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President's Message

The Fabric of Friendship is a patchwork of love. Each stitch loops one life to another, and holds fast the like and the unlike in perfect harmony.

Treat your friends always as if you had all the time in the world to enjoy them.

But remember that it's the small moments which often matter the most.

Dorothy Barr, President

WORKSHOPS

Hear YE! Hear YE! Gather your friends for a wonderful day of quilting! I know most of us have made a New Year's Resolution to use up our scraps, this is it!

Here's your chance to enjoy a full day of quilting! Shelley Swanland will be teaching her **Cathedral Window** technique in March, and we have a place just for you!

Each day will be only \$20! Hurry and reserve your place! See Kris at the meeting, email or call her! This opportunity is open to members and non-members! Limited space available!

Shelley Swanland

Website: www.shelleystudio.com, blog: shelleyswanland.com

Shelley Swanland will be sharing her Cathedral Window techniques. Shelley has developed a machine technique to produce these beautiful traditionally hand-pieced quilts.

Thursday's meeting lecture is "Cathedral Windows and More" and highlights Shelley's trunk show of her work since she developed her technique in 1998. She will show us her quilts as well as entertain us with her stories and anecdotes of her experiences in the world of quilt designing.

Friday, March 15: **Cathedral Window Sampler**

Learn to make a Cathedral Window quilt completely by machine using 3 dimensional piecing. We'll learn the basics then put it all together in a sampler.

Saturday, March 16: **Easy Cathedral Window Flowers**

A new technique makes fun and easy flowers using simple squares and rectangles, layered piecing and features rolled bias curves, embroidery and beading. A great intro into the technique and uses either hand or machine methods for finishing.

Upcoming Workshops!

October 10, 11, 12 2013 Jane Hardy Miller: French Braid Quilts

Kris T Califano Hebert 850-508-7293 krist29@comcast.net

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March - Shelley Swanland

April- This Program is for the Birds!

Our feathered friends are often featured in quilts. Roosters, owls, peacocks, eagles, flamingos, little yellow duckies, Big Bird, Angry Birds? We will take a look at the many ways birds have been used in quilting so bring all of your favorite bird quilts for a special show and tell. Also bring examples of quilted feathers or quilts featuring bird name blocks such as "Dove in the Window," "Birds in the Air" or "Goosetracks." Show and tell will be narrated by guest speaker, Susan Cason, a Master Wildlife Conservationist. This is one of our theme programs so be sure to visit the library table, register for a door prize and sample some bird themed snacks. Note: For organizational purposes, please let Wendy Stone know, before the program starts, about any quilts you plan to show.

May- Trash to Treasure

It is spring cleaning time! Organize your quilting/sewing supplies and bring your surplus to QU's indoor garage sale. Rules: You can only sell quilting or sewing related items. You must register and pay for your table(s) in advance. Each table costs \$5.00.

Contact Wendy Stone to reserve your table now!

2013 ROAD TO FLORIDA CHALLENGE

Hope your Road to Florida ideas are becoming designs and designs are becoming small quilt tops. Please don't steer away from designing a PIECED block just because there are so many of them. Linda O. showed us how to modify blocks to create original ones at our January meeting. Her graphs are on the QU website www.quilttallahassee.com at ACTIVITIES/Challenge 2013. You can also find the Challenge Rules there if you have lost yours. Although there are many pieced blocks out there, just do your best with internet or books to determine that yours is original. Don't drive yourself crazy over doing your "due diligence". 4 patch and 9 patch blocks are most common, so why not design a 16 patch or 25 patch.

All of the blocks will be named "Road to Florida", but you will give your block a unique secondary name. The example I gave in the rules was "Road to Florida - Miami". Next you will need to write instructions so that your fellow quilters can make your block next year as a Block of the Month!. I can't wait for that! You have a good chance of winning one of 12 cash prizes, but, of course, the real fun is in learning new quilting skills! Also, make sure that you are a current member of Quilters Unlimited.

Thanks to Esther Weiner, QU past president, who agreed to serve on the Challenge committee. Stay tuned for what Esther has been "up to" on your behalf !!

Martha Tilden 386-8930 gator1984@comcast.net

ConKerr Cancer Pillowcases

Lovely Ladies enjoyed a great afternoon at the Lafayette Park - ConKerr Cancer Pillowcase workshop on January 26. This first work day was a great success, with a total of 13 pillowcases completed. Learning the "Hot Dog" method for making pillowcases was easy and lots of fun. Working out an assembly line style of team work seems to be the way to go. Special Thanks to those in attendance.

Stay tuned for upcoming opportunities to be a part of this worthy project - and help see that every child fighting Cancer, with a life changing illness or injury in the Tallahassee area will receive "A Case for Smiles!"

We invite you to join this new endeavor.

For more information about ConKerr - Please see or contact Joy Vo, in the member directory.

neo natal little quilts

KITS KITS KITS
17 x 25 Finished

I will have a bag full of kits for neo natal little quilts at the March QU Meeting. Pre-cut flannel pieces and a quick pattern will be included in the kit. You need only to provide the time and love and a piece of thin batting or not (if you think the flannel is thick enough). See you at the March meeting....Come see me for your kit.

Esther Weiner

Quilt Show Themes

We have one remaining theme for future quilt shows, that being Starry Starry Nights in 2014. So it is time to get creative and plan themes for the next 5 years. Please submit any vision or ideas to Marsha Walper, Linda O'Sullivan or Wendy Stone no later than the April QU meeting

Lost & Found

Someone left a blue floral zip top tote bag at the February meeting. It was placed in the closet next to the QU supply cabinet. If this is yours, you may stop by the church to claim or pick up at the next meeting.

Sit-N-Stitch Groups

A "Sit-n-Stitch" is a group of members who meet weekly, biweekly or sometimes once a month. Some groups meet in a member's home on a rotating basis and work on their own individual project. Some groups meet at a specified location and work on a service project. We have several of both of these types of groups in our guild.

If you are interested, please call Marsha Walper .

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Big Bend Hospice 1-3 pm Virginia Lewis</p> <p>The Quilting Bees Senior Center 1-4 pm</p>	<p>Sew for Hope 2nd Tuesday 1-4:30 pm Cynthia Seyler</p> <p>McQuilters Ronald McDonald 1-3 pm Carol Harrison</p>	<p>Crazy Quilters Monticello Library 1-4 pm Barbara Sheats</p> <p>Pin Pals * 1st & 3rd Wednesday 1-3 pm Linda Steans</p>	<p>Sew Arty 3rd Thursday 11:30 am-1:30 pm Kathleen Turner</p> <p>Patchwork & Prayer 1st, 3rd, & 4th Thursdays 6:30-8:30 pm Janice Parker</p> <p>Southern Comfort 'Sew'sciety * 1st, 3rd, & 4th Thursdays 7-9 pm Esther Weiner</p>	<p>Thimble Buddies * 2nd Friday 9:30-11:30am Wendy Stone</p>	<p>Sew for Hope 1st Saturday 9:30am-1pm Cynthia Seyler</p> <p>Second Saturday 9 am-4 pm Connie Beane</p> <p>Havana Sit 'n Stitch 4th Saturday 1 pm Martha Mitchell</p> <p>Lafayette Community Last Saturday 2-5 pm Gertrude Shirley</p>

* Sit-n-Stitch at full capacity

New Sit and Stitch Opportunity

Sew Arty (Art Quilts) 3rd Thursday, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm (bring own lunch 11:30-12:00, meeting starts at noon) Envision Credit Union, 440 North Monroe Street Contact: Kathleen Turner

AQSG Southeastern Regional Study Group Organizational Meeting

This will be the first meeting of the Southeastern Regional Study Group.

The organizers are Flavin Glover, Former AQSG Board Member, (flavin@flavinglover.com) and Sherry Burkhalter, AQSG Alabama Area Representative (sherrysews@aol.com). You are invited to please join us as we study quilts and make organizational decisions. We will review the quilts in the Landmark Park Quilt Collection and personal collections of attendees. Please let us know of your attendance and the quilt collection you could bring.

Date: Friday and Saturday, March 22 and 23, 2013

We will have a Meet and Greet at a local restaurant, Panera Bread, on Friday night for dinner and our quilt study time will be Saturday at Landmark Park.

Meeting Places:

Friday night at 6pm, Panera Bread, 3515 Ross Clark Circle, just behind the hotel. Any early arrivals are invited to come by Sherry's quilt shop on the square in Headland. It is located six miles north of Landmark Park, just off Hwy 431 N. Quilted Creations, 24 Main Street, Headland, AL. 334-693-5808
Saturday, 9 am–4 pm, Landmark Park, 430 Landmark Drive (Highway 431 N), Dothan, AL 36303, 334-794-3452, www.landmarkpark.com, Entrance fee: \$ 4.

Lunch will be furnished at the park for attendees. If you would like to help furnish food please let us know.

Hotel: La Quinta Inn & Suites, 334-793-9090 3593 Ross Clark Circle, Dothan, AL 36303, turn into the Waffle House for entrance to the property.

Block Price if booked by March 15: \$71.99 / night plus tax.

Other hotels are available, you are welcome to research them on your own.

The American Quilt Study Group establishes, sustains, and promotes the highest standards for quilt-related studies. We stimulate, nurture, and affirm engagement in quilt studies and provide opportunities for its dissemination. The American Quilt Study Group is a non-profit quilt research organization with over 1,000 members in the U.S. and abroad. Members of the American Quilt Study Group participate in the effort to preserve quilt heritage through our various publications, extensive research library, yearly seminar and membership contacts. Membership is comprised of traditional and contemporary quilt artists, quilt lovers, historians, researchers, collectors, dealers, folklorists, authors, museum curators, quilt appraisers, and students of women's studies.

<http://www.americanquiltstudygroup.org/history.asp> --- copied

We are looking forward to seeing you in Dothan studying quilts and quilt history. We are also looking forward to the AQSG Seminar to be held in September in Charleston, SC.

Dates to Remember

3/14 QU March Meeting - Program: Shelley Swanland, Workshop instructor

3/15 and 3/16 - Shelley Swanland workshops 9AM - 4PM

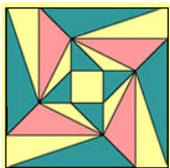
3/28 QU Steering Committee Meeting, 7PM

3/25 Newsletter Submission Deadline for April Issue

4/11 QU April Meeting

4/25 New Member Social - Details to be announced

4/26 Newsletter Submission Deadline for May Issue



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Submit Info for Newsletter!

**The deadline for newsletter
submissions is**

March 25, 2013

**Please submit materials via
email at
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