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Quilt by Lorene Arnette



Swamp Fox Quilters

Happy Valentine's Day!





A Note from Your President:

WOW!!! What a great fun time 2017 has been with Jerre Reese in January, Donna Royson in February, and now Priscilla Hair in March. This is quite a lineup of great quilters. We hope that you can take advantage of the Friday classes taught by our visiting speakers. These Friday classes allow us time to learn new techniques, spend some time with the teacher, ask our questions, and leave with a full experience. In addition, the room is usually abuzz with chatter as we visit with our friends and get to know our new members on a personal level. You can sign up for the upcoming classes with Rita Tompkins. The cost is usually \$25.

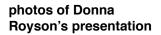
Donna's enthusiasm was contagious and everyone was ready to be creative with the variety of Eleanor Burns' patterns that she demonstrated. The members taking the Friday class worked busily at their blocks, learning new techniques and short cuts for making those quilts easily and quickly. It was fun seeing the different color combinations we had brought to class, and seeing the finished blocks was an added delight. We certainly enjoyed our time with Donna and each other.

It is on a sad note that we say good bye to Naomi Narita. Her husband is being transferred to Indonesia with his work. We will miss her ready smile and friendliness. We hope she will find a reason to come back to Florence in the future but am asking that she keep in touch with us through the internet.

Remember we will give away the opportunity quilt to a lucky person at the Reenactment on Sunday, March 12, 2017. Again I ask (maybe it is begging) that you sell a \$20 packet of tickets or purchase them. This is the way we get to have the great lecturers at our meetings. We have had a guest speaker at most of our meetings and want to continue doing

this.

Happy Sewing Frances









Minutes of the Meeting of the Swamp Fox Quilt Guild February, 2017

Financial Statement for January 2017

Cash at end of period \$4,953.02

Income:

Class and Kit Fees 425.00 (26.00)Christmas Bazaar **Burn Center Donations** 50.00 Dues 165.00 Raffle Quilt 74.00 Name Tags 1.35 Library 5.00 **Total Income** \$ 694.35

Expenses:

Raffle Quilt 40.00 Supplies 33.45 Newsletter/ refund 59.50 Program Travel 86 40 Program 150.00 Photo expenses 12.53 **Total expenses** 381.88 **Net Income** \$312.47

Reconciled bank bal. as of 1/31/17 \$4953.02

Chairpersons for 2017

Opportunity Quilt: Ray Vance, Timi

Bronson

Block of the Month: Lorene Arnette

Community Quilts: Harry Sue

Cockfield

Correspondence: Sara Simons

Historian: Naomi Narita

Library: Bonnie Marsee/ Pam Bishop

Membership: Jonnie Britton Newsletter: Harriett Whitlock

Website: Patti Hayes Publicity: Lorene Arnette

QSC Liaison: Karen Kirkland Workday: Susan Rayment

2017 Challenge: Jonnie Britton, Nancy Wright, Rosemary Carroll 2018 Challenge- Beth Twedell

SFQ Facebook- Lauri Winburn Hospitality- Judy Voss

Reenactment- Tish Von Hagel Christmas Bazaar- Wanda Moody

Note from Lucy:

http:/

www.onlinequiltmagazine.com/ An invitation to receive an online quilt magazine. Check it out to see if you want to subscribe....it's free. President Frances Kelley called the meeting to order at 9:35 am.

Membership: Jonnie Britton reported 50 members present and 4 quests.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Timi Bronson reported income of \$694.35, expenses of \$381.88 and current balance of \$4,953.02. She also reported problems with the ability to file IRS required forms but was finally able to do it by phone.

Timi also informed the members that she will be attending the QOV workday in St Matthews on Saturday. She will be streaming the event live on Twitch.TV.

Frances asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from last month. Susan Rayment made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Gwynanne Sawyer seconded the motion. The motion carried.

QSC: Karen Kirkland showed the QSC scholarship quilt. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Drawing will be March 25th at the Spring Meeting.

<u>Program:</u> Karen Kirkland reported that Priscilla Hair will present the program at the March meeting and she will teach a class the following day "what to do with a nine patch". Cost of the class is \$25.00. A supply list will be provided at sigh-up. The April Program will be by JoAnn Shropshire on the 15 degree ruler. She will also teach a class the next day.

Karen introduced Donna Royson from the Quilt in a Day Company. She gave a program "My Quilting Journey". She will also teach a class on Friday Feb.3^{rd,} "Opposites Attract".

Frances reported that not many tickets have been turned in for the raffle quilt. We only have until March 11th to turn them in. Each member is asked to sell at least 20 tickets. This money helps pay for the classed we hold during the year,

<u>Reenactment:</u> Tish VonHagel briefly explained the event and passed around signup sheets for volunteers to work either Saturday or Sunday. She will supply lunch to those who work either Saturday March 11 or Sunday the 12th. The raffle quilt drawing will be held Sunday afternoon.

Frances informed the members that Timi Bronson will have quilts and water colors at an art show at the Mantissi Hotel in Hartsville. There will be an open reception on February 9thfrom 5:30 to 7:00 pm the admission is free. The Smokey Mountain Quilters of Tennessee will hold their annual quilt shoe on June 16, 2017. They are looking for entries. There will be \$6,000 in prizes. Contact smokeymtnquilters.com

2017 Challenge: Nancy Wright reminded members that the theme this year is "not your granny's block" All entries must be turned in at the May meeting along with hanging rod paperwork. June meeting will be held at the Hartsville Museum on June 1st. Lunch will be held at the Hartsville Country Club cost is \$15.00. This money should be turned in at the May meeting and can be either cash or check.

Akemi Murakoshi, a former member contacted Frances with a request. She will turn 60 in April and would like Swamp Fox members to make a 6 ½ inch square block containing the color red and sign it. She would like to construct a memory quilt of the time with us. She will be here in April.

<u>Block of the Month:</u> Lorene Arnette showed the "Hidden 9 patch" block for the March meeting. The background should be natural muslin and bright colors. Suzie Moody won the blocks this month.

<u>Workday:</u> Susan Rayment reported Carol Ann Hobbs will do a mini class on paper piecing at the February workday Thursday Feb. 16th at 9:30am. Harriett Whitlock will do a mini class on machine quilting at the March workday. Bring sewing machine and sandwiched muslin squares.

Frances announced that Joan Goodsell has agreed to chair the 2918 challenge. She also announced the sad news that Naomi Narita's husband is being transferred and she will be leaving us in March.

Lauri Winburn reminded members to turn in your UFO list.

<u>Website:</u> Patti Hayes asked for members to contribute pictures so she can post them on the website.

<u>Library: P</u>am Bishop reminded members of the library books brought down to each meeting, the winner of the drawing was Sue Chinich.

Frances gave members with birthdays in February a pencil. Sew And Tell: 18 members participated.

Elaine Holmes, Secretary

Akemi is turning 60 this year and has asked that each of us make her a 6.5 inch block, any design, using the color red. She will be at the April Workday and will collect them at that time.

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Membership News

3 New Members

Catherine Liger 1129 Rutledge Ave. Florence, SC 29505 M.J. Martin 201 Huckleberry Dr. Cheraw, SC 29520

Donna Williams 2347 Claussen Rd. Florence, SC 29505

Welcome, Ladies. Welcome back, Catherine!

Jonnie emailed new membership lists to the members. Please download and print for your updated copy.

March Block of the Month: Hidden 9 Patch

4 - 4.5 in. squares Natural muslin

5 - 4.5 in. squares bright colors.
Unfinished size 12 inches
Sew a 9-patch with colors in center and corners. Then slice
it in half vertically and
horizontally. Swivel the top right square and bottom left square
180 degrees. And re-sew.



If you would like a photo of each stage, contact Lorene or Harriett for an emailed copy.

Below is a new column on the history of quilting. To be continued...

History of Quilting, Part 2 from *Quilt Me a Story* by Susan Meeske

"Prior to a woman's ability to vote, some women used their artistic talents and expressed their political views through a quilt. The issue of slavery in the United States in the mid-1800s led to quilt patterns called Slave Chain or Underground Railroad. The American Quilt: A History of Cloth and Comfort 1750–1950 by Roderick Kiracofe, tells how, during the Civil War, the Sanitary Commission collected approximately 250,000 quilts that were distributed among soldiers in the Union Army. One can think about the tremendous sacrifice that some of these women made in order to contribute to the war effort. Money, food, and fabrics were scarce, and frequently women were in charge of the household and farms while their sons and husbands were participating in the war. Yet almost one-quarter of a million quilts were made by these women.."

Refreshments

The refreshments for March will be provided by Martha Herbert, Jane Wegner, Gwynanne Sawyer, Marie McIntyre. Thanks, ladies, in advance for the goodies!



SFQ Programs 2017

MARCH – Priscilla Hair, the self-proclaimed Queen of South Carolina Quilters, will be entertaining us with a fun and informative program. You don't want to miss this! Priscilla will also be teaching a class on Friday the 3rd. "Tis A Gift To Be Simple." This class is perfect for this year's SFQ challenge: Not your granny's block. We'll be using simple 4 patch and nine patch blocks to make a beautiful quilt and have fun and no stress.

APRIL – Joanne Shropshire, an award winning quilter and teacher, will bring a fabulous trunk show! Her quilts cover a broad range of quilting techniques and styles. On Friday the 7th, Joanne is going to teach a Dresden plate pattern. (Not your granny's Dresden plate!) We'll be using the 15 degree ruler many of us purchased for a class last August. It's great to use our specialty rulers a second time!

MAY – Cinco de Mayo! (Almost) Veronica Moriarty will introduce us to molas! Veronica has made a number of beautiful molas. As well, she will share her collection of molas! Very intricate. Very detailed. You'll love these. (And bring an appetite. Food will be provided.)

JUNE - Our Swamp Fox challenge at the Hartsville museum.

JULY - Vacation time! No meeting. See you in August!

For Sale

For Sale: Sweet Sixteen Sit-Down Quilter. Excellent condition. Bought last year on sale for \$5200. Asking \$4600. Includes table, super slider, bobbin winder, bobbins, needles, thread. Great machine, very low stitch count. Pick up or we can work out a meeting somewhere. With Pick up we will teach you how to use it.

Contact Sharon Wolff 843-703-0382 or Tracey Gross 843-910-6405

For Sale: Janome Horizon 12000 Sewing and Embroidery machine.

Perfect condition (I upgraded). Has 4 hoops and about 400 sewing stitches. \$3000 or best price. Bought in 2013. Carol Ann Hobbs 304-813-1262

For Sale: Babylock Sashiko Sewing Machine. Used 4 times. Bought on sale for \$2200. Price \$1400. Excellent condition. Harriett Whitlock 843-664-9193





February Workday: Paper Piecing

Sewing machine in good working condition Neutral all purpose thread used sewing machine needles scrap fabric no smaller pieces than 5 inches glue stick

cutting mat Small (one if you have one) rotary cutter and ruler (I/4 in ruler if you have one.

straight pins seam ripper trash bag scissors

some patience

I will supply patterns.

Carol Ann Hobbs call me if you have any questions 304- 813- 1262



Upcoming Workdays:

March- Free motion quilting (Harriett Whitlock)

April- 2 Color Binding (Nancy Wright)

May- TBA

June- Hand embroidered ribbon roses (Carol Ann Hobbs)

August - TBA

Sept.- Iron Holder (Rita Tompkins)

October- Centerpièce placemat (Lauri Winburn)

November-Wrapping quilts for Christmas



File Folders from the Jan. Workday - Learning the various stitches on our machines

2017 Challenge: Due May 4th

Our 2017 Challenge theme is "Granny's Block Today." You will use a vintage or traditional block(s) for your challenge, but interpret it with a modern twist. To give your entry an updated or more modern look, you may want a layout with lots of white space, or use modern prints or colors (maybe batiks), or a contemporary layout. Please add a sketch of the original block along with a paragraph about your choice and how you used it to create your challenge. No wearables, no size restrictions. We want to see Challenge Quilts from every member at the Hartsville Museum next June! Ouestions? Contact us!

Challenge quilts need to be turned in at the May 4th meeting with a completed form that will be available in April and May. Remember to add a sleeve for hanging and a rod that is the width of the quilt. Martha has rods for larger quilts if needed.

On June 1st, plan to arrive at the Hartsville Museum by 10 am. Quilts will be hung and ready for voting in a variety of categories. After the winners have been announced, we will all head to the Hartsville Country Club for a buffet luncheon and our regular meeting. Please let Timi know if you plan to attend the luncheon and give her \$15 by or on May 4th.

We encourage everyone to submit an entry and really look forward to the creative quilts you have made.

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Upcoming Events Around the Area

Wednesday Painting Group Art Show Mantissa Hotel Gallery Feb. 9, 2017 5:30-7:00 Will be available for viewing for 30 day (Timi is represented here) Smoky Mt. Quilters of Tennessee 37th Annual Show
Knoxville Expo Center
June 16-17, 2017
5441 Clinton Highway
Knoxville, TN 3791
Vendors, quilts on display, appraisals, and more
Call for entries: info and submission forms are at the website
www.smokymtnquilters.com Deadline is May 8, 2017

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Some of our February Sew and Tells

Reminder: Please allow the historian to take a clear photo of you. Some wiggled this month and blurred the photo!

http://www.babylock.com/ftp/projects/Heart%20to%20Heart%20quilt.pdf

http://www.craftpassion.com/2017/01/lucky-chicken-pattern.html? utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed:+Craftpassion+(Craft+Passion)







Valentine's Day and Spring **Projects**

Here are some photos of Valentine mug rugs and a heart quilt found on Pinterest (to get you going!). Also included is a cute chick pattern for spring. The website for the free tutorial is listed above along with a baby lock website for free patterns and tutorials. Another interesting website full of quilt ideas and tutorials is http://www.freequiltpatterns.info/





SPOTLIGHT ON OUR MEMBERS



Harry Sue Cockfield

Joined years ago

Lives in Sumter County. Married with three children, 6 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. Retired from the USDA. Has done numerous crafts over the years including bee keeping. Enjoys the outside (hunting and fishing) as well as quilting. Member of the Swamp Fox Quilters, Swan Lake Quilters, Long arm Quilters, and Quilters of SC.



Suzy Walker Joined in 2016

I just started learning to quilt during the last two years. Due to emergency surgery and moving 3500 miles from California, I had never done any type of sewing. My favorites and styles are ALL at this time of learning. I do like to create pictures. I also enjoy needle turn and wish to give and sell after I learn more (much more). I have two daughters, i son, and 5 grandchildren. I'm a retired nurse and have owned two boat businesses. My favorite are boating, the outdoors, gardening, music, reading, volunteering in our community, learning quilting, bike riding, and painting furniture. I have lived on the water or very close and that is a vacation for me since childhood. We relocated here from Calif.. My daughter is Dr. Brenda McKinley with Palmetto Animal Hospital here in Florence. I'm happy Swamp Fox Quilters Guild is here, excited to be here.



Ed Valentin

Joined years ago

Joined 2016

Ed is our quilter of a multitude of pink rose quilts and a crocheter of numerous lovely tablecloths, table toppers, and other charming works. His work is exquisite and we are pleased he graces us each month with his attendance and participation.



Carol Ann Hobbs

If you notice a slight accent, I grew up in Massachusetts, married, and moved to Alaska, Texas, Maryland, and then West Virginia. Guess I'll never lose my accent. I joined my first guilt guild in 1982 in Annapolis and hand quilted for 20 years. I, then, also joined another group in Bowie, MD. During those years I took many classes from well known quilters from across the country, went to quilt retreats for 30 years, and helped with quilt shows at both guilds. I entered several quilts and won blue and red ribbons. I was also published in a book written by a fellow quilter, Joan Blalock, in which she put in 2 of my wall hangings. Also, another friend, Jean Reger, constructed a pattern with clam shell templates, had me follow directions to check correctness, and I hand appliqued it. When the wall hanging was done, it was published in the first American Quilter Ultimate Projects. The name off the piece is "An Angel Named Carol." In WV, I joined a small group where we met in our homes. When we got too big for the homes, I requested a room at our library where we met twice a month. Every year we did Block of the Month but kept the blocks that we made for our own guilts. My friend and I started a Community quilt guild where we donated guilts to many deserving individuals. I taught quilt classes for beginners and I also taught paper piecing classes. I purchased a Tin Lizzie long arm and will set it up as soon as we get room in our garage. My life goal right now is to use ALL my fabric to make guilts for children at St. Jude's Chrildren's Hospital and Shriners' Hospitals. I just finished one and am now on my second one. I'm a retired nurse and moved to Darlington to be near our two children, their spouses, and grandchildren. Love it here but miss my WV friends. Hope to make many friends here. I am so willing to help anyone with quilting and embroidery.



Leah Malasky

Joined years ago

You won't see Leah very often at our meetings because of her work, but she is with us in spirit! For those of you who have never seen her work, please know that she is multi-talented and creates breath-taking works of art. The recipient of a plethora of awards, she inspires us to quilt away. Her extraordinary vision is matched only by her skill at the machine.