

January 2010

Message from the President

Hi Everyone,

Ho, Ho, Ho!! I don't know about you, but this elf is getting a little weary. I do love it though and have even kept a promise to myself to stay away from the madness.

What a wonderful Pot Luck Dinner, full of good food and cheer. Many thanks to everyone who helped. You were great. A special thanks to Elaine and Joyce. What would we do without you? I wish you all peace and joy and a Happy New Year full of beautiful fabric and quilts!

See you in January, 2010!

Take care, *Kathy Krypel*



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Block of the Month
Barbara O'Toole

Common Threads
Quilt Guild
meets the first Thursday of
every month
at 7:00 PM at the
Sterling View Club House
in Hyde Park
Dues are \$15 annually

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report December 1, 2009 - Dec. 10, 2009

INCOME			
	11/30/09	Cash Balance	\$ 7,144.18
Income:	12/4/2009	Memberships	\$ 15.00
	" "	Cash refund (gift certificate)	\$ 100.00
	" "	Donation for Charity quilts	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
			215.00
	" "	X-mas collections for Food shelf	
		Total Income	\$ 7,909.18
 Expenses:			
	12/3/2009	Ck. #408 Kathy Krypel (\$102.75 batting; \$12.00 paper products pot-luck)	\$ 114.75
	12/3/2009	Ck. #409 Julie Rohleder (postcards)	\$ 4.20
	12/5/2009	Ck. #410 Lamoille Family Center (donation for X-mas)	\$ 200.00
	" "	Ck. #411 Lamoille Food Share, Inc. " "	\$ 200.00
	" "	Ck. #412 Johnson Food Shelf " "	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
			\$ 718.95
		Cash Balance December 10, 2009	\$ 7,190.23

Respectfully Submitted, *Rita Lehouillier*

Secretary's Report

On December 3, 2009 the Common Threads Quilt Guild met at Sterling View with 45 members present. The secretary's report, taken by Julie Rohleder at the November meeting, was read by Ruth Wesolow. On Friday November 13, 2009 thirteen ladies met and finished 23 quilts. One card was sent out for the Sunshine Cards.

Sharon Perry reported that we currently have 76 paid members.

Part four of the Mystery Quilt is available.

Barb Scribner says the tree at Helen Day looks wonderful and will be on display through the first of the year.

Martha and Andrea have great things planned. In January we will learn Quilt as you go"

February will be "Wool Appliqué" and a favorite in March - Bingo

Pat Slack will set up a workshop toward the end of January to work on the raffle quilt at Sterling View.

Tom and Judy from Yankee Pride gave a generous donation of \$100.00 to be used for charity quilts.

We learned what and what not to do to prepare a quilt for a machine quilter from Flo Verge.

Donations were collected in lieu of a gift exchange and Ginny collected \$538.00. A motion was made to add \$62.00 from the treasury to make it an even \$600.00. So be it. The Family Center will receive \$200.00 and the balance will be donated to two food shelves.

A committee was formed to suggest which charities we could donate monies from the quilt show to. The committee includes Connie, Ginny, Mary and Anita.

A Christmas potluck was enjoyed by all.

Respectfully Submitted, *Ruth Wesolow*, Secretary

Calendar

Jan 7 th	Regular Guild Meeting, 7PM Sterling View Clubhouse
Jan 21 st	Raffle Quilt Workshop, 9AM-3PM Sterling View Clubhouse Bring Lunch! Pat: 644-5404
Jan 28 th	Raffle Quilt Workshop, 9AM-3PM Sterling View Clubhouse This meeting will be held if necessary to finish the quilt-top.

JANUARY PROGRAM QUILT AS YOU GO

This month a technique for quilting as you go will be presented.

SUNSHINE QUILTING NEWS

To update you on what has been accomplished in the Sunshine Quilt department, here is a brief report.

Since the start of our membership year at the beginning of September, we have been able to donate a total of 34 quilts. This includes: 4 to victims of fire; 23 to Clark Residential Care, Squier House, Greensboro Nursing Home and "Out and About"; 1 to be raffled for Lamoille Valley Foster and Adoptive Family Association; and 6 to individuals who either are very ill or otherwise known to be in need of some support. There are several more groups we support that we hope to be able to give some quilts soon.

We completed 24 quilts at the workshop on Nov. 13th, and will schedule another workshop when we have enough tops ready to be processed into quilts. There are about 17 kits currently signed out, and when turned in along with other donated tops there will certainly be enough for another work day to be scheduled! There will still be kits available at the next meeting if you would like to make one/another. (If anyone has any black fabric, either plain or with a small or black on black design, we could use some for the black strips used in the kits.)

Thanks to everyone who participates in this project in one way or another. Members help in any number of ways such as: donating fabric, cutting squares, assembling kits, making tops, sewing on borders, attending workshops, machine quilting tops, suggesting recipients, and delivering quilts. It is so successful because of the high participation of so many of you who donate whatever time you can. Thank you all, the quilts are deeply appreciated by those who receive them!

Elaine Foster
Joyce LaRow
Anita Robert

RAFFLE QUILT, AGAIN!

Pat Slack, Ann Harmon, & Kathy Krypel are heading up our Raffle Quilt-Making Committee. They have reserved the Sterling View Clubhouse for Thursday, January 21st & Thursday January 28th from 9 AM-3PM to work on the quilt. The January 28th meeting will only be held if the quilt is not done on the 21st. Bring lunch and come put together our next quilt!

QUILT SHOW FINANCIALS

Income:

Admissions	\$1,522.00	
Boutique	\$ 101.75	
Silent auction	\$ 833.00	
Vendors	\$ 250.00	
Quilt Raffle	<u>\$2,722.54</u>	
Total Revenue		\$ 5,429.29

Expenses:

Ads	\$ 258.32	
Banner	\$ 25.00	
Use of Gym	\$ 100.00	
Raffle & Door Prizes	\$ 268.52	
Gift Certificate	\$ 100.00	
Misc. Expense (Pizza & supplies)	\$ 194.95	
Quilt Racks	\$ 200.00	
Rental Van & Gas	\$ 235.84	
Supplies(cards,bookmarks,silent auction, background cloth)	\$ 485.02	
Quilt Raffle (supplies)	<u>\$ 54.44</u>	
Total Expenditures		\$ 1,922.09
Net Proceeds		\$ 3,507.20



Happy Birthday to:

Marilyn Bennett

Donna Young

Susan Raban

Carol Moulton

Anita Morris

Phyllis Fletcher

& Kathleen Sampson

January 10th

January 19th

January 22nd

January 23rd

January 24th

January 28th



Next Meeting: January 7th

Things to remember:

- 1. Bring a canned item for the food shelf*
- 2. Bring your Show & Tell!*
- 3. Bring your completed charity quilt top and/or black fabric for the stripes.*

2009-2010 Block of the Month

This year the Block of the Month will be done as Mystery Quilts. In order to enjoy the "Mystery" part, please complete each part each month (no peeking ahead!). To start the year off there are two different Mystery Quilts: Mystery Quilt #1 will be 56" x 68" when completed. Mystery Quilt #2 will be 51" x 51" when completed. Contact Barb O'Toole with any questions: vtquilter06@yahoo.com, 635-9384.

Mystery Quilt #2

PART 4 - DANCING AROUND THE SQUARE (this is Block B)

OK now on to Block B, so get out all the fabrics cut for this block.

Step 1: In Part 3, you drew a line from the top left corner to the bottom right corner on the wrong side of all light 2-7/8" squares. We are going to do the same thing with the 16 light squares you cut for Block B.



Step 2: Layer a light 2-7/8" square on a dark 2-7/8" square, right sides together. Sew a 1/4" seam on EACH side of the line. Cut apart on the line and press seam toward the dark fabric. Trim points. Repeat 15 more times for a total of 32 light/dark half-square triangles.



Sew



Cut apart



Press & trim points

Step 3: Using a pencil and ruler, draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of all medium 2.5" squares as shown below:



Step 4: Place a medium 2.5" square on the right end of a dark 2.5" x 6.5" rectangle (right sides together) as shown below. Stitch a seam on the diagonal line that you drew Step 3. Trim the fabric above the sewn line to 1/4". Repeat on the left end and press seams toward the medium fabric. Repeat for a total of 32 dark/medium units.



Sew on line



Trim to 1/4"



Repeat on the other side



Press

Step 5: Arrange two light/dark half-square triangles and one dark/medium units (from Step 4) as shown below. Using a scant 1/4" seam, sew together to form a row. Press seams toward the half-square triangles. Repeat for a total of 16 rows.



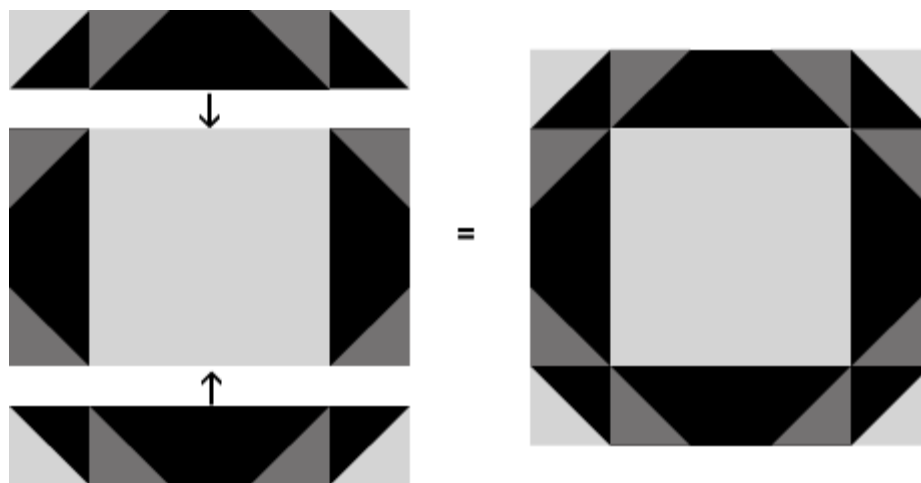
Sew to each side. Make 16.

Step 6: Sew a Step 5 row to the left and right sides of a light (OR FOCUS FABRIC) 6-1/2" square, as shown below. Press seams toward the center square. Repeat for a total of 8.



Sew to each side. Make 8.

Step 7: Sew a Step 5 row to the top and bottom of the block, as shown below. Press seams toward the center square. Repeat for a total of 8 "Square Dance" blocks.



Make 8

You now have 8 **SQUARE DANCE** blocks. Blocks should measure 10.5" unfinished. They will measure 10" when sewn into the quilt.

Mystery Quilt # 1

Welcome to the Fourth installment of Mystery Quilt # 1!

Block1-Part 4 -You will be using fabric #10 in this step.

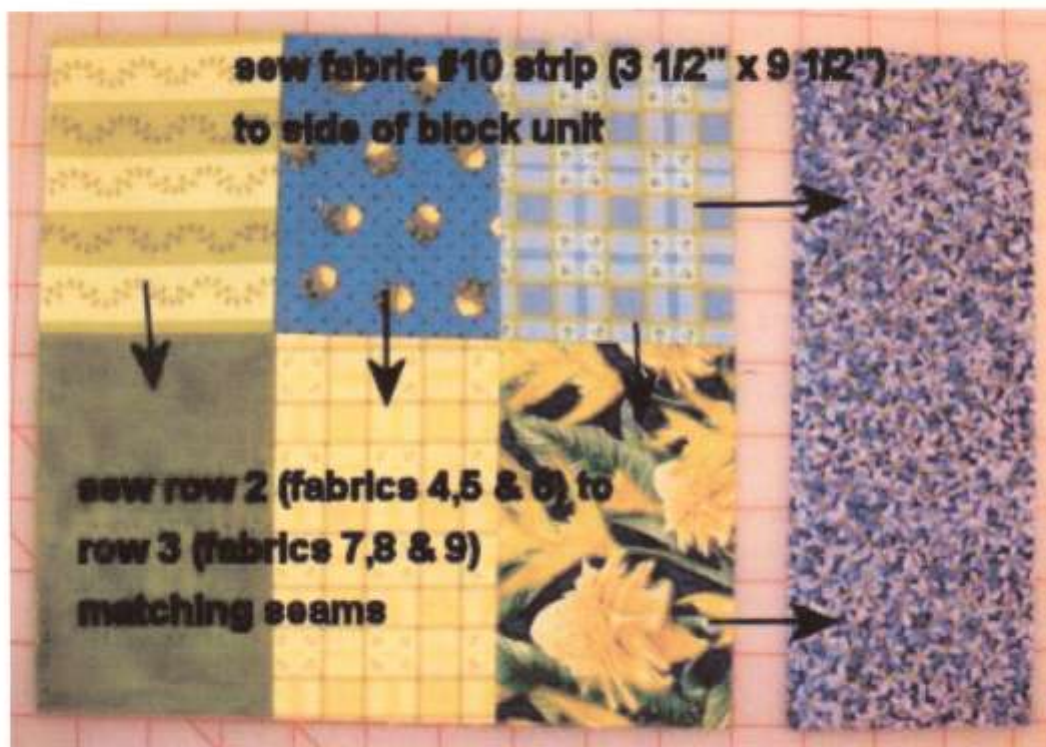
Step 1: Cut (3) strips, measuring 3 1/2" by the width of the fabric.

Step 2: Sub-cut these strips into (10) segments measuring 3 1/2" X 9 1/2"



Step 3: Sew row 2 (fabrics 2,3 & 4) to row 3 (fabrics 5,6 & 7) using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance, matching seams. Press.

Step 4: Sew $3\frac{1}{2}$ " X $9\frac{1}{2}$ " strip of fabric #10 to the side of the block unit as shown using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press.



Step 5: Sew Row #1 (fabrics 1,2 & 3) to the top of the block unit, matching seams, using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press.

