Winners' Circle:
The January “Twin Sisters” blocks were won by Kathy Faust and Karen Hall. (25 total were donated!)

Block of the Month – March 2011
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Each person may enter up to three blocks each month.
For 2010-2011, all BOM patterns will sew up as 12” blocks (12 ½” unfinished).
We suggest that you make an extra block in your favorite colors to keep. At the end of the year, you’ll have enough blocks for your own sampler quilt.

Picket Fence
From Once More Around the Block by Judy Hopkins pg. 97 (Martingale and Company, 2000).

Fabrics: Choose one dark green, one medium green, one gold, and one cream – solids or small prints. Please use pre-washed cotton

Cutting: For each block, cut pieces as follows:
- A = (1) gold square 6 7/8” square, cut on diagonal to make (2) triangles
- B = (1) medium green square 6 7/8” square, cut on diagonal to make (2) triangles
- C = (2) cream squares 4 ½”
- D = (2) dark green rectangles 2 ½” x 4 ½”
- E = (2) dark green rectangles 2 ½” x 6 ½”

Assembly:
1. Sew 2 ½” x 4 ½” dark green rectangle (D) to cream square (C). Make 2.
2. Sew larger dark green rectangles (E) to the C + D pieces (follow diagram below)
3. Sew gold and medium green triangles (A + B) together
4. Join an A+B unit to a C+D+E unit to make the top row.
5. Join the other A+B to a C+D+E unit to make the bottom row.
6. Sew the top and bottom together, using pins to line up the center point.

*** Suggestion: Consider contributing some of your cutting scraps along with the block for the winner to finish the top, add a border, etc.

Quick Tip: Make time for quilting! Whether you schedule sewing dates for yourself or grab a smaller chunk of time each week, give yourself the gift of time to enjoy fabric and the creative process.