August Volume 32 2010 Issue 8

Common Threads

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.



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August 14 Guild Meeting

9:30 Services 10:00 Guild meeting followed by Bring & Brag and the program open to all

St. Andrew's Church 8231 Callaghan

How the Guild Works

President's Notes

A huge thanks to Kitty Janiga and her crew of volunteers for a very successful Style Show. I am always amazed at the talent we have in the Guild and the garments were a show case for that talent. I was especially inspired by Klodzie Harper's handkerchief vest. I can make a vest for my sister, two nieces and myself with my Mother's hankies. Thanks again everyone.

Next event for the Guild will be the Auction. Be sure to bring your co-workers, neighbors and friends with checkbook or credit card in hand. There are wall hangings and bed quilts to suit any taste.

For those of us working on projects for the Auction we have about 60 days to get them done. When my bee started an Auction project last summer seemed like we had plenty of time but we'll be working till the September 10th deadline.

The Nominating Committee, Bernie Ferris, Dea Jae Shore, and Sylvia Jolet, will be calling and e-mails every Guild member. Please give consideration to saying yes to the following Board positions, President, 2nd Vice President for Newsletter, 4th Vice President for Services, 5th Vice President for Community Outreach and Secretary.

At the August program the mysterious "storage unit" will be reveled.

Janet Miller
President, GSAQG

Remember to bring to the meet-ing

- Nametag (wear it)
- Library books, DVD's and patterns
- QPC projects
- Bright Hopes quilts
- Smiles for your friends

A Rosebud to Barbara Sumlin for her Chairmanship of the Summer Retreat.





Friday's Workshop - The Perfect Simple Vest

Take the most practical of garments and personalize it. We'll connect favorite stitch techniques to the vest and personalize for you. Let threads and squiggled stitches speak for you...and themselves



Saturday's Workshop - A La Crazy Quilt

Take a modern sewing machine down the traditional crazy path, but with INNOVA-TIVE uses of machine stitches, borders, bold patterns, etc. Stitch threads and fabrics with a difference, starting with simple foundation piecing to develop a personalized, custom piece. Remember, it's all about crazy.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

REGULAR DUES \$20 SENIOR (65+) \$15 Send your check with SASE to Gloria Hammond

NEWSLETTER INPUT

DEADLINE: Midnight Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail to quiltnews@satx.rr.com is preferred. or mail to Dea Jae Shore.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

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Full page ad	\$60.00	\$660
1/2 page ad	\$30.00	\$330
(horizontal -7 x 4 3/4		
vertical - 3 3/8 x 9 1/2	2)	
1/4 page ad	\$15.00	\$165
Business card (2 x 3.5)	\$10	\$110

GSAQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 5, 2010

Meeting was called to order by President Janet Miller at 2 PM at St. Andrew's Church. Members present: Janet Miller, Sandra Bloom, Dea Jae Shore, Mary McCarthy, Linda Ethridge,

Carolyn Hammond, Cindy Schutt, and Larry Beauchamp. Absent: Charlotte Keener and Barbara Sumlin.

President: Janet Miller

June Board minutes approved as published. Thank You notes from Olga Calderon and

the Leon Valley Historical Society were read. Calico Rose nomination: Stephanie Martin

for her organization of Magazine Sales.

Calico Rose Bud nominations: Holly Nelson for Story Book Quilt, Margie Swaney for introducing Helotes Hills UMC Preschool to SB & QTG Program, and Barbara Sumlin for Summer Retreat.

President Pro-Tem: Charlotte Keener (absent)

No report.

1st Vice President for Special Events: Sandra Bloom

- Summer Retreat went well with 33 attendees. Pictures are on the website. Sharon Ross did a mystery machine cover and Dorothy Reischman taught backpacks. Bobbi Ashley will be chair next year and the theme will be "Tuscany in Texas".
- Auction is going well.
- Houston Quilt Show Bus Trip arrangements are being finalized.

2nd Vice President – Information: Dea Jae Shore

- Transferring and storing guild digital data was discussed.
- · Purchase of a guild laptop computer and appropriate software was considered.
- Trifold Handout more will be printed for a wider distribution.
- Methods to update membership directory were reviewed.

3rd Vice President – Programs: Mary Mc-Carthy

July – Style Show – Kitty Janiga

- · August How the Guild Works
- September Alice Kolb
- October Guild Garage Sale \$5. per table - items for sale must be sewing related. See Mary to reserve a table.
- · November Trunk Show by Keepsake Quilt-
- December Holiday Party

4th Vice President - Services: Linda Ethridae

 Library – Missing book list will be published in August newsletter.

5th Vice President - Community Out-

reach: Barbara Sumlin (absent)

No report.

Secretary: Carolyn Hammond

Phone report

Treasurer: Cindy Schutt

April and May financial statements were reviewed and approved.

Current guild balances: Operating: \$9,329.85; Savings: \$15,480.82; CD's: \$35,554.56; Wright CD: \$10,000.00; Total

guild funds: \$70,365.23

Parliamentarian: Larry Beauchamp Nominating Committee will consist of 3 guild members and Parliamentarian, chair.

Unfinished Business:

Welcome Packet continues to be compiled. Quilt - In: A motion was made as follows: "Quilt-In will be removed as a committee under Services and will be continued as a guild sponsored activity." The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

New Business:

All committee chairs should present any reimbursement vouchers ASAP.

Board meeting was adjourned at 3:35 PM by President Janet Miller.

Carolyn Hammond, Secretary



GSAQG MEETING MINUTES July 10, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 10 AM by President Janet Miller at St. Andrew's Church. 120 members and 10 guests were present. \$3.75 was collected in name tag fines.

President: Janet Miller

June minutes were approved as published.

- Calico Rose Bud was presented to Barbara Sumlin for Summer Retreat Chair.
- Barbara Wofford encouraged guild members to consider applying for the Ethel Howey Grant. The application is printed in the newsletter and the deadline is Nov. 1st.
- Thank you notes from Leon Valley Historical Society and Olga Calderon were read.

President Pro-Tem: Charlotte Keener (absent)

No report.

Secretary: Carolyn Hammond

No report.

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1st Vice President - Special Events: Sandra Bloom

- Summer Retreat Barbara Sumlin reported that 33 attended. Bobbi Ashley will be next year's chair - the theme will be "Tuscany in Texas."
- Auction Ellen Hernandez stated that if anyone has auction items previously checked out, please return them to Ellen or Lori Branson ASAP. Several items that need to be finished for auction (by Sept. guild meeting) were shown. Completed items are being accepted until the Sept. guild meeting.
- Houston Quilt Show Bus Trip Brooke Courchaine had 2 handouts available for the 28 members who have signed up. There is room for 50. Bus leaves at 6 AM and returns at 10 PM on Nov. 6, with a meal from Jason's Deli included in the price of \$50.

2nd Vice President - Newsletter/Direc-

tory: Dea Jae Shore

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 Our Guild Board has recommended that a laptop computer and appropriate software be purchased by the guild to facilitate this position (newsletter, directory and power point presentations). A motion was made by Sylvia Jolet to purchase a laptop computer and appropriate software for no more than \$1000. (for guild use only). Motion was seconded by Ida Tyson Blankenship. Motion carried.

3rd Vice President – Programs: Mary Mc-Carthy

- Today's program Style Show Kitty Janiga, chairman
- August "How the Guild Works"
- September Alice Kolb from Kerrville Friday's workshop is "Embellished Vest" and Saturday's ½ day workshop is "A La Crazy Quilt."
- October Guild Garage Sale Sewing related items only. Tables are \$5. each. 4th Vice President - Services: Linda Ethridge
- QPC Carol Rouse announced that today's Golden Carrot Award winner is Ann Blake. Several new kits available to check out today were shown.
- Lynn Komada and Gail Daniel are the new assistants for magazine sales.

5th Vice President – Community Outreach: Barbara Sumlin

- Bright Hopes Sharon Ross announced that guild members turned in 42 quilts today. Kits are available for check out.
- Story Books and Quilts To Go Sherry Duringer stated that the Alphabet Block guilt still has 4 blocks that need to be adopted and completed by the November guild meetina.

Parliamentarian: Larry Beauchamp (absent)

The Nominating Committee was introduced by Janet Miller and consists of Dea Jae Shore, Bernie Farris, Sylvia Jolet and chairman, Larry Beauchamp. Offices up for election are: President, VP Newsletter/Directory, VP Services, VP Community Outreach and Secre-

Any guild member who is interested in

taking one of these jobs should contact any nominating committee member or Larry.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

At the August Board Meeting a mid-year budget review will be done. Any committee chairman should please get any reimbursement vouchers turned in to your VP. The Board will also be considering a 2011 Budget.

Meeting was adjourned by President Janet Miller at 10:25 AM.

Carolyn Hammond, Secretary

Bright Hopes

Once again Bright Hopes was gifted by those who volunteer their time, energy and supplies to make guilts and totes.

Last month I told you about the quilt angels - now I'd like to applaud the ladies who sew totes. When a child leaves the shelter some are given a tote bag to hold their new clothes, toiletries and books. The totes are a practical replacement for a plastic grocery bag some totes are fancy, some aren't, but all of them are special because they were made with love.

Thank you, Sharon









Second VP for Information

This board position will be open for the next term. This position involves use of technology and we are looking for someone with the following abilities:

- 1. Nodding acquaintance with MS Access. This is where we keep the membership information.
- 2. Some understanding of Web authoring. We use Dreamweaver now but it can be authored on software you are familiar with.
 - 3. Ability to use Desktop Publishing software.
- 4. Ability to provide PowerPoint presentations at Guild meetings.
 - 5. Consistent attendance at Guild meetings.
- 6. Ability to take newsletters to Bulk Mail at the main post office.

The Guild will provide a laptop with all software that you will need . The projector used at the meetings is the Guild's . I will be happy to train whoever may be interested in this position. Any questions, ask Dea Jae Shore

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Treasurer's Report For Six Months Ending June 30, 2010 YTD Actual 2010 Budget

	YTD Actual	2010 Budget
REVENUES		
Interest		\$ 800.00
Savings	16.22	
CD Interest	193.63	
Other income		500.00
Garage Sale	88.54	
Eleanor Wright Memorial Gift	10,000.00	
M. Parsons Estate Sale	739.90	
Magazine Sales	220.80	
Nametage fines	16.30	
Library Sale	382.00	
Pin Sale	10.00	
Dues - Membership	2,095.00	4,200.00
Newsletter/Directory Ads	395.00	500.00
Quilt Show	393.00	500.00
Workshops	1 575 00	3,000.00
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Retreat - Summer	11,050.00	7,500.00
Retreat - Winter	7,130.00	8,000.00
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Houston Bus trip		•
Auction	6.00.040.00	12,000.00
Total Revenues	\$ 33,912.39	\$ 39,400.00
EXPENSES		
Administration:	0 4 040 40	
Administration	\$ 1,612.13	\$ 3,450.00
Door Prizes	144.75	110.00
Telephone	295.97	600.00
Storage facility	2,553.00	5,200.00
Rent (Meetings)	785.00	1,650.00
Membership expenses:		
Membership supplies		50.00
Newsletter/Directory printing	1,581.60	3,400.00
Postage, Bulk	485.00	800.00
Webpage	251.35	270.00
Quilt Show	84.54	1,500.00
Community activities:		
Bright Hopes	175.13	800.00
Community Response		0.00
Storybook Quilts		400.00
Community Outreach	13.25	350.00
Membership services & activities:		
Sherry Allred Grant	325.00	300.00
Ethel Howey Grant	1,000.00	1,000.00
Library	182.04	300.00
Patterns		50.00
QPC	185.96	500.00
Video Library		250.00
Programs	2,817.44	8,000.00
Workshops	3,100.00	4,000.00
Self-sustaining activities:		
Retreat - Summer	75.50	7,500.00
Retreat - Winter	8,209.47	8,000.00
Houston bus trip		2,400.00
Auction	627.11	6,000.00
Total Expenses	24,504.24	56,880.00
Net	\$ 9,408.15	\$ (17,480.00)
Ending Jefferson Operating	\$ 9,329.85	,
Ending Jefferson Savings	15,480.82	
SSFCU CD's & savings	35,554.56	
SSFCU Wright Class CD	10,000.00	
Total Guild Funds	\$ 70,365.23	
Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer	Ţ. 5,000. 2 0	
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Thanks

The Guild received two thank you notes this past month. Olga Calderon, founding member. wrote "We have come a long way baby. How true. Enjoyed visiting and remenicing with old and new friends. Thanks to Kris Thomson and Anne Blake for the ride to and from the May Guild meeting. Keep up the good work."

The Leon Valley Historical Society thanked us for participating in the 2nd annual Pioneer Ice Cream Social. "Your presence added to the Pioneer atmosphere reminiscent

helped creat an entertaining and educational experience for children and adults alike."



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I Want to Serve

The Nominating committee is looking for volunteers to fill the open board positions. This year we will need to fill President, 2nd Vice President, 4th Vice President, 5th Vice President and Secretary. Look in your directory on page 4 for the list of committees that serve under each position. Plus you can see the job descriptions on pages 36-38. Remember that you person-

ally are not doing all the jobs of the committees but instead you are overseeing these committees. There are plenty of hard workers that help with these jobs. In addition to the guild meeting each



month, there is a board meeting once a month also. Please think about volunteering for one of these positions. Call Sylvia Jolet at 497-3383 or Dea Jae Shore at 590-3013 or Bernie Farris at 695-4323.

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GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC. ETHEL Y. HOWEY GRANT PROGRAM

MISSION

The Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild has established a grant program in honor of a loved and esteemed founding member, Ethel Y. Howey, whose accomplishments and influence extended into the international quilt world. The grant is to encourage the pursuit of education in the study of quilt making and to recognize the importance of quilting in today's society as an art form, as an instrument of healing, as part of our legacy, and as a common thread which binds all in friendship.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the grant program is to fund projects that will have long term impact on preserving the heritage and further the art of quilt making. The grant may be used to cover expenses such as fees (including conferences, workshops, etc.), travel, lodging, meals, materials and books. The grant(s) will be awarded annually, not to exceed \$1000.

ELIGIBILITY

- · Applicant must be an active GSAQG member in good standing for the previous two
- · (2) years immediately preceding the grant deadline.
- · An applicant must show evidence of an interest in continuing to improve and innovate in the field of quilt design, construction, history or technique.
- · Financial need will not be a criterion for selection.
- · Recipients must be willing and able to share with GSAQG the new skills, techniques, or information gained. This may be in the form of a presentation, a workshop or other process that disseminates the information to the members.
- Recipient must submit in writing a final report of the project and expenses by March 1 of the following year.
- · If recipient fails to fulfill requirements any advanced funds must be returned.
- · Grant recipients are ineligible to reapply for grants for three years. Grant committee members are ineligible for grants while serving on the committee.

PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES

Applications must be submitted on or before November 1 (current year), and the grant will be awarded at the following January guild meeting. The grant recipient's final report is due by March 1 of the year **after** the grant is awarded.

GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC. ETHEL Y. HOWEY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Applicant must submit all requested information including this page. Application may be typed or hand written, not to exceed two pages.

name		
Address		
City, State, Zip		
Phone	Email	
Number of years as a member of the GSAQG		

- 1. Write a paragraph explaining why you would like to receive this grant.
- 2. Explain briefly how you will use the grant funds.
- 3. Describe how you will share your new skills, techniques and information with the membership.

Feel free to provide any additional information that will help the selection committee.

Mail to: Barbara Wofford, Chairperson, GSAQG Foundation Grant Program

1551 Yosemite Oaks Circle San Antonio, TX 78213

Pieces of the Past: Pincushions Ellen Hernandez

The first needles and pins were rare, expensive, and fragile, so they needed protection. In the 1300s, special cases to store them were made of bone, ivory and silver and called pin-

poppets, tuffets, and pin keepers.

Pin pillows made of satin, linen and canvas were used by tailors by the end of the 16th century. Soon, the pin pillows were mounted on silver or wooden stands and small boxes. A

portable carrier, called the pinwheel, was made of a soft filler wedged between two circles of wood, ivory, mother-of-pearl or leather. The pins were pushed securely into the center.

By the 1850s, the price of steel fell and pins went into mass production. During the Victorian era, all sorts of knick-knacks were popular, including decorative pin cushions. As a social standard, pin cushions were 'inscribed' with messages for courting, marriage, births, and

advertisement. Hundreds of pins were artfully arranged to spell out loving sentiments, names, and messages. Layette pillow pincushions spelling the child's name and date of birth or a short message were given after the birth

because of the superstition that they would increase the pain of labor: 'For every pin a pain' and 'More pins, more pain.' A popular piece of jewelry was a Nanny Brooch Pincushion which could conveniently hold pins commonly used to clasp clothing.

In the 19th and 20th centuries, pincushions were made of leather, porcelain, ivory, silver, and other metals. The stuffed portion was often covered with velvet. Larger cushions were

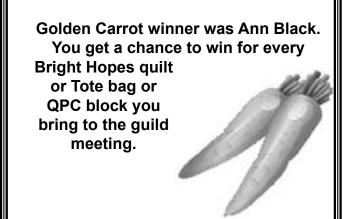
used for hat pins. Popular cushion shapes were any kind of animal, boats, baskets, boots, and slippers. The half-doll pincushion remains a collectors' item today. The porcelain upper body is often found intact while the fabric cushioned dress may have deteriorated.

Ever wonder why the tomato pincushion is commonly seen? A popular legend in the mid 19th century was that a house would be blessed with good luck and prosperity if a tomato was put in the entryway or on the mantel. Since tomatoes were not found year round,

the tomato shaped cushion stuffed with sawdust or sand was a simple substitute. It easily became an accessible pin cushion. Did you know that the added little strawberry is filled

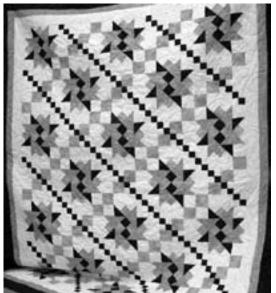


with emery to sharpen and clean the pins and needles? Our ancestors were quite frugal with their sharps. Pincushions seem to be having a revival - even Martha Stewart has designed lots of patterns for them. Some knock her idea of using emery (which has to be specially ordered, of course) because pins today have improved. Look for thumbkin, soda bottle cap, and even eyeball shaped designs.

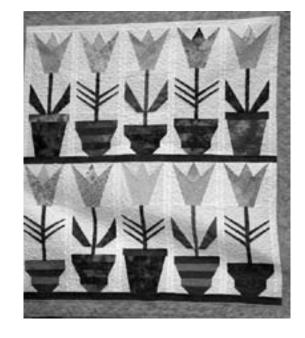


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A small sampling of the Bring and Brag projects from the Guild meeting. There were so many this month that it was impossible to put them all in the newsletter. If you would like to see them in color, go to our web page, click on Services at the top of the page and then on Bring and Brag.

www.sanantonioquilt.org

Sunshine and Shadows

Ellen Hernandez, 210-520-1335, ellenhernandez@hotmail.com

Congratulations to Karen Nanos. Her quilt, *Tropical Insanity*, won 1st Place Scrap Quilt at NQA, Columbus, OH in June.

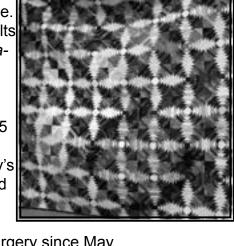
The Alliance for American Quilt's 2010 benefit auction quilts have been on display. Ellen Hernandez' two entries, *Generational Geese* and *Juice and Chips - Take Two*, were among the 117 quilts shown at NQA Columbus in June and AQS Knoxville in July. View the entries @ www.allianceforamericanquilts.org and look for the online eBay auction October 25 to December 6.

A big THANK YOU goes out to the Cookie Bakers for July's meeting: Delores Valdez, Carol Rouse, Terry Hooge, Bill and Betty Tope.

Carrie Villarreal had upper back surgery June 22 and will

be recovering in rehab (RIOSA.) This is her second back surgery since May.

Kate Martin has been unable to attend meetings as she continues breast cancer recovery. We send her pinkalicious healing wishes. Contact Ellen for address/email if you don't have a 2009 Directory.



Come join the fun on the 2010 Fall Frolic Shop Hop!

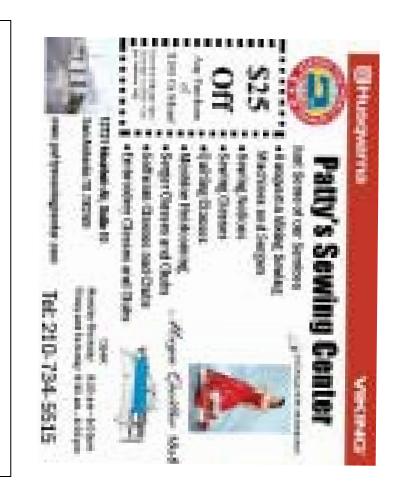
Thurs & Fri, Sept 9th & 10th, 9 AM to 7 PM Sat, Sept 11th, 9 AM to 6 PM

Visit 8 wonderful quilt shops! At each shop, pick up 3 fat quarters of yummy batiks for just \$7! Enjoy a 20% discount on fabric of ½ yard cuts or more! Have your passport stamped at each shop and turn it in. You could win a brand new cutting table, mat and chair for your quilting studio, one of 8 prize baskets or one of 8 \$50 gift certificates. Participate in a scavenger hunt for a separate prize basket drawing.

Participating Shops

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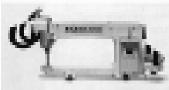
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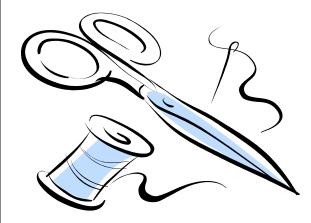
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Memories by the Yard

Farmer's Wife Club begins Saturday, September 11, from 10 – 11, with Brenda Asmus and Marti Michell Perfect Patchwork Templates.

PE Design Tutorial begins July 21st, a new machine embroidery related club. Check online in the *Scrapbook* for times of this club.

Join the fun class *Wonky Squares*Saturday, August 28th from 10a.m. to
4 p.m.

8015 Mainland Drive San Antonio, TX 78250 210-520-4833



October 2010 Block Party

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Block party is 8"x8" finished. Look on our web site for a link to a color picture of the block and how it can look in a quilt on point. It is a 5" log cabin surrounded by 2" and 1" half square triangles. Be sure to square up your blocks as you go.

DG - Dark Green

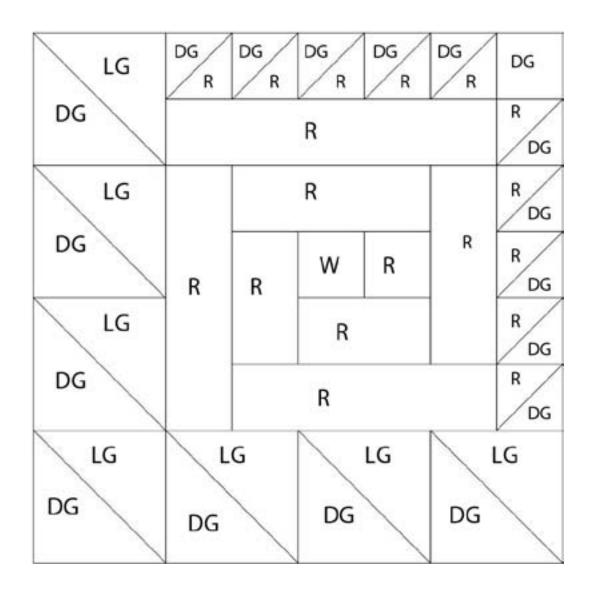
LG - Light Green

R - Various shades of Red

W - White

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Bring as many as you like with your name attached to each one to the October Guild meeting. All names go in the basket and the lucky winner in the drawing gets all of the blocks.



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August Schedule

August 2 BOARD MEETING 2:00 PM St. Andrew's Church

August 14 Guild Meeting 10:00 AM St. Andrew's Church

August 17 Wearable Arts 6:30 PM
Creative Sewing Center
117777 West Av.
Hostess - Ida Blankenship

August 25 Quilt In 10:00 AM Memories by the Yard Hostess - Shirley Carter

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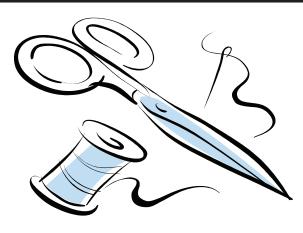
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FABRIC - NOTIONS - CLASSES - GIFTS M-F 9:30-5:00 SAT 9:30-3:00



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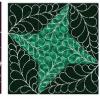
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