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HEBER VALLEY QUILTERS

History Lessons ~ Time Marches On

By 2011 HVQ Guild President, Rachel Crane

This year the Heber Valley Quilters will be studying quilting history along with the history of some of the wars

the United States of America has been involved in over the past 235 years. Our theme for the year is "Time Marches On." Each month we will learn a little more about our nation's history and those that went before us to preserve the ideals the pilgrims sacrificed so much for, and we will focus on the quilting techniques specific to that era, along with the ladies that sewed and quilted and brought us this hobby that brings us together today.

A HISTORY LESSON:

I have always loved history and I have always enjoyed learning about war. That may seem morbid to some, but the reason I like to study war and the brave soldiers that fought/fight in them is because war makes heroes out of ordinary people. War brings out strength,

bravery, and stamina in people they didn't even know they had hidden deep inside them.



War is a horrible thing. Confederate General Robert E. Lee, once said as he watched the battle of Fredericksburg unfold, "It is well that war is so terrible, lest we should grow too fond of it." As horrible as war is, it has been around since the beginning of time. Wars go back in history as far as history has been recorded. The Roman poet Horace who lived from 65 BC to 8 BC wrote this line in a poem: *Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori*. The line can be roughly translated into

English as: "It is sweet and fitting to die for one's country."

Over time, many others have used

that line in derision and also in reverence. Wilfred Owens, a young British poet who fought and died a week before World War I ended, quoted that line and called it 'the old lie' in a poem he wrote about a gas attack in WWI. The film *Johnny Got His Gun* ends with this

line. In the book Gone with the

Wind, the Tarleton brothers' tombstone is engraved with this phrase. This phrase is found at the front entrance to the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater at the Arlington National Cemetery and at the Confederate Cemetery in the Manassas National Battlefield Park. This famous, heart touching line can be found in many other places throughout the world; schools, newspaper companies, cemeteries, military barracks, and universities.

Quilters Report for Active Duty

You are hereby ordered to Active Duty as a member of your Heber Valley Quilters Guild unit for the period indicated unless sooner released or unless extended. Proceed from your current location in sufficient time to report by the date specified. You enter active duty upon reporting to unit home station with payment of annual dues.

Report to: Heber Valley Quilters Guild

610 West 100 South Heber City, UT

Report on: 06 January 2011 1900 Hours (7:00 pm)

Period of Active Duty: 12 months

Cost of Training: \$25 Annual Dues

Purpose: Learn new quilting techniques, teach quilting and related sewing skills to one another,

Sew & Tell current projects and ideas; provide encouragement and support for other troops, participate in opportunities for charity service to your community, and have FUN!!

Additional Instructions: Report on the first Thursday of each month to same location for further training

unless otherwise instructed.

Schedule of Operations: www.hebervalleyquilters.com/calendar.php

Progress Reports: http://hebervalleyquilters.blogspot.com

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COMPANY COMMANDER
RACHEL CRANE

JANUARY ~ Boot Camp: Recruit Training

January's guild meeting will be an overview of the wonderful and exciting events planned for the year. We'll have sign-ups to participate in the Round Robin and Finishing Bee groups. Previous Finishing Bee members, please return your Free Bee button. New participants, please bring one fat quarter and a numbered list of 10 UFOs you'd like to work on this coming year. Send an email if you are unable to attend but would like to participate in either group:

hebervalleyquilters@yahoo.com

Annual dues must be received by the end of January to ensure that further newsletters and guild information will be sent to you. Deliver or mail your checks to Beth Wegner. Delivery: 55 \$ 580 E, Midway

Mail: PO Box 507, Midway, UT 84049 For a guide to membership in the guild, to learn more about extracurricular groups, or for instructions to sew a quilted nametag, please refer to the Guild Guide on our website.

www.hebervalleyquilters.com/guild-guide.php