

The Common Thread

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The Newsletter of the Raincross Quilt Guild - Riverside, CA

President - Jeri Read

Happy Summer to all of you!

What an incredible presentation from the Penny Royal Players! As one visitor shared "I Laughed, teared up, and a couple of times when they were doing the children's names and Amazing Grace hymnal (one of my Mother's favorites) the hairs stood up on my arms."

I hear amazing stories of how the UFO challenge has made many of us aware of where we are and where we want to be. Thank you for all of your encouragement to me. Like many of you I have come across more that I originally put on my list, but I shall persevere! Finishing a quilt is such an incredible feeling of accomplishment. The quilts that are shared at guild continue to inspire me to find time each day to put a few more stitches on a project until I too can say IT'S FINISHED!

If you have come across a project that you want to let someone else have that honor—be sure and bring it to the "yard" sale at our August meeting. I don't know if that counts as a "finished" UFO but you can cross it off your list!

May all of your stitches be blessed,
Jeri



Block of the Month -

The BOM for August is shown to the right. The pattern can be found in the July newsletter. If you have any questions, contact Carol Holmes.



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NEXT MEETING:

August 18th at 6:30pm.
Doors open at 6pm.
Janet Goeske Center
5257 Sierra St, Riverside
Membership dues are \$25.00 per year
Non-Members \$3.00 per meeting.

Calling all experienced and brand new quilters alike!

Back to the Basics Sew Day at Goeske

August 22, 2009

9-4

10:00-12:00 Class time instruction covering

Cutting 10-10:30

Sewing 10:30-11 (What is a scant quarter?)

Pressing 11-11:30 (Not Ironing!)

Binding/Mitering 11:30-12

Break for Lunch 12-1

Salad Bar luncheon: Greens and paper goods will be provided. Bring ingredients for the Salad bar, a dessert, chips, bread or drinks.

1:00-4:00 Sew Fun Afternoon

Baby Quilt Kits will be provided to practice what you've learned! Baby quilts will be given to babies at Riverside County Regional Medical Center.

We need experienced quilters to come and share your knowledge during the class time and we want to invite all who want to learn something new. We can all go away with a new idea, technique, or tip!

Membership:

We are so glad you could join us! In July we had 66 members and 16 visitors, wow! Ladies, please remember to take a minute and "X" your name on the sign-in sheet each month, and note your ZIP CODE on sheet 2!

Show & Share

- Diane Taliani - 12 Days, BOM2008
- Lori Miser - UFO & Table Runners

Note: * indicates a UFO.

Table Sale!

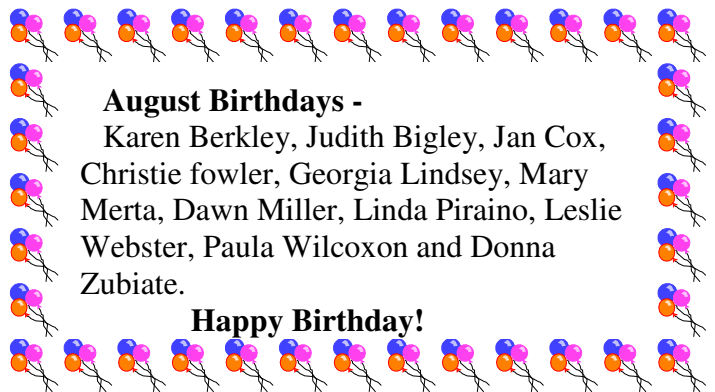
Our annual chance for you to destash, declutter, reduce your quilting cache. Bring your good, no longer wanted quilting related items to this sale at the Aug meeting. 10 % of your sales to go to the Guild.

August Snacks

The August snacks will be provided by our August, December and April birthday members

September Snacks

The September snacks are being provided by our September, January and May birthday members.



August Birthdays -

Karen Berkley, Judith Bigley, Jan Cox, Christie fowler, Georgia Lindsey, Mary Merta, Dawn Miller, Linda Piraino, Leslie Webster, Paula Wilcoxon and Donna Zubiante.

Happy Birthday!

Door Prizes:

Got name? Got name tag? Well, put that tag on (don't you want other members to know who you are?), and put your name in the drawing! Chris makes a big effort to find great, useable door prizes. A big thanks to Fabric Patch for their ongoing generous donations! Congratulations to the July winners: Lois Littlejohn-Clark, Brenda Adamo, Rebecca Slaughter, Zena, Katy Sanchez, Barbara Moynihan, Susie McCoy, Karen Dunivent, Jeanie VanAken, Bonnie and Linda A.

2009 UFO Project

To receive proper credit for your completed UFO's please list your first and last names along with the correct **name** of your UFO project on the "I'm Sharing" list. Please indicate it is a UFO by writing UFO next to the quilt name.

Tips & Tricks

Hello Ladies: Hope all of you that went on the bus to Long Beach Quilt Show had a great time. So many booths and so little time. But I managed to see it all and even just by luck was able to do one of those mini workshops.

Tip for this month. I was lucky enough to find a jewelry case (like in a jewelry store) with a glass top. It is 30"X36". I removed the mini lights that were there and put in fluorescent lights on all 4 sides. It has 4 large drawers. I put my cutting mat on top when not using as a light box. I found this at a used office furniture store. I love it.

Happy Sewing
Karen Hundley
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Save your empty spools! Bring them to the meetings for the next couple of months and give to Jan Cox. We will be using them at our January Meeting!



<http://www.fumcor.com/>

Join in the Fun -

Sew Night is the 1st Wednesday of the month at the United First Methodist Church, located at 4845 Brockton Ave, 6-9pm. Everyone is invited. Bring a project and some goodies if you so desire. We sew a little, visit, and laugh a lot! Hope to see you there.

To support Bambi Bigley in The World Race go to <http://bambibigley.theworldrace.org> and click on SUPPORT ME. You can also contact Bambi at 909-800-8559 or bambibigley@gmail.com if you have any questions

Community Service

If you would like to make quilts for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at the Riverside County Medical Center Hospital, they are asking for quilts a minimum size of 30x30 inches. ***There is always an urgent need for these blankets.***

The Quilting Connection group meets every Tuesday night at 6:30pm. Location: Grove Community Church, 19900 Grove Community Drive, Riverside, CA 92508 in room C2. They make quilts for various charities.

The Friendship Quilters meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at the Janet Goeske Senior Center. They sew quilts for various charities. Call Jan or Florence for details.

Blankets of Belief are quilts for soldiers. Check out www.soldiersangels.org for information and guidelines.

Loose Ends meets at the Goeske center the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 2:30 to 5:00 pm.

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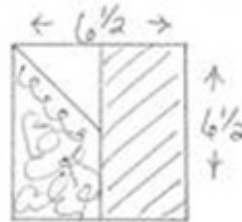
SEPTEMBER 2009 BOM PURPLE PINWHEEL 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " UNFINISHED 12" FINISHED

Use 8 different purple, lavender mix fabrics and cut them all in
3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles

Use a white or white on white fabric and cut
4—3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares

Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the white squares.

Starting with 4 of the purple rectangles, lay one 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " white sq. on the right side of one of the rectangles, making sure the diagonal line slants from top right to lower left. Sew on the line, press to the DARK and cut off the excess. Do the same with the other 3 rectangles making sure they all lay the same way. Now you have a spinner.



Sew the other 4 rectangles on the right side of the spinners. (refer to picture) Lay all 4 squares, (now measuring 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " sq). according to the picture, making sure the spinners all go the same way.



I sketched this pattern from a quilt hanging on a quilt shop wall, so I have no idea to whom I should give the credit. ☺

Questions? Call Carol Holmes 951.657.6531

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Upcoming Events

June 14 ***Fabric of Survival:*** The Art of Esther Krinitz at the Oceanside Museum of Art, Oceanside, CA

Thru A gifted seamstress, Esther decided, at age 50, to tell her story of living through the Holocaust in Poland in cloth, stitching thirty-six beautiful and poignant appliqué and embroidered panels which comprise the exhibition. See more at: <http://www.oma-online.org/exhibits.html>

Oct 25th

Cost: \$5.00 for seniors; \$8.00 for others.

Aug 15-16 ***Celebrating 100 years of Tehachapi's Incorporation,*** West Park Activity Center, 490 W D St, Tehachapi, CA — 150 quilts, vendors boutique, raffle basked bed turning, challenge quilt display, opportunity quilt drawing. Cost: \$5.00. Sponsored by the Tehachapi Mountain Quilters' Guild. Email: dcauldin@sbcglobal.net

Aug 18 ***Raincross Quilt Guild***—Meeting, Mystery Quilt Finale, ***Annual Table Sale*** (think yard sale), Janet Goeske Senior Center—6:30 to 9 pm. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Visitors \$3.00.

Website: <http://www.geocities.com/raincrossgg>

Thru ***Quilts outside the box: Quilts with Character*** from the collection of the San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles. On display at the Temecula Valley Museum, 28314 Mercedes St. (Old Town), Temecula, CA. Tues-Sat 10-5, Sun 1-5. Admission \$2.00 suggested donation. Ph: 951-694-6450

Aug 30th

Sept 5 - 6 Busy Bears Quilt Guild of Big Bear Lake Mountain Treasures XXI 2009 Quilt Show; Labor Day Weekend; Big Bear Middle School 41275 Big Bear Blvd., Big Bear Lake, Ca. 92315 Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-4 Admission - \$5.00 Children under 12 Free Boutique, Exhibit Quilts, Vendors, Wearable Art, Door Prizes For More Information call: Sharon 909 844-4545 or Bonnie 909 866-3906
Email Contact: bbcquilter@yahoo.com

Sept 17 - 2 The Traveling Quilters Our Temecula Quilt-Away Retreats are always fun and productive weekends. It's a great opportunity to finish projects or start something new. We usually have anywhere from 30 to 45 people at the retreat so it's always fun to see what people are working on. Each person has half an 8-ft table for sewing space in our large, well-lit classroom. Once again we'll be staying at the Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center in the Temecula wine region.

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Sept 26 North County Quilter's Assoc. Quilt Show/Auction

Email Contact: ticamom@cox.net

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Oct 3 Old Town Temecula Outdoor Quilt Show