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# **Swamp Fox Quilters**

Today is a gift. That's the reason it is called the present. Enjoy your gift!

# A Note from Your President:

Congratulations to our challenge winners!! I hope all enjoyed the meeting as much as I did. What a great day!! With so many beautiful entries, it was hard to decide which quilt to vote for. I think everyone who entered is a winner. Also there was a lot of happy chatter and visiting, such a good sign that our meetings allow us to get together as friends and share our lives with each other.

Enjoy the embroidered totes giving in honor of SFQ's 35/36 year anniversary. Thanks to Timi for embroidering the logo on the bags. The history of our guild is in a separate section of this newsletter. We are all proud to have contributed to this history.

It was fun seeing the Basket Lattice quilts finished from the Susan Congdon class and the mug rugs made from instructions by Rita Studdard at work day. Work days have been very productive with projects and techniques learned. This month Susan Rayment will provide instructions on making tablet covers. Hope to see all of you on June 16.

Do not forget to make the red/white/blue quilt blocks during the summer. Have fun sewing during the summer when it gets too hot to be outside.

Happy quilting. Frances

Samples of the Challenge entries unveiled at the June meeting at the Hartsville Museum: (above) Lorene Arnette. (Immediate Right) the multi-ribboned entry by Karen Kirkland. Views of several walls of the small quilts. Please return this summer for additional viewing since space in the newsletter is limited!













# Financial Statement for May 2016

**Operating Activities:** 

Net Income \$-401.23

Net Cash provided by
Operating Activities -401.23

Net cash increase for month-401.23

Cash at beginning of period 5,474.54

Cash at end of period 5.073.31

Reconciled Bank Balance

4/30/2016 \$5073.31

Income for April:

Annual luncheon 168.00 **Burn Center Donation** 5.00 Membership Dues 30.00 Raffle Quilt 2017 20.00 Class fees and kits 350.00 Name Tags 2.75 Library 7.00 Total Income 232.75 **Expenses for April:** Newsletter 52.00 Program Travel 155.52 **Program Trunk Show** 100.00 Class Fee 200.00 Patterns 99.00 **Photos** 27.46 **Total Expenses** 633.98

Net Loss for May (\$401.23)

### **Shared Tips**

A tip that is widely known from a quilt pattern but sometimes ignored: For best results, when piecing, never sew over a seam that has not been pressed. This tip eliminates that little tuck in the seam that may occur if we sew an unpressed seam.

# Supplies for June Workday

Susan Rayment will be leading a class of steno pad covers for our June Workshop

20" X 7" fabric for cover 20" X 7" piece of batting 2- 16" X 7" fabric for pockets 18" X 7" fabric for lining 7.5" X 2.5" strip for tabs 6" X 9" steno pad pen with clip Machine Sewing supplies Minutes from the June 2, 2016, Meeting

Membership: Rita Studdard reported 38 members and 3 guests present.

Frances explained that there were 3 members who entered the challenge for the first time ever. She asked Karen Kirkland, President of the Quilters of South Carolina, to award to the entry chosen as the winner, a free year membership to QSC and a ribbon. The winner was Patty Hayes.

Block of the Month: Lorene Arnette showed a sample block for the August meeting. It is a "Rose of Sharon" block using pinks on a 14 ½ square of white Muslin. She also asked members to make a separate square with a patriotic theme. These blocks will be made into a Quilt of Valor to be given to a veteran.

The drawing for the June blocks was done later at the luncheon and was won by Wanda Moody.

Frances gave details of the August class by Patti Cline of Quilters Gallery. Cost of the class will be \$25.00 which includes instructions, ruler and fabric so two blocks can be made in class to learn the technique. Harry Sue has the sign-up sheet and will collect the money. The class will be on Friday August 5<sup>th</sup> and will last 6 hours.

Frances also announced there will be a quilt expo in Columbia on July 22 and 23 at the Jamil Temple. Addition information will be provided in the newsletter.

A motion was made and seconded and approved to accept the minutes from the previous meeting as presented.

**Workday:** June workday will include class on making a notebook cover. Detailed material and cutting Instructions will be included in the June Newsletter.

Wanda Moody gave an update on the possibility of a bus trip to the Asheville Quilt Show.

Frances asked if members had any problems receiving May Newsletter. Members reported that things went well.

Joan Goodsell, Chairman of the 2016 Challenge, announced the winners:

<u>Best Use of Theme:</u> 3 way tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place- Harriett Whitlock, Rita Studdard and Karen Kirkland 2<sup>nd</sup> place had a 4 way tie – Ray Vance, Jonnie Britton, Lorene Arnette and Susan Rayment.

Best Machine Quilting: 1st place Jan Davis, 2nd place Karen Kirkland

**Best Hand Quilting:** 1st place Naomi Narita, 2nd place Tish VonHagel

Best Applique: 1st place Karen Kirkland, 2nd place Jan Davis

<u>Best Pieced:</u> 1<sup>st</sup> place Karen Kirkland 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Joan Goodsell

<u>Best Art Quilt:</u> 1<sup>st</sup> place Rita Tompkins, 2<sup>nd</sup> place tie Lorene Arnette and Peggy O'Quinn

Best of Show: Karen Kirkland

<u>Treasurer's report:</u> Timi reported income for the month of \$232.75, expenses of \$633.98, with a current balance of \$5,073.31

Frances continued the meeting at the Hartsville Country Club after breaking for lunch. She took a moment to honor veterans and/or spouses who are veterans and thanked them for their service. She asked Ed Valentin to come forward. This is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Vietnam War and she presented him with a Vietnam veteran pin and bumper sticker. Frances reminded members to complete information for Harriett to put in the newsletter. She also reminded members that Rita Studdard will give a demonstration of making chenille at the September meeting.

Frances announced that this is a special year for the Swamp Fox Quilter Guild. It is the 35/36 year anniversary. In honor of this occasion, we have a tote bag to present to each member. I want to thank Timi Bronson for embroidering each one. She also presented a small gift to the two charter members present at today's meeting, Martha Herbert and Lorene Arnette.

6 Members who took the class last month showed their finished quilts. 4 members showed the mug rugs they made at the May workday class.

Frances introduced Nancy Wright, Jonnie Britton and Rosemary Carroll as the members of the 2017 Challenge committee, they announced the theme "Granny's Block Today". Use a vintage block of your choice and put a modern twist to it. Quilts can be any size, just no wearables. Please include a brief note on the history of your block.

**Show and Tell:** 7 members participated.

Submitted by Elaine Holmes, Secretary

Chairpersons for 2016

2017 Opportunity Quilt: Ray Vance, Timi Bronson

Block of the Month: Lorene Arnette

Community Service: Harry Sue Cockfield

Correspondence: Sara Simons

Historian: Naomi Narita

Library: Bonnie Marsee/ Pam Bishop

Membership: Rita Studdard

Newsletter: Harriett Whitlock

Website: Leah Malasky

Public Relations: Lorene Arnette

QSC Liaison: Karen Kirkland

Workday: Susan Rayment













#### Membership News

Please add these corrections/changes to your 2016 Membership List:

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#### **Block of the Month for July**

Although we will not be meeting during our summer hiatus in July, please join us as we make red, white, and blue squares to compile for Quilts of Valor. 12.5 inches unfinished, any style—just the colors of our American flag. Lorene's 2 blocks are examples.



Some of the projects displayed at the June Sew and Tell: Jan Davis, Jane Wegner, Wanda Moody, Jonnie Britton, Ed Valentin, Rosemary Carr, Ray Vance. What a variety—Tummy time quilts, men's tie quilt, table cloth, baby changing station,

bag!

# **August BOM**

The BOM for August is a Rose of Sharon block 14.5 in. unfinished. Because you will need the sheet that contains the pattern for the appliqué, the directions have not been included here. You may contact Lorene Arnette for the sheet or pick up one at the June Work Day.







#### **Upcoming Quilting Events**

The Quilting and Knitting Expo

Vendor show with shopping galore Next Show Dates: July 22, 23 **Contacts** Website:

www.quiltersgallery.net

Email: quiltgallery@bellsouth.net Phone: Patti Cline, (704) 376-2531 Location: Jamil Shrine Center,

206 Jamil Rd.

Columbia, SC, 29210 Hours: Fri 9 - 5, Sat 9 - 4

Admission: \$6 (\$1 off coupon at the

Quilter's Gallery website)

June 21-September 6, 2016 Row by Row Experience www.rowbyrowexperience.com

October 2016 TBD

Nimble Thimbles Quilt Guild Annual Aunt Het Quilt Show Fountain Inn Activities Center 610 Fairview Street Fountain Inn, SC 29644 www.ntquiltquild.com

#### May's Workday Mug Rugs:

Our thanks to Rita Studdard for leading us through the steps of constructing an adorable foxy mug rug!





# Swamp Fox Quilters Anniversary

The Swamp Fox Quilters Guild was started in the 1980 by an energetic lady named Margie Notess, who worked for the Florence Recreation Department. The first few meetings were held at the old Timrod Park Schoolhouse with approximately 10 ladies attending. As the word spread, more ladies joined. With Margie at the helm, we had different programs and demonstrations. A few members who had been quilting for a while shared their knowledge to help others learn this wonderful art form. There are 3 current SFQ members who were charter members: Doreen Copeland, Lorene, Arnette, and Martha Herbert. Over the years the guild has grown



and hosted many quilt shows/exhibits. Many lecturers/teachers have given instructive workshops, all of which have added to our evert-growing techniques and skills. The guild has approximately 60 members who actively support the projects and programs offered. The members have fun sewing and being together twice a month.

To celebrate this anniversary, each member has been presented with an embroidered tote. Our thanks go to the Board for thinking of us in this fashion, and to Timi and her crew for the embroidery work. We will carry them proudly.

# 2017 Challenge Revealed!

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!

Questions? Contact us! Nancy Wright havbrton@gmail.com 843-673-0854 Rosemary Carroll Jonnie Britton dbrit89828@aol.com 843-662-4355





The president of QSC, Karen Kirkland, presented Patti Hayes with the ribbon for 1st place for 1st timers. Congratulations. Patti! And congratulations to Karen for her multi-ribboned winner, including Best of Show, at the challenge. Frances offers our collective thanks to Ed Valentin for his service during the Vietnam War. Thank you, Ed. We appreciate you.

#### **Patti Cline Class** August 5, 2016

Look what came out of Susan Condon's Lattice

The 15 Degree class will be offered on the Friday after our regular August meeting to all interested members. The cost is \$25. A kit will be provided with the fabrics to make two blocks so that we can learn the process Later we can turn your blocks into a pillow or use them as a focus for another quilt. During the June Work Day, Harry Sue will be collecting money and signing up those interested. Because of our summer hiatus, this will be the final sign-up time.





Our heartfelt thanks go to Joan Goodsell for the wonderful challenge that she headed this year. I think everyone will agree that we all had a wonderful morning of visiting, viewing, and eating!

#### The International Quilt Festival, Houston \* Nov. 3-6, 2016 Classes Begin Oct. 31

124 of the quilting world's top teachers will offer classes at the 2016 Quilt Festival in Houston, including the artists Alex Anderson, Debbie Caffrey, Karen Kay Buckley, Kaffe Fassett, Ricky Tims, Paula Nadelstern, Susan Nickels, John Flynn, and David Taylor. Information on the 500+ classes and events being offered at this year's show will be available online and in the class catalogue this summer.

\* If you haven't attended this event, put it on your bucket list!

#### SPOTLIGHT ON OUR MEMBERS



#### Gloria Browder

I like all quilt types. I like to machine sew and hand sew. I quilt my own quilts. All things inspire me to begin a new project. The first quilt I ever made was for my daughter, as a special birthday gift. I love to sew listening to old country music.

I have lived here all my life. I am a widow. I have with three children, 7 grandchildren, and am retired. My personal favorites are reading and listening to old country music.



#### **Elaine Holmes**

Joined 1st in 2006

Joined in 2013

I began my quilting by learning to hand quilt with a church group. I like to try new things. I do enjoy doing appliqué. I must admit I have tried machine quilting but the machine wouldn't cooperate. My favorite quilt is an appliquéd landscape of a country church where my grandparents are buried. I had it framed and gave it to my mother on her 95th birthday.

Roger and I have been married for 56 years. We have 3 children, 8 grandkids, and 8 great grands. They keep us young.

I like to garden and cook. Myrtle Beach is my favorite vacation spot, just sitting on the beach reading.



### Tish Von Hagel

Joined 2001

The guilds I have belonged to are Designing Women (MD) and Honey Bees in Quinby. I started with Designing Women in Maryland with the first five presidents of NQA. Very traditional we were. I prefer taking an idea and running with it now. I prefer hand sewing, but have all my quilts and wall hangings done by Leah Malarky now. I am learning new ideas with the 3rd Thursday workshop ladies. I really think this is better than constant charity quilts. I like my embroidered quilts best- red work and crewel. My favorite "go to" is 2.5 squares sewn by hand while watching TV and traveling or in doctors' offices. Wool and blanket stitches are my favorite too for wall hangings.

I am the last of a family of two parents and 6 children. My father was born in 1897 and my mother in 1900. I grew up as an only child. My husband and I moved here because Maryland was getting violent. I love my house and property and the people here are different from the people in the MD, DC, and VA area.

I dream in color and my altered is Sarah Jean, a redhead with curly hair!!

I have been "into" dolls, teddy bear making, eggery, and miniatures. Quilting is less messy and one doesn't have boxes of findings or parts ion dolls and bears everywhere. I like to do mosaics and collect "sand" from around the world, kindness of my acquaintances. My husband and I went to George Washington's parents' farm beach (Warrenton, VA) for 30 years and picked up fossils. I'm to be buried there one of these years.



#### **Sharon Wolff**

Joined 1.5 years ago

I was born in Canada, moved to NY at the age of 12 with my parents. Got married in 1970, have 3 beautiful children and 4 wonderful grandchildren. Moved to SC 5 years ago because of the weather in Wheatfield, NY (10 miles from Niagra Falls), just too darn cold and I hated all the snow. Through the years I have done sewing for the kids, cross-stitch, painted on wood and ceramics. When we first moved here I was very bored. I was used to the fast pace back in NY and I missed family and friends. My daughter Tracey who lives here got me started in quilting 3 years ago. I love it. I have worked with squares, rectangles, and precuts. have made many quilts and runners for family. I joined the Y in Hartsville where I met Tisha Alice who got me to visit Swamp Fox. I enjoyed the meetings and joined 1.5 years ago. I love looking at show and tell and learning new things.



#### Martha Herbert

Charter Member since 1980

I have quilted since 1980, though never started a full size quilt. Love traditional quilts. Wish to quilt at all right now! Love all quilting methods. Time, pictures, and show and tell all inspire me. I have 2 favorite quilts, one a picture of my cat Jack, one from blocks of the month I won- Christmas blocks of 10,000 different sizes. I have 2 children, 5 grandchildren. I have lived in the area for 50 years. Retired science teacher and microbiologist. Dumb me, wrecked tractor, got burned, and spent 5 months in burn center in Augusta, clawing my way back towards old me. My hobbies are hunting, which I miss, and cooking. Love the mountains to vacation.