



# HIBISCUS QUILT GUILD GAZETTE

OCTOBER 2026

## GUILD NEWS

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MEETINGS AND  
QADM \$2 DONATION  
FOR THE CHURCH OF  
HOPE AND  
FOOD

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GENERAL MEETING*  
*SATURDAY*  
*OCTOBER. 17<sup>TH</sup> 9:30 a.m.*

*PROGRAM-*  
*HAWAIIAN QUILT PART 2*  
*by Jeannette Smith*

~Quilt All Day  
MONDAYS' (QADM):  
Every MONDAY except  
as noted in guild  
calendar in newsletter  
or changes by email.

WHERE: Community of  
Hope Church,  
165 Ohio Rd.  
Lake Worth, FL 33467



HAPPY FALL



### PRESIDENT'S ARTICLE



Thank you everyone for cleaning out your sewing rooms. If you weren't there and have items to donate to the boutique, there is time. The boutique will be open in October and November.

Eleanor Yura, our Parliamentarian, will be holding nominations at our November meeting. Since all nominees are running unopposed, we will be holding a floor vote. Here are our nominees for the 2-year position starting on 1/1/2027 ending 12/31/2028:

Vice President – Michelle Kay  
Secretary – Jill Kinney, assisted by Kristine Jones  
Treasurer – Shelly Yarrington, assisting with our guilds accounting software will be Debbie Sprague  
Historian– Mary Moore

Per the by-laws, the Vice President automatically becomes President at the end of her term. Our current Vice President, Christine Burtch, will serve as President for 2027–2028, so there will be no vote for that position. Our installation ceremony will follow our general meeting in December.



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Jan Smirnow, one of our out-of-towners asked if we could video tape our classes. After much discussion, we decided we would send them the link of a YouTube that best shows the “how-to” of the class being taught.

I want to thank Michelle Kay for being one of the instructors of the needle-turn applique class. Everyone seemed to get the hang of it and most everyone got about 80% of their heart block done. Thank you again, Michelle Kay. Christine Burtch, thank you donating the white fabric and doing the pre-cutting for the class

### Upcoming events:

**October 17:** Hawaiian Quilt Workshop  
by Jeannette Smith

This is updated information on pattern and fabric supply list. The students from the needle -turn applique class picked this beginner friendly pattern from a choice of three.



Supply list for the Maile block pictured above:

\*\* (1) 12” square of fabric for the applique design

\*\*\* thread to match applique fabric for the applique

\*\*\* any color thread of contrasting color for basting down applique

\*\* (1) 16” square of fabric for background

\*\* (1) 16” square of fabric for backing

\*\*\* thread to match background

\*\*\* thread to match backing for quilting

\*\* (1) 16” lightweight batting

\*\* sharp scissors that will cut fabric and freezer paper

\*\* applique pins, but I will have some if you don’t have any

\*\* thimble but I will have some

HAWAIIAN QUILTS HISTORY – SEE 2<sup>ND</sup> PART OF THIS



<https://youtu.be/5qe9rsq6grg?is=YkH1BSNchRO5eyD0>

AND NEEDLE TURN APPLIQUE REMINDER

***NEEDLE TURN APPLIQUE REMINDER FOR PART 2 OF THE HAWAIIAN QUILT PROGRAM***

[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=EDXKQTATRZ4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EDXKQTATRZ4)

*Hint:*

*Remember 2027’s Staycation Small Quilt Swap is TWO fabrics. The Hawaiian Quilt is TWO fabrics. Just add fabric from the applique fabric as a border and you can make this into a 18x18” to 24x24” small quilt. Is this a coincidence or what?*

*Row by Row II: For my 7 row players, Row 1-2-3 & 4 are due; For my 6 row players rows 1-2 & 3 are due.*



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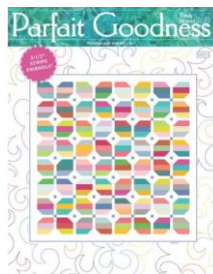
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### November 21: WE WILL BE MEETING.

Christine Burtch, our VP will be running the show.

**December 19:** Holiday party, New Officer Installation ceremony, Potluck luncheon, and optional gift exchange.

*Row by Row II: For my 7 row players, Row 1-2-3-4-5 & 6 are due; For my 6 row players rows 1-2-3-4 & 5 are due.*



**January 16, 2027:** Sue Carter will be teaching "Parfait Goodness" a great jelly roll or 2-1/2" strip pattern. Sue will send a material list closer to class time, but you will all need the pattern. **THERE ARE NO MORE OPENINGS TO THIS CLASS / SOLD OUT**

*Row by Row II FINAL ROUND: For my 7 row players, Row 1-2-3-4—6 & 7 are due; For my 6 row players rows 1-2-3-4-5 & 6 are due.*

**March 20, 2027:** Ricardo Cortez, with Tops Sew and Vacuum, will be back for our annual sewing machine maintenance program. I do not have his 2027 rates but his 2026 rates were amazing. See you all at our OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup> meeting,

Debbie Sprague, President



Minutes for  
SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 2026

Board members present: Debbie Sprague, Jackie Blazok, Mary Moore and Christine Burtch

Total number of members present: 16

Meeting opened by Debbie Sprague at 9:45 AM

Minutes for August: Kathryn Rahla's last name was misspelled. Motion made by Cindy Hislop and 2nd by Joan Bradshaw the minutes be accepted as modified/corrected. Motion passed.

Birthday basket was offered.

Jackie Blazok: Motion made by Stacy Ryerson and 2nd by Kat Rahla the treasurer's report be accepted as given. Motion passed. Winner of September's blocks of the month: Nancy Skolnik. Winner of the special drawing for the BOM: Debbie Sprague. Winner of the door prize: Mary Moore.

Debbie Sprague: September's class, part 1 of Needle Turn Applique by Michelle Kay and Debbie Sprague will be held following the meeting with part 2 being taught following the October meeting by Jeannette Smith. Winner of president's drawing: Christine Burtch.

October's meeting will feature the new officer elections. Wear something **Halloweeny to be entered into a special drawing for a Halloween basket including fabric.**

October's meeting will be followed by Jeannette Smith's Hawaiian quilt class. November's meeting is uncertain at this time as historically the church has not been available and we've gone out to eat. A final decision and announcement will be given at the October meeting.

January's meeting will be followed by Sue Carter's Parfait Goodness class which is completely full.

March's meeting will again feature Ricardo from Tops who will be providing sewing machine maintenance. Sign-ups in advance will be required.

### **Small quilt swap at staycation:**

previously all prizes for this swap were generously provided by Debbie



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Sprague. Going forward, to be eligible for a prize in the small quilt swap, **you must now sign up by May 15th, 2027.** The theme for 2027 will be "Two Fabrics". The two fabrics are not limited by colors, just two fabrics only. As always, the prizes are limited to the first 25 signed up participants. Row by Row participants showed off their progress.

Cindy Hislop: on November 10th, QADM will be working on a special project. There will be a few days in November where QADM will be closed, and the QADM holiday party will be held on December 14th. Further details and other date changes will be in the newsletter.

Joy Woodworth: the UFO Challenge end June of 2027.

Christine Burtch and Michelle Kay gave a brief recap of August's staycation including thanking Debbie Sprague for arranging for the use of the clubhouse and for the wonderful musical entertainment. Next year's staycation venue has yet to be decided. Mary Moore stated the Lucerne Point Clubhouse will be holding a meeting on Wednesdays from 10 to 3 where she can check on the availability of the clubhouse for next year.

Michelle Kay: the **Vero Beach Show** will be held on **Friday, February 12 and Saturday the 13th. Ideas for items to sell were discussed including fruit and veggie jar openers.** Kathryn Rahla gave information about the opportunity to get a booth at an upcoming Florida Wildlife show.

Joan Bradshaw thanked Cheryl Petenbrink for her work with Quilted Angels.

Debbie Sprague closed the meeting after show and tell, and the meeting was followed by the needle turn class.

Respectfully submitted pending approval,  
Christine Burtch  
Vice President

**PIECEMAKERS**

We are working on batik quilts and children's quilts this month. Some of the ladies have completed their batik quilts and they are stunning. We are in need of

completed children quilts. I made two deliveries in September. This has wiped out all of the children's quilts. One of the places I delivered to was Families First. They were so excited to receive the quilts, blankets, and burpees. I received a text before I got home from them with another thank you and an update on the items. Half of the delivery is staying at the Forest Hill location for clients. The rest will be going to Belle Glades and Wellington offices for clients. It was a good feeling to see the excitement of the ladies. They enjoyed looking through the bag at all the cute items.

Cindy



Families First

17 Children's quilts

51 sets of blankets and 2 burpees



25 burpees

Grandma's Place

15 Children's quilts



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### Dates to Note for QADM:

November 10 Special Project

November 23 No QADM

November 30 we will have QADM

December 14 QADM Holiday Party **Start time 10AM**

Bring dish to pass and be ready to play reindeer games.

December 21 – January 4 NO QADM

January 11 Start up QADM



**BUSY BUSY BUSY DELIVERED TO 3  
DIFFERENT PLACES 66 QUILTS**

9/2/26

### Price list for fabric storage unit

#### Fabric yardage

Members \$3 per yard

Non Members \$5 per yard

#### Batik fabric yardage

Members \$5 per yard

Non Members \$7 per yard

(some fabrics may not be available for sale if they are fabrics for a special project, such as patriotic fabrics, backing fabrics or special donations)

#### Finished quilts

(some quilts may not be available for sale)

#### Members Price

Width less than 42 inches \$35

Width more than 42 inches but less than 50 inches \$45

Width more than 50 inches \$55

Nonmembers Add \$10

You can buy fabric by contacting me to set up a time to meet at the storage unit. Payment can be made through Zelle, cash or check. Money from the sales will be used to help pay for the cost of renting the storage units.

Nancy Damberg  
419-345-6393



#### PATRIOTIC QUILTS NEEDED

As most of you know we can't get enough Patriotic Quilts. Anything you can do to increase our supply will help!

It does not have to be finished!

We have panels and fabric available to all members; just call or see Cindy Hislop to arrange pickup. 561-309-3467

PATRIOTIC QUILT SIZE IS 42 X 58

#### Block of the Month

#### PARTICIPANTS



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Debbie Sprague Square-n-Square  
Var 1 FPP

Jackie Blazok Puss-in-the-Corner

Stacey Ryerson Amish Diamond

Shelly Yarrington 9 patch

Nancy Scolnick Antique Tile



JOIN US WE ARE HAVING A  
GREAT TIME! Still time....

➤ Each month YOU will be provided with a FQ to use within your block. The FQ fabric will be the same each month, so if you win more than one month, you can combine the blocks from each win. You will get a sampler of blocks with uniformity throughout the rest of this year.

➤ Now here is the great news...you get to pick the 12-1/2" unfinished block of your choice. The only requirement is that you must prominently use the provided FQ in your block...again, uniformity. You can piece, applique, paper piece, etc., whatever you want, but just be sure to use the FQ fabric provided somewhere within the block. BUT, BUT, BUT you cannot use the same block twice or more within the next six months. Each block within the BOM period MUST BE DIFFERENT.

➤ Blocks will be measured 12-1/2" unfinished

➤ You start with one FQ; the only way you can get your next FQ is to enter your block in the BOM drawing during the meeting.

➤ What happens if you make your block for one month, but then you cannot attend? Good news, use it for the next meeting you can attend! As there is no specific block per month, the blocks can be used anytime.

### Recap of rules

\* Rule #1: The block must contain somewhere within it some of the FQ fabric I provided. The fabric must be used so it is predominantly

seen within the block. In case of lost FQ, see Rule #5

\* Rule #2: your choice of 12-1/2" block pattern. Any pattern and any technique can be used. Please attach a paper with the **name of your block** on it. For example: Square-in a-Square, Pieced, Debbie Sprague\* Rule #3: Once you use a block pattern, it cannot be used again within the BOM trial period.\* Rule #4: Sorry, ladies, blocks will be measured. A 12-1/2" unfinished block must measure at least 12-1/2" unfinished, if you have a block that can be cut down great, if you can't then I can't accept it. Bigger is better, but to "cut down to 12-1/2" it will mean the block's visual integrity will not be jeopardized. If the cutting down destroys points, it just won't work. Rule #5: If you lose your FQ, you may get a replacement FQ at the cost of \$5.00 Since I run the Boutique, Debbie Sprague, President, will help me measure the blocks, log your block name for the newsletter, and hand out FQs for the following month.

BY PARTICIPATION IN THIS BLOCK OF THE MONTH ENABLES YOU TO POSSIBLY WIN ALL OF THE BLOCKS FOR THE MONTH AND A SPECIAL PRIZE!

Any questions, call me,

Jackie Blazok 561-965-6195

WHAT PATTERN COULD I DO?  
YOU CAN FIND ALL KINDS OF PATTERNS HERE  
AND THEY ARE FREE!

FAVE.COM

QUILTERS CACHE.COM



### OCTOBER BIRTHDAY LADIES

Kathryn Rahla 10/6

Anna Mae Sweigart. 10/20

Jerri White. 10/23

Michelle Kay 10/26



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Jan Smirnow 10/27

Lorna Ohl 10/28

Jackie Blazok. 10/31



### OPENED FOR BUSINESS

OH NO! SHELVES ARE ALMOST EMPTY!

QUICK! CHECK YOUR EXTRA SEWING ITEMS, FABRIC, UFO'S AND OB'S TOO!  
CALL FOR PICK UP OR BRING TO OUR

FUNDS FROM THE SALES OF UNWANTED SEWING ITEMS HELP OUR FELLOW MEMBERS AND PAY FOR THE GUILD'S STORAGE UNITS!

JACKIE BLAZOK

-561-965-6195

### 01/2025-12/20 26 OFFICERS

President – Debbie Sprague  
561-951-9958

Vice President - Christine Burtch  
561-596-1896

Secretary – Nancy Damberg  
419-345-6393

Treasurer – Jackie Blazok  
561-965-6195

Historian – Mary Moore  
973-479-9353

**If you cannot reach a committee and have questions, please feel free to call your Executive Board Member**

### Anniversary Chairman Year 2025-2026

Michelle Kay Chair 561-294-0547  
Christine Burtch Co-Chair 561-596-1896

### Anniversary Chairman Year 2027-2028

Christine Burtch Chair 561-596-1896  
Jill Kinney Co-chair 561-806-9858  
Margaret Levins 561-324-9943

### Block of the Month & Boutique

Jackie Blazok 561-965-6195

### Boutique

Jackie Blazok 561-965-6195

### Fund Raising Chairman

Michelle Kay 561-294-0547

### Membership

Cindy Hislop -Chair 561-309-3467  
Nancy Damberg Co-chair 419-345-6393

### Newspaper

Jan Smirnow -Editor 561-591-2797  
Cheryl Petenbrink- Proof Reader  
561-329-4018

### Parliamentarian

Eleanor Yura 561-385-0287

### Piecemakers

Cindy Hislop Chair 561-309-3467

### Property Manager

Nancy Damberg Co-chair 419-345-6393

### Refreshments

Kat Rahla 561- 889-6812

### Tax Letter Request

Email Request to [hggosf@gmail.com](mailto:hggosf@gmail.com)

### Web Mistress

Joy Woodworth 561-523-5284

### Workshop

Debbie Sprague Chair 561-951-9958  
Janet Cole Co-chair 561-601-6822  
Veda Nathan Co-chair 781-738-0115



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Cash Basis

### HIBISCUS QUILT GUILD OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.

#### Profit & Loss

September 2026

|                                       | Sep 26 | Jan - Sep 26 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------------|
| <b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>        |        |              |
| <b>Income</b>                         |        |              |
| Donations to Guild                    | 0.00   | 500.00       |
| <b>Guild Non-Taxable Income</b>       |        |              |
| BOA interest income                   | 0.05   | 0.45         |
| Membership Dues                       | 0.00   | 1,550.00     |
| Newsletter postage                    | 0.00   | 15.00        |
| Raffle quilt-general                  | 0.00   | 90.00        |
| Staycation - Retreat Income           | 0.00   | 1,044.79     |
| Guild Non-Taxable Income - Other      | 0.00   | 65.92        |
| <b>Total Guild Non-Taxable Income</b> | 0.05   | 2,766.16     |
| <b>Taxable Income</b>                 |        |              |
| 2026 PSL Quilt Show INCOME            | 0.00   | 2,584.82     |
| Boutique Sales                        | 197.00 | 792.00       |
| Craft show Sales                      | 0.00   | 40.00        |
| Merchant fees                         | 0.00   | 0.31         |
| Piecemakers Sales                     | 183.00 | 2,105.25     |
| Quilts Sold                           | 0.00   | 45.00        |
| <b>Total Taxable Income</b>           | 380.00 | 5,567.38     |
| <b>Workshop fee Guild Non-Taxable</b> | 0.00   | 140.00       |
| <b>Total Income</b>                   | 380.05 | 8,973.54     |
| <b>Expense</b>                        |        |              |
| <b>Donation</b>                       |        |              |
| Charitable Contributions              | 0.00   | 100.00       |
| <b>Total Donation</b>                 | 0.00   | 100.00       |
| <b>Fundraising Expense</b>            |        |              |
| show expense                          | 0.00   | 240.00       |
| <b>Total Fundraising Expense</b>      | 0.00   | 240.00       |
| <b>Guild Committee Expenses</b>       |        |              |
| piecemakers                           |        |              |
| Fabric/Material                       | 0.00   | 1,413.91     |
| piecemakers - Other                   | 0.00   | 139.14       |
| <b>Total piecemakers</b>              | 0.00   | 1,553.05     |
| Staycation - Retreat Expense          | 0.00   | 450.00       |
| Website - Webpage                     | 0.00   | 280.60       |
| Workshop Fee                          | 0.00   | 100.00       |
| <b>Total Guild Committee Expenses</b> | 0.00   | 2,383.65     |
| <b>Guild Overhead Expenses</b>        |        |              |
| Postage, Mailing Service              | 0.00   | 0.00         |
| Storage Unit                          | 0.00   | -260.00      |
| Supplies                              | 0.00   | -24.08       |
| <b>Total Guild Overhead Expenses</b>  | 0.00   | -284.08      |
| <b>Insurance GL</b>                   | 0.00   | 315.00       |
| <b>Licenses &amp; Taxes</b>           |        |              |
| Sales Tax                             | 0.00   | 320.02       |
| Licenses & Taxes - Other              | 0.00   | 61.25        |
| <b>Total Licenses &amp; Taxes</b>     | 0.00   | 381.27       |
| <b>Professional Expenses</b>          |        |              |
| Accounting Fees                       | 0.00   | 350.00       |
| <b>Total Professional Expenses</b>    | 0.00   | 350.00       |



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### Profit & Loss

Cash Basis

September 2026

|                     | Sep 26 | Jan - Sep 26 |
|---------------------|--------|--------------|
| PSL Quilt show      | 0.00   | 0.00         |
| Total Expense       | 0.00   | 3,485.84     |
| Net Ordinary Income | 380.05 | 5,487.70     |
| Net Income          | 380.05 | 5,487.70     |

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### HIBISCUS QUILT GUILD OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.

10/05/26

### Balance Sheet

Cash Basis

As of September 30, 2026

|                                       | Sep 30, 26       |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                         |                  |
| Current Assets                        |                  |
| Checking/Savings                      |                  |
| BANK OF AMERICA xxx8096               | 15,570.44        |
| BOA Savings                           | 6,001.68         |
| Total Checking/Savings                | 21,572.12        |
| Total Current Assets                  | 21,572.12        |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                   | <b>21,572.12</b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>       |                  |
| Equity                                |                  |
| **Restricted Fund Juniors             | 230.00           |
| **Restricted Memorial Fund            | 94.65            |
| Unrestricted Net Assets               | 15,759.77        |
| Net Income                            | 5,487.70         |
| Total Equity                          | 21,572.12        |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b> | <b>21,572.12</b> |

October 2026 Treasure's Report by Jackie Blazok, Treasurer

Our filing with the State has been accepted. This means our guild is legal to hold raffles from October 2026-October 2027.

**Income \$380.05:** Piecemakers \$183; Boutique \$197; Saving .05

**Expenses \$0**

**Profit and Loss YTD: Profit \$5,487.70**