Silver Threads Quilt Guild

Meeting Date and Time: September 11th, 2008.
Social Hour 6:00 to 6:30
Meeting starts at 6:30
Meetings are held at the First Christian Church in Fort Walton Beach, FL
Website: http://www.silverthreadsquiltguild.org

From Your President:

I hope everyone had a nice Labor Day and stayed dry. I am sure our thoughts go out to everyone further west and hope Gustav passed through without too much damage.

Last months " Members teaching Members" was fun, so this month's program should be also! We will be releasing the survey results 1st and then having our Setting and Sashing program, which Cathy will explain further for you in her section.

Thanks to all of you who have either donated fabric, sewing time, or quilting time for the girls home quilts. I think we will be able to meet the request, but only because of you. I hope to see all of you at the meeting :-)

Jeanie's Blog

Not only is this a simple scrap quilt, but also Bonnie's site is a great place for free stash busting ideas, www.quiltville.com/boxystars.shtml

Jeanie

Board Meetings:

Your 2008 board will be meeting just prior to our normal guild meeting on the second Thursday of each month.

Raffle Donations This Month:

Florence Arthur
Barbara Harrington
Chris Maher
Susan McNair

Membership News:

Hello fellow quilters! In August we had 43 out of 65 members present. We had 32 surveys returned. Thanks to all who took time to have their voices heard. Please come to September's meeting for the slideshow of the results!

Lyn Woods

Birthdays:

Happy August birthdays to:

Susan Beck
Mari Bennett
Laura Gamble
Sherri Hayes
Dottie Niebler
Barbara Tyler

Programs:

I would have to say my favorite portion of the monthly meeting is Show n Tell. I am so inspired by each of you. If only I still had the energy when I got home to get something accomplished. This month we are continuing with the "Members Teaching Members" theme by request and asking that you bring quilt tops (they do not have to be quilted)or quilts with different Sashings and Settings. If you showed it at a previous meeting, no worries-show it again. It will count as a new show and tell and I bet it will inspire a member to try something different.

Cathy Messner

Charities:

We are planning another charity sew next meeting day, September 11th starting at 1:00 pm. You can bring whatever you are working on. Thanks to Lyn and Jeanie, we will have stocking kits ready to sew also. If you are working on a twin size quilt for Children's Home Society for the girl's home, bring those too. We need to wrap up as much as we can, because we will present the quilts we have finished and stockings at the October meeting.

Here are the August totals: one fabulous Christmas quilt beautifully quilted by Patty (all it needs is the binding finished!), 64 Christmas stockings, 14 baby panel quilts, 20 lap size quilts, 4 large quilts,108 blocks, about 28 bazaar items, 42 finished Kid Comfort quilts and 2 pillowcases.

Bring your money to the next meeting to buy your raffle tickets for the Christmas quilt. I wonder how many I will have to buy to win! Thanks for your hard work; many will appreciate it.

Kathy and Kim

Show and Tell:

Keep up the great show and tell items. This part of our program is intended to get our members to share what they accomplish and to inspire other members. Don't forget to come get your pin BEFORE OR AFTER the meeting. By getting your pins during these times, everyone will have a chance to view the projects being shown with less noise and confusion. We have limited the pins to one each month because we want this little project to last the entire year. However, this is a test to see how well you read your newsletter and this month is a make-up month. If you bring more than one show and tell or if you bring a show and tell item as well as a

book on settings or sashings, you will receive an extra pin. This only applies if you need a make up pin. Yes, it does matter what order the beaded pins go on the larger pin. The finished pin will spell out something. That's why it's important to know which pin you need.

Newsletter:

If you have any items that you would like to have mentioned in the newsletter, please contact Sheila Paxton at newsletter@silverthreadsquiltguild.org Please contact me with any questions or problems you might have with your newsletter.

Sheila

Silver Threads Board

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Challenge:

This year's challenge will be "My Round Robin". Normally a round robin quilt is passed from one person to another for each "round" that is added. However, this challenge quilt is made entirely by you. The rules are as follows:

1. Center: Your design-can be anything you like from a pieced block to a pre-printed block to just a beautiful piece of focal fabric.

2. First Round: Your design, but must have "points" somewhere in this round.

3. Second Round: Your design, but must have "circles" of some sort.

4. Third Round: Your design, but must have "stripes".

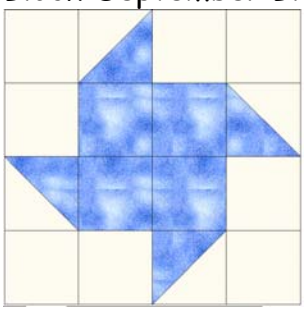
5. Fourth Round: Your design, but must have "curves".

The challenge quilt can be ANY size or even a wearable art. There isn't a particular fabric that must be used. You can add additional rounds, but the first four rounds MUST follow the above rules. If you have any questions, please ask a board member. Use your imagination! Prizes will be awarded for the top three choices.

Block of the Month

Don't forget to complete the proper slip of paper to get credit for your charity items. Your block of the month donation earns you a charity slip. With that said, here is our ninth block. You can make these blocks in ANY color, not just the color shown.

Block-September Block (Makes a twelve and a half inch unfinished block)



You will need:

Light: Eight-three and one half inch squares
Two-three and seven eighths inch squares

Dark: Four-three and one half inch squares
Two-three and seven eighths inch squares

Use the three and seven eighths inch squares to make the half square triangles. Lay the block out. Sew in rows and sew the rows together to make the block. The block should measure twelve and one half inches unfinished.

Tip of the Month:

Don't throw away the spindle you get when you purchase a pack of 50 or 100 CD's for your computer. Just pop a spool of thread on the spindle and start sewing. The spindle makes a great thread holder.

Recipe of the Month (I had a few ladies send me recipes for some of our birthday goodies-Thank-you so much. If you don't see your recipe here this month, stay tuned, they will all be in future issues.)

Spinach Dip

1 package Knorr vegetable recipe mix

10 ounces frozen, chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry

10 ounce sour cream

1 cup mayonnaise

Optional

8 ounces water chestnuts, drained and chopped

3 green onions, chopped

Mix all ingredients and chill. When ready to serve, cut the top off of a bread bowl, scoop out bread and fill with dip mixture. The bread that was scooped out can be torn in pieces and served with the dip or you can serve with crackers.

Reminders: Please don't forget to bring an item for Show and Tell and if you have a favorite recipe, please email it to Sheila. Thanks.