

# Cedar Chest Quilters' Guild

## newsletter

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### BOARD MEMBERS

*President*

Liz Jacomb.....586-1706

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Francine Lyndaker.....559-3756

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Eleanor Miller.....586-1471

*Secretary*

Brenda Jarvis.....867-8230

*Treasurer*

Linda Shokrian.....867-5914

### FROM OUR PRESIDENT...

Christmas has come and gone, and I must confess, I still have some of my decorations up. The plan is to get them all down by the end of the week. I usually start taking them down on the 1<sup>st</sup> but this year my niece, her husband and their darling 11 month old little boy were visiting until the 2<sup>nd</sup>. The baby is very mobile and decided it was his job to take everything off the bottom 2 branches of the tree. So here I am on the 9<sup>th</sup> and I'm still looking at villages. Oh well.

I didn't get my husbands quilt finished for Christmas. I told him he didn't cooperate, he kept coming home. I had decided to just wait and finish it for next years gift but my Mom and daughter talked me into giving it to him, so he got it in pieces. I'll get it finished soon, I hope.

Our retreat is coming soon. We are so excited this year. As of the 8<sup>th</sup> we had 166 registrants, 8 classes closed and a few more close to closing. If you haven't registered yet, it isn't too late, there are still a lot of classes available. Go to the website, [cedarchestquiltersguild.org](http://cedarchestquiltersguild.org), to see the classes and print out your registration form. We will have the registration forms at the Guild meeting on Thursday, you can fill it out there and give it to Kathy Fazio if you want. **Remember**, if you have a finished quilt (even if it's just the quilt top) from one of our previous retreats bring them on Wednesday night for the Meet the teachers and trunk show.

For our Care and Share drive in December we had over 100 pounds of food donated. Including most of the leftovers from our catered luncheon. We had numerous toys (I wish I would have counted them), and dozen of hats that Brenda Jarvis made. Thanks to all of you who were able to donate, it was very much appreciated.

I'm hoping this year, I will be able to finish a few of the UFO's that are cluttering my sewing room. Especially since I will be starting new UFO's at the retreat. I would really like to finish one or two of them from previous retreats so I can show them at the trunk show.

Happy quilting to all of you in this new year,

Liz

**2011 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

Historian.....Linda Dwyer & Julie Patrick  
 Newsletter..... Mona Covington  
 Publicity.....Linda Lohrengle  
  
 Luncheons.....Susan Goodman.  
 Lenora Smith, Susan Phelps, Wanda Davidson. & Karen Neal.  
 Cookbook .....Carlene Reid  
 Humanitarian Projects ...Sandy Robles.  
 Quilt Shows.....  
 Retreat.....Marie H., Rachel S.,  
 Kathy F., Patty Lund  
 Class Coordinator...Francine Lyndaker  
 Hospitality..... Linda Lohrengle  
 Librarian..... Nada Stivers &  
 Susan Phelps  
 Friendship Circles...Carlene Reid and  
 Billie Sue Howard.  
 Sunshine & Shadows ...Brenda Jarvis  
 Secret Pals..... Mary Ann Bentley

**LOST AND FOUND.....**

**NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS!**

**LIBRARY NEWS**



Our librarians are :  
 Nancy Thomas .....586-7459  
 Nada Stivers..... 267-2927

Please contact Nancy or Nada at guild or call, if you need to check out a book or reserve one.

**SUNSHINE & SHADOWS**



**MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

**2012 is Here!**

Guild Dues are \$20.00 per year.  
 Please pay your dues to :

Linda Shokrian, Treasurer  
 867-5914

Cedar Chest Quilters' Guild  
 P.O. Box 2401  
 Cedar City, UT 84721

**FAT QUARTERS DRAWING !**

Bring a fat quarter in the theme of the month and you just might win the bundle of fat quarters!!

**Fat 1/4's for January :**  
**"Winter Prints"**

**CARE & SHARE DRAWING**

With so many families in our community in need, we have added a way to help our neighbors!

Please bring a non perishable food item for the Care and Share Center and get your name in a drawing for a prize at our Regular Guild Mtg!



**UPCOMING CLASSES & EVENTS**

JAN 5 – Block of the Month Class: Hearts or XOXO

JAN 12- GENERAL MTG. 10a.m.

JAN 19 – Class: Fabulous Borders for your Quilts!!

JAN 26 - HUMANITARIAN DAY

**TIPS & TECHNIQUES**



Though rarely given much thought, proper pressing can have a significant impact on the appearance of a finished project .

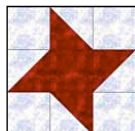
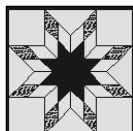
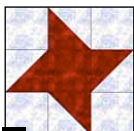
Beyond removal of wrinkles, there are many reasons to press quilt blocks repeatedly during the cutting and assembly stages. Among the reasons for pressing are :

- \* to prevent distortion of newly cut pieces prior to sewing
- \* to allow edges to better align and improve the accuracy of piecing
- \* to reduce the accumulation of fabric under a quilt block
- \* to clearly identify seam allowances requiring trimming
- \* to prevent distortion of a finished block's appearance
- \* to properly align and straighten seams
- \* to simplify the process of matching seams within and between blocks

To read more on this topic, go to: [www.quiltingassistant.com/pressingblocks.html](http://www.quiltingassistant.com/pressingblocks.html)

**2012 CHALLENGE QUILT**

News will be coming in the near future! Stay tuned.....



**OUT TO LUNCH...**

No recipe this month, sorry.

**HUMANITARIAN**



Please remember Humanitarian day is the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.

Quilts – General Guidelines

These quilts are going to people who are in need of help. Quality is more important than quantity. Remember this from the beginning when selecting fabrics all the way to the end when finishing the quilt.

Cotton, blend or flannel is best. Denim or corduroy takes too long to dry and is heavy.

8 oz. Bonded poly batting or cotton batting.

3 or 4 ply yarn should be used for tying. Use double thread of the 3 or 4 ply yarn.

When making the quilt top the seams need to be 1/2" not 1/4" like we are used to.

Ties should be approximately 4 inches apart, and the stitch on the bottom should be 1/4" to 1/2"; smaller than that can pull through.

Square knot or international stitch is preferred.

Binding – Can be done by hand or machine. It can be done by using a 2 1/4 - 2 1/2 strip, folded in half and sewn on or you can use the pillowcase method (this method can be used for tying without frames)., With right sides together, lay top and bottom of quilt on flat surface. Lay batting on top, pin and sew three sides. Turn right side out and fold in the open end. Top-stitch around four edges! Sew another row 1" from the edges to secure batting then tie the quilt.

**CLASSIFIED ADS**

**THINGS TO REMEMBER....**

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