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July 2023



Quilt from Isobel Meekins Trunk Show

From our President

We have definitely made it to summer and the heat. Hope you are staying cool and spending time in the sewing room during this hot weather. Thanks to everyone who came to Eagle Ranch last month for our picnic and tour of the property.

I hope to see each of you at our July meeting. Be sure to bring your show and tell to let everyone enjoy your work and rejoice with you on a finished project.

Happy Quilting,

Bobby Martin

Upcoming Dates

July 10 - Rona Herman The Traveling Quilter July 17 - Project Day -Community Service Sew

August 7th - Carolyn Keller - Trunk Show August 21 - Project Day -Eagle Ranch Charity Sew

September 11 - Diane Knott September 18 - Project Day - Quilts 4 Kids Charity Sew



Remember our July meeting is on the second Monday, July 10. Have a Happy July 4th!



Our speaker for this month is Rona Herman, also known as "Rona the Ribbiter." She is an author, teacher, pattern designer and YouTube host with a passion to experience all that life (and quilting) has to offer.

Her unique pattern style of pairing traditional quilt block piecing with a modern look, and utilizing direction and fabric placement allows her to combine both her love of art and mathematics. Her quilts may look difficult, but are as easy to assemble as any traditional quilt.

Rona travels the globe sharing her tips, tricks, inspiration and travel adventures with quilters the world over.

Our program, "The Traveling Quilter," is based on her book by the same name. Rona gives 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.

Hope to see everyone for this fun and interactive lecture and trunk show!

Margaret Johnson

Upcoming Programs

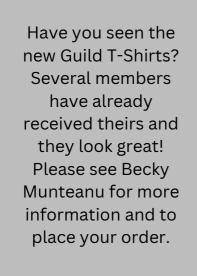
August 7 – Carolyn Keller, a local quilter, will share her Quilting Journey and a Trunk Show September 11 – Diane Knott of Butterfly Threads, will present "Celebrating with Quilts"

EAGLE RANCH PROJECT

Come and help us on August 21 – Project Day – for Eagle Ranch Charity Sew. As a group, we can sew several tops for Eagle Ranch. Let's keep our quilt numbers up so we're ready to donate when new children come to the Ranch.

Thanks for your continued support...the kids and their families enjoy getting the quilts.

Peggy & Jenny T



Come and join us for Project Days!

You can work on your own projects or join in the fun and help with Community Service projects or charity quilts. It's great fun when we sew together!

July birthdays!

- 7/19 Susan Zarter
- 7/27 Lindsey Martin
- 7/31 Mary Ann Cox

MEMBERSHIP

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

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

7/31 Jenny Thomas

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 July installment of our Mystery Quilt. Last month we did a little cutting and a little sewing and will be doing more of the same this month. Each month we will get closer to solving our Mystery.

The time has come to talk about our fabric F – Our Fat Quarters! We need to decide which fat quarter is going with which fabric, A or B. Especially if you are doing 18 fat quarters. 12 fat quarters will go with fabric A and 6 will go with fabric B. If you are doing less fat quarters you can go a little more scrappy. For example, 9 fat quarters (two blocks per fat quarter) you can choose 6 to go with fabric A and 3 to go with fabric B. <u>OR</u> you can split them up and make them scrappier.

THIRD CLUE -

<u>CUTTING –</u>

From Fabric A - Cut 3 strips 7" x WOF. Subcut strips into 12 – 7" x 7" squares.

From Fabric B -Cut 2 strips 7" x WOF. Subcut strips into 6 – 7" x 7" squares

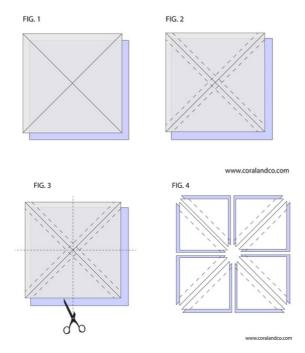
From Fabric F - Cut one 7" x 7" squares from each fat quarter if you are using 18 fat quarters. If you are using 9 fat quarters you will need to cut 2 squares from each fat quarter. Set aside your remaining fat quarter fabric. We will be cutting more from them next month.

<u>SEWING –</u>

Let's sew some pinwheels together. Take your HST's from the A-3 label and sew 4 HST's to create a pinwheel unit as shown below. Your pinwheel should measure at 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Repeat this process to complete 17 pinwheels. Your color placement for the C and D fabric doesn't matter as long as you have your two colors across from each other as shown below.



Let's make some Magic 8 Half Square Triangles.



Take the 12 Fabric A 7" squares and 12 of your Fabric F squares. Put 1 Fabric A and 1 Fabric F right sides together. Mark two diagonal lines on the wrong side of your top fabric as shown in Fig 1. Then sew a ¼" on either side of the line as shown in Fig 2. Repeat the process with the remaining 11 Fabric A squares and 11 Fabric F squares.

Once all your lines are sewn, use your rotary cutter to cut vertical and horizontal lines as shown in Fig 3. Then you can cut the diagonal lines as shown in Fig 4. At this point you can trim your HST's to 2 ½" and then press them open or press them open and then trim your HST's. It will depend on the ruler you like to use. Either way you decide, press your seams open.

Mark your finished A & F HST's with a Block B-1 label.

Repeat the entire process with the remaining 6 Fabric B squares and 6 of your Fabric F squares. Once completed with all your B & F HST's, you can mark them with a Block B-2 label.

We are halfway through! We are done with Half Square Triangles!! Next month we will finish cutting up the pieces for block B and we will put together Block A!!! It's starting to come together!

HALL COUNTY QUILT GUILD MEETING MINUTES - JUNE 5, 2023

Meeting called to order by Bobby Martin at 11 AM

Margaret Johnson said that a couple of house parents would be here about 12:15 to tell us about Eagle Ranch and then give a bus tour.

Minutes from May meeting were not voted on since we were not sure they were updated on the website. The second page was left off the newsletter.

Treasurer report - not voted on

Tip of the Month: Peggy Johnson shared the many uses of a vegetable brush; one is to clean your cutting mat or wool pressing mat. Kate Bathe said her favorite is blue painter's tape and uses it for cleaning her cutting mat, straight line quilting or hanging a design wall.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership – Carol Harting • Today's attendance: 20

Programs – Margaret Johnson

• Reminded us that the July meeting has been moved from the 3rd to the 10th due to the July 4th holiday Project Day – Lisa Vieira

• June 19 will be a Slice of Fun. Make a table runner (watermelon, lemon, orange, etc.) More in the next newsletter.

Birthday Raffle - Joyce Pinson

• If your birthday was in June, bring your gift to the July meeting

OTHER REPORTS:

Pet beds – Chris Anderson

• Still need beds and serviceable towels to go to the Humane Society.

Quilts for Kids – Lisa Vieira

• Has received approximately 35 quilt tops that need to be quilted. Asking for volunteers.

Guild T-shirt – Becky Munteanu

• Shirts with the Hall County Quilt Guild logo are available for \$20. Please contact her if you wish to purchase one.

Show & Tell

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: Whoever said that less is more never had chocolate and certainly never brought fabric.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 for lunch and a visit with Eagle Ranch house parents. Members who wished to do so were treated to a bus tour of the facility.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Allen HCQG Secretary 2023-2024