



HIBISCUS QUILT GUILD GAZETTE

AUGUST 2026

GUILD NEWS

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QADM \$2
PLUS, FOOD
DONATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENERAL MEETING
SATURDAY
AUGUST 15TH
9:30 a.m.
MEETING TO BE
HELD AT LAKES
OF SHERBROOKE
CLUB HOUSE
8130 HAVASU
COURT. LAKE
WORTH. FL. 33467

STAYCATION
STARTS FRIDAY
AUGUST 14TH after
10 a.m. at Lakes of
Sherbrooke Club
House

~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



Our meeting was a little different than expected. Laura's Sewing and Quilt Shop could not attend due to having transportation issues. We will be rescheduling, keep an eye out in future newsletters updates.

Eleanor Yura and the nominating committee have been very busy finding us a new slate of officers for the 2027-2028 term. In August she will be announcing the nominees and asking for other nominations, in the September newsletter the nominees will be listed, in October we will hold elections, and in December she will hold the new officer installation ceremony.

We have updated our committee list. The new additions or changes are below and for a full list of committees, committee chairs, and contact information please look further down in this newsletter:

Anniversary Chairman Year 2027-2028
Christine Burtch Chair
Jill Kinney Co-chair
Margaret Levins

As a side note for the 2027 Staycation, the guild will have to find a new location. If you know of a place we can rent for two days in August 2027, please contact Christine Burtch.

Property Manager
Nancy Damberg

Refreshments
Kat Rahla



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Workshop

Debbie Sprague Chair

Janet Cole Co-chair

Veda Nathan Co-chair

Michelle Kay is looking into the possibility that we can vendor at the Vero Beach Quilt Show in February 2027. She will update us on her findings at our August general meeting.



**Fabric sale at
General Meeting
SATURDAY
OPEN TO ALL**

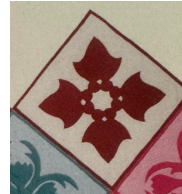
August 14-15 Reminder ladies, there is a maximum of 25 participants due to the size of the location of this event. Currently there are only a few slots left. Just as a reminder, our General Meeting will be held August 15th, starting at 9:30am at the clubhouse and all members are welcome to attend.

Event location is the clubhouse at the Lakes of Sherbrooke subdivision: Lakes of Sherbrooke Clubhouse, 8130 Havasu Ct, Lake Worth, FL 33467. Friday, August 14th, set up 9-10am, after 10am general participation, closing at 7pm. Friday evening dinner is potluck with musical entertainment. Saturday, August 15th, 9am, general staycation participation, breakdown will start approximately at 3:00pm, all participants are expected to stay and help with breakdown and clean-up.

For August meeting your first 2026 Row by Row II needs to be completed for a special show and tell. If you are one of the three that went with the "7th" FQ, row 1 and 2 needs to be completed.

August 22nd, a field trip to Quilted Peacock. Monica only opens her

warehouse upon request as she is a quilt show vendor.



September 19:
Jeannette Smith will be teaching the Hawaiian Quilting Technique

For September's meeting your second 2026 Row by Row needs to be completed for a special show and tell.

See everyone at our Staycation. Remember, even if you are not going to Staycation, we will be holding our General Meeting at the Staycation location

Debbie Sprague, President

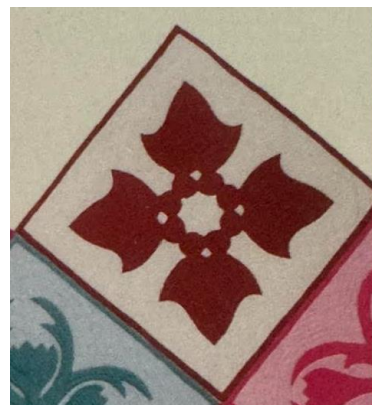
VICE PRESIDENT'S comments!

I would like to thank everyone for the outpouring of kind words, lovely cards and beautiful heart blocks sent in memory of my father.

All the trips to Michigan over the past two years have been wearing but rewarding in the memories my dad and I shared. The love and support from my guild ladies mean the world to me. Thank you again for all your kindness.

Christine Burtch

Hawaiian Quilt Workshop **by Jeannette Smith**





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Following General Meeting in September 2026 Supply list for the Kului block pictured above:

** (1) 16" 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

** (2) 20" square of fabric for background and backing

*** thread to match background

*** thread to match backing for quilting

** (1) 20" 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

See everyone in August!

Debbie Sprague, President



Minutes for
JULY 18TH 2026

Board Members present: President: Debbie Sprague, Vice President: Christine Burtch, Treasurer: Jackie Blazok, Secretary: Nancy Damberg

Members Present: 24 Guests 4

Meeting called to order at 9:35 a.m.

Laura's quilt shop visit for today was cancelled due to problems with their van. It will be rescheduled.

June minutes accepted as written, 1st by Joan Bradshaw, 2nd by Shelly Yarrington Birthday basket presented for July and June birthdays.

Nancy Damberg from the Storage Committee announced that we will be selling fabric to members and non-

members. There will be a price list in the newsletter. If you would like to purchase fabric contact Nancy Damberg to set up a time to go to the storage unit. Fabric is stored in tubs by color. It will not be like going to a store and buying fabric and may take some time to go through tubs. The money made will help pay for the rental cost of the storage unit.

Jackie Blazok presented the Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's Report was accepted. 1st by Joy Woodworth, 2nd Eleanor Yura.

Jackie Blazok thanked Michelle Kay for the strip class after June's meeting. A drawing for those who attended was won by Eleanor Yura.

Block of the month was won by Nancy Solnick. Block of the month drawing was won by Debbie Sprague. The door prize was won by Leslie Neighbauer. New fat quarters for next month's block were passed out.

There are some changes to the committees for 2027-2028. Members can only serve on two committees. The changes will be in the newsletter.

The president's drawing was won by Jackie Blazok..

The winner of wear Red, White and Blue to be entered into a drawing to win a patriotic jelly roll was Kathryn Rahla August meeting will be at Staycation.

August 22, 9 a.m. There will be a field trip to the Quilted Peacock 3890 Shawnee Ave, West Palm Beach. Bring your membership card for a discount.

Jeannette Smith will do a Hawaiian applique class after September's meeting. Instructions and a list of what you need to bring to the class were passed out.

Next Row by Row fat quarters have been passed out. Everyone participating will need their first row down by the meeting in August for show and tell. If you are doing 7 fat quarters you need to have 2 rows done.

Joy Woodworth has made a spreadsheet for the UFO challenge. Bring your finished



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UFO to the meeting so you can have it signed off as complete. Nancy Damberg showed her first finished UFO.

Eleanor Yura will be announcing the new board nominations at the August meeting. Voting will be in November and installation in December.

Cindy Hislop from Piecemakers announced that we are low on stock of finished quilts. We have been working on quilting some of the tops from storage. Kristie Petenbrink did a delivery to the Violent Crimes Unit.

Cindy Hislop from the Membership committee announced that we have one new member, Nancy Solnick and Iris Kahn who is not a member yet but has been joining the QADM group. New membership cards are available if you don't have yours yet see Cindy Hislop.

Debbie Sprague sent out an email asking for ideas for Workshops. Some of the ideas are serger class, fidget quilts, rope bowls, strip rugs and quilt as you go. Information on a class by Sue Carter was passed around.

Michelle Kay gave an update on Staycation. The cost is \$50 for two days. There are still spots available. There will be an email sent out with what you need to bring for a mini class. You can expect to eat, sew and have fun. Don't forget the mini quilt contest, Black and White plus one other color of your choosing. Rules are in the newsletter. Everyone entering a quilt will receive a gift card from Quilted Peacock. There will be potluck on Friday night, there will not be a sign-up sheet just bring a dish to pass. Michelle Kay was making a list of what things everyone is to bring. You can bring snack and breakfast type foods also. Bring your own reusable cup for your beverage. There will be a coffee maker there. If you are helping set up you can arrive at 9 a.m. on Friday otherwise arrive at 10 a.m. There are no assigned projects, bring whatever you want to work on. There will be lots of activities. Everyone helps clean up on Saturday

before they leave. Secret Pal information will be emailed soon. This will be our last year to have Staycation at the Sherbrook Lakes clubhouse.

The meeting was closed at 10:40 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Nancy Damberg, Secretary

PIECEMAKERS

A big thank you to Nancy for running QADM for the last 5 weeks. I really appreciate it.

We have been working hard to reduce our quilt tops and are now under 150 tops. (Happy Dance) The number a few years ago was around 1000 unfinished quilt tops. After all the deliveries from the spring, we are working on filling up our stock of quilts for deliveries in August. If you would like to quilt a quilt for donation let Cindy know and she will bring a sandwiched quilt to the next meeting for you.

We meet every Monday from 9am to 2pm. Bring a sewing machine, notions and lunch and come and have fun with us.

Cindy Hislop
561-309-3467

Price list for fabric in our 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 for available for sale)

Members Price

Width less than 42 inches \$35



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Width more than 42 inches put 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



Jeannette Smith



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Jeannette Smith



Mary Moore



Jeannette Smith





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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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY LADIES



Margaret Levins 8/29

Jeannette Smith 8/31

Block of the Month

PARTICIPANTS

July Block of the Month Participants



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(unless notated with another technique, blocks were pieced)

Debbie Sprague – Rooster, applique
Jackie Blazok – Crossroads Variation
Nancy Damberg – Monkey Wrench
Cindy Hislop – Grandmothers Flower, English Paper Pieced and Applique

Jeannette Smith – Stars and Bars
Shelly Yarrington – Basket Weave
Nancy Scolnick – Album
Linda Butler – Block name unknown
Cheryl Petenbrink – Buttercup
Kristie Petenbrink – Disappearing 9-patch



There is still time....

AS A REMINDER our Block of the Month

➤ Each month YOU will be provided with an 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 prominently seen within the block. In case of lost FQ, see Rule #5



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* 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

TIME FOR STAYCATION!
Extra FABRIC sale Saturday

Dates: August 14 & 15, 2026

Set Up: Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Take Down: Saturday from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to join us for the August General Meeting and STAYCATION FUN!!

2026 Staycation Small Quilt Swap will take place again this year.

Potluck Dinner will be taking place Friday night along with entertainment provided by Debbie Sprague.

AND A FABRIC SALE ON SATURDAY AT THE GENERAL MEETING!

We are excited to once again be able to have a Staycation! It's always a very enjoyable experience to be able to sew & chat with members of this Guild.

Co-Chairs,
Christine Burtch, 561-596-1896
Michelle Kay – 561-294-0547



CLOSED FOR BUSINESS FOR JULY AND AUGUST - WE WILL BE OPEN IN

S E P T E M B E R - BUT LOOKING

FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE AT OUR **STAYCATION MEETING!**

PLEASE DONATE YOUR **UNWANTED** SEWING AND FABRIC SUPPLIES TO THE GUILD another member may use it and it helps the treasury.



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THANKS EVERYONE FOR MAKING OUR BOUTIQUE

Eleanor Yura 561-385-0287

SO SUCCESSFUL!

JACKIE BLAZOK

-561-965-6195

01/2025-12/2026 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

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

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

Committees on hold:

Community Education

Junior Member Community

Public Relations 1

2026 Calendar of Events

General Meetings: January thru December
- third Saturday. Of each month unless
notified by Email or Newsletter

**AUGUST 15TH GENERAL MEETING
SATURDAY AT STAYCATION MEETING –
ALL ARE WELCOME! 9:30 A.M. at**

**LAKES OF SHERBROOKE CLUB
HOUSE**

**8130 HAVASU COURT. LAKE WORTH.
FL. 33467**

**Meeting is open to all members and
nonmembers!**



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Cash Basis

HIBISCUS QUILT GUILD OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.

Profit & Loss

July 2026

	Jul 26	Jan - Jul 26
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
**Restricted		
**Piecemaker's	0.00	500.00
Total **Restricted	0.00	500.00
Guild Non-Taxable Income		
BOA interest income	0.05	0.35
Membership Dues	35.00	1,550.00
Newsletter postage	0.00	15.00
Raffle quilt-general	0.00	90.00
Staycation - Retreat Income	399.79	949.79
Guild Non-Taxable Income - Other	0.00	65.92
Total Guild Non-Taxable Income	434.84	2,671.06
Taxable Income		
2026 PSL Quilt Show INCOME	0.00	2,584.82
Boutique Sales	106.00	595.00
Craft show Sales	0.00	40.00
Merchant fees	0.00	0.31
Piecemakers Sales	160.00	598.00
Quilts Sold	45.00	45.00
Total Taxable Income	311.00	3,863.13
Total Income	745.84	7,034.19
Expense		
Donation		
Charitable Contributions	0.00	100.00
Total Donation	0.00	100.00
Guild Committee Expenses		
piecemakers		
Fabric/Material	818.88	1,413.91
piecemakers - Other	0.00	139.14
Total piecemakers	818.88	1,553.05
Staycation - Retreat Expense	400.00	450.00
Website - Webpage	76.60	76.60
Workshop Fee	0.00	100.00
Total Guild Committee Expenses	1,295.48	2,179.65
Guild Overhead Expenses		
Postage, Mailing Service	0.00	0.00
Storage Unit	0.00	-260.00
Supplies	0.00	-24.08
Total Guild Overhead Expenses	0.00	-284.08
Insurance GL	0.00	315.00
Licenses & Taxes		
Sales Tax	27.08	320.02
Licenses & Taxes - Other	0.00	61.25
Total Licenses & Taxes	27.08	381.27
Professional Expenses		
Accounting Fees	0.00	350.00
Total Professional Expenses	0.00	350.00



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Profit & Loss

Cash Basis

July 2026

	Jul 26	Jan - Jul 26
PSL Quilt show	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	1,322.56	3,041.84
Net Ordinary Income	-576.72	3,992.35
Net Income	-576.72	3,992.35

July Treasurer's Report by Jackie Blazok

Income \$745.84: \$35 Membership; \$399.79 Staycation; \$106 Boutique; \$205 Piecemakers including their sold quilts

Expenses \$1,322.56: \$818.88 Fabric / Batting; \$400 Staycation Rent; \$76.60 Website; \$27.08 Sales Tax

Total Profit for the year: \$3,992.35

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Balance Sheet

Cash Basis

As of July 31, 2026

	Jul 31, 26
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
BANK OF AMERICA xxx8096	14,075.19
BOA Savings	6,001.58
Total Checking/Savings	20,076.77
Total Current Assets	20,076.77
TOTAL ASSETS	20,076.77
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
**Restricted Fund Juniors	230.00
**Restricted Memorial Fund	94.65
Unrestricted Net Assets	15,759.77
Net Income	3,992.35
Total Equity	20,076.77
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	20,076.77