

SNIPPETS



ONE OF OUR OWN
Linda Williams

This month we would like to feature Linda Williams as One of Our Own. She is one of our membership chairpersons. Living in Ohio in 2000 a friend told her she would teach Linda to quilt and that is when she started on her quilting journey. Linda and a friend went to Joann Fabrics and both got a Block of the Month kit. She left Ohio in 2002 with the quilt pieced but finished it by hand-quilting and putting on the binding in 2012.

Linda enjoys all types of quilting and trying techniques that are new to her. A comment that has stuck in her head from her beginning quilt teacher is "Can you live with it?" This is what determines if Linda will rip out and redo it. She says you will never be sorry when you look at your beautiful quilt.

Linda's favorite quilts are her first one, an underground railroad one she completed, and the peacock wall hanging she did that won first place in last year's Gala. Her advice to beginning quilters is to learn to quilt the right way. If you make a mistake, remember the rule "Can you live with it?" Linda says the best part of quilting is all of the wonderful friends you meet on the way!



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Greetings from Bev

This year went by so fast but we sure had fun! Many thanks to all our officers, Vice-President Karen Preston, Secretary Vickie Hardee and Treasurer Vee Ann Schmidt, for keeping the guild running smoothly.

Big Thank You's to our Program Committee, Margo, Kathy and Judy. Our programs were fantastic - from charity sews to wonderful teachers. I enjoyed every one and I can't wait to see next year's schedule!

We had several challenges this year and some will be repeated in 2015. For example, Joan Wobbleton challenged us to create original Quilts of Valor from panels she had and Linda Schillaci challenged us to dig out those PHDs and complete them. If you have more PHDs to do, start getting them organized for the 2015 challenge. Thanks ladies for organizing those.

Thanks to Linda Williams and Maggie Ognek for keeping our membership straight - an on-going effort with new members coming in and some members leaving. Judy Walton kept the Sunshine cards going. It's so important to let our members know we are thinking of them when they are going through rough times.

Dawn Dillely did a fantastic job of creating a new website and editing our monthly Snippets. That was over and beyond her usual call of duty!

Darla Harlacher and the Hospitality Committee of Sandy Dionne, Betty Lou Taynton, Karen Gentile and Sheila Herbert kept the food flowing at every meeting - not an easy job with around 100 members at most meetings. You know how quilters love to eat!

I hope I haven't left anyone off. I know there are often ghosts behind the scenes handling some details for the ones I have mentioned. And most of all, thanks to all

our members for supporting the efforts of this wonderful group.

If you have been working on the **Block of the Month** quilts, please bring them to the December meeting - even if it is just the top. I can't wait to see your individual interpretation and how you made the quilt your own.

Our December meeting will be filled with Christmas fun - from our catered luncheon to some fun games. We will also be electing our 2015 officers. You don't want to miss out - see you there!

Beverly Clement, President

Notes from Margo

To-Do List

- Wear your name tag
- **Watch your speed in OSV!**
- Bring Ohio Star Variation Challenge Block
- Pay membership dues - deadline is 12/31/14
- Bring 3 unwrapped FQs
- Bring wrapped, homemade, gift for exchange
- Bring Left Right Center game dice
- Bring Show and Tell
- Bring your Block of the Month quilts/tops

December 15th Program – We are so thankful to be able to spend the day together with our many quilting friends. It's time to relax and have some fun and enjoy the day's festivities. Bob Evans is catering this year's luncheon. Since we have a large crowd attending here's the plan to make this work effectively. Vee Ann Schmidt, our treasurer, will have everyone's name on a card which you will receive when you check in. You will drop that card in a basket when your table number is called to lunch. Sorry, there will be no paying for the meal at the door. Also, no take-out containers will be allowed. Any leftover food will be donated to Street Reach or other charity. We appreciate your cooperation. Susan Canterbury and Sherri Coutain from Family Outreach of Horry County will be joining us as our guests. Please welcome them to our group.

Let the games begin! For those of you that want to participate, we will be playing a couple of games. You will need 3 unwrapped fat quarters for the Left Right Center game. Any color fabric will do; our only request is that the fabric be "quilt shop quality." No Walmart fabric please! I've contacted a few members to bring the LRC game, but if anyone else has a game please bring it with you. We need at least 15 games for our large crowd. The second game is a mystery, even to me. Bev learned a new game on vacation and we're sure to laugh and have some fun with this one too. Last, but not least, we'll have our ever popular homemade (quilting/sewing related) gift exchange. You just need to bring your homemade gift, wrapped or in a bag, to play. It's so much fun to see all the wonderful creative things everyone makes.

2015 membership Dues Deadline - 12/31 -

So that our hardworking membership ladies can enjoy the day's festivities too, they request you bring your check or cash in an envelope and drop it in a basket on the table. Include a note if there are any changes in your email, address, etc. Linda and Maggie will gather them up and your membership card will be ready for you to pick up at the January meeting. If you are unable to attend the December meeting please send your check to Linda Williams at 7940 Leeward Lane, Murrells Inlet, SC. 29576 by the Dec. 31st deadline to be included in the 2015 membership list. Thank You!! We'd also like to welcome our 10 new members that joined last month.

Quilts of Valor Presentation Scheduled -

Mark your calendars! There will be a QOV presentation at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, January 25th at the Socastee Baptist Church located at 3690 Socastee Blvd. A special group of 24 veterans of Judy Lilly's church will each receive a QOV. Many guild members have made quilts for this event but we still need more. If you have a quilt in progress and can get it completed by Jan. 25th please let Joan

Wobbleton or Judy Lilly know. Many thanks to the quilters and longarmers that helped to make all these quilts. We hope that you'll plan to attend this very special event.

Ohio Star Variation Challenge Due -

We don't want to disappoint Jerre and D.J., so get that block done! Prizes will be awarded.

Mary Jo Bus Trip - Sorry to say the trip is canceled due to a lack of interest. Judy has only 10 paid participants and we need 45. She feels it would be futile to pursue getting a bus only to have to cancel as we did last year.

Coming up in January - We're calling this program "Miniature Mania!" Have you ever looked in awe at some of these very intricate pieces and wondered what it takes to do one of those? Well you're going to learn all about them from one of our most talented quilters, Jerre Reese. Jerre will do a trunk show and lecture about miniatures. She will discuss what constitutes a miniature and how you go about making one.

On Tuesday, January 20th, Tina Roth will teach her Converging Cubes class. The class application and picture of the project are at the end of this newsletter. They also will be sent in a separate e-mail.

IMPORTANT!!

Parking, Carpooling and Speed Limits

We'd like to welcome all our snowbirds back. Our member attendance nearly doubles this time of year and you know finding a parking space becomes a bit of challenge in Oceanside Village. We strongly urge that you carpool. If possible, meet at the Bi-Lo at the Beach and get a carload before coming into OSV. And please don't park in front of the mailboxes. Overflow parking is available in the grassy area if necessary. Also, remember to obey the posted speed limit signs. It's 20 mph on the main road and 15 mph on the side roads. Remember we are guests and we don't want to wear out our welcome at this beautiful facility.

2015 Gala News - It's that time again! Time to get those quilts quilted and bound, ready for the show. It's our show and you all play a big part in its success! We really appreciate all your entries and all your help. We're trying something a little different this year. Quilt drop off and hanging will happen on the same day. Mark your calendars; here are the important dates to remember.

- Gala - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
February 27th and February 28th
- All registration forms must be turned by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, January 29th.
Don't panic! The quilt doesn't have to be done, just the paperwork!
- Quilt Drop Off - 9:00 a.m. - 12: 00 p.m.
Thursday, February 26th
- Quilt Pick Up - 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 28th.

Entry forms will be available at the guild meetings as well as on our website or at www.horrycountymuseum.org

Reminder — Please carefully read the instructions on the entry form. Measuring your quilt(s) is **EXTREMELY** important. The set-up for the show is based on the sizes of the quilts. If your measurements are not correct your quilt may have to be left out of the show.

NOTE - entry limits have changed. If you submit forms for 2 quilts in a category, please be sure to circle 1st or 2nd choice in the event we can only use one of your entries.

Paducah Bus Trip - Contact Janet Gorski at 910-287-5050 or email ooigmama@gmail.com if you're interested in going on the **Paducah** trip in April, 2015.

Coming Soon!! - The 2015 Program Calendar is almost complete. We pack a lot of vital info into those 2 pages - like who is going make the dessert!! We don't want to miss out on those. Thanks to all who signed up last month. A few adjustments had to be made because we had too many bakers some months and not enough in others. Take a look at the schedule when it comes out and contact Darla Harlacher if you need to make a change. Also, your input is important to us regarding teachers and classes. If you have an idea for a program or any names of teachers you'd like us to contact, please share it with your program committee: Margo Woolard, Kathy Aparicio or Judy Lilly. 2015 is pretty much set and we already have 2 teachers scheduled for 2016. We work very hard at getting fun, interesting speakers and classes for our guild.



Scissors **more than you ever wanted to know!**

Scissors consists of two blades; each called a scissor, hence, the verbiage "a pair of". The blades' lever action is with the pivot which acts as the fulcrum. It is not necessarily how sharp the blade is, but the shearing between the blades which cuts. Material is cut when the stress applied at the cutting location exceeds the material's shear strength. To increase the shear strength, the manufacturer moves the pivot closer to the end of the scissors. For example, if your hand is twice as far away from the pivot than the area being cut, then the force at the cutting location is twice that of your hand pressure.

Scissors generally have blades less than 6 inches (15 cm) with handles with finger holes of the same size. Shears are not the same thing as scissors, as their blades are usually longer than 6 inches and the handles differ with one having a small hole for the thumb and the other larger hole for two or more fingers.

Most references indicate scissors were invented around 1500 BC in ancient Egypt. These early scissors were actually one piece of metal in a "U" shape where you forced the ends together. They were forged from bronze. It is thought the Romans introduced the cross-blade scissors around AD100. The next major improvement did not come until the late 1700's when the blades were made of cast steel. Robert Hinchliffe of Sheffield, England, took advantage of the cast steel invented by Benjamin Huntsman, also of Sheffield. As techniques improved so did the creativity of the makers. Scissors began to have elaborate handles and blades. However, mechanization began to impact scissor construction and designs reflected a simpler look, much easier to produce.

You want to make sure your scissors fit the purpose. For example, NEVER, NEVER, NEVER use your needlework scissors to cut paper! Paper is made from wood pulp and it will dull your blades. Always try your scissors out before you purchase them. If you're using them to cut Hardanger fabric, then take a piece of fabric with you and see if it cuts the way you want it to. Make sure the scissors fit well and are comfortable. Ryan says "When purchasing scissors, hold the blades in front of light to see how close the edges are to each other. The closer (less light you can see through them) the better. A good pair will have a prominent 'bow' to the blades when open, ensuring that when you close them they will be pressing together for the closest cut."

Scissors range in price from very affordable to outrageously expensive. Price should NOT be the deciding factor. There are really great scissors available at all price ranges.

There are some specialty scissors as well. For example, it is very important that you do NOT use your embroidery scissors to cut metallic threads. Over time metallic threads will nick and dull the cutting surfaces of your blades. If you use metallic threads, you should invest in a pair of scissors just for that purpose and store them separately so you will not use them by accident.

Another specialty scissor has serrated blades. These blades have a cutting edge with many small points of contact with the material being cut making the applied force at each point of contact greater. This causes many small splits in the surface of the object being cut. Some stitchers believe a serrated scissor will cut better along the line of the blade or will hold a slick material better.

From Nordic Needle Newsletter 10-26-14



**Converging
Cubes**



Converging Cubes Workshop Application

Instructor: Tina Roth

Finished Size: 30" x 30"

I bet every time you've seen a dimensional quilt design you thought, "someday I'd like to do that". Well, that day has come! This complicated looking design made simple is what makes this project so appealing. Tina has married two interesting techniques into one incredible wallhanging. She's combined Ricky Tims' Harmonic Convergence as the background and added the cubes using the dreaded "y" seam. There's no need to dread them anymore. Learn a really simple technique for completing perfect "y" seams every time. You will also learn other tips to make this project so much fun. This class is ideal for the confident beginner as well as the more experienced quilter.

Date: Tuesday, January 20, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Place: Oceanside Village Community Center, Surfside Beach, SC

Cost: \$30 for CCQ members and \$35 for non-members. Fee includes the pattern.

Class Size: Limited to 25 students. Supply list will be sent when payment is received.

Reservation Deadline: Payment is due no later than January 3, 2015. On January 4, 2015 the class will be opened to non-members.

Checks: Make checks payable to the Coastal Carolina Quilters and send to: Margo Woolard, 403 N. Highland Way, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.

Questions: Email cdwool31@frontier.com or call 843-449-3131 or 843-655-4826.

~~~~~Fill it out, clip it and mail it with your check – Thanks!~~~~~

Sorry, we cannot offer refunds!! If there is a wait list, your spot can be sold to someone on the list.

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