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~~~ Heber Valley Quilters ~ A Forum to Promote the Art of Quilting ~~~

#### An Invitation

Heber Valley Quilters new president, Tricia Mathis, has been excitedly preparing this year's schedule of events. Please join us this coming Thursday as she kicks off her theme for this year.

Tricia has some innovative and fun things planned for us as we meet to learn new quilt techniques, share ideas,

cheer each other along, provide some charity service for our community through quilting, and just plain HAVE FUN in general! Get ready for another terrific year of quilting together!

We'll see you at guild!

~ Heber Valley Quilters Guild Meeting ~ Thursday, January 7, 2010 7:00 ~ 9:00 p.m. AmBank Conference Room, 610 West 100 South, Heber City

## Quilted Nametags



Make a quilted nametag to wear at guild functions.

- Sew your favorite block in any size up to 5".
- Stitch a 1-1/2" strip of muslin or white fabric to one side of the block.
- Embroider or write your

name with a Pigma Pen on the strip.

- Cut a piece of batting and backing to the size needed.
- Lay right sides together and stitch around block, leaving an opening for turning.
- Turn the nametag right side out, and hand-stitch the opening closed.
- Attach a pin to the back.

You have just made your very own miniature quilt to wear with pride! Wear it to guild meeting to be eligible for monthly door prizes!

#### HVQ in Cyberspace

Heber Valley Quilters have joined the electronic age. We have a website, a blog, email correspondence, and who knows what is next: Facebook? Twitter?

All guild information will come via email (<u>hebervalleyquilters@yahoo.com</u>) from our Communication Coordinator/ Blogmistress, Natalia Bonner. The Blog (<u>hebervalleyquilters.blogspot.com</u>) will continue to serve as our living Scrapbook of current events. Our guild Website, (<u>www.hebervalleyquilters.com</u>), maintained by our Historian, Deonn Stott, will be the permanent home for guild bylaws, a guild guide, history, past newsletters, photos, slides, a calendar, and new this year—a secure, online scaled-down Newsletter available to members only. The site is currently under construction and will be available for viewing after guild meeting on Thursday! So come to guild, pay your dues, then see what's new!



## Friendship Block Exchange Group

The Friendship Group has been going now for five months, and look at the fun blocks we have made for each other in the group! They could almost make a quilt!

Please return blocks for Rachel and Deonn to Cat Beckstead at guild meeting on Thursday. Only a couple more months remain in the exchange, at which time Cat will distribute each person's stack of blocks made by the others in the group. It's almost like the anticipation of a new baby—a new quilt on the horizon, and we can hardly wait!



# Kiekoff 2010

January's guild meeting, will, as always, introduce a TON of information to guild members. Returning members have come to expect this, but if you are new to the guild, a year's worth of wonderful plans and ideas can be overwhelming! Here are some tips to keep in mind as we kick off 2010:

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, Beth Wegner, will collect your dues.

You may also wish to participate in a guild fundraiser subscription to Fons & Porter's *Love of Quilting* magazine. Annual subscription is \$20 with \$5 remaining with the guild. See Shantelle Cox for details.

Participate

There will be many projects and groups for you to participate in: *Friendship and Round Robin Exchange Groups, Finishing Bee, Design Challenge, Timely Treasures, Quilt of the Season* (come to guild meeting to find out more), and so on. Keep it simple. Pick the groups that pique your interest, and do NOT feel obligated to do EVERYTHING! Take it slow and enjoy the journey!

Think of the guild as your personal support group

The quilters that make up our membership include those who are just beginning their quilting journey to those that have quilted all their lives. 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 and make new friends.

