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From the President

Spring has finally arrived which means it is time to slate a new FVQ board. We are slowly filling spots, but it has been a grueling process. I'd like to welcome back Elaine Reimer who will serve a second year on programs. Welcome to Linda Walters who will be working with Elaine on programs. Welcome Chris Carmon, she will be taking over the newsletter, and lastly, welcome to one of the guilds newest members, Donna Gosselin. She will serve as secretary on the new board. We still need a President, First Vice President, and Treasurer, and because of this, we will not be able to vote for a new board during our April general membership meeting. We hope to have all positions filled by the end of the month or at least by our May membership meeting and will vote on them at this meeting.

This month's recipe is one to honor spring, as well as honoring one of my favorite vegetables, asparagus. This dish is simple, fresh, and healthy. It looks pretty on a buffet or holiday table, or is perfect to make if asked to bring a dish to a party. If you want to get really fancy, you can shave the stalks from about mid way down with a potato peeler, this gives the vegetable a beautiful two tone affect. The following recipe calls for sherry vinegar. Please don't substitute another because you will not get the right flavor in the dressing. Sherry vinegar is a bit expensive, but is worth every penny. You can use it to make other dressings as well as adding it to marinades and sautéed onions that you would use on meats. I also recommend using extra virgin olive oil. This will also add depth to your dressing which regular olive oils won't give you. Enjoy!

Chris

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Snippets

- ◆ Meetings begins at 6:45pm
- ◆ FVQI Board meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of every month and are open to all members
- ◆ Show and Tell; Neonatal Quilts
- ◆ Library items; Challenge Quilts
- ◆ Friendship Blocks Drawing

Asparagus Salad

Serves 4

By Chris Snieckus

Dressing:

1/3 cup Shallots, finely dices
2 tsp Oil (for sautéing)
1 large Garlic Clove, minced
2 tbsp + 1tsp *Sherry Vinegar
1 tbsp Fresh Lemon Juice
1/2 tsp Dijon Mustard
1/2 tsp Salt
1/4 tsp Black Pepper
1/3 cup Extra Virgin Olive Oil

1 Pound Asparagus, left whole with tough bottom ends snapped off

Optional garnish: Finely chopped tomatoes (seeds removed)
Coarsely grated parmesan cheese (a potato peeler works well)

- Heat 2 teaspoons of oil in a sauté pan. Add shallots to pan and sauté until translucent and tender, about 4 minutes. Add garlic and cook for about a minute, remove from heat.
- In a small mixing bowl, add vinegar, lemon juice, mustard, cooked shallots, salt and pepper. Whisk ingredients together. Slowly stream in olive oil while whisking vigorously. Taste dressing and add more salt or pepper if needed.
- Bring about one to two inches of salted water to a boil (about 2 tsp of salt) in a shallow pan that is wide enough for asparagus to lay in. When water boils, drop asparagus in and cook for about 1 minute (depending on thickness of vegetable) moving stalks around to cook evenly. (Don't wait for the water to come back up to a boil, your asparagus will be over cooked if you do.)
- Drain vegetables well and leave in pan, making sure no water is left in pan. Drizzle enough dressing over hot asparagus to evenly coat when tossed lightly (about half your dressing). Let cool in pan. Your asparagus will continue to become tender, while absorbing the dressing flavor.
- Toss the asparagus again before removing from pan to evenly coat. Place stalks onto a serving plate, leaving any pools of dressing behind. This dish can be served at room temperature or chilled. Garnish with tomatoes or cheese if desired.

*Sherry vinegar is what truly makes this dish delicious. Try not to substitute another vinegar. You will not get the same depth of flavor.

**Left over dressing can be used in a tossed salad or over cooked green beans or broccoli prepared the same way.

This Month's Meeting

Wednesday, April 16, 2014, 6:45 pm

Eno Hall, Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury

Adele Scott – Lecture on “My Favorite Products, Tips and Techniques”. A fast moving, fun lecture and demo on a wide variety of topics. From sewing machine aids to specialty threads, applique tricks to no-waste flying geese. <http://www.adelescott.com/>

Future Programs

May 21 - Cathy Miller 'The Singing Quilter' - Lecture: Sing a Song of Quilting -- <http://www.singingquilter.com/>

June 18 - Social and Quilt Challenge

July 16 - Service Meeting

August 20 - Trip to the Quilted Ewe in Winsted, CT for shopping discounts and demo on needle felting.

September 17 - Judy Damon - Lecture: “Color Stories for Scrap Quilts”

October 15 - Karen Eckmeier - Lecture: ‘Still Makin Waves’

November 19 - Marie Bostwick - Lecture: When the going gets tough the tough turn to quilting

Upcoming Workshops

April 17 – Workshop with Adele Scott

Quilt As You Go - There are many ways to deal with the bulk of machine quilting. Learn some of the creative ways quilters have come up with to solve this problem. Preparation, products and techniques will get you quilting those larger quilts. Nine different options are covered and kits are provided.

Adele has a love for creating and a passion for teaching, which naturally evolved into a lifelong learning about sewing machines, innovative techniques and products, and how to help you to do things easier and better. Since moving to Cape Cod, she has been sought after as a presenter of her signature Machine Know-how classes and she has shared her skills and sewing knowledge with many shops, groups and guilds. Adele's specialty is the breaking down of the process to help you master your machine and sewing techniques. She will patiently walk you through a new technique; and she approaches the process in as many ways as it takes until it clicks with the students.



Upcoming Workshops...continued



May 22 – Workshop with Cathy Miller on her “Mock Mola” Applique; Raw Edge Machine Reverse Applique — a fun, fast and easy technique.

Canadian singer/songwriter Cathy Miller used to be a folksinger with a slightly jazzy bent. She performed at folk festivals, clubs and house concerts all across Canada and released five CDs of her music. She was a member of “Trilogy” (with Eileen McGann and David K), touring a very successful Christmas show each year called [“Two Thousand Years of Christmas”](#). After growing up in London, Ontario, she started her career in Ottawa, moved to Calgary Alberta in 1990 and in 2000 to Victoria BC, where she now lives. But that was before. Now, Cathy and her husband John Bunge (a former member of The Gumboots from Yellowknife) travel the world, singing for quilting events, guild meetings and shows, and she is known as “The Singing Quilter”. To date, they have performed for 700 quilting guilds and events on three continents. That's an audience of over 60,000 quilters in all!!! They are having the time of their lives.

September 18 - Workshop with Judy Damon Called ‘Inspinity Wallhanging: Spotlight on Scraps’

October 16 - Workshop with Karen Eckmeier called Random Roses

Quilt Show

QUILT SHOW 2104

“Rags to Riches”

Auction Baskets / Bags

Thank you to everyone who has offered to pull together an auction basket for our Quilt Show! Below are list of our themes. We are still in need of THREE more baskets. Everyone is welcome to donate as many items as they like to help fill the baskets. Bring your contribution to any guild meeting and we will be sure to include it in the appropriate basket.

This year we are encouraging our organizers to create a tote bag that will double as their “basket” and quilted item. In the past we have included a quilted wall hanging as part of each basket. Unfortunately, our display area doesn’t really lend itself to exhibiting the wall hangings well. An array of fabulous tote bags will look great and prove useful to any winner.



Quilt Show...continued

Quilt Registration

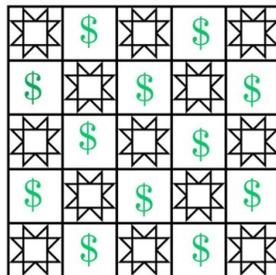
Sandi Kingsley is once again organizing our quilt registration. Just as we did with our last show, you will be able to register your quilt in one of two ways. There will be a downloadable form from our website which you can print and fill out manually. You will also receive an email with a form you can fill out online and email back to Sandi. We will begin registration in March. Your quilt top must be completed to register your quilt.

You are allowed to enter as many quilts as you like with the understanding that space limitations you will be asked to prioritize your entries, in the event we cannot fit them all.

This year we are also providing the option to **SELL YOUR QUILT** at the show. More on that later...

Quilt Raffle

Our beautiful raffle quilt is near completion. In addition to all of us selling tickets, we hope to “tour” the quilt at various venues to sell tickets. This can be meetings of other guilds, quilt shops, community events, etc.



I would really appreciate some help in organizing this aspect of our quilt raffle. You do not have to attend all the venues. I really just need someone to spearhead that part of the sales.

Quilt Show...continued

2014 Quilt Show Volunteers:

We are now signing up volunteers to work at our 2014 Quilt Show. The show dates are:

Set Up: Evening of October 31; Show: November 1 and 2; Take Down: November 2.

Please put the Show on your calendar now!!

Sign-ups will occur at our monthly meetings. We ask you to commit to one or two 2 hour shifts and, if possible either Friday night set-up or Sunday afternoon take-down. If you have a preferred task, note it on the sign up sheet; if you need a sitting job, note that; if you would rather not handle money, note that; if the two hour shift is too long for you, team up with a friend, etc. The show time flies by and it is wonderful to spend the time surrounded by the beautiful quilts and dedicated quilters.

The tasks associated with each type of volunteer assignment are listed below:

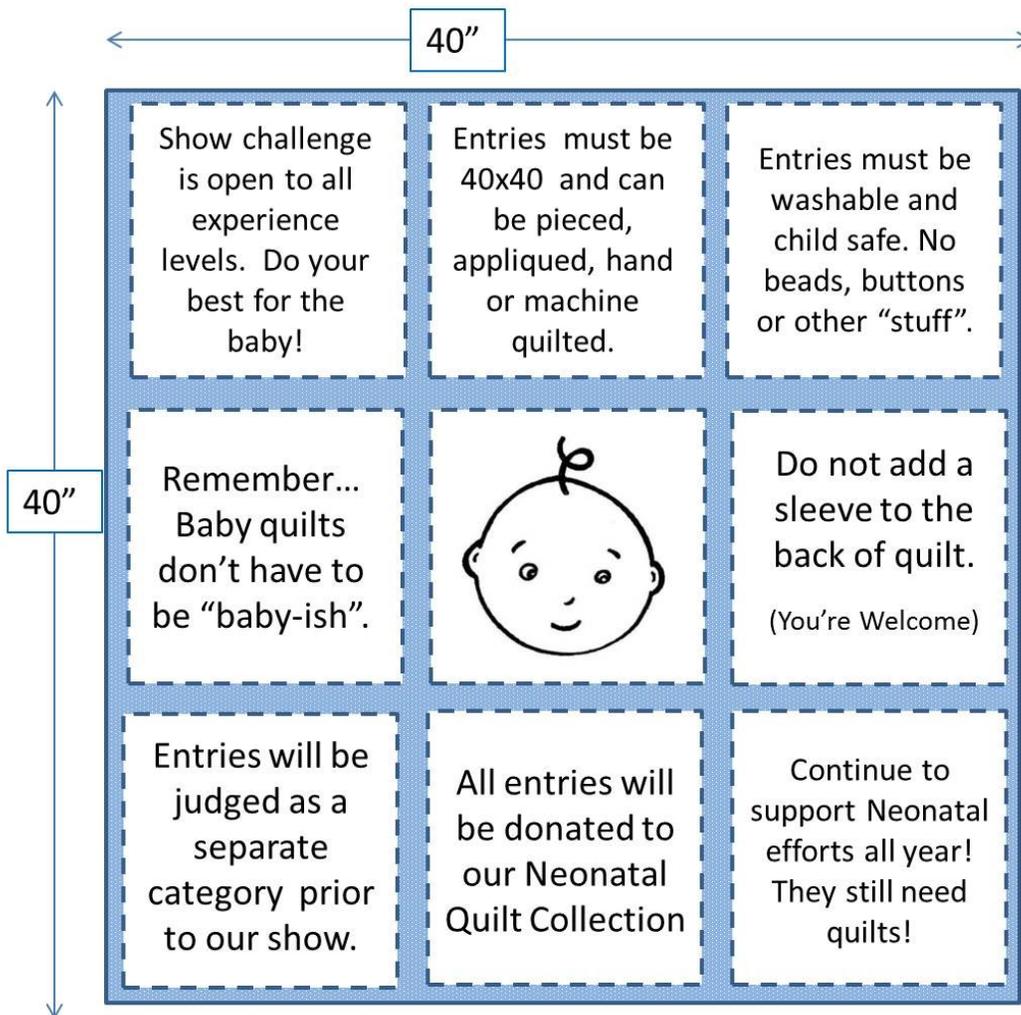
- Assistant Volunteer Coordinator: (1 person) Share duties with Volunteer Manager such as signing up volunteers, making assignments, reminding volunteers, coordinating work at the show. This is a great way to get to know FVQ members.
- Intake: (5 men and 8 women) Transport quilts from site where they have been collected and distribute to the assigned rows at the show site.
- Friday night set up: (25 men and 25 women) The Set-Up Manager will communicate assignments and arrival times to those who volunteered for Friday night. They will include pinning or hanging quilts for display, help setting up baskets, assisting vendors if needed, handling signs, and other set up tasks.
- Admissions (2 persons per 2 hour shift): Collect entry fee (\$10), stamp hand, give out program, answer questions.
- Quilt Raffle Tickets (2 persons per 2 hour shift): Sell tickets for the raffle quilt.
- Basket Raffle Tickets (2 to 3 persons per 2 hour shift): Sell raffle tickets for the baskets. Record the range of tickets sold by buyer name, for use in identifying basket winners. (This is a legal requirement.)
- Door Guard (2 persons per 2 hour shift): Stand near the entrances to the show hall. Check the hands of those entering for stamp. Give directions and answer questions.
- Vendor Support (1 person per 2 hour shift): Provide relief to vendors who need breaks or assistance. Also act as back-up for those handling the Rovers/White glove assignment.
- Rovers/White Glove (1 to 2 persons per 2 hour shift): Provide relief to volunteers who need breaks or assistance. Fill in for volunteers who don't arrive for slot or need to leave early. Assist attendees who want to see backs of quilts wearing white gloves, or show attendees where to find white gloves for their own use.
- Sunday night take down (15 persons). The Take Down manager will communicate assignments to all who volunteered and the time at which they should report for duty. Be sure you are there by your assigned time to ensure smooth and timely take down of quilts and their return to the owners.
- Food: (1 to 2 persons) Food is not available on site. Food manager will need assistance in ordering or picking up take out food for volunteers on Friday night and at lunch times.

If you have any questions or would like to sign-up at a time other than the guild meeting, please contact Meg Lines at 860 242-1850 or malines7@comcast.net.

Quilt Show...continued

FVQI 2014 Quilt Show Challenge

“Welcome to the World”



See Phyllis Small and Robin Schofield with questions.

Fall Getaway Retreat

Nothing to report.

Spring Retreat

I want to thank all of you who attended the retreat and who helped to make this a wonderful weekend.

Christine Zepp

Membership News

From Our 1st Vice President:

New Member

Josi Klein, Deborah Luckert, Julee Murdzek, Mary Podgorski, and Erica Wahl joined the Farmington Valley Quilters at the March 19 meeting. Welcome, all!

Raffle Gifts

Heartfelt thanks to the members who have recently donated items, or money to purchase gifts, for the raffle that is held at the end of each meeting.

If you would like to contribute something, please drop it off at the sign-in table at any meeting. These are a few items that would be very welcome:

- Quilt shop quality fabric, fat quarter or otherwise
- A notion, tool, thread, or pattern
- A book, new or gently used
- A dollar or two

Member Show & Tell

At the March meeting the following members participated in Show & Tell:

Debbie D'Angelo, Neonatal scrap quilt
Donna Dellacamera and Deb Jacoby, AC Quilt
Margaret Dooley, His Surprise
Lorna Knudsen, Purse
Randee Majka, Zig Zag
Sally Sargent Markey, ScrapQuilt for Karina
Michelle Palmer, 3 Baby quilts
Judy Prohaska, Signature quilt
Sandi Schrader, I Love the Sun, 2 fundraiser quilts, Christmas Recovery quilt
Linda Walter, Something Fishy

Pictures can be seen in the Photo Gallery on the Guild web site, www.fvqi.org. Photography by Sue Gauvain.

Thanks and congratulations to all!

Membership News...continued

Looking For Pins

We are out of those lovely Farmington Valley Guild pins that we all wear on our name badges. About 500 were ordered around 6 years ago and we don't think we have gone through all 500, but can't locate where a stash might be. If anyone has a box of guild items hanging around because they served on the board in the past, please take a look and see if you might have them. If anyone can remember having or seeing a bag full of them at any time, please let me know. It would save the guild hundreds of dollars if we could locate them. Please email or call me if you have any ideas or recollections.

Thanks,
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Birthday's:



April

04/03 - Lisa Bermel
04/03 - Glenda Martin
04/07 - Elaine Reimer
04/08 - Sandi Schrader
04/14 - Susan Elliott
04/14 - Denise Johnston
04/16 - Susan Moore
04/17 - Caroline Berman
04/19 - Lorna Knudsen
04/24 - Jan Ashe
04/24 - Judy Prohaska
04/26 - Jean Williams
04/28 - Susan Raggo
04/28 - Christine Zepp

May

05/04 - Meredith Hurst
05/05 - Susie Lee
05/07 - Susan Gilmore
05/07 - Beth Rotblatt
05/08 - Lisa Green
05/08 - Lee Thomson
05/09 - Anne Dodge
05/09 - Gina Finch
05/09 - Peg Giles
05/12 - Joanne Hatch
05/21 - Rita Rehm
05/23 - Sue Greene
05/28 - Diane (Popko) Francini
05/30 - Carol Vinick

ABC Quilts

The ABC, A Better Chance, program is a national, non-profit organization that gives promising minority students an opportunity to receive their high school education at an excellent suburban school. It is a residential program with the students living together in a house in Simsbury. Each student is also sponsored by a local family. Farmington Valley Quilters goal is to provide each boy who enters the program with a new handmade quilt. We started the ABC Quilt Project in 1997 and each year we have presented at least two students with quilts.

Many thanks to you all! Everyone who took blocks returned them at the March meeting!! We will be putting this quilt together and will have the binding ready for the July meeting.

We look forward to seeing everyone this month.

Donna Dellacamera and Debbie Jacoby

Community Service

Scrap Box Surprise -- Thank you to everyone who made the strip blocks from the fabric in our scrap box. It is now time to sew them all together! I would like to get together on **Friday, March 21st** from 11am to 3pm at my home (21 Lincoln Lane, Simsbury) to layout the blocks and sew them together into a quilt top. We will draw one name from those who made a square(s) and submitted their name. The winner will be able to give the quilt to a charity of their choice.

If you could spare some time, please join me for some time of sewing. I have two sewing machines, so you don't need to bring yours. Of course, you may if you wish. I would love to have help for an hour or more, and if you are here through lunch, I will have a pot of soup on and a good bread along with a few cookies. Please either email me, shsellott@sbcglobal.net or call, 860-658-0863, to let me know you are coming. Susan Elliott

Quilt Challenge

Linda Walter and Elaine Reimer have volunteered to coordinate the Guild's next quilt challenge. The theme will be "Scrap Quilts".

The guidelines/rules are as follows:

- Item should be something that you have made between September 2013 and June 2014
- Choose your own pattern
- Can be any size
- Hand or machine quilted
- Item must be a finished project
- Deadline is the June 2014 Guild meeting

Please donate one (or as many as you wish) fat quarter during the year to be given away as prize(s) for the winner(s) of the June Challenge, along with a Longaberger Market Basket. These can be given to Elaine/Linda between now and June.

If you have any questions, please contact either Linda Walter at LMW810@aol.com or Elaine Reimer at reimereg@gmail.com.

Neo Natal

Please keep making those neonatal quilts (approximately 40 x 40). We now have 55 quilts ready to deliver to the NICU in April, and we will have plenty of extra fabric and batting for you to take home from the April guild meeting.

If you want to make a special quilt for our Show Challenge, don't turn it in yet, but enter it into the show. There will be ribbons, and the nurses from the NICU will help in the judging. They were thrilled to be asked to participate. After the show in November, all these Challenge Quilts will be donated to the hospital.

Robin Schofield and Phyllis Small

Mystery Night

Mystery Night 2014

We have a new date, time and location for the Mystery Night!

Please join us on Friday, May 16th from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm at Sew Inspired located at 8 Wilcox Street #1, Simsbury. The cost will be \$25 per participant.

Peggy Thomsen will be leading the mystery. The fabric requirements and supply list is below. This quilt is jelly roll or fat quarter friendly and is a great way to use up any 2 ½" strips you have left from other projects. You can finish the project as designed to get a 48" square quilt or use the blocks to create 2 neo-natal quilt tops.

You can bring your own dinner or we can order from one of the local restaurants for take-out. Please bring munchies or beverages to share with the group. We will have utensils, glasses, plates and napkins on hand.

Space is limited so e-mail Peggy Thomsen at psthomsen@yahoo.com to reserve your spot.

Mystery Preparations

Fabric Requirements:

- 1 Jelly Roll or you can cut your own 2 ½" strips across WOF
 - You will need 9 lights and 9 darks
 - You can make it as scrappy or as uniform as you wish
 - Fat quarter friendly: you can cut two strips across WOF from a FQ
- 1 ½ Yards coordinating fabric
 - Any color that contrasts and complements your Jelly Roll fabric
 - Doesn't have to be a solid, but should read as a solid
 - Mottled, tone on tone or small scale print would be fine.
 - Avoid directional patterns
- ½ Yards (binding)*
- 3 ½ Yards (backing)*

*You don't need to bring these to the Mystery Night, but you will need this to finish your quilt.

Finish size of quilt: 48" x 48". If you would like to make a larger quilt, you can use more jelly roll strips and will need to increase the yardage of the coordinating fabric, binding and backing accordingly.

Supplies Needed:

- Sewing machine (don't forget your power cord & foot pedal)
- Notions (scissors, pins and other gadgets you like when you are piecing)
- Thread for piecing to match your fabric
- Full bobbins
- Rotary Cutter
- Cutting Mat (at least 12" square)
- Acrylic ruler (We will be sub-cutting the 2 ½" strips, so whatever size you want to use)
- 2 or 3 Irons and/or ironing boards overall. Note: We can only use a limited number of irons due to power restrictions in the room.
- Extension cords and/or power strips

Prior to the Mystery Day:

- Cut the 1 ½ Yards of coordinating fabric into 21 – 2 ½" strips WOF.
- Separate your Jelly Roll into Lights and Darks. You will need 9 of each

Friendship Block

2013 - 2014

FRIENDSHIP BLOCKS

The tradition is for guild members to participate in making friendship blocks as a way to try a new block, learn a new technique, and finally to have a chance to win the blocks.

You need to complete your block on the due date. Write your name on a piece of paper and attach it to your block(s) so the winner knows who finished the block. Fill out 1 ticket for each block you've completed with your name on it and drop it in the basket provided.

We're going to try some new things.

The winner will win the blocks and 1 yard of coordinating fabric.

If you bring in at least three (3) blocks, you'll get 1 extra chance to win.

Have Fun!!!

Friendship Block 1.....Strata Quilt	Due: September 2013
Friendship Block 2Fast Bow Tie	Due: November 2013
Friendship Block 3..... Salvage Block	Due: MARCH 2014
Friendship Block 4..... Spirited Ladies	Due: May 2014

Questions? Contact: Diane (Popko) Francini
popinct@comcast.net
 (860) 223-7084 Home

STRATA QUILT

Fabric Selection: Select quilt shop quality 100% cotton fabric. They make the best quilts. Feel free to use up your scraps, any color goes!!

Long & Narrow Block: 3" x 60"

Let's make a Strata Quilt! Cut strips 1-1/2" wide from interesting fabrics in your stash. Sew the ends together so you have 60" lengths. Then sew 3 of these strip together to make a block about 3" x 60."

Helpful tip: After sewing a long seam, press **before** opening. This "sets the seam" and makes it easy to keep the seam straight when you press it open. Don't get a little curvy.

Enter your name in the drawing once for each 3" block entered. You'll earn an extra ticket if you make three or more blocks.

Thanks to Empire's Block of the Month website for this great idea.



FAST BOW TIE

This block takes less than 10 minutes to make, so you might want to make a bunch. Win the blocks, and your quilt is almost done!

Choose 2 fabrics: White (or ivory, ecru, parchment...) for the background fabric and a colorful Kaffe Fasset print for the bow.

CUT two 3-1/2" squares from each fabric. **CUT** two 2" square from the print.



Cut 2 background
3-1/2"



Cut 2 print
3-1/2"



Cut 2 print
2"



Sew the small print square to the background square from one corner to the opposite on the diagonal. Cut away excess fabric 1/4" from stitching line.



Fold out triangle and press.



Sew each half of the block to complete the Bow Tie.

SALVAGE BLOCK

Fabric Selection: Select quilt shop quality 100% cotton fabrics and cut off the salvage. You want to cut you salvage between 1” to 1 ½” wide.

Start with a very light interfacing block cut to 6-1/2” square. If you don’t have the interfacing, you could use a light cotton fabric.

Start in the corner. Lay down your 1st strip, right side up.

Your 2nd strip, right side up, will go over your 1st strip. Leave a bit of fabric color showing to add interest. Make sure you have about a ¼” overlapping the 1st strip.

Sew very close to the salvage edge of each new piece added. If your salvage has a shaggy edge, sew on the inside of the shaggy edge.

Flip over the 2nd strip and trim to ¼” seam if needed. Flip it back. Continue until your block is covered corner to corner. Trim your block to a 6-1/2” square.



RAG DOLL OR SPIRITED (LIBERATED) LADIES

This truly is a “free spirit” block. The instructions are from Material Obsession by Kathy Doughty and Sara Fielke. Once you’re comfortable with the suggested blocks, you can decide what you want to do differently for other blocks. The dolls need not be the same.

Block Size: I’ve chosen to make this block size about 6-1/2” X 8” finished (7” X 8-1/2” unfinished). The winner of the blocks can always size the blocks and add other borders if needed or desired.

Fabrics: As always, it’s best to use 100% quilt quality cotton. So this is truly an opportunity to use up more of your scraps. The background fabric should be white or white on white. Have fun with the clothing. Although the pattern shows the dress as one piece, you can always adlib. OR change the dress into pants by modifying the pattern. Then there’s hats, shoes, necklace, hair, purse, garden toolsEndless possibilities.

Making dolls: Doll Construction:

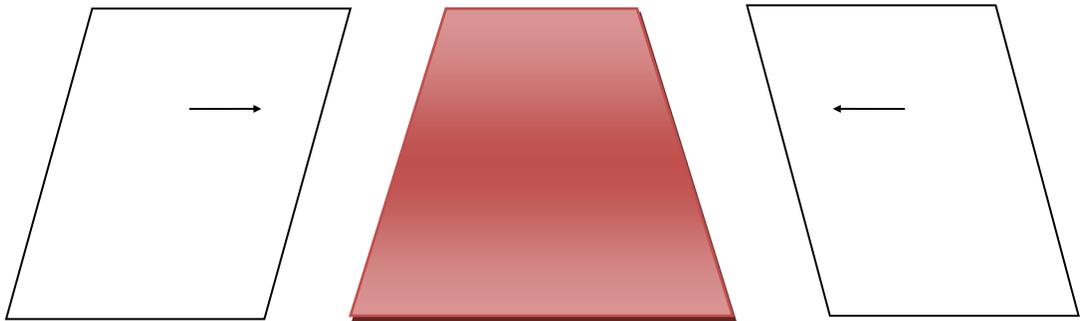
Stage 1 -
Head



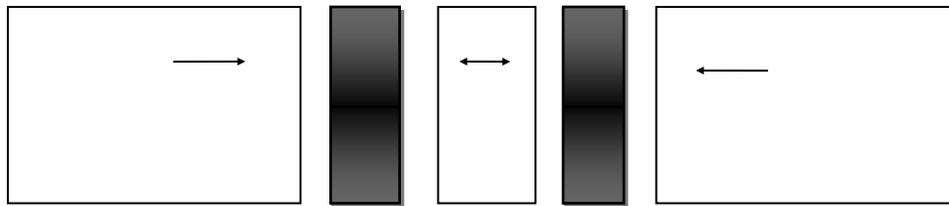
Stage 2 -
Arms/Hands



Stage 3 -
Dress



Stage 4 -
Legs



Sewing Dolls:

Stage 1 – the dress: Decide on the width of your dress. Add background fabric to both sides of the side of your dress. Make sure you've left enough fabric for the overall block size (including seam allowance – 7" to 7-1/2" wide). It's fine if the dress is not exactly centered in this piece.

Stage 2 – the arms/hands: sew a 1" x 2" skin tone rectangle to either side of a 1" x 4-1/2" piece of dress fabric and press seams toward the dress fabric. This piece forms your arms and hands. This piece will be trimmed down later.

Stage 3 – For the dolls head, cut skin tone fabric to 1-1/2" square and add background fabric to both sides. Press toward background fabric. Again, make sure you've left enough fabric for the overall block size (including seam allowance – at least 7" to 7-1/2" wide).

Stage 4 – For the legs, piece a strip of skin tone 1" x 3" to background fabric. Check the diagram to see how the legs are pieced. Press the seams toward the legs. Remember, your legs can actually be any color – think tights, pants, etc.

Joining Stages - Before you join your four stages together, consider if you want to add any embellishments that can be added at the seams. Add buttons and bulkier embellishments once your doll is assembled and ironed. You can finger-press the center of each strip and use this to assemble all the stages. Keep in mind that perfection is not a requirement.

Embellishments: Now's the time to get creative. You can add a hat, fringe, and anything else to give your doll her own personality.

Guest Policy

There will be a \$5.00 **Guest Fee** at Guild Meetings with fee speakers and potluck dinners.

Guest who join the guild that evening do not have to pay the guest fee.



Sunshine

If anyone needs a cheer card or a sympathy card . You can contact Anne Baldis - annieb1953@aol.com or Sue Trimble - susanqtrimble@gmail.com or any board member.



Member Classifieds

This is a new feature to the Newsletter. If you would like to advertise a service or are looking to sell or buy something related to quilting/sewing, you can now advertise it here. Your advertisement will be kept in the Newsletter for six months; after which it will be removed unless told otherwise.

Quilts of Valor

Join us in making Quilts of Valor for service people touched by war, Avon Congregational Church, 6 West Main (Rt 44), Apr 18, May 9 & 23, Jun 13 27, Jul 11 & 25, Aug 8 & 22, Sep 12 & 26, Oct 10 & 17, Nov 14 & 21, Dec 12 & 19; 6 PM - 9 PM. Coaches, Rookies, and all in between are welcome.

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Services: Happy New Year to everyone, I hope you enjoyed your holidays with family and friends. Why not start off 2014 by getting some of those quilt tops that have been sitting around just waiting to get quilted off your UFO list right away. Wait time for edge to edge designs is just a couple days right now so you can really make a dent in all those tops this year. Remember I carry Quilters Dream battings and SewBatik Wide Backs for all your quilts. Call or email Debbie D'Angelo at quiltedbasket@gmail.com or 860-621-5596 to reserve your spot(s) today.

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For Sale: Baby Lock Quest Plus Model BLQ2. In good condition, fairly new and still has all its documentation and accoutrements. Willing to entertain offers. Call Don Rindfleisch at 860-674-8277. His wife was Rosie Rindfleisch, a former guild member.

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For Sale: Walking Foot; Singer, slant shank, never used. \$15 Contact Karen Hines 860.651.3640.

02/14

Workshop Opportunity with Apple Valley Quilters: On Friday, July 11, certified Judy Niemeyer instructor Jack Kunkel will be doing a workshop on your choice of 2 of Judy's patterns. Sand Devils is a 54" x 70" quilt, or Witches Brew bed/table runner, finishes to 23" x 117" (long enough to fit up to a king size bed). You can view either pattern on Jackie's website at cvquiltworks.com. Fee is \$35.00. Contact Donna Nicklis to sign up or for more info at nicklisd@yahoo.com.

04/14

Quilt Shows & Events

For a national and international calendar of quilt events go to the Studio Art Quilt Associates, Inc. website: www.saga.com

April 17 - July 6, 2014

New England Quilt Museum
 "Charmed, Every Piece Is Different"
 18 Shattuck Street
 Lowell, MA
www.nequiltmuseum.org

April 26, 2014

Salmon Brook Historical Society
 "Behind the Scenes—A Tour of Our Textile Storage Rooms"
 2 Sessions at 10am and 1pm
 10 people each session, so the spaces may fill up quickly. Make your reservations soon, as March 19 is the last day to sign up. \$20 admission fee, made out to Salmon Brook Historical Society. Please bring checks to Sally Sargent Markey at next guild meeting or mail to her.

April 26 & 27, 2014

Connecticut Piecemakers Quilt Guild
 "Spring Shower of Quilts XV"
 Crowne Plaza Southbury
 1284 Strongtown Road, Southbury, CT
www.ctpiecemakers.org

May 3 & 4, 2014

Northern Star Quilters'
 "World of Quilts XXXV"
 Somers, NY
 Guest Speakers: Sue Nickels & Mark Lipinski
www.northernstarquilters.com

May 17, 2014

'The Fabric of Time'
 Simsbury Historical Society
 800 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury
 10am - 4pm; Event is Free
 ENJOY demonstrations; an exhibition of wheels, looms and textiles from the Simsbury Historical Society's collections; vendors for spinners, knitters, weavers, and quilters; a discussion of evolution of these crafts, and more! ALSO: Introducing our 18th-century Woodworking Shop in the (Phelps) White Barn!
 Featured Speaker: Ed Johnetta Miller - 11am
 Seating limited to 50 people; please reserve your seats at 860.217.3686

May 17 & 18, 2014

Warwick Valley Quilters' Guild
 "Stars of The Valley" 2014 Quilt Show
 Sanfordville Elementary School
 144 Sanfordville Road, Warwick NY

June 27 - 29, 2014

Vermont Quilt Festival
 11 Pearl Street, Essex Junction, VT
 Fri-Sat, 9am-6pm
 Sun, 9am-3pm
 \$12 Admission

August 14-17, 2014

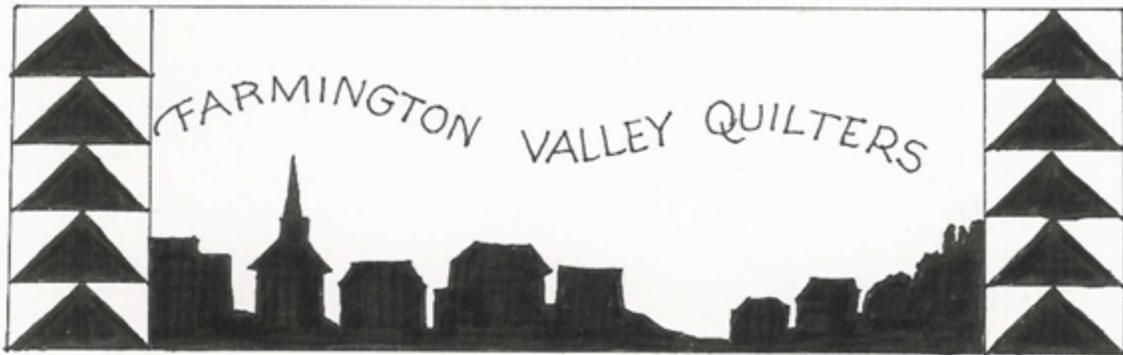
World Quilt Show - New England XII
 The Radisson Center of New Hampshire
 Manchester, NY

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