

# Template Times

## The Procrastinating Quilters Guild Newsletter

### October 2021

Seville Recreation Center (Rec Hall), 2640 Seville Blvd., Clearwater, FL

PQ website: [procrastinatingquilters.com](http://procrastinatingquilters.com)

PQ Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/469944486465125/>

#### 2021 Officers and Committee Chairs:

**President**  
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*Janet Jensen*

**Community Outreach**  
*Gale Pittman (Chair)*

**Fifty/Fifty**  
*On Hold*

**Historian**  
*On Hold*

**Membership**  
*Maggie Stokes*



### OCTOBER 2021 President's Message *(Judy Wedekind)*

October Meeting, Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

Is it fall yet? We did have a few "cool" days, back to the heat. Had a wonderful trip with my Dad in September spending 2 weeks in Iowa visiting family and longtime friends. Only gained 3 pounds – woo hoo.

On Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, I sent an email, subject: Quilt Show 2023. Yes, it came from me. In case you missed it or thought it was spam, here is the email I sent:

Hi Ladies,

I have come to know that Hidden Stitches will not be participating in the proposed 2023 Quilt Show. Carol Marshall is checking on the available dates.

April 2019, the guild members in attendance at the monthly meeting voted 24 yes and 8 no to participate in the 2021 Quilt Show. Due to Covid, that show was postponed to potentially 2023. I will uphold our vote, but would like to have a discussion in October's meeting about our participation as membership has declined a bit since 2019 and many of us are in more than one guild that normally does the show.

**Mystery Quilt (2021)**

*Robin VanScoy*

**Newsletter Editor**

*Diane Friedman  
Fred Friedman*

**Nominating Committee**

*Penny Black*

**Parliamentarian**

*Penny Black*

**Party Coordinator**

*Michelle Reinhard*

**Party Blocks**

On Hold

**Program Chair**

*Karen Bishea*

**Quilt Show Liaison**

*Paige Rapson*

**Retreat Planners (2022)**

*Donna McCain*

**Sunshine**

*Paula Riccio*

**Website**

*Donna McCain*

## OCTOBER 2021 President's Message *(continued)*

As a true PQ member, I am in the same spot I was back in September with my President's Challenge quilt. It will be completed for the deadline to be shown at the December Winter Gatherings meeting.

With such overwhelming response, still looking for someone to take on the Historian Chair - LOL. This person is responsible for capturing events that occur throughout the year, Executive Board changes, Programs, etc. Nothing over the top, just want to preserve our 'history'. Please reach out to me for more information.

**2021 President's Challenge:** 2 Color project of your choice. Here is the link to the [2021 President's Challenge](#), don't stress, just remember how do the colors read?

Peace, Love, Quilting and Coffee!

Judy Wedekind

## Community Outreach *(Gale Pittman, Chair)*

What does 48 quilts, 49 hats, and 24 hearts look like? Exactly like this! Thank you all so much. These have been donated to Healthy Start Pinellas for the babies and Morton Plant hospital.

Keep in mind that there are rehab centers affiliated with the hospital who can use lap quilts for adults. So, if you have scraps that are not baby colors, they can still be part of our donation process.

You are all so awesome!



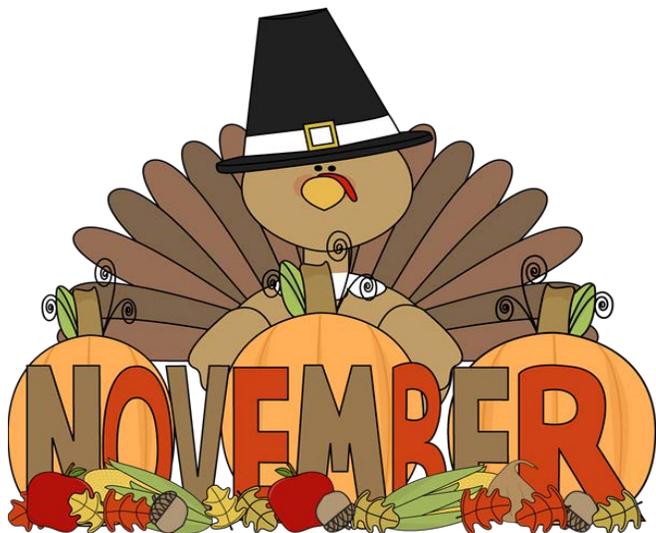


### October 2021 Birthdays

- 10/4 Janis Magee
- 10/8 Mariam Scott
- 10/15 Lori Lewis
- 10/16 Paula Riccio
- 10/18 Donna McCain
- 10/19 Judy Bartlett
- 10/20 Judy Wedekind



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### November 2021 Birthdays

- 11/7 Gale Pittman
- 11/9 Theresa Arrison
- 11/22 ElmaMay Brey

# UPCOMING EVENTS

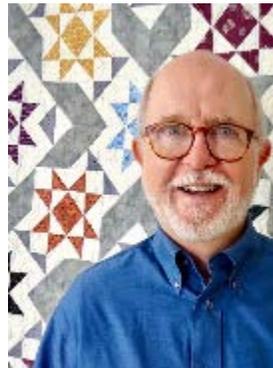
## OCTOBER PQ Meeting Program

Wow, it's October already. I love the change in season and it's reflected in my project and color choices recently. Hope this is true for you. The last 2021 PQ guest presenter will be a local quilter and business owner, Reed Johnson, of Blue Bear Quilts. Reed will take us through some of his history and a wonderful trunk show.

Reed was inspired by the quilt exhibit at the Florida State Fair 2000 to explore quilting as an outlet from a stressful occupation. The quilting world has led this retired attorney to discover his creative soul and craft a successful quilting career.

Reed is a certified Quilt-in-a-Day instructor who enjoys helping others gain and build their confidence. Reed has received industry acknowledgment through the Accuquilt Block Design Contest, Fan Favorite 2016, Grand Champion 2017 and runner up in 2018. Reed also designs patterns for QT Fabrics, Timeless Treasures and Clothworks Fabrics, Row by Row and new Accuquilt dies. Many of his quilts have been published in the Love of Quilting, Quiltmaker, Fons and Porter Quick and Easy Quilts, and McCall's Quilting magazines. Recently Reed had a show on Craft Store TV in England and has been on Just Wanna Quilt podcast and Quilters on Fire podcast.

Reed is the founder and owner of Blue Bear Quilts [www.bluebearquilts.com](http://www.bluebearquilts.com) with more than 50 quilt patterns he has designed and published.



# Florida Quilt Shows

## Invite to Broward Quilt Expo

We are holding our 16th show October 23 - 24, 2021 at the Charles Dodge City Center in Pembroke Pines FL 33025.

Join us for a great show in a beautiful new 23,000 square foot venue. Buses welcome. Free parking. We have partnered with Hampton Inn Pembroke Pines for discounted accommodations during the show dates. Details and a link to the hotel on our website [www.browardquiltexpo.com](http://www.browardquiltexpo.com).

*Save the Date*

**OCTOBER 23-24, 2021**

**JURIED QUILT SHOW**  
**WORKSHOPS**  
**QUILT SHOW**  
**QUILTING DEMOS**  
**VENDOR FLOOR**  
**VENDOR DOOR PRIZES**  
**MINI-QUILT AUCTION**  
**CHARITY QUILT RAFFLES**  
**RAFFLE BASKETS**

**ADMISSION \$10 DAILY**

**NEW LOCATION**  
**CHARLES DODGE**  
**CITY CENTER**  
**PEMBROKE PINES, FL**

**WWW.BROWARDQUILTTEXPO.COM**

Hope to see you there!

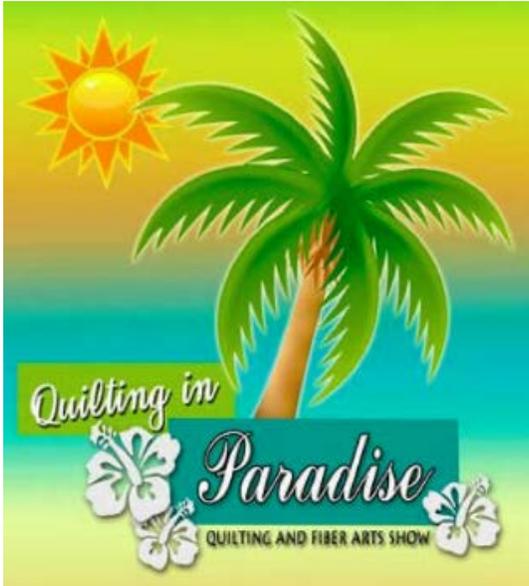
Denise Glaser  
954-435-9729  
Chairman BQE

**October 23-24, 2021**

New event location - Charles Dodge City Center, Pembroke Pines, FL

[browardquiltexpo.com](http://browardquiltexpo.com)

# QUILTING IN PARADISE



## **Quilting and Fiber Arts Show Presented by the Port St. Lucie Crazy Quilters**

**February 3-5, 2022**

Port St. Lucie Civic Center  
9221 SE Civic Center Place  
Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

### SHOW HOURS:

Thursday, 2/3/2022, 10:00 - 5:00

Friday, 2/4/2022, 10:00 - 5:00

Saturday, 2/5/2022, 10:00 - 4:00

Admission is \$12, good for all three days.

Covid-19 has taken its toll on quilters over the past year. Guilds stopped meeting, classes were canceled, and even quilt shops were closed. We were isolated and stunned. Then the call was issued for sorely needed protective face masks. So, we quilters stepped up, reached into our stashes, and stitched as many as we could as fast as possible. Elastic was shared among the many, T-shirts were turned into ear bands, and embroidery stabilizers were used as filter layers. Everyone pitched in to help family, neighbors and friends remain safe.

But now it's time for all of us quilters to get back to normal, to quilting, to sharing our work, to shopping.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

All attendees who made masks during the pandemic will receive a commemorative pin. Additionally, if your guild brings a busload or carpool of 20 persons or more, each quilter will receive a free master ticket for our Raffle Basket Booth, which provides each person 25 tickets to enter into the basket raffles that suit their fancy. Many of our vendors have generously contributed items to the Vendor Basket as well as providing Raffle Baskets.

For additional details about the show, please visit <https://www.pslcrazyquilters.org/quilt-show-2022.html>.

We look forward to seeing you in February 2022!

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## *Items of Interest from PQ Members*

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Janet Jensen has a Husquarna Huskylock 1002LCD 5 thread serger by Viking. It has a built-in differential (which is similar to a ruffler) which has lots of uses. It is in mint condition, only used about 3 times. Includes all accessories and lots of brand-new threads in a clear plastic case. Asking \$500.00. Please call Janet Jensen if interested at 727-423-7132.

Janet Jensen also has a recommendation for a good read for those times when you need a break from quilting.

There is an author by the name of Ann Hazelwood and she has a new series called the DOOR COUNTY QUILTS. Just finished her second book in this series called DOOR TO DOOR QUILTS and really enjoyed it. Is a great read for something light and fun. No sex and no bad words and it's all about quilts and quilters. So, what's not to love?

**Find more upcoming events @ <http://www.floridquiltnetwork.com/newsletters/news231.html>**

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### Interesting Links:

- ❖ The Florida Quilt Network: <http://www.floridaquiltnetwork.com/>
- ❖ Buttermilk Basin: <http://www.buttermilkbasin.com/>
- ❖ Country Quilts and Bears: <http://www.countryquiltsandbears.com/>
- ❖ Craftsy: <https://www.craftsy.com/>
- ❖ Happy Apple Quilts: [http://www.happyapplequilts.com/quilt\\_fabrics](http://www.happyapplequilts.com/quilt_fabrics)
- ❖ Inspire Quilting: <http://inspirequiltingandsewing.com/>
- ❖ Pinterest: <https://www.pinterest.com/>
- ❖ SewCanShe: newsletter@sewcanshe.com
- ❖ Sew'n Wild Oats Quilting Blog: <http://sewnwildoaks.blogspot.com/>
- ❖ Sue Spargo: <http://www.suespargo.com/index.php>
- ❖ Sweet Darling Quilts: <http://www.sweetdarlingquilts.com/index.htm>

Please email all newsletter submissions for the **November** Newsletter to Diane Friedman @ [diane@QuiltingElegance.com](mailto:diane@QuiltingElegance.com) by midnight, **FRIDAY, November 12th, 2021**

If you have anything important that must go out to the membership, please contact Judy Wedekind.



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## Roasted Grouper with Tomatoes and Olives Donna McCain



Roasted Grouper with Tomatoes and Olives- Fish Roasted with oregano, cumin, paprika, lemon, olives, tomatoes and fresh dill

### Ingredients

- 1 ½ lb. grouper fillets
- Salt and pepper
- 2 teaspoon dry oregano
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 lemon, zested and juiced
- 2 plum tomatoes, diced
- 6 to 8 pitted kalamata olives, halved
- Chopped fresh dill to taste

### Directions

- 1) Heat oven to 350 degrees
- 2) Skin grouper, removing any bones
- 3) Place fish on sprayed baking sheet, and sprinkle with salt and pepper
- 4) Combine oregano, cumin, and paprika. Sprinkle spice mixture on fish filets
- 5) Combine garlic, lemon juice and zest, tomatoes, olives, garlic and dill
- 6) Spoon mixture on top of fish and drizzle with good olive oil
- 7) Bake in oven for 12-15 minutes or until fish reaches an internal temperature of 145 degrees

## Instant Pot Beef Tips – Jill Voyles

Prep Time	15 minutes
Cook Time	25 minutes
Additional Time	30 minutes
Total Time	1 hour 10 minutes

### Ingredients

- 2 lbs. beef tips
- 1 t. black pepper
- 2 (.87 oz) packages brown gravy mix
- 2 c. beef broth
- 2 T. oil (canola or olive oil)
- 1 medium onion chopped
- 3 large cloves garlic, minced
- 2 T. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 (1 oz.) package onion soup mix
- 8 oz. sliced mushrooms
- 1 can (10.5 oz.) cream of mushroom soup
- 3 T. cornstarch



### Directions

1. Sprinkle pepper on your beef tips. Set aside. In a large bowl, whisk together beef broth and gravy packets. Set aside.
2. Set Instant Pot to sauté mode and add oil. Add beef tips and sauté until browned on all sides, about 3 – 5 minutes. Add onion, sauté for 3 – 4 minutes with beef. Add garlic, sauté for 30 seconds, then turn off sauté mode.
3. Add Worcestershire sauce and onion soup mix to the instant pot, then pour in the gravy/beef broth mixture. Spread mushrooms on top of the beef tips. Then spread cream of mushroom soup in as even of a layer as you can on top of the mushrooms.
4. Seal the pressure cooker with the lid. Select Manual (or Pressure Cook button depending on your instant pot model) and cook on high pressure for 25 minutes. Don't forget, it will take about 10 minutes for the instant pot to come to pressure and then the timer to start counting down.
5. When the cook time finishes, let the pot sit undisturbed for a 20-minute natural release (meaning do not touch the instant pot for 20 minutes after it says it's done cooking). Then turn the steam release knob to Venting to release any remaining pressure and open the lid.
6. Stir the beef tips and the gravy. If you are happy with the thickness, you can serve it immediately. If you prefer a thicker gravy like me, use the cornstarch to make a slurry.

7. How to make a slurry: Place cornstarch in a small bowl. Add 2 T. of broth/gravy from the instant pot into the cornstarch and stir. Continue adding gravy 1 T. at a time until the slurry is smooth and a good consistency. Then stir the slurry into the instant pot, and stir really well. Let beef tips rest for 5 minutes and the gravy will thicken.

8. Serve as desired over mashed potatoes or egg noodles. Don't forget the buttered rolls to soak up the extra gravy.

How I changed up the recipe:

I slow cooked the beef tips on low overnight. I added all of the ingredients in the morning and slow cooked it instead of pressure cooked it. We served the beef tips over wide noodles. It was a hit. Everyone loved it.



## 2022 PQ RETREAT

The 2022 Retreat planning has begun! I am excited to be the retreat chair for our next retreat and I am looking forward to four fun-filled days of pinning, stitching, ripping, and pressing!

The 2022 Retreat Theme is Simply Sewing! It will be a weekend to relax, share stories, and simply enjoy sewing together. As of today, no projects or games will be planned for the weekend, but if someone wants to coordinate and oversee a project, please reach out to me.

We will be keeping the same layout as last year which will give us a maximum of 30 sewing stations.

Day-trippers are welcome, but you must commit and pay for all four days, even if you are unable to attend the entire weekend.

Since the hotel now provides a mini refrigerator and a microwave in every room, we voted at the June PQ Meeting to not pay the \$50.00 per person/per day catering fee, and for everyone to be responsible to bring in their own food for lunch and dinner or go out to a restaurant of your choosing. Nothing will be coordinated for these meals. We are not allowed to have catering brought in from a restaurant, but we can bring in food as individuals. This worked very well at the 2021 retreat since it opens your options to eat what and when you want! Snacks are always welcome!!

We have reserved the Ballroom which holds 30 attendees maximum.

Pricing is based on 20 attendees: The room cost is @2400.00 /2 = 120.00 per person

Hotel Reservations:

Room reservation: Only one person from each room should make the reservation.

1. Room: 2 Queen Beds: \$99.00 + tax per night = \$335.61
2. Suite: 2 Queen Beds Studio Suite: \$119.00 + tax per night = \$403.41

Check-In May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 3 PM / Check-out May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Reservation Link:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=TPAOMHX&groupCode=CHHPRO&arrivaldate=2022-05-19&departuredate=2022-05-22&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>

Refunds must be in writing, including your mailing address and no later than May 2, 2022, submitted to Donna McCain.

Any questions, please contact Donna McCain