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August 2023

Hall County Quilters Guild



Pieced and quilted on a domestic machine by Richard Hood.

From our President

This is a busy time of year with vacations, yard work, gardening, graduations, and family gatherings.

Trying to find some quality time for quilting can be a real challenge. Try to select projects ahead of time so when you have a little free time you are ready to go at a moments notice. We all need some "me" time to enjoy some creativity with fabric, thread, and needle.

Happy Quilting,

Bobby Martin

Upcoming Dates

August 7th - Carolyn Keller - Trunk Show August 21 - Project Day -Quilts 4 Kids Charity Sew

September 11 - Diane Knott,
Butterfly Threads,
"Celebrating With Quilts"
September 18 - Project Day
- Eagle Ranch Charity Sew

October 2 - Amy Walsh, owner of Shirt Off Your Back shop in Alpharetta, T-Shirt Quilts

PROGRAMS

The speaker for our August 7th Guild meeting will be my friend, Carolyn Keller. She will share her quilting journey and some of her beautiful quilts. I am looking forward to having her with us! See you there!

If you didn't get a copy of Rona Herman's handout at the July meeting, contact me and I'll email it or bring a copy to the next meeting.

Margaret Johnson

Have you seen the new Guild T-Shirts?
Several members have already received theirs and they look great!
Please see Becky
Munteanu for more information and to place your order.

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November - Frances Arnold, quilt teacher from Athens, "The Challenge of Challenges"

December - Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon

PROJECT DAY

Come and help us on August 21 - Project Day - when we'll be sewing Quilts 4 Kids!

Our September 18 Project Day will feature Eagle Ranch quilts.

We hope you come to all of the Project Days to work on your own projects as well as the guild community service projects. As a group, we can make a huge difference with the items we sew.

Lisa Vieira

August birthdays!

8/4 Joyce Pinson

8/12 Charlotte Payne

8/16 Connie Murphy

MEMBERSHIP

Please extend a special welcome to our new members. We are so excited to have you join the guild!

Rita Clifton - renewed Glenda Kahlor - renewed

Don't forget to wear your name tag at our meetings. You never know what you might win!

Have you heard about our new Hand Sewing Bee, The Nimble Thimbles?? They meet on the 4th Thursday of each month. For more information, or to sign up for emails regarding dates, times and places, see Jenny Grandfield or Trisha Brisbois at the August meeting.



SUNSHINE

Please remember – if you hear of a member that is sick or hasn't been to a meeting in awhile, let Carol Johnson know so that she can send a Get Well or a Thinking of You card from the Guild.

HCQG MYSTERY QUILT 2023

Welcome to the August installment of our Mystery Quilt. This month we are still doing a little cutting but let's put our Block A's together! We will finally get to see our first block! Before we do that, let's get our cutting out of the way.

FOURTH CLUE -

CUTTING -

From Fabric A - Cut 3 strips 2 ½" x WOF. Subcut strips into 16 – 2 ½' x 2 ½" squares.

From Fabric B - Cut 2 strips 2 ½" x WOF. Subcut strips into 24 – 2 ½" x 2 ½" squares

From Fabric E - Cut 5 strips 2 ½" x WOF. Subcut strips into 72 – 2 ½" x 2 ½" squares

SEWING -

Let's put block A together. It is basically going to look like the pattern below, but with a couple of changes –

1st row - a ribbon unit, Fabric B 2 ½" x 6 ½" rectangle, and another ribbon unit.

2nd row – Fabric A 2 ½" square – ribbon unit – Fabric B 2 ½" square – ribbon unit – Fabric A 2 ½" square.

3rd row – Fabric A 2 ½" x 4 ½" rectangle – the pinwheel – Fabric A 2 ½" x 4 ½" rectangle.

4th row - Fabric A 2 ½" square – ribbon unit – Fabric B 2 ½" square – ribbon unit – Fabric A 2 ½" square.

5th row - a ribbon unit, Fabric B 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle, and another ribbon unit. Watch your fabric placement. Make 16 more for a total of 17 each Block A. Block should finish at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



Ok my friends, that's Block A! I hope you like it! Next month we will put together Block B! We are in the homestretch!!!

HALL COUNTY QUILT GUILD MEETING MINUTES - JULY 10, 2023

Meeting called to order by Bobby Martin at 11 AM

Introduction of Rona Hermon by Margaret Johnson

Rona gave a very informative presentation on "Tips for Traveling". Rona gave away all her best secrets and tips for the roads we quilters travel.....from Quilting Retreats to Tours and Cruises, Budgeting to Safety, and little known quilting destinations around the globe...mixed with stories of humorous shenanigans and lessons learned along the way.

Welcome by Bobby Martin

June minutes were approved as read. Motion by Becky Munteanu; seconded by Chris Anderson

June treasurer's report has been submitted for the website but not published at this time.

Tip of the Month – Bobby Martin suggested using a small, inexpensive UV light to see which is the right side of white tone-on-tone fabrics. Joyce Pinson showed us how to make a light box using a clear acrylic/plastic box (available at Hobby Lobby) and your phone's flashlight.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Membership Stacey Crain There were 39 members present and 4 guests.
- Programs Margaret Johnson Margaret is in the process of securing speakers/planning programs for next year. If you have any interests that could be worked into a program, please let her know.
- Project Day Lisa Vieira Monday, July 17 will be Community Service Day.
- Community Service Connie Murphy Plan to come help make walker caddies & breast cancer pillows.
- Newsletter & Website Debbie Dill If you have information for the website, send it to newsletter@hcqg.org

OTHER REPORTS

- Guild t-shirts Becky Munteanu Shirts are \$20; pay when ordering and she will have the shirts at the next meeting.
- Pet Beds Chris Anderson Has received lots of beds; has coverings for more; used but serviceable sheets & towels are also needed for the Humane Society
- Quilt for Kids Lisa Vieira Has given 59 quilts; 70 turned in

Name tag drawing – Lindsay Martin – 3 winners today

Birthday Raffle – Joyce Pinson – Don't forget to bring a gift in your birthday month.

Show & Tell

Thought for the Month – Did you know – 14 muscles are activated when you thread your sewing machine. Fitness is my passion. How about you? Meeting adjourned at 12 noon

Respectfully submitted, Frances Allen HCQG Secretary 2023-2024