

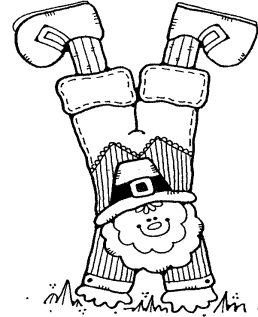
STITCHES IN THE SAND



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MEETING DATE: Thursday, March 10, 2005
HAPPY (HALF) HOUR: 6:30 - 7:00 P.M.
BUSINESS: 7:00 - 9:30 P.M.
PLACE: Marco Forster Middle School



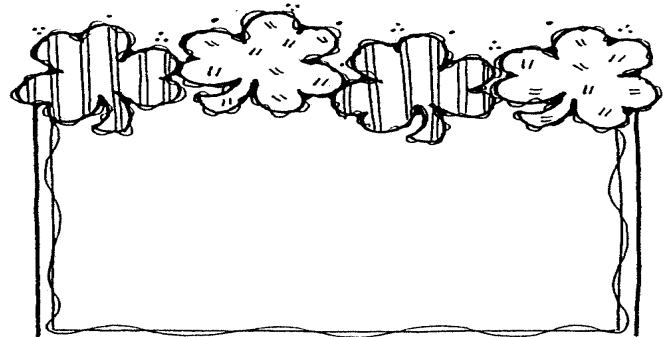
Gale Garber "How Do I Get There From Here - Every Quilter's Journey"

Gail Garber began quilting very traditional quilts, but in 1984 she explored original design inspired by the quilts of Ginny Beyer. Her first effort was a king-size hand-pieced and quilted Mariner's Compass. Since then her style has been constantly evolving with southwest pictorial quilts, mariner's compass, geometric star designs, free form flying geese and interesting border designs. Her design techniques are incorporated in quilts and wearables. She has published several books and patterns, including Sensational Stars and Spiral Migrations, which showcase her unique techniques and fabulous use of color. Her lecture will be a large trunk show of quilts and garments focusing on the progression of her craft. To see examples of Gail's work visit her website at www.GailGarberDesigns.com. In addition to her quilting, she is also passionate about conservation. She is Executive Director of Hawks Aloft which educates and promotes research on raptors and other neotropical migratory birds.

Please join us for dinner at Sarducci's at the Depot in San Juan Capistrano at 5:00 PM prior to the guild meeting. Call Sheryl Smith-Bailey at 240-3200 or e-mail sherylsb@pacbell.net to reserve your spot for dinner.

A PEEK AT FUTURE PROGRAMS

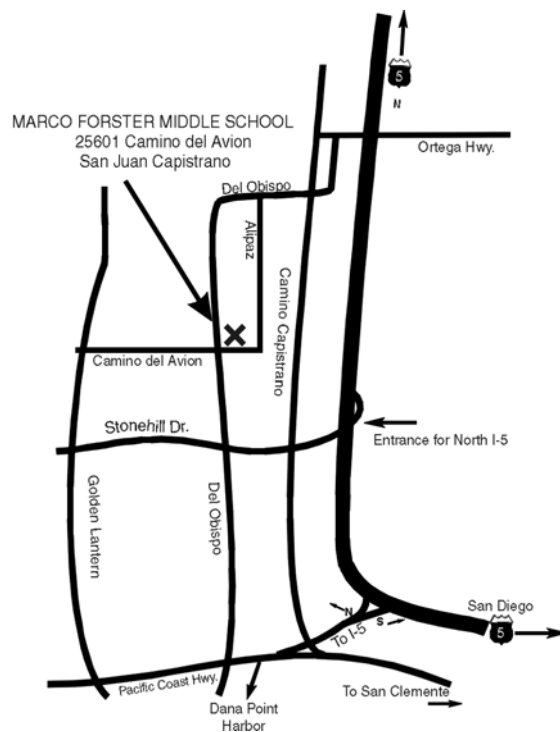
April	Member's Showcase
May	Caryl Bryer Fallert
June	Jane Tenorio-Coscarelli
July	Cindy Blackberg



The Beach Cities Quilters Guild was established to promote quilting and other fabric arts in the South Orange County area. Membership is \$25 per year, October through September. Guests are welcome at meetings for a \$5 guest fee (free in December). For membership information, contact Janet Cowart at 28681 Abantes Place, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677, 949-249-8036. Web Site: beachcitiesquilters.org **Listed email and phone numbers are for BCQG business only please.**

Marco Forster Middle School (Cafetorium)

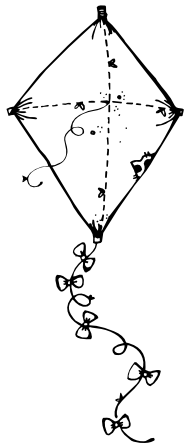
Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month in the Cafetorium of Marco Forster Middle School
25601 Camino del Avion
San Juan Capistrano



Next Board Meeting
March 17, @ 7:00 P.M.
at Leah's for Quilting
28461 Marguerite Parkway
(at Avery)

Please call Pat Pardoen at 218-6545 if you will be unable to attend.

Directions: I-5 to Avery Parkway exit. Turn east (toward mountains). Make an immediate left turn into Avery Center driveway (next to Del Taco). Proceed through parking lot. Leah's is in the building in the back (close to the freeway). If you get to the light at Marguerite/Avery, you have gone too far—make a safe U-turn at the light, then a right into the Avery Center. Leah's will be straight ahead, on the left.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE WITH LOVE

I hope you don't get tired of reading about or hearing me say what a wonderful guild Beach Cities is because I never get tired of writing about or saying what a wonderful guild we have. Without patting ourselves on the back, we know how wonderful we are by the number of new members joining each month and the continued interest and support given to all the committees who make this guild so strong. Sometimes new members are brought in by an existing member, but many times new members are ladies who do not know anyone else. Our Welcoming Committee does a great job of giving new members tours of the various committees at the general meeting, but many times, because meetings are so busy, it is hard to get to every committee. I strongly urge members who have joined this past year to attend the New Member Tea which will be held on March 23rd (see the New Member Tea article in this newsletter). While this tea is to create new friendships, there will be several committee members who will be able to answer general questions about the guild and also give some insight into their committees and how they make the guild so successful.

Friendships and goodwill are important in all our lives. Our Philanthropy gals do a fantastic job of promoting that, but there is also another way to do this. In preparation for the Quilt Show in 2004, a committee was formed to visit retirement communities to inform and entertain the seniors with the art of quilting and also to advertise the quilt show. For several months meetings were held at various retirement homes with members showing not only the Opportunity Quilt but their own quilts as well. The speakers found they were warmly welcomed and felt their visits were appreciated. I think this is a wonderful idea and would appreciate some input from members as to whether they would be interested in a Community Outreach Program to not only re-start this program but also "outreach" to other groups such as schools, girl scouts, etc. This can be as in-depth or as casual as we want it to be. Please let me know of your interest as we would need a committee chair or co-chairs. I can be reached at ppardoen@cox.net.

*Happy Quilting,
Pat*

P.S. Are you working on your Challenge Quilts? I am happy to say that my quilt top is almost finished, Hooray!!!!

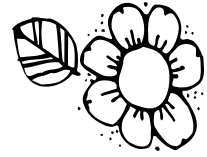
New Member Tea

BCQG's 2004-2005 New Member Tea will be held on Wed., March 23, 6:30 p.m. at Cheryl Carrera's home in Coto de Caza. If you joined the guild as a new member between **April 2004 and March 2005**, this evening is for you! Meet Board members, make new friends and learn what our fantastic guild is all about. Please bring a quilted project to "show and tell."



Questions? Please contact:
Becky McDaniel
Cheryl Carrera:
or Keri Follmer:

Spring Tea and Tour



Thank you to Kathie Bellamy and her wonderful volunteers for the very organized sale of the tickets in February. You may telephone Kathie with any questions regarding ticket sales. We currently have a small waiting list. Those of you who have purchased a ticket and subsequently determine BEFORE the event that you will NOT be able to attend may turn your ticket back in to Kathie for a refund. You may also contact Kathie to put your name on the waiting list to purchase a ticket. Once again, thank you, Kathie, for the great job with ticket sales!

CORRECTION!!! Those who have already purchased tickets may pick up CORRECTED directions for the sewing room tour at the March and April guild meetings. These things happen!!! Please contact Janice Elliot with any questions regarding directions or the tour.

We have a few (very few!) challenge kits left for sale. Contact Sheri Forrester or Jhone Hardesty to purchase a kit or if you have any questions about the challenge.

All challenge entries and entry forms **MUST** be submitted at the April guild meeting. The date of the meeting is April 14th. Marian Mapes will only have a few weeks to process the information you submit with your entry and to prepare the layout of the entries for the tea. Please understand that April 14th is the **FIRM** last date to submit your entry.

We hope that you are having a great time creating your challenge masterpieces. We will endeavor not to refer to completing your challenge entry as "work." In creating your entries you should enjoy what you do! Be sure to check the challenge rules before you submit your entry. The fabrics, for example, must be used on the front of your entry but they can be used **ANYWHERE** on the front. Hopefully the relaxed rules will allow your creative spirit to soar!

A word or two about the tour..... We so appreciate that Sandy, Sheri, Kimber and Becky are inviting 250 ladies to tour their sewing rooms. This year the tour will **BEGIN** at 9:00 AM and **END** at 12:30 PM. We want to give these ladies the opportunity to leave home and arrive at the tea before 1:00 PM so that they can relax and enjoy the tea. Please plan to be **FINISHED** touring the homes by 12:30 PM.

A word or two about the tea.....Please remember that we will be serving a typical English tea. There will be small sandwiches and sweets, however it is not brunch or lunch. If you generally have a big lunch, please plan your time to include an early lunch beforehand. Attire for the tea is a bit dressy, of course, and wearing a vintage (or new!) hat would be delightful.

Marilyn McNamara

Patti Nylander



HOSPITALITY

Thanks very much to the Sew Happy Friendship Group that hosted the Hospitality Table for February. The table looked so festive all decorated for Valentine's Day with all the red and candy hearts on the table. They did a fantastic job of keeping the table stocked with goodies for us. We are looking for a couple more volunteers to bring in a carafe of coffee or a carafe of hot water. We supply the coffee & carafes. Please contact Carole Bassett

Mary Chapman, Sherry Glidden and Julie Montoya have signed up for March. Secret Sisters will be helping in April. The sign up sheet is open for May, June, July, etc. Please see the sign-up sheet on the table at our March meeting. Remember, you receive an extra door prize ticket when you bring in a goodie.

**Carole Bassett
Linda Effertz
Sharon Pembrook**

Block Party

It was truly "heart" warming to see so many wonderful pink and red heart blocks at our February meeting! Congratulations again to winners: Carolyn Fisch, Pat Pardoen, Betty Korleski, and Shirl Benda.

Now it's time to pull out all of those bright shamrock greens you've stashed and start working on March's three-dimensional block. It's as easy as it is dramatic. And, remember, the more blocks you turn in, the more luck (Irish or not) you'll have to win.

As always, feel free to call if you need help or have any questions.



Block Party leprechauns,
**Sandy Corbin
Linda Campos
Christina Ehrenguber**

Nickel Club

Your participation in the Nickel Club is very exciting. We had over 40 bags of batiks and 30 bags of polka dots dropped off for last month's exchange. Our stash of 5" squares is growing very nicely! This month's fabrics for exchange are 1800's and/or white-on-white (neutrals). For those of you new to BCQG, the Nickel Club is a monthly exchange of 5" squares of pre-washed, quilt-shop quality fabric. We exchange 15 pairs (30 total squares). It is optional, and you can join anytime. For more information and a complete list of exchange guidelines, you can contact Delane Turner or Veronica Dibble. Look for the Nickel Club sign at the meeting to drop off and pick up your exchanges.

Monthly Nickel Club Selections for 2004/2005

**Mar: 1800's and/or White-on-White (neutrals)
April: Batiks and/or 30's
May: 1800's and/or Small Florals
June: Batiks and/or Patriotics**

**July: 1800's and/or Brites
Aug: Batiks and/or Black & Whites
Sept: 1800's and/or Jewel Tones**

Membership

February Attendance:

Members and Renewing Members: 289

New Members: 9

Guests: 11

Total: 309

There are currently 520 active members and 13 newsletter members.

Welcome to the new members who have joined since the January meeting. They are Mickey Charleston, Pat Cobb, Kathy Hurley, Carolyn Jay, Megan Lord, Lynn McCluey, Jarry Myers, Diana Schlecht, Rosemary Sinacori, Jeanne Stone, and Donna Wester.

All members are reminded to check in at the Membership table before the meetings. This gives us an accurate count for attendance and helps us plan the appropriate number of chairs for the meetings.

Please remember to wear your name badge at all meetings. It's a great way for new and existing members to get acquainted! (A fine of \$0.25 is payable if it is not worn.) New members are expected to have a badge made within three months of joining the Guild.

2004-2005 membership cards and directories are ready and will continue to be distributed at meetings. Please have a friend get yours if you are unable to attend.

Thanks to Linda Martinez and LaVerne Armour for their help at the Membership table and to JoAnn Lockett and Kris Smith for handing out membership cards and directories.

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Thanks! Janet Cowart



Birthdays

Flower: Jonquil

Birthstone: Aquamarine

Emily LaMond	1
Meridith Osterfeld	1
Marilyn Vassos	2
Holly Betz	3
Joyce Donnelly	3
Maureen	3
Betty Prottas	5
Barbara Korne	6
Josie Robinson	6
Julia Renaud	7
Judy Chance	8
Sally Edwards	9
Debbie Loveridge	11
Sumi Maruyama	11
Kathy Stolhand	11
Kimber O'Shea	12
Bette M. Bradley	14
Donna Vidmar	15
Darci Bellamy	16
Soley Wendell	16
Colleen Baker	17
Patricia March	17
Alicia Passarelli	17
Carol Whiteside	18
Patricia Henderson	19
Jo Segro	19
Lyn Mann	20
Ida Mae Monroe	21
Nancy Caster	22
LeAnn Goettel	23
Palma McGowan	24
Susan Trindle	24
Carole Bassett	25
Joanne Wilson	28
Maggie Ezell	30
Michele Gibson	30
Allyson Volkman	30
Walli Skrocki	31

SHOW & TELL

Sandy Corbin	"Geisha Girls"
Joann Bishop	"Toile Red"
Dee Patton	"Sports"
Bette Bradley	A vest
Jan Hirth	"Rice Bowls"
Donna Bradshaw	"Wonky Houses"
Edie Long	"12 Months of Red and White"
Edie Long	A Sweatshirt Jacket
Cheri McDowell	Shaded Nine Patch
Neighbors Grandmother	Bobbi Tannin's found treasures
Mary Freedman	Sophia's Crib Ensemble



SECRET SISTERS

Secret Sisters is off to a great year! I can't believe it's March already! Our workshops have been great fun with a lot of participation. Plans are in the works for more get-togethers.

Secret Sisters will be hosting the hospitality table in April.

As a reminder, please check the secret sister table for your gifts from your Big Sister as well as from your Little Sister. Last month there were many unclaimed gifts, which is difficult for me to bring back and forth to the guild meetings. Thanks for your help in this! I appreciate all of those who have helped in delivering gifts to those who were unable to attend the meeting.

Have a great St. Patrick's Day!!

Sandi Sovronec

FEBRUARY DOOR PRIZES

TALL MOUSE

Betty Prottas	Book – Peeled Back Patch works
Kathy Hutchins	Gift Certificate

MATERIAL POSSESSIONS

Carole Noyes	Gift Certificate
Cheryl Carrera	Fat Pack – Valentine Prints
Joanne LaCoss	Fat Pack – Valentine Prints

MOORE'S

Sue Clark	Kit for "Smart Bag"
LaVerne Armour	Fat Pack – Wild Iris (Quest for a Cure)
Pat Gates	Fat Pack – Crackle Fabrics
Donna Wester	Fat Pack - "Napa-Sonoma"

LEAH'S

Carolyn Boden	Fat Pack – Seaside Rose
Marion Gleadhill	Pattern – Jacob's Soul Dance
Deborra Singletary	Fat Pack – Second Honey moon in Paris

SOFT EXPRESSIONS

Linda Rice	Gift Certificate
Sumi Maruyama	Gift Certificate

ORANGE GROVE QUILT GUILD

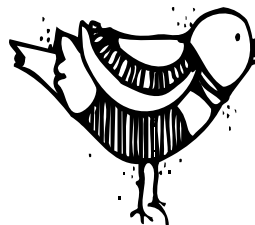
Anne Barron	Opportunity Quilt Pattern
Joanne Florence	Opportunity Quilt Pattern
Judy Nunn	Opportunity Quilt Pattern

WOERTH STITCHING

Shirl Benda	Gift Certificate
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CAPO SEW & VAC

Karen Qualls	Sewing Kit
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BCQG Profit & Loss Statement

1/01/05 THROUGH 1/31/05

BALANCE FORWARD:	
BCQG GENERAL FUNDS	\$50,127.84
SPECIAL EVENTS FUNDS	\$2,500.00
TOTAL BALANCE FORWARD	\$52,627.84
INCOME:	
INTEREST INC	\$4.37
MEMBER INC	\$395.00
PHIL INC.	\$200.00
Presidents Quilt	\$5.50
PROG INC.	\$442.00
WORKSHOPS INC	\$630.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,676.87
EXPENSES:	
BLOCK PARTY EXP	\$15.52
INTERNET EXP	\$215.49
LIBRARY EXP	\$22.58
MEMBERSHIP EXP	\$1,536.43
MONTHLY MINI EXP	\$21.54
NEWSLETTER EXP	\$429.45
PROGRAMS EXP	\$1,992.35
SECRETARY EXP	\$150.85
WORKSHOPS EXP	\$1,014.67
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,398.88
NET INCOME (LOSS)	-\$3,722.01
CURRENT BALANCE:	
BCQG GENERAL FUNDS	\$46,405.83
SPECIAL EVENTS FUNDS	\$2,500.00
TOTAL CURRENT BALANCE	\$48,905.83

Respectfully Submitted
Nancy McBride

A Reminder!

We still have several members who have not picked up their 2003-2004 "Year-End Celebration Gift." If you're one of those who haven't received your gift yet, please plan to pick it up at the next meeting or contact me to make arrangements.

Thank you,
Kathie Bellamy

Kathie.bellamy@cox.net

Monthly Mini

February's monthly mini was made by Sandy Corbin using the Block Party blocks for February - how cute!

Sandy Corbin, our talented Block Party chair this year, has created February's monthly mini, "These Hearts for You." Sandy is using the February Block Party theme, her own design, a 3-D star hidden in a heart on black background. Any member would be thrilled to have this creation gracing their wall.

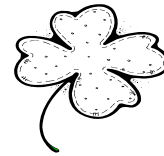
Expecting her first child 32 years ago, Sandy had the desire to sew a baby blanket. At her mother's suggestion, she began sewing a Grandmother's Flower Garden design with two-inch pieces. This undertaking soon became Sandy's first UFO. Instead, Brandon arrived home wrapped in a quilt sewn with six-inch blocks. Like many of us in the Guild, Sandy became serious about quilting when taking a class by Suzanne Stanton in the late '80's.

In recent years Sandy has created a handy bag, backpack, and 3-D folded-piecing star patterns, teaching these methods at Moore's and Guild workshops. Besides teaching, Sandy leads a group of quilters called the Scrapbaggers who meet once a month at Leah's. Sandy's energetic personality, humor and interesting designs are an inspiration to all her students and friends.

Traveling between their three homes, and sometimes abroad, Sandy and husband Brad still find time to spend with their three adult children and two grandchildren, who are an important part of their lives. As grandparents, they have played an integral role in 10-year-old Brice's life. Keeping active and fit, Sandy is involved in competitive water skiing. How does one squeeze all this into one life? You go, Girl. This was written by Sandy's friend Cindy Croucher, and the quilt was won by Sandy Silbernagel.

Collette McManus
Maxine McLachlan

Workshops



March Workshop Gail Garber

Friday, March 11

Leah's, 10am- 4pm \$30.00

Sensational Stars: Explore the design process used to create one-of-a-kind circular stars. Students will learn drafting, color selection, and stitching techniques as they create their own original design star. A circular star pattern is included. Gail Garber has been a quiltmaker since 1980 and is now internationally known as a teacher, lecturer, designer, and author. There are still a few spaces available

Guild Mini Workshops

Friday, April 15 Paula Rinde

Tall Mouse, 10am – 4pm \$10

Basket of Blooms: Picture a beautiful bouquet from your garden. First you must feed, then water and weed. Oh, the backache of it all. Don't like dirt under your nails ? Come arrange a beautiful **Basket of Blooms** using machine applique. Paula will also share her wonderful machine writing technique.

Friday, April 15 Grace Errea

Moore's 10am – 4pm \$10

Eagle: Your design skills will soar to new heights as you stitch Grace Errea's fabulous **Eagle**. Let Grace inspire you with her artistic use of color and raw edge applique.

Saturday, April 16 Betty Blauser

Tall Mouse, 10am – 4pm \$10

String Cleaning: Are you ready to use up some of your stash? Or perhaps you needed a reason to purchase that "Fat Quarter Bundle." This is the perfect class for you. Time to take all those fabrics you have been collecting and make this wonderful quilt. Each time you make this quilt, it comes out different, and every quilt comes out beautiful!! This quilt can be addicting and one will not be enough. Come and join Bettie Blauser for a fun, entertaining and productive day. PS: This quilt looks great with ugly fabrics, too!

Saturday, April 16 Soley Wendell

Moore's, 10am –4pm \$10

Reminder Binder: Come and have some fun with Soley . She will show you how to make this great fabric binder for albums. You can make them with any fabric, any color. Great ideas for your memory books, photo albums or keeping block of the month samples.

These mini workshops are a bargain at only \$10. We have such talent here at Beach Cities. These are filling up fast. Don't wait until next guild night!

May Workshop Carol Bryer-Fallert

May 12 and 13

Material Possessions, 10am – 4pm \$30.00

Carol is giving us two different workshops. You may sign up for one class either Friday or Saturday, and then you can put your name on a waiting list for the other.

No signups taken until after 8am, March 1. Call Or Email Lorna and send check. Please clearly state your choice. Here are the workshops:

Friday workshop - "Getting Comfy with Curves"

Saturday workshop - "Creative Precision String Piecing"

You will find descriptions on her website www.bryerpatch.com

To sign up for the March workshop or for the guild mini workshops, contact Jane Acomb—tacombmd@aol.com or Paula Omidyar—chezcp@cox.net

For Carol Bryer –Fallert in May, contact Lorna Barrowman—lorna.barrowman@cox.net

Philanthropy

Thanks to all of our Philanthropy Volunteers! Your gift of time and talent is greatly appreciated. Those who have volunteered during the past few months include: Mae Burton, Jeanne Tavasci, Patricia Henderson, Jackie Marotta, Kathy Hutchins, Dee Mauerman, Jan Bogikes, Eileen Campbell, Maria Martini, Martha Partin, Sharon Jaeger, Elaine Pappas-Puckett, Leslie Cushing, Sue Richardson, Geneva Wilson, Margie Ehrhart, Chris Huben, Toni Selman, Janet Cowart, Dottie Zink, Karen Kowalchuk, Cecile Rogers, Jackie Buck, Margo Grube, Carol Whiteside, Chris Hurst-Loeffler, Maxine McLachlan, Sheryl Smith-Bailey, Odette Teal, Helene Moser, Sally Gard, Pat Pardoen, Jo Ann Lockett, Ann Felch, and Lupe Maher. We hope we haven't left anybody off the list, but we appreciate all of you and your gifts of talent, materials, and time to this worthy activity.

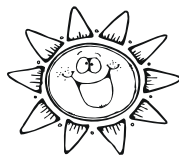
**Kathy Stolhand
Joyce Pinderski
Nancy Caster**

A Word Of Thanks . . .

To the wonderful members of Beach Cities Quilters,

I can't begin to thank you enough for the gorgeous quilts that were donated for our cancer patients. As the Breast Center Coordinator, I am in touch with a woman the day she is diagnosed and I follow her through out her entire treatment and recovery. The day of diagnosis is probably the hardest day of their lives, and to be able to give them a beautiful quilt as a gift that day is so wonderful. These quilts will not only be something tangibly soft and warm that they can hold on to, but are also a reminder that there are caring and supportive people who want to make this journey easier for them. As I write this letter, I am waiting for a phone call from the pathology department to confirm a diagnosis of breast cancer in a patient who had a very suspicious mammogram performed a few days ago. This woman will be holding a quilt by the end of the day and I know it will touch her heart to know that these quilts were made especially for our cancer patients. Thank you again so very much.

**Jan Simpson, R.N.
Breast Center Clinical Coordinator
South Coast Medical Center
Laguna Beach**



Sunshine and Shadow

Quilts by member Del Thomas and four of her Asilomar friends are featured at the Back Porch Fabrics Gallery, 157 Grand Ave., Pacific Grove, CA. Titled "**Contemporary X 5**," the exhibit will continue through March 31. Artists' reception March 6th. Info: 831/375-4453

Congratulations to BCQG members who had quilts on display at Road To California. They are: Carol McDaniel, Jane Zappia, Sheryl Smith-Bailey, Grace Errea. As part of the Water Quilt exhibit, Carol McDaniel, Elaine Pappas-Puckett and Kris Kouzelos had quilts displayed. Diane Russell, Nancy Gilman, Sheryl Smith-Bailey and Grace Errea have participated in the Hoffman Challenge and their quilts are traveling around the country with the challenge.

A "Thinking of You" card was sent to Cheri McDowell who was in the hospital this January. "Get well" cards were sent to Martha Partin and Steve from Capo Sew and Vac with best wishes for a speedy recovery.



Places to Go . . . Quilts to See . . .

Now through May 1: “Quilts, Tools and Gadgets” Exhibit Highlighted will be several pre-civil war quilts, plus hand pieced and hand quilted friendship quilts and numerous antique, as well as, modern quilting tools and gadgets. Whittier Historical Museum, 6755 Newlin Avenue, Whittier, CA 90601 562-945-3871 www.whittiermuseum.org or info@whittiermuseum.org

March 5-6: High Desert Quilt Guild, Ridgecrest, CA presents "Quilts for a Desert Springtime" Sat. 10-5, Sun, 10-4, at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds. Featuring Sue Bouchard from "Quilt in a Day," and Appraiser Anne Copeland. Over 150 quilts, vendor mall, guild boutique, and door prizes. Small Quilt Auction Saturday, 2 pm. For more information, please e-mail hidesertquiltguild@lycos.com.

March 5-6: San Francisco Quilters Guild presents "Symphony of Color" Quilt Show 2005, Saturday (10AM-5PM) and Sunday (10AM-4PM), Concourse Exhibition Center, 685 - 8th St. at Brannan St., SF,./CA. Conveniently located near freeways, shopping, the new ballpark, and attractions. Local transit #19 stops across the street. Featured Quilter: MIRIAM NATHAN-ROBERTS. Plus, over 300 SFQG member Quilts, Wearable Arts, Lectures, Merchant Mall, Judged Show, Special Exhibits: Antique Quilts; Quilt Challenge: Masks on Parade; "Rice Sacks for My Siblings" by conceptual artist Flo Oy Wong; "1942: Luggage From Home To Camp" quilt presented by the Japanese American Museum of San Jose; Handquilting demonstration by the Dorcas Quilters. Admission: \$8 Adults. For more information: www.SFQG.org

March 11-13: Glendale Quilt Guild Quilt Show at Burbank Hilton; <http://glendalequiltguild.org>

March 15 - May 15: Quilts on the Wall: Fiber Artists will have their Horizon The Series challenge works on display at the LaConner Quilt Museum in LaConner, Washington.

March 19: Friendship Square Quilt Guild is sponsoring the **Bernina Fashion Show** at the Charles M Schulz Theater at Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park. This will be the only showing in California in 2005. Tickets are \$20 each for Reserved Seating. Fashion show begins at 1:30 pm. For more information, please phone Brenda Werbelow at (714) 447-3393.

March 19: Cotton Patch Quilters of Kern County presents A Stitch in Time quilt show at the Kern County Museum in Bakersfield, CA. The show will be from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will honor Women's History Month and National Quilting Day. The show will be held on the grounds of the museum and feature live music and an old-fashioned bake sale. Lunch will be available. For more information see our website at www.Bakersfieldquiltguild.org.

April 1- 23: Quilts on the Wall: Fibers Artist will have an exhibit titled “Unraveled II,” on display at Malaga Cove Plaza Library Art Gallery Palos Verdes Library District, 2400 Via Campesina, Palos Verdes Estates 90274. Opening Reception is April 9 from 1-4pm.

April 16: SCCQG Meeting, hosted by Orange County Quilters Guild. Topic: Ergnomics for Quilters

April 30 - May 1: SLO Quilters Quilt Show “Every Quilt is a Star,” 10 am - 5 pm Saturday & 10 am - 4 pm Sunday. Veterans¹ Memorial Building, 801 Grand Avenue, San Luis Obispo, CA. Lunch Available; Admission \$5.00. For further information contact: Jill Sabol, (805) 544-1056; e-mail: mail@sloquilters.org; Website: www.sloquilters.org.

May 7- 8: Country Quilt Fair quilt show, Riley's Gym, 3900-A Acacia, Norco, CA. Info, email Diana Hedrick, info@quiltcrafts.com, 951-780-7534.



Radiant 3-D Stars

Block Party
March 2005

This year's theme is bright and bold dimensional stars on all black.

8 1/2" x 8 1/2" unfinished block

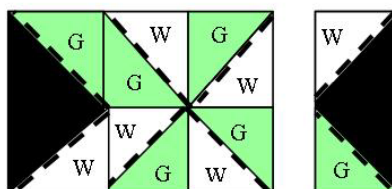
Fabric and Cutting

- Four 2 1/2" squares Black — 'BL'
- Four 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles Black — 'BL'
- Eight 2 1/2" squares White — 'W'
- Twelve 2 1/2" squares Shamrock or Bright Green— 'G'

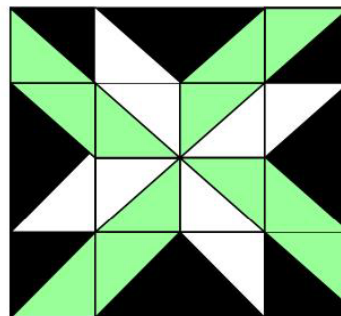
No sewing half square triangles in this one!

Directions

1. Fold the eight white squares in half diagonally and press. This forms each into a triangle.
2. Fold eight of the green squares in half diagonally and press. This forms each into a triangle also.
3. Using the diagram as a map, lay out squares and rectangles accordingly. Each rectangle has a *folded-white* and a *folded-green* triangle placed on top. **Be careful now! Match the correct direction of the angles and which side the green and white face.** Four green squares are in the center. (*Folded-whites* lay on top)
4. Baste the folded triangles on top of the appropriate square by using a longer stitch length and 1/8" seam allowance. Chaining them will also make this quicker. Check your layout again before sewing.
5. Start in the center. Sew two *green & folded-white* squares together. Make two. Now sew the two sets together—this makes a large square from four. Add a rectangle to one side and then to the opposite side. This is the middle section.
6. Sew a *'black and folded-green square'* to each end of the remaining two rectangles. One is the top row and one is the bottom row. Sew these to the middle section, but watch for the direction of the points.



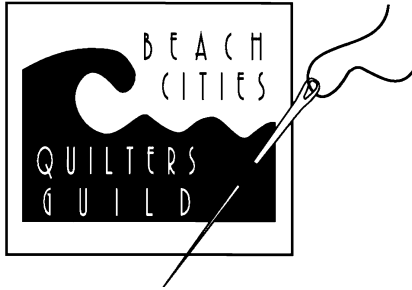
Dashed lines are fold lines



Special Note: The design for this block was inspired by Jackie Robinson and her book, *Three Dimensional Patchwork Sampler*. Due to the similarities, she was contacted and her consent secured for the purpose of this BCQG activity.

You may enter one to six blocks. Before the meeting starts, bring your block(s) to the "Block Party" table. Write your name on a monthly drawing slip (one slip for each block you bring). Write your name on a yearly drawing slip (one slip per month) for the year-end drawing.

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Projects, Show & Tell, Goodies to Share,
and your friendly face!

