HEBER VALLEY QUILTERS

2006 Kickoff

Message from the Pres:

I'm so excited about quilt guild in 2006! We have many wonderful things planned and opportunities for all of us to learn and grow as quilters! January's guild meeting will be a kickoff for a fantastic year of quilting together.

When I was thinking about a theme for this year, the seasons and holidays kept coming to mind. I love them and can't wait for each one to come. Our 2006 theme will be "Quilting Throughout the



January's Block of the Month

Seasons." Each month we will enclose a "block of the month" pattern in the newsletter. The blocks will correspond to the holiday or season each month. At the end of the year, you'll have enough blocks to make a "calendar" wall sampler. Some of us may not have room on the walls for yet another quilt, so I'll also demonstrate how to frame a block so you can display each month's block in a frame and change them monthly.

Other Kickoff events:

- Membership Sign-up (\$25 Annual Dues are due!)
- (Cat Beckstead will form our Friendship Block and Round Robin Exchange Groups
- (Shantelle Cox will issue our Annual Design Challenge (cash prize!)
- (Charity Quilt Committee will present our goals for 2006
- Deonn Stott will present a mini-lesson on foundation paper piecing
- (Sew and Tell

I hope to see all of you at quilt guild this month. It is going to be a great year. Be sure and invite any friends you think may be interested - now is a great time to join quilt guild!

~ Michelle Blair

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Organization:

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2nd

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- Friendship Groups: Cat Beckstead
- Design Challenge: Shantelle Cox



Jill Bowman Gehring

was our latest "Queen Bee." Jill grew up in Taylorsville, Utah. She learned to sew on a tiny plastic hand-crank machine and made pants and halter tops for her dolls. She took clothing, tailoring, interior design, and child development classes in high school, then attended Utah State on a small scholarship. She married Allan Gehring, her high school sweetheart, in 1984, then transferred to the U of U where she graduated with a degree in Home Economics Education. They moved their family to Heber City in 1993 shortly after a drive-by shooting occurred at the high school their kids would have attended. They love the clear air and the mountains all around. Jill and her family love camping, riding motorcycles and four wheelers. She learned to ride a motorbike when she was twelve, and once when she and Allan were dating, she picked him up on her



Buggy Barn Heart Crazies

A Look Ahead

February's Guild meeting will be a demonstration by **Celini Richins** on the Buggy Barn's stack and slice method of piecing, featuring their "Heart Crazies" pattern. These patterns will be available to everyone for a discounted price of \$7 each. Sign up at guild meeting if you'd like a pattern.

We'd also like to collect the remainder of the light pink/green quilt blocks we were making for Celini's mother (see below) as a thank you quilt. There are still about 20 blocks that have not been turned in. Thanks!

little green Kawasaki 175
motorcycle, while his grandma
stared at her out the window! Her
kids are very involved in sports:
basketball, soccer and softball, and
they spend a lot of time going to
games. She and her husband have a
family business: Log Craft Inc.
We think you're great, Jill!

We would like to thank our Newsletter Sponsors for 2006:

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Charity Quilt Corner



ne of the guild's main purposes is to provide opportunities for charity service to our community. The guild's charity of choice is the Wasatch/Summit County Children's Justice Center. This is a safe house where children and mothers who have experienced abuse may go to report their story. The Center would like to be able to present each child with a quilt of his or her own. It is a way of giving a warm hug to a child who needs it.

We have a goal this year that each guild member will take responsibility to make at least one charity quilt. The guild will provide batting, but would like each person to donate fabric for a top and backing. During your *birthday month*, you will be invited to organize the making of a quilt. You may take it home to complete with your family, a youth group, friends, etc., or you may wish to have the quilt set up for a quilting bee prior to guild meeting.

Most of the quilts donated are crib or lap size, and the need for "boy" quilts are greater than for girls. The preferred method is to sandwich two pieces of fabric wrong sides together, stitch around all four sides leaving an opening for turning. Cut batting to size and spray-baste the batting to the edges, then clip corners and turn inside out. Hand- or machine-stitch the opening, and it is ready to tie. Frames will be available from the guild, and you are welcome to

check them out to take home if you wish.

If you choose to have guild members help tie your quilt, you will need to contact one of the charity quilt committee members to help you set up prior to guild meeting. The best time for setup is during AMBank's business hours (9:00 am to 6:00 pm) and you will want to check with Jeannine Pratt (guild member and bank manager 654-1300) to make sure the room is available during the day. Also, please notify Deonn Stott (654-8088) two weeks in advance, in order to put a notice in the newsletter for everyone to come to guild meeting early for a quilting bee.

For each quilt completed, your name (one name per quilt) will go in a drawing for a grand prize of a stack of fat quarters donated by Cat Beckstead, to be given away at our annual Christmas Party. You may complete as many quilts as you'd like! Happy Quilting!

Charity Quilt Committee Members:

Tricia Mathis 654-9807 Dana Brosnahan 654-5897 Wendy Jones 657-0989 Kaydawn Epps 654-0669

The Calico Road

by Barbara Murdock

My husband and I make regular trips to St. George, and have a trailer parked at the Temple View RV park during the winter. We took a recent trip, and I discovered a new store in Bloomington, near the WalMart on the South end of town, called *Scrap Apple Quilts*. They were very nice ladies, and I'm sure I'll be visiting their store again.

I also attended the St. George Quilt Guild meeting again. I

always feel so welcome when I go. There were lots of beautiful quilts during show and tell. I am always amazed at the

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creative and talented people I meet.

Whenever I travel the Calico Road, there is just something special about quilters everywhere. It was a real boost to me to be able to meet new people and be invited to lunch with them following their guild meeting. My dog, Lacey died while on the trip, and being around these folks really lifted my spirits. I met the woman who owns Superior Threads and plan to visit her store there in St. George which is their international headquarters. I'll check it out next trip!

I hope everyone took advantage of recent fabric sales at Heber Cotton Company, and Lizzie's Fabrics (where my husband's cousin's wife works). I stocked up and spent

more than my share at these stores... Hopefully everyone heard



about these sales and were able to stock up and are ready to sew.

I am happy to report that I am actually working on a quilt top! I have ten crazy-patch blocks done, and can't wait to finish up. Last year's retreat mystery quilt was my

first finished quilt top. I had Deonn machine quilt it for me, but I still have to bind it. I hear that Christy and Shantelle offer

binding services, hmmmm..... I may actually get a quilt finished!



Barbara Murdock and her Retreat Quilt

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2006 Calendar

February 21st
Buggy Barn Heart Crazies

March 21st

Mitered Corner Blankets
Design Challenge Quilt Show

May 4th-6th

"Quiltin' In the Woods" Mystery Quilt "I Spy" Fabric Swap

May 16th

Ribbon Embroidery

June 20th

Back-Basting Appliqué

July 18th

Russian Needle Punch

August 15th

"Free Quilts"

Guest Instructor - Bonnie Miles

September 19th

Fabulous Sewing Bags

October 17th

Stained Glass Quilts

November 4th

"Sewing Space" Hop and Luncheon

Block Pattern Exchange

November 28th

Annual Christmas Party

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Monthly Guild Meetings

Join us for our monthly guild meetings held on the THIRD TUESDAY of each month at 7:00 pm.

Meetings are held in the Community Room at: AMBank Building 620 West 100 South Heber City, Utah

See you there!

January 31st
Kickoff Party
Foundation Paper Piecing
Mini-Class by
Deonn Stott

Please Bring:
) \$25 Annual Dues
) \$7 for Buggy Barn Pattern
Last Year's Round Robin Quilt
(if you have one)
) Scissors and glue stick
) Quilted Nametag
) Thank You Quilt Block for
Celini's Mother
) "Sew and Tell" items

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