful hands that made our 2020 show so terrific.

Sincerely, Suzi Olson and Elisabeth Harris

Hello everyone I would like to update you all as to the winner of the opportunity quilt.

The winner is a gal that bought her ticket at sewing expo 2019. Her name is Vickie Rittmaier and she is from Massillon Ohio. We are currently deciding how we can get the quilt to her but we may need to ship since she has no plans to come to Florida.

We also have a drawing at the February meeting for two small quilts I made from the left-over blocks. The names in the drawing are those that sold extra tickets so I need some information. If you volunteered and worked at sewing expo and also the Mancuso quilt show last year by either helping set up our booth, was an ambassador, or worked at our booth selling tickets I need your name so we can put you in the drawing.

If you did both let me know and your name goes in for both.  
I already have the names of those that took extra and sold them personally.

Please email me at: [patton.colleen@yahoo.com](mailto:patton.colleen@yahoo.com) .

Thanks Colleen

## February Birthdays



Pat	Groeller	12-Feb
Bridget	Gilmore	21-Feb



We wish you all a fabulously Happy Birthday!

## Charity Quilts

Remember those memory bears for Vitas Hospice? These are teddy bears made out of the deceased's clothing and then the bear is presented to the surviving family. Well, one of our new members has completed more than 17 of these memory bears. Thank you Treva Lawter for your caring.

Louise Morgan

## Hospice Quilts

If you have any completed quilts for the hospice group, please bring them to the meeting and give them to Betty Knosalla.

## Quilts of Valor News

20,000 Blocks in 2020 for the Quilts of Valor challenge. It was decided our guild would accept this challenge. The purpose of this is to give any quilter who wants to contribute by making blocks, and knowing these blocks will be used in the making of quilts for Quilts of Valor. The blocks we make are being sent to the Florida Chapter. When I talked to the representative, Terry Burtchell, she told me at this time there are over 430 veterans requesting quilts. Also, the quilts mean so much to them. A package of 199 blocks are being mailed to Terry, and we will continue sending blocks as we get them. It has been a short time since we accepted this challenge, and the number of blocks you have given is amazing. One person, Connie Prince, made 65 blocks. Every block donated will make a difference to someone by making their day better. Thank each of you for all the effort you have put forth, and please continue making blocks.

Sharon Sweet, 321-795-2776, judithsharons@gmail.com.

## Sunshine and Shadow Report

Cards were sent as follows:

- Jeannine Davis (husband had surgery) Thinking of You card.
- Louise Morgan (mom sick) Thinking of You card.
- Louse Morgan (mom passed) Sympathy card

Please contact Bridget Gilmore at [gilmore.bridget@yahoo.com](mailto:gilmore.bridget@yahoo.com) or 863-614-7915 if you have any sunshine or shadows to report.

Coming Soon!

**Upcoming Newsletter and website information:**

- How to order Guild Apparel
  - Polo's
  - Name Tags
  - Tote Bags
- How can I find guild-provided materials for charity quilts?
- How to record volunteer hours
- How to join monthly guild projects
  - Quilt in a Box (when applicable)
  - Monthly Blocks (when Applicable)
  - Quilt Group projects (when applicable)
- How can I get involved?

Do you have an idea or something you would like to see in the monthly newsletter? Let us know!

E-mail Sara Ellis at [sequilts@gmail.com](mailto:sequilts@gmail.com) for any ideas, comments, or suggestions you may have regarding the newsletter or website.

## LOLQG Meeting Minutes 01-16-2020

- Teddy Wenner opened the meeting at 6:45pm.
- Sue Tanner said there were 76 members present, 4 guests, and 3 new members.
- Louise Morgan was out of town and Elaine Howell would collect the charity quilts.
- Suzi Olson talked about the quilt show and asked for committee chairs to say something.
- Elisabeth Harris has donated the fabric for the ribbons at the show. The pipes were cleaned. She asked that cookies have a notecard in back of container identifying them. There will be a donation jar at the cookie table for TLC PetSnips. There was a ring lost at the show 2 years ago. Elisabeth will bring the ring to this show in case anyone asks about it.
- Colleen Patton asked that all stubs and money be turned in for the opportunity quilt. VIP judge will choose the quilt that speaks to them. If you want to be a part of the VIP night, come between 5:30-6 on Thursday evening. Wear business casual.
- Suzanne Sherman said there were 105 quilts to be judged. She secured the judge for the show.
- Anita Raboin was in charge of advertising. She said there would be 8 signs outside the church. She also suggested we send postcards to friends.
- Andy Schmookler was in charge of boutique. She said all money from the boutique would go to the guild for programs throughout the year. Boutique items will be picked up Thursday and brought to the church. Anything for display at boutique should be brought Thursday morning also. If you have a kiddie pool, bring it to the boutique.
- Suzi reminded all who will work the show to keep track of their hours.
- Jacqui Anderson was in charge of insurance, VTAS. Ryan's Case will be set up in the lobby. There will be no BOM in 2020. Lots of people signed up for the 3-yard quilts. March 28 is an all-day binding class. Kit is \$50. April 25 is a hand piecing class. Still 2 openings for Lorraine Turner 2-day class next month. Brenda Grampas is a certified appraiser of quilts. She will be at the show. You must have an appraisal for insurance. Becky at Fabric Warehouse will have a sit and sew for the animals in Australia.
- Peggy Ashley said there were 245 quilt entries. 105 to be judged. There were a good variety of quilts.
- Ann Troutman said she had 25 baskets for the show.
- Teddy said take-down of quilts will start at 4pm. All quilts must be accounted for before any are returned. A budget meeting will be in March when Linda Robinson is available. The fiscal year for the guild is March 1-February 28. A board meeting will be held sometime after the budget meeting.
- Marcie Walterman is the chairman for the booth at the Expo. The Expo is March 19,20 & 21. Our guild will raffle a basket and a sewing machine. Guild members can volunteer to work in the guild booth or be an ambassador or both.
- Betty Knosalla said she collected 36 blocks for a quilt for Mona who recently had a heart transplant. She asked all guild members to sign the back of Mona's quilt.
- Ira Gleason headed the nominating committee. The board was proposed as Teddy Wenner as president, Chris Arthur as 1st vice president, Jacqui Anderson as 2nd vice president, Peggy Ashley as treasurer, and Sara Ellis as secretary. Donna Merriwether was the first to nominate. Kelly Garcia seconded. Vote was unanimous.
- Show and Tell
- Right Left Center was played for 2 1/2 strips.
- 2 sewing machines and 1 serger were opportunities for the guild members to try. Patty Jones won the serger, Carolyn Haug won a sewing machine, and Treve Lawter won a sewing machine.

## CLASS REGISTRATION FORM

Fill out one form for each class you want to attend. Paid class fees are not refundable and you may not move payments from one class to another.

Class fees are determined with the cost of the teacher in mind. A national teacher will be more expensive than a local teacher, so we will try to offer as much variety as possible.

If a class is full, you can be put on a waiting list by sending a message, by phone, or email with your name and phone number.

Prices of classes, registration forms, dates and times of classes will all be posted on our website: [www. LadiesoftheLakes.org](http://www.LadiesoftheLakes.org)

Any further questions or for a current list of classes with spaces available, please call me at: 863-858-1630 and leave a message or email me at [sewbizzy67@gmail.com](mailto:sewbizzy67@gmail.com)

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You must complete this form and return it with your check to register for classes.

Class Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Class Fee \_\_\_\_\_

Please send form and check made out to Ladies of the Lakes Quilt Guild to:  
Jacqui Anderson, 1330 Walt Williams Rd., Lakeland, FL.33809