

August
2007

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Issue 8

Common Threads

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.



August 11
Guild Meeting

10:00 AM

St. Andrew's Church
8231 Callaghan Rd.

Threadplay
by
Libby Lehman

Remember to bring to the meeting:

- Nametag (wear it)
- Library books, videos & patterns
- QPC and Bright Hopes Projects
- Memberships expire. Plan to pay your dues.
- Smiles for your friends

As a member of GSAQG you receive a lot of benefits. These include:

- Entertaining and informative meetings, demonstrations, and workshops
- Monthly newsletter and membership directory
- Biannual guild-sponsored quilt show
- Extensive lending library
- Show-and-Tell so you can share your masterpieces
- Bus trips to major quilt shows
- Nationally known speakers
- A wonderful Christmas celebration
- Secret sisters

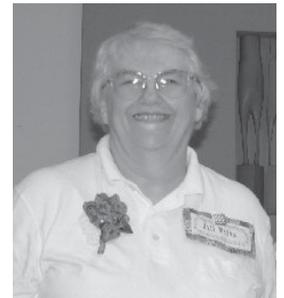
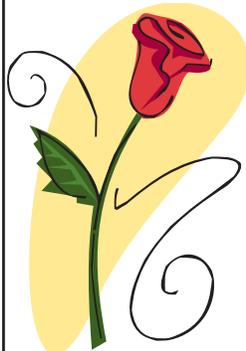
I'm sure there are lots of other things I have forgotten to mention, but you get the idea. Being a guild member is definitely good for you, a real bargain for \$20 per year.

In the GSAQG joining is pretty much all that is required of you. Compared to other guilds we have it easy. Only about ten percent of any given group will ever step forward and help out. I know more than ten percent of our members do step up to help but it would be nice if more did. Believe it or not, participation is one of the benefits too. When I moved to San Antonio 17 years ago, I didn't know anyone. I joined the guild a year later and got involved. Now I know almost everyone in the guild, at least to say hello to.

There are many opportunities to participate in the work of the Guild through committees and projects. New members are encouraged to become involved. We don't require people to participate in the guild. This isn't the Army or a dictatorship. It's a democracy. But a democracy needs the participation of all its citizens to function properly. GSAQG is no different. And unlike the Army or a dictatorship, participation in the guild is fun. So sign your name on the dotted line, volunteer for the quilt show. Raise your hand and give it a go with one of our up and coming board positions. Try it you'll like it.

Calico Rose Award

Jill Fritz was awarded the Calico Rose for all her work with Bright Hopes. She has donated 60 quilts this last year--most using her own materials. Only 12 were from Bright Hope kits. Keep up the good work, Jill!





Program Notes



Libby Lehman will lecture on Threadplay

LIBBY LEHMAN CLASSES
FRIDAY AUGUST 10 – 9:30 TO 3:00
SUPER MACHINE STITCHING
SATURDAY AUGUST 11 12:30 TO 3:30
BOBBIN DRAWING AND COUCHING

August -- Our own Charlotte Keener and Marilyn Parsons will be giving us great information. Charlotte will talk about her experience using her Ethel Howey Grant. Marilyn will talk about Hawaiian Quilts

Fat Quarter Exchange

Bring fat quarters and put your name in the basket for each one you bring. Win a group of fat quarters at the drawing. The color for August is yellow.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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

NEWSLETTER INPUT

DEADLINE: Midnight Monday (after Guild Meeting)
email to quiltnews@satx.rr.com is preferred.
Or mail -Dea Jae Shore

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Board Meeting Minutes July 2, 2007

Board members present: Mary McCarthy, Karen Nanos, Bernie Farris, Lois Beauchamp, Larry Beauchamp, Barbara Sumlin, Bobbie Ashley, Lori Branson. Absent: Sandy Mehall, Dea Jae Shore. Visitor: Mary Ruth Flores

Called to Order: 1:02 p.m.

President: Bobbie Ashley

Calico Rose Award to be given to Jill Fritz who from January and June of 2007 produced 60 quilts for Bright Hopes made mostly from her own supplies.

Motion was made and carried that a “**Hidden Message**” would be placed in the news letter and \$60.00 would be allocated for prizes.

Retreat 2008: will be chaired by Kitty Janiga and Lori Branson will be her co-chair.

Welcoming Committee: Discussion was made on how to improve welcoming of new members and guests.

President Pro-Tem: Lois Beauchamp announced that the boxes for the guild quilts have just arrived and the quilts will be placed in them and they will be placed in storage.

1st Vice-President – Special Events: Mary McCarthy announced that there are 70 entries and 4 appraisals along with 56 vendors for the quilt show. The Raffle quilt will be going to the Austin, Houston, and Tyler Texas quilt shows.

2nd Vice-President – Newsletter/Directory: No report given

3rd Vice-President – Programs: Larry Beauchamp announced that Libby Lehman’s workshop on Friday Aug. 10th had 15 signed up and on Saturday the 11th the workshop was full and would start a “waitlist”. Cathy Miller the singing quilter will be here in Nov.

Larry has begun to digitize the archives.

4th Vice-President – Services: No report given.

5th Vice-President – Community Outreach: No report given

Treasurer: \$15,000 and \$20,000 CD’s; Operating account: \$22,630.91; Savings: 15,663.67;

Total: 73,294.58

Unfinished business: None

New Business: None

Meeting Adjourned: 1:58 p.m.

General Meeting Minutes July 14, 2007

President: The meeting was held at the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church meeting hall and called to order at 10:04 am. The June minutes were approved as e-mailed and published. The Calico Rose Award was given to Jill Fritz who, between January and June 2007 produced 60 quilts for Bright Hopes. June Calico Rose Award was presented to Patricia Patton for her wonderful work with the patterns. She was absent last month to receive the award.

President Pro Tem: Lois Beauchamp stated that someone has been misusing the storage room for their own purposes and has been going through the magazines and now some are missing.

1st Vice-President Special Events: Mary McCarthy announced that she will not be seeking to fill her position next term and has asked that members consider filling the position.

Janet Miller announced that while going through the guild quilts a hand quilted bonnet was found and asked that if anyone knew anything about it to let her know. Raffle quilt will be shown at the Houston Quilt Show July 17th, New Braunfels Quilt Show on the 21st, and Tyler Quilt Show Aug. 9th.

Quilt Show- Janet Miller announced that Saturday July 21st is the absolute last day to register a quilt for the show. She has 80 entries so far.

2nd Vice-President – Newsletter/Directory: Dea Jae Shore is back from Australia and has been missed. She and Bobbie thanked Jennifer Bonner for helping out by getting the June newsletter out.

3rd Vice-President - Programs: Larry announced that Libby Lehman's class on Aug. 11th

was sold out and would accept sign-ups on a waiting list. He also said that there were only 4 spaces left for the Friday workshop. September Charlotte Keener will give a report on the Seminar she attended in March in which she was awarded the Ethel Howie Scholarship. Also Marilyn Parsons will talk about Hawaiian quilts. In November Cathy Miller the singing quilter will be here. December our program will be our holiday party.

4th Vice-President – Services: Bernie Farris asked for volunteers to help Mary Ruth Flores with the books and to be the book person when Mary Ruth can't be in attendance at the general meeting.

5th Vice-President – Community Outreach: Geneva Guzman announced that an error was made in the newsletter last month regarding the cost of the Houston Bus Trip. The newsletter stated the cost was \$42.00 when in fact it is \$45.00. Any one who already paid is asked to pay the additional \$3.00.

Nechia Dawson Chairperson for Story Book Quilts announced that we reached 10,340 students this year with our books and quilts.

Treasurer: No report...Treasurer is on vacation.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Red River Quilt Show will be held September 30th, 2007 in Shreveport, LA and Bobbie has raffle tickets for their raffle quilt.

Announcements: The Chisolm Trail Quilt Guild was in attendance and had tickets for their raffle quilt

Meeting Adjourned at 10:35 a.m.



Patricia Patton, June Calico Rose winner, received her Rose at the July meeting.

Tip

The only thing I really dislike about prewashing my quilting fabrics is all the strings that come loose during the wash, wrapping themselves in knots around the yardage.

It's easy to eliminate nearly all of the strings. Just clip off a little triangular section from each corner of fabrics before you wash them. Try about 1/2" or a little less. You'll still see a *bit* of fraying, but not enough to create bunches of knots.

Grant Available

The GSAQG \$1000 Ethel Howe Grant Program is still available. For information contact Doris Patterson at 210-656-0334 or go to our web page, www.sanantonioquilt.org, and on the Services page you will see the link for all the rules and the application.

Remember our first winner, Charlotte Keener, will be giving the program in September on her experience.



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Contact Bobbie Ashley, 836-5658 for applications
and information

Labors of Love - Quilt Plano 2007

Quilters Guild of Plano

August 24th and 25th 2007

Plano Centre, Plano, TX

For more information:

Visit <http://www.quiltersguildofplano.org/quiltplano/quiltplano.shtml>

Reach for the Stars

Chisholm Trail Quilt Guild

Oct. 5-6, 2007

Dell Diamond

3400 E. Palm Valley Rd, Round Rock, Tx

For more information:

Visit <http://www.geocities.com/chisholmquilt/>

Storytellers - Every Quilt Tells a Story

Baytown Area Quilt Guild

August 17th & 18th, 2007

Lee College Sports Arena

Baytown, Texas

For more information:

Visit <http://www.baytownareaquiltguild.com/07quiltshow.html>



Close the Safety Latch on the Rotary Cutter Every Time You Put it Down

Get into the habit of closing your rotary cutter's safety shield *every time* you lay it down. Leave it open and I guarantee that someday you'll brush your hand against it and get cut. Every manufacturer makes a slightly different type of safety latch. In a few cutters, blades automatically retract when you release pressure on them after making a cut. Try out several cutters to see which ones have safety devices that are easiest for you to manipulate.

Handle Replacement Blades with Care

Blade replacement is another area where rotary cutters differ quite a bit. Many cutter blades are replaced by removing a nut and washer to access the dull blade, then reversing the process after slipping the new blade in place. Handle the blades carefully during replacement. The blade in EZ Quilting's Quick Change rotary cutter does that for you. It comes off as a unit with its own protective cover—so you never touch the blade at all.



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Story Book Update

by Nechia Dawson

During the Spring 2007 semester, our story book quilts were shared with 10,340 students from Northside ISD, North East ISD, San Antonio ISD and East Central ISD and three private schools. The Burrito Boy was also used by one art class and one Spanish class at St Mary's Hall during the week of Jane's visit to San Antonio.

An exhibit of 17 Story Book quilts will be displayed at the Great Northwest Library through August 31, 2007. Sandra Griffin, the librarian that put together the exhibit provided a lovely reception to celebrate the opening of the exhibit on June 30th. There were about 20 people that came by including some of the Saturday quilters at the library and Valerie Arcement, author and quilt maker of A Mazing Christmas Quilt.

We had one new quilt added to the collection. Gail Weist completed her quilt for Sunflower Sal. Thank you Gail for this delightful addition to the collection.

Stop by the Story Book table in August, we still have The Name Quilt and we will have four new books to check out.



• The Quiltmaker's Journey

- Peter's Patchwork Dream
- The Promise Quilt
- Grandpa's Quilt

Thanks to the three ladies that took books in July. We look forward to seeing your quilts added to the collection.



Ready to Volunteer for our Quilt Show in September?

At each Guild Meeting, I will sign up volunteers for the San Antonio Quilt Show (Sept. 21, 22, and 23). Volunteers can sign up at the meetings (June – Sep), or call me at 688-9578. We have openings for around **300** two-hour time slots. We need lots of people to volunteer for one (or more) slots. There are openings in every area: Admissions, Boutique, Quilt-In, White Gloves, Membership Booth, Raffle Quilt, Silent Auction, Check-in, Check-Out, Hanging, Take Down, and more!!! Some jobs require standing, walking, handling money or ladder climbing, so check out the job descriptions. You will receive free admission on the day of your shift. Please visit me at the Quilt Show Table to sign up!!



Janis Painter
Quilt Show Volunteer Coordinator



Message to Unknown Garage Sale Vendor

At the garage sale Ellen Hank bought a mini sewing machine and the seller promised to bring the electric cord to her at the next meeting. She don't know who this person was, and she didn't get the cord. This a call to the seller to contact Ellen!



Winter Retreat

It's time to start thinking about signing up and making your deposit or full payment for the 2008 Winter Retreat.

The non refundable deposit of \$50 is due by the October meeting and full payment by the December meeting.

The retreat will be the first weekend in January 2008 at the John Newcomb Tennis Ranch in New Braunfels.



Quilt Show Boutique

The quilt show is just around the corner and the boutique is in need of your quilt related items.

Inventory forms will be available at the guild meetings. Please fill out the forms and return them along with your sale items. Inventory sheets will not be returned.

Each item should have a detachable price tag that includes the inventory number (from the inventory sheet), your 3 initials, a brief description (wall hanging, pin cushion) and the asking price, in 25-cent increments. You will receive 80% of the asking price after tax. There is no dollar limit on items you wish to sale.



Items should be turned in no later than the September guild meeting.

Please arrange to pick up your items after the show Sunday evening, if you are unable to pick up your items yourself, please have some one do it for you.

If you have any questions, please call me at (210)-681-2276. I will return your call as soon as possible.

Janice Frankenberger

BANANA SPLIT SUPREME JELLO DESSERT

Banana-strawberry Jell-O, 3 large bananas, drained crushed pineapple, 2 small instant pistachio pudding, canned coconut, cool whip, walnuts and cherries, 13 x 9 pan.

Make banana-strawberry Jell-O and allow to get firm. Add layer of cut bananas, then a layer of crushed pineapple. Prepare instant piatachio pudding and pour over pineapple. Sprinkle with a layer of coconut, then spread with a layer of Cool Whip. Sprinkle with walnut and cherries to decorate top. Just add ingredients in order and then refrigerate for a great, easy, Summer dessert!



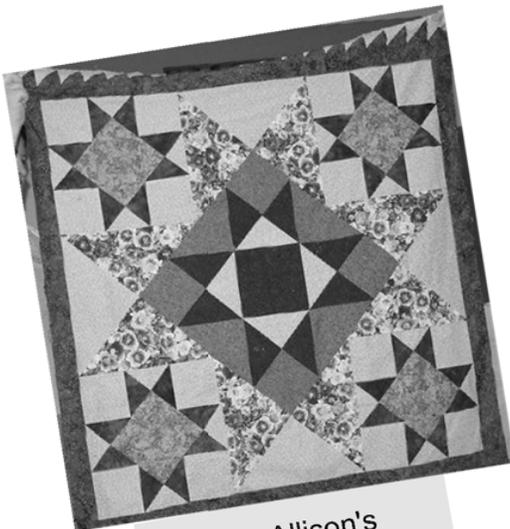
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Dusty Sherrill's Patriotic



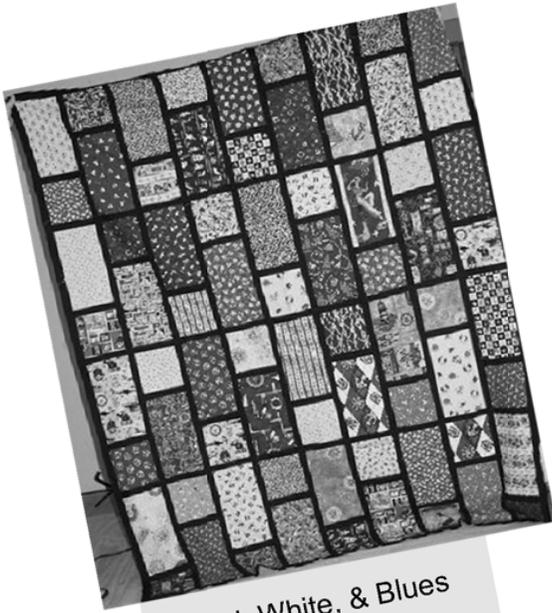
Jeanette Jay's My Garden



Kay Allison's
Mystery Quilt



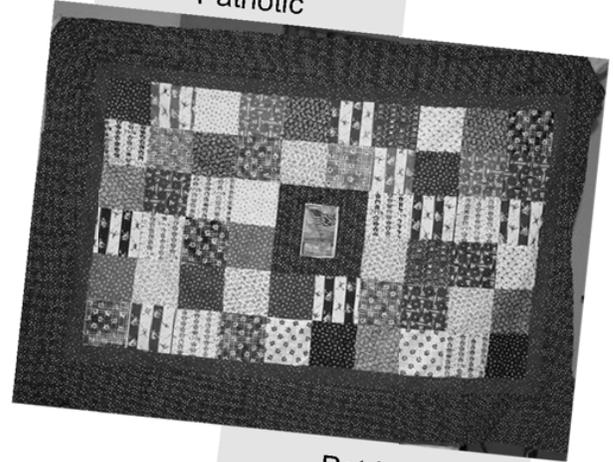
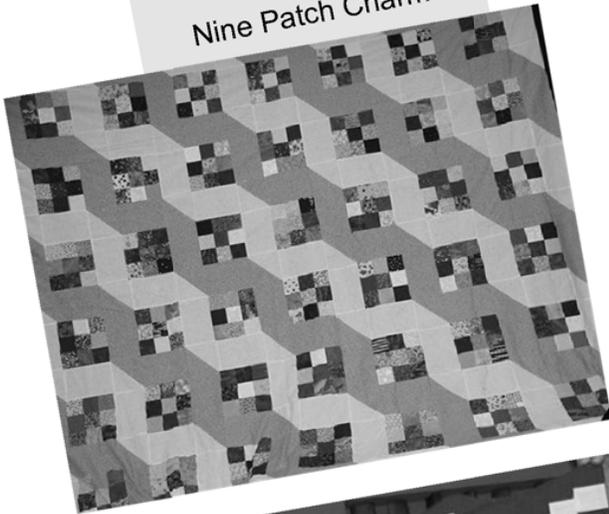
Helen Rull's Sampler,
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Doris Patterson and Carrie
Lyons



Red, White, & Blues
Sherry Allred
Nine Patch Charm



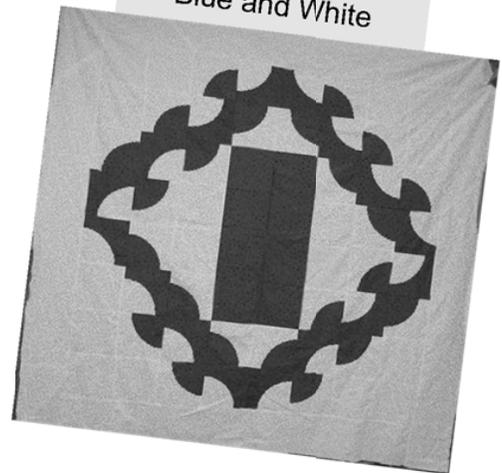
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Patriotic
Shirley Carter
Blue and White



May Lively's Star
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Batiks and batik panel
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Rocky Horse
from Summer Retreat



Carol Rouse and
Mary Ruth Flores
Handwoven Fabric
Quilt

GSAQG CHARTER BUS to HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL QUILT SHOW

Contact Person: **Geneva Gusman**
610 Overhill, San Antonio, TX 78228
(210) 433-9428

Date: **Saturday, November 3, 2007**

Place: Houston's George R. Brown Convention Center

Departure Time & Place: **6:45 AM** (Begin boarding at 6:30am)
Crossroads Mall Park & Ride (north side of mall, near I-10)

Houston Arrival Time: 10:00 AM (estimate)

Houston Departure Time: 6:45 PM

San Antonio Return Time: 10:00 PM (estimate)

Cost: **\$45 per person.** Includes: Transportation, Entrance ticket, Morning snack (you bring the drink), Box supper from Jason's Deli and Water. Also includes bus driver's tip, printing and mailing expenses, long distance calls, gift bag to hold morning snack, etc.

Deadline: August 15th, or when all tickets are sold.

Cancellation: After September 1st, refunds will only be if someone takes your place.

Suggestions: Walking shoes, shopping bag, you might bring a sack lunch and drink.

Carts & Totes on wheels are NOT ALLOWED in the exhibit area. Aisles are crowded, which makes it difficult for friends to stay together. Consider separating to meet later in the day. Bus will return to convention center from 3:00 to 3:30 for packages to be left on the bus.

Return this section to: **Geneva Gusman**, 610 Overhill, San Antonio, TX 78228
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Private Viewing for Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild members

What's In Your Closet program (that is scheduled for August 11th - your Guild Day) Will be Wednesday August 15 10-12

This is such a fabulous program that we did not want you to miss it. Terry will show you how to take items that you can't give up, can't wear, & can't use in their present state. Be inspired to make them into something else that is both beautiful & useful. Yes, I will be cutting up an old quilt. I have permission, I made it, and I am re-making it for every member of the family, come see. I will share stories & you can share your own. This is the place to be Aug. 15. Registration necessary. The program is FREE

What's in Your Closet?

There will be something for everyone- Beginner to Fiber Artist

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- One Block Wonder (8/3 & 17)- fun, exquisite quilt
- Designing with Large Scale Prints (8/9, 16, & 23) – a design class using the book *9 Patch Pizzazz*
- Braided Batiks (8/13, 20 & 27) – a new design from Sew Many Visions great for fall, you get 1st peek
- Farmer's Daughter (8/15) – a great quilt celebrating harvest time using a modified vintage block
 - Bluebonnet Wall Hanging (8/3 & 17) – use several methods to create this beautiful wall hanging
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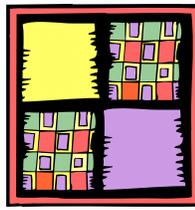
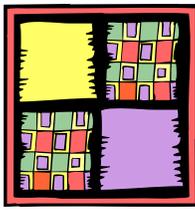
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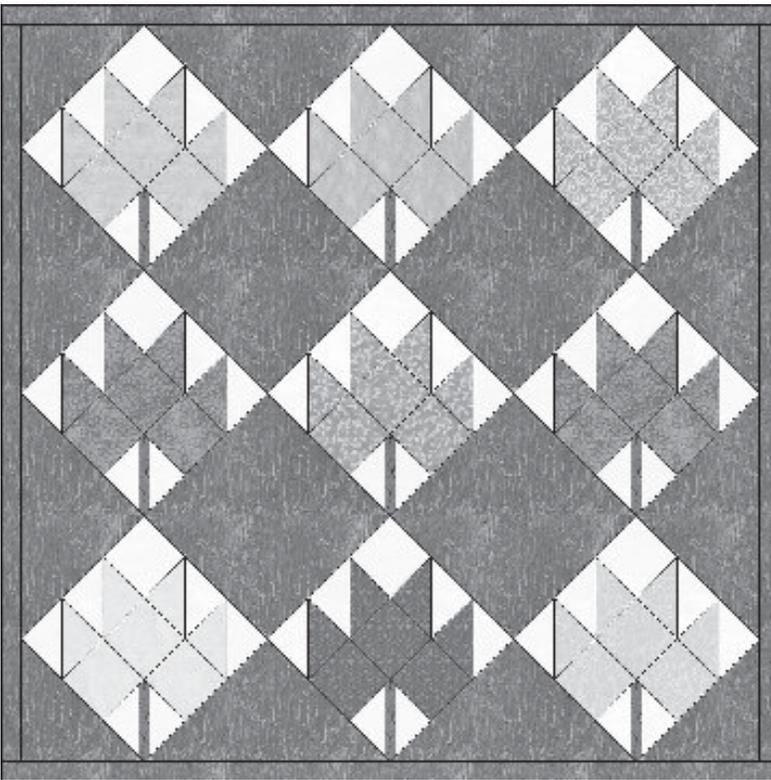


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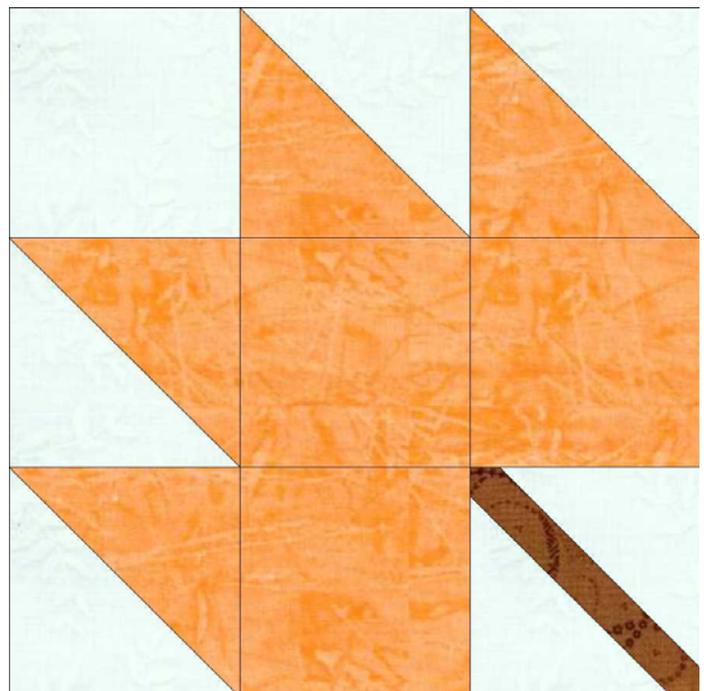


We've had a lack of interest in Block Party as of late. If the blocks are too hard or not interesting enough, let Dea Jae know and she will try to adjust. Block Party is now done quarterly. The drawings are January, April, July, and October. You have 3 months to make a block or two. There will be paper piecing foundations available at the guild meetings in August and September. On the left is an example of what you can do with a few blocks that will essentially look like a scrappy quilt.

Picture of Maple Leaf for Block Party

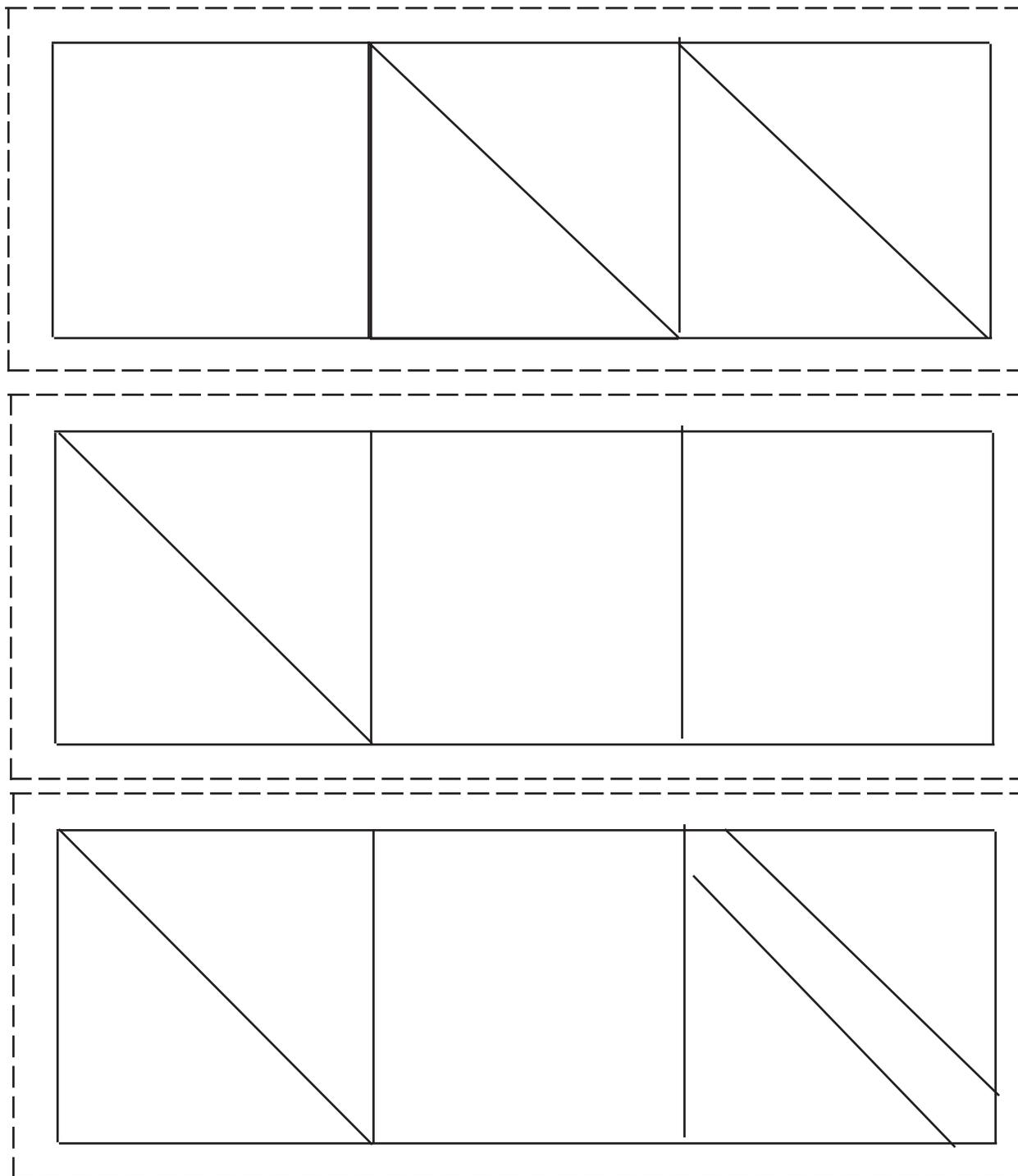
The foundation stabilizes the piecing from stretching or skewing. Straight lines of stitches are easier to achieve by following lines on the foundation. The larger piece is also easier to hold.

Using a short stitch will make for easier removal of the paper foundation. Try for around 14 stitches per inch to add as many perforations as possible. Use a large needle in your machine when stitching on paper foundation lines. The larger holes will make removing the paper easier. A good resource if you have never paper pieced is http://quickquilts.com/lessons/piecing_primer/



October 2007 **BLOCK PARTY**

Here's a maple leaf. It can be paper pieced. Use a fall foliage color for the leaf . Off white for the background and brown for the stem. The block should be 6" x 6" finished or 6.5" x 6.5" unfinished. Bring as many as you like with your name attached to each one to the July 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 6 BOARD MEETING-1PM
St. Andrew's Church

August 11 GUILD MEETING-10AM
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August 21 - Wearable Arts 6:30pm
Creative Sewing Center
11777 West Ave.
Hostess - Ida Tyson Blankenship

August 28 - Quilt-In 9:00 AM
Quilter's Point
15614 Huebner Rd, Suite 112
Hostess - Shirley Carter

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