Club Notes:



August 2014

Vacation was great! I filled pattern orders and answered emails and phone calls from beneath the RV awning at EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, WI.

I spent one with Mary Bongers in Hortonville, WI (she's a CJC member, too). She met us at the Target parking lot at 8:00am and dropped me back off at 8:00pm. I helped her sew zippers from the Quick Zip System onto the canvas leaders of her Statler Stitcher. I actually managed to put together 5 of my Laurel Burch Lucky Star blocks. We had a nice lunch followed by a trip to the Primitive Gatherings quilt shop in Menesha, WI. The MOTHERLOAD of wools was just waiting for me. I may have drooled a bit. I know I spent too much money. Their shopping baskets aren't big enough! I filled my basket and then had to go back through it and cull out a bunch. All those wonderful kits! I kept asking myself, "Are you REALLY going to make that kit if you buy it?" "Do you want to MAKE it or do you just want to HAVE it?" And then there was the, "Don't blow your discretionary money budget!" So, I ended up buying some black flannel for background in my Bertie's Year project, and a few collections of "charm square" wools.

We suffered through the obligatory monsoon, complete with high winds and hail, but also enjoyed the arrival of the United States Air Force Thunderbirds. Makes a person shiver! We came home in time for Jordan (the almost 15 year old daughter) to put in some pre-high school softball tryouts batting practice, and then dive back into the office.

We enjoyed cool weather on our vacation, and now that Jordan is doing 3 days of 3 hour softball tryouts, the temperatures are in the upper 90's. I might finish the vacation laundry before the week is over, put away the tarps, tubs, and coolers...until next year!

Kim was tied to her design chair while I was gone. She produced an enormous number of patterns in the 10 days we were on vacation. Enjoy them!

Kim and Janet

A Note About Name Designs:

There are 25 Name Designs included in the Onyx Duke Archive! That's a lot! That means that there are 168 patterns included in this archive which are NOT name designs. That means the average cost of those 168 patterns is .36/each. That's still an amazing value. We just wanted you to know that we realize that there are going to be designs you won't use, but since Kim's Crown Jewels Club promises you EVERYTHING she draws, you get the odd stuff right along with the really cool stuff. We promise not to be offended if you simply delete the stuff you don't want! And....if you change your mind at some later date....we'll send it to you again!





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Archive: Onyx Duke	Archive: Onyx Duke	Archive: Onyx Duke	
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Sweet Dreams Quilt Studio Archives





Also, your monthly CJC payment processes on the anniversary date of when it was set up. It has nothing at all to do with the date the patterns are released. I heard from one CJC member who thought they were connected. If you were one of the many who believed they were connected and so contacted me about the August patterns, I apologize for not making that clear all along! :)



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Single Irish Chain Set



South Western New York Beauty (NYB) Patterns



Patterns for Judy Niemeyer's Seasons Table Runner



Circle Triangle Set



Pattern Type	Size	Name of Ex- isting Pattern for Modifica- tion	Name to be included in pattern	Attach good pho- tos of quilt and blocks	Style you're going for. Other patterns you're us- ing in the quilt, etc.
Block #1					
Block #2					
Block #3					
Border & Border Corner #1					
Border & Border Corner #2					
Border & Border Corner #3					
Triangle-Equilateral (all sides equal and all angles are 60 degrees)					
Triangle–Isosceles (two equal sides and two equal angles)					
Triangle-Scalene (no equal sides & no equal angles)					
Sash					
Point-to-Point					
Edge-to-Edge—Directional					
Edge-to-edge-Non Direction- al					
Edge-to-Edge-Interlocking					
Edge-to-Edge-Squared					

Important things to consider and include with your design request:

When you take photos of the quilt and/or quilt block, the camera should be parallel to the quilt (we need a straight on shot). If we have to draft out the block, it helps a lot to capture correct angles.

If you want an existing pattern modified, we need the exact pattern name. (We cannot modify another designer's pattern, so please don't ask us to do that.)

Style you're going for: If you want celtic, but don't tell us and we make floral, no one will be happy.

If you want a name included in the pattern, you need to double check the spelling before you submit the request. If you find out after the pattern has been designed that you requested the pattern with incorrect spelling, your submission of the correct name spelling goes to the end of the drawing list, causing a delay for you.

If your machine has a short throat, please make sure you tell us the largest amount of the fabric your machine has access to quilt. PLEASE <u>email your design requests</u> (you can follow up with a phone call, but it helps us to have the email.)

Favorite Longarm Supplies Vendors:

We've had many questions from new longarm quilters about the best places to buy their supplies. So, we thought we'd provide a list of our favorite vendors. This is not an exclusive list....you may already have other vendors who take care of your longarm supply needs...and we're not trying to convert anybody.

Superior Thread: I buy King Tut Thread in the 2000 yard cones, although they have poly thread as well. They sell wholesale only, so you'll need your sales tax certificate to set up an account. They have an amazing selection of thread. They have fabulous customer service and an easy online account set up process. They also ship internationally! <u>http://www.superiorthreads.com</u>

Checker Distributing: Wholesale Only.....I have rarely looked in vain for anything quilt related on their site. Shopping for supplies can be addicting! Shipping is charged on large items, but not on items such as pins, needles, thread, books, scissors, or most other notions. They do charge shipping on bolts of fabric, luggage, cutting mats, Ott Lights, etc. (They now carry Quilter's Dream Batting.....but only to customers outside of the United States.) <u>http://www.checkerdist.com</u>

SouthStar Supply Company: They have scissors, snips & holsters, bobbins, pattern making supplies, rotary cutters, mats, knives, sharpeners, notions, needles, pins, ergonomics, safety, & handling supplies, steamers, machine oil, spot lifters, silicone....and they are very nice people to work with.

http://www.southstarsupply.com

Quilter's Dream Batting: I have pretty much stopped purchasing rolls of batting. I find it easier to maintain an accurate inventory of batting, and it stores well. Unlike some packaged batting, I don't find that the QD batting is distorted, and so it doesn't require a trip through my dryer before I can use it. Some of my best friends who also have longarm quilting businesses stock packaged batting as well as batting on a roll. We agree that these people are easy to work with! <u>http://www.quiltersdreambatting.com</u>

Virginia Longarm: I buy the dress bag and the 3-sided zipper totes to deliver my quilts to customer. They bring their next quilt to me in their bag. When I arrive at our guild meetings, laden with my purple bags, people say it looks like Christmas. Their quilts stay clean and it adds a little extra class and professionalism to my business.

http://www.virginialongarm.com or call 804-708-0741.

Wingspan Crafts: These are the people at MQX East who have the pre-shunk cotton batting (Katahdin) and the lovely 80/20 (Acadia). They were very nice to work with. <u>http://www.wingspancrafts.com</u>

Winline Textiles: These people were at MQS in Wichita. Their batting also feels very nice, has great consistency. They sent me home with two sample batts (a crib size and a twin size). I have used both sample batts and was very, very pleased. Visit them at: <u>http://</u>