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What to do with these scraps?



Don't forget your nametag!



Retreat 2011

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

of each month.

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The Stash

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to a new year of quilt guild! Last year we had a wonderful time learning about the history of quilting along with history lessons of the wars of our nation. I want to give Rachel and all of her civil war reenactment friends a heartfelt thanks for sharing their excitement and knowledge about history with us.

This year we'll continue with one theme from last year that was prevalent especially throughout the Depression Era... that of getting the most use out of our fabric. We all have leftovers from each project we work on that could be used in a modern approach to fit styles we like. I don't know about you, but it frustrates me to have perfectly good small pieces of fabric and not know what to do with them. Especially now that many pieces of fabric are over ten dollars a yard, it's important to have a plan for getting all I can out of the fabric I buy.

Do you ever wonder whether the fabric you buy at Walmart, Joann's or Connecting Threads (to name a few places) will last as long as expensive fabric from quilting stores? I do! I thought it would be informative to conduct a test of different fabrics to see how much of a difference there is in quality for the price you pay. The test will continue throughout the year, so we will hopefully see a change between the fabrics after several washings and exposure to the sun. This should help us make more informed decisions for the types of quilts we are making.

For all of these reasons, this year's theme, "Quilting \$ense" was born. Let's be creative and share stash busting and organizing ideas with each other, as well as how to effectively use those smaller leftovers. In the process we'll learn which quality of fabric to buy for the purposes of use we have for each project. Even if we can't afford to buy as much fabric as we would like (let's face it... can we ever have enough fabric?), we can still create beautiful treasures!

Organization

President Michele Murdock

Vice-President/ President Elect Beth Wegner

Secretary/Treasurer Carol Hunt

> Newsletter Patty Wilcox

> Webmistress Deonn Stott

Blogmistress Beth Emmett

Charity Quilts Debbie Proctor

Finishing Bee Bethany May

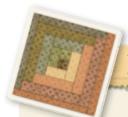
Retreat Chair Tamara Ellis

Friendship Blocks Tricia Mathis

Round Robin Suzanne Mertlich

> Door Prizes Celini Richins

State Representative Barbara Murdock



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January's guild meeting, will, as always, introduce a TON of information to guild members. We have come to expect this, but for brand new members, a year's worth of wonderful plans and ideas can be overwhelming! To help as we begin our quilting journey with the Heber Valley Quilters in 2012, here are some tips:

Bring your checkbook

Annual membership dues of \$25 are due by February's guild meeting. Future access to the guild newsletter, guild correspondence and blog notices will be available for those members who are current with their dues. Our new Secretary/Treasurer, Carol Hunt, will collect your dues. If you are unsure whether to join the guild, attendance is \$5 per meeting after your first visit.

Participate

There will be many projects and groups for you to participate in: Friendship and Round Robin Exchange Groups, Finishing Bee, Design Challenge, and sew on. Keep it simple. Pick the groups you are interested in, and do NOT feel obligated to do EVERYTHING! That is the quickest way to become discouraged.

Think of the guild as your personal support group

Quilters of every skill level make up our membership. Don't be afraid to ask questions.

We are all here to learn together, and you will find that quilters are the nicest people and are more than willing to share their ideas and expertise. Guild is a wonderful place to learn new skills, share ideas, and make new friends. And be sure to check out our guild blog:

hebervalleyquilters.blogspot.com to meet some of the fun, creative ladies in our guild!

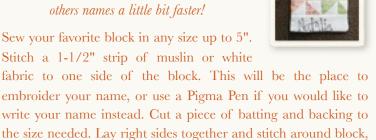




Quilted Name Tag

Make a quilted name tag to wear at guild functions. This will help everyone learn each others names a little bit faster!

Sew your favorite block in any size up to 5". Stitch a 1-1/2" strip of muslin or white



leaving an opening for turning. Clip corners, turn right side out, hand-stitch the opening and attach a pin to the back.

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Quilting in the Woods Retreat

THE HOMESTEAD RESORT

Dates

The retreat is Friday April 27 and Saturday April 28 at The Homestead. It will start at 9 AM on Friday and end Sat 6 PM.

Cost

It is \$35 for the whole thing or \$20 a day. We need your payment as soon as possible. The January guild meeting would be a great time to make your payment.

Lodging

We will not be sleeping at the resort this year. Since we are close to our homes, we thought everyone could go home to sleep. (More money to spend on fabric)

Meals

Friday for Lunch and Saturday for Breakfast you are responsible for. The guild will be doing dinner Friday and lunch on Saturday. We will be eating at Fanny's Grill. Any questions call Tamara Ellis (435)654-4045.



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Checklist of things to bring this month:

- **✓** Checkbook
- **✓** Quilted Nametag
- ✓ Sew'n'tell Items

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BOARD MEETING

This is an invitation to invite all board members to a final meeting before the year begins. We will meet at 6 pm just before our regular guild meeting starts. Also, come prepared to introduce whatever you are over to the guild members during our kickoff meeting.



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