



THIMBLE THOUGHTS

**MEETING DATE
CHANGE
August 23**

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Ruth Stotler 8/3

Cathy Dance 8/13

Alex Ibarra 8/17

Eileen Thurston 8/24

Robinn Ek 8/26



Fat Quarter Raffle Colors

AUG	Fall Brown, Green, Orange, Yellow
SEP	Halloween Orange, Black
OCT	Thanksgiving Brown, Orange, White
NOV	Holiday Colors Red, Green, Blue, Yellow, White

WBQG MEETINGS

2nd Saturday of the Month
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
7601 SW 39th St, Davie, FL 33328
10:00 am Doors open at 9:30 am

Chat with Tonya

Tribute to Nina

Nina Anderson first attended WBQG right before COVID hit and then the pandemic struck and we were all isolated to our homes. During that time Nina was also confronted with a stark reality of a blood cancer diagnosis and underwent a stem cell transplant. She survived the harsh side effects of the procedure. Nina was a fighter.

When she finally had the ability, Nina became an active member of the Plantation United Methodist Church quilting club. It was her safe haven as she continued to grow stronger. Nina thrived in the atmosphere of this small group where she could sit and do her own projects while teaching others various quilting techniques. Nina engaged the group in one quilting venture after another. She let us complete our assignments on our time not hers. Nina loved sharing her wisdom.

Eventually, Nina returned to WBQG and immediately took leadership positions as program chair and then workshop chair. She flourished in quilting environments. Nina was engaged at our meetings and she looked at ways for us to build a stronger guild. She challenged us with new techniques and encouraged us to be better quilters. She had incorporated videos in our newsletter to assist us with our quilting process. The guild needed Nina and she needed us.

Nina was our friend. Her home was always open to quilters who needed some help with their quilting dilemmas. Nina shared her knowledge and experience with great joy. Nina was instrumental in piecing our guild quilt that won first place in the SFQE. Her own finished quilts were masterpieces of art.

I am grateful that Nina lived closed to me. I don't remember how many times I would speed to her home with questions and problems. She was one of my mentors in quilting. It was Nina who showed me a method to match my seams in perfection.



There were other techniques that Nina utilized in piecing quilts that was easier and simpler and different than I had traditionally learned. What I truly appreciated about Nina was after I finished one quilt top, she asked me if I would like some feedback.

She just did not critique my work but asked for permission first. Of course, I certainly wanted to learn why I struggled with this quilt. I discovered so much from her and I am a better quilter.

Nina was always wanting to advance our guild and we would talk at length about various opportunities. The last few weeks before her death we spoke about the guild and how much more she wanted to give back and teach us. Nina was a great inspiration and made a difference in our lives. She was a champion quilter and always found joy in her work and in helping others. More importantly, Nina was our dear friend and we will miss her.

In loving memory of Nina,

Tonya

CHARITABLE OUTREACH

Hello All,

I am including the pictures and thank you letter from Showering Love.

Also Adopt a Stray is a new recipient for us. They were extremely happy with their 26 dog/cat beds.

Don't forget the upcoming Sit and Sew workshop. This month (August) we will be making bibs and burp cloths. If you don't wish to sew you can cut, press or even count. And, the best part of all...socializing with one another!

Thanks for all you do,

Debby and Ziva



Subject: FW: Pet beds
To: [null <piggybug@bellsouth.net>]
From: dpenni6773 <dpenni6773@aol.com>
Date: Tue, Jul 8, 2025 at 9:50 PM

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----
From: Adopt A Stray <adoptastray@me.com>
Date: 7/6/25 2:17 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: Dpenni6773@aol.com
Subject: Pet beds

Debby Pennington

Dear Debby,

Thank you so much for the cat and dog beds. They will absolutely go to good use, not just for my group but I have other groups that are already stopping by to pick up. It's also great for the kittens when they have to be in cages to have a soft place to lay on that we can wash. A lot of the pet beds out on the market you can't stick in the washing machine.

Anyway, thank you and thank all the people who quilt (West Broward Quilters Guild) and donate the materials for these pet beds. It is so appreciated.

Cindy Goldman and The Adopt A Stray Team

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."
Ghandhi

Subject: FW: Much Appreciations
To: [null <piggybug@bellsouth.net>]
From: dpenni6773 <dpenni6773@aol.com>
Date: Tue, Jul 8, 2025 at 9:51 PM

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----
From: Showering Love <contact@showeringlove.org>
Date: 7/8/25 10:45 AM (GMT-05:00)
To: dpenni6773@aol.com
Subject: Much Appreciations

Dear Deb and the West Broward Quilters Guild,

On behalf of all of us at Showering Love, we want to extend our deepest gratitude for the stunning quilts you so lovingly made for our veterans' housing program. Each quilt added warmth, comfort and beauty to the rooms—transforming them into true sanctuaries. Our guests were in awe of how welcoming their new spaces felt.

Many of the veterans we serve haven't had a place to call home for quite some time. Thanks to your generosity, they now sleep under the care and love stitched into every thread. Your artistry and professionalism shine through each quilt, and your compassion is felt in every corner of the home.

Please know that you've made a profound difference in the lives of those who have served our country. Because of you, they no longer sleep in unsafe places. They are now wrapped in warmth, dignity, and your heartfelt appreciation for their service.

From the bottom of our hearts—thank you.

With gratitude,
The Showering Love Team
and our CEO,
Jeanne Albaugh

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PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

PROGRAMS

August—Initial + 5 Challenge

September— Cynthia's Fine Fabrics

Everything You've Wanted to Know about Batting! Cynthia will raffle batting.

October—T-Shirt Quilts

How to create lasting memories (and keep clothing out of the landfill!)

WORKSHOPS

Supply list provided when payment is received.

August Sit and Sew for the Kids

Host: Debby and Crew

It's not too late to join the group to sew much needed items for KidNet!

We need you to cut, sew, turn, press, top-stitch and Velcro. Bring the supplies you need to do the job...

Snacks provided! You will feel so good you made a difference!

September No Workshop

Taking a "Back to School" break

October Holiday Stockings

Sit and Sew

Goal—200 + stockings

Host: Debby and Crew

Bring smiles to kids' faces this holiday season.

Assembly line production...Sign up to cut, sew, iron or finish. Let's get this done!!



August 2025

Doors will be in style with these beautiful wreaths created in Daisy's All Occasion Wreath Workshop held in June. Thanks again to Daisy for sharing her talents!



The cutting was tedious
but the results were amazing...
And we all had lots of fun!!



Cathy made these adorable
Teddies .
They will find a loving home
and appreciated for years!



Diane Beers treated us to a trunk
show of her miniature quilts. As a
traveling quilter, she needed a way
to incorporate her traveling yen
with her quilting passion. Thanks
you, Diane for sharing your beautiful
mini's with us!



BLOCK OF THE MONTH 2025



TIP: For more accurate piecing, we suggest sewing the pieces together from the middle out.

BOM artistry from our members



SNACKS & GIFT RAFFLE

AUGUST: Diana, Julie and Iris

Please check the snack supply container when packing up after the meeting. Thanks.

September reminder: Sara, Paula W and Kay

GUILD MARKETPLACE

Last chance to grab fabric deals \$3/yd
Great for backings, charity gifts, etc.



Quip -Quilter's Retreat

All welcome

October 24 until October 27

Deposit due in September—Balance
due in October

See Iris Biasetti for details

Quilt Show

January 31, 2026, 9:30-3

St Paul's Lutheran Church, Weston,
\$10 Entry fee donated to the Food
Pantry of Broward County

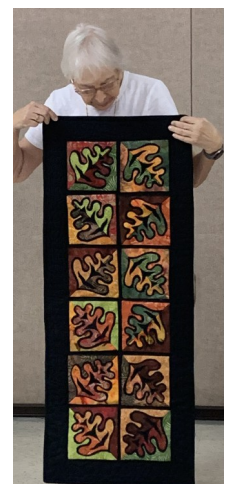
All guilds in Broward County are invit-
ed.

No competition or judging. Any Quilt
may be submitted for display.

Guilds will be given a table to sell
items. (Proceeds will go to the individ-
ual who made the
items.)

Watch for more info in coming news-
letters.

SHOW & TELL



Member Comments

From Hugh:

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 11, 2025

Contact: Karen Pojmann, Communications Director

Missouri Department of Corrections

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Thank you to everyone inspired by the Jenifer McShane-directed Netflix documentary ***The Quilters*** to reach out to the Missouri Department of Corrections and offer donations and words of support. We, too, are moved by the film and are awestruck by the generous and beautiful work done by Missourians in our Restorative Justice Organization programs.

In addition to South Central Correctional Center (SCCC), the department supports quilting programs at multiple other sites. Donations of quilting supplies and equipment are needed and appreciated. **However, we currently are OVERWHELMED by donations and are running out of storage space for fabric and yarn.**

Please consider a **monetary donation** to our Restorative Justice Organization programs, all of which rely on donations and volunteers.

RJO programs throughout the state give residents of our facilities the chance to give back to the community in many ways, including:

- Cultivating prison **gardens** and donating fresh produce to area food banks
- Training and socializing rescue **dogs** for adoption by Missouri families
- Completing **woodworking** projects for donation to area nonprofits
- Creating **educational materials** for Missouri kids

Producing **audio and braille** publications for visually impaired Missourians

Donate by credit card to the Missouri Department of Corrections Restorative Justice

ElectPay portal: <https://modocrestorativejustice.centralbank.net/>

OR send a cashier's check or money order to:

Missouri Department of Corrections Restorative Justice



Cathy Dance

Tell us a bit about yourself I've lived in the Fort Lauderdale/Davie area since 1952. Married 43 years and have 2 sons.

How did your quilting journey start? I took a quilting class in 1983 so that I could make a special wedding gift for my best friend. I didn't do another for over 30 years.

What is your favorite part of quilting? I love picking out fabric and deciding on a pattern.

What is your least favorite part? I much prefer preparing and piecing the quilt to actual quilting.



Favorite color I like bright colors. Pinks, greens, purples, blues.

Favorite designer/prints Kaffe Fassett- Batiks, dots, stripes

What type of quilts do you like to make? I like simple patterns.

Do you have another hobby besides quilting? I enjoy reading, beading, gardening, traveling. I enjoy reading, beading, gardening, traveling.

Tell us something we would not guess about you As a child, I loved to dance the hula. I still like Polynesian music and am going to the Mai Kai for my upcoming 75th birthday.

Silvia Leones

Tell us a bit about yourself Real estate professional living in S. Florida. I moved to the U.S. in 1991. Husband: Arturo. Children: John (33) and Mary-Ann (27). I love being part of this warm and diverse community. Quilting has become a meaningful way to create, reflect, and connect with others.

How did your quilting journey start? In 2015, my daughter was getting ready to go off to college. She asked me to make a quilt using her favorite T-shirts, so I signed up for a class. That first quilt, filled with her memories, was what sparked everything for me. It was such a meaningful project, and from there I completely fell in love with quilting.



What is your favorite part of quilting? The joy I feel when I finish a quilt. There's something so satisfying about seeing a project come together, photographing it, sharing it on Instagram, and knowing it was made with love. I've gifted many quilts over the years, to my children and friends for their birthdays. I love seeing them displayed in their homes. That feeling of connection and creativity is what keeps me inspired.

What is your least favorite part? Cutting the fabric. It's the step that requires the most precision and patience, and although it's necessary.

Favorite color I love soft, pastels, and blue. Blue just makes me feel calm and happy. And white is always a go to color for its freshness and simplicity.

Favorite designer/prints Moda fabrics, their collections have such soft textures and beautiful tones that speak to my style. Also, Riley Blake fabrics, there's always something fresh and inspiring in their prints.

What type of quilts do you like to make? My quilting style is quite minimalistic. I enjoy clean lines, hand quilting, and simplicity in design. I usually don't plan everything in detail—I let the process guide me. I start with what I have in my hands, the colors, the textures, and the fabrics themselves.

Do you have another hobby besides quilting? I love swimming, staying active, and going on little adventures with my husband, Arturo. One of our favorite things to do together is take photographs when we travel or explore new places.

Tell us something we would not guess about you Most people don't expect it, but I have a strong background in commercial real estate and I love negotiating deals. It's very different from quilting, but both require vision, patience, and attention to detail. They might seem unrelated, but in both, I bring creativity and heart to the table.

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