

Hernando Quilters' Guild - 20th Anniversary

History of the Guild



The Hernando Quilters' Guild was founded 20 years ago in 1991 as the Sun Coast Quilters' Guild.

A first planning meeting was held at Pat Scotland's in February, 1991. Doris Gregory, who became the Guild's first President, was in attendance. They considered becoming a satellite group to the West Pasco Guild, but decided not to do that.

Letters were sent out to 150 friends and former students telling them about the formation of this new group. An ad was placed in the paper and a letter was also sent to the Crystal River Guild.

A total of 40 people attended two meetings in March. The group was able to obtain the use of the Great Room at Evergreen Woods and the first meeting was held there on the fourth Thursday of April, 1991. The 1st Anniversary was celebrated with a luncheon at Evergreen Woods on April 23, 1992 and a Victorian Tea was held for the 2nd Anniversary.

Somewhere down the line the Guild name was changed to Hernando Quilters' Guild and the original logo which is still used today of a Mariner's Compass, was designed by Jennie Hudy and Elora Lasswell.

The meetings continued to be held at Evergreen Woods for several years before moving to Christ Lutheran Church on North Street in Brooksville.

Our present meetings starting in January, 2011 are now being held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Spring Hill Drive.

We have seen members come and go through the years contributing their time and talent to make this guild what it is today. We are very proud of our organization and our past and present officers. We have 5 Charter Members who started from the beginning and continue with us today.

We also take pride in our accomplishments by doing our part in making quilts for Veterans, Neo Natal Units, and Breast Cancer Cure Raffle quilts. We make monetary donations to 3 charities per year during the holiday season as well. We now hold a Bi-annual Quilt Show in the Spring Hill Botanical Gardens which will be held on this, our Anniversary Year, on November 12, 2011.

We hope to continue for many more years to come in our mission to promote the love of quilts, encourage and preserve the art of quilts and quilting and to contribute friendship, knowledge and encouragement to others.

Happy 20th Anniversary - Hernando Quilters' Guild

