

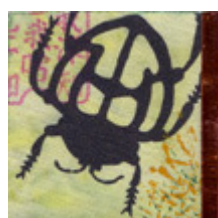


FIESTA NEWS!

Business Meeting Wednesday, October 3, 2012 9:30 AM

General Meetings Tuesday, October 9, 2012 7:00 PM

Wednesday, October 10, 2012 9:30 AM



Welcome, Jane Davila

Begin the journey into art quilting with Jane Davila through our October lecture, "Elements of Design," and our two workshops. On Thursday in "Outer Limits" you will learn to "think outside the quilt" as Jane introduces you to an assortment of at least 20 different ways to finish the edges of your art quilts using hand and machine sewing as well as non-traditional materials and supplies. Then, on Friday in "Fun Fabric Postcards," you will put some of what you heard in the lecture into practice by making a small fiber art piece to either swap or keep. There are still a few spaces remaining in each workshop so it is not too late to join in on the fun.

Who better to explore with than this fiber and mixed-media artist who began her professional career as a printmaker? Jane is a frequent contributor to both Quilting Arts and the companion magazine Cloth Paper Scissors. She has appeared on the Quilt Show with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims and also on Quilting Arts TV. Jane is the author of **Jane Davila's Surface Design Essentials** and two books with Elin Waterston – **Art Quilt Workbook** and **Art Quilts at Play**.

Jane considers herself a full-time artist even though she wears many other hats – teacher, author, supplier of mixed media supplies, magazine contributor and editor. Her creative process involves "lots of thinking," some research and word association games, and then thumbnail sketches. Her favorite motifs are fish, birds, insects and leaves. When she does use geometric shapes in her compositions, they are almost always abstractions of landscape and other natural elements. Finally, Jane is inspired by the work of her husband Carlos who is an abstract painter and sculptor. She says it is "amazing to live with another artist working in other media – so invigorating!"



Tucson Quilters Guild

For Sale: Bernina Virtuosa 160 Quilter's Edition + lots of extras. Gently used, excellent condition. Original accessories, including small extension table, one foot missing. Additional large extension table, with removable legs for easy transport. Bernina walking foot, Bernina open-toed darning foot, Gidgit I sewing table, custom Bernina insert for sewing table. Price: \$850 Contact: Donna Viitanen at drv1202@cox.net.

QUILT FOR A CAUSE AUCTION UPDATE: Save the date for our next auction... March 2, 2013... less than 6 months away. The deadline to receive your quilts is January 1, 2013. If you have a quilt you are donating to us that will also be exhibited in the TQG Quilt Fiesta, please let us process it first and we will give it back to you in time for the January show.

Some great things have been happening! We received a \$1,000 printing grant from Allegra Printing on Wilmot Rd. Please stop by Allegra for any of your printing needs and tell them thanks for their in-kind donation to us. Also, Lynda Luiten gave us a donation of \$1,395 that was received from contributions made by the Quilter's Market Camp Wannamakaquilta attendees.

We will have booths at both the Rusty Barn Quilt and Craft Show September 27-29 and Tucson Meet Yourself October 12-14. Please stop by and say hello. You'll find more information on both events on their websites.

Be sure to check out www.quiltforacause.org and the Quilt Gallery. If you have donated a quilt, type in your name in the Search box and your quilt will appear. Also, check out Quilt for a Cause on Facebook.

We are absolutely blown away with ALL of the monetary donations and quilt donations we have received over the years. Since our first auction in 2003, we have received approximately 1,200 quilts and earned more than \$575,000 to help in the fight against women's cancers. It is YOU, the members of this TQG that have made this all possible. To YOU we lift off our hats... and thank you so much for all that you have done in this journey we have taken together. Jeannie Coleman, (520) 529-5723 – jeabea@msn.com

108

Upcoming Workshops

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| October 11 & 12: | Jane Davila - "Outer Limits" and "Fiber Postcards" - Space Available |
| November 15 & 16: | Margaret Miller - "Strips that Sizzle" and "Easy Pieces" - Waitlisted |
| February 14 & 15: | Larkin Van Horn - "Shattered Circles" and "A Touch of Silk" - Space Available |
| March 14 & 15: | Pat Sloan - "Wild and Free" and "Easy Machine Appliqué" - Space Available |
| April 11 & 12: | Mickey Depree - "Module Stew" 2-day workshop - Sign Ups begin October |

For further information, check out the information on our webpage:
<http://www.tucsonquiltersguild.com/programs.html>

Registration opens six months in advance of each workshop before the start of the Business Meeting. The member fee for workshops is \$50. The fee for non-members is \$75. More information on class policies and fees is available on the website.

GUILD NEWS, NEWS, NEWS

LIBRARY INFORMATION

Tuesday Evening Meetings: Open from 5:30 to 7pm only.
Wednesday Morning Meetings: Open from 8:30 to 9:30 and during the break.

To renew books: Call Donata Pfisterer the day before the meeting at 733-9557 or email her at:
donatap@photonengr.com.

Have you considered making holiday stamps to either create your own fabric or to embellish your quilt? Check out the idea book at the TABLE BEE. Martha Stewart Living published an article with simple directions for fabric stamping earlier this summer. And these were done with common household items to create interesting patterns with very little fuss. The Holiday Party will be here before you know it so if you haven't, GET STARTED!!

Donations of quilts for the Small Quilt Auction 2013 may be turned in at the Guild meetings in October and November. Use a straight pin to attach a completed entry form to each quilt. Thank you!

The submission deadline for articles for the November Newsletter is Wednesday, October 17, 2012. Articles should be sent to :
newsletter@tucsonquiltersguild.com
Newsletter Editor is Margaret Newman



BEES, BEES, BEES—Updated!

CENTRAL AREA:

Art Quilters Contact: Barbara Hall, 622-9268, or rbarber21@cox.net

Where: Bella Quiltworks;

When: Third Wednesday at 10 AM

Himmel Park Contact: Ruth Campbell, 792-1639

Where: Himmel Park Library,

When: Third Wednesday at 6 PM

EAST SIDE:

Eastside Evening Bee Contact: Connie Weigel, 760-7728 or xuxala@msn.com

Where: Unity Peace Church, 1515 S Eastside Loop

When: First Thursday of the month 6:30-9PM

Siesta Bee Contact: Nelle Starr, 886-4123

Where: Members' homes (Northeast) call for directions

When: 3rd Tuesday of the month 1pm

GREEN VALLEY:

North of the Border Contact: Babs Phillips, 393-6557

Where: M & I Bank 270 W. Continental Green Valley,

When: Thursday 9:30 - Noon

NORTHWEST:

Quilting for Others Contact: Mary Meserve, 883-4408

Where: Cactus Quilt Shop,

When: Third Wednesday, 9:30 – Noon

Theme: Tucson Charities

Material Girls Contact: Caroline Schau, 297-9965,

CarolineSchau@comcast.net

Where: Rotate Homes

When: First and Third Thursdays at 1 PM

Quilting After Dark: Call Karen Fisher at 572-8825 or email her at karen@karenfisherartquilts.com to get more details.

CONTINENTAL RANCH/TWIN PEAKS:

Contact: We don't have a contact for this bee



Newsletter game: Don't tell your friends! Keep it a secret. Five more membership numbers have been hidden in this newsletter. If one of them is yours, let me know at the next meeting or by contacting me if you can't attend, and you will win a prize. Mary Meserve, 520-883-4408, marymes@aol.com.

Tucson's Quilt Fiesta! is now on Facebook! Since this is FREE publicity for our show, ask your friends to 'like' the page. What can be better than free? <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Tucson-Quilt-Fiesta/>

Quilt Fiesta! Raffle Quilt for 2015 We have had a new idea for our raffle quilt design. There are so many talented designers in our guild that we thought we would have a design contest. Guild Members can design a quilt beautiful enough for our Raffle Quilt, and we will let guild members vote on which one they want. For more information please call me or send me an email. Mary Meserve, (520) 883-4408 or marymes@aol.com.

QUILT FIESTA! 2013



Betty Hayden Award: Quilt Show entries are due this month. Don't forget if you've been quilting less than 3 years that you could be eligible for the Betty Hayden Award. Other requirements are that you did all the sewing yourself (piecing, appliqué-if there is, quilting-hand or machine, binding, etc.) and that this is the first time that you are entering a quilt in any quilt show.

Quilts do not need to be original designs but as always credit must be given to the designer and/or source of the pattern. You do not need to have your quilt judged by the professional judges at the show but this can be a useful source of comments to help you improve your quilting skills.

Quilts are displayed at our January Guild meeting and the winner is selected by vote of all guild members present. A special ribbon will be awarded and hung with the quilt at the quilt show. For more information or questions please contact Alice Wilder (wilderonline@comcast.net).

Kids Row: Are you teaching your child to quilt? Are they taking a class at a shop? We encourage you to start thinking of having your child or grandchildren enter his/her quilt in the Quilt Fiesta 2013. We would like to see more children's quilts entered. What a thrill for them to see their own creations displayed at the quilt show—they will be so proud when they receive their ribbon! Kids should be age 17 or younger. All work on the quilts should be done by the child (adults may help with the quilting and binding). I will have entry forms at the guild meetings, at all the local quilt shops this fall and there will be a copy on our guild website for you to print out. Deadline for Kids Row entry in the show is November 14, 2012. For information contact: Pat Morris 749-4806 or email: morrispc@yahoo.com, or Jean Owara at 298-6325.

RAFFLE TICKETS: A reminder to members: Please pick up your raffle ticket packets for our beautiful quilt, "HOT SALSA", available at the back of our meeting room at Guild. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Included in the packet are 12 tickets, a picture of the quilt and instructions for returning money and stubs. Members can also turn in their stubs and money for tickets already sold and they can pick up ADDITIONAL tickets. Please do your part in helping our Guild raise funds to provide all the wonderful things that our Guild does throughout the year.

Attention Quilters: Do you have any new patterns and never got around to making them? How about those three new rulers you bought but you still use the same old one? Don't forget that bundle of flower fabric you got as a gift for Christmas, and didn't really like. If you have answered yes to any of these questions then I have the answer for you! The Door Prize Committee for the quilt show will be happy to take them off your hands.

1847

A donation box will be at each meeting starting in September. Please feel free to drop off your donations, big or small. This is a very popular and fun part of the quilt show, one that each of us can participate in. If you have something and you can't get to a meeting, please contact Chris McCollum at (520) 748-9165 during the day, or Marie Luongo at (520) 495-5791 during the day, or Janice Hester at (520) 296-6234 in the evening.

QUILT FIESTA! 2013



Quilt Show Packets: Quilt Show Entry forms are due by **Wednesday, October 10th** at the quilt guild meeting or postmarked by **Saturday October 13th** if you mail it. The quilt show packet and the quilt show entry form are available to download and print from our website on the password protected page. Please remember to print the two pages of the quilt show entry form on separate papers as these go to different people. If you are unable to print it either send Joey an email at JoeyKiomi@gmail.com or call her at **502-297-0448** requesting a printed copy to be picked up at the guild meeting; otherwise I won't have any available. If you want it mailed to you remember to give Joey your mailing address.

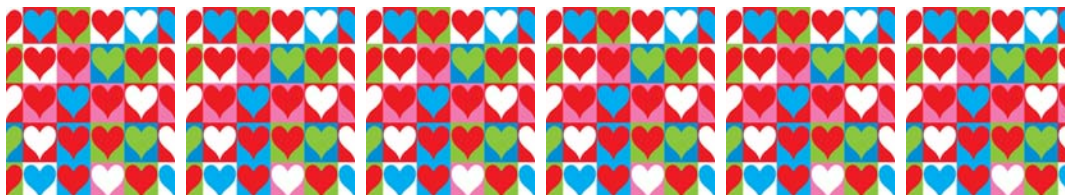
Bed Turning: Quilt Registrations are due at either October Guild meeting or postmarked by October 13! Please share your vintage quilt for *Quilt Fiesta's* 2013 Bed Turning so it will continue to be enjoyed. Also new this year, owners of bed turning quilts have the opportunity to have their cherished quilts documented. Quilt documentation is the process of photographing and recording information about the style, fabrics, batting, age, and condition of a quilt. Results are shared with the owner as well as archived at the *Arizona History Museum*.

Contact Sue Franklin at 520.825.3962 (cell 520.490.4721) or suevette63@comcast.net, with questions. Applications (available on the web) are due to Sue on or before **October 13th**. Be sure to include the two required 4 x 6 photographs. Thanks to those who have already submitted an application!

HANGING 2013: This year is flying by and it is time again to start signing up for the 2013 Quilt Show. Setup Day is Wednesday, January 9th and Hanging Day is Thursday, January 10th. We will have two sign-up lists this year, (1) for each day.

We need about 15 to 20 people to help us setup on Wednesday the 9th of January about 11:00AM at TCC. We can use men and women. Please bring ladders if possible.

To sign up for Wednesday morning you can email me (Mary Bazzano) at Quilt362@yahoo.com or 520-297-9576. If you want to help with Hanging on Tuesday, email Ginny Dove at gdovecat@aol.com. We will be at the Guild meeting for sign up through December. Come and see us we need your help to make the show a success. The Hanging Committee



Did You Know? Tucson Quilters Guild brings you a new pattern in each month's newsletter, but did you know that all the patterns (and an occasional supplement) are also available on TQG's website? (They're sometimes up on the website even before the newsletter comes out!). You'll find them in the password protected section--once you have entered the user name and password (located on the back of your membership card), just scroll down past the Newsletters and Budget section, and you will see **Pattern of the Month**, with all the patterns listed for this year. Click on one and you have several choices --for example, you can download it and save it on your computer, or print it in PDF form, or just look at it online. This year so far we've had blocks, quilts, and special projects, designed by TQG members. We hope you're enjoying your new pattern each month. If you have one you'd like to share with the Guild, please contact Evelyn George at POM@tucsonquiltersguild.com.

TQG BOARD AND COMMITTEES

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| President | Mary Meserve | 883-4408, 465-2785 |
| Vice President | Kathy Harris | 370-4323 |
| Secretary | Joline Albaugh | 882-1485 |
| Treasurer | Cathy Dargel | 746-9246 |
| Quilt Show Co-Chairs | Jean Biddick | 749-3022 |
| Quilt Show Co-Chairs | Kathryn Zimmer | 749-8947 |
| Member at Large, Evening | Marie Morris | 623-0123 |
| Member at Large, Morning | Esther Ames | 444-9729 |
| Endowment/Donations | Sally Dickinson | 749-9815 |
| Membership | Reilly Zoda | 299-7201 |
| Programs | Kathy Barton | 903-8642 |
| Programs | Mary Blount | 818-6409 |
| Bears | Margaret Newman | 883-4408 |
| Bees | Margaret Newman | 883-4408 |
| Pattern of the Month | Evelyn George | 325-0166 |
| Corresponding Secretary | Laurie Mullins | 883-3568 |
| Education | Ruth Martin | 682-3846 |
| Guild Pins | Colleen Babcock | 405-5478 |
| Guild Pins | Joan Swanson | 297-8433 |
| Historian | Cathy Dargel | 746-9246 |
| Hospitality | Christine McCollum | 748-9165 |
| Library | Donata Pfisterer | 760-0309 |
| Library | Kathryn Wald | 749-4772 |
| Newsletter | Margaret Newman | 883-4408 |
| NQA | Kathy Harris | 370-4323 |
| Finance | Marie Morris | 623-0123 |
| Quilt-a-thon | Colleen Babcock | 405-5478 |
| Quilting for Others | Mary Bazzano | 297-9576 |
| Helping Our Warriors | Laurie Mullins | 883-3568 |
| Raffle Quilt 2013 | Kathy Harris | 615-0541 |
| Raffle Quilt 2014 | Karen Fisher | 572-8825 |
| Holiday Block Exchange | Shari Thompson | 834-4245 |
| Website | Meg Silvern | 572-1984 |



NEWS

EMAIL LIST: The Guild now has an email list for easy communication with the members. Please log into the protected area of the website and put your name and email address into the box at the top of the page. After doing this, you will receive an email. You must click on the link after making the link into one long line. If this works, you will receive another email saying you were successful. If you have any problem with this, email me at quilter@tucsonquiltersguild.com. Meg Silvern

Publish your pattern with **alphagraphics**. Flyers, patterns, booklets, paperback books! Great prices. Local source. (520) 297-7371, 7306 N. Oracle Road.

President's Challenge 2012: This year the President's Challenge theme will be "Celebrations." The only requirement is size, which is limited to 120" around the perimeter. This means it *cannot* be bigger around the whole quilt than 120"! Also, you need to put a sleeve on the back. They just look so much better hanging at the quilt show with a sleeve. So have fun and show us what you like to celebrate!

Ideas: Family, country, sisters, children, pets... what will you come up with??

The Guild Basics

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Who: | All Members |
| What: | Business Meeting —First Wednesday of every month in the Church Classroom General Meetings - Second Wednesday of the month in the morning or the Tuesday evening preceding the second Wednesday - in the Parish Hall. |
| When: | Business Meeting — 9:30 AM ~ 10:30 AM General Meetings: Tuesday Evening—7:00~9:30 PM. Wednesday—9:30 AM~12:00 PM |
| Where: | St Frances Cabrini Church 3201 E. Presidio Near Fort Lowell and Country Club |
| (How): Parking | Guild members are asked to refrain from parking in the spaces in front of the Parish office; the Church wants these spaces to remain open for Church members who have business to attend to in the office. This is the small building to the east of our meeting room. PARKING NOTICE: Tuesday evening attendees: The Church's Family Classes are in session again, so PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE FRONT LOT. Use the side or back lot. |
| Why: | Come to get involved with all aspects of the Guild, to make new friends, learn new quilting skills, share, but most of all, to have FUN . |

2066

Tucson Quilters Guild

It All Started With A Lemonade Stand... While visiting my little friend's Walk-n-Lemonade Stand in September of 2008 (raises \$\$ for Pediatric Cancer Research) her Mother asked me if I knew anyone who could make pillowcases for the kids who are undergoing Cancer treatment. The idea was to have bright, friendly, fun pillowcases that would replace the sterile white hospital issue, allowing the kids to take them home and back if needed.

Instantly I thought of our generous Guild members! At the next meeting I asked for 300 pillowcases, hoping for at least 150. To our amazement we had nearly 600 turned in the first month, and with the help of the kit fairies we continue to receive bright, colorful pillowcases! Not only are we donating pillowcases to the kids, we are finding homes for them at the VA, Adult Care homes, Hospice, and other organizations. We even provided enough pillowcases for the grand opening of the Diamond Children's Center!

After the pillowcase project started, I was speaking to the woman in charge of the distribution of the gifts for the Candlelighter's Foundation. She bemoaned that she had to finish sewing up the Christmas Stockings (a specific size)and again, I volunteered our WONDERFUL Guild members to make the stockings for the following year. Knowing our members like to make small projects, we took on the amazing task of providing both the stockings AND the pillowcases for Candlelighters. The load we've taken off the back of their volunteers is tremendous! Again, we've provided enough each year to not only stock the Candlelighter's Holiday party, but other organizations as well. On behalf of the Candlelighter's Organization AND the Tucson Quilters Guild I THANK YOU! for your continued efforts to brighten the lives of not only children in treatment, but Seniors and Veterans.

To date we've donated just over 3,000 pillowcases in the Million Pillowcase Challenge!!

Info: Candlelighters, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is a parent-run organized support network. We educate, support, serve and advocate for families of children with cancer, bereaved families, survivors of childhood cancer, and the professionals that care for us.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS! The Martha Cooper Library Quilt It Workshop

I am looking for at least 4 volunteers per workshop session to join me as we guide boys and girls through the simple process of making a 4 patch quilt top that will then be made into a simple pillow.

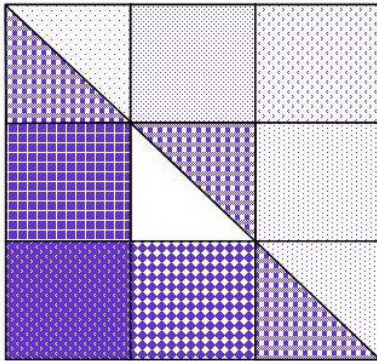
WHAT WILL BE REQUIRED OF YOU? The kids will do most of the work themselves with just guidance and maybe a couple of stitches from us. They will be furnished with cardboard templates for the 6.5" square blocks and the 12.5" square backing. I have pre-cut the batting and the muslin backing for the quilt top. Skills we need to teach are:

1. simple but accurate tracing and cutting
2. how to tie a knot
3. hand piecing along a seam line
4. finger pressing the seams; tying and hand quilting the quilt sandwich
5. how to close up the pillow top after stuffing using a ladder stitch or a blind hem.

PLEASE JOIN ME TO HELP PASS ON QUILTING SKILLS TO A NEW GENERATION!

Thank you, Shari Thompson rbthompson@cox.net 520-834-4245 cell phone

President's Thank You Block



It's that time once again to make our Thank You blocks for our outgoing President, Mary Meserve. As we all know, Mary LOVES Purple!

We will be making a 6.5" UNFINISHED block, using Purples and lights (pale lavender to white, your choice)

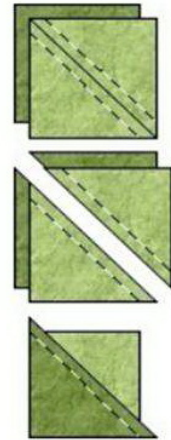
Blocks are due to VP Kathy Harris by the January 2013 meeting.

USING SCRAPPY FABRICS:

Cut 3 each of lights and darks, 2.5" square.

Cut 2 squares each light and dark, 2 & 7/8"

Using the 2 & 7/8" squares, layer light and darks right sides together, draw a line on the diagonal, sew 1/4" on each side of line. Cut apart on line. Press to the dark and trim off ears. You will use only 3 of the 1/2 square triangles. Assemble as shown. Block should measure 6.5" UNFINISHED



Advertising in our newsletter:

Members: \$5.00 for small want ads for Quilting/sewing related items. Quilt related businesses: \$25 business, card size, \$50 1/4 page, \$100 half page. The ad goes to the newsletter editor at newsletter@tucsonquiltersguild.com, Margaret Newman. The money goes to the Treasurer, Cathy Dargel. You can hand her the check at a guild meeting or mail the check (not cash) to:

Tucson Quilters Guild
Cathy Dargel, Treasurer
PO Box 14454
Tucson, Arizona 85732-4454



Grand Opening!

October 4th, 5th & 6th



3949 E 29th St., Suite 701
Tucson, AZ 85711
520-790-7041

Janome—Elna

*Sewing & Vacuum Machines * Sales and Service*

Store Hours:
Mon - Fri 9a - 5p
Saturday 9a - 4p

*Tim & Donna Donahy
Owners*

Lots of Special Events --- Store wide Sales --- Demonstrations
Door Prizes being given away every 2 hours!

**GRAND PRIZE – Drawing on October 6th at 3pm and 5pm ---
(2) Janome MC 5200 sewing machines! MSRP -- \$1499 each**

Special Event Day – October 4th! Nancy Fiedler, Janome Educator, will be at our shop.

Come and spend the day with Nancy and the staff at AZ Vac & Sew. Demos at 10am and 1:30pm.

**SALES throughout the store on ALL merchandise! Item #1423 fabric 30% off one yard cut,
40% off 2yard or more cut.**

“My Designs” Workshop: A 5-day teaching workshop & retreat presented by Cindy Needham, www.cindyneedham.com. Hosted by M's Quilting Inspirations, 928-684-6353, www.msquilting.com. November 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2012. This workshop is being held in Wickenburg, Arizona, 1141 W Wickenburg Way, just 45 minutes northwest of Phoenix. The workshop is geared towards the “confident beginner.” The cost is \$450 per retreator. Check out the websites or call M's for more information.

Reminder to all guild members. Four positions need to be filled for the guild to begin our fiscal year March 1st 2013. The positions are for President, Vice-President, Member at large for the evening meeting and Quilt Show Chair person. These are two year terms. What a terrific chance to take a part in the guild and to get to know everyone. Quilters are fantastic people to know and enjoy and this guild is no exception. If any one has any questions as to what is required for each position can read the duties on our web page, talk to current office holders or talk to any one of the three nomination committee members. The nomination committee consists of Mary Bazzano, Alice Wilder and Joan Swanson.

Tucson Quilters Guild

HOSTESS COMMITTEE REQUEST: Time is upon us once more to start sign ups for the Tucson Quilt Fiesta. As you know, besides paying your dues, you are required to work at least one 2 hour shift during the Show. For our new members, I would like to explain what that entails.

We set up our sign ups online at Volunteer Spot and you will receive an invitation to sign up. After you sign up, you will receive an acknowledgement of your sign up which I encourage you to print for your records and you will receive a reminder email just before the Show. I hope you will sign up as soon as possible since that will lessen the stress of whether we have enough volunteers to work the show and, on a personal note, I won't have to do a "dog and pony show" begging you to sign up at each of the meetings. Sit at home with your calendars and decide which day would be best for you and use your computer. If you do not have email, we will be signing up members at the October, November and January meetings.

We will have two categories of sign ups: standing positions and sitting positions. Both positions are essential for a smoothly run show. **STANDING** positions are the White Glove jobs which mean you are assigned an aisle of quilts to "guard" and to answer questions from our visitors. Another standing position is Entry Door Greeter - you will hand out programs, door prize tickets and answer many questions. Both these jobs entail standing for 2 hours and the time usually flies by since you are our ambassadors and will be interacting with the public. **SITTING** positions are equally important because you will be sitting by the back hall doors and the refreshment area making certain that no one brings in their food or drinks. We will have members sitting by the exit door checking in volunteers, stamping people who want to reenter the show that day, selling DVD's, pins, raffle tickets, signing up new members. All the hostess jobs require a big welcoming smile. In other Newsletters I will cover more specifics of the jobs. As you sign up online you will see the shift hours listed on each day. The sign ups are first come first choice of times. If you want to come on a specific day and time, please sign up early. Friday is the most popular day but, remember we do need volunteers on Saturday and Sunday. You do not have to buy a ticket the day of your shift so you may enter the show, enjoy the show and work your shift later in the same day. The later shifts are the most difficult to fill so please consider this option.

I will be setting up our site on Volunteer Spot so it will be open for sign ups as of the October meeting. When it is ready you will receive an invitation to sign up. As we have done in the past, if you work 2 or more shifts as Hostess, you will be able to enter the Show free on the day of your choice. Last year we had many Quilt Angels - you who volunteered 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 shifts! Your wings are still flapping and shiny and we couldn't have done it without you.

Please honor your commitment to the Guild, sign up and work your shift to help our organization and to be an Ambassador for Quilting. We need everyone of you.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me: 818-3810 or email me:
kathyrnhutcheson@yahoo.com.

I thank you in advance for your help. Let's have a wonderful show and have a great time working together.

Kathy Hutcheson, Hostess Chairman

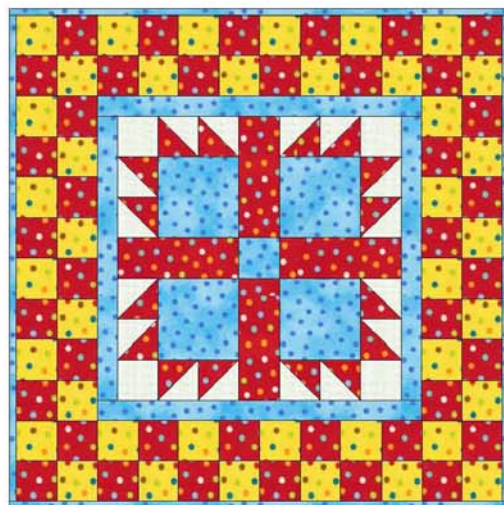




Pattern of the Month - October 2012
by Evelyn George

"Little Bear's Quilt"
18" x 18"

Every little bear needs a quilt! A variation of the traditional "Bear's Paw" block makes the perfect center for this little quilt. Shortcut techniques are used to make the Half-square Triangle units, and the 4-Patches in the border are quickly made with strip piecing. Just take care to use an accurate $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance so all the parts will fit together nicely! Here's what you'll need (substitute your chosen colors for the ones shown):



*(WOF = width of fabric, ~42-44")

Red (dark) - 4 strips 2" x WOF* (cutting details below)

White (background in Bear's Paw block) - 1 strip 2" x WOF, and 4 2" squares

Yellow (medium light) - 2 strips 2" x WOF

Blue (medium) - 4 $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares, one 2" square, and 4 strips $1\frac{1}{4}$ " x about 13" (will be trimmed)

Backing - 20" x 20" square (can be pieced)

Batting - 20" x 20" square thin batting or flannel

Binding - 2 strips 2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF (blue, or your choice)

Half-square Triangles:

Cut 16 2" squares *each* from the white background strip and one of the red strips. Place a white square on top of a red square, lining up the edges evenly. Draw a line diagonally from corner to corner; stitch the two squares together on this line. Trim off one side (whichever appears the smaller, if there is any visible difference) leaving a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press open, pressing the seam toward the red. Make 16.

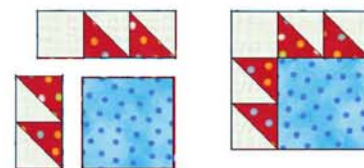


Bear's Paw unit ↓

Bear's Paw Block (center of quilt)

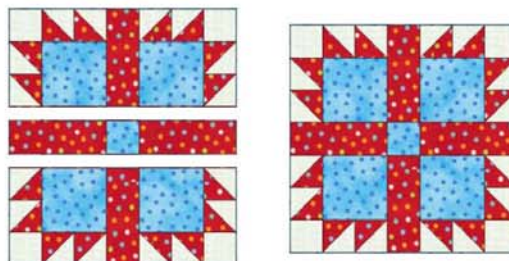
Arrange 4 half-square triangles, a plain white square and a $3\frac{1}{2}$ " blue square as shown and stitch together to make one Bear's Paw unit.

Make 4 identical units, taking care to keep the red triangles oriented as shown, so they form the four "claws" of the bear's paw.



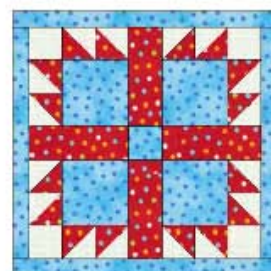
From one of the red 2" strips, cut 4 rectangles 2" x 5."

Arrange red rectangles, Bear's Paw units, and the 2" blue center square as shown, and sew together in rows, to make the Bear's Paw Block, for center of quilt. →



Inner Border (blue):

From the $1\frac{1}{4}$ " strips of blue, cut 2 pieces 11" long (or to match the width of your Bear's Paw Block). Stitch to two opposite sides of the block. Press seams away from block. Measure the width of the block, now including the two side borders you just added, and trim the other two $1\frac{1}{4}$ " strips of blue to that measurement (about $12\frac{1}{2}$ "). Sew them to the top and bottom of the block. The block now has the inner border and measures about $12\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



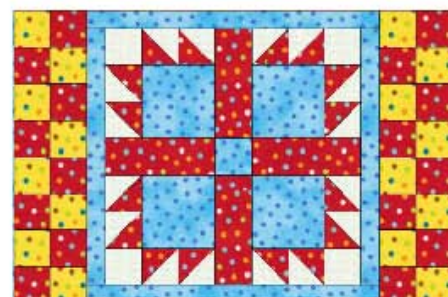
Strip Pieced 4-Patches:

Stitch a yellow 2" WOF strip to each remaining red 2" x WOF strip, using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press seams toward red. Line up pieced strips on cutting board, and cut into 2" sections. Stitch these together in pairs, with colors opposite, to make the red/yellow 4-Patches.



4-Patch Borders:

Sew four 4-Patches together for each side border, keeping them all in the same orientation, as shown, so they form a checkerboard effect. Stitch to two opposite sides of quilt. Sew six 4-Patches together to make each remaining border, also keeping the same color orientation, and stitch them to top and bottom of quilt, matching seams at the corners.



Finishing the quilt:

Layer the backing, batting and quilt top; pin or baste. Quilt by machine or hand, as desired. Add binding.

Now present the quilt to your Little Bear and let him cuddle! (This size quilt also makes a nice wall hanging or table decoration, in colors to match your decor.)

Other ideas for Bear and Doll quilts:

- Replace the Bear's Paw center block with an 11" square of novelty fabric (with bears on it?)
- Replace the 4-Patch border with a novelty fabric border.
- Use novelty fabrics for the four $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares. Since there are only four of these, they could easily be fussy-cut to feature special motifs.
- Use leftover triangles, squares, small blocks, etc. to create your own design for a small quilt.
- Use leftover strips to make a strip-pieced quilt top. These can be random widths if that's what you have. Add rickrack or other washable trim (perhaps as part of the quilting process).
- Cut small squares from your scraps, arrange in a pleasing design and sew together for center.
- Add borders if needed to make the quilt bigger (--you'll need more backing, etc. if you do).
- Use a fat quarter of juvenile fabric for a one-piece top, and another fat quarter for the back.
- Use your imagination! Have fun--It doesn't take much fabric for a Little Bear's quilt.