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# Swamp Fox Quilters



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Quilt shown during Show and Tell in January 2010

## A Note from your President...

February's meeting was crazy busy, and it was great to see so many of you! Jane Garrison from YLI was Great! I learned a great deal in her presentation! The workshop Friday was super Fun! We learned to use threads that I was afraid of! Wow!

OK... SELL those tickets! The time is upon us for the Re-enactment! (March 5 & 6) I hope to see you all there. In this news letter you will find information on this years charity projects! I have listed several, so that there should be something that will work for each of us. Our gifts of quilts, pillowcases, etc mean a great deal to the people that receive them. It is an act of Love, and the mission of our Guild.  
~~ Graham

## Monthly Meeting Presentations



**March** - A trunk show presented by Tina Roth

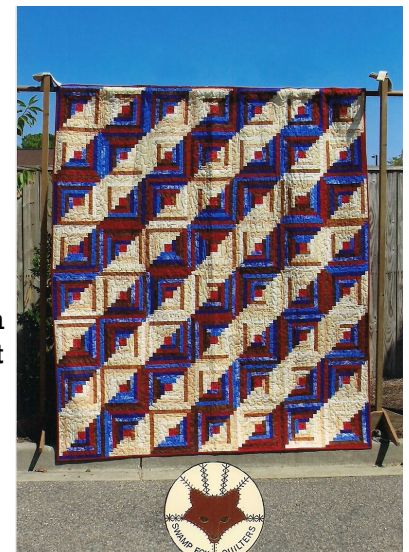
**April** - A presentation by quilter Judy Lily. She will also be offering a workshop titled "Peek a Boo Garden" in which she will instruct us on how to make a flowered quilt similar to the one on the left.

### REMEMBER TO BRING THE FOLLOWING:

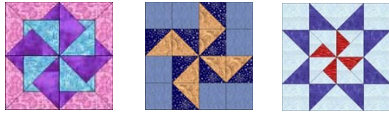
- Name Tag
- Paper for Taking Notes
- Show and Tell
- Camera

## Opportunity Quilt

The opportunity Quilt will be **given away** on Sunday March 6th at the Re-enactment in Florence. Tish still needs volunteers to help man the booth during the event, particularly for Sunday. If you haven't signed up already, call Tish and let her know what times you are available. It really is a fun event so, if you haven't already, make sure you put it on your calendar. Also, please remember to bring all previous ticket sales to the March meeting in order to get them into the drawing for Sunday afternoon.



## Snippets



Martha will be taking orders for **Fons and Porter** magazine and will be placing a guild order for us soon. **The discount price for ordering as a guild is \$15 per person.**

Lillie Hucks will be teaching a class called **"Color, Circles, and Squares"** at the Quilters Cottage in Garden City Beach on Feb 21, 2011 from 10am-5pm. Spaces are available. For more information, please call the shop at 843-651-4004 or Lillie at 843-651-0698

**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

## SFQ FABRIC POSTCARD SWAP



Our Guild Fabric Postcard Swap is off to a good start. We had 17 cards swapped this month.

The swap will be ongoing for the rest of the year. So if you didn't have a chance to make a card last month, there is still plenty of time to make one for the March meeting and get in on the swapping. All you need to do is make one card, write a message to one of your guildies on the back, along with your name, and drop it off in the SFQ Postcard Mailbox at the next meeting. The guild will take care of postage for you.

To see photos of all the cards that were swapped, go to [www.swampfoxquilters.com](http://www.swampfoxquilters.com) and click on "Photo Gallery" Then click on the image of the Heart Fabric Postcard to see them all.

If you have any questions about this new Postcard Swapping program please email Leah Malasky at [lmalasky@gmail.com](mailto:lmalasky@gmail.com)

Quilt made by  
Leah Malasky



## Quilt Shows and Dates to Remember

**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](mailto: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](mailto:vmccormick@sc.rr.com)

**March 19-20, 2011 - 2011 Quilt Extravaganza** sponsored by the Swan Lake Quilt Guild. At Patriot Hall 135 Haynsworth Street, Sumter SC 29510. Cost \$5.00. Expecting approximately 250 quilts, wearable art, and wall hangings. They will have a vendor's boutique where people can purchase fabric and quilt related items. Also, during each day they will have bed turnings of antique quilts. During the bed turning, a member of the Swan Lake Quilt Guild will show antique quilts and provided information on the quilt maker and the history. For more information, email [mabeygal@hotmail.com](mailto:mabeygal@hotmail.com)

**April 6-7, 2010 "Quilt 'Til You Wilt at Camelia's Retreat"** held at Alta Mons, 30 min from Roanoke, Virginia. Cost for retreat is \$365 and includes lodging and meals. Daily door prizes, quilter's gifts for everyone, spectacular hiking trail to Stiles Falls and last but not least, five awesome, uninterrupted, quality days of sewing time! Contact Camelia Elliott at [quiltingretreat@gmail.com](mailto:quiltingretreat@gmail.com) or call 540-651-7777

**September 16-18, 2011 - Georgia Celebrates Quilts** at Cobb County Civic Center, Marietta, GA. Presented by the East Cobb Quilters' Guild. Raffle Quilt, Vendors, Silent Auction, Sewing Machine Raffle, Quilts, Quilts, Quilts. [www.ecqg.com](http://www.ecqg.com)

**October 7-8, 2011 - 2011 Fiber Art & Quilt Show** at Cabarrus Arena & Events Center. 4751 Hwy 49 North ~ Concord, NC. Judged Show, Raffles, Door Prizes, White Elephant Sale, Silent Auction, 35+ Local and Regional Vendors. One Day pass \$5-Two day pass \$8. [www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org](http://www.cabarrusquiltersguild.org)





## Minutes of the Meeting of Swamp Fox Quilters Guild

February 3, 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 36 members.  
Martha Herbert reported a balance of 4,097.09

- ◆ There was one **correction** to the **January Minutes**. Karen Kirkland, not Karen Preston is Chairman of the 2012 Challenge. The minutes were accepted and approved with the correction.
- ◆ Frances Kelley reminded those attending the Thread Workshop of the supplies they need to bring with them.
- ◆ Graham announced the charity projects the guild will participate in this year. They include the Citizen Sam quilt project ( quilts for injured soldiers), pillow cases for local hospitals and small quilts for children in the hospital. It was also suggested that we make small rice bags for patients receiving chemotherapy. Requirements for the projects will be listed in the newsletter.
- ◆ Graham reminded members of the upcoming meeting programs. March will be a trunk show by Tina Ross. April will be Judy Lilly.
- ◆ Graham received a thank you note from the Pettigrew Home for the duffle bags.
- ◆ The Civil War Reenactment will be held March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Tish Von Hagel passed around a sign-up sheet for workers for the two days. Members can bring quilts for display and can offer quilts for sale. The Guild will get 10% of each sale. Hands on rug making techniques will be available for visitors.
- ◆ Daisy Bethea announced that 4 quilts were given to McLeod Hospital Oncology Unit, and 3 children quilts. The Pettigrew Home received 19 duffle bags and Sara Simons took one quilt to an elderly gentleman in a local nursing home.
- ◆ The Library drawing was won by Leah Malasky.
- ◆ 15 members participated in show and tell.
- ◆ Presentation on thread was given by Jane Garrison, Director of Education for YLI Corp.

Submitted by Elaine Holmes Secretary

## Quilt Batting for Charity Quilts

The guild can provide batting for **charity**

**quilt** tops. All you need to do is let us know the size you need for your charity quilt and we will get it to you. Work day is a terrific time to pick this up and even get help basting your quilt. And don't forget to keep collecting Hobbes batting UPC labels so the guild can acquire more batting at a very discounted price for our charity work.

## Community Projects for 2011

This year, as a guild, we will be doing year round community projects and have chosen a few specific organizations to work with for 2011. Items can be made and turned in year round for these organizations.

### **Citizen Sam** ([www.citizensam.org/](http://www.citizensam.org/))

Wounded Soldiers are transported from Iraq & Afghanistan on converted cargo planes with minimal heat. These quilts provide warmth and show them we care! The quilt is the soldiers to keep along with the pillow case. The web site listed above has more information.

#### Citizen Sam Quilts (48x78)

Size: 48x78 to fit a stretcher or hospital bed.

Must be 100% cotton fabric, cotton batting, (80/20 is ok).

Design: Patriotic colors/theme (no children's cartoons) can be "quick quilts" or more detailed. Machine quilting, hand quilting, or "tying" are all acceptable.

Optional pillowcase with coordinating fabric adds a special touch and can be used as a package for the quilt.

### **McLeod Children's Hospital & Oncology**

#### Throw size Quilts (48x58) for Patients

Children's and Adult quilts are needed!  
100% cotton fabric



### **McLeod Hospital Patients**

#### Pillow cases:

(30x20) fits standard size pillow

100% cotton fabric, children's and adult pillowcases are needed!

Pattern: [allpeoplequilt.com](http://allpeoplequilt.com) & work day project

### **McLeod Hospital and Red Cross Donation centers**

#### Rice bags: (4x4) & (4x14)

These are warmed in the microwave, and used during IV treatments, and Blood product donations. Tightly woven fabric is best. Do not over stuff with rice. An online tutorial titled "Rice Heat Therapy Bag: can be found at [sewmamasew.com/tutorials.php](http://sewmamasew.com/tutorials.php) under the "Gifts" section. We also plan to get together during a future work day to get some of these made.

One of the best things of being part of this quilt guild is that we can all work together to get these projects completed. Some of you may enjoy the piecing process of quilt making but are not able to machine quilt your item for charity. Some of you may have a nice amount of fabric but not enough time to make a whole charity quilt. Whatever it is you have, be it fabric or time, bring it and offer what you can to the guild. Hook up with some of your guild mates to complete a finished quilt and when you put the SFQ label in the back, it really will be a quilt made by the whole guild.



## Swamp Fox Quilters

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### Absolutely Ultimate Potato Soup

#### Ingredients

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|---|------------------------------------|
| 1 pound bacon, chopped                            | 3 tablespoons butter               |
| 2 stalks celery, diced                            | 1/4 cup all-purpose flour          |
| 1 onion, chopped                                  | 1 cup heavy cream                  |
| 3 cloves garlic, minced                           | 1 teaspoon dried tarragon          |
| 8 potatoes, peeled and cubed                      | 3 teaspoons chopped fresh cilantro |
| 4 cups chicken stock, or enough to cover potatoes | salt and pepper to taste           |

#### Directions

1. In a Dutch oven, cook the bacon over medium heat until done. Remove bacon from pan, and set aside. Drain off all but 1/4 cup of the bacon grease.
2. In the bacon grease remaining in the pan, saute the celery and onion until onion begins to turn clear. Add the garlic, and continue cooking for 1 to 2 minutes. Add the cubed potatoes, and toss to coat. Saute for 3 to 4 minutes. Return the bacon to the pan, and add enough chicken stock to just cover the potatoes. Cover, and simmer until potatoes are tender.
3. In a separate pan, melt the butter over medium heat. Whisk in the flour. Cook stirring constantly, for 1 to 2 minutes. Whisk in the heavy cream, tarragon and cilantro. Bring the cream mixture to a boil, and cook, stirring constantly, until thickened. Stir the cream mixture into the potato mixture. Puree about 1/2 the soup, and return to the pan. Adjust seasonings to taste.

“I love my **digital camera** for making quilt labels. I made a label for a wallhanging last year. My daughter took a photo of me, sitting at my mother's Feather-Weight sewing machine with the light shining on my hands. The picture printed nicely on fabric.

I added the following **information** to make the picture into a label: my name, address, and the year I made the wallhanging. Then I sewed the label to the back of the wallhanging.”

~ quoted from  
[www.quiltersreview.com](http://www.quiltersreview.com)

## 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](http://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.

