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Swamp Fox Quilters



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Quilt shown by Harriet Whitlock during show and tell.

A Note from your President...

Our January meeting was Great! Thank You sooo much to all our Officers and Chairpersons! You guys are Great! 2011 is looking like a great Year!!

Please come to workday! Leah will get us moving on our New Postcard Swap! I look forward to sending and receiving my first SFQ postcard!

February's Meeting will feature a YLI instructor! New YLI threads! There are a few spots left in Fridays class!! So call Karen Kirkland quick to get in!

Happy Quilting!

~ Graham

Monthly Meeting Presentations

February - YLI will be talking about threads and doing a workshop on the following Friday.

Cost for the 6 hour workshop is \$15.

What a Difference the Thread Can Make (Lecture)

The presenter will supply threads for the class.

We all know that without thread our projects would all be virtual! Broaden your horizons as you see what newly released as well as some staple favorite thread can do to personalize your projects. Whether you are a quilter or a garment constructor decorative threads should be part of your final project to truly express your creativity. Jane Garrison – Director of Education for YLI Corporation will show many surface techniques for hand, sewing machine and sergers. Jane will also bring a selection of YLI threads available for purchase! There are still openings for the Friday workshop. Contact Karen Kirkland to sign up!

March - A trunk show presented by Tina Roth

April - A presentation by quilter Judy Lily

REMEMBER TO BRING THE FOLLOWING:

- Name Tag
- Paper for Taking Notes
- Show and Tell
- Camera

Work Day

Work day this month is on January 20 and we will be making fabric postcards. Leah Malasky will be there to help instruct those want to learn how to make these small 4 x 6 pieces of mailable art. This workday coincides with our new SFQ Fabric Postcard Swap program.

List of supplies needed for workday:

- ◆ Fabric scraps
- ◆ Wonder Under (or other fusible product)
- ◆ 4 x 6 pieces of muslin
- ◆ 4 x 6 pieces of stiff interfacing such as peltex, or timetex, or innerfuse.
- ◆ Any embellishments you may want to add on the top such as buttons, lace, ric rac, beads, gems, iron on crystals, etc
- ◆ Threads
- ◆ Iron
- ◆ Sewing Machine (if you prefer not to bring your sewing machine, you can layer you top at workday and then add stitching at home)

You are also welcome to bring other projects to workday that you would like to work on or need help with such as quilts to baste etc. We hope to see you all there.

Opportunity Quilt



We still have plenty of time to sell tickets for our opportunity quilt. It will be given away on Sunday March 6th at the Re-enactment at the Columns in Florence. Each member is asked to sell at least one stack of tickets. If you have sold your stack and need more you can pick up them up at the next guild meeting. Lets break our record from last year and make this

the best year ever for our opportunity quilt.

SFQ FABRIC POSTCARD SWAP



Starting during the February meeting, the guild will be hosting a Fabric Postcard swap. Each month, if you wish to participate, you are asked to bring ONE finished fabric postcard to the guild meeting and drop it in the SFQ "Mailbox". Before

you drop off your card, please put your return address in the top left as well as a nice note to one of your guild members in the message section.

After the guild meeting, the "postmistress" will take all the cards and randomly address them and mail them out to you before the next guild meeting. She will also be keeping a record of who gets cards from who, so if we have a lot of members participating, you should be able to receive a card from different guild members each month. The guild will pay postage for the cards, so all you have to do is create the cards. But remember, in order to receive a card you have to put one of your own in the box.

Fabric postcards are quick projects that can be completed in an hour or so and are a wonderful way to use up small scraps or to practice new techniques. They also look wonderful on display and are a joy to receive in the mail.

If you have any questions about this new Postcard Swapping program please email Leah Malasky at lmalasky@gmail.com

Quilt Shows and Dates to Remember

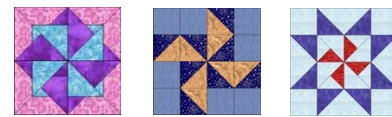
January 28-29, 2011 - The Quilting and Needle Art Extravaganza. Held at the Statesville Civic Center, 300 South Center St., Statesville NC 28677. Shop at over 40 shops under one roof. You'll find the best fabrics, knitting, yarns, patterns, buttons here. Looking for a sewing machine or long arm machine? Several dealers will be on site so that you can take a test run.. Sponsored by The Pizza Girls. Cost \$5.00. Email quiltgallery@bellsouth.net for more info.

February 27-March 26, 2011 - 14th Priceless Pieces Quilt Show at the Roanoke Island Festival Park, Manteo NC. Sponsored by Teacup Quilters and Roanoke Island. Old and new quilts on Display. Email momratz@earthlink.net for more information.

March 5-6, 2011 - The Skirmish at Gambles Hotel "The Columns" - This is the annual event presented by The 23rd SC Infantry that depicts the encounter that occurred on March 5, 1865 when 500 federal soldiers, under the command of Colonel Reuben Williams of the 12th Indiana Infantry, marched in to the Florence area to destroy the railroad depot. These federal troops were met by a group of Confederate soldiers who drove them away with the help of 400 reinforcements from the home guard.

March 12, 2011 - Quilters of South Carolinas 2011 Spring Meeting will be held March 12, 2011 in Orangeburg, SC and will be hosted by District IV. Pre registration is required. Contact Vicki McCormick (before 9pm) at 803-531-3714 or vmccormick@sc.rr.com

Snippets



Karen Preston will be offering a Crazy Cats Class in April of 2011. If you would like more information on this class, call or email Karen at 843-222-7804 Email: kpreston@goldstarstitchery.com

Angie's Bits and Pieces on the internet is starting a new block of the month for 2011. For those interested you can visit her website at:

<http://ajpadilla.com/patterns/bom/home-sweet-home>

Minutes of the Meeting of Swamp Fox Quilters Guild

January 6, 2011
John Calvin Presbyterian Church Florence SC

Pres. Graham Baker called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
Gloria Walls reported attendance at 49 members.
Martha Herbert reported a balance of 4,333.79

Motion was made and seconded to donate 10% of the current balance to the Church voted and approved.

Dues are now due. They are \$15.00 a year, and donations of \$5.00 are also accepted for Breast cancer.

Community Quilts- Daisy will contact McLeod hospital about donating child quilts we have on hand. Sara Simons requested that we donate one quilt to an elderly man in a local nursing home. It was approved.

Opportunity Quilt- Gloria Walls will chair the committee for the 2012 quilt.

Challenge 2011 - Nine Patch or Nine Patch Variation- Ray Vance and Alice Hulsey Chairpersons. Must be a quilt but there are no size limitations. Must have at least one nine patch in quilt plus a nine patch sample made up on cardstock or as a small quilt.

Challenge 2012 - Karen Preston will be Chairman and will have 2 additional members on the Committee.

Leah suggested that the guild have a **monthly postcard swap**. Members can bring a postcard to the meeting and drop it in a box. The Guild will pay for the postage to mail them out.

Show and Tell - 12 members participated.

Library Draw- Won by Judy Voss. There were two new books added to the Library.

Graham read a note from one of the boys at the Billy Hardee home.

Door Prize winners - Harry Sue Cockfield, Peggy O'Quinn, Jane Wagner, Jan Davis, Lucy Huggins, Judy Collette, Peggy Andrews, Pan Bishop, Gloria Walls, Shirley Fahey, Carol Lindler, Elaine Holmes and Susan Rayment.

Lillie Hucks and Carolyn Brackat gave a demonstration of felting after the meeting.

Submitted by Elaine Holmes Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Starting Balance	\$ 3,544.97
Debts	\$(20.00)
Deposits	\$ 813.50
Interest	\$.32
Ending Balance	\$4333.79

Chairpersons for 2011

2011 Challenge "Nine Patch":

Ray Vance and Alice Hulsey

Annual Make it, Bake it, Sew it, Grow it:

Karen Preston

Civil War Re-enactment: Tish VonHagel

Community Services: Daisy Bethea

Correspondence: Sara Simons

Public Relations: Lorene Arnette

Historian: Akemi Murakoshi and Jim Fahey

Library: Donna Chapman

Membership: Gloria Walls

Newsletter and Website: Leah Malasky

Workday: Rita Tompkins

Opportunity Quilt: Elaine Holmes, Graham Baker & Beth Twedell

QSC Liaison: Frances Kelley



Quilt shown by Carol Lindler at the January meeting.

"I love quilting and have plenty
of material witnesses."





Swamp Fox Quilters

146 Spring Street
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Blue Berry Scones

Ingredients

2 cups all-purpose flour
1/4 cup packed brown sugar
1 tablespoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup butter, chilled
1 cup fresh blueberries
3/4 cup half-and-half cream
1 egg

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C).
2. Cut butter into mixture of flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt. Add blueberries and toss to mix.
3. In separate bowl beat together cream and egg, and slowly pour into dry ingredients, stirring with rubber scraper until dough forms. Knead just until it comes together, 3 or 4 times. Don't over handle.
4. Divide dough in half. On lightly floured board, shape each half into a 6-inch round. Cut into 6 wedges.
5. Bake on ungreased sheet about 20 minutes at 375 degrees F (190 degrees C). Serve warm!!

Quilting Websites

There is a plethora of quilting resources on the web. Here are a reminder of some sites that offer free patterns in and information.

www.baumtextile.com
www.benartex.com
www.blockcentral.com
www.cranstonvillage.com
www.freequilt.com
www.marcusbrothers.com
www.modafabrics.com
www.northcott.com
www.pbtex.com
www.quilt.com
www.quiltbus.com
www.quilterscache.com
www.rirfabrics.com
www.southseaimports.com
www.ttfabrics.com (Timeless Treasures)

News Letter Information

If you have any information or photos you want to add to the newsletter or the website, just call or email Leah before the second Thursday of the month.

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QSC - Quilters Guild of South Carolina

Anyone who resides in SC or is a member of a South Carolina quilters guild is eligible to become a member of QSC. Membership dues for QSC are \$20 a year. You can download an application from their website at www.quiltersofsc.org.

Each year they offer a Spring Meeting, and a weekend Fall Retreat. The Spring Meeting for 2011 will be held March 12.

