

SNIPPETS

May 2024

- the monthly newsletter of Coastal Carolina Quilters

President's Message

May CCQ Presidents Note

It's May everyone. Kentucky Derby, Cinco De Mayo and Mother's Day will all be celebrated this month. Prom season and graduations aren't far behind. Many of us will be traveling to see family as they take part in these terrific life moments.

The weather will be changing and many of us will take a break from our sewing machines and get into the garden to plant some flowers and or veggies.

Many of our snowbirds have or will be leaving the MB area not to return until fall. You will all be missed so hurry back. For those of us staying in town for the summer, let's see those beautiful quilts!

"Beautiful things come together one stitch at a time." — Unknown

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Remember ...

- ⇒ **Obtain parking pass from office for 2024 cost \$1.00 bring vehicle registration (near entrance)**
- ⇒ **Wear your name tag! Be entered into the drawing for fat quarters!**
- ⇒ **Sign up for upcoming classes!**
- ⇒ **Check the Important Dates**

Important Dates: All events are held at Oceanside Village Recreation Center unless otherwise noted.

May 20, 2024	9:00 am	Boad of Directors Meeting
May 20, 2024	10:00 am	CCQ Meeting Feed Sack Trunk Show
May 20, 2024	12:30	Tea Towel Crayon Workshop – Brenda Grampas
June 17, 2024	10:00 am	CCQ Meeting and Trunk Show (Karen Bennett)
July 15, 2024	9:00 am	Charity Sew
August 2024	9:00 am	Charity Sew

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This month we will get to see a Feed Sack Trunk Show **(see page 3)**.

Brenda Grampas and I hope you have signed up for the tea towel Crayon Workshop **(see page 4 thru 6)** . It looks like it will be fun!

Margo is looking for help getting 300 bags done for charity. If you can take a stack home with you, I'm sure she would be very grateful.

The **2025** Meet the Quilters committee is getting into full swing, we will need many hands to pull off a great event! Wishing all those traveling this month a safe trip.

Lou Veverka



Program News

Joanne Shropshire

This month we will have Cecilia from Pat's Sacks give us a trunk show on feed sacks. If you never heard the history of feed sacks this will be an interesting trunk show. Cecilia's love of feed sacks was inherited from her mom who the company is named after. She vends at many shows. She had a lovely booth at the Lancaster show in early April. She will have some stuff for sale so you might want to bring funds especially if you have any old quilts that need mending. I think this trunk show will be intriguing as we have never had this topic done in the 20 years, I have been a member.



Did you know? There's a CCQ Facebook Group. Search for "Coastal Carolina Quilters" and ask to join the group!

Program News

Joanne Shropshire

Tea Towel Crayon Workshop



May Reminders

- Feed Sack Trunk Show
- Tea Towel Crayon Workshop
- Bring lunch to the May Workshop
- Take Home a Charity Kit to Sew

Program News

Joanne Shropshire

Tinting – Adding Color to Fabrics with Crayons Workshop with Brenda Grampas
Monday May 20, 2024- After Meeting

Learn to use crayons to tint designs on fabrics like it was done in the 1930's & 1940's. Designs can be outlined with machine stitching, hand embroidery or micron pigma pens.

Supply list:

- Tea Towel, cotton flour sack, or plain cotton fabric in white or light color. (Size: Approx. 18"x22")
See page 4 for a picture of the tea towel
- Box of regular Crayola crayons – 24 count or more
- Sheet of fine grit sandpaper – 200 grit
- 5 Sheets of plain white copy paper or plain white paper towels
- Iron & ironing board or pad

Optional:

- Micron pigma pen = 05 size – black or brown color
- Embroidery supplies: hoop, needle, DMC embroidery floss or peal cotton

Upcoming Programs

May – *Feed Sack Trunk Show*

May – *Tea Towel Crayon Workshop*

June – *Trunk Show – Karen Bennett*

July – *Charity Sew*

August – *Charity Sew*

Do you have ideas for a class or program? Please share them with Joanne Shropshire!

Tea Towel Crayon Workshop

Cost: \$20

Date: Monday, May 20, 2024, from 12:30—
4:30 pm

Supply List: On page 5!

Make check for **\$20** payable to CCQ and mail to:

Virginia Bowerman
16 Elderberry Lane
Pawley's Island, SC 29585

CLIP AND MAIL WITH CHECK

NAME—PLEASE PRINT

EMAIL

Tea Towel Crayon Workshop
Brenda Grampas

Charity News

Margo Woolard

Fostering Hope Homespun Boys Kits: Sorry folks, I messed up when I figured the size of the homespun tops. The kits should have 42 squares not 35 and the layout should be 6 across by 7 down. My bad...should have made the sample first!! However, thanks to Cathy Auguste for making the sample and showing me the error of my ways. 42 squares not only make a much better finished size for the older boys; it also makes better use of the backing fabric. Never fear, we have extra squares and the kits will be fixed. If you took a kit home but haven't made it yet; please bring it back and exchange it or take 7 more squares.

Bead Bag and Baby Kits: Can you believe it? It's May already! Which means we are only two months away from the summer workshops. Preparations are being made and there are still lots of things yet to do. If you took any bead bags or baby kits home to sew; please return them this month if possible. Thank You!

Kits, kits and more kits: We would like to welcome Beth Leonard to our charity kit making team. Beth has been busy making FH kits from all the sports fabrics that were donated by Karen Fedor. And thanks to all the cutters too. It was a big job and we appreciated the extra help. If there are still any sports fabrics out there floating around, please bring them to the meeting if possible.

Longarmers and Machine Quilters Needed: We still have lots of quilts ready to take home and be quilted. Even doing 1 quilt a month is a big help.

Donations to Fostering Hope: We donated another 20 beautiful quilts last month. Thank you all for doing such a marvelous job. Fostering Hope is so grateful for all that we do for them.

Charity News

Margo Woolard

10 Tips to a Better Binding

Tip #1: **Prepare the quilt.** Check to make sure the quilt lies flat and the corners and edges are accurate. Square corners should be 90 degrees; if they are not, trim them using a large square ruler. The edges should be straight and without ripples. Measure the middle, the top and bottom of the quilt to see if the top is square, if not, trim as necessary. The more care that is taken at this point, the better the edge finish will turn out.

Tip #2: **Stabilize the edges.** Using your walking foot, sew a small zig-zag stitch around the entire quilt edge. This will help prevent the top from being pulled out of shape during the binding process. This is especially helpful if there is minimal quilting near the edges. Zig-Zagging the edge can also help solve the problem of rippled edges. *This is an important step and only takes just a few minutes to do.*

Tip #3: **Applying the binding.** Use a walking foot throughout and set your stitch length to 3.0 or 3.5 if it's flannel. You're sewing thru multiple layers; a larger stitch length helps if you need to ease in any fullness.

Tip #4: **Where to start your binding.** Start your binding about halfway on the bottom side of your quilt. Leaving an 8" tail, place the binding even with the quilt edge and start sewing. Be sure to back stitch.

Tip #5: **Getting your corners true and square.** Depending the look, you're going for and the width of the binding you're using, (2", 2 ¼" or 2 ½"), will determine where you need to stop before you get to the corner. Whatever that width is, use your sewing gauge and measure that same width from the corner and place a pin there. Sew up to that pin and with needle down, sew off the back edge of your quilt top.

Tip #6: **Mitering the corners.** Put the needle up and pull the quilt top away from the feed dogs with the threads still attached. No need to cut the threads! Now fold the binding up to make a miter (45-degree angle). Then fold the binding back onto itself; making sure the folded edge of the binding is even with the top. If don't do this the corner will not look good. Put the quilt top under the presser foot again and start sewing the binding again until you get to the next corner. Repeat the process for the other corners.

Tip #7: **Back to where you started!** After the last corner, stop sewing and backstitch again when you are about 8" from the tail you started with. This will give you enough space to miter the 2 ends together.

Tip #8: **Mitering the 2 binding ends.** Lay the left end of the bind flat and even next to the quilt top edge. Overlap the remaining right side of the binding onto the left side. If using a 2 ½" binding, measure 2 ½" over from the raw edge of the left binding and draw a line on the top binding strip. Now, cut on that line and you're almost done.! Join the two ends of the binding like you would normally when making that binding, draw a line, sew on the line, trim a ¼" away from the sewn line and finger press the seam open. Lastly, line up the binding with the quilt top edge again and stitch it down.

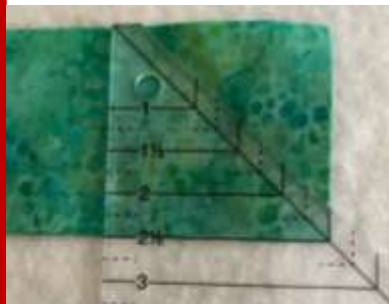
Tip #9: **Pressing is the key** to a smooth, flat and even finished binding. It also makes it much easier to topstitch the edge down. Press the binding up and away from the quilt top all the way around the top. Then turn the quilt over and press the binding back over the edge, being sure to fill the binding completely. Pin the binding in place before topstitching if you feel more comfortable doing that.

Tip #10: **Topstitching** can be done a variety of ways. Use a straight stitch very close to the edge of the binding is the easiest or use any decorative stitch you like. Matching the thread color to the backing makes the stitching on the back less noticeable.

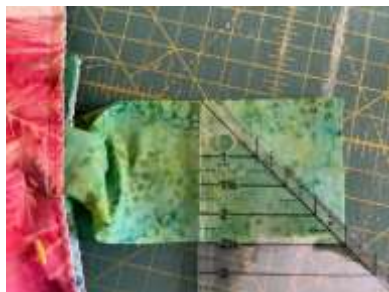
Charity News

Margo Woolard

Using the Folded Corner Clipper for Bindings



- With all binding strips **RIGHT SIDES UP**, trim the edges. Align the Folded Corner Clipper to your binding width. In the picture the width of the binding is 2 ½ inches. Trim this edge. Place two pieces right side together as shown and sew ¼ inch from the slanted edge. The seam should go through the notches in the fabric. Press the seam open for less bulk.



- **Ending your binding:** Leave a large space (at least 12 inches) between where you started to apply the binding and where you stop applying the binding. You will need to join the two ends of the bindings. Trim the binding so that there is an overlap of the two sections equal to the width of the bindings as shown above. This binding is 2 ½ inches wide. Pin your quilt so that one binding is on the top of the other, **RIGHT SIDES UP**. Align the two edges as shown in the picture. Trim the edge and pin the two sections to keep them aligned. Sew using a ¼ inch seam. Press the seam open.
- Then continue to sew this section of your binding to your quilt using the ¼ inch seam.

Sale Items

Kola cabinet \$1000 has lift and folds out both directions to extend the quilting area.



Sale Items

Innova longarm asking **\$22,000** has wheel set if you want to make it moveable. Joanne has flyer.



The following machines are for sale. Willing to take offers:

- Janome 6500 with extension table in a carry bag and machine has a Tutto bag. Asking \$550
- Husky lock machine with bag and some threads asking \$200
- Janome memory craft embroidery machine only comes with lots of hoops and 2 Tutto bags full of stuff for machine plus some stabilizer and box of thread. Asking \$500

Contact Richard at 843-359-1523 (cell) or 843-237-5356 (land line) **leave a detailed message** email address rfedor@gmail.com

Membership News

Mary Terwiske and Peggy DeVivo

Please welcome our **returning members**:

Linda Williams
ljwmrls@sccoast.net
937-215-5618

Susan Yencochic
SUSANY12878@comcast.net
740-424-6737

Please remember to wear your name tag to the meeting.

Mary Terwiske
mterwiske@gmail.com
(603) 479-5141

Peggy DeVivo
madev93@gmail.com
843-340-1727

Wear your nametag to CCQ meetings
and be entered to win a fat quarter at
the monthly drawing!



CCQ Membership Count

125

The Back Page

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May

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CCQ Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6	7	8	9 Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival Boise, ID	10 Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival Boise, ID	11 Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival
12 Mothers Day	13	14	15	16	17 A Garden of Quilts Flat Rock, NC	18 A Garden of Quilts Flat Rock, NC
19	20 9 am Board of Director Mtg 10 am Trunk Show 12 pm Crayon Workshop	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

June

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CCQ Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 Father's Day	17 10 am CCQ Meeting & Trunk Show	18	19	20	21	22
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