

Patchwork Press

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 Birthday/Door Prizes: Kayedawn Epps

In Review - INSTANT BLOCKS

WOW! April's guild meeting produced.... (drumroll, please...) 143 BLOCKS!!!

In just one evening, ladies of the guild produced 143 completed blocks, with parts and pieces for many, many more with our INSTANT BLOCK class. These quick and easy blocks will be given

to Tricia Mathis and her charity quilt committee to divide up and complete several quilts for our community service quilts this year. Over 50 hours were logged that evening, with teams of ladies sharing the load. As one would stitch, the other would press and

cut. What teamwork! Thanks to Shantelle, Linda, KayeDawn and Deonn for showing us these fun quilt blocks. Many thanks to everyone who attended and participated - many hands make light work.



What's New - QUILTIN' IN THE WOODS, CHARM SCHOOL

This year's "Quiltin' in the Woods" guild retreat will be May 3rd through 5th and will take the place of our regular May guild meeting. For those who were not able to sign up at last guild meeting, please contact Shantelle immediately if you have a change in plans and want to go (657-0581). She needs a good count for Friday night's dinner.

The retreat will feature a fabulous mystery quilt by Cat, a block pattern swap and tons of open sew time to work on projects you bring. Shantelle is mailing out more specifics, including car pool info to those who have told her they are attending. We would love for everyone to come - spend a morning, a day, or the whole weekend. You can sew your charm quilt together, work on UFOs, Do the

mystery quilt, and keep yourself in stitches the whole time! It is going to be a great weekend!



Charm School

Study Hall is now in session. It is time to study and sew your charm quilt. If you have questions or need help with ideas, please don't hesitate to call Shantelle. Also, if you have not already done so, Shantelle needs your quilt label information as soon as possible. You must let Shantelle know you are making a charm quilt so that you will receive a graduation gift and diploma. We will have Graduation June 7, 7:00 pm. We will show our charm quilts and there will be a Viewer's Choice award. To qualify for the chance to win, your quilt must be finished—quilted and bound.

Queen Bee - Wendy Jones

Wendy was born and raised in Salt Lake City, UT. Her grandmother who lived nearby, taught her to crochet and sew, beginning at age four! She attended Hillcrest and Judge Memorial High school where she was on the swim team and debate teams. She and her husband have a yours, mine and ours family with six children from previous marriages and a beautiful spoiled little three-year-old daughter. She enjoys living here in Heber City, and especially the friendships she has made in the guild.

Wendy is currently working as manager of *Einstein Bagels* in Park City. She loves to garden, enjoys camping and fishing, likes to read but doesn't have time, so she listens to books on tape while quilting. She loves quilting when the squares turn out, even if she has to pick them out 300 times! It's a great sense of accomplishment. Sewing is "ME" time for Wendy. She says she is inspired by

deadlines, and was glad to be spotlighted as Queen Bee so that she could finish two big projects she has been working on. She enjoys participating in the different groups and learning together: Friendship, Round Robin, and Charity Quilt groups.

Wendy loves the whole process of creating, designing and choosing colors for her projects. She is inspired by other people's quilts and likes using different elements to create her own designs rather than sticking to a pattern.

She really enjoys guild meetings, friendships and learning new tricks. She has enjoyed our guest speakers and trunk shows. She loves Deonn's chickens. She loved her first guild retreat last year and thinks it was the best slumber party she has ever been to. That's where she and Shantelle came to realize that they had attended high school together, and never knew each other! What a small world it is in the world of quilting!

News and Announcements

Our hearts go out to Barbara Odland and her family for the sudden death of her husband's brother, Knut Odland, who died of injuries inflicted in an auto/pedestrian accident last month. In lieu of flowers, send donations to the Knut Odland Memorial Fund at any US Bank or TransWestern Credit Union.

Michelle Bradshaw gave birth to a bouncing baby boy in February, then moved to Arizona three weeks later for her husband's job. They plan to return to Heber in about 10 months. Meanwhile, she will look for fabric stores and a guild to join...

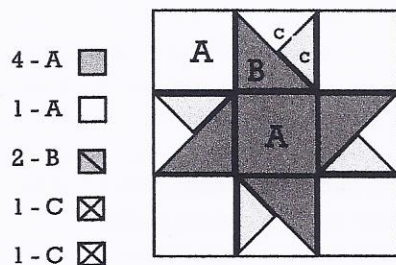
Bethany May and her family moved to South Carolina for the summer, and will return in September.

Charm School

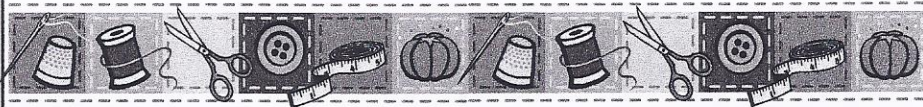
Hope everyone is busily working on their Charm Quilts to complete for our June 7th Quilt Show!

Block of the Month

This month's variation on a nine-patch is the AIR CASTLE.



Please refer to the 9-PATCH CUTTING CHART for the cutting dimensions of each unit for the size block you wish to make.



CUTTING CHART FOR NINE-PATCH BLOCKS

Use this quick reference to create 3", 6", 9", and 12" blocks

PIECE	CUTTING	3" BLOCK	6" BLOCK	9" BLOCK	12" BLOCK
A		1-1/2"	2-1/2"	3-1/2"	4-1/2"
B		1-7/8"	2-7/8"	3-7/8"	4-7/8"
C		2-1/4"	3-1/4"	4-1/4"	5-1/4"
D		1 x 1-1/2"	1-1/2 x 2-1/2"	2 x 3-1/2"	2-1/2 x 4-1/2"

Friendship Block Exchange Groups

The following quilting friends will have patterns prepared for the others in their group to pass out at May's retreat:

- ✂ Group #1 - Jeannine Pratt, Paulette Adams
- ✂ Group #2 - KayeDawn Epps
- ✂ Group #3 - Debbie Proctor

Be sure to return blocks for the following:

- ✂ Group #1 - return two blocks next month
- ✂ Group #2 - Wendy Jones - Rope and Anchor
- ✂ Group #3 - Rachel Crane - Midnight Garden

ROUND ROBIN GROUPS - We're on Round #2 borders. Most groups are giving two months to complete this round. **A REMINDER:** Stay on schedule, return your blocks or quilts on time, or send them along with a friend if you are not able to come to guild meetings.



Congratulations to Brenda, Wendy, Ashley, Rachel, Debbie, Bethany and Deonn for winning top honors in the Home Machine Quilting Show Design Challenge! The ladies held a weekly bee for several months designing, appliquéing, piecing, laughing, and only occasionally crying. The quilt was auctioned to benefit the American Heart Association.

Great Work!

Guild Membership

Queen Bee	Member	Phone
Jan-07	Paulette Adams	654-5918
Feb-06	Cat Beckstead	657-2336
	Linda Beecher	654-1818
	Michelle Bradshaw	480-888-8072
Aug-06	Ashley Christensen	657-0238
May-05	Shantelle Cox	657-0581
Jul-05	Rachel Crane	654-7038
Aug-04	Claudia Daniels	654-3959
Jul-04	Joan DeFriez	654-2124
Mar-07	Crusan Epps	654-5077
Feb-07	KayeDawn Epps	654-0669
	Trudi Harter	657-9455
	Becky Heslop	654-4210
Apr-07	Wendy Jones	657-0989
Oct-06	Tricia Livingstone	657-0955
Mar-04	Tricia Mathis	654-9807
	Bethany May	435-512-4971
Jun-04	Julie McNaughtan	654-5358
Sep-06	Barbara Murdock	654-0656
Nov-04	Michele Murdock	654-4917
Jul-06	Kristine Nichols	654-9004
Mar-06	Barbara Odland	435-645-9145
	Cindy Pennington	654-5212
Dec-04	Jeannine Pratt	654-4808
Oct-05	Debbie Proctor	654-2079
	Margaret Schloss	654-2876
	Kim Shannon	654-6472
Feb-05	Deonn Stott	654-4203
	Sherron Watson	435-714-2107
Apr-04	Christy Watt	654-2888
	Beth Wegner	657-1532
Mar-05	Brenda Wilcox	657-0798
	Patti Wilcox	657-1777

Tips, Tricks & Tools

This month I want to address binding. If you want the quilt to wear longer, try cutting your binding on the bias. Binding on the grain will put only one thread on the edge and that one thread will wear faster. Bias binding is the preferred method. It is best if you use a walking foot when attaching your binding.

Especially for beginners: I find it easier to sew the binding on if you first stitch around the quilt about 1/8" in from the edge. This condenses the layers and makes it easier to line up your edges. I also like sewing my binding on before trimming the backing and batting. Happy quilting,

Mary Walther (Gidget Gadget)

Tool of the Month:

Clover "Needle Nanny" - Brenda's favorite gadget that holds threaded needles in a round disc all ready to go. Check it out!

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Guild Meeting Information

Monthly Meetings

Join us for our monthly guild meetings held on the FIRST THURSDAY of each month at 7:00 pm.

Meetings are held in the Community Room at:
AMBank Building
620 West 100 South
Heber City, Utah

This Month

MAY 3rd - 5th

"QUILTIN' IN THE WOODS"

Annual Guild Retreat

Please Bring:

- ✂ Sewing Machine / Basic Sewing Kit
- ✂ Mystery Quilt Fabrics - cut as specified and bring all remnants
- ✂ Charm Quilt Blocks - Other sewing projects or UFOs
- ✂ Food Assignment / 1 Gallon H₂O
- ✂ Personal items / Sleeping bag if staying overnight

A Look Ahead

JUNE 7th

"CHARM SCHOOL"
Guild Design Challenge
Quilt Show