Around the Block

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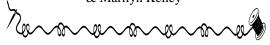
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Happy Holidays!

Can you believe it is that time of year already? I hope you are finishing all your quilts in time for paper, ribbons and bows.

Thanks to Jane Sassaman for visiting the guild in November and bringing her beautiful quilts. I am sure you enjoyed her presentation. What an inspiration!

Don't forget the December meeting is the Holiday Potluck Dinner. Bring your favorite dish and a fat quarter for a fun little game.

I look forward to seeing everyone!

Happy stitches,

~ Edie Frasier 2012 QU President



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Sit-n-Stitch Groups

A "Sit-n-Stitch" is a group of members who meet weekly, biweekly or sometimes once a month. Some groups meet in a member's home on a rotating basis and work on their own individual project. Some groups meet at a specified location and work on a service project. We have several of both of these types of groups in our guild. If you are interested, please call Marsha Walper at 562-0681.

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Meeting Time	Contact Person
Second Saturday 9:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	Connie Beane
Lafayette Community Last Saturdays 2:00 p.m 5:00 p.m.	Gertrude Shirley
McQuilters Tuesdays 1:00 p.m 3:00 p.m. Ronald McDonald House	Carol Harrison
Big Bend Hospice Quilters Monday 1:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Virginia Lewis
The Quilting Bees, Senior Center Monday 1:00 p.m 4:00 p.m.	Katrina Jenkins
Havana Sit-n-Stitch 4th Saturday 1:00 p.m.	Martha Mitchell
Ladies of Leisure Every other Thursday 10:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.	Topi Henderson
Crazy Quilters Wednesdays, 1:00pm - 4:00 p.m. Monticello Library	Barbara Sheats
Southern Comfort 'Sew'sciety Thursdays 7:00p.m 9:00 p.m.	Esther Weiner
Thimble Buddies 2nd Fridays, 9:30a.m 11:30a.m.	Wendy Stone
Patchwork & Prayer 1st, 3rd & 4th Thursdays 6:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.	Janice Parker
Sew for HOPE 1st Saturdays 9:30a.m 1:00p.m.	Cynthia Seyler
Sew for HOPE 2nd Tuesdays 1:00p.m 4:30p.m.	Cynthia Seyler
Sew for HOPE 3rd Mondays 9:30a.m 1:00p.m.	Cynthia Seyler
Sew for HOPE 4th Wednesdays 1:00p.m 4:30p.m.	Cynthia Seyler

Newsletter Info

The deadline for newsletter submissions for the next issue is: **December 17th**

Please submit materials to Selena Foo via email at

qutlhnews@gmail.com

or call me at 668-5727.

WANTED!

After much contemplation, I have decided it is time for me to "pass the baton". I am looking for someone to take over the responsibility of Newsletter Editor.

Experience with Microsoft Publisher and desktop publishing is preferable. If you are interested or have any questions, please feel free to contact me via e-mail at nativetxn73@gmail.com.

Selena Foo Newsletter Editor

Challenge Quilts

"Tomorrow's Quilts Today"

Challenge Rules on sale at the QU Meeting- Only \$5.00!

Contact Dawn Griffin (850) 509-6013 or email: Griffindd@aol.com

If you would like yours mailed; please send a self addressed stamped envelope

to Dawn Griffin, 1132 Blackhawk Way, Tallahassee 32312

Upcoming Programs ...

December 8th - Holiday Covered Dish Dinner, Gift Exchange, Quilt Show Wrap-up

January 12th - To Be Determined

February 9th - To Be Determined

March 8th - Lecture by Workshop Teacher, Sug Spargo

April 12th - To Be Determined

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Don't forget to make your

December Block of the Month!

The block for December is called "Christmas Tree".....a sweet little block both pieced and appliquéd. Lets make this final month of the 2011 Raffle Block of the Month tree series......and REMEMBER......we will have our year's end drawing from all the participants of the Raffle Blocks for the entire year. The winner will receive \$100, as a Grand Prize.....so why not make a block, or two.....YOU may be the winner.

On a personal note, it's been great fun to chair this year's Raffle Block. I've had an opportunity to meet so many of you OU members that I had not previously known, and the participation has been wonderful! So thanks to all......Wishing you and your families the happiest of this Holiday Season.

With Love in Stitches,

Mona Snowden 2011 Block Raffle Chair



From the Travel Desk ...

....Leave the Driving to Us...

We are exploring options for travel this year. In addition to our annual sojourn to the JAX Quilt Fest in the Fall, we are seeking feedback on the possibility of travelling to other shows and/ or quilt shops. Some of the options might be the Pensacola Show in the early winter months, a shop hop to perhaps Panama City, Moultrie, Trenton or McDonough to name a few. The thought would be to get enough folks for a full bus trip, perhaps lunching along the way. If you have suggestions or would be interested in participating, please call, email me or catch me at the meeting...Thanks.

~ Shelley Bertels, Travel Chair

Door Prizes

The door prize winners at November's guild meeting were Vickie Hooks, Deon Lewis, Esther Weiner, Janie Reinhold, and Penny Blaszczyk.

The grand prize basket donated by Peggy and Lee at Sew Faire, in appreciation of guild member's support, was won by Cheryl Gratt.

Remember to wear your name tag next month and sign up at the Door Prize table!

Jeanne Billings and Lillian Anthamatten **Door Prize Chairpersons**

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News from the Sunshine State Quilters Association

Submitted by Caroline Collins, Tallahassee Area Rep, from information provided by Pat Tribbey, Webmaster SSQA

Looking to the future

A planning meeting is to be held in January (date TBA) for the incoming and outgoing SSQA board members along with all members interested in SSQA's future. What do you want this organization to do? Please share your thoughts with any board member or come to the meeting! Meeting details will be published in the newsletter.

A brand new year of Florida quilt shows and events to visit

North Ft. Myers - January 13 - 14, 2012 - Southwest Florida Quilters Guild (QG)

The Villages - January 21 & 22, 2012 - Quilting Guild of The Villages

Port St Lucie - February 3 & 4, 2012 - Port St Lucie Crazy Quilters

Vero Beach - February 2012 - Sunbonnet Sue Quilters Guild

Panama City - February 10 & 11, 2012 - St. Andrew's Bay QG

DeFuniak Springs - Feb. 17 & 18, 2012 - Chautaugua QG Inc.

Punta Gorda - Feb. 24 & 25, 2012 - Disconnected Piecers QG Inc.

Fort Walton Beach - March 1 - 3, 2012 - Flying Needles QG

Lakeland - March 2 & 3, 2012 - Ladies of the Lakes QG

Naples - March 3 & 4, 2012 - Naples Quilters Guild

Hudson - March 9 - 11, 2012 - West Pasco Quilters Guild, Inc.

Melbourne - March 9 - 10, 2012 - Seaside Piecemakers Quilt Club of Satellite Beach

Pensacola - March 16 & 17, 2012 - Pensacola QG

New Smyrna Beach - March 16 & 17, 2012 - Pelican Piecemakers QG

Sarasota - March 23 & 24, 2012 - Manatee Patchworkers QG

Venice - March 31 & April 1, 2012 - Venice Area QG

Details: Quilt Shows & Quilt Events http://www.ssqa.org/qltshows.htm

NEW membership chair

Sarah Hough is now our membership chair. Contact her at ssga.membership@gmail.com. Please note the dot after "ssga". Membership renewals will start in a few weeks.

Raffle Quilt at WPB show

The quilt made \$900 for the grants program. If you helped at the show, thank you! The quilt is now on its way to the Orlando area...will you invite it to come to your part of the state?

Two hours = big bucks!

You may not realize how much money SSQA can raise for the Grants program with the raffle quilt... if we don't have enough white-glovers for the show in WPB, we will miss out on at least \$800! You get free admission to the show, too! Contact Art now: toomanyquilts@gmail.com

Retreat May 15 - 17, 2012

Thanks to all who said they do want to RETREAT! If you haven't been, take a look at Lake Yale's website and scope out the location: http://www.lybcc.com More details to come...if you would like to help, please contact Art at toomanyquilts@gmail.com

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Houston shows off SSQA quilters

Look for quilts from Judy Momenzadeh, Pauline Salzman and Cathy Waltz at the IQA show. Way to go, SSQA quilters!

Helpful Hint: How to make a hanging sleeve after binding is on?

http://www.thequiltshow.com/os/blog.php/blog_id/4012

NEW on the website: Quilt & Pillowcase patterns

It only takes one yard to make a quilt top for Dr. Fraser's Kids! Make a small quilt and make a difference in a child's life with SSQA's Outreach project: http://www.ssqa.org/outreach.htm

All this and more at www.ssqa.org



A Christmas Quilter

T'was a few weeks before Christmas and in my head was a plan
To make all of my Christmas gifts by my own hand.

Away to my scrap box in a flash I did fly.

With patterns in my head and a twinkle in my eye.

I cut and I sewed as merry as an elf.

Making things for others and not for myself.

A quilted vest for a teen-aged niece.

Quilts for the grandparents with love sewn in each piece.

Quilted covers for aunts' tabletops, Away I go with hardly a stop. On scissors, on needles, on thimble and thread, Oh, hurry I must, for Christmas day is ahead.

A quilted diaper bag for the baby so new.

I may even quilt Santa a coat before I'm through.

Quilted bedspreads for Mother and Sis.

I still have a few left on my list.

Cushions with quilted tops and potholders done.
It's now Christmas Eve and I have a gift for each one.
So, I sprang to my Volkswagon and made quite a clatter.
The neighbors ran to their windows to see what was the matter.

From one house to the other, I leaped like a deer.

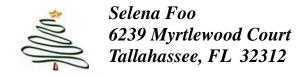
Leaving my presents and hopefully cheer.

With best wishes to each for a Christmas so bright.

A tired, happy quilter drove away in the night.

by Pat Everson





December 8th QU Meeting

Don't Forget Your:

- ☑ Pot Luck Dish
- Library Books
- ☑ Block of the Month Blocks
- ☑ Hand made Name Badge
- ☑ \$\$\$ for Challenge Rules





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Dates to Remember

December 8 Guild Meeting, 7:00pm
December 17 Newsletter Deadline
January 12 Guild Meeting, 7:00pm
January 28 Newsletter Deadline

Meetings are held at Timberlane Church of Christ, 3569 Timberlane School Road. The social half-hour starts at 6:30 p.m. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

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