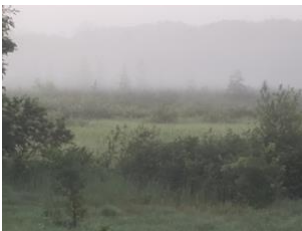


July monthly block

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The July quilt block is a traditional block called "Bear Paw". This pattern represents all the critters that call Cedar Creek home. The focal fabrics are in honor of the prairie and tamarack swamp behind the Lindeman Center. I find myself being sympathetic towards tamarack swamps. Tamarack trees are coniferous, they lose their needles every fall. They seem to be overlooked in ecosystem succession; lakes eventually fill in and become wetlands that over time become bogs. These deep organic beds are needed to support tamarack trees which will eventually evolve into mature maple forests. The dark green "claws" of the block represents the lush vegetation this present this time of year.

My inspiration for the background fabrics came from the Dragonfly workshop I attended on July 30, 2019. This program, led by Ami Thompson, fulfilled a continuing education requirement for my teaching license. If you look closely you will notice the mature dragonfly in the ivory fabric. We learned that dragonfly require water, represented by the blue fabric, to begin their lifecycle.



June Square in a Square

