

January Meeting: Saturday,
January 8, 2011

Place: Glenn City Community Center
(10th Avenue & 16th Street,
near Duran South School)

Time: 10:00 AM - Refreshments & Social Time
10:30 AM - Meeting

Fat Quarter for January: Blue civil war/blue

Block of the month for January: Weathervane
(can be found at www.quilterscache.com)

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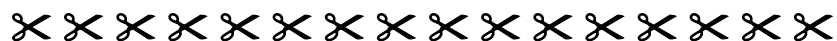
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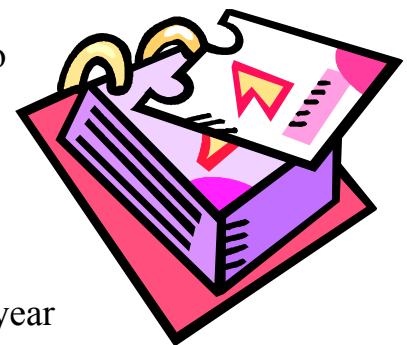
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**2011 – A NEW YEAR BRIMMING WITH HOPES,
DREAMS, AND QUILTING!** What are you planning to do
this year? Begin a new project, finish UFOs, or learn a
new technique? Friendship Quilters has lots of plans for
the new year, including this newsletter. If you have quilting
or family news to share, let Jackie White (205-629-5237,
jwhite813@windstream.net) or Irene Dison (205-699-8642,
irene.dison@yahoo.com) know!! We want 2011 to be the best year
ever for Friendship Quilters!



**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT,
PEGGY WILLIAMS**

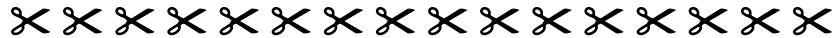
We are needing to have a brief Board Meeting before our January monthly meeting, and I know this is pushing it really close, but we have scheduled this for Thursday, January 6th, 7:00 PM, location - Pell City Cracker Barrel. We will try to go all the way to the back corner and hopefully the dinner crowd will be leaving. We just have a few issues.

Peggy

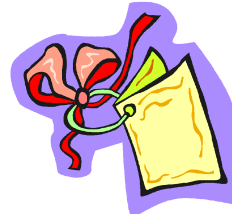


MEMBERSHIP DUES

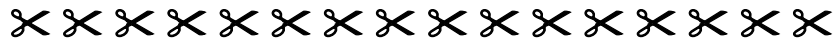
As always, at the beginning of the year, each member is asked to pay their annual dues of \$30.00. If you were not able to pay in January, please pay at the February meeting. If paying all at one time is a hardship, you can pay a monthly rate of \$3.00 per month, totaling \$36.00 per year. Those age 65 and older are not required to pay.



**PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS TO
ALL OF OUR MEETINGS.
NO NAME TAG - PAY A QUARTER!**



**BRING YOUR LATEST PROJECTS FOR OUR
"SHOW AND TELL" DISPLAY.**



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

15 - Jordan Huey
23 - Sarah Childress



CONGRATULATIONS to Donna Nicholson for winning the Best of Show and Viewers Choice with her 2010 Challenge Quilt. It was made using the blocks of the month that she won.



BOM & FAT QUARTERS FOR JANUARY

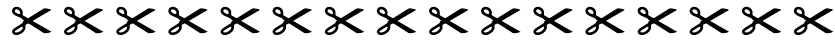
All blocks of the month are taken from www.quilterscache.com. This year you make all or any of the blocks in your own color choices and then make and keep the quilt yourself (that is after showing it off at our annual Christmas party). The January block is the Weathervane (12 ½”), and completed blocks will be displayed at the January meeting. The January fat quarter is blue Civil War prints. If you have any questions about the BOM or fat quarters, or have not received the lists of those for the year, see Shirley Sargent.



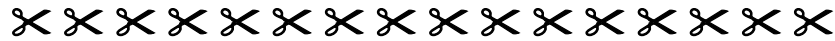
CYBERQUILTING

Have a favorite quilting website, quilt blog, or on-line quilt shop? Share that info, ladies, inquiring quilters want to know! In the meantime, visit this blog – www.shashmanicure.blogspot.com. Guest bloggers have great ideas for reducing or organizing your stash plus plenty of quilts and projects. Don't forget to visit our website: www.friendshipquilters.org.

REFRESHMENTS FOR JANUARY MEETING:
Peggy Williams, Donna Crow & Carol Bentley



Plans are in the making for a **“FRIENDSHIP QUILTERS ANNIVERSARY PARTY”** at our February meeting. We would invite previous members back. We will have a great show and tell, refreshments and lots of catching up. Hopefully we might entice some to join us again. Details at the January meeting.



MEETING OF FRIENDSHIP QUILTERS - DECEMBER 11, 2010

President Carole DeGrenier called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Margaret Rose read the minutes of the previous meeting. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved as read. Motion carried.

Donna Nicholson gave a treasurer’s report that included results of the craft fair, the opportunity quilt and the donation made by Mayor Hereford. Margaret Rose moved; Celisia Burke seconded the treasurer’s report be accepted as read. Motion carried.

Carole introduced our guests Gary and Betsy Batson who will be judging our quilts.

Donna Crow passed out Birthday presents for December birthdays to Judy Boozer and to those who had not previously received their birthday fat quarters.

Carole asked for end-of-year suggestions. Mary Casey suggested we eliminate the two year limit on officers’ terms that is in our by-laws. Please write your by-laws suggestions down and give them to Peggy Williams.

Antoinette McMurdo reported that she delivered the opportunity quilt to its winner.

Gary Batson reported that he will be teaching hand quilting from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on second Thursdays at the Gadsden Senior Activity Center as a part of the guild there. There is no charge for the classes. Peggy Williams says we can carpool from her house. The guild in Gadsden has no dues – they just come and sew.

Carole mentioned that sewing is what we do on Mondays and everyone is welcome to come and sew on Mondays.

Betsy Batson read a “Quilter’s Holiday Home Tour.”

Brenda Franklin passed around a list for refreshments for next year.

Fat Quarters were won by Sally Day.

Blocks of the Month were won by Peggy Williams and Brenda Franklin.

Shirley Sargent introduced the Blocks of the Month for 2011. The January block is the "Weather Vane." We will keep our own blocks, but Shirley asks that we bring them in so that we can see them. The Challenge for next year is to make something out of one, some, or all of the blocks.

Jackie Crumley said that the limit for Secret Pals is \$10.

This ends the business part of the meeting. Jordan Huey moved and Margaret Rose seconded the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

P. S. Sally Day, Peggy Williams and Sara Childress were original members of the guild. We have just completed 10 years of being a guild. Carole DeGrenier presented them with a poinsettia.

Carole gave the Batson's a poinsettia for judging our quilts today.

Carole said thank-you to everyone for working with her and making the past two years successful for the guild. The guild said thank-you right back by giving her a Friendship Quilt. Carole was speechless. Carole gave gifts for the outgoing officers.

New officers were introduced:

Peggy Williams, President; Shelia Robertson, Vice-President;

Donna Nicholson, Treasurer; Margaret Rose, Secretary

Shelia Robertson is our new Program Chair.

Brenda Franklin is Spring Retreat Chair.

Carole DeGrenier is Fall Retreat Chair.

We will also have a couple of 3-day sew-ins where we will also have a teacher.

Debbie Swann and Rachel Bates - Membership and Greeter

Margaret Rose and Beth Staples – Directory

Brenda Franklin – Hospitality

Shirley Sargent – Block of the Month.

Carole DeGrenier– Prayer Quilts

Mary Casey – Sunshine Committee Chair.

Beth Staples – Historian

Jackie Crumley – Secret Pal

Jackie White and Irene Dison – Newsletter

Donna Nicholson – Quilt Show chair.

Florence Kerr- Birthday chair

Antoinette McMurdo – Sew-in's

Celisia Burke -- Librarian

Judy Boozer -- Ways and Means

Sally Day -- Publicity

Jordan Huey – Show and Tell Chair.

The meeting adjourned to a delicious lunch up stairs.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Rose, Secretary.