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Stimulating imaginations of quilt tricksters everywhere

Quiltrick #12

We're all trying to be "green" these days and quilters are especially good at reusing and recycling. One way to reuse is to take <u>used</u> dryer sheets and use them again whenever you need a stabilizer or a little foundation under your fabric. They work great especially on appliqué. If you're not at home and suddenly find yourself in need of a stabilizer, try a coffee filter!

I just returned from a trunk show in Georgia. I was so impressed with the guild because their major topic of conversation was the choice of charity they wanted to focus on for the year, cancer research.

When I arrived home I received a note from my good friend, Joyce, at The V Foundation for Cancer Research (www.jimmyv.org). Joyce is a cancer survivor. The V Foundation donates millions to support cancer research. I'm glad there are people in hospital labs looking for cures. I would be useless in a lab, but I want to be able to do something concrete to help and maybe make a difference. One of my sisters is living with brain cancer and another sister is a breast cancer survivor. I definitely want to find a cure!

ConKerr cancer (http://www.conkerrcancer.org) is an organization which encourages people to make pillowcases for children with cancer to brighten their hospital rooms. They've teamed up with American Patchwork and Quilting to encourage quilters and sewers to make one million pillowcases this year. I've made several so far, but to encourage others to make some, I've written up an easy pattern for a quick pillowcase that will take no time to sew up. Download the free pattern <u>here</u> and sew a pillowcase. You <u>can</u> make a difference!

And, if you're ever in McDonough, Georgia, visit *A Scarlet Thread*. It's an amazing quilt shop, bright and cheerful with a terrific selection of fabric.

Hooray! It's finally Spring!





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- March 11-13
 Original Sewing & Quilt Expo Gwinnett Center, Booth 537
 Duluth, GA
- March 20-21
 Patches and Pieces Quilt Show Lynchburg, VA
- March 24-27
 American Quilter's Society Lancaster, PA, Booth 4205
- April 8-10 Amish Country Quilt Show Dalton, OH
- April 15-18
 International Quilt Festival Rosemont, IL
- April 21-24 American Quilter's Society Paducah, KY, Booth 4621
- April 30 May 2 The Quilt & Fiber Art Emporium Hickory, NC
- May 14-16 Gate City Quilt Guild Show Greensboro, NC

May 21-23 International Quilt Market Minneapolis, MN