



## President's Message

What a summer! I hope that everyone has had a memorable one. I know that I have!

With that statement comes the good, the bad and the ugly! I thought of that phrase just now as I was looking for a project to work on. It's amazing to me how a pattern, a piece of fabric or a design seems so great at the time...and then, you get it home and it sits and you can't possibly find anything to do with it or use it in! The thoughts start going through your head of "why would I buy that" or my favorite, "who was with me and why

did they make me buy this!" So the real question is what to do with it all?

The easiest of the three, is of course "the good." As a quilter, I love to display all of my pretty and finished quilts for all to enjoy. They usually bring a smile to my face or a fond memory. They often times spark conversations with visitors to my home. My kids love to curl up in them....this makes me happy. SO, I use them!

The next is "the bad." Bad can mean many different things to different people. For me, when I think of a "bad" choice, quilt or

project it usually refers to my workmanship. I try my hardest to do things according to the given instructions, but some things just take time and practice. I remember my first quilt...this was so bad! But, I won a ribbon at the fair. The hand quilting is spaced so far apart. I used very untraditional batting (a blanket) and backing (a sheet). For me, this was one of my "bad" experiences with quilting. I also use this quilt!

Now, the last one... "the ugly." You know what I am talking about, we all have something in our stash that

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## A Preview ~ Quilting Bee

Labor Day signals the end of Summer for many families. Guild meeting next week will be a great kickoff for your "Labor" Day weekend, as we will be meeting to labor together on any project you'd like to work on: set up your sewing machine, or bring some hand work: needlework, appliqué, crocheting, knitting—anything!

If you have a quilt that you would like to have help tying or quilting, please send a note via email: [hebervalleyquilters@yahoo.com](mailto:hebervalleyquilters@yahoo.com). Let us know if you will need frames set up. After regular guild business, the meeting will also include our Queen Bee spotlight, Quick Tips, and Sew & Tell.

See you next Thursday!



## The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly President's Message, continued

was purchased and is outdated, not the right color or just plain "ugly." I actually have quilts that I made early on that I would consider "ugly." It's sad, but I keep them at the bottom of my pile.

Why are they ugly to me? Usually it's the colors and/or patterns. Early on, I did not know much about prints and color schemes. I also didn't have a style of quilting I liked. Usually my Mom would bring over enough fabric to make a quilt for her and one for me and we would sit and do it. One

such quilt is a Grandmother's Fan. I have since learned a few things about color and I try to buy only what I absolutely love! ... yes ladies, it's anything red! It works for me. And yes, I use these quilts too!

But, no matter what types of projects, fabrics and patterns we have, at some point in our life they brought us the joy that we needed at that time. I have learned that what I might think is good, bad and ugly; actually may be different for another. This is the happiest part about working in a medium with so

many options and choices. Fabric is wonderful to play with.

So, I use all of the quilts no matter what category they fall into. Why? Because my family loves them, they like to snuggle and to be warm, they like to use them at the park (the ugly ones, of course... Ü) and they know it brings me joy to see them being used.

Enjoy all of your quilting experiences!!

*Sherron*

### ~~ Board Meeting 6:00 pm ~~

~ For all current Board Members and interested Guild Members ~

We will be meeting at 6:00 pm prior to guild meeting to elect next year's board members and to discuss ideas and review the guild surveys as we plan the 2010 guild curriculum. If you would like to serve on the board, please let Tricia Mathis know: 654-9807. If you have not had a chance to complete a survey, it is attached with this newsletter. Return completed forms via email to Tricia: [rexpatria@yahoo.com](mailto:rexpatria@yahoo.com) by Wednesday, Sept 2nd, or you may print it and bring it with you to the board meeting. Thank you!

### Finishing Bee

Project to complete  
by SEPTEMBER'S  
Guild meeting:

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### Finishing Bee



Every quilter has them: UFOs— UnFinished Objects taking up physical space in the sewing room and mental space that most busy quilters can ill afford to spare.

Here are MORE TIPS to help revive and conquer those projects you originally approached with such enthusiasm.

1. Set a timer. Work 20 minutes on an old project before moving on to your latest work-in-progress. Before you know it, you'll have "jumped the hurdle."
2. Keep it limited. Don't worry about continuing with lots more piecing. Add a wide border, or scale the piece down from a queen-sized quilt to twin or lap size.
3. Donate your work. Many organizations are on the lookout for small quilts to give as comfort blankets to children in need. A finished quilt top will be welcomed with open arms.
4. Begin a Round Robin with a group of quilting friends. Sometimes it just takes a new set of eyes to bring a previously cast-off UFO to life.
5. Make it a gift. Do you need a quick baby or office gift? By adding a few extra touches (e.g., prairie points, borders, sashing) you can whip up a gift in no time.
6. If all else fails, put your UFO up for sale on eBay. You may be able to recoup some of your "investment."



## Charity Project

Thank you for your contributions to our charity project so far. Our new total is \$245.45. Almost there.... In checking the World Vision catalog,

like everything else the donation amount for the sewing machine has gone up; it is now at \$270.00.

We are a little short of reaching our goal. Keep it up quilters and we'll make it!

We can purchase the sewing machine as soon as we have collected the total amount. There is no need to

wait until the end of the year. As soon as we have the money for our gift a woman will be working to improve the lives of her family and community.

The charity committee is looking for a couple more members. If you would like to help please let Sherron or Crusan know.

Thank you for your support and helping to bring us to this point.

*KAYEDAWN & CRUSAN*

To learn more, visit World Vision's website: [www.worldvision.org](http://www.worldvision.org).



## Sew... you want to be a Quilter...



Every quilter needs a space to design and lay out a quilt, or a place to post the current project where she can see it and make changes.

A design wall can be made by covering a large 4' x 8' sheet of foam board or sound board with flannel, felt or fleece. The large sheets of foam board and sound board are available for purchase at home center supply stores. Two sheets of board would give you an eight foot square design wall. If space is available in your studio, a design wall large enough for a full size quilt is very helpful.

Another alternative for a design wall would be to purchase a wide window shade, and cover it with flannel, felt or fleece using a spray adhesive. Then install it over a wide door or window. This can be pulled down and used as a design wall -- then rolled back up to be out of the way when not needed. Your quilt pieces will remain on the wall when rolled because the back side of the window shade would be smooth and not attract the fabric pieces. But be sure to roll the shade down and up carefully so the quilt pieces don't fly in all directions.

A favorite portable design wall for taking your project to a retreat or a class can be an inexpensive plastic flannel-backed tablecloth (in a plain color). Pin it to the wall or simply lay it out on the floor or a bed--flannel side up. When you are finished for the day, just roll it up and tuck it away until next time. This little portable design wall is great to take your project to a class or retreat.

As you piece a block or partial block units place them on the design wall. Move them around. View them through reversed binoculars, or a camera viewer, a reducing glass (opposite of a magnifying glass), or purchase a door peephole (about \$5) from a home center or hardware store.

## Membership

Queen Bee	Member	Phone
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Feb-06	Cat Beckstead	657-2336
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### DESIGN WALL IDEAS

Time for a trip to the hardware store...

## Friendship Block Exchange Bee

This year's Friendship Exchange is off to a running start! 14 members decided to combine into one large group, and will each make two blocks per month for the next seven months. Those participating will bring these finished blocks to guild meeting:

**Shantelle Cox**—paper-pieced house red/white

**Sherron Watson**—Union Square reds/creams

Cat Beckstead is our coordinator for this exchange. As a reminder, please bring your friendship block instructions to Cat as soon as possible. Download a copy of the Friendship Block Exchange Bee Guidelines from our website:



[http://www.hebervalleyquilters.iwarp.com/box\\_widget.html](http://www.hebervalleyquilters.iwarp.com/box_widget.html)

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## Subscription Fundraiser

Announcing a unique opportunity to raise a little extra money for our guild and to have a great magazine come to your home for a year. As a bonus, you will also receive two gift booklets and two spools of thread for new subscriptions or renewals through this program.

The cost is \$20; \$5 stays with the guild. Purchase subscriptions or renewals for yourself, family or friends and they can be shipped anywhere in the US. If you are renewing, your current subscription will continue uninterrupted.

As a note of interest, last year around 25 people participated, and generated \$125 for our guild. Renew again this year when your subscriptions expire, and help with the fundraiser again! (Bee Helpful!)

Subscription sheets will be available at guild meetings. Make your check payable to Heber Valley Quilters for \$20. Your first issue will arrive in six to eight weeks. See Shantelle Cox for details, or call 657-0581. ~Shantelle

## Monthly Meetings

Join us for our monthly  
guild meetings held on the

**FIRST THURSDAY**

of each month

**7:00 p.m.**

**COMMUNITY ROOM**

**AMBank Building**

**620 West 100 South**

**Heber City, Utah**

See you soon!



Next Meeting:

September 3rd

**Quilting Bee!**

Please bring:

Project to work on at guild meeting, including all supplies.

Friendship blocks for Sherron and Shantelle, plus instructions for your own Friendship block (if participating)

HVQ Survey

Sew & Tell Items

Quilted Nametag

Snack or treat (if you would like)

Next Month:

October 24th

**Bee Surprised**

**Mystery Quilt Day  
at Cat's Cabin**

