

SNIPPETS



July Charity Workshop - Ready! Set! Sew!

This is the first of summer charity workshops and we have some new projects we'll be working on. We need sewing machines the most! However, if you can't bring a machine there are other jobs that you can do to help out. Those that signed up to bring an iron and ironing board please don't forget.

Everyone should bring their own basic sewing supplies; you never know when you will be drafted into unsewing or trimming!! Cutters should bring a cutting mat, rotary cutter and ruler to cut 10" squares for Fostering Hope Boys quilts. If you have any homespun, sports or other fabrics suitable for a boy's quilt that you'd like to donate, please bring it along too.



Sewers of layered quilts need to bring:

Sewing machine with a walking foot is a MUST!!
 Extension cord and /or multi-plug
 Neutral threads for general sewing
 Colored threads for topstitching and quilting
 Basic sewing supplies – pins, seam ripper, scissors, etc.



Ice Cream Social

Don't forget to bring your lunch and a drink. And for all your hard work we have an extra special treat.....**ice cream sundaes**. YUM!!

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President's Message

I hope you didn't miss the June meeting when Laura Wasalowski was our presenter. That was one of the most fun "lectures" I can remember. If you missed it, I'm really sorry because you missed a really great program and class the following day.

Summer Has Arrived and is giving us every excuse we need to stay in our sewing space because it's just too hot to go outside. July and August are the months when we have an even more casual CCQ meeting and work on charity projects.

You asked us to add some new charities — and we did. In addition to the groups we've been supporting, we'll now be making quilts for boys ages 8-18 for Fostering Hope. These are boys who are part of the child foster care program of Horry County. The boys in this age group are often forgotten. We're putting together kits to make quilts for them.

And we'll make walker bags and wheelchair quilts for residents at the Lighthouse Care Center in Conway. A large majority of them exist on Medicaid, have no financial resources, nor do they have the support of family or friends. Emotional and/or mental deficiencies affect almost all of them.

CCQ has always been dedicated to "giving back" to our community. We are proud to continue these efforts. Did you know that we are privileged to be able to meet at Oceanside Village FOR FREE because we do so much charity work?

So bring your sewing machine or serger and spend a morning with us as we help support those in our community who are less fortunate, enjoy spending time together, and indulge in an ice cream treat. Yes, that's right — we'll have an ice cream social — right here at CCQ. Won't that be fun?

I'm looking forward to seeing you on the 18th!

Karen Preston

Notes from Margo

To-Do List

- * Wear your name tag
- * Bring lunch
- * Bring Show and Tell

Lighthouse Care Center Walker Bags – Walker bag kits have been prepared and will be ready to sew or take home. See the instructions on pages 5 & 6. Some of you may already have pre-quilted fabric you can use to make one at home too. We also need Velcro!

Lighthouse Care Center Lap Quilts –

Project Leader – Kathy Aparicio

Lap Quilt Size: approx. 36" by 42"

This is one our newest projects. We have prepared over 30 kits of panels that need borders only. Easy straight stitching....you can use a Featherweight machine for this job.

Fostering Hope Boys Quilts –

Project Leader – Terry Slotter

Quilt Size: approx 54" by 60" or 72"

We have prepared quilt kits ready to sew. We will need our longarmer's help too when the tops are completed. We also have a box of homespun fabrics that needs to be cut into 10" squares. Anyone wanting to cut please bring a mat, rotary cutter and ruler/s (6" by 24" or 10" square).

Family Outreach of Horry County –

Project Leader - Margo Woolard

Quilt Size: approx. 36" by 42" or 42" by 42"

These quilts are made for FOHC's Baby Express Program. We have more than 60 baby quilt tops with backings ready to be layered, sewn, pressed and machine quilted. Bring any donated baby bibs with you too.

We don't want to leave out our Snowbirds!! Anyone wanting to make an easy baby quilt, lap quilt or boys quilt at home, check out the Dee's Brick Trick pattern on our website

Bead of Courage Bead Bags –

Project Leader - Karen Kirkland

225 bead bags have been sewn and are ready for cording.

Welcome New Members

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Name Change

Christine Brotemarkle is now
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Rather Sew Than Cook?
from Mary Fons - May 1977 Sew Many Quilts

One quilter, who would rather sew than cook, has a wonderful trick to avoid cooking dinner. She discovered early in her marriage that her husband disliked Chinese food, so she just sets a can of Chinese noodles on the kitchen counter. He takes one look and suggests going out for dinner. She's been using the same can for 20 years. He hasn't even noticed the rust on the top of the can!

People ask "Why do we make so many bead bags?" See this cute little guy draped in all those beads? CCQ members make the bags to store those beads. We do it for him and every other critically ill child at MUSC Children's Hospital. These children receive a bead every time they have a procedure or treatment and, as you can see, this child has been through more procedures in his short life than any of us could ever imagine! Unfortunately, there are many critically ill children from our area and around the state that must go to MUSC for treatment.

CCQ learned about the Beads of Courage program about 5 years ago through one of our members. We thought it would be an ideal use of our leftover fabrics from the baby quilts and other donations. This project doesn't cost us a dime. CCQ is the sole supplier of the bead bags for MUSC and strictly survives on donated fabric and cording. The children don't know or care who makes these bags for their beads...but we do. We care! And that's why we do it. Thank you for your continued support of this project. To learn more about this and our other projects go to our website.



Meet Wyatt... A Beads of Courage Cardiac Program Member.

Wyatt was diagnosed with Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome while only 16 weeks gestation. He had his very first open heart surgery at only 5 days old and only after a two month recovery he was able to be released for the first time from the hospital on July 4th, 2015.

His mom Harley writes, "I know that right now he doesn't understand what the beads mean at this time but I get so much out of knowing that when he does understand I will be able to sit down with him and explain what each bead means and how strong and brave he was since the day that he was born!"

Harley and Wyatt want to thank you for your commitment to Carry a Bead and for making a positive impact on a child's journey. The bead you carry will become a direct source of encouragement to a child or family on a tough treatment or surgery day.

QUILTED WALKER BAG
 Finished size: 16" x 24"

Materials

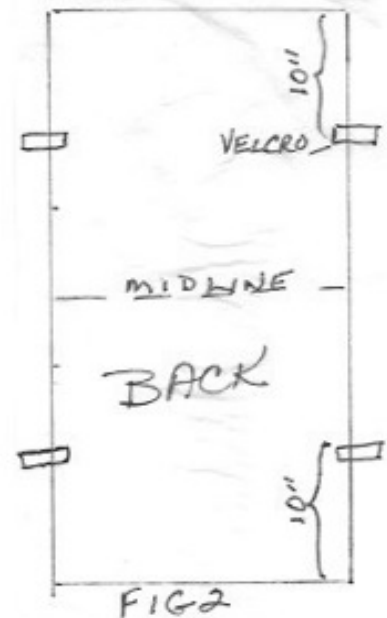
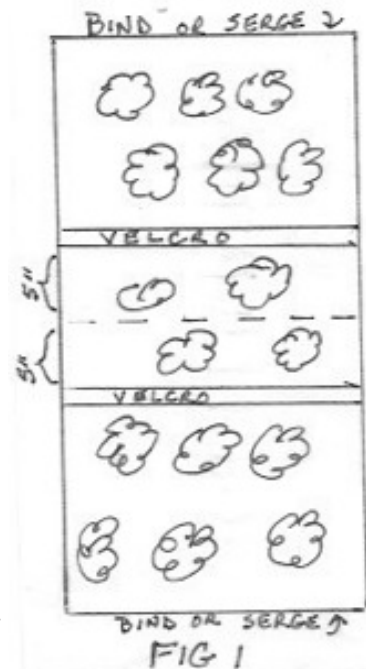
- 1/2 yard double sided pre-quilted fabric OR 1/2 yard of 2 fabrics and batting
- 1/4 yard fabric for binding
- 1 yard sew-on Velcro

Preparation

- Option 1: Trim selvages of the pre-quilted material
 Cut fabric to 16" wide x WOF (width of fabric)
 Cut the binding fabric into 3 2.5" wide strips OR use a serger
- Option 2: Cut fabrics and batting to 16.5" wide x WOF
 Layer the 2 fabrics (right sides together) with batting on top. Stitch around the outside edge leaving an opening for turning. Turn right side out, stitch opening closed. Press. Quilt fabric.
 Top stitch all the way around outside edge.

Directions

1. Decide which side of the quilted material you want to highlight. On THAT side of the material, find the middle of the 16" piece. Mark. Measure and mark a line 5" on either side of the midline. (Figure 1) Stitch Velcro on these lines. When the bag is put over the walker bar, the Velcro joins and secures the bag.
2. Option 1: Iron the 2.5" strips in half for binding. Cut one of the binding strips in half and bind the top and bottom of the 16" quilted piece (Fig. 1). Finish by hand or machine OR Serge the top and bottom
3. Lay the quilted piece right side down. Measure up 10" from top and bottom edges on both sides of the bag. Mark. (Fig 2)
4. Cut 2 pieces of Velcro 6" long. Separate the Velcro and stitch 1" of half of the unit at the 10' mark on the back of the bag so that the excess hangs outside the bag. Stitch 1" of the other half of the Velcro unit to the other corresponding 10" mark with the excess hanging outside the bag so that they will attach when they meet. Repeat for the other edge.(Fig 2)



Walker Bag
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5. Fold up a pocket 9" deep toward the front of the bag on both ends. Pin or staystitch the pockets. (Fig 3)
6. Option 1: Bind or serge the sides of bag
Option 2: Stitch over the top stitching line on the pocket.
7. Stitch a dividing seam in the middle of one of the pockets.
The bag will have one large pocket and 2 smaller pockets (Fig 4)
8. Attach bag to a walker (Fig 4) The Velcro tabs go around a walker leg to give stability to the bag.

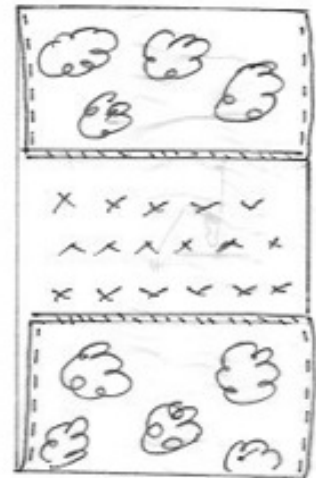


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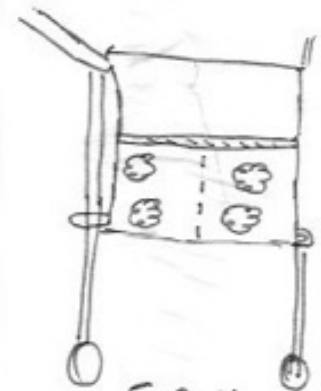


FIG 4

Pattern provided to Coastal Carolina Quilters members for charity projects, courtesy of Judy Lilly. Pattern may not be shared with non-members.

Bev Clement shared this article from the QuiltWoman.com Blog

Ten Reasons to Join a Quilting Guild

Have you been on the fence about joining a guild? You searched for reasons to join a guild and cannot decide? Here, we give you our top ten reasons to join a quilting guild.

1. **Gain friendships from like-minded quilters.** The first reason to join a quilting guild is that doing so will offer you the opportunity to meet quilters and sewers who are just like you. Do you sometimes feel that nobody else “gets” you? Being around people who would rather quilt than do almost anything else will be a rewarding experience.
2. **Get opportunities to participate in swaps.** Do you wish you could join in on the fun going on in fabric, supplies and project swaps? Quilting guilds have them all the time. Get rid of your unwanted supplies or that fabric you never used by signing up for a swap. Want to create something such as a unique block using the latest quilting technique you learned and swap it out with others who did the same? Swaps are fun and inspiring.
3. **Gather inspiration.** What better way to stay on top of the latest trends in quilting than participating in a quilting guild. By being exposed to what your fellow guild members are doing, you will have a constant flow of inspiration.
4. **Gain education.** Quilting Guilds typically have frequent sessions that include a speaker who will talk about a certain technique or design. This may be followed by a hands-on workshop that will allow you to try your hand at that technique. Joining a guild will offer you the opportunity to try out new techniques that will keep your skills growing and improving.
5. **Opportunities to participate in contests and challenges.** A contest or challenge that puts your creativity to use is often a great way to give yourself a creative jump-start. Challenges often center around a central theme. For example, you might be challenged to create a paper-pieced block using blenders and one novelty print. Or you might be challenged to create a quilted pillow cover. This is one of the cool things about being a part of a Quilting Guild.
6. **Special deals for Guild members.** Quilting Guild members often receive special offers from savvy quilting supply companies. By joining the QuiltWoman.com [guild email list](#), you receive discount coupons for your guild members and the opportunity to receive free patterns for your special events. Additionally, Guild members often receive discounts to the best shows and events.
7. **Get feedback and advice.** Imagine that you are creating your first baby quilt and need to make decisions regarding the prints and colors you should choose. Chances are one of your Guild members has created dozens of baby quilts and knows exactly what designs Moms go crazy over. By joining a Quilt Guild, you will have access to the best feedback and advice you can get.
8. **Get prizes and other free stuff.** Quilt Guilds often get sneak peeks of the newest products from quilt supply companies who are eager to get them into the hands of their target audience and get feedback. Additionally, there are often prizes given out for those who join contests and challenges donated by quilt supply companies. Quilt Guilds have access to the best and newest products on the market.
9. **Access to quilting retreats.** Quilting Guild members often have special access to quilting retreats. By attending a retreat together, members get better rates on lodging, food and materials included in retreat fees.
10. **Show off your latest quilted project.** Finally, rounding out our ten reasons to join a Quilting Guild list is the opportunity to show off your work to fellow quilters. We work hard on our projects, we want to share our work with others. Joining a Quilting Guild gives us the opportunity to do so!