

Update 03/30/2017

Yay oh yay oh yay...i graduated yesterday - i graduated to every-other-week wound care - instead of every single Thursday from the middle of January until 10:00 a.m. this morning - it's a banner day and to celebrate my fortunate luck - i'm going home this afternoon and posting this tomorrow a.m. because my lovely tasha lulu has channelled the inner terrier in her (and left the poodle doing something else) and has decided that the very bestest entertainment in the entire world involves digging holes (and very quickly i might add) under the fence and ending up either in the crawl space between the two fences or out into the parking lot of the church next door. The buried 50 foot lengths of chicken wire (x 2 lengths) commenced yesterday afternoon and will finish this afternoon - and i still don't think i have enough chickie wire to complete the job - and i think i'll meet bruce coming and going on his 300<sup>th</sup> trip from home depot with large bags of mulch to a) cover the chicken wire against the fence and b) because after 3+ years it starts to disintegrate and turn into dirt - so more was needed anyway - i think the mulch bag count is hitting 50 or higher...i'll have to ask the growly bear. My final fix to the problem will be to dismantle the wood pile (we are no longer in need because we converted the fireplace to gas log burning this winter - and besides there are very very few days in the valley we are allowed to burn wood due to the inversion layer - EPA??? What's that???) so if i dismantle the wood pile and lay the rest of the wood end to end down the fence line - it will eventually disintegrate into mulch but it will also thwart ms. Tasha maybe for a little bit longer.



So...trying to keep tasha lulu in the yard - she has developed some wanderlust or is just feeling so good that the spring-in-the-air mentality is causing the digging...with augie standing by the hole like lassie and announcing to all that care to listen that "timmy fell down the well" and i know i'm going to lose a lot of you with that comment but there will be those who will remember and laugh...it truly is a comedy of fools lately - and i seem to be stuck right in the middle of the chaos - but it's good chaos and remember - i'm happy because i graduated to every other week wound care - did i mention that???

So...there isn't anything in the scan box this week - but there is a ton in the ebay box so i'm going to proceed along with that, got my quilt bindings cut (on the bias) so that will keep me entertained this weekend with the rest of the list (make brown dogger food, laundry, orchids, finish aforementioned dogger barrier, plant the rest of a flat of strawberries, iron some giant wick wack for a dear texas friend to use on her cheddar blackbird quilt, wash a pile of chenille waiting for a color to be selected so i can dye for a kit for a retreat piece, finish up putting a quilt together so it's ready to take to the machine quilter, strip sewing another quilt together (i cut them and put them in individual boxes so they are ready to sew when i get 2 minutes), finish the breast cancer piece so i can send photos to the Santa Clara EGA Guild like i promised, work on those wonderful Blackbird fabric bags that are all cut out, cord made and stacked like cordwood, clean patio #2 and hang the painted glass window on that patio (it's spring and the wisteria is on the downslide already), ebay paperwork and probably a million other things that i'm forgetting because they are just the "every weekend things" that get done by rote.

We are also planning a trip over to the coast - want to see what san luis reservoir looks like now that we've had so much water and there is a wonderful quilt shop over in pacific grove...day trip with a starting stop at starbucks seems to be in order one of these weekends...and i'm pushing for easter Saturday.

So...off i go to publish this on Friday morning and then start shovelling left and right because i've been in here since the crack of dawn and ms. Tasha lulu is here with me today and she will want a 2<sup>nd</sup> walkie in a couple of hours and there is a ton to do between then and now....

And, although there are no "new" this week - i'm trying desperately to get back into the habit of a weekly update now that the website is up and functioning and this brain and the pdf fairy are making things much more reasonable.

Also - i've started with the "repurposed" page - you can find it here at [http://www.elegantstitch.com/ld\\_repurposed.html](http://www.elegantstitch.com/ld_repurposed.html) - and yes, the pdf fairy helped with those pulleys - the pictures were almost killing me - they would not live or move nicely into the web pages - so the pdf worked much better....so i guess there's the "new" this week. Am adding some more things to it - oil can pincushions, wonderful truly vintage (not "wanna be" vintage) scissor fobs made from skeleton door keys, some pincushions made with the help of some vintage zinc canning jar lids, old silk tie strawberries and some pincushions fashioned from antique salt cellars - as with all and everything repurposed - they are all individual and 'one of a kind' so if you see something... and i'm hoping to have some of the new things up by the end of april...spray sealing more keys this weekend...oh wait...that was something on the list...

Enjoy the weekend - i'm hustling...