## Meeting Location

Bob Duncan Center -- Vandergriff Park 2800 S Center St Arlington, TX 76014 Meetings 2nd Tuesday each month Doors open at 6:30 ~ Meeting at 7:00

## July Meeting <br> Debbie Panton-Round Robin Adventure

Debbie Panton is a fourth generation quilter and she is interested in stories behind the making of quilts. Debbie will be sharing her 'Round Robin Adventure" that was done in collaboration with her stitch group which includes Sharon Ligon, Gayle Lacerda, Pat Madrid, Tracy Willingham, and Kim Olmedo. We know you will enjoy the entertaining story of their journey.

This year, Debbie took first place in the Texas American Heritage Contest, and her quilt traveled to Washington, D.C. where the quilt was honored in the national competition earning $2^{\text {nd }}$ place -- what an honor! Debbie's knowledge and passion for quilting is truly a gift she shares with others.

Debbie retired from teaching in the public school system in 2007 after 31 years in education. Her last teaching assignment was at Arlington High School where she taught Art and Art History. Debbie has won awards for outstanding teaching and fellowships through the National Endowment for the Humanities to Salem State College, University of North Carolina, Niagara University, Dickinson College, Lowell National Historical Park, and the Newberry Library in Chicago. She lives in Arlington, Texas with Don, her husband of 42 years, and their Husky-mix Glory. They have four children and six grandchildren.

Please join us for the July meeting and hear the story Debbie has to share!

June Meeting - Potluck, Touch Quilts and more!

Please bring along your favorite pot luck dish for the June meeting. We'll enjoy a great meal together while the slide program from our Quilt Show reminds us of all the beautiful work showcased in the April event. We'll also enjoy a fun presentation by the members who represent our newest worthy cause, The Sew Touching Stitch Group. These caring quilters work on fidget/touch quilts for Alzheimer's and autistic children in the local community. They'll provide examples of the wide variety of textures that help to engage the quilt recipients, and inspire your creativity to see what you can do to help. Come join the fun!

## September Workshop

Be sure and save your place for our September Workshop:
Lone Star Table Runner with Winnie Fleming
Date: 9/14/16 9 am-4 pm
\$40
Location: Quilt Among Friends

## (Contact Cynthia Berend cberend@gmail.com or Carol Hoes carol@larwel.com)

Workshop Registration
Name: $\qquad$
Address:
City:
State: Zip:

Phone:
Email Address:
Workshop Name:
Workshop Date:
Form of Payment: (circle one) Check Cash
Cost is $\$ 40$ for members $/ \$ 45$ for non-members. Please make all checks payable to QGOA.
Payment must be received to hold your space in the workshop. Enrollment is on first come first serve basis.
Please sign-up at a meeting at the Program Section of the Sign-In Table or send your registration form with full payment to:
Quilters' Guild of Arlington
PO BOX 13232
Arlington, TX 76094-0232.
Notify the Vice President, Cynthia Berend or Carol Hoes, that you wish to sign up.
Please pick up your supply sheet at the Guild meeting or check the newsletter on the website www.QGOA.org
(Please use this form to register for all upcoming workshops. You may photocopy this form)

## The Golden Spool Award

QGOA members, please pay close attention to all of our hard working volunteers during our upcoming quilt show. Take notes and complete the form below to submit your vote for the $1^{\text {st }}$ Golden Spool Award of 2016! Please submit form to Sherry Livingston, email: artandquilts@yahoo.com or you can hand it to me at the guild or quilt group meeting. Thank you and stay alert!
Golden Spool Award
Nomination Form

I, $\qquad$ , on this date, $\qquad$
do submit into nomination,
for the honor of the Golden Spool Award, as recognition of this nonimee's outstanding service to the Quilters' Guild of Arlington and its supporting community. Nominee and submitter must be QGOA members.
The following are just a few traits that have been recognized in past nominees.
Please feel free to check those that most apply.

| Guild Morale Building | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Program Development | Guild Volunteer |
| ___ Educator/Teacher |  |
| Implementation of Programs | $\ldots$ |
| Hospitality | Community Outreach |
| Problem Solving | Leadership |
| ___ Guild Management |  |

Please elaborate as to why you feel motivated to make this nomination.

Please elaborate as to why you feel motivated to make this nomination. Please submit this form to the Golden Spool Committee Chairperson or a member of the QGOA Executive Board. The Golden Spool Award is announced and awarded at the June and December Guild meetings.

Or mail to: Quilters' Guild of Arlington
P.O. Box 13232, Arlington, TX 76094-0232

## Safe Haven Donations

January: Diapers, baby wipes
February: Children's socks
March: Children's underwear
April: Shampoo, brush, comb, etc.
May: Toothbrush, toothpaste, floss
June: Women's underwear
July: Feminine hygiene products
August: School Supplies
September: Soap and towels
October: Prepackaged snacks - Granola bars, Goldfish
crackers, etc. November: Children's toys
December: Mittens, scarves or hats
**We will accept travel size toiletry items throughout the year. ALL items should be new and unused including toiletries.

## Guild Refreshments

January: C
February: H, V
March: M
April: S, Z, E
May: A, D
June: POTLUCK (Board- Desserts) July: G, L
August: B, K, O
September: F, I, J, Q
October: N, P, R
November: T, U, W, X, Y
December: POTLUCK (Board Desserts)


| June Birthdays |
| :--- |
| 4-Kandy Garrett |
| 5-Ellen Hasty |
| 5-Annis Clapp |
| 8-Nancy Doerr |
| 8-Blair Hutchinson |
| 8-Jill Matyastik |
| 10-Effie Foster |
| 14-Susan Corbett |
| 15-Donna Akins |
| 17-Pamela Pape |
| 18-Samantha Dixon |
| 19-Peggy Mosher |
| 21-Judy Courtney |
| 25-Chris Hubbard |
| 25-Colette Wong |
| 29-Nancy Shortino |
| 29-Carolyn Troupe |
| 30-Robbie Colley |
| 30-Jennifer Rike |
| 30-Heather Schneider |

## In Case of Inclement Weather:

In general, we will do what the University of Texas of Arlington does. If they cancel evening classes we will cancel guild and board meetings.


Your input is needed! Please go to the QGOA website home page and follow the link to Program Polls to give feedback on our speakers and workshops. Thanks to everyone who does the surveys! www.qgoa.com

## 2016 Guild Officers



## Sunshine

Congratulations to all the high school and college graduates of 2016!

The sun is shining and the birds are singing and the grass is green from all the rain.

## Shadow

Sharon Ligon-Dad has been in and out of hospital. Kim Olmeda-Mother has been in hospital, back at home but Kim has been taking care of her. Jenn Haxton-Father-in-law was hospitalized and Mother-in-law battling cancer, Jenn herself has been ill.
Tammy Reidy-Mom and Stepmom both battling cancer right now.

## QGOA 2016 Meetings and Workshops

| Date | Speaker | Title of Program |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January 12 | Deborah Boschert | Getting From Start to Art |
| January 13 | Deborah Boschert | Captivating Compositions for Art Quilts <br> Workshop |
| February 9 | Maria Hall, Longarm Quilter | Bringing Out the Best in Your Quilt |
| March 8 | Shannon Page | Modern Quilting Basics and Improvisation |
| April 12 | Flavin Glover | A New Look at Log Cabin Quilts |
| April 13 | Flavin Glover | Log Cabin Patchwork Houses Workshop |
| May 10 | Members | 2016 Winner Circle |
| June 14 | Members | Potluck Dinner |
| July 12 | Debbie Panton | Round Robin Adventure |
| August 9 | Members | Members Demonstrations |
| September 13 | Winnie Fleming | Trunk Show |
| September 14 | Winnie Fleming | Lone Star Table Runner Workshop |
| October 11 | Shelley Clauss | How to Make a T-shirt Quilt |
| November 8 | Robin Williamson | Modern Quilting |
| November 9 | Robin Williamson | Round Robin Improv Workshop |
| December 13 | Members | Potluck Dinner \& Brown Bag Auction |



## Quilt Shows and Shop Hops

June 10-11, 2016
Annual Stars Over Abilene Regional Quilt Show
Civic Center, 1100 North $6^{\text {th }}$ St.
Main Event Hall, Abilene, TX
Contact shaulap@featheredstarquilt.com
www.abilenequiltersguild.org
June 14-17, 2016
Retread: Sue Spargo-Bird Dance-Creating with
Hand-Dyed Wool \& Textural Fabrics
Quilting Adventures
Jordan Ranch, Schulenburg, TX
Contact: Debby Walters at debby@quiling-
adventures.com or 281-610-2543
June 21-25, 2016
"Memories of Home" Quilt Show
Happy Hearts Quilt Guild
Giddings High School
2337 North Main St, (Hwy 77N), Giddings, TX
Contact: Bererly Lee at 979-542-3006
July 25-28, 2016
Retreat: Michelle Wats-lt's Simple with Stencils
Quilting Adventures
Jordan Ranch, Schuldenburg TX
Contact: Debby Walters at
debby@quiltingadventures.com or 281-6102543

August 12-13, 2016
"Quilt Plano 2016"
Plano Center
2000 East Spring Creek Pkwy, Plano, TX 75074
www.ggplano.org

## September 2-3, 2016

Vereins Quilt Guild ght $^{\text {thennial Quilt Show }}$
First United Methodist Church
1800 N Llano, Fredericksburg, TX
www.vereinsquiltguild.com

June 10-12, 2016<br>Annual Bosque Arts Center Quilt Show<br>Bosque Arts Center<br>215 S. College Hill Dr, Clifton, TX 76634<br>www.bosqueartscenter.org<br>www.carthagetexas.com/MainStreet/quilt.htm or<br>contact dphinney@bosqueartscenter.org

June 21-September 6, 2016
Row by Row Experience
www.rowbyrowexperience.com
July 15-16, 2016
The Creative Quilters Guild of Ellis County
Annual Quilt Show
Midlothiean Coference Center
1 Community Circle, Midlothian, TX
www.elliscountyquilters.com
July 22-24, 2016
Fort Worth Quilt Guild Annual Quilt Show
"American Scrapbook"
Arborlawn United Methodist Church
5001 Briarhaven, Rd, Fort Worth, TX 76109
www.fwgg.org or judi.janes@yahoo.com
August 25-26, 2016
Sizzlin Summer Shop Hop
www.sizzlinsummershophop.com
September 16-18, 2016
Capital of Texas Quiltfest
Austin Area Quilt Guild
Palmer Event Center, 900 Barton Springs, Austin, TX 78704
www.captxquilffest.org

## September 16-17, 2016

Trinity Valley Quilters Guild 33rd Anniversary Show
Amon Carter Exhibit Hall-Will Rogers Complex 3401 W. Lancaster Ave, Ft. Worth, TX 76107
www.tvgg.org
quiltshow@.tvgg.org

## News for Ronald McDonald House Quilts



Ronald MCDONALD Holise Charities

Charlotte Humphrey and Randa Dillon are your new Ronald McDonald House Coordinators.

We delivered 16 quilts following the quilt show. Here is the text of a thank you note we received from Ronald McDonald House of Fort Worth.

## "To The Guild Members,

Thanks to your generosity, smiles are blooming throughout the RMHFW. Your donation of 16 quilts make it possible to keep families close, at little or no cost, while their children receive medical treatment at local hospitals. Thank you for your support of our mission.

Many Thanks,

> Your RMHFW Friends"

## Now for More News

There are two divisions for Ronald Mc Donald House quilts for the quilt show.

1. The quilts made with the challenge fabric. This fabric has been donated by Quilt Among Friends. These kits will be available at the July guild meeting. Keep your eyes and ears open about a few guideline changes.
2. The quilts made with any fabric choice. Pretty much anything goes as long as it is child appropriate. You can go ahead and this one done before the challenge fabric is available. More information will be out soon.

Thank you in advance for these great quilts. Let's break records in the number we deliver next year.

## Randa and Charlotte

## Display Case

Billie Brecheen who has done a wonderful job on the guilds display case has some requests from us. She is looking for orphan blocks, mini quilts or blocks from different members.

July-Camping, $4^{\text {th }}$ of July
August-Vacations, Beach, Under the sea.
**Please put your name on your things. So Billie can get them back to you.

Hi all: Hope everyone had a lovely and filling Memorial Day Remembrance. Been sort of a slow month for Linus. We had to postpone a meeting but that made our collection the next meeting more delightful. Project Linus donates several hundred quilts/blankets every month. The local hospitals (JPS, Cooks, Harris) receive donations regularly from Linus and their needs do not diminish. Many other locations that receive these donations are: ACH (formerly all church), Snowball Express, AIDS outreach, and many others. Sadly we have children suffering treatments, operations, and all sorts of medical ailments for which they can receive a quilt that one of our members has shopped for a pattern, fabric batting, cutting, sewing, sandwiching and quilting. Our desire to make a gift of comfort will hopefully help the little and bigger kids find healing. Linus has blankets for all children from 0-18years of age.

Special thanks to Jolene Mershon for darling kits, Sherry Livingston for a fleece edged blanket, Janice Farris, Robbie Colley, Rose Redding, Nancy Spell, Janice Mowery, Darnell Dark, Jill Matyastik, and anonymous. My apologies if I missed your name. It does help if you can pin your name to your donation if possible. Linus wants to acknowledge your contribution. So accept the thanks from Linus and me for the children that received your kind donations.

Project Linus meets the $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }}$ Thursday of most months at SouthCliff Baptist Church located at 4100 SW Loop 820 . We meet from 9 -3ish in their entryway. We gather to assemble quilts, and sew them. Sometimes we even have a class for a new pattern. We have show and tell and enjoy all the newest quilts. One of the Linus blanketeers took a class on embroidery and brought in a panel quilt with dinosaurs in all manner of behavior. We commiserate with one another and just sew to our hearts content.

The hospital request children's measuring $44 \times 40$ and for larger children $57 \times 44$.
IF you are looking for a new and reasonably simple pattern please refer to www. projectlinus.org/patterns where you can find quilts, crochet and knit patterns to make for the children. Lots to choose from.

Also Quiltmaker Magazine designs and offers for free a new pattern specifically for Project Linus. That can be found at :
www.quiltermaker.com/patterns/projectlinus.html. Please use these sites to find some darling things to create.

Sincere thanks from me and all the folks that come to Project Linus that think QGOA is very generous to the ill children of Tarrant County. Remember the work we do for the guild and our community enriches us and generations to come.

Elizabeth Cooper for Project Linus

Tickets available at Quilt Country for \$25

## Mystery Round Robin

Now that you have your 12-1/2" center square, and your first border that includes half-square triangles, let's talk about a floating border.

A floating border is often a strip of fabric that is used to make a pieced border fit. If your half-square triangles were 2" square, you now have a $16^{\prime \prime}$ square medallion. Let's say your next pieced border is $18^{\prime \prime}$ long, you'll want to add a floating border so it will fit. With smaller dimensions it's pretty easy to figure, because for this scenario you'll want a 1 " border all the way around. But as your quilt grows, it can be more complicated to figure, especially if you're working with a rectangular quilt, rather than a square quilt.

There is a nifty formula you can use, and it's really quite easy. I'm math phobic, but I have learned to trust the math, and it really works!

You'll want to go ahead and make whatever pieced border you are going to make, just be sure to make it larger than each side of the center you're adding it to. Here's the formula:

Square Quilt
$\left((\right.$ Length of pieced border without corner block — width of quilt) $\div 2)+1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ seam allowance $=$ cut size of floating border

Rectangular Quilt
((top and bottom pieced border without corner block — width of quilt) $\div 2)+1 / 2^{\prime \prime}=$ size to cut the side floating borders

THEN
((side borders without corner blocks — length of quilt) $\div 2)+1 / 2 "=$ size to cut top or bottom floating borders

For July, add a floating border and any kind of pieced border you'd like.

To show appreciation for our past president's, guild members make a block of the president's choosing to give to her. Barbara Cain, our president in 2015, has decided on a Bow-Tie Block, in shades of blue or gray on a white or white on white background. These blocks will be going into a quilt for a boy, so please use fabrics that are not overly feminine. The block should measure 6-1/2" unfinished.

Directions are below:
White Fabric

- Cut two 3-1/2" squares

Blue / Gray Fabric

- Cut two 3-1/2" squares
- Cut two 2" squares


## Sewing Instructions

- Draw a diagonal line on the back of the 2 " squares
- Place the 2" squares right sides together with the white squares, matching one corner.

- Stitch along the diagonal line, and fold back, matching corners. Trim seam allowance to $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$. Make 2.


Assemble your squares to make block.


## Quilters' Guild of Arlington 2016 Donation Quilt


"Homeward Bound"
Size 80 X80
Photographed by guild member Rose Kauhane

Members, I need your help selling tickets!
I challenge each member to sell 4 packs of tickets, that's only $\$ 20$, and buy 4 packs of tickets! Offer your friends and family the opportunity to win this beautiful quilt! Just ask them to buy a ticket!

Tickets are available at QGOA General Meetings.
If you know of any events where we can sell tickets or have any ideas on how we can increase our sales, please contact

Susan FitzGerald.
Please sign-up to sell tickets at different events.
Donation quilt ticket monies benefits QGOA's Continuing Education
Programs and SafeHaven. The drawing will be December 13, 2016.

Need not be present to win.
Raffle tickets are $\$ 1$ each or $6 / \$ 5$.
You can also buy tickets via mail by sending a check to: QGOA, P.O. Box 13232, Arlington TX 76094.

Outstanding Volunteers for May were:
Judy Liston, Lind McPherson, Marie Eggleston and Joyce Clark

## Scheduled Events:

Jan 19 - Bear Creek Quilt Guild - Elizabeth Cooper
Feb 1-6 - Kathy Dunnigan Appliqué Academy

- Carol Ramsey, Randa Dillon, Linda

McPherson \& Nancy Shortino
Mar 12 - Storytelling Event - Jay McLaughlin
April 1-2 - Quilter's Dream BOM - Susan
FitzGerald, Darleen Jordan \& Julie Schmidt
April 22-23 - QGOA Annual Quilt Show -
Please Sign-up to work the show
May 6-7 - Country Stitches - Linda
McPherson
May 17 - FtWQG - Nancy Shortino \& Linda McPherson
July 9 - TAQG 2016 Rally Day - Speaker Kimberly Einmo - Susan FitzGerald Aug 18 - IrvingQG - Volunteer needed Oct 12 - SafeHaven's Legacy of Women Awards Luncheon, 9:30-2:30, FW Hilton -

## 2018 Donation Quilt Wanted

A request to our very talented, creative guild members: Which of you will take up the challenge of creating our 2018 fundraising quilt? You can do it all yourself, enlist a few friends or your stitch group for an exciting group project with plenty of time to complete it. Interested? Contact Sharon Ligon for more information or to accept the challenge.

# Planning has already begun for our 2017 Festival of Quilts. The theme is "Traditional Meets Modern". The show is a few weeks earlier next year so get started planning your beautiful quilt entries! 

## Co-chairs for the 2017 show are Shelly Uggen and Gayle Lacerda

## Quilters' Guild of Arlington

Day Retreat September 29-October 1, 2016
For: QGOA Members; space is limited to 65 persons
When: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Sept. 29-30 \& October 1

Thurs. 9:30 AM-9 PM, Fri. 9 AM-9 PM \& Sat. 9
AM-3:30 PM
Where: Pleasant Ridge Church of Christ, Family Life Center, Arlington

Cost: $\$ 40$ or $\$ 30$ if you bring your own sewing table and/or do not require table space. Payment must be submitted with registration.

Registration will begin at the July 12th QGOA Guild Meeting.

Forms will be available at the guild meeting or on the qgoa.org website. When the registration form is available online; you may fill it out, print and bring to the meeting with your payment. Checks payable to QGOA.

Libby McDuffie

## TAGQ RALLY DAY <br> JULY 9, 2016

Rally Day 2016 will be a day filled with quilting fun, a great nationally know speaker, lots of Raffle Quilts and mini quilts, and as always PRIZES.

Arrive at Mimosa Lane Baptist Church at 9:00 a.m. for registration (1233 North Belt Line Road, Mesquite, TX). Admission is free with your Guild name badge or membership card. You can bring non-guild members but admission will be $\$ 5.00$ for the guests. The first 500 people through the doors will receive a goodie bag. You will have until 10 a.m. to look at the other member guild's raffle quilts and purchase your tickets. It would be a good idea to bring address labels to quicken the fill in process. You may also take this time to bid on the silent auction, purchase Rally Day pins, purchase raffle basket tickets, look at and purchase our speaker's wares, buy YLI Thread and find your seat. Be sure to look up at the big screen at pictures of your guild and fellow TAQG member guilds. The program will start at 10 a.m. with Kimberly Einmo as the speaker. There will be approximately one hour for lunch so it is a good idea to purchase tickets for lunch from your guild rep or download the form from the website and send it to the address on the form. You are welcome to bring your lunch as well if you like. During the lunch break you have another opportunity to purchase raffle tickets, bid on the silent auction items, buy YLI Thread and purchase Kimberly's wares. A drawing will be held for the rally day raffle basket at the end of the day. Door prizes will be drawn throughout the day. The day should end around 3 p.m.

## STITCH GROUPS

Guild members are cordially invited to join a sewing group for fellowship and stitching. We have plenty of space for new members in our groups
**Friendship Stitchers**
Meets the 1st \& 3rd Thursdays 10:00 a.m. at First Christian Church Contact: Helga Smith shops across New York State. In 2012 the event grew to include 62 participating shops. Pennsylvania came on board in 2013 for a total of 138 shops throughout the two states.

In 2014 over 1250 quilt shops participated in 34 states and Ontario. 2655 shops across the US and Canada made 2015 the biggest year so far! 2016 will be even better!

Although the quilt shops are organized by area, quilters have no borders. Travel, shop, collect patterns and add rows to your quill from anywhere!

Create a quilt using at least 8 different 2016 rows from 8 different 2016 participating RxR shops and be the first to bring it into a participating shop to win a stack of 25 fat quarters ( $6-1 / 4$ yards of fabric!). Use that shop's row in your quilt and win a bonus prize! Click here for more details.

Exclusive Fabric Plates ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ by Zebra Patterns will be available in many Row by Row quilt shops. Each one is unique! Collect a bunch to create fun projects, sewing studio wall art or even a fun backing for your quilt.

Each area has its own Facebook page. Like the page from the areas you visit to see pics of the rows, shop displays, winning quilts and fabric plate projects. Click here to find your Row by Row area!

It has been fun to get a bunch of us ladies to caravan in a day to all the shops in the DFW area to pick up the different rows. We pile in the suburban and head out early in the morning and try to hit as many as we can we stop for lunch and it has been a blast doing it all together.

June $21^{\text {st }}$ is when you can start to pick up rows at the shops. Each shop has their own license plate as well for the row by row be sure to collect those as well. Bring completed quilt into shop for prize June21-Oct 31, 2016. So, get going ladies on this unique and fun quilt.

Tammy Reidy


## Show \& Tell for May will be in next months' newsletter. Somehow Tammy never received the papers everyone filled out. If anyone picked them up please get them to Tammy.

You need to fill out a Show \& Tell form in order for your quilt to be listed in the newsletter. Write legibly please.

## Show and Tell

Date: $\qquad$ Presented by: $\qquad$
Name of Quilt: $\qquad$
Maker of Quilt: $\qquad$
Quilter (if different): $\qquad$
Description: $\qquad$


## Stencil Marking

Instead of using a marking pencil with a quilt stencil, I use a foam paintbrush. I dip it into loose chalk, and dab it over the stencil. It's really quick!
Fons \& Porter Tip: Use a chalk marker, chalk pencils, or a white mechanical pencil to mark your quilt when piecing or marking free-hand quilting designs. Use a quilt pounce for quilting stencils.

## QGOA Newsletter Ad Rates

| SIZE | $1 M O$ | $3 M O$ | 1 YR |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1/8 PAGE | $\$ 7.50$ | $\$ 22$ | $\$ 85$ |
| 1/4 PAGE | $\$ 15$ | $\$ 40$ | $\$ 150$ |
| 1/2 PAGE | $\$ 30$ | $\$ 75$ | $\$ 270$ |
| 1/2 PAGE (BACK) $\$ 40$ | $\$ 105$ | $\$ 378$ |  |
| FULL PAGE | $\$ 60$ | $\$ 150$ | $\$ 540$ |

All ads must be print ready and fit the size requirement. Ads must be received by the 15th of the month prior to the desired publication month. Email preferred. Email ad to: tammyreidy@yahoo.com Make payments to: QGOA Mail payments to: Tammy Reidy, Editor 4101 Walsh Lane Grand Prairie, TX 75052

## Churn Dash (8-1/2" unfinished block) June 2016

Fabric 1: $\quad$ Cut two (2) 4" squares for half square triangles Cut four (4) 2" x 2-1/2" rectangles

Fabric 2: $\quad$ Cut two (2) 4" squares for half square triangles Cut four (4) 2" x 2-1/2" rectangles

Fabric 3: Cut one (1) 2-1/2" square for center
Assemble half square triangles and square to 3-1/2". (Instructions for making HSTs are on the Block Party Webpage at the top of the page. The link is http://qgoa.org/blocks/BlockPartyHalfSquareTriangles.pdf).

Assemble 4 units made of one each of the rectangles.
Assemble following the diagram.

Make 1 block.


## QGOA Celebration Block



This block is to 'Celebrate' each member at our Festival of Quilts. We ask each member to make one of these 12 " blocks with your name and 'Member Since' to celebrate you and what you add to the Guild. You can personalize this block however you want - embroidery, beading, and or quilting. If you do not remember when you joined the guild just look in the directory and figure out the first guild president you remember! The blocks will be placed on the end of the standards each year.

## Makes One Twelve Inch Finished Block

Please review all instructions before making the block. Must be a light star in dark/medium background, block may be no larger than 12.5".

## Need:

1 FABRIC A -4.5" x $36^{\prime \prime}$-MEDIUM TO DARK
2 FABRIC B-2.5" x $20^{\prime \prime}$, plus 4.5" square -LIGHT that is suitable for name to be seen, no strong prints; 200 ct . muslin or plain fabric is suggested.
3 Batting -13" square
$4 \quad 13-14$ " square backing fabric
5 Binding fabric -two 40-42" widths of fabric; cut 2.5" strips, miter for one strip, double fold

## Cutting Instructions

*If you are going to heavily quilt, embellish or appliqué the block you may want to cut the pieces 4.5 "x 5 ", then square up block to 12.5". Be careful to put star points on 4.5" side.
1 Cut 8* $-4.5^{\prime \prime}$ squares of medium to dark fabric -FABRIC A If using a fat quarter, cut along short side ( 18 ") must be at least $18^{\prime \prime}$; two strips of $4.5^{\prime \prime}$. This will allow for $13^{\prime \prime}$ square for backing.
2 Cut 1*-4.5" square light fabric -FABRIC B You may wish to embroider your name and 'Member Since' line before constructing the block
3 Cut 8-2.5" squares of same light fabric-FABRIC B
4 Cut 1-13-14 " square of backing fabric, may be same as $A$ or different
5 Cut 1-13" square batting
6 Cut two (2) widths of fabric (40-42") cut 2.5" strips for binding.
Assembling Block -sew all seams with $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ accurate seam width
1 The star points are made using the stitch and flip method: Place a 2.5 " sq. of fabric B in the corner of $A$ with the right sides of the fabrics facing each other. With a pencil and ruler, mark a diagonal line on B from the corner to corner as shown. Sew on the line.


2 Trim patch $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ from sewn line. Press it gently to corner.
3 Repeat with another B patch on adjacent corner to create star points. Make total of 4 matching units for each of the star point units.
4 Join the matching units into rows with A patches as shown above; press the seams allowances toward the A's; middle row to B patch. Sew the rows together to complete the star block.

## Finish

1 Quilt the block then bind. You may embellish and quilt as desired to personalize your block! It cannot be larger than 12.5 " square, so do nothing to extend size or 'dangle' off block.
2 Sign block in at least 3/4-1" lettering in middle of center square with permanent fabric pin or embroidery. Include this line under your name: Member Since -fill in year you joined QGOA!
3 Blocks will be accepted September, 2008 ~ April, 2009. Blocks will be retained by QGOA for future exhibits.

If you have any questions call Libby McDuffie 817.483.0694 or LibbyMc137@aol.com

