



Silver Threads Quilt Guild



Meeting Date and Time: November 12th, 2009

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

Can we now say Fall has arrived? Yes, I just hope it stays around for more than 3 days this time! This year's challenge was great! Everyone who entered should give yourself a huge pat on the back! I didn't see one ugly block in the lot, so how did that happen if we all started with ugly fat quarters?(grin) It should be a real treat to see the quilts once they are done.

Can you believe we only have 2 more meetings this year? Wow, how fast this year has flown by! I do hope everyone will think about helping Barb form her Board for next year if you're asked. With a little early planning, there would be very little time needed each month to keep the year flowing smoothly. Everyone has ideas and maybe this is the year to share yours..... :-)

See you all in November, if not before and Happy Quilting!

Jeanie Johnson

Board Meetings:

Your 2009 board will be meeting just prior to our normal guild meeting on the second Thursday of each month.

Raffle Donations

Raffle donations this month are being provided by:

Valerie Valade

Sharon Starkis

Chris Maher

Addie Lowry

Please remember that we are asking for only two (2) gifts from each donator at or around \$10.00 each that is sewing or quilting related.

Membership News:

We had 37 members present at our October meeting as well as three guests, Janette Fox, Sherry Painter, and Dottie Cortmell.

Sharon Starkis

Birthdays:

Happy November birthdays to:

Florence Arthur

Linda Frick

Holly Hughes

Jean Mauldin

Valerie Valade

Jean Woo

Elections

Don't forget that elections will be held this month. We now have a slate of officers for board positions. They are as follows:

President-Barb Tyler

VP-Danna Rodriguez

Secretary-Lynn Salsman

Treasurer-Jan McNiel

Membership-Vickie Christian

Programs-Deane Inness

Charity-Nancy Allen

Newsletter-Barbi Ouellette

Programs:

The results of a good guild day were shown at the meeting. The placemats, although all were the same pattern, looked so different. You did a great job.

The challenge blocks will make for two very interesting quilts! Good luck Amy and Barbara; we look forward to seeing the end results.

Our November meeting will be our donation night for charity quilts. Also Chloe and Colleen from ToadUSew will be talking to us and selling their goods. They will be fresh back from the Houston market with lots of ideas from everything they have seen. I look forward to this.

December guild night is party night! You need to start looking for good recipes now so that your fellow quilters go home feeling replete.

Valerie Valade

Treasurer's Report

Silver Threads Quilt Guild Balance Report

Ending Balance \$1568.20

Income (Raffle) 58.00

Expenses (Web Site) 22.00

Balance \$1604.20

Barb Tyler

Charities:

We are planning on distributing our local charity quilts and stockings at the beginning of the November meeting. Lynn Tuele from Children's Home Society will be there and hopefully someone from The Children's Neighborhood and Healthy Start too.

Make plans now to come to the church bazaar on Saturday, November 7th. It runs from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. We will be selling the best chili in town, baked goods, delicious pickles, and white elephant items, along with the beautiful items you have made and donated. It will also be your last chance to buy raffle tickets for the beautiful hand-quilted quilt being raffled that day

at 2 p.m. If you attend St. Simon's craft fair, plan on parking at our church and you can come to both bazaars!

A special thanks goes out to Nancy Allen for stepping up to take on Charities for the next year. We are hoping to see you November 7th at First Christian Church Annual Bazaar and on November 12th at our next meeting.

Kathy Weathers and Kim Hann

Show and Tell:

Show and Tell will be a little bit different this year. For those that bring a Show and Tell item, your name will be entered for a MONTHLY drawing for a special quilt pin. In order to qualify for the drawing, you must show a completed item or a completed quilt top (does not have to be quilted or have the binding sewn on). The block of the month will NOT qualify for the MONTHLY drawing of the special pin. Last month's Show and Tell winner was Ruth Christensen.

Newsletter:

If you have any items that you would like to have mentioned in the newsletter, please contact Sheila Paxton at sewcrazy318@cox.net Please contact me with any questions or problems you might have with your newsletter.

Sheila Paxton

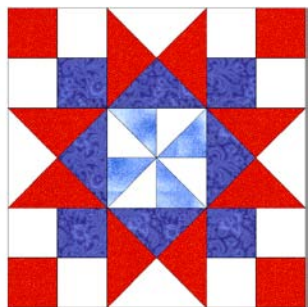
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Block of the Month

This year we are making some changes to our block of the month. We are asking that you make the block of the month in red, white, and blue. Also, you will NOT be able to use your block for Show and Tell credit or for charity credit. If you make all twelve blocks and put them together in a quilt top, you may use that for Show and Tell credit. If you donate that quilt to charity, you may use that as charity credit. Show and Tell rules are outlined above. We certainly appreciate your support of this program.

November Block-Musketeer's Star
(Makes a twelve and a half inch unfinished block)



You will need:

- Red: One-two and one half inch strip by approximately twelve inches long
Two-five and one quarter inch squares cut on the diagonal twice to make eight triangles
- White: One-five and one quarter inch square cut on the diagonal twice to make four triangles
Two-two and seven eighths inch squares cut on the diagonal once to make four triangles
Two-two and one half inch strips by approximately twelve inches long
- Light Blue: Two-two and seven eighths inch squares cut once on the diagonal
- Blue: One-five and one quarter inch square cut on the diagonal twice to make four triangles
One-two and one half inch strip by approximately twelve inches long

Prepare your strip sets first by sewing a white strip and a red strip together. Press toward the red. Next, sew a white strip to a blue strip. Press toward the blue. Cut these strip sets into two and one half inch segments. Make the four patch units as show in the diagram. Make the center square by pairing the small white triangles with the light blue triangles and stitching them together. Lay out as in the diagram and stitch the half square triangles together to form the center square. Referring to the diagram, make the quarter square triangles by pairing four large red and four large blue triangles together and stitch. Then use the remaining red triangles paired with the large white triangles and stitch. Press toward the darker fabric on both triangle sets. Pair the sets together as shown in the diagram and stitch the unit. Make four. Now lay the block out in rows. Stitch the horizontal rows together and then stitch the rows together to make the block. Block should measure twelve and a half inches unfinished.

Tip of the Month:

To save money, use parchment paper when fusing appliqué pieces together, instead of expensive appliqué pressing sheets. You can also use it to protect your ironing board cover whenever you use any type of fusible webs.

Recipe of the Month:

Strawberry Bread

Submitted by Pat Nieber

<i>3 cups flour</i>	<i>3 eggs beaten</i>
<i>2 cups sugar</i>	<i>24 ounces frozen sliced strawberries, thawed & drained*</i>
<i>1 teaspoon baking soda</i>	<i>1 ¼ cups oil</i>
<i>1 teaspoon salt</i>	<i>1 Tablespoon cinnamon</i>
<i>1 ¼ cups chopped nuts, (optional)</i>	

**Save some strawberry juice after draining. Add a Tablespoon or two to batter for extra flavor.*

In a large bowl mix together flour, sugar, baking soda, salt and cinnamon. In another large bowl beat eggs and add strawberries, oil and nuts. Mix together. Pour into dry ingredients and mix well. Pour mixture into two greased and floured loaf pans 9" by 4" or you can use a Bundt pan. Bake either loaf or Bundt for 1 hour at 350 degrees. Yields two loaves.

Hint: Mix remaining strawberry juice with confectioners' sugar and a little water, if needed, to make a drizzle for the baked breads or Bundt bread.

Peaches may be substituted for strawberries. When using peaches, use the large 29 ounce can and also drain and then cut them up into smaller pieces before mixing. They seem to have more moisture and seldom will any additional juice be needed, but you can add some depending on how thick your mixture looks.