



# Notes from Jukebox

February, 2010

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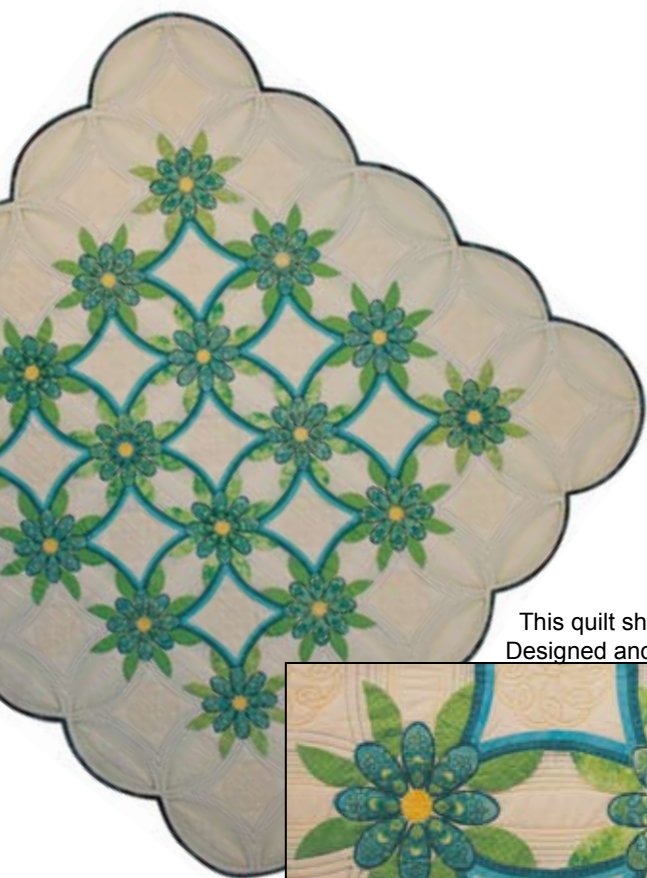
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## Greetings!

There is a lot of big news from here in Northern Colorado! As of Jan. 1st, 2010, I turned over the Hoffman Challenge Curator position to my great friend and co-quilter Julie Breidt. Julie has worked with me for eight months in preparation for this transition, which has gone very smoothly. I know that those of you working on quilts for the Hoffman Challenge ([www.hoffmanchallenge.com](http://www.hoffmanchallenge.com)) this year will enjoy working with her! It has been a joy and honor to have been the curator for the past eight years, and I look forward to continuing to hear from the talented participants and hard working exhibitors that I have been so fortunate to work with over the years. I also can't wait to see the traveling quilts at the [Rocky Mountain Quilt Festival](#) this August!

I was planning on enjoying some quiet quilting time, but instead have taken on another big job. I have been approached by the Naval Aviation Foundation to curate a special challenge and quilt exhibit. See page 4 for more information about this exciting event. There is a tight turn around for entries (the deadline is Oct. 1st, 2010), but I hope you are inspired to create a quilt for this display. So many of us take the military for granted, and this has provided me with a welcome opportunity to become aware of the sacrifices others make on our behalf. Making quilts for this challenge is

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This quilt showcases this year's Hoffman Challenge Fabric.  
Designed and made by Kelly Gallagher-Abbott, Copyright 2009



one of many ways to honor our nation's heroes and acknowledge the influence aviators have had in our lives. The Navy is working hard to make sure these quilts will be seen by hundreds of thousands of viewers. Plan on visiting one of the museums, air shows, fleet weeks, or other events currently being planned to see both the quilts and other exciting displays! We're looking for volunteers to help at events, but right now really need help spreading the word. Feel free to forward this newsletter, make announcements at your guild, encourage your quilt group members to participate and gather a team to work at one of the displays. You can also find a one page description about the challenge on [www.navyquilts.com](http://www.navyquilts.com) to print and distribute at your groups, quilt or community events, or anywhere else. Your quilt group, local museum, shop, etc. might also want to feature a display as they travel throughout 2011. It will be a great chance to educate the general public about the art of quilting. I promise you'll love meeting active military members, as well as veterans, and hearing about their stories. We're also working hard on getting sponsors for this challenge and display. If you know of a manufacturer, shop, or any other quilt related business that might be interested, let us know! I'm also happy to visit your show or guild meeting to do a presentation about this challenge, time permitting.

Jukebox continues to keep us busy. We are one of the only distributors of Tsukineko All Purpose Inks who discount orders of 6 or more. If you are interested in a portrait or painted quilt (maybe one for the Navy Challenge?), check out our videos by [Lura Schwarz Smith](#) and [Patt Blair](#) on how to use these fabulous inks. We'll be adding more how to videos this year on many techniques, some will even be available for free, providing you with great tips and tricks you can use on every quilt you make.

Because there wasn't enough craziness in our world, my husband has taken a job in Washington DC. He'll be commuting at times, and I'll be traveling back and forth with our children. We're looking forward to living there (very part-time) and having the opportunity to visit the museums and other interesting locales. If you belong to a group in the area that would like a lecture or class, let me know! I'd also love to hear about your favorite shops and quilt related activities.

Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or comments. We always look forward to hearing from you!

*Kelly Gallagher-Abbot*

## Upcoming Events, Lectures, and Classes with Kelly:

### March 6th, 2010

Jig Swatches Puzzle Quilt Workshop  
9a.m.-4p.m.

Hosted by the Greeley, CO guild Pieceable Friends. Contact Chyrl Statler at 970-405-7739 to sign up.

### April 5th and 6th, 2010

Kelly judges the Best of the Valley Show in CA  
[www.botvquilts.com](http://www.botvquilts.com)

### April 12th, 2010

Lecture at Columbine Quilt Guild, Colorado  
[www.columbinequiltguild.org](http://www.columbinequiltguild.org)

### April 13th, 2010

Funky Checkers Workshop, Columbine Quilt Guild  
[www.columbinequiltguild.org](http://www.columbinequiltguild.org)



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Please put Friday, August 20th-Sunday, August 22nd, 2010 on your calendar! This is the third annual Rocky Mountain Quilt Festival. We will have between 600 and 700 quilts, garments, and other fiber art pieces on display, including the entire traveling Hoffman Challenge collection. This is a great show that features 9 Colorado guilds and nearly 100 vendors. There will be post show classes with David Taylor and Sharon L. Schlotzhauer on August 23rd and 24th. We'll be including more information about this show in upcoming newsletters, or you can visit these two websites:

[www.rockymountainquiltfoundation.org](http://www.rockymountainquiltfoundation.org)

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Please consider entering a quilt in this show! There are many cash prizes, including viewer's choice awards.



## You'll Love These Quilter Socks!

Live on the wild side, and enjoy wearing these mismatched socks! Any quilter will love the colors and textures of these wonderful socks. These are made here in the US, and are crafted from recycled materials. Scraps from t-shirt manufacturing are gathered up, ground up, and spun into new yarn that is then knit by machine into what will soon become your favorite fashion accessory. These socks are 80% cotton, 19% nylon, and 1% lycra. Get them as a gift for someone, or treat yourself! They run a bit snug, so we recommend ordering a size larger than you think you might want, and also recommend you don't toss them in the dryer. We also have children and baby sizes. [Click here to order.](#)

## Help Wanted:

**Friendly quilter/s to attend the Round Bobbin Show in Springfield, MO April 8-10 to talk about the Thread Tails and Vapor Trails Quilt Challenge. The show is providing a booth and table/chair. All you need is to tell people about it and take email newsletter sign-ups (props and forms provided)! Contact Kelly for more information!**

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# THREAD TAILS & VAPOR TRAILS



A Quilt Challenge and Traveling Display Celebrating 100 Years of Naval Aviation

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**You are invited to participate in a special quilt challenge celebrating the Centennial of Naval Aviation!**

## **About the Challenge:**

We are asking quilt makers from around the country to make a quilt honoring 100 years of Naval Aviation (Navy, Marines and Coast Guard). There are a few rules and requirements, but the most important ones are that the quilt be 40" square, and must be related to naval aviation.

No specific fabric is required. There will also be a group quilt category.

Please see the [www.navyquilts.com](http://www.navyquilts.com) for complete rules and requirements.

## **About the Display:**

CONA (the Centennial of Naval Aviation Committee) is planning celebrations in most states during 2011. The Blue Angels will be performing in air shows in over 30 states, and there will be other events such as Fleet Weeks and naval related conventions and exhibitions. Selected quilts will be displayed at as many of these events as possible, potentially being viewed by hundreds of thousands of attendees. Additional quilts will travel to naval and other military museums and celebrations, as well as quilt shows and exhibitions across the nation.

This quilt display could potentially be seen by more viewers than any quilt display in history.

All quilts entered have the option to be donated to a special auction for the National Flight Academy, an education project of the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation. The National Flight Academy is poised to become the premiere aviation-inspired learning adventure for our Nation's youth, delivering a world-class experience that ignites students' passion for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). The curriculum will be based on these STEM principles designed to help prepare 7th-12th graders to compete in the challenging technological future. Attendees will spend 5 ½ days in an immersive, aviation-based learning environment reaching beyond the traditional academic experience. Additional information is available at [www.nationalflightacademy.com](http://www.nationalflightacademy.com).

The deadline for the online quilt submission will be Oct. 1st, 2010. The award winning and all selected traveling quilts will debut at the Blue Angel Homecoming Air Show November 11th and 12th, 2010 in Pensacola, FL at the National Naval Aviation Museum. Kick-off naval events for CONA will (tentatively) start in San Diego and Washington DC in Jan., 2011. Quilts not donated will be returned in January, 2012.



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**The Centennial of Naval Aviation quilt challenge will not be possible without the generosity of sponsors, volunteers and quilters from around the country.**

Please make a quilt and enter it to help commemorate this historic event. We will also need volunteers for all events and displays. You can also request a display for your guild or show. If you know someone who would like to sponsor this great event, please visit

[www.navyquilts.com](http://www.navyquilts.com) or contact Kelly Gallagher-Abbott for details. All donations are tax deductible and go to the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation, Inc., a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization, on behalf of the National Flight Academy program.

**Other recommended websites for inspiration or information:**

[www.navalaviationmuseum.org](http://www.navalaviationmuseum.org)

[www.blueangels.navy.mil](http://www.blueangels.navy.mil)

[www.centennial.ahf.nmci.navy.mil](http://www.centennial.ahf.nmci.navy.mil)

[www.nationalflightacademy.com](http://www.nationalflightacademy.com)



Kelly's son Ryan at the Naval Aviation Museum in November, 2009.

Ryan and VADM Hoewing in one of the flight simulators.



**About our Pensacola Trip**

At the invitation of Vice Admiral Gerald Hoewing and his wife Charlie, my youngest son, Ryan, and I visited Pensacola for the Blue Angel Homecoming Air Show in November, 2009. This was a trip of a lifetime for both of us. I was in awe of the wonderful museum, and we had the opportunity to meet many wonderful pilots (including the Blue Angels!), officers, museum staff, and family members. Ryan was over the moon, and came home inspired to work harder at school so that he might someday be a pilot. To see more about this trip, please visit my blog. I'd invite anyone to visit this museum. Even though I'm pretty aviation-illiterate, I can't recommend it enough!



Ryan and Kevin "Elvis" King who is the VP of the National Flight Academy



# Quilter Friendly Recipe

With so much snow covering the nation the last few weeks, we've been enjoying a lot of soup. Here's an easy, fast and healthy recipe that will please your quilt friends or your family!

## Cheese and Veggie Potato Soup

From Kelly@JukeboxQuilts.com



4 cups chicken broth  
2 cups chopped, peeled potato  
1 cup chopped celery  
1 cup chopped green or red sweet pepper (or substitute mixed frozen veggies)  
4 cups skim milk  
8 Tbsp all purpose flour  
1 cup shredded cheese  
1/4 tsp ground nutmeg

In saucepan, combine broth and veggies. Bring to boil, reduce heat, cover and simmer for 10-12 minutes. In small bowl, stir together milk and flour, stir into saucepan. Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly. Stir in cheese until melted, then add nutmeg.

Each bowl has fewer than 100 calories, and the total prep time is under 30 minutes.



I recently participated in an invitation display called "Quilting Makes a Difference" sponsored by the Road to California show in Ontario, CA. Approximately 30 quilters were given the same 30" block to quilt in our usual style. Here's a sneak preview of my quilt. I used seven different colors of Bottom Line thread and digitized all patterns for my Statler/Gammill. You can see all of the finished quilts at the August

[www.rockymountainquiltfestival.com](http://www.rockymountainquiltfestival.com).



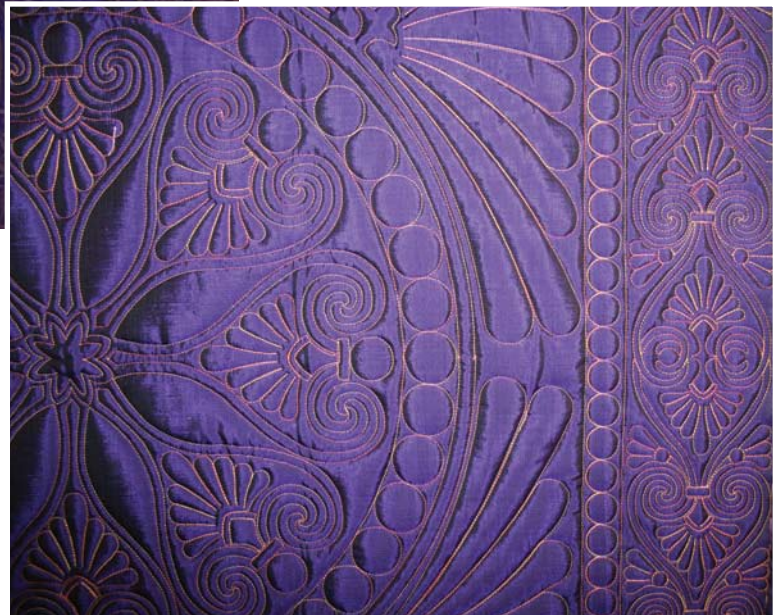
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I am experimenting with quilting on silk, and loving it! This wholecloth was made for Ingrid Stuiver, a friend from So. CA. I used orange Sulky Blendable thread and Heirloom Wool Batting. It turned out gorgeous! Robert Kauffman Fabrics now has a wonderful 55% cotton/45% silk blend called Radiance. We'll be adding this to the Jukebox website shortly. I think quilters and clothing artists will love this fabric. I have a large wholecloth in process for Patt Blair, and can't wait to start many other projects with it!



Please forward this newsletter to anyone you think may be interested. In upcoming issues, we will have more exciting announcements, free patterns and some really cool tricks and techniques. Email me at [kelly@jukeboxquilts.com](mailto:kelly@jukeboxquilts.com) if you have ideas on what we can include here!

