



Next Guild Meeting/Resource Day

September 29, 2012

at the  
HOLY FAMILY PARISH HALL  
5700 Nickerson Rd. West Sechelt

NOTE THE TIMES:

Doors open: 8:45 am

**Mini Workshops:** 3 Quilt Store Demos.  
Show & Tell

**Business Meeting:** 11:00 am  
Coffee/Snack Break, Show & Share

**Program:** Doreen Rombough  
Trunk Show & Presentation

Executive meeting follows 15 minutes after the  
program ends and all members are welcome to  
attend.

NEWSLETTER Deadline:

October 5, 2012 for the  
OCTOBER 2012 Edition

Things to Remember:

- Coffee/tea cup – \*\*\* Name Tag
- Donation to hostess group for snack
- Library book(s)
- **Fat Quarter Draw: “Bright Batiks”**

**This Months' Hostess Group:**  
**Cotton Club**

**Hostess Schedule:**

October 2012: Off the Wall  
November 2012: Pender Harbour Piecemakers  
January 2013: Gone to Pieces  
February 2013: 1/2 Moon Crazies  
March 2013: Fat Quarters  
April 2013: Cotton Club

**Presidents' Report - September 2012**

Welcome back to another year of great quilting. Our summer activities are winding down. The grandchildren are back at home, our garden is settling for the coming winter, and the spiders are trying to take up their winter residence in the corners of my sewing room. All signs of a quilting season about to begin!

We will get to know each other and hopefully have a laugh or two. I have a few ideas to get us going.

The first is our **Ice Breaker game**. This will include all who walk through the doors at our first meeting. Nothing difficult but I hope lots of laughs and of course there will be prizes. Lots of prizes – so don't miss out!

The second idea is my **President's Challenge**, which I will explain at our first meeting. This will involve some work and creativity on your part. Will there be prizes? Of course there will be prizes! I hope you will all want to participate.

As we have yet to find someone (or two) to take over **Mini workshops** I have arranged something to start the year. I am also proposing that each group, when they host, provide the Guild with two mini workshops. This is if we do not get a volunteer to take on this position. Bring your ideas and thoughts either through your group rep or come yourself to our Executive meeting on Sept. 12. in the classroom at Fibre Expressions – 10.am. **RSVP** to Lois at [loisanderson@dccnet.com](mailto:loisanderson@dccnet.com) or call 604-886-9127 as I am providing a light lunch that day.

Our September meeting will be busy. We hope to keep the actual business part as short as possible but we do need to attend to the few formalities that are required. Looking forward to working with all of you in the coming year.

*Lois Anderson*

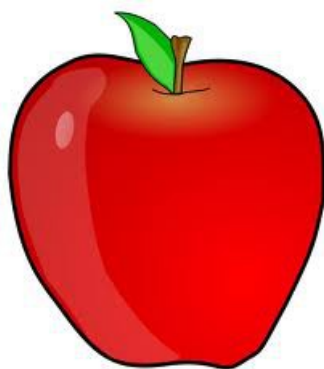
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### **S.C.Q.G. Annual General Meeting**

As per the Guild's Policies #5 d) page 6. Membership is hereby advised that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Sept 29<sup>th</sup> Resource Day at 10:30 hrs.

Past President - Fay Bullock

### **SCQG Retreat**

“Mad Hatters Tea party” Camp Sunshine Oct 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>.

Come join the fun at Camp Sunshine. There are still a few places left so get your name in quickly before places go. We have:

Colleen Wise from Washington facilitating “Boxes and Beyond”

Gloria Daly facilitating and “Encaustic” workshop and,

Our very own Sandy Barrett and a fabulous “Mystery Quilt”.

Of course participants can always do their own thing. Finishing projects or starting new ones. All this in good company with good food in a wonderful setting. Come have some fun time, relax and get rid of those stresses in your life.

You can always take part in the funny hat competition. There will be door prizes and a fantastic raffle prize to be won. Come spoil yourself and relax with the eagles and maybe the odd bear or two. Your retreat committee,

Anne, Marie and Fay

### **Quilt Show May 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

Plans are continuing well at this time.

Merchants attending:

Eileen Neil (the bead lady) Maureen Wood, Hamels' as well as our own merchants on the Coast.

Others have been approached but we are still awaiting their replies.

There will be two days of workshops with two teachers:

Hilary Rice from Ontario who will be teaching two one-day classes

Sharon Pederson from Vancouver Island who also will be teaching two one-day classes.

Further information to come.

Quilt Show Chair – Fay Bullock

**Raffle Quilt** - To all members: please bring the blocks that you have made for the Raffle Quilt to Resource Day in September.

**S.C.Q.G Resource Day Minutes  
May 26, 2012  
Holy Family Church Hall,  
Sechelt. B.C.**

President Fay Bullock called the meeting to order early at 10:30 am in order to discuss and clarify the changes in Policies and Procedures that were distributed in the Newsletter. There was general discussion and changes and suggestions from the membership were noted for inclusion in the final drafts of the documents.

**President's Report: Fay Bullock**

Fay welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the Fat Quarters Group for hosting the meeting. Fay announced that plans for the quilt Show in May 2013 are well underway and that she has all sub committees covered. Fay made a plea for volunteers to fill positions on the Executive especially the Vice President position. She reminded the membership again that if no one stepped forward to fill the position it would be impossible to continue on with the Guild.

Phyllis Erlenbusch outlined the activities of the Fat Quarters Group. The Group meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at Fibre Expressions from 11:00 to 4:00. The group has a charity project each year and plans to enter a group quilt in the Quilt Show.

**Treasurer's Report: Lee Ewing**

The balance of available funds in the bank is \$7,839.11.

**Secretary's Report: Sheila MacDonald**

Sheila reminded everyone about Hands Across the Water in October.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Membership: Sue Lowell**

65 Members signed in for the meeting and 2 Visitors.

Door Prizes: Sharon Roye, Yvonne Mill, Pauline Weber, Gayle Adam, and Helen Bailey.

**Block of the Month: Debbie Scott**

The winner of the May blocks was Jeannette Lucas. Debbie announced that there would be a sale on blocks to work on over the summer – 2 for the price of 1.

**Program: Lynda White**

Lynda presented the Bali Fat Quarters to the draw winner Pauline Weber.

**Mini Workshops: Martha Tatman**

Martha requested that any one interested in leading a workshop for the Fall should contact her,

**Retreat: Fay Bullock**

Fay reminded membership that there are still openings for the Retreat. The theme is “Mad Hatter’s Tea Party” and there will be a prize for the funniest hat.

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**May 26, 2012**

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**Program: Margaret Kurys**

Anticipated workshops for next year are Maureen Wood and Eileen Neale.

**Bus Trips: Sharon Roye**

Sharon reported that a trip to the Pacific North West Quilt Show in August is cancelled.

**Comfort Quilts – Karen Biddlecomb**

32 quilts were received for the year and 31 have been donated to St Mary's Hospital, Children and Families Services and Arrowhead.

**Youth Program**

There will be no program in 2013 – 2014 as no one volunteered to lead it.

**Newsletter Linda Kummer**

The deadline for September Newsletter is August 27, 2012

**Elections and Voting**

Nominations for Executive:

President	Lois Anderson
Treasurer	Priscilla Hendriks
Secretary	Merilee Martel
Publicity	Jeanette Lucas
Merchandise	Gayle Reichert
Comfort Society	Carol Adams, Karen Biddlecomb

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the Executive be approved in accordance with the slate of Members presented.

**CARRIED**

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** that the changes to the Policies and Procedures be approved as noted and discussed.

**CARRIED**

**Show and Tell**

Members stood by their quilts to give descriptions for Show and Tell.

Winner of the Show and Tell prize was Debbie Scott. Debbie advised that this is the first time she has brought a project for Show and Tell.

Meeting adjourned

**S.C.Q.G EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES.**

**May 26, 2012**

**Holy Family Church Hall, Sechelt. B.C.**

**In Attendance:**

Fay Bullock	Lee Ewing	Lois Anderson
Sheila MacDonald	Carol Adams	Linda Kummer
Carol Bowie	Debbie Scott	Judi Wilson
Sue Lowell	Karen Biddlecomb	

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Comfort Society:**

It was noted that the Policies and Procedure wording for the Comfort Society must match the Guild Policies and Procedures. It was also noted that in future there should be a financial report for members each year.

**Distribution of Information:**

Efforts will be taken to teach the incoming Secretary the procedure for distribution of notices to members.

**Signage:**

The Quilt Show Committee is organizing the purchase of some new signage.

**Evaluation of the Past Year:**

Workshops – It was felt that the workshops have met the expectations of a wide range of Members.

Block of the Month - It was noted that the Block of the Month requires an enormous amount of time and help should be provided to Debbie.

Vice President – It was decided that in future the door prizes will be announced. It was noted that all stores on the Coast were purchased from.

**Retreat:**

Fay advised that there were some problems at Camp Sunrise and that it may be necessary to have another group at the camp at the same time. It was felt that the problems could be overcome.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

## COMFORT QUILTS – September 2012 Newsletter

2012-2013 - Committee: Carol Adams, Gail Reichert and Karen Biddlecombe

Donated quilts: 32 quilts were handed out during the 2011-2012 year to St Mary's Hospital, Children and Families Services and Arrowhead.

Many thanks to all those who participated.

It was a joy for Carol & Karen to give these quilts out on behalf of the SCQG and to see their look of joy and amazement at the quality of the quilts given to them.

### 2012 – 2013 SCQG Comfort Quilts Challenge:

There was an idea proposed that “Wouldn't it be nice if every baby born in St. Mary's Sechelt hospital would receive a baby quilt” – Hum, could we supply that need?

We have found out that last year there were 150 babies born at St. Mary's Hospital.

WOW isn't our community growing!

If we had a baby sized quilt (measuring approx. 36" x 65") OR even smaller ones (to be used for buggy covers) from the membership, we would be able to fulfill this challenge.

If you feel you would like to be a part of this 2012- 2013 challenge please feel free to start quilting and fit a “little” quilt project between your other projects.

The committee has received fabric & some partially completed toppers from a person who can no longer continue quilting. Many of these materials are suitable for baby quilts or buggy covers.

We will be bringing these items to the September meeting so feel free to take materials to create a baby quilt and return it when you are finished.

The expectation for the quilt you create is that it be of the same that quality that you would make for yourself. Cotton material is the preferred fabric.

All sizes of quilts are welcome including wall hangings.

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**To all Guild members from your Program Committee:**

We are sending you a description of a proposed workshop to be held for a few days following the September Resource Day.

Doreen Rombough, from Edmonton, taught classes on the One Block Wonder quilt to a few groups this past Spring when she was on the Coast. Doreen will be presenting a trunk show at the September Resource Day. She has offered to do a different class that should appeal to those who want to do some embellishing and work with some interesting products. The class would likely be held on the Tuesday/Wednesday following Resource Day. These are details we will finalize accordingly...

Please let us know if you are interested and if you would likely sign up to take this class. If there is sufficient interest we will proceed with making all of the necessary arrangements for it to happen. We expect the cost to be our usual 'very reasonable fee'...

e-mail: Margaret Kurys [mail4margi@dccnet.com](mailto:mail4margi@dccnet.com)

The Program Committee will again host The Fat Quarter Draw.

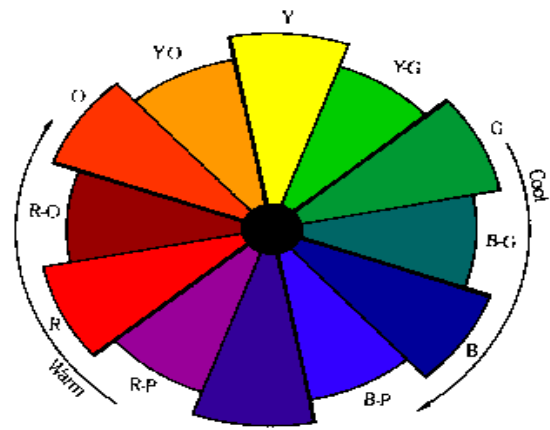
The September Fat Quarter theme: **BRIGHT BATIKS**.

Hand in your fat quarter batik at the Program Table. Add your name to the draw to win. You will have a chance to win a stack of fat quarters!!

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From your Program Committee...

Hi Everyone,

We have two early workshops coming up....

**"Cutting Edge" and "The Lighted Christmas Tree"**

1. Doreen Rombough who taught One Block Wonder to a few satellite groups and at Fibre Expressions last Season will be returning to present a Trunk Show at our September Resource Day. Doreen has offered to do a one-day workshop following that Resource Day. Participants at the workshop will learn about using a variety of products to create everything from trees, leaves, branches, and dragonflies. Learn about how to incorporate the results into your art quilt projects.

Tentative Date: Monday, Oct. 1, 2012 - Location: Greencourt Hall, Sechelt

Cost: \$35.00 due at September Resource Day (29th)

Supply List next page and description for Doreen's class below...

We already have 7 signed up for this session, so please let me know if you would like to add your name to the list. [mail4margi@dccnet.com](mailto:mail4margi@dccnet.com)

2. "The Lighted Christmas Tree" with instructor Maureen Wood. This workshop has proven to be very popular with Guilds in the Lower Mainland and is in demand. (Please note that this is not a paper-piecing workshop...a number of you are familiar with Maureen and have attended her Judy Niemeyer paper piecing classes).

Scheduled Date: Sunday, October 28th, 2012 – Location: Greencourt Hall, Sechelt

Cost: \$55.00 includes pattern & light kit. Supply list will be handed out Resource Day.

We prefer payment by the September Resource Day but will accept at October Resource Day. At the May Resource Day, where we introduced this workshop, there were 7 sign ups. Please e-mail me if you wish to add your name to the list - [mail4margi@dccnet.com](mailto:mail4margi@dccnet.com)

3. At our November Resource Day we have high hopes of having an “in-house” workshop with everyone making Christmas ornaments or other small items requiring only your sewing kits. If you have any suggestions for such an activity we would be soooooo glad to hear from you.

**“CUTTING EDGE Workshop - Description”**

Project #1 will be making our own fabric with wool, angelina, scraps of glitter and fabric scraps. We will use a wash away product.

Project #2 is making dragonfly wings using angelina and wire. We will also construct the body of the dragonfly.

Project #3 will paint Lutrador and use a heat gun to create bark.

Project #4 we will create cedar boughs and branches using a wash away product.

These are fun easy projects that can be used to enhance any quilting project.

From: Your Program Committee!!

## **CUTTING EDGES SUPPLY LIST:**

### **#1 Supply list: Fabric**

- ξ few small selections of different colors of angelina , any scraps of tinsel, colored or metallic threads, wool, glitter - anything you can find – don't forget fabric scraps.
- ξ 1 meter of solvey wash away.
- ξ Small iron if you have one and a small pressing station. This can be shared.
- ξ Sewing machine with free motion foot and of course your accessories for sewing.
- ξ Selection of thread including any metallic for rayon.
- ξ If time permits we can also do a three dimensional tree so bring a fat quarter of good tree fabric

### **#2 Supply list: Dragonfly wings and body**

- ξ Piece of green silk, rayon or a black and white piece also looks good – about 10” square.
- ξ I will bring the beads for the eyes and wire for the wings and body.
- ξ Angelina in a color you would like your wings to be.
- ξ Parchment paper – about 20” or so if you do not have a Teflon sheet.
- ξ Thread to match your fabric.

### **#3 Supply list: Bark**

- ξ Lutrador – 13x13
- ξ Paints: Transparent, Opaque (seta-color, lumiere Stewart Gill or Golden – If this is not available we could water down craft paint.
- ξ Foam brushes , container for water and paper towells
- ξ Plastic to cover workspace
- ξ Yarn, thread, Heat gun, small piece of stiff interfacing 14x14
- ξ Sewing Machine
- ξ Piece of fabric for under the Lutrador that is good bark material. 14x14

### **#4 Supply list: Cedar boughs and branches.**

- ξ Wash away - .5 metre
- ξ 40 weight thread in greens, brown (variegated is good) and rust color. I like to use some regular threads to add some spark as well – so just a few of the same colors.
- ξ Sewing machine with zig zag.
- ξ Pipe cleaners – any colors – got mine at the dollar store and shared with friends.
- ξ Any green (dull) and brown wool for the branches.
- ξ Lots of straight pins. I use the silver pins and you will need over a 100. Again can be bought cheaply.
- ξ You will need picture matts with an inside measurement of 5x7. Again dollar store.
- ξ Start saving the foam dishes that your meat, sandwiches, etc come in. I also was able to get a few from our friendly butcher.  
I scour the dollar stores for all sorts of embelishments, glitter, ribbon, beads etc.



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**Mini Workshops - September 2012**

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**Sew Easy, Carola's and Fibre Expression**

We are having three demo tables - One from each of our local Quilt stores. We will have three groups (of 15) and they will rotate with 15 to 20 minutes at each table.

**Sew Easy**

Sue from will be demonstrating and talking about her Pfaff machines.

**Fabric Expressions**

Christine from will be demonstrating the Accu Quilt Cutter and also the new Curves ruler for Squares by Creative Grid Rulers.

**Carola's**

Carola will be demonstrating and talking about her Husqvarna machines.

There is no fee but the class size is limited to 15 ladies per demo.

Start time is at 9:15 sharp.

**Membership News**

Did you know - Joining the Guild provides you with many benefits - including the library, attendance at Resource Days, entries to the quilt show, access to workshops and much more.

It is now time to renew your membership for 2012-13.

To "ease" the renewal process please complete the membership form included with this newsletter and attach a cheque to it.

Simply bring the form to Resource Day and your membership card plus receipt will be ready for you by the next meeting. Cash will also be accepted at the membership desk.

There have been A LOT of email address changes over the last few months - please ensure you provide us with the current one. You also have the option of mailing the form in ahead of the meeting. Looking forward to an exciting year.

## **Mission Statement**

- The purpose of the Sunshine Coast Quilters' Guild is to promote the joy of quilting to the Sunshine Coast, and to provide for the community's enjoyment, through quilt shows, classes, demonstrations and displays.
- To provide an umbrella guild for the various satellite quilting groups offering resource days which include workshops, demonstrations, education and guest speakers.
  - The guild shall be a non-profit society.
  - The Guild's mission is to provide members with ongoing education, opportunities to share quilting experiences and knowledge, and an opportunity to provide community service. The smaller quilting groups on the coast also provide a strong focus for the many quilters with regard to these goals. Maximizing connections between the Guild and the small groups helps share some of the energy and enthusiasm

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 20 – 22, 2012: Northwest Quilting Expo, Portland, Oregon,

[www.nwquiltingexpo.com](http://www.nwquiltingexpo.com)

September 21 – 23, 2012: Kelowna Quilt & Fibre Art Show, "Flirty Thirties"

Contact: Sandra Miller, [www.kelownaquilters.com](http://www.kelownaquilters.com)

October 19 – 20, 2012: Harvest of Quilts, Vancouver Quilters Guild Bi-annual Show  
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Contact: Janet Harper, 604-873-9458 or

[honeybees1313@gmail.com](mailto:honeybees1313@gmail.com)

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October 20 – 21, 2012 "A Harvest of Quilts" - Penticton Quilters' Guild

[www.pentictonquiltersguild.com](http://www.pentictonquiltersguild.com)

October 20 - 21, 2012 Decade of Quilts, Blue Mountain Quilters' Guild,  
Montgomery Middle School, 1900 Edgewood Ave. Coquitlam

Contact: [gladyswhite@hotmail.com](mailto:gladyswhite@hotmail.com)

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## Membership Form for Sunshine Coast Quilters' Guild

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Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

What other Satellite Quilt Groups do you belong? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Please check if you wish (at no cost) to be a member of Sunshine Coast Quilters' Comfort Society so that we, as a non-profit organization, can apply for and hold a raffle in accordance to BC law when we wish to raise funds . . .

Membership Fees:

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Members with internet access are strongly encouraged to get their newsletter @ [www.scquiltersguild.com](http://www.scquiltersguild.com) If you have internet access and wish to continue getting a copy in the mail we will require the additional \$10.00 to cover some of the postage plus copying costs.

Please fill out form and submit it along with your dues (cheques made payable to Sunshine Coast Quilters' Guild or SCQG) at the September Resource Day or mail directly to:

Joan Harvey  
8688 Redrooffs Rd  
Halfmoon Bay, B.C. V0N 1Y1

Your new membership card and receipt will be available at the regular Guild meeting or you may enclose a self-address, stamped envelope for mailing back to you.

Please indicate if you would like a current membership list, which will be available after the November Resource Day.

Membership List via e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ November Resource Day \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us how you can help the Guild:

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## Quilting Basics: Choosing Cotton to Match Your Style

By [Cheryl Fall](#) - *Machine Quilting Tip & Tricks - For Dummies*

When searching for **cotton** fabrics to use in a particular quilting project, keep in mind the look you want to achieve. Is the project a casual country quilt or a more formal Victorian design? A simple pieced **block** can take on many different moods depending on the style of fabric you choose. Soft pastels in tiny prints can give a project a feminine feel, whereas deep browns, rusts, and blues may give the quilt a country flavor.

For a high-end, decorator look, choose coordinates for your quilt. Coordinates are a group of fabrics that complement each other, or coordinate. They can be as diverse as a large-scale floral with a wide matching stripe or as similar as a softly shaded, sweet little calico with matching solids and tiny little prints. Most fabric stores display coordinate fabrics together (usually on end-of-the-aisle displays), making it easier to pick and choose the fabrics that best fit together . . . and best fit your style. You can also find bundled selections of coordinating fat-quarters and fat-eighths in many stores. These bundles are the favorite weakness of some quilters, who purchase them on a whim or to fill out their fabric stashes.

To get started on matching your quilt style to your fabric selection, use Table 1 as a guide.

**Table 1: Fit Your Fabric to Your Style**

<i>Quilt Style</i>	<i>Fabric Suggestions</i>
Victorian or feminine	Realistic florals mixed with small- to medium-scale coordinates
Cottage	Bright pastels in small- to medium-scale prints mixed with solid off-white
Lodge	Medium- to large-scale deep, woodsy-colored solids and plaids, all in shades of brown, green, rust, red, ochre, tan, navy, and sometimes black
Country	Muted, dusty-toned prints in all scales, plus solids or two-color schemes such as red with white or blue with off-white
Scrappy	Go crazy, pal! Anything goes here!
Traditional Amish	Deep jewel-tone solids and black; no prints
Contemporary	Colorful novelty prints, especially geometric prints
Juvenile	Bright crayon colors in solids and prints



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**Pay close attention to the color values of the fabrics you select. Your projects need some contrast so they don't look washed-out, so for the best results, gather an assortment of light-, medium-, and dark-valued prints. In a well-designed quilt, light-value fabrics recede, dark-value fabrics pop out prominently, and medium-value fabrics hold the whole thing together. Without this variety, your quilt doesn't look like much from a distance – just a lump of fabric with batting in between the layers!**

**Some fabric stores carry a nifty little tool called a value finder, which is simply a little rectangle (about 2 x 4 inches) of transparent red plastic that, when held over printed fabrics, allows you to see the color value without the clutter of the print getting in your way! It works by changing the color of the fabric to gray-scale, allowing you see with ease which fabrics are light, dark, or somewhere in between. The value finder's small enough to fit in your purse or pocket, so it's easy to keep on hand.**

**In addition to value, scale, which is the size of a fabric's print, is also very important when choosing fabrics for a quilt. Just as with values, small-scale prints recede in a design, and large-scale prints can be real eye-poppers!**

**Try to avoid using more than one or two large-scale prints in your quilt. They tend to look too "busy" and are hard on your eyes when cutting, stitching, and quilting, not to mention when you're trying to enjoy your final product.**

**Message from the Editor: Welcome back Quilters!**

I found the above article, which I thought might be helpful for those who are just beginning quilters or even those who have been quilting for a long time. Choosing the right fabric can make all the difference for a wonderful finished product. Enjoy.

It's always great to put information into the newsletter which we think others might find of interest. If any of you come across a useful tip or trick for quilting, or a tool that makes life simpler, we would love to hear from you.

Also ladies, please bring in any projects you have been working on over the summer for Show & Tell. Thanks.

See you at Resource Day..... Linda Kummer

