

TEMPLATE TIMES

Procrastinating Quilters

October 2011

Upcoming Events

- 10/20/2011 October PQ Meeting
- 10/21/2011 Curves & Swerves Class
- 11/07/2011 Brown Bag DEADLINE
- 11/17/2011 Brown Bag Reveal Night

PQ's Website

Check the latest news on our website
www.hypersytes.com/pqwebsite



Note from the editor

Lori Lewis

We had a volunteer step forward to take over the newsletter starting in January, 2012. I won't steal her thunder and tell you....Find out at the PQ meeting next week!!!

Message from the President

Susan Herman

It's hard to believe that October is upon us already! I love this time of year with Halloween, Thanksgiving, fall colors, and cooler weather! It's such a nice break after a long, hot summer. With the cooler weather a week or two ago, I decided to clean out my sewing room closet. I made a huge mess before it became organized again, but it was well worth it. I found lost fabrics that I haven't seen since I cleaned out the closet last time! Now there's a place for everything and everything is in its place (more or less)!

I have made a new resolution to use up some of the old stash laying around and to finish up some more UFOs I have laying around. Wish me luck with that! I don't know about you but new projects have such a fascinating draw, whereas the old ones can wait just a little bit longer... after all, they'll always be there waiting patiently in the closet! Happy quilting!

Susan Herman, President



Mini pumpkins trimmed in Halloween themed ribbon. What a great, simple decorating idea! This idea was found at : www.notjustrockets.com



VP Report

Teri Roberts

At the October meeting I will be showing samples of the Holiday Party Blocks that PQ members can buy and make to have a chance of winning these blocks to make a quilt. The drawings will be at the PQ meeting in December. Jill French showed a quilt in September that she made from the May Party Blocks (bunnies, teacups, teapots and churn dash blocks) that she won at the May party. Jill had an unusual setting for her blocks - it was really cute.

There will be two different types of blocks available. One is a pieced floating star block and the other one is a redwork embroidery block. There are 8 different redwork patterns. Lori Lewis found the patterns and changed the size of patterns to the size that we wanted to use for the block.

Robin VanScoy drafted the floating star block in the size that we needed to go with the size of the redwork block. The redwork block will be done with just one color - DMC Red 321. The redwork and the pieced blocks will be combined for the drawings. However, because one redwork block takes longer to make than a pieced block; if you choose to make the floating star block, you will need to make two of them.

If all of the packages are not sold at the October meeting, they will be available at the November meeting.

For those participating in this activity, the following is listing of the rules.

- Packages that contain the fabric, a pattern, and instructions will be available at the October meeting.
- You have a choice to make either two pieced blocks and/or one redwork embroidery block
- You may make both types of blocks if you want.
- You can make as many blocks as you want provided you buy a package that contain the fabric, the pattern, and instructions.
- The background fabric will be provided for the redwork block.

- The background fabric and fabric for the star will be provided for the floating star blocks.
- A small charge (yet to be determined) will be collected for the pattern, the fabric and the instructions. This charge pays for the fabric, the pattern and the photocopying.
- Your name must be placed on the block with a name sticker or pinned to the back of the block.
- Depending on the number of pieced and redwork blocks returned to the December meeting, one or more drawings will be done to determine the winner(s) of the blocks. The redwork and pieced blocks will be combined in the drawings.
- For every two pieced floating star blocks made, you will get one chance to win the blocks in the drawing. For every one redwork block made you will get one chance to win the blocks.

I hope that everyone will participate in making these blocks so that we will have a lot of blocks for the drawings.

Thank-you!

To all the PQ members that helped with the tables and chairs in September, thank-you. Your help is always much appreciated.



This lovely "orange and brown quilt was made by "A Peach In Stitches". Her blog is at: <http://peachquilting.com/> Great use of fall colors. She made this for her husband.

October Program

Lynn Woods

Carol Henry is an award winning NQA and AQS teacher and designer and has been published in numerous quilting magazines over the years. She is well known for her miniatures and has several collections on display in libraries and museums. As a designer, she developed a simple technique to add curves and ovals into quilt designs. I could go on about her qualifications and accomplishments but will let her tell you more, as she will be our guest speaker this month. Her program, "You be the Judge", will give us a look at how quilt judges view quilts. This is a member participation program where we interact with Carol in critiquing her own quilts as well as quilts brought by our members. Thank you to all who volunteered a quilt. Don't forget to bring them to the meeting! If you ever wondered what it takes to make a blue ribbon quilt, don't miss this program.



International Quilt Festival of Ireland

Janet Jensen

Attention all PQ members! Did you know that there is going to be the first ever International Quilt Festival of Ireland in June of 2012?

Check out this website at <http://www.iqfoi.com/contact.html>

I am working with our local AAA travel agent to set up a trip for those of us in sunny Florida. The event will be the same three days, but there will be a little different tour for us. If you are interested in further details please email me at jjensen2@tampabay.rr.com. We will be flying out of TPA to DUB.

I have always wanted to go to Ireland, what fun to see Ireland and go to the Quilt Festival. WOW!

Brown Bag Challenge 2011

Jill French

I feel very comfortable knowing that you have all finished quilting and labeling those Brown Bag projects! I sometimes wonder why we wait six months for Reveal Night when we all know those quilts/tote bags/purses, etc., are sitting around just waiting to be displayed...Ahem!

So hopefully you are now feeling like you are the only one still working on your project and, by golly, you'd better pull it out and get going on it. Good Plan!!!! We have less than a month until the deadline - Monday, November 7th. Here's a recap of the rules:

- Complete a quilted item, including a label, using at least 75% of each fat quarter fabric on the front/outside of the item.
- Use as much of your own fabric as you like to complete the challenge.
- Turn in your quilted item by Monday, November 7, either at a PQ meeting or at Country Quilts and Bears.
- The Big Reveal of all the items is the November PQ meeting during which they will be returned to their "Original Owners."
- Any PQer not completing or turning in their challenge project by the reveal night will permanently forfeit on the night of the party the project made with their own fat quarters. It will go to the PQer who did not receive your completed challenge project.

I expect to collect a truckload of finished projects at this month's PQ meeting so don't forget to bring yours. If you need a little (I stress LITTLE) more time, I am at Country Quilts every Tuesday if you prefer to hand off your project to me personally or you may drop it off at the shop Monday-Saturday between 10 am and 4 pm.

I can't wait for the fun of Reveal Night!



Great entry decorating idea. www.weheartit.com

Carol Henry Workshop & Program

Lynn Wood

There is still time to sign up for Carol Henry's "Curves and Swerves" workshop on Friday, October 21st from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Crossroads Baptist Church. The cost is \$35, which includes the template.

Carol says, "just about any quilt design with a straight line can be turned into curves". You'll be surprised at how fast, fun and easy it is to use Carol's tools and techniques. She will teach us how to design in the morning and sew in the afternoon.

Please take advantage of this unique learning opportunity and sign up today. There's plenty of room for you to bring a friend or two. Send me an email at johnwwoods@ij.net, or call, 727-399-9407 letting me know you want to attend, mail your payment to Lynn Woods, 9244 133rd Lane, Seminole, FL 33776 and I will add you to the list and email you the supply and suggested fabric requirements.

Lunch is Pot Luck, so please bring a dish to share and your own drinks. Coffee will be provided.

Check out Carol's website at www.minisbycarol.com.



Wanted: Mary Ann Leonard needs a good pattern for walker bags. She wants to make some for a local VA facility. Please email her at marlemom@tampabay.rr.com. Thanks!

FREE bom – Block 10

Little Miss Shabby



Jodie at Little Missy Shabby has posted her tenth block in this free BOM series called Birdie Stitches. (www.littlemissshabby.com). These are stitching up so cute!

Enjoy!

Quilters Classifieds:

Wanted: Used quart or pint mason jars. I need these jars for something we are planning for the holiday party in December. If you have any that you no longer need, give me a call at 727 586-1712 or 727 481-7286 or email me at 2roberts@tampabay.rr.com

Thanks for your help,
Teri Roberts

For Sale:

I have a copy of the EQ program for DEAR JANE that I have used very little. I also have the book put into a binder with the fabrics and patterns ready for you to jump in and make this quilt. It just got bigger than I wanted to tackle. Asking \$40 for all. Contact me at lorilewis@hypersytes.com or on my cell at 727-687-3216 if you are interested. Thanks!!
Lori Lewis



Pumpkin Whoopie Pies

BrownEyedBaker.com

Fall is about cooler weather, beautiful changes in our surroundings and the smell of pumpkin pies. In my home, that means Whoopie Pies. I just love these little bites of pumpkin flavored heaven. They have a Maple Cream Cheese filling between two light pumpkin flavored cookies. The recipe I use is from BrownEyedBaker.com. I know Rachel Ray also has one. I am thinking I may need to make a more waist friendly version but I'll have to get back to you on that! Meanwhile, here is a link to this luscious version. Enjoy!!!

Lori Lewis

<http://www.browneyedbaker.com/2010/09/29/pumpkin-whoopie-pies-maple-cream-cheese-frostin/print/>



2012 KUMQUAT QUILT CHALLENGE

The Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce requests you to start thinking and sewing creatively with the color **ORANGE!**

THEME for 2012:

**LUSCIOUS
ORANGE!**



5 Categories:

Small quilts
Large quilts
Miniature quilts
Wearables
Miscellaneous

Entries Due by January 20, 2012

For complete rules and an entry form go to:

<http://www.dadecitychamber.org/?page=KumquatFestival>

or: call Greater Dade City Chamber of Commerce @ 352-567-3769
or email East Pasco Quilters Inc. at epquilters@yahoo.com