

# Redwood Remnants



Redwood Empire Quilters Guild Newsletter

March 2011

## President's Piece

While teaching a class the other night, two of my students said they were having trouble with their machines. I took a look at the first one. When I took off the throat plate the bobbin assembly was full of lint. I cleaned it out using a cotton swab with oil on it. The oil acts like a magnet when cleaning lint from your machine. The oil also lubricates the area at the same time. Her machine ran great after this simple solution.

The other machine had a different problem. Every few inches the thread would catch on something and pull the stitches. I checked the bobbin assembly area for any rough edges, but it was smooth. I then saw what the problem was. The student had hit the throat plate at some time causing a burr on the throat plate right where the bobbin thread came up from the bottom. A fine emery board rubbed over the burr solved this problem.

Most of the time simple maintenance on your machine can keep you sewing trouble free. I know it is hard to stop and do this, especially when you are on a roll. But trust me, it will save you more time in the end. Also, remember, your machine needle is only good for 7 to 10 hours of sewing time.

Happy Trouble Free Quilting,  
Susie Freese

## Auction

Wow, what a night! I hope you all had a great time at our Auction in February. We raised a total of \$2581.00 that night. Of that amount, \$485.00 will be given to community quilts for their projects, and the balance of \$2096.00 will go towards bringing in an additional national speaker/teacher. Thanks again to all of you who participated by bringing a basket, bidding on a basket, and/or by helping with the auction!

Cheryl Pekar

## National Quilting Weekend

Well National Quilting Day and our weekend celebration is almost upon us; and I, for one, am getting very excited. Please see me at the March meeting to pick up your Passport and instruction sheet.

If you can't make it that night, I will arrange for you to get what you need prior to the event. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Cheryl Pekar



### March is National Speaker and Class Month!

A "must-attend" meeting! Bring your friends because our March 3<sup>rd</sup> Guild meeting will feature our national speaker, Jodi Barrows, from Texas. Her exciting lecture demonstrates the triangle units called Options TM from the Square in a Square® technique. Jodi's educational lecture on this unique system will motivate and inspire you. Humorous stories plus many quilts from all of the Square in a Square® books will be shown including Jodi's newest collection.

You can still join us for Jodi's classes: Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, "Prairie Claw," and Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, "Ohio Star." Both are suitable for all quilting levels, and both classes will have rulers and books provided at no cost for quilters to use and tryout. Classes are \$35 each, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with a ½ hr. brown-bag lunch break, and will be held at the *Redwood Acres Home Ec. Building*. Pictures of the quilts can be found on our website: [regg.com](http://regg.com). If you have any questions or would like to enroll in the classes, please call or email [gagomes@suddenlink.net](mailto:gagomes@suddenlink.net), and I will send you a materials list. See you at the meeting!

Thanks, Amy Gomes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

### Hospitality!

I wanted to remind everyone to bring your favorite desert or fruit to share at the March meeting. We'd like to show our national speaker what gracious hosts we can be with lots of goodies from which to choose. Thanks to those who brought food to our February meeting. We are always accepting and appreciative of donations of Styrofoam cups, paper towels, or small plates to keep costs down and the deserts served!

Thanks, Anna Gomes

### Technology Comfortable Entry Forms

If you have been to the website lately and gone to the Quilt Show page, you will have seen our new technology comfortable entry forms and sales packets for the Quilt Show. These forms, that currently use only WORD, let you complete the entry process electronically. You can even attach your photo and email to Maggie! However, if you do email your photo to Maggie, you must send her \$1.00 for each photo because she will have to print them out for our reference.

It is a really quick and easy way to complete the entry process especially, if you have more than one entry. Those of us who have used these forms love them. There are some short instructions there, but you can contact Maggie Stimson or me with any questions.

Cheryl Pekar

### Parliamentarian News

There will be an election at our June meeting for the offices of President, Second Vice-President, and Treasurer Board positions. Each of these offices serves for two-year terms. In order to facilitate the election, a Nominating Committee needs to be formed as soon as possible in order to prepare a slate of potential candidates.

The Nominating Committee is composed of three members; and as Parliamentarian, I will serve as one of those members. I will be asking for committee members at the March meeting. I would appreciate some experienced committee members since I am new to the guild and would love some assistance from the Jedi members of the group J

The board position descriptions are posted on our website if you are interested, and I will have a printed copy of descriptions at the March meeting. Also, please feel free to contact me with any questions. I look forward to doing the best job I can as your Parliamentarian. Thank you.

Gladys Hartmann

## QUILT SHOW 2011!! vendors, Vendors, and MORE VENDORS

Save your money!! No more lattes—plan your trips to save gas money, and don't forget to dig under the cushions!! You will surely shop 'til you drop at the REQG 2011 Quilt Show!!

### Have we got Super Duper vendors for the quilt show!!!

Yes we have!! And you don't want to miss out on all the goodies they are bringing!! Right now we have **24** vendors filling **40** booth spaces!!! That's right---they have so many goodies—some of our vendors need two booth spaces!!! Not only that—but we have two more vendors—each wanting a double space and are waiting for room in the show!!!

We know that the quality of our quilt show is drawing these vendors from as far away as Payallup, WA---Nederland, CO—Placerville, CA!!! and places in between!! Some vendors have been here before and some are new to our show!!! Some vendors are local and have brand new items they are saving to break out at our show!! We love 'em all!! And can't wait to shop!!!

The current list is available at the REQG website and will be printed in the next newsletter!! We still need to support our local shops because they surely support us all year long and year after year but—

**Save Your Money!! 'cuz we gonna' shop!!!**

*Vendor Quilt Show Co-Chairs  
Judy D & Gayleen S*

## Moonstone Quilters' Open House

Moonstone Quilters Guild invites those who enjoy the history and process of creating quilts to join us at our monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 23rd, 7-9 PM, at Azalea Hall in McKinleyville.

Our program will include Member's Trunk Show, Block of the Month, Raffle Table, our hospitality, and more. For those who wish to participate in the Fat Quarter Raffle drawing, bring a fat quarter or two of cotton fabric in the St. Patrick's Day theme, shamrocks and leprechauns, or colors: greens, whites, blacks, and receive a chance to win.

Admission is free. We hope to see you there:  
Azalea Hall/McKinleyville Senior Center  
1620 Pickett Road, McKinleyville.

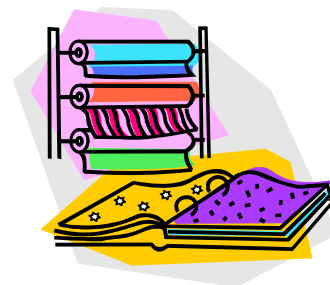
Directions coming from points south on 101: Take Central Avenue exit for McKinleyville, travel north on Central Avenue, turn right (east) at signal light at Pickett Road, go one block, Azalea Hall and parking lot are on the right side. Note landmark: McKinleyville Ace Hardware is on the northeast corner of Pickett and Central

--- Carol Hansen, Moonstone Quilters

## Fat Quarters

Fat quarters for March will be spring flowers. I'm sorry I did not get February colors in newsletter on time.

See you at the meeting, Gerry



### Thank You, REQG!!!

Got a call from Cheryl Pekar last week, the family of late REQG member Mary Ann Spencer had generously donated a massive amount of good quality cotton fabric to REQG, as well as some quilting books. The cartons and bags of fabric filled the bed of Susie Freese's pickup truck and then some.

After attempting a preliminary inspection, Susie and Cheryl magnanimously offered to share this overwhelming abundance of fabric with Moonstone Quilters and Eel River Valley Quilt Guild.

On Saturday, February 5th, a team of two members from each guild divided Mary Ann's stash according to their respective guild needs.

Thank you so very, very much, REQG!!! Mary Ann Spencer's fabric will be put to good use by Moonstone Quilters: Community Quilts, our annual Relay for Life Fabric Sale in June, book bags made by Janet Fesler and offered for sale at local stores to benefit Relay for Life, Veterans' Stand Down Quilts, Raffle Table, and Fat Quarter Raffle. Many people will know, care, love, and joy as a consequence of your kind generosity. Again, our grateful thanks, REQG!!!

A thank you note will be sent to Mary Ann Spencer's family.

Carol Hansen, Moonstone Quilters

*Merci*

### Spandex Explained

President Susie Freese, in the February Redwood Remnants, extolled the Spandex in her quilting jeans for the comfort it provides.

Spandex is the generic name for Lycra, the fiber trademark of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Company. Spandex, as defined in the Federal Trade Commission Rules, is a manufactured fiber in which the fiber-forming substance is a long chain synthetic polymer composed of at least 85% of a segmented polyurethane.

Spandex is extruded in a multiplicity of fine filaments which immediately form a monofilament.

This fiber is light in weight, soft, smooth, can be stretched over 500% without breaking, can be stretched repeatedly and still recover instantly its original length, does not suffer deterioration from oxidation as does fine rubber thread, and is not damaged by body oils, perspiration, lotions, or detergents. Truly a wonder fiber for our clothing!

*Source: Man Made Fibers: A Summary of Origins, Characteristics, and Uses by the Man-Made Fiber Producers Association, Inc.*

--- Carol Hansen

### Quilt Show - Wearable Art/Three Dimensional Entries Needed

Please remember to enter your beautiful quilted clothing, place mats/runners, and all of the great quilted handbags that are showing up at meetings. There are many unique creations out there, and we would love to see them on display at our quilt show. Also, any Challenge quilts entered do not count towards a guild member's three free entries. We are looking forward to displaying our "animal menagerie."

Any questions - call Gladys Hartmann  
Wearable Arts Chairperson

### Marketplace Update

We are up to 26 members who have indicated an interest in making and selling items in the marketplace. Based on the interest shown so far, it looks like we will probably have a "Holiday Dazzle" display area for items such as Christmas ornaments, Christmas stockings, tree skirts and wall hangings. The area will contain items for other holidays as well – so don't forget to think about items for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Valentines, Halloween, and Thanksgiving.

Because we have a number of people making things for children, there will also be a "Children's Corner" inside the marketplace. This is where we will group children's aprons, games, quillows (quilts that fold into a pillow), doll blankets, crayon holders, etc.

We have clothing racks for displaying apparel, so get busy and make some quilted vests and appliquéd jackets. We have plenty of room to display wall hangings and small quilts so get those finished and have them ready for the Marketplace.

If you have already signed up to sell items at the marketplace, please bring one to display at the March General Meeting. Putting items on display helps to generate ideas and we need a lot more items to make the marketplace a success.

Instructions and a contract will be emailed to those members on the newsletter email list. These two items are also on the REQG web site; plus, the contract may be filled out online if you choose the web option. All members not wishing to use either these sources may pick up the instructions and contract at the guild meetings.

Nancy Frost

### Raffle Table

The raffle table has been lots of fun and provides donations to the guild. I would like to thank our business members for their generous donations to our table. Susie Freese recently donated a coupon for quilting services, and Ocean Waves has regularly been a contributor of books and colorful fat quarters. And a big thanks to our members who like to take chances! The table has been averaging about \$150 a month the past few months.

**Take Note:** There will not be a raffle table at the March meeting, but it will return for the April meeting. Please bring your gently used or new items for the raffle table donations.

Gladys Hartmann

### Membership

So far this year we have 155 members as follows: 141 Individual Members, 8 Business Members, 3 Business Associates, 1 Associate Member and 3 Junior Associate Members. We had 87 members at our last meeting including 2 new and 2 returning members!

Please note, if you brought a guest and did not get a free ticket for the raffle table, please see me at the next meeting. **And** if your guest subsequently joins as a member, be sure I have your name for the drawing of a free membership for next year!

Maggie

**REQG Board Minutes, February 7, 2011  
1502 D Street, 6:30 p.m.**

**Call To Order:** Susie called meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were: Susie Freese, Cheryl Pekar, Amy Gomes, Anne Carlisle, Wanda Wahlund, Gladys Hartman, Sherrill Adams, Charlotte Viredaz, Maggie Stimson, Mary Hall, Betty Hendrickson, Nancy Frost, Mimi Mace, and Charity McAllister.

**Correspondence:** Thank you note from Humboldt County Transition Age Youth Center (HCTAYC) for the two quilts.

**Approval Of Minutes:** Approved as submitted. Maggie Stimson and Charlotte Viredaz, first and seconded respectfully. Passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The two year Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual and Balance Sheet were handed out. Discussion followed.

### **Officer's Reports**

**1st Vice President:** The Basket Auction brought in \$2581 - \$485 was from the Community Quilts/Mary Ann Spencer's estate. Cheryl proposes to give that money to Community Quilts. Discussion followed concerning the best use of those extra monies. Sherrill feels is the biggest expense for CQ is batting; however, there is enough money in the budget to cover such expenses. Susie proposes looking in to getting a commercial grade Accucut machine. There is one currently with a substantial price break. It is a larger machine, (25"x30"x8" and weighs 34#). Mimi offered to house the unit. Will discuss more under New Business. March is a National Speaker.

An idea for April meeting: Susie will do a presentation of quilt block names, their history and design. Discussion followed about making it a PowerPoint Presentation and getting access to a projector. Unresolved. May meeting is dedicated to the Quilt Show so Betty will head that one. There will be nominations for new officers (1st VP, Secretary and Parliamentarian).

June is the final one of the year and will be a potluck. Sherrill recommends having Red Cross come speak. Part of the program will be for the HAF grant recipients to present their projects. Also, elections are slated for the meeting.

**2nd Vice President:** Amy reports there is still some room in classes in March. The venue has been moved to Home Ec building at Redwood Acres. The speaker and instructor is Jodi Barrows. Nancy Frost will be picking up Jodi from the airport on Wed and providing housing. Discussion followed on "tour" ideas to make the most out of Jodi's stay while here in our beautiful and diverse area.

Amy attended the Northern California Quilters conference in Concord, and got some good ideas for possible speakers and programs. Discussion followed. There is a web site available for \$15/yr that lists all info on speakers and their fees, etc. It is by Ami Simms @ aliciasattic.com. Marci Baker was another speaker discussed. Board recommends to use funds in 2nd VP budget to access this info.

**Secretary:** Nothing to report.

**Parliamentarian:** Nothing to report.

**Past President:** Nothing to report.

### **Standing Committees**

**Community Liaison:** Sherrill reports got some very nice fabric from Mary Ann Spencer's estate. Needs pigment ink for labeling quilts. Informed can get it from Eureka Printing. Discussion followed re: stamp sizes that need to be ordered. Currently have five small quilts, five adult size quilts. Eight donated to Red Cross last week.

**Librarian:** Charlotte is planning a book sale at the May general meeting. Currently have 73 textbooks to sell. Gladys notes it is good to have a copy of any Speakers' books. Susie notes we do buy them if the speaker does not donate one.

**Membership:** Have 141 regular members, eight businesses, three business associates, two jr. associates. Have four new members. Discussion followed on membership dues: new members now are \$15 (for half

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year), any previous member would still be \$25 but problem for Maggie is knowing who is a previous member. Discussion followed concerning if there should be a time limit on being a previous member or not (three, five or indefinite). No final decision occurred.

**Newsletter:** Guest fees need to be corrected. They should be listed as \$5 for special meetings, a.k.a. those with a national speaker/presenter.

**Publicity:** North Coast Journal on website. Mary will put article in Times-Standard on March classes.

**Quilt Show 2011:** Betty shared some miniature quilts as ideas to make for The Quilt Show's market place. Betty is requesting a cash register. Next QS meeting is Monday, Feb 14 at 6 pm @ Humboldt Area Foundation.

### **Special Committees**

**Block of the Month:** No report

**Challenge:** Impressive selection of quilts presented at the January meeting.

**Doll Quilts:** No report

**Fat Quarter Raffle:** No report. Board members recommend reminder of the monthly theme be listed in the newsletter. Susie will follow up on this.

**Historian:** No report

**Hospitality:** Not so great participation by members in bringing snacks. Will place reminder in newsletter.

**Preemie Quilts:** Nancy donated three last month.

**Raffle Table:** No report

**Show and Tell:** Mimi and Charity report need more quilt racks since have four no longer functioning. A new rack costs \$200. Cheryl will check on getting replacement parts.

**Sunshine:** Lynn Todoroff's daughter, Cherril, passed away recently.

**HAF:** No report

### **Old Business**

**Plaza Design:** Maggie reports that so far the consignment program is working well and, although the Old Town store has closed and is relocating, all products were distributed to the other stores.

**Humboldt County Fair:** Susie read the response letter she received addressing our concerns. Since all concerns were addressed the board recommends encouraging members to submit items to the County Fair this year and see what happens. HCF also mentioned premiums (monetary awards) and requests we consider sponsoring in 2011. Discussion followed that REQG has not paid premiums at HCF but only at Redwood Acres Fair. The awards have been new memberships only and will remain that way.

**National Quilting Day:** Reminder that this is scheduled for Mar 18, 19, and 20 and will be held at the Eureka Women's Club. There are only five openings left. Susie is buying door prizes at Market. Dinner on Friday night will be provided by Guild, all other meals/snacks are the responsibility of the participants.

### **New Business**

**Acuquilt Machine Rental -** Discussion followed on selling current Acuquilt and placing those monies towards purchasing of commercial grade machine, which gives more accurate cuts. A motion was made to sell current machine. Anne and Sherrill, first and seconded, motion passed. A motion was then made to purchase a new commercial grade machine. Mimi, and Anne, first and seconded, motion passed. Amy okayed to have shipped to Pacific Paper to avoid shipping charges. Will also buy 5-inch square, 2 ½-inch and 3 ½-inch strip dies,

**HAF Memorials:** Have two: Cherril Todoroff and Marilyn Kerr. A motion was made to donate for each a \$25 to HAF in memoriam. Nancy and Amy, first and seconded, motion passed.

**Adjournment:** Susie adjourned the meeting at 8:37 pm.

Anne Carlisle, Secretary

## **Accuquilt Go For Sale**

The Guild has recently purchased a professional size Accuquilt machine and no longer needs the home model. The Accuquilt Go machine includes the die that comes with the cutter. It also has a 6 1/2" tumbler die, a 5" square die, and a 2 1/2" strip die. Retail price on this package would be \$484.00 The guild is selling it for \$350.00 or best offer.

If you are interested in the machine give Susie Freese.



REQG Financials As Of 2/14/11	
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Coast Central Checking	\$ 20,392.70
Coast Central Savings	\$ 19,073.32
<b>Petty Cash</b>	
Petty Cash - Membership	\$ 60.00
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<b>\$ 39,526.02</b>
<b>Equipment</b>	<b>\$ 1,972.61</b>
<b>Storage Units</b>	<b>\$ 1,599.97</b>
<b>Deposit-Rent</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 43,348.60</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
CA Sales Tax Collected	\$ 3.38
Capital Account	\$ 37,758.62
Net Income	\$ 5,586.60
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 43,348.60</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	
Ad Income	\$ 30.00
Guests and Fines Income	\$ 77.00
Interest Income	\$ 4.81
Library Fine Income	\$ 35.00
Membership Dues Income	\$ 3,907.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 282.25
Opportunity Quilt Income	\$ 2,560.00
Program Income	\$ 2,676.00
<b>Quilt Show Income</b>	
QS Vendors	\$ 5,850.00
<b>Total Quilt Show Income</b>	<b>\$ 5,850.00</b>
Raffle Table Income	\$ 673.00
Workshops Income - In-House	\$ 925.00
Workshops Income - National	\$ 545.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 17,565.06</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>	
Challenge Quilt	\$ 108.85
CommDev - Community Quilts	\$ 108.53
CommDev - Fellowship HAF	\$ 50.00
Community Development	\$ 52.97
Historian	\$ 7.76
Hospitality	\$ 79.38
Insurance	\$ 1,621.00
Membership	\$ 21.69
Miscellaneous	\$ 34.97
Newsletter - Postage	\$ 192.35
Office Supplies	\$ 130.57
Officers' Expenses	\$ 212.83
Opportunity Quilt 2011	\$ 34.02
P.O. Box Rental	\$ 44.00
Postage/bulk license	\$ 187.27
<b>Printing</b>	
Newsletter	\$ 898.65
Other	\$ 495.66
<b>Total Printing</b>	<b>\$ 1,394.31</b>
Programs - National Speakers	\$ 100.00
Programs - Other	\$ 397.05
Property Tax - Unsecured	\$ 302.31
<b>Quilt Show Expense</b>	
QS Administration	\$ 102.23
QS Facility	\$ 210.00
QS Featured Quilter	\$ 75.95
QS Gala	\$ 7.62
<b>QS Opportunity Quilt</b>	
Op Quilt-Misc	\$ 115.47
Op Quilt-Raffle Ticket Cost	\$ 454.11
<b>Total QS Opportunity Quilt</b>	<b>\$ 569.58</b>
QS Publicity	\$ 83.59
QS Room Rent	\$ -
QS Set Up/Take Down	\$ 25.00
<b>Total Quilt Show Expense</b>	<b>\$ 1,073.97</b>
Raffle Table	\$ 22.79
Rent - Facility	\$ 2,066.00
Rent - Storage	\$ 1,265.00
Travel/Education	\$ 258.49
Web Site	\$ 131.40
Workshops /Programs- In-House	\$ 304.11
Workshops/Programs - National	\$ 1,776.84
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 11,978.46</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 5,586.60</b>

## Community Quilts Wants You!

Yes, you! Two weeks ago I delivered 8 quilts to the local Red Cross, I wish it could have been twice that as there had been a big fire in Arcata, and 12 people were displaced as a result. Please pitch in and help us keep the Red Cross and other agencies stocked with warm, comforting quilts.

We will be donating again this year to the Eureka High School Teen Parent Program, North Coast Children's Center, and the Humboldt County Transitional Age Youth Collaboration. If you have any questions about any of these organizations, please feel free to ask me.

So, at the next meeting, pick up a kit, top to quilt, or a quilt that needs binding and help keep our community cozy. Also, please bring back the kits/tops quilts you have finished.

We will have lots of kits for the March quilting event, some very easy, and a few that are a little challenging, but not difficult. I love the fabrics and patterns we are assembling, and I think you will, too. It's going to be a lot of fun. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Sherrill Adams



## Greetings from the Library!

Hope you had fun at the last meeting - I probably spent too much money on the Basket Auction....oh, well! And I was having so much fun shopping that I may have missed a couple of returned books. So if I have you listed below, and you brought it back already, just send me an E-mail or let me know next meeting.

Save your pennies for the May meeting **Book Sale!!!** There are lots and lots of duplicate copies and donated books that will be up for grabs, and cheap! Some examples are: Quilting, sewing, afgans, counted cross stitch, and even some cook books.

### ***The following members have books out:***

Margaret Applegate - "Color, the Quilters Guide"  
K. Baer "Mariners Compass Quilts"  
Sandy Benz "Penny Squares Redwork" & "Ultimate Book of Quilt Labels"  
Jeannie Buerer "The Aloha Quilt"  
Barbara Clark - Dahlia Template Set (2 months)  
Sarah Gulrich "Fat Quarter Quilts" & "The Winding Ways Quilt"  
Barbara Gurney "Quilters Complete Guide"  
Carol Hansen "Fabric Collage Quilts" & "Simply Stunning Woven Quilts"  
Kim Hendrickson "Bright Quilts from Down Under"  
Gail Hippen "The Collections Dictionary of Quilt Names..."  
Bev Hood "Attic Windows"  
Nancy Ingram "Designs for Continuous Line.." "Treasury of Quilt. Designs"  
Kathy Lafarge "Hunter Star Quilts"  
Diane Mann "Strip Happy"  
Alverna Moore - CD - "The Quilters Home Coming"  
Diane Pialorsi "Baltimore Beauties" & "Treasury of American Quilts"  
Pat Reeves "Bargello Quilts" & "Paper Piece the Quick Strip Way"  
Shannon Sandlin "All About Quilting" & "Your First Quilt Book"  
Pam Smith "Happy Hour"  
Roberta Waelty "101 Patchwork Potholders"  
Wanda Wahlund "Simply Stars"  
Melody Williams "Skinny Quilts and Table Runners"

# Happy St. Patrick's Day!



## Upcoming Events March 2011 and Beyond by Edith Harmer

Don't forget to sign up for participating in our own National Quilting Days that Cheryl is lining up for March 18, 19, & 20.

Ongoing through April 24: "Textural Rhythms" Constructing the Jazz Tradition, Contemporary African American Quilts at the Museum of the African Diaspora. This is an exhibition that unites two well-known and popular American artistic forms: jazz and quilts. More info at [www.moadsf.org](http://www.moadsf.org)

Ongoing through May 1<sup>st</sup> at the San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles: "Earthly Paradise; Memory, Myth, Metaphor." Features imaginative and large scale quilted tapestries. Also "Eden Re-Imagined", embroidered work for the first showing of two artists from Argentina. Other embroidery work and Modern Mayan clothing and photography of weavers' art work. Museum is 520 So. First St, San Jose CA. see [www.sjqmusem.org](http://www.sjqmusem.org) for more info.

March 2 , a workshop presented by Melinda Bula. The title is "Coneflower" and can be seen on the cover of her book [Cutting Garden Quilts](#). You can view Melinda's work on her website [www.melindabula.com](http://www.melindabula.com) Workshop is open to beginners as well as advanced quilters exploring garden quilts and thread arts. Location: Sew Simple, 2223 Larkspur Lane, Redding. 8:30-3:30, members \$55, non members \$60.

March 5-6 at Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara. "Heart of the Valley Quilt Show" by the Santa Clara Quilt Association. More info see [www.scvqa.org](http://www.scvqa.org)

March 19 & 20<sup>th</sup> Valley Quilt Guild Quilt Show, Yuba City Fairgrounds, Yuba City, CA

April 2 & 3 10-5 & 10-4, Guild of Quilters of Contra Costa County 2011 Quilt Show at Centre Concord, 5298 Clayton Road, Concord 94521. 1 day admission \$6.00, both days \$10.00. Opportunity Quilt "Rhapsody in Blue" drawing Sunday at 3:30 pm More info: email: [bbutler1062@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bbutler1062@sbcglobal.net) or call (925)686-1264.

April 9<sup>th</sup> 10-4 The African American Quilt guild presents "Preserving our Past-Designing Our Future". Show is at Preservation Park in Niles Hall/Ginn Hall at 660 13<sup>th</sup> St. in Oakland. Theme in "SANKOFA" \$5.00 admission. More info: [www.aaqgo.org](http://www.aaqgo.org)

April 9-10, 10-5 & 10-4, Foothill Quilters Guild presents "Pattern in Time" at the Gold Country Fairgrounds in Auburn, CA, 1273 High St. More info: call Marylee (530)613-4251 or see [www.foothillquilters.org](http://www.foothillquilters.org) or email Marylee: [maryleedrake@sbcglobal.net](mailto:maryleedrake@sbcglobal.net)

Think ahead to May ....Quilters' Escape is taking reservations. Five days full of classes, dinners, lectures at River Lodge Conference Center in Fortuna May 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>.

Block of the Month

# Kindred Spirits Block Seven A and B

## Cutting Instructions

Fabrics Block Seven A	Fabrics Block Seven B
A1--Cream Cut 3 - 3" x 3"	B1 & B2 --Cream Cut 7 - 3" x 3"
A2--Cream Sunflower Bud Cut 4 - 3" x 3"	
A3--Green Shadow Play Cut 3 - 3" x 3"	B3--Plaid Cut 3 - 3" x 3"
A4--Black Filigree Cut 4 - 3" x 3"	B4--Green Sunflower Bud Cut 4 - 3" x 3"
A5--Gold Shadow Play Cut 2 - 3" x 3"	B5--Black Floral Tonal Cut 2 - 3" x 3"

### Block Seven A Construction

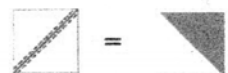
1. Layer a 3" square of fabric A1 and A3, right sides together. Draw a line diagonally on the lighter fabric as shown. Stitch a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ " on either side of the drawn line. Cut the sewn triangles apart along the drawn line in the diagram. Press the 2 half-square triangle units open. Repeat this step to make 2 more units. Trim the units to measure  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



2. Make four more half-square triangle units as in Step 1 with a 3" square of fabric A2 and A4.



3. Make four more half-square triangle units as in Step 1 with a 3" square of fabric A2 and A5.



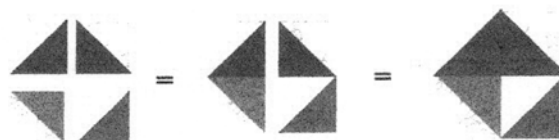
4. Make two more half-square triangle units as in Step 1 with a 3" square of fabric A1 and A4.



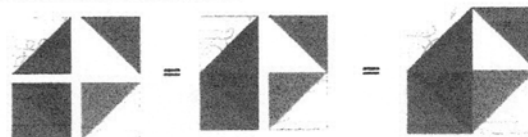
5. Make two more half-square triangle units as in Step 1 with a 3" square of fabric A3 and A4.



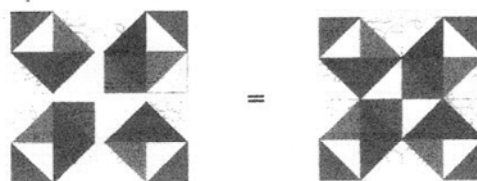
6. Arrange a unit from Step 1, 2, 3, and 4 as shown below. Sew together as shown. Press seams in opposite directions. The unit should measure  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ". Repeat to make one more unit.



7. Arrange a unit from Step 1, 2, 3, and 5 as shown below. Sew together as shown. Press seams in opposite directions. The unit should measure  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ". Repeat to make one more unit.

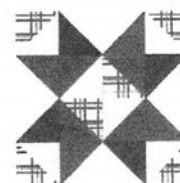


8. Stitch the units from Step 6 and Step 7 together as shown below. The block should measure  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " by  $8\frac{1}{2}$ ".



### Block Seven B Construction

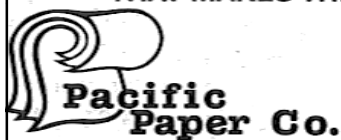
1. Repeat steps 1 to 8 from Block Seven A instructions substituting fabric B1, B3, B4 and B5. The block will match the figure shown below.



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