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CALENDAR:

Membership

- · March 26th Guild meeting
- May 16-17 Quilting in the Woods, HVQ Guild quilt retreat!
- September 17-20 Annual Meeting, Provo Marriott.

Design Challenge 2003



PICNIC IN THE SNOW

Place the following items in a brown paper lunch sack:

- 1) SANDWICH ~ a fat quarter to represent your favorite sandwich.
- 2) BEVERAGE ~ a fat eighth of fabric to represent your favorite picnic beverage.
- 3) SNACKS ~ fill a zip-lock baggie with some embellishments - anything to embellish a quilt such as buttons. charms, lace, appliqués, decothreads, or fabric scraps between 2 to 6", etc.

4) Write your name on a slip of paper, and the place you'd like to go for your picnic, and put it in the bottom of the sack. Bring your sack lunch to guild meeting for exchange.

The next set of instructions will be given along with a couple of extra goodies. Be creative; use your imagination in packing your lunch. Are you curious what we are going to do? You will just have to pack a lunch and come to see what will happen next. (Call Shantelle if you have any questions about the lunch instructions.)

HVQ GUILD MEETING ~ FEBRUARY

Our February meeting will be on the 26th at 7pm at Julie McNaughtan's home. (375 N 300 W, Heber) Angella Vernon will be giving a product demonstration of the

flying geese ruler. We will begin quilting the guild quilt for the Deseret Foundation. Please bring your show-n-tell projects, and wear your name tag!



See you there!

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QUEEN BEE ~ KAREN BELL

Karen Bell is a dynamo! A fun and adorable person, Karen has the unique ability to remember people's names, including most of the customers that walk in to Whimsey Cottage. According to her coworkers, she cares about EVERY-ONE! (Get it? "Kare"-en?) She always has a smile on her face, and genuinely loves people.

She was born a long time ago in Provo. After living most of her life in Utah Valley, for health reasons, (near death from poor air quality) she and her family are building a home at Canyon Meadows (hang a right at the Jerky Shack on the way down the canyon to Provo). She has an Orem phone number, a Provo address, is living in Wasatch County and attends church in Wallsburg. It's a little confusing to the Post Office, too, her mail comes by Pony Express. We'll just send mail to her in care of Whimsy Cottage.

She is a mother of seven somewhat wonderful children, with nearly seven grandchildren (two on the way) who call her "Mahma", and she loves being a Mahma!

Karen worked for many years at

the Stitching Corner and Bernina, and at one time was a representative for Bernina, demonstrating their new products all over the United States. She has her own pattern company, Ding Dong Designs, (get it? Ding-Dong ~ Bell?) Some of her cute designs can be found at Whimsy's.

She loves being the La-La teacher in her ward, (that's Primary



Chorister to the rest of us) and gives service wherever she can.

She loves to dress up and to tell stories. Halloween is her favorite holiday. Her claim to fame is that she entertained Governor Leavitt, roasting him on his birthday at the Republican Convention two years ago. She dressed up as an old woman and pretended to be his Aunt Velma. Ask her to see the copy of the video and newspaper articles. The governor now invites her to come get even with other family members at his family reunions.

Karen is the proud owner of 17 sewing machines, collecting them over the years. Her husband is building a room above the garage for her machines. She hopes the foundation is strong enough to carry all her fabric and machines.

Karen has an incredible sense of humor, and really should write a book about all her adventures and misadventures. She has agreed to be our guild Prize and Queen Bee Coordinator. What a fun addition to the Heber Valley Quilters Guild.

We love you Karen!!

FRIENDSHIP BLOCK SWAP ~ 2003

Don't forget to bring your blocks from last month. Be ready to hand out a pattern if you are assigned in February.

January
February
March
April
May
June
July

GROUP 1
Deonn Stott
Michele Murdock
Geneva Anderson
Cat Beckstead
Amy Pierson
Michelle Blair
Barbara Murdock

GROUP 2
Joan DeFriez
Kari Giacalone
Christina Castrillo
Dawn Olpin
Julie McNaughtan
Shantelle Cox
??? Open



BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Block:

THE FENCE RAIL

Size:

12 x 12" finished (12-1/2" unfinished)

Fabrics:

6 different fabrics of your choice. Can be one or two colors ranging from light to dark, or all different colors for a scrappy look.

Cut one strip of each fabric, 1-1/2" x 28" (If using fat quarters, cut two 1-1/2" x 13" of each fabric.

- 1) Sew fabric strips ranging from light to dark, or as desired if different colors. Press all one direction. If using fat quarters, you will have two sets.
- 2) Cut strips into 6-1/2" blocks. You will have four blocks.
- 3) Arrange as in the diagram. Sew blocks together and press.
- **See you in March for another fun block!**

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

PAST PRESIDENT BLOCK

Please make a "Delectable Mountains" block for past State Guild President, Tamara Boren. The pattern is enclosed once again in this newsletter. We would like to turn them in by the May meeting as a guild.

DUES DUE

If you haven't paid your dues for 2003, please contact Cat as soon as possible. This will be your last reminder and your last newsletter if you haven't paid. Be sure not to miss a single fun quilting event.

PRESIDENT ELECT

The position for next year's president remains open. Think about who you'd like to nominate, and talk to that person. We will take nominations at our next guild meeting.