











**Q.B.'s** - Let me first say that we are new to PQ's. Our mini group name is Fl., Q.B.'s (stands for Florida Quilting Buddies)

We are a group of only 6 who are mostly ex-Joanns employees. We have been together 3 years. We meet every Wed. night from 6-9 at my house in Largo. Some nights it's sewing; some nights it's therapy?

We have done several charitable quilts: some of which were for Hospice, and a children's home. We recently sent 4 quilt tops to Quilts of Valor. We are working on 2 baby tops for Bundles of Joy. We set aside one Wed. night a month to work entirely on charity items. Two of us go north for the summer and it slows our progress a bit.

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Sincerely, Joanna

### **EQ6 or EQ5 Group Forming**

Eleanor is interested in forming a mini group one based on Electric Quilt, no sewing, but participants would need a laptop and the EQ6 or EQ5 program to participate. This would enable participants to explore Electric Quilt and we could all learn together what the program can do. Just wanted to know how much interest there is out in the group? If any member is interested in joining this group please contact Eleanor at [elekam@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:elekam@tampabay.rr.com)

### **French Boutis - Loose Stitches**

We have a mini group at Heather's on the first Wednesday of each month from 6.30 on to work on our French Boutis. There is little in English on the subject, so I share my books and patterns and help anyone who needs help. Our little group has also joined the association of France Boutis, so every quarter we get the newsletter, which also contains some patterns as well as interesting articles. If you love handwork, especially hand quilting, you will love this technique; although simple, the results are spectacular. We also talk about the history, geography and origins of the boutis, meanings of the symbols, what they are used for, etc. If you are interested, please call Heather 572 7861, or email [harteneck@msn.com](mailto:harteneck@msn.com). I have a blog on the subject, so go look at the pictures! [www.boutisflorida.blogspot.com](http://www.boutisflorida.blogspot.com)

Mini Groups we want to hear from you. What are you currently working? What are your future plans? What is the name of the group? Where do you meet? Who is the main contact of the group? Are you accepting new members?

Please send information to be included in future newsletters to [nsantiago2@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:nsantiago2@tampabay.rr.com).