

Newsletter of the Racing Fingers Quilt Guild

May 2010

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May Meeting: Monday, May 17, 2010

Place: Fellowship Hall, Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, 204 Amsden Road, Ormond Beach.

Time: 6:30 pm Social, 6:45 pm Program

Program: "Linus Project and ALS Quilts"

This is our Community Service Project for the year. Bring your sewing machine, extension cord, and basic sewing supplies and we will complete quilts for the Linus Project and the Hopes and Dreams Quilt Challenge for ALS (see note below). We have a large cutting mat for everyone's use; we could use an ironing board or two, and we have plenty of donated batting. Lets "sit and sew" and visit with each other while we get some lap quilts completed for these worthy causes. If you haven't already started a simple quilt top, please begin one now. Bring completed quilt tops and please look through your fabric stash for anything that might be donated--yardage is always needed for backs.

June Meeting, Monday, June 21, 2010

July Meeting, Monday, July 19, 2010

August Meeting: Monday, August 16, 2010

Place: Room 12 Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church
204 Amsden Road, Ormond Beach

Time: 6:30 pm (Bring your own refreshments)

Different location! During the summer months we move to Room 12, just down the sidewalk west of the Fellowship Hall. Since our group is much smaller, will

meet for fellowship—bring some handwork or your sewing machine for an opportunity to sew with friends.

September Meeting: Monday, September 20, 2010

Place: Fellowship Hall, Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, 204 Amsden Road, Ormond Beach.

Time: 6:30 pm Social, 6:45 pm Program

Program: "Paper/Fabric Beads" by Robin Moore

Robin Moore of Ormond Beach, FL, never met a medium she didn't like. Robin has worked in photography, watercolor, acrylics, pastel, collage, and mixed media, and dabbled in just about everything else. She is currently exploring fabric, fiber, textiles, and jewelry.

Robin was active in outdoor art festivals and gallery exhibits in New Jersey and Florida from 1984 to 1995. Early recognition in awards and sales encouraged her to further her knowledge through self-directed study and numerous workshops with Jonathon Talbot, Pat Dewes, Janet Rogers, Claudine Hellmuth, and others. Robin taught watercolor, experimental watermedia, and collage and mixed media at the Art League of Daytona Beach from 1993 to 2007. She has also conducted workshops and presented programs and demonstrations at various art organizations throughout Central Florida. She currently serves as Exhibition Coordinator at the Art League. Robin believes that we do our best work when we let go of our attachment to the importance of the results, and let the art take us where it wants to go. (See supply list on ?)

Please note: There will be no newsletter for June through August; your editor is taking a break.

“Quilts, Tea and Creativity” financial report

Income:

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| Tickets sold (115) | \$2,875.00 |
| Boutique | 276.00 |
| Raffles | <u>414.00</u> |
| Total income | \$3,565.00 |

Expenses:

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| MOAS room rental | \$500.00 |
| Printing expenses/materials | 20.99 |
| Baking expenses/favor fabrics | 203.48 |
| Linda Matthews-Program | 322.00 |
| Sandwich expenses | 112.35 |
| Food, centerpieces, china repair | 199.75 |
| Flowers | 87.75 |
| Rider insurance policy | <u>50.00</u> |
| Total expenses | \$1,496.32 |

Profit: \$2,068.68



A message from Dee Duckworth

I hope you all enjoyed seeing Nancy Mahoney's beautiful quilts and were inspired by her presentation on "Color" last month. Nancy is very generous sharing her tips and techniques and perhaps her program will inspire us all to approach our color selection with a new train of thought!

We have some "goodies" left over from Quilts Tea and Creativity which will be distributed to our volunteers who participate in this month's Community Service sewing ...I am hoping to see a good turn-out!



Suggested supplies for paper/fabric beads

To make the “beads”, you’ll need scraps of fabric or paper that you can cut into strips; strips can be any width, and range from 4” to 18” and more, depending on how large you want your beads.

Fabric: I find that 100% cotton works quite well (hint: if you pre-treat the cotton with fabric stiffener or spray starch, it is much easier to work with); synthetics such as acetate, rayon, lame, chiffon, lightweight polyester etc. are needed if you want to make “melted” beads.

Paper: Decorative and washi papers, origami papers, and various other papers will all work well, provided that they are lightweight enough to roll into a bead shape, but firm enough to firm enough to roll. I have even used painted paper towels to create beads.

Straws: You will need plastic drinking straws and/or swizzle stick straws, which are smaller, to act as a base

for your beads. I like to find the clear plastic straws whenever possible.

Glue: A thick, white “fast grab” glue like Aleene’s “Fast Grab Tacky Glue” works best.

Other Stuff: You’ll want sharp scissors for cutting the straws and the paper and fabric. If you have a cutting mat, straightedge, and rotary cutter, these will work quite well for longer strips. I made a “drying rack” for my beads by cutting notches along both sides of a shoebox, and then placing knitting needles or wooden skewers in the notches to hold the beads up while they dry. Clothespins can clamp the beads together until the glue sets.

Embellishments: Basically anything that can be rolled, wrapped, and glued can be used to enhance your beads. I like fibers, ribbon, thin wire threaded with seed beads, and dimensional fabric paint.



Welcome to this new member

Lorell Remington, 478 Hammock Lane, Ormond Beach, FL 32174, (677-2976) nhrems@att.net
Originally from New Hampshire, Lorell is now a full-time resident in this area. A spinner and weaver for

many years she has been quilting for about a year and is mainly interested in contemporary quilts and machine quilting.



Hospitality: Our thanks to Sally McCarrol (beverages), and Jean Roth (sweet indulgence) for providing refreshments for this month's meeting. Would someone like to provide a healthy snack? Please contact Jan Beard (672-9693 or Jbeard8@cfl.rr.com) if you would like to help us out.

Happy birthday to: Zee Rogers, 5/23; Judy Viviano, 6/4; Monique Foley, 6/5; Marian Huey, 7/2; Jean Roth, 7/4; Glenna Polito, 7/30; Linda Derryberry, 8/16; Pat Aschman, 8/18; Ande Ashdon, 8/31; Betty Vogel, 9/15; Lorell Remington, 9/11; Olga Lincoln, 9/20.

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**PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS AT ALL OF OUR MEETINGS**

*Bring your latest projects for our "Show and Tell" display.*

*Bring your favorite sewing gadget or a sewing tip to share with the group.*

**TAKE A CHANCE ON THE RAFFLE BAG**

*Buy a ticket for \$1.00. You may be the lucky recipient of some fun, quilting treasures.*

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"Hopes & Dreams" Quilt Challenge for ALS

Quilter Dream Batting has invited us to participate in a very special event, the Hopes & Dreams Quilt Challenge for ALS. Please consider giving the gift of a quilt to warm the life, the heart, and the lap of and ALS patient, and help raise awareness and research money for ALS-Lou Gehrig's Disease. Your quilt will do so much to brighten the spirits of ALS patients and to help find a cure for this devastating disease. Since most ALS patients are confined to their wheelchair and/or bed, we suggest the sizes of the quilts be bed size or lap size. For the comfort of ALS patients it's requested the quilts be a minimum of 35" x 44." Larger quilts of all sizes are welcomed. Donated quilts will be presented to ALS patients nationwide. Select quilts will be reserved for raffles, auctions and shows to help raise awareness and funds for ALS research. All donated quilts will be ac-

knowledgeable on Quilters Dream Batting's Facebook page and will be eligible to win prizes such as a general drawing, best themed quilt, most popular quilt, etc. (for more information go to www.QuiltersDreamBatting.com.)

ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) is a devastating disease that has NO treatment and NO cure. Every 90 minutes an American is diagnosed with ALS. Every 90 minutes an American dies with ALS. American Veterans are 66% more likely to get ALS, and more and more young people are being diagnosed. ALS patients maintain full intelligence while the disease robs them of the ability to move, speak, eat, swallow, and breathe, Complete paralysis (referred to as a 'Glass coffin') and death is usually within six months to five years.

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**Upcoming event - save these dates**

**Tampa:** Sunshine State Quilters Association 2011 Symposium, **April 6 to 10, 2011**, at the Tampa Hilton Airport. Teachers will be Leigh McDonald, Velda Newman, Sally Schneider, and Mary Sorensen--classes to be announced. Choice of dining options, social activities, time for shopping and quiet time for sewing. Go to [www.ssqa.org](http://www.ssqa.org) for ongoing updates and registration information (coming soon). If you would like to help please contact Dee Duckworth at [Dee.Duckworth@yahoo.com](mailto:Dee.Duckworth@yahoo.com).

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