# Heber Valley Quilters Block of the Month 2003 Finishing Instructions

## Add borders to 9" blocks

The 6 - 9" blocks are: Party Hat, Appliqué Butterfly, Summer Leaves, Evening Star, Formal Garden and Sunbonnet Sue with Balloons.

Choose coordinating fabrics for your 9" blocks to make borders. You can use 1-4 fabrics for the borders of each block—use your creativity.

For each of the 6 – 9" blocks, you will need to cut 2 – 2" x 9  $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips and 2 – 2" x 12  $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips. Sew 9  $\frac{1}{2}$ " long strips to opposite sides of blocks. Press. Sew 12  $\frac{1}{2}$ " long strips to remaining sides. Press. Your blocks should now measure 12" finished (12  $\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished).

# Layout Blocks

You have 6 blocks which you did not add borders to and 6 which you did. All 12 blocks are 12" finished (12 ½" unfinished). Layout the blocks with 4 rows of 3 blocks. Alternate the blocks with borders; ie. Row 1: 12" block, 12" with border, 12" block; Row 2: 12" with border, 12" block, 12" with border; etc. Layout your blocks in whatever order you like—use your creativity.

Once you have settled on a layout, stitch your blocks together to form your quilt center.

# **Borders**

Select 2 fabrics for borders—a light value (small border) and a dark value (wide border). From light value, cut 5 - 2 ½" x width of fabric strips. Sew 3 strips together, end to end, to make one long strip. From this, cut 2 strips 48 ½" long. From remaining 2 strips, cut 2 strips 40 ½" long. Sew 48 ½" long strips to long sides of quilt. Press. Sew 40 ½" long strips to top and bottom edges. Press.

From dark value, cut  $6-4 \frac{1}{2}$ " x width of fabric strips. Sew 3 strips together, end to end, to make one long strip. Repeat with remaining 3 strips so that you have 2 long strips. From the first, cut 2 strips 52  $\frac{1}{2}$ " long. From the second, cut 2 strips 48  $\frac{1}{2}$ " long. Sew the 52  $\frac{1}{2}$ " long strips to the long sides of the quilt. Press. Sew the 48  $\frac{1}{2}$ " long strips to the top and bottom edges. Press.

# Quilt and Bind as desired

Yeah!! You have done it!! Don't forget to show off your finished quilt at guild meeting.