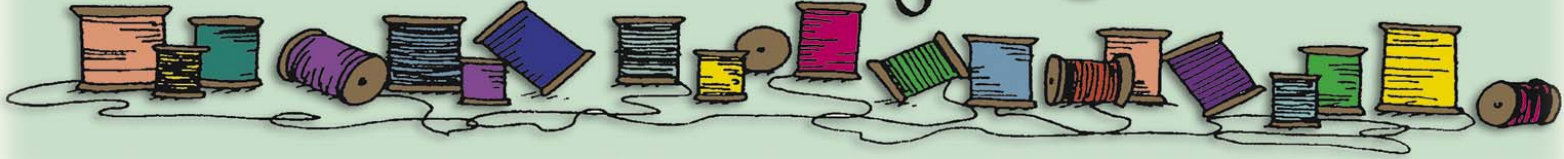


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## Comments from Your Editor:

### Here's a Chance!

It seems that I've been hearing a lot about "Paying It Forward" these days (the movie must be making a come-back, or something!). Well, we have a chance to jump on the bandwagon and "Pay It Forward" to the Kirk for giving us a beautiful meeting space in which to hold our guild meetings each month. The annual Pathways Adult Learning Center (check them out at [pathwaysok.com](http://pathwaysok.com)) fund-raiser is coming up in April, 2012, and we have an opportunity to make and donate a beautiful quilt for this event. This annual fund-raiser brings in a large portion of the Pathways operating expenses, and their program has recently been expanded to enable more students to attend. This faith-based, full-time program of continuing education and skills development enables young adults with developmental disabilities reach their highest potential. I hope one day you'll have a chance to meet some of the amazing Pathways students. The need is great right here in Tulsa. Please read the article on p. 8 to see how you can help!

Linda Hertensteiner, Editor

## Linda Says...



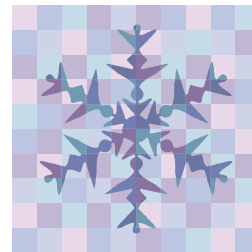
**H**o! Ho! Ho! Christmas is almost here, and I am not quite finished shopping and wrapping! I certainly hope you are!

One of my favorite things to do at Christmas is getting together with my friends Lynda and Suzann to bake and make candies. It has been a Christmas tradition at my home for over 25 years where we get together the first or second week of December to bake and make candy for an entire day. We start early and make a large variety of candy and cookies, which we split 3 ways and give away as gifts. We have such a good time, and their friendship is truly a blessing to me.

Yeah! I finished my Mystery Quilt, which was to celebrate Christmas. I proudly drape it across the back of the sofa, ready for those afternoon naps. Thanks to the program committee for such a wonderful, challenging opportunity.

It seems like such a long time since we have had a guild meeting, and I am looking forward to seeing everyone in January. Once again, we have a wonderful program scheduled. Martha Ray will be here to talk about Civil War quilts. Sure hope to see you there! Bring a friend!

Linda Frazier, President



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## Hearts & Hands—

**MANY, MANY THANKS** for all your help all year long. Our year-end wrap-up shows that we gave these quilts:

- 90 sent to Joplin
- 65 to Margaret Hudson Program
- 67 to Child Abuse Network
- 30 to Tulsa Parent Child Center
- 32 to Day Spring Villa
- 12 to Hospitality House
- 20 to Laura Dester Shelter
- 15 to Tulsa Police Chaplains
- 17 to Tulsa Family and Child Center

In addition, we gave over 50 receiving blankets and preemie blankets to other organizations. All expressed their thanks to our members for providing for the children.

We had a wonderful pot-luck lunch in December when 17 ladies enjoyed the fellowship of sewing, sharing, and sorting donated fabrics. We received several boxes of fabrics, books, and magazines, which were donated by our Shirley Hollandsworth. She lost her battle with cancer shortly before Thanksgiving. It was her wish that Hearts & Hands receive part of her fabric stash, books, magazines, and her sewing machine for our use. We also received fabric donations from a member's neighbor. Our thanks to both families for sharing with us. Thank you for giving your time this past year, whether it was in person at our Saturday workshops or in your circle or at your home. Next meeting date is **January 7** followed by **February 4**. We would love to have you join us.

Hearts & Hands meets at John Calvin Presbyterian Church on 31st Street, just east of Memorial. Drive around to the back and knock on the door. We are there from 9:00-3:00. Come anytime during the day and stay as long as you like. Bring a dish to share to our next meeting, and join in the fun, or just come by and see what we are doing and maybe pick up a kit to sew or a quilt to finish. Again, thank you for your time and expertise.

*Virginia Wilson & Patti Bernett*



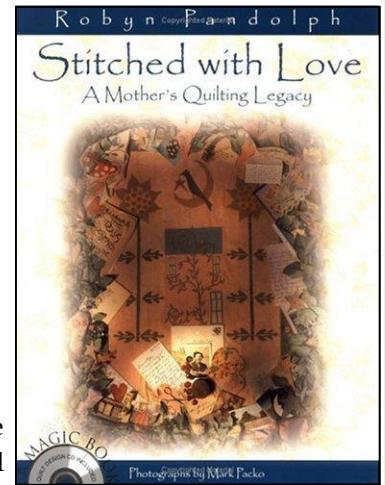
## Check it out... of the Library

OK, girls, here we go—random thoughts from the book lady! This is a terrific job for me—before the all-consuming quilt thing came along, my head was constantly stuck in a book. Made it tricky to walk. This month's choice is *Stitched with Love, A Mother's Quilting Legacy*. Beautiful book, you should check it out just to look at the photos, if nothing else. The patterns look really easy—I was going to impress everyone and make one. But, it's December, and who has any time in December, for goodness sake? Next year I'm going to finish a project every month, maybe two! Kidding.

### *Stitched with Love, A Mother's Quilting Legacy*

**By Robyn Pandolph**

A collection of 15 country-style projects for weddings, babies, children, and holidays, including quilts, pillows, a tablecloth, and a cookie recipe. The book comes with a CD-ROM with printable patterns and a virtual applique class with Robyn Pandolph in a step-by-step video. The patterns may be modified easily on the computer screen: the blocks can be rearranged to create your own customized designs; the quilts and blocks can be recolored using the palette; and quilts can be resized. The designs should be suitable for all skill and interest levels. They can be hand-stitched or quickly fused and appliquéd by machine.



*Paula Klaassen, Night Librarian*



**PLEASE NOTE:** *Beginning in January, members will be required to show their membership cards when checking books out of the library each month. We apologize that this has become necessary. Thank you for your cooperation.*

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***Even the Penguins are Wearing Sweaters!***

This was just too cute not to share! I came across this project last year as I was checking out some .COM's, and thought it might be of interest to our members who are knitters. Evidently, knitters from all over the world answered this call from a yarn store in New Zealand for "jumpers" for penguins, after that country suffered its worst environmental disaster in decades when a cargo ship ran aground in Oct. and dumped 350 tons of oil into the ocean, killing over 1,000 sea birds. Oil on penguins causes "a hole in their wetsuit" (protective feathers), and the sweaters were meant to keep the birds from ingesting the oil on their bodies until they could be scrubbed down.

Knitters must have very big hearts (just like quilters)—the response was overwhelming. Turns out, however, that the sweaters caused undue stress to the penguins, who were, in fact, put through the washing process the minute they arrived on site. And they need to preen (after they're clean)—without getting a mouthful of wool!

*The Editor*



***Sunshine & Shadows***

Please continue to keep the following members in your prayers:

**Karen Scharf** as she recovers from recent hand and wrist surgery.

Please contact me at [mb1143@cox.net](mailto:mb1143@cox.net) with information to be shared with our guild members. Thank you!

*Marj Bailey, Sunshine & Shadows*



***December Guild Meeting "Stats":***

***No Meetings in December***

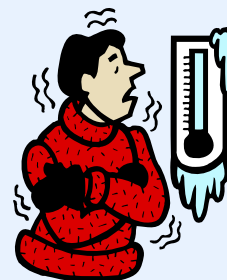
*Emma Goins, Membership-Night*  
*Naomi Valliere, Membership-Day*

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*Be sure to visit our website to see pictures from last month's meetings, including Show & Tell!*

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**Anyone with roster changes, additions, or corrections should contact Fran Gutierrez at [franniesewfunny@gmail.com](mailto:franniesewfunny@gmail.com) or 277-0985. Thanks!**





## "Quilt Tulsa 2012"

Well, I hope to see all of you at the Oklahoma City Quilt Show on Jan. 13-14. We plan to have a lot of fun! Don't forget to be working on your quilts for Quilt Tulsa 2012—it's coming up soon! I don't know about you, but it seems like the time goes by faster and faster each year! But this year I am going to have *two* quilts for the show. So join me and see what you can do.

*Sue Semler, Quilt Show Chairman*

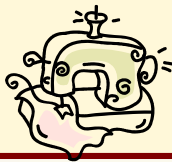
(Don't forget to take advantage of the \$1 discount for the OKC show by using the coupon printed in the November newsletter—or pick one up at your local quilt shop!)

## "Quilt Tulsa" Boutique

During **January** and **February** we will be meeting at John Calvin Presby. Church on **Hearts & Hands workshop days**, the first Saturday of the month. We will have various patterns and projects available for you to work on. Please come and stay for as long as you like from 10:00-3:00. And, if you're in a cleaning mood, the boutique will welcome any gently used items from your sewing room to sell at the boutique. Thank you! *Judy Helms, Boutique Committee*

## MURPHY'S LAWS OF QUILTING

**Law #6—You will always run out of bobbin thread 1" before the end of the last border seam.**



## "The rest is history..."

If you were a GCQG member in **January, 1994**, you may remember:

- Lisa Mansfield was president and gave a tip from her husband, Jim ("The First Husband"): "The sharp end of the needle goes in first." Sounds hilarious!
- Committee positions (that needed to be filled) included "Community Relations" and "Social" (they served refreshments at every meeting!).
- The quilt show was held in April then, and the Challenge for the show that year ("Quilt Tulsa") evidently needed more participants, so they gave some suggestions to get people working:
  - Tulsa (or city) skyline, pieced or appliqued
  - Duplicate the show pin
  - Some appliqued Tulsa symbols (Council oak tree, oil rig, covered wagon)
  - A whole cloth quilt with "TULSA" in cording, trapunto, or quilted in several print styles
  - 1/2-square triangles spelling out "TULSA"
  - Pieced houses and trees (Give you an idea?)
- The Day group and Night group had separate programs. For Jan., the Day group had a program on applique (4 different ways, demonstrated by members), and the Night group had a "Special Surprise" program by the We're in Stitches stitch group.
- Guild members made 192 ornaments for the Philbrook Christmas tree (which sold for \$450!).
- The newsletter editor was Georgia Hardt, and she had 2 assistants! Hmmm...
- And **Lee East** was still advertising in our newsletter! (Thanks, Lee!)

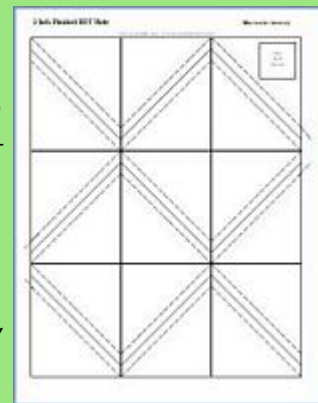
*The Editor*



## ".COM"

<http://www.QuiltingAndWhatnot.com>—Thanks to the Muskogee guild for putting us onto this great website, where you can actually print off free half-square triangle foundation papers in a multitude of sizes (1/2" finished to 2 1/2" finished—choosing sizes in 1/4" increments, that covers everything from miniatures on up!). All you do is click on the size you want, and you'll get a full sheet, ready to use (I printed them ALL off!). Not only can you now get our HST foundations free, 24/7, but this site also offers dozens of tips for working with paper foundations (foundation piecing and English paper piecing)—I learned some things I didn't know! If you too like the accuracy of foundation piecing (or you just like free things!), check this website out. It's not one where you'll get lost and waste countless hours navigating all around. Plus the background on their home page is fantastic! Give it a look-see!

*The Editor*



## Program “Low-Down”

We hope all of you had wonderful Christmas and New Year’s celebrations! It’s time for our **January** meetings (on the 19th and 20th) where we will be welcoming **Martha Ray** of Pawnee, OK as our guest speaker. Martha will be lecturing on **“Stitching Together During a Time of War.”** She will be bringing part of her quilt collection of quilts made during the Civil War. If you have any quilts from this time period, or have made quilts influenced by the Civil War, we would love to have you share them with us.

Our **February** meetings will feature Janice Cranor and her presentation of **“Hard Times in Oklahoma: Repurposing of Feed and Flour Sacks.”** Jan is an Osage County Extension Educator and will be displaying those cloth bags and other items made for the family’s use. If you have a quilt or other items made from feed and flour sacks, you are encouraged to bring them to show us. It is amazing how versatile those fabric bags are.

Below you will find a coupon for the Sue Nickels workshops coming up in **March**. Be sure to sign up soon—we think these will fill up fast!

*Judy Helms, Program Committee*

### 5” Charm Exchange—Aug., 2011-July, 2012

The color for **January** is **beige**. You need to cut 33 squares plus the selvage. If you cannot bring them to the Jan. meeting, please send them with someone so they can turn them in for you. Contact Debbie Ross (debr33@cox.net) or Peggy Selman (selman@cox.net) if you have questions. Thanks!

### Sue Nickels Workshops—March, 2012

**“Drawing Fabulous Feathers” (Fri.)**

**“Raw-edge Machine Applique” (Sat.)**

**DATE:** Fri., Mar. 16, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sat., Mar. 17, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**COST:** Members \$25 (non-members \$30) - **Friday**

Members \$40 (non-members \$45) - **Saturday**

**LOCATION:** To be announced

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail or Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Registering for: Fri. workshop (Feathers) \_\_\_\_\_

Sat. workshop (Applique) \_\_\_\_\_

Total payment enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Turn in coupon with payment at a regular guild meeting or mail to P.O. Box 35021, Tulsa, 74153-0021. Make checks payable to “GCQG.” Registration may be made on-line by visiting the GCQG website (“Workshops”). E-mail or call Judy Helms with questions.

## 2011 Giving Thimble Award



As many of you know, we have two “Giving Thimble Award” winners. Perhaps you have wondered what it takes to receive this award, so I want to introduce you to our winners this year:

**Betty Craig** retired in 1997 and joined GCQG in 1998 and attends the night meetings. Currently Betty is GCQG “interim” Treasurer, after serving one 2-year term, as well as Quilt Show Treasurer. Previously,

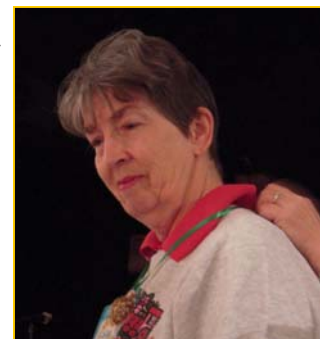


Betty has served as Membership Chairman for the night group and has been a volunteer at our quilt shows. She attends Hearts & Hands meetings to handle treasury business and has occasionally helped

make children’s quilts. As if this wasn’t enough to fill her spare time, she is a volunteer at the Tulsa Garden Center, and has been chosen to represent her sorority, Delta Zeta, as “Woman of the Year” at Tulsa Area Panhellenic Committee to be held in March of 2012. We are proud of you, Betty! Please join me in congratulating Betty on a job well done!

**Betty Fisher** has been a member of GCQG since 1988 and attends both night and day meetings when her schedule permits. She volunteered for four years as Membership Chairman and has done education programs at guild many times, and also at the Tulsa State Fair. She volunteered at each GCQG show since 1988, handling acquisitions or whatever else was needed. She

has been involved with the Program Committee and continues to “wow” us with her shortcuts and what to do with all those scraps. Betty is also a faithful volunteer with Hearts & Hands. Please join me in congratulating Betty on a job well done!



We are truly blessed to have these ladies represent Green Country Quilters Guild.

*Linda Frazier, President*



# The Month in Miniature

## January, 2012

 Guild Meetings and Board Mtg.

 Hearts & Hands

 Stitch Groups:

Stitch 'n Stuff (S.n S.)  
 Stitch and Quilt (S.&Q.)  
 Loose Threads (L.T.)  
 Cotton Patch Stitchers (C.P.S.)  
 Cover Girls (C.G.)  
 Morning Glory (M.G.)  
 Itty Bitty Quilt Comm. (I.B.Q.C.)  
 Stitch and Chatter (S.&C.)  
 T-Town Stitchers (T-T.S.)  
 Sew It Seams (S.I.S.)  
 Sew & Sew (S.&S.)

Please check your roster for details on Stitch Group meeting times, and check other places in the newsletter for details on other events. Please advise of any Stitch Group additions or deletions—thank you!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 S.&S.	3 C.G., S.nS., L.T.,S.&Q.	4 C.P.S., M.G.	5 I.B.Q.C.	6	7 H & H
8	9	10 L.T., S&C., S&Q.	11 C.P.S.	12 T-T.S., Quilt Show Comm.	13 S.I.S.	14 Q.O.V.
15	16 S.&S.	17 L.T., S.&Q.	18 C.P.S., M.G.	19 GUILD	20 GUILD	21
22	23	24 ***** L.T., S.&C., S.&Q. Board mtg.	25 C.P.S.	26 T-T.S.	27	28
29	30	31 L.T., S.&Q.				
			***** Newsletter Deadline			

### Mark Your Calendars:

- **OKC Winter Quilt Show**—Jan. 12-14, 2012, Cox Convention Center, OKC, 10:00-5:00, Adm. \$8 (\$7 with coupon)
- **OQSO Spring, 2012 Retreat**—Mar. 23-25, 2012, Western Hills Guest Ranch, Wagoner, OK, featuring Karen Combs
- **Quilt Tulsa-2012** —June 8-9, 2012, Tulsa Fairgrounds
- **Stitching Memories Quilt Guild 2012 Quilt Show**—Sept. 14-15, 2012, Stephens Co. Fairgrounds, Duncan, OK

### ATTENTION GCQG MEMBERS:

An spot has opened up for the **Pat Speth/Nickel Quilts retreat in August** (the retreat had been full). If you are interested in attending this retreat, please contact Karen Scharf as soon as possible. The spot will be opened to non-members beginning January 15.

### *"Around Town" in January*

Here's what's happening this month at other area quilt guilds:

In Bartlesville: Member demos, Tue., Jan. 17, 6:30 p.m., First Christian Church.

In Claremore : Carol Furgason, "Making the Best Quilt," Thurs., Jan. 26, 11:00 a.m., St. Cecilia's Catholic Church.

In Muskogee: "An Old-Fashioned Bed-turning," Thurs., Jan. 26, 6:30 p.m., First Presby. Church.

In Owasso: Open Program (Pizza Box Quilt Exchange begins), Thurs., Jan. 26, 6:30 p.m., St. Henry's Catholic Church.

In Pryor: Info not available

Tulsa Modern Quilt Guild: Tues., Jan. 10, 6:30 p.m., Hardesty Library.

Quilts of Valor: Sat., Jan. 14, 10:00-4:00, Broken Arrow Library.

## Treasurer's Report

Income & Expense Report  
November/December, 2011

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,441.28</b>
<b>Income:</b>	
Advertising	\$ 25.00
Retreat-2012	830.00
Library Fines	12.00
Donation for Hearts & Hands	1,000.00
Interest for November	<u>.02</u>
<b>Total Income for Nov./Dec.</b>	<b><u>1,867.02</u></b>
	<b>\$3,308.30</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Tulsa Library Trust Donation	\$ 100.00
Door Prizes	30.83
NQA Membership-2 years	45.00
USPS Box Rental	42.00
Postage	9.40
Programs-Lodging	105.39
Postage/Print.-Newsletter (2 mo.)	95.79
Website-2 years	123.81
James Yamamoto recognition	100.00
Hospitality for 3 mtgs.	169.65
Transfer Retreat Dep. To MM	830.00
Transfer H&H to MM	1,000.00
Library	133.40
<b>Total Expenses for Nov./Dec.</b>	<b><u>2,785.27</u></b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 523.03</b>
<b>Money Market</b>	
	<b>\$16,870.89</b>
Interest	<u>7.31</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,878.20</b>
Retreat	3,915.00
Hearts & Hands	<u>1,824.38</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,617.58</b>
<b>CD Acct.</b>	<b>\$20,412.77</b>
<b>Quilt Show Checking Acct.</b>	<b>\$ 8,323.42</b>
<b>Quilt Show MM</b>	<b>8,000.00</b>

*Betty Craig, Treasurer*



## Spotlight on...

### "Hearts & Hands"

**Hearts & Hands** is an open sewing circle within the Green Country Quilters Guild. Participation is open to all members of the guild and friends who are interested in making quilts for donating to those in need of some warm hugs. It's not necessary to attend Hearts & Hands each month to be active with this group of ladies. But, once you begin making quilts with this group, you will not want to miss a session.

The first Saturday of each month is meeting day from 9:00-3:00 at John Calvin Presbyterian Church in Tulsa. It is located on 31st Street, just east of Memorial. We have sewing machines, lots of fabric, thread, notions, and a love of quilting. Most of our supplies and sewing machines have been donated by guild members, former guild members, and others who just want to clear out or down-size their sewing stash. When we receive monetary gifts, we purchase batting and other supplies as needed.

Do you need to practice some quilting stitches? There are kits to take home, as well as kits for tops. The batting we use is easily quilted on home sewing machines. New to quilting and want to learn more? Come sew with us, and we will help you get going. Have a stash of fabric you are not going to use? Find some friends who sew and start your own quilt circle. There is always a need for quilts in the community.

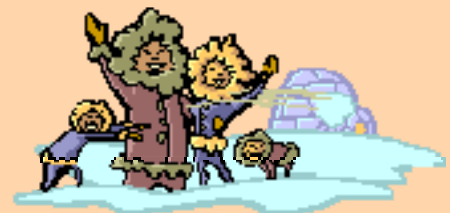
Happy New Year to you all!

*Virginia Wilson and Patti Bernett*



Q. What do Eskimos get from sitting on the ice too long?

A. Polaroids (Brrrr.....)



## GREEN COUNTRY QUILTERS GUILD MEMBERSHIP FORM 2012

PLEASE PRINT CAREFULLY FOR ACCURATE ROSTER INFORMATION. Annual membership dues are \$25.00. Make checks payable to GREEN COUNTRY QUILTERS GUILD.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DAY \_\_\_\_\_ NIGHT \_\_\_\_\_

NEW MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_ RENEWING \_\_\_\_\_ INDIVID. SPONSORSHIP (\$100 OR MORE) \_\_\_\_\_  
CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP (\$500 OR MORE) \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ (HOME) \_\_\_\_\_ (CELL)

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDAY (MO./DAY) \_\_\_\_\_

NQA members, please give Membership No. and Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Our monthly newsletters are posted on our website ([greencountryquiltersguild.com](http://greencountryquiltersguild.com)). Click on "Membership" for a listing.

If you choose to join by mail, please mail your check to : Emma Goins, 8527 E. 82nd Street, Tulsa, OK 74133-8002. Remember to enclose a SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE, or you may pick up your card at the next guild meeting.

### *Paying It Forward...*



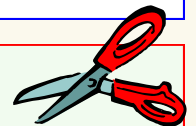
We have a wonderful opportunity to do something for the **Pathways Adult Learning Center** that meets in the basement at Kirk of the Hills, where we now hold our monthly guild meetings. Because the Kirk has been so gracious in providing us use of a big, beautiful room for both our day and night meetings (with an adjoining

industrial kitchen available too), as well as some wonderful custodians who have been there to meet our every need, we welcome a chance to show our appreciation. Johnnie Selvidge (Day Door Prizes) has graciously donated 45 beautiful batik Maple Leaf blocks, which have now been sewn together by a couple of our members. Dolly Mosely has, also *very* graciously, volunteered to do an applique border around the blocks. Batting and backing for the quilt are being donated by Hearts & Hands. Now we just need a long-arm quilter to volunteer to quilt the quilt for us, and someone to bind it altogether **by April 6th**. The quilt will then be donated to Pathways to be included in their annual  
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fund-raiser silent auction on April . If you can help us get this project completed, please let me know ([SupermomH@cox.net](mailto:SupermomH@cox.net)). Once you've had a chance to see the students who attend Pathways (see pictures at [www.pathwaysok.com](http://www.pathwaysok.com)), and to hear how much this program means to the families involved, I know you'll want to get in on this chance to say thanks to the Kirk and to "pay it forward." Happy New Year!

*Linda Hertensteiner*

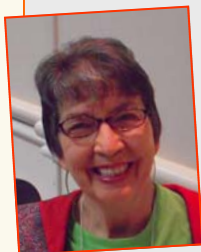
### *Quilting Costa Rica*



Thank you to everyone for your generous donations for "The Flowers" of La Carpio—my guest room is overflowing! If you're like me, you appreciate this opportunity to clean out some things that will become treasures to our Sisters in Costa Rica. They truly are so thankful for every item that we send. January will be our last month to collect items for me to take in February, so get busy. Remember, there's always next year if you find you just don't have time over the holidays. Every one of you is a blessing to me and to The Flowers, especially those of you who have been faithfully praying for these dear women. Thank you!

*Linda Hertensteiner*

## Thank you from... the Betty's!



"Green Country Quilters—

What a sweet surprise to receive the Giving Thimble Award. I was so pleased to hear that Betty Craig was selected that I was not prepared to hear my name as well. This guild has been so special to me since I joined in 1988. I've learned so much over the years and had such a good time working with many of you in various events and activities.

We're just doing what we enjoy. So to be chosen to receive this honor is truly a blessing from those whom I consider as friends. Thank you for the nice things you must have said. I'm glad that my service to GCQG has been of benefit. I'll be there as long as I am able.

I took the membership position so that it would help me learn more names of people in our guild. I should do it a bit longer because I don't know everybody yet. Let's all try to get those pretty name-tags made and on our bodies in January. We'll have some new faces after the first of the year. Won't that be great? See you then!!!

*Betty K. Fisher"*

"Dear Green Country Quilters,

Thank you for awarding me the Giving Thimble Award for 2011. It was a complete surprise, which I will cherish for years. I have enjoyed having the different opportunities of service to the guild and hope to continue as needed. Merry Christmas.



*Betty Craig"*

**PLEASE NOTE: If you took fans to assemble at the November meeting, these are needed for the OKC show on Jan. 13-14. Please drop them off to Gary Wasson at The Flower Shop at 51st and Memorial as soon as possible. Thank you!**

## Fulfillment

*A grandmother sews  
Into a quilt  
All of the earthly  
Things that she has learned.  
And what are these:  
SERVICE—giving time  
And hours spent in  
Helping others.  
COMPASSION—  
The sorrow felt  
For others' misfortunes—  
The sympathetic heart.  
LOVE—of home and  
Husband—long gone  
To the heavenly home,  
And children grown,  
And their posterity.  
And HOPE—the hope  
Of better things to come  
When once again she  
Will united be  
With all of those gone on  
To their eternity.  
Don't count the threads  
Which make the quilt whole  
Just know that with each stitch  
She bares her soul—"*

*By S. Dillworth Young*

(From American Patchwork & Quilting, June 1998 issue)



## Mission Statement

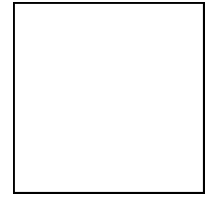
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The night group, formed in 1981, meets monthly on the third Thursday (no meeting in December) at 6:30 p.m. The day group, formed in 1978, meets the day following the night group meeting, at 9:45 a.m.

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### *"Tip of the Month"*

#### **"Cookie Cutter Quilting"**

Do you spend countless hours pouring over quilting-design books, like I do, searching for something different to use in that empty space on your latest quilt? Well, go to your kitchen cabinet instead! Way back in your baking cabinet, among all of those things you hardly ever use any more, you're sure to find a big bag of cookie cutters in all different shapes and sizes, including seasonal and themed shapes. Cookie cutters make great "templates" for quilting designs (especially on those baby and Hearts & Hands quilts!). Just trace around them right onto your quilt with a water-soluble marker (make sure they don't have any old cookie dough on them first!), or else trace them onto freezer paper, cut them out, iron them onto your quilt, and sew around the paper shapes (these freezer paper patterns can be reused several times). So, instead of putting those old cookie cutters into the "garage sale" box, find space for them in your sewing room instead!

*The Editor*



## Green Country Quilters Guild January Meetings

### Guild Meetings:

*Night—Thurs., January 19, 2012*

#### **Night Location:**

Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church  
4102 E. 61st Street  
Tulsa, OK 74136

*Day—Fri., January 20, 2012*

#### **Day Location:**

Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church  
4102 E. 61st Street  
Tulsa, OK 74136

### GCQG Board Meeting:

*Tue., January 24, 2012*

#### **Board Meeting Location:**

John Calvin Presbyterian Church  
8181 E. 31st Street  
Tulsa, OK 74145

**Note:** If Tulsa Public Schools close because of inclement weather, guild meetings for that day will also be cancelled.