

# Pieceful Patchers Newsletter

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## April, May, June, 2004

### Meeting Dates

March 29<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 PM

- Quilt-in-a-Day

- Pat Knoechel will once again join us for a quilt show and demonstration. She will also have quilting books and supplies on hand. Come, bring some friends, and a dozen cookies. The cost is \$1.00 per person.

April 26<sup>th</sup> - 7 PM

- Quiltable Quotes - Are you ready to get creative? Kathy Woolner and Janice Park have come up with a great idea for a Guild Challenge. (This program was post-poned from March.) Remember the quilt show slides Carol showed us from Lancaster? There was one of: "You are what you eat" - two people covered in food. I believe it was an entry in a "proverbial challenge". Well, we would like to build on that idea. This meeting will be a brain-storming session. Come prepared with traditional quilt block ideas, or new design dreams that illustrate a quote or saying. Be ready to share your suggestions (you can keep your best idea for your own challenge quilt), and get our creative juices going. We'll take the following few months to create our small wall quilts.

- Yes MAM Mammogram Quilt Project Kickoff (see newsletter for more info)

Cindy Sakala will give us a brief demo of machine quilting a block, so we can use this technique in the project. Batting squares will be given out to those members wishing to participate.

- Scissors Sharpening (again)

Bob Torkeo will be back to sharpen scissors and knives. Cost is around \$3

- \$5 a pair.

- Semi-annual dues are due - \$12.00

**May 7<sup>th</sup> - Special Event: Spring Tea Quilt-In**

**Date: Friday, May 7th**

**Place: Heide Hall**

**Time: 4 pm to Midnight (3pm for setup)**

**Once again, our creative members have come up with a great idea for a Guild event - a Spring Tea! Come prepared to sip, sew and socialize for the evening. Janice Park, our Hostess for this event, asks that you bring your favorite teacup and saucer, hat & gloves (optional), spring flowers for the table, and a favorite tea. You'll also need your sewing machine, notions & supplies along with something to sew! A few irons and ironing boards are also helpful. To register, see Janice at the meeting or call 724-353-2449.**

**May 24<sup>th</sup> - Needles and Threads**

**Sandy Fink, owner of The Sewing Store, will be on hand to talk about needles and threads. Sandy really knows her stuff, and can answer any of your questions. She'll also have some needles and threads on hand for sale afterwards.**

**- Fat Quarter Not-So-Busy Bee - Bring an unwashed (quality quilter's cotton) fabric fat quarter in a pastel floral. All who volunteer to participate will put their name in a drawing. One or two of us will go home with a new fat quarter stash.**

**June 28<sup>th</sup> - Magazine and Pattern Sale**

**Back again----the Magazine and Pattern Sale. Bring in your old magazines, patterns, whatever, and some spare change. Sell your stuff, or donate the proceeds to the Guild. The important thing is to de-clutter your sewing room!**

<p>Remember Ecclesiastes 3:6 - “...a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away.”</p>
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**- Busy Bee Block Due**

**Looking Ahead: July 26th: Annual Picnic**

**Aug. 23: Mystery Quilt Project starts**

**Sept. 24-26: Fall Quilters' Retreat**

**Sept. 27: Fall Watercolor Table Runner**

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## Pieceful Patchers Home Page

Believe it or not, one very gracious and ambitious, not to mention - computer savvy, guild member, Jo Ann Anthony, has designed a web page for us, with FAQ's, Member List, message boards, Chat Topics (including quilt tales and methods). The details are too numerous for me to report here. Jo Ann really would love to see us visit and add to this site.

Check it out for yourself: <http://jomay.com/>

Then click on "Forums" in the left-hand column.

## Yes MAM Mammogram

In order to promote the commitment women should have to getting mammograms, and to provide help for those who cannot afford it, Carol Strobel has asked for volunteers to make a 12  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch pink block (any pattern, already-quilted) for assembly into a quilt for a mammogram center to raffle.

Cindy will show us how to quilt each block at the April meeting. The blocks should be presented at the May 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## Cookie Schedule

Please bring 1-2 dozen cookies for our meeting refreshments ... and plan to help set up and clean up. Thanks. - Carol Redman, Hospitality Chairperson

<u>April</u>		<u>May</u>		<u>June</u>	
Bev Dietrich	Sally Donahey	Dee Pavlik	Helen Peconi	Melissa Salsgiver	Colliene Shriver
Carrie Ehrman	Janet Fair	Debbie Rowan	Twila Ruediger	Anna Mae Sample	Karen Schwab
Karen Fowler		Cindy Sakala		Libby Satterfield	

## Save those quilting purchase receipts.....

For every \$250 in receipts that are (re)turned in to the Quilt Company, the guild will receive \$25 in merchandise. Give your receipts to Ruth Stitt.

For every \$500 in receipts that are (re)turned in to Miller's Dry Goods, the guild will receive \$505 in merchandise.

**Charity Quilting:** the last Wednesday of each month at Clinton Pres. Church. See Donna Tasker

## **Busy Bee Block - Pointlessly Pieced - Due June 28, 2004**

This was demonstrated on Kaye Wood's Quilting program. It takes longer to document than it does to make. She calls it "pointless" because there are no triangle seams to match (bring to a point).

[Participation is voluntary. Make 1 block as described below. Bring it on June 28, and put your name in the basket. One winner will go home with all the busy bee blocks!]

Finished Size: 16", including seam allowances (save the trimming for the winner of the blocks)

### Fabric Required:

- One 40" strip of 4 floral fabrics,  
as measured below. (washed, 100% cotton)

### Cutting:

- Strip 1     4" wide
  - Strip 2     2" wide
  - Strip 3     1" wide
- (an accent strip - make it stand out)
- Strip 4     3" wide

### Directions:

1) Sew strips together in order from selvage to selvage, using 1/4" seam allowances.

2) Press all seam allowances in one direction.

3) Cut 4 right triangles from the strip, using 45' degree angles. You will have 2 different sets of 2 triangles.

4) Arrange the triangles in a square, 90" (square corners) toward the center.

5) Using 1/4" seam allowances, sew the vertical and horizontal seams of the block.

6) Press.