

## Feather Princesses Guild Meeting

April 8, 2026

Meeting was called to order by President Dorothy Johnson at 11 a.m.

Hostess: Princess Fazie Mohamed introduced and welcomed one guest Cindy Valdez.

Membership: Princesses Betty Jo Lecaroz and B. J. Weber reported 26 members were in attendance.

Presentation of Guest Speaker: Vice President Ritu Haldar provided a history and introduction for Princess and guest speaker Cathleene Tokish. Cathleene presented a lecture and trunk show on quilt designer, Laura Heine, patterns and an overview of the Collage quilt process and the techniques used to create Collage quilts.

Secretary's Report: Princess Dianna Shepard reported the March minutes were approved and submitted for upload to the website.

Treasurer's Report: Princess Michelle Barry was unable to connect to the internet. The Treasurer's Report will be presented next month.

April Word Search/Laura Heine Fat Quarter Drawing- Princess Mary Ann Vathy conducted the April Word Search, distributed a word search puzzle to each Princess, entered their names in the drawing when they turned in their completed puzzle, and then conducted the drawing. Four Princesses won a gift bag consisting of five Laura Heine fat quarters.

Committee Reports:

Birthday/Sunshine: Princess Vici Miller reported there were no new names to be added to the Sunshine list and Vici also conducted the drawing for the April birthday basket, and Princess Linda Woytisek was the winner.

Community Service: Princess Mary Moody collected \$117 in cash and food donations to be delivered to the local food bank at her church.

Fat Quarter Exchange: Princess Linda Woytisek conducted the Fat Quarter Exchange drawing and handed out floral pastel fat quarters to the winners. The May Fat Quarter Exchange fabric selection will be patriotic Red, White and Blue fabrics.

Healing Heart Blocks: Princess Shirley Kasprzyk requested Healing Heart blocks be applied on 8 ½-inch white background fabric squares.

Newsletter: Princess Michelle Barry announced the deadline of Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> to submit articles to Princess Dorothy, for the May issue of the Plume.

Retreat: Princess Dianna Shepard announced the date of our upcoming Lake Yale Retreat, October 22-26, 2026, and the cost to attend- \$490 – double and \$590 – single.

Show-Offs: Princess Peggy Wattenbarger photographed the quilts and announced the name of each member who showed their applique quilts during Show N Tell.

Vice-President's Report: Princess Ritu Halidar thanked all members who attended the Carol Clanton class last month, reminded the Princesses to continue working on their applique blocks by designer Clare Youngs, and also reminded the Princesses of our upcoming Patriotic Quilt Challenge and the prize of \$250.

President's Report: President Dorothy Johnson encouraged members to participate in the current Mancuso, AQS, and Hoffman National Quilt Challenges, the 2026 All Florida Shop Hop, and to attend the Ocala Quilt show April 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Dorothy also announced the dates and locations of our quilt circles and specialty applique quilt group meetings that will convene during the month of April, and she asked the group leaders to give a brief description of the projects being worked on in their groups. Members were encouraged to attend these fun and educational circles. Lastly, Dorothy reminded the Princesses that our FP Patriotic Quilt Challenge will culminate on our July 8<sup>th</sup> Guild Meeting, the minimum quilt entry size is 12" X 12", the maximum quilt entry size may be as large as desired, and the maker of the quilt that receives the most votes will win a prize of \$250.

Door Prize Drawings: Princesses Betty Jo Lecaroz and B. J. Weber drew names and handed out door prizes.

Meeting Adjourned: President Dorothy Johnson adjourned the meeting at 1:45.