

# Stash Attack . . .

DIANE RUBY

During the quilt room tour, I heard several comments about my lack of stash. I prefer to buy fabric on a project basis. I used to buy yardage that I just couldn't live without, and ended up not using it because I either didn't have an appropriate project, or realized that there were newer—and better fabrics I preferred.

So my stash consists of remnants of finished projects. I have it sorted by color in cubbies. I have my 30's fabric cutely displayed in a basket. I saw a tip somewhere about using those clear, plastic containers you get from Costco. When I finish a project, especially one using pre-cuts, I put them in one of those and then I have a cute little package of coordinated fabrics to use for applique, etc. So my stash consists of small pieces, no large cuts for backs or borders.

Of course, my favorite fabric quilt shop has to be Thimble Towne. Love going in there and seeing what's new and enjoying the wonderful atmosphere. I also love Strawberry Patches in Bakersfield; but, of course, that involves an hour's drive. I do purchase fabric on-line, too. If I'm looking for something in particular, at [quiltshops.com](http://quiltshops.com). Even though I do not have a large stash of fabric, I have a **huge** stash of projects which are neatly organized in decorative boxes, waiting to be completed. I just can't resist all those cute kits. I have to admit—I do have a backlog!



## Tuesday Scrappers Contribute

- The Ackfeld Manufacturing Company, located near Joplin, Missouri, requested that quilts be donated to their project, "Rebuilding One Patch at a Time." The Tuesday Scrappers, a friendship group of the Guild, readily joined in this worthwhile effort, and eight quilts were sent to the tornado victims.
- Next on their list, they are contemplating putting together a calendar, similar to the one in [Calendar Girls](#). Their need, a photographer. Sounds like an excellent project—any models out there?

## Yum Yum Cake

Cake:

VIRGINIA GUNNING  
VIA GLADYS MURCH

- 2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoons soda
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 large can crushed pineapple with juice

Sift flour into mixing bowl with soda and sugar. Add slightly beaten eggs and pineapple with juice. Mix til blended. Pour into greased pyrex 9 x 13, Bake 350° for 25 min.

Frosting:

- 1 cube butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 small can Pet milk
- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 1 cup coconut
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Bring butter, sugar and milk to a boil for 2 minutes (Careful, don't burn) Remove from heat. Add nuts, coconut and vanilla. Beat a little and pour over warm cake. Cool before serving.



## July Theme Quilt

- "And the Rockets Red Glare,"
- red/white/blue flowers for July.
- Keep up the good work ladies.

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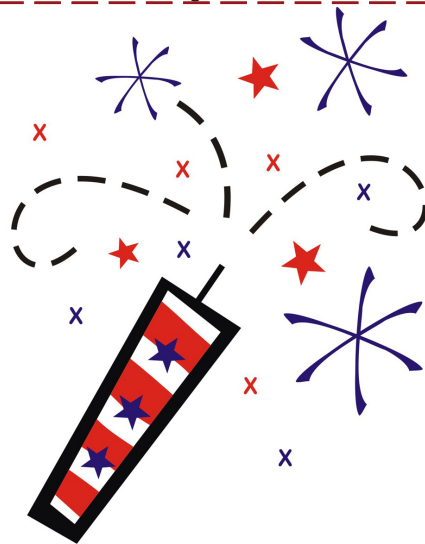
## 2011—Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Information
July 11	10 a.m.— VOQG Meeting July Birthdays bring treats	Cathy Farris, Lecture—The Value of Mystery Workshop—Embellishing with Colored Pencils <a href="http://www.cathyfarrisquilts.com">www.cathyfarrisquilts.com</a>
August 11	10 a.m.—VOQG Meeting August Birthdays bring treats	Janet Fletcher, 20th Century Quilts
September 8	10 a.m.— VOQG Meeting September Birthdays bring treats	Nancy Ota, Lecture—How and Why Workshop—Sashiko <a href="http://www.nancyota.com">www.nancyota.com</a>

Meeting Information: **Valley Oak Quilt Guild**

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**Comforters for Kids**

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