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*Valentines and
Past Presidents*



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Join us for our
monthly guild meetings,
7:00 p.m. on the
FIRST THURSDAY
of each month.

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Valentines Quilt

Don't Forget
to Bring your
Nametag





Simple Smocking

Smocking Class taught by Deonn Stott at the Mini Retreat



Valentine Quilt



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

February 1st seemed to be a busy day for all of us, but the guild still had a great mini-retreat yesterday!

Lisa Alvey woke up bright and early to let us in the community room at AmBank. She is so kind and helpful!

So many ladies came and we had adorable gifts and prizes.

Thanks to Steve Stanley (Heatherly's husband) for our delicious sweet or savory crepes. He even made gluten-free ones for our members with allergies!

Thank you Heatherly and Chynna for all of your hard work to make it so cute and fun! Everyone was working on great projects from flannel baby blankets to pieced quilts. Carol had a giant bucket of scraps to use up and was working on her "confetti quilt". We enjoyed visiting with everyone. We had fabric covered wire words for the wall and fusible grid pellon to make those small squares line up so great without pinning.

Thanks to Deonn Stott for her mini class on

smocking. She has a great tutorial on Riley Blake with her adorable red gingham smocked apron that everyone should check out. Then you will want to see all of her other tutorials which are awesome! We got to learn on gingham fabric which made it so much easier! Deonn is a great teacher and took time to help us all learn the technique.

Debbie Proctor does such a great job on planning our charity quilts for us and her daughters are always helping out. They invite merchants to donate materials, then measure and cut fabric and batting into kits, then send some home with guild members (we have the easy part in sewing the border edge), then have the FFA tie the quilts. There is a lot of running around and coordinating with people and it is a lot of work which she does so cheerfully. Debbie delivers all of the quilts back and forth until the finished product is ready. If some quilts don't get done, she will even finish them herself. Thank you Debbie for making this community service available to our guild this year and in years past. Charity quilts are so appreciated by those who need and receive them.....



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

About 16 years ago, we had just moved back to Utah from Washington State where we had lived while my husband, Brian, was finishing his schooling. We were in a little apartment and had three little kids and one on the way. I got a call one day just the week before Christmas from a family friend up in Brigham City (my home town) who said that our family had been "chosen" by her daughter's seminary class to receive some gifts. They had been putting together a big box to send to a family. They would never see our reaction or get the "pat on the back" and heartfelt thanks. Their kindness was unselfish. They just wanted to be a part of something good. I couldn't think of anything we needed, and the kids' simple Christmas was already put away and ready, but, I thanked her and arranged a time for them to come and bring their gifts. This class of teens had donated items or money to buy specific gifts for each person in our family.

It was a really beautiful thing that night as our friend and her daughter came and delivered their many gifts. We were really touched by an experience that we didn't know we needed. We watched our children's reactions and saw the happiness on the lit up faces of our friends as they gave each gift. I didn't realize how much I would love some slippers, but there they were! One of those thoughtful gifts we still have. I remember still that as it was brought out of the box, the daughter said it was made by a girl who was handicapped. I knew that meant she must have had to work harder than many of us would to accomplish it and it meant so much to me. It was white with tiny blue flowers and matching

blue ties. The binding was blue. It was one of those perfect sized blankets to snuggle up with in winter, but nice and light at warmer times. You know, the one that is always in use. After all of these years, it has gotten so soft with wear and washing. I had to take it off of my son's bed this fall and patch it up in quite a few places before it could be washed and used again!

.....Please make sure you all take at least one kit this Thursday. Many were already taken home to be sewn yesterday. It is really a small thing but will matter to somebody in a big way by March as the blankets are delivered. Since "many hands make light work", let's not save any for Debbie to sew. She has already done her part!

I am so excited for Thursday night! Time for our Valentines/Past Presidents Party! A few of our wonderful past presidents will be telling a short history and sharing some highlights from their year. They will show off some of the quilts made by the blocks given to them by the guild. Rachel Crane will teach us binding and everyone will take home a hot pad that they bound themselves. If you have time, please bring a dozen Valentines for our exchange. Any kind will be great! Handmade or not, "kid-type", funny, corny, elegant. It's for fun! Everyone will receive some whether you bring some or not. We have a bag for your Valentines to go in. We will have refreshments and a great time! Looking forward to seeing y'all there!

Warm wishes for February!

Amber



NEWS FROM THE STATE GUILD



SNOW GOOSE FESTIVAL

February 21-22 in Delta, Utah. Fun to go and watch the thousands of geese fly in and also attend their quilt show. www.deltagoosefestival.com

NATIONAL QUILT DAY EVENTS

March 21-22 The Davis North, South and Weber Area groups are hosting a fun quilting day at the Legacy Village, 1201 North Fairfield Road in Layton. quilt display, trunk shows, make and takes and silent bidding on baskets and mini quilts will be held. Hours are 2-7 on March 21 and 10-4 on March 22.

The Salt Lake North and South area groups will be holding a National Quilting day on Saturday, March 22 fro 9-3 at the West Jordan Senior Citizens Centers, 8025 South 2200 West, West Jordan. Many short classes and demos, open sew and make and take.

Brigham City will also be holding a national quilting day on Friday, March 14 from 10 am to 5 pm at the EMS building in Brigham City. We have heard that this is a huge, fun event.

THE UTAH VALLEY QUILT GUILD

will have a quilt show April 11-12 at Jamestown in Provo (more info later)

SMALL TOWN QUILT SHOW AT THE ZERMATT RESORT

at the Zermatt: June 26-28 with national and local teachers, quilt show and classes. www.highvalleyarts.org. al and local teachers. If you have any questions regarding this event, contact Natalia Bonner at tally92582@aol.com

BLACKFOOT, IDAHO QUILT FEST

March 28-29 at the Blackfoot High School. www.blackfootquiltfest.comThe Blackfoot, Idaho Quilt Fest

THE HOME MACHINE QUILTING SHOW

will be held May 8-10 at the South Towne Expo in Sandy. This is a huge quilting show with many vendors, an event you do not want to miss. www.hmqs.org

JAN KRENZ

will be teaching classes in May in Brigham City, Salt Lake City and Provo. Watch for more info if you would like to attend her class. Quilt Fest 2014.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

with the Utah Quilt Guild or if you are not a member, now is the time to join to get all of the state information about quilting events and news. New membership forms are now available.

SAVE THE BOO BEES

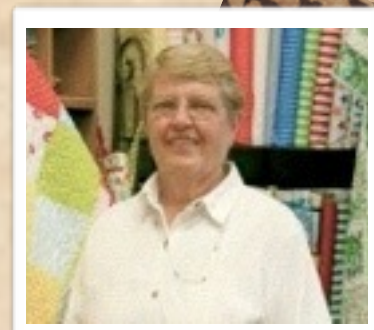
This year the state guild challenge will be to buy a package of 8 pink charm squares for \$5.00, use only these fabrics and plain white in your block, then turn them in at Quilt Fest. These blocks are then made into quilts and other items and auctioned off the following year at Quilt Fest. It is a great fund raiser for breast cancer that the state guild sponsors. The kits will be available for purchase soon.

IF YOU LIKE MYSTERY QUILTS

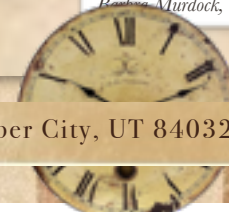
Cat Beckstead and Shantelle Cox are doing one in the Beeline and it just started this month. Sounds fun!

QUILT FEST 2014

September 16-20 in Layton, Utah. Book your room now.



Barbara Murdock, State Guild Representative



It's About Time...

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Checklist of things to bring this month:

- ✓ Nametag
- ✓ Sew'n'tell Items
- ✓ A Dozen Valentines
- ✓ \$25 for yearly dues



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