

SNIPPETS



ONE OF OUR OWN Joanne Shropshire

This month's One of Our Own is Joanne Shropshire. Joanne has a degree in Fashion Technology and worked at designing patterns for a sportswear company. Then she had her own business, sewing for other people. About 25 years ago she decided she wanted to sew for herself since she spent her days sewing for other people. Thus her adventure into quilting began. Joanne really likes trying new things in her quilts. She has two favorite quilts: her mini paper-piece "Fire and Ice" and a modern quilt called "Totally Groovey."

Joanne moved to South Carolina in 2003 and has taught many quilt classes. She likes to encourage her students to think outside the box and to do what they like. She has served on the Gala committee for many, many years. Joanne was the talented Featured Quilter at the 2014 Gala. She is currently manager at Quilters Cottage.

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Greetings from Bev

Is everyone else as happy to see some nice weather as I am? I was beginning to wonder if we would every see it again! Unfortunately, a lot of people find it too hot to quilt in the summer but you can always make small things like purses, table runners and place mats, and even wall hangings that remind you summer is here!

The Block of the Month will continue this month with the Sailboat, Palm Tree and Christmas Tree blocks. The palm tree will be appliquéd on one of the 12 inch Nine Patch you did in January. The sailboat and Christmas Tree designs will be appliquéd on new blocks. Directions and patterns for them all will be sent after the meeting. I will have some patterns at the meeting that you can copy - please bring cardboard or plastic for this if you plan to copy them there.

Just as a reminder, please let us know if any of our members need some "Sunshine" for an illness or the loss of a family member.

Beverly Clement
President

Notes from Margo

April 21st To-Do List

- Wear your name tag
- Bring your PHDs
- Bring show and tell

April 21st Program – We have lots going on this month. Our very own Sandy Jacobs will do a trunk show and share her journey as a quilter with us. On Tuesday, April 22nd, Sandy will teach the One Block Wonder class. Sorry the class is full. Also on Monday, Dawn Dilley will be doing a demo on the Disappearing Pinwheel block. Learn how to make an effective looking quilt from simple half square triangles. It's similar to the Disappearing Nine-Patch or the Disappearing Four-Patch, it's just how you slice it and dice it. Please come and join us for a day of quilting fun.

BOM - Bev will discuss and demo the tree and sailboat blocks. Instructions for the **Churn Dash** block are on page 5 of this newsletter.

Quilts of Valor Sew Day - Friday, April 25th - QOV organizer, Joan Wobbleton, will be holding the 2nd Quilt of Valor sew day at the Myrtle Beach Base Recreation Center located at 800 Gabreski Lane. They will have kits ready and also signature blocks to appliqué. Bring your machines and finger-food to share for lunch. Punch will be provided. Space is limited to the first 25 so contact Joan Wobbleton at jwobb@aol.com or 843-902-7584 if you'd like to sign up. The time is from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

What's In A Number Challenge – Last month Jerre Reese talked about the newest challenge. The rules are simple and it involves the number three (3). You may enter a quilt using one or more of these elements: 3 blocks OR 3 fabrics OR 3 items (appliqué) OR 3 kinds of embellishments OR 3 techniques OR 3 colors. The entries should be flat.....please no totes or clothing. The quilts may be any size and will be for your own use. The entries will be due at the June meeting. If you want to make it even more interesting for yourself, feel free to combine elements---for example: 3 fabrics AND 3 colors or 3 techniques AND 3 items. Just be creative and have some fun with it. Questions? call DJ at 455-4904 or Jerre at 215-4189.

PHD Challenge Reminder - Don't forget about your PHD (Projects Half Done) Challenge. There is less than 6 months to go on the Challenge. Once you complete a project bring it to show and tell and check it off your list with Linda Schillaci, our PHD coordinator.

May 19th Program - B.J. Titus, a very talented awarded winning quilt artist from Coatesville, Pa., will be joining us to do a lecture and trunk show. You will be able to see many of her beautiful quilts that have been exhibited all over the country. Her appliqué quilts are recognized by her use of brilliant color and extensive thread embellishments.

On Tuesday, May 20th, B.J. will be teaching her original design, Toucan by Twilight. The class application and picture of the project were sent out on April 3rd. At this writing the class is about half full. If you're interested in signing up for the class contact Margo Woolard at cdwoo31@frontier.com or 449-3131. We will be showing B.J.'s outstanding original Toucan at Twilight quilt at the April meeting.

Congratulations to the Winners!!!!

Judy Lilly won 2 ribbons at the Mancuso Quiltfest Show in Savannah last month. Also, at the Seacoast Artist Guild Show at Market Commons, Judy won 1st Place for her Postcard quilt, Karen Preston took 2nd Place for her Brunswick Beach quilt and Carolyn Brackat won Honorable Mention for her Ladies Strolling quilt. Way to go Ladies!!!

Wreaths Across America

Wreaths Across America is a national organization whose goal is to place a wreath, in December, on every grave marker at state, veteran national cemeteries as well as local cemeteries across the country.

The American Legion of Murrells Inlet is asking for sponsorships so that a wreath can be placed on every grave in the Florence National Cemetery this December. You can purchase a wreath in honor, or in memory, of a loved one.

The Sponsorship form is included as a PDF in the e-mail along with this newsletter.

This link will give you a history of the organization.

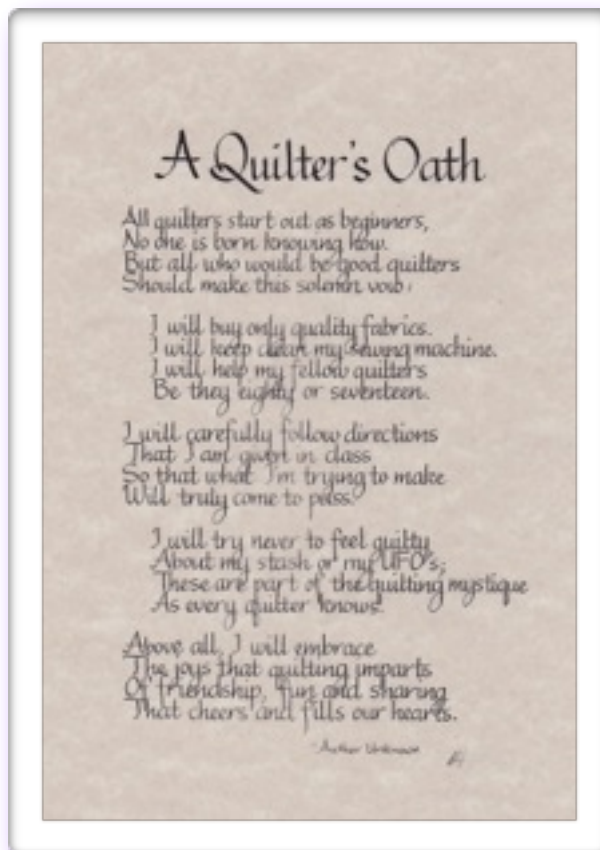
<http://www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/about/history/>

******Membership Updates******

We would like to welcome the following new members. Please add them to your membership roster.

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Did You Know???

How to cut continuous bias binding.

Size Square to Cut				
Length Needed	1 1/2" Wide Bias Strip	2" Wide Bias Strip	2 1/2" Wide Bias Strip	3" Wide Bias Strip
110"	14" square	16" square	18" square	20" square
220"	19" square	23" square	26" square	28" square
340"	23" square	28" square	32" square	35" square
480"	28" square	33" square	37" square	40" square

Here is a link to a video demonstrating this technique,

<http://www.keepsakequilting.com/videos/video4.aspx>

and a link to written instructions showing a slightly different way to mark the fabric

<http://www.sew4home.com/tips-resources/sewing-tips-tricks/how-make-continuous-bias-binding>

If anybody has a different and/or easier method you would like to share, it can be included in next month's newsletter.

Did You Know??? too.....

Free Quilting Apps - If you have a Smartphone, there are a couple of very helpful apps for quilters. The 1st is from Robert Kaufman, called Quilt Calc. It helps you figure the yardage you need for your quilts and the 2nd one is called Fraction Plus and helps with figuring out those pesky

Churn Dash Blocks for our 2014 BOM -

I was reminded that no directions have gone out for the churn dash blocks so here they are.

Finished size of the churn dash blocks will be 14 inches square (plus 1/2 inch seam allowances).

There are 2 blocks on each quilt. On the Christmas quilt, one is yellow, blue and white and one is yellow, blue and red.

On the summer quilt, one block is yellow, orange and white and the other is green, orange and white.

For the Christmas quilt -

Cut one white square and one blue square 9 1/2 inches. These will be the centers.

Cut four 5-inch yellow squares and two 5-inch blue and two 5-inch red squares. Use these to make half square triangles - one for each corner of each block. Red and yellow for one block and blue and yellow for the other.

Cut eight yellow strips 2 1/2 x 6 1/2 inches, 4 blue and 4 red strips the same size. Sew the 4 blue to 4 of the yellow to make 4 rectangles, each measuring 4 1/2 x 6 1/2. Use the other 4 yellow and the 4 red to make 4 more rectangles.

Now sew everything together - the top row will be a half square triangle - rectangle - half square triangle. Second row is one rectangle, the center square, then another rectangle. And the bottom row is the same as the first. On each of these the yellow parts should be on the outer edge of the finished block.

For the Summer quilt -

Cut two white squares 9 1/2 inches. These will be the centers.

Cut four 5-inch orange squares and two 5-inch green and two 5-inch yellow squares. Use these to make half square triangles - one for each corner of each block. Green and orange for one block and orange and yellow for the other.

Cut eight orange strips 2 1/2 x 6 1/2 inches, 4 green and 4 yellow strips the same size. Sew the 4 green to 4 of the orange to make 4 rectangles, each measuring 4 1/2 x 6 1/2. Use the other 4 orange and the 4 yellow to make 4 more rectangles.

Now sew everything together - the top row will be a half square triangle - rectangle - half square triangle. Second row is one rectangle, the center square, then another rectangle. And the bottom row is the same as the first. On one of these the yellow parts should be on the outer edge of the finished block - on the other, the green will be on the outer edge.

We will appliqué something in the center of these blocks later.

If you have any questions, please contact me at Ms2001@aol.com

Beverly Clement

