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Hall County Quilters Guild



Quilt by Chris Anderson

September 2024

Upcoming Dates

September 9 – Shelly Mutch,
Stripology Rulers & Method

September 10 – Stripology
Ruler Workshop

September 23 – Project Day –
Pumpkin Patches Pt. 2

October 7 – Peace of Threads

October 21 – Project Day –
Christmas Table Topper

From Our President

It's the time of year when we need to think about Officers for the upcoming year. It really is just around the corner. For 2025, we will need to vote on our new President, Vice President, and Secretary. If you are interested in serving your guild in any of these capacities, please see Dean Ray at the meeting. He would love to talk to you about your possibilities.

I hope you are working hard on one of our ongoing projects – the Quilt A-Long, the Art Quilt Challenge, the Pumpkin Patches from Project Day, or perhaps an Eagle Ranch quilt, breast cancer pillows, or walker caddies. We try our best to keep you working on a variety of projects -- big and small.

Happy Quilting,
Bobby Martin

ATTENTION PLEASE!

A committee of several Board members has reviewed and updated our By-Laws. The current By-Laws are dated 2012, so they were a little outdated. They have been revised to better reflect the way the Guild now works.

These proposed By-Laws have been approved by the Board. They are now available to you in the *Members Only* section of the website. Please read the proposed By-Laws and be prepared to vote on them at the September Meeting.

Birthday Raffle

Don't forget to bring a gift when it's your birthday month. You might not see your gift on the day you bring it, but it will show up at a later time. Be sure to bring a gift that you would like to take home! Let's keep the Birthday Raffle full of gifts. After all, everyone loves to WIN!

PROGRAMS

The program for our September meeting will be presented by Shelly Mutch, a certified Stripology Instructor. She'll be demonstrating the rulers and how to use them to make cutting fabric for our quilts faster and easier. The following day she'll teach a workshop on "Mastering Your Stripology Rulers."

Upcoming Programs -

October - Peace of Threads, non-profit in Clarkston, helping women learn designing and sewing skills

November - Lavender/Lime, a quilt shop in Chattanooga, will be bringing some of their fabric, patterns, etc. for sale

December- Pot Luck Christmas Lunch

Margaret Johnson



FYI - Pre-cut fabric sizes

(courtesy of Patchwork Posse)

FABRIC TYPE	INCHES	CENTIMETER
MINI CHARM SQUARES	2.5 X 2.5	6.36 cm X 6.36 cm
CHARM SQUARES	5 X 5	12.7 cm X 12.7 cm
JELLY ROLLS	2.5 X 42	6.35 cm X 106.6 cm
LAYER CAKE SQUARES	10 X 10	25.4 cm X 25.4 cm
HONEY BUN	1.5 X 42	5.35 cm X 106.6 cm
DESSERT ROLL	5 X 42	12.7 cm X 106.6 cm
TURNOVER TRIANGLES	6	15.24 cm
HONEYCOMB HEXAGONS	6	15.24 cm
FAT EIGHTH	9 X 21	22.86 cm X 53.3 cm
FAT EIGHTH	11 X 18	28 cm X 45.7 cm
FAT QUARTER	18 X 21	45.7 cm X 53.3 cm
QUARTER YARD	9 X 44	22.86 cm X 112 cm
HALF YARD	18 X 44	45.7 cm X 112 cm
ONE YARD	36 X 44	91.4 cm X 112 cm

EAGLE RANCH

We will have some kits for you to check out at our next Guild meeting. We are mainly sticking to making boy quilts for awhile to build up our stock for next summer's donation to Eagle Ranch.

We slowed down on longarming during the summer so as our longarmers had a summer break, but they will be picking up again. So be patient and you will see your quilt come back for binding soon. Thanks for all of your efforts making these beautiful quilts.

There's still time to take the
Art Quilt Challenge!



BIRTHDAY ART QUILT CHALLENGE

This must be an original quilt (no patterns, please) and should represent something from your birth month. It can be about your birthday, another event in that month, a memorable trip you took that month, etc. The size must be between 16" x 16" and 18" x 18". Quilts should be finished by the October guild meeting.

Feel free to contact me if you need help or have questions.
Frances Allen

February Retreat

We have 25 spaces for our quilt retreat and the fees will be collected in October. Fees are slightly higher this year - \$260 for a double or \$340 for a single. Don't miss out on all the fun!

WELCOME

New Members!



New Member Tassel

When you get together for a monthly meeting, project day, or any other guild event, take a look around. Do you see an unfamiliar face? If there is a tassel attached to the person's name tag, they are a new member. The new member packet now includes a tassel; when you see one, make sure to extend a warm welcome to the person. Say hello, invite them to sit with you, answer any questions. If you are a new member and would like a tassel, pick one up at the membership table.

Marie Pasternak
Membership



SEPTEMBER *birthdays!*

9/8 Peggy Creighton

9/10 Pat Morgan

9/14 Sharon Weir

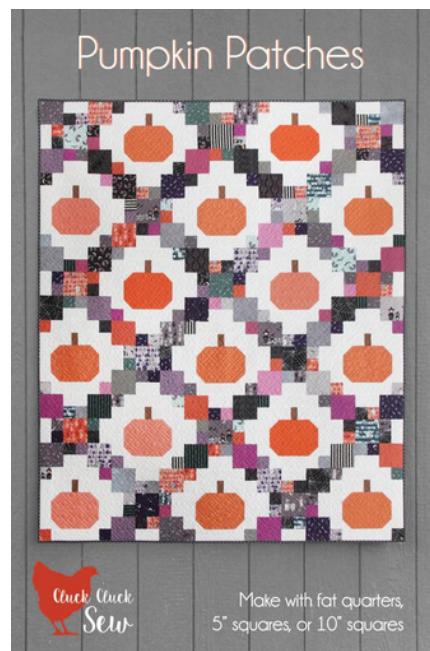
9/17 Faye Curlee

9/19 Lisa Vieira

9/21 Cheryl Cutchin

PROJECT DAY

The September Project Days will continue with Part 2 of the Pumpkin Patches pattern (as shown below). Please contact Lisa Vieira regarding purchasing the pattern so that you can join us in Project Day Sew Along. You can also work on your own projects!



Sisters BOM QAL Layout Diagrams and Finishing Instructions

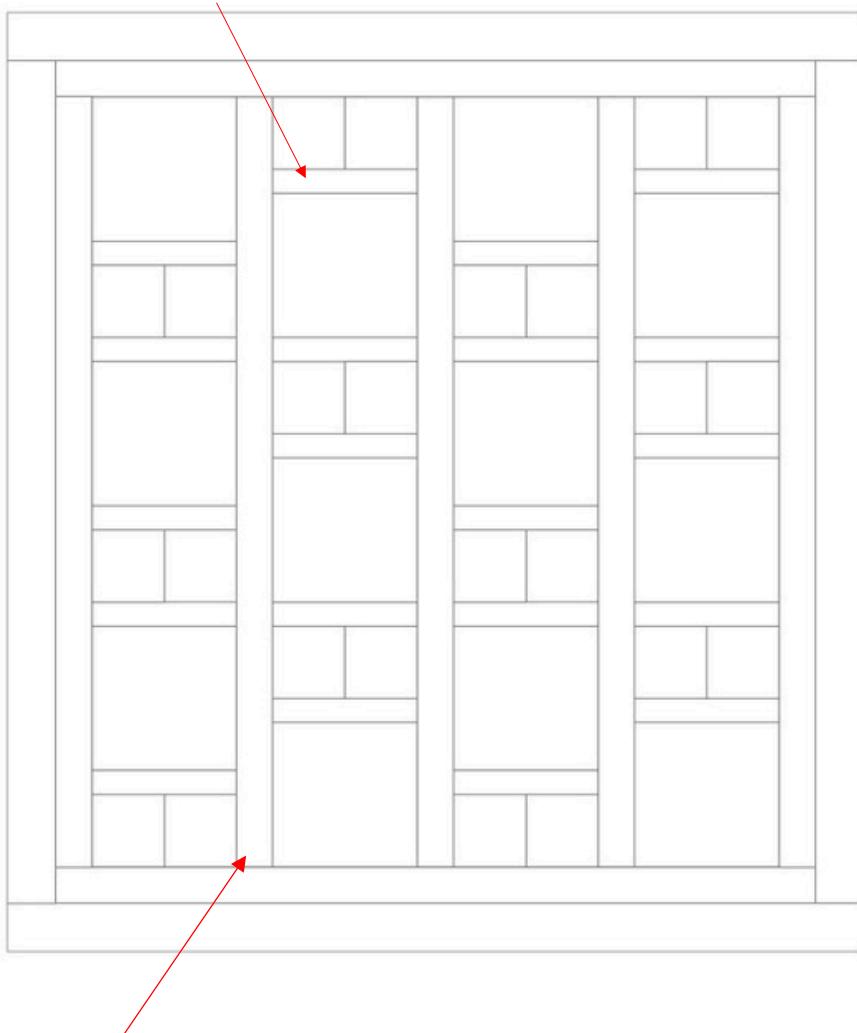
Abigail Dolinger, 2020

Quilt Size: 71" x 78"

Block Sizes: 12" and 6" finished (which is 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished)

Number of Blocks: 12 12" blocks and 12 6" blocks

Sashing within the columns between blocks: **Cut 20 sashing strips 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ "**



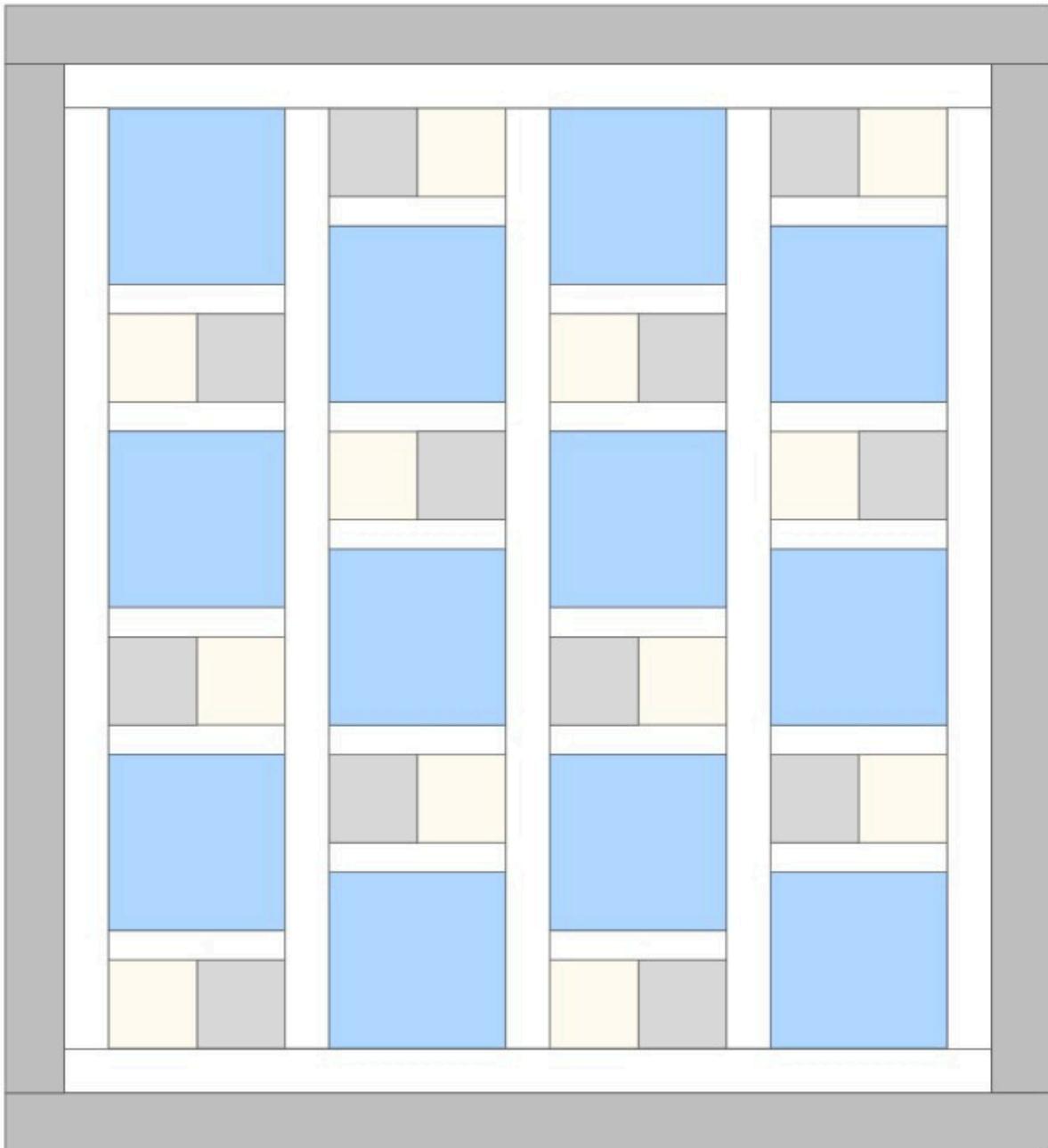
Sashing between the 4 columns: **Cut 3 sashing strips 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 64 $\frac{1}{2}$ "** **Inner Border:** Light background fabric, 3" *finished*, Cut 2 strips 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 64 $\frac{1}{2}$ " for sides and cut 2 strips 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 63 $\frac{1}{2}$ " for top and bottom **Outer Border:** Print, 4" *finished*, **Note:** you may wish to cut wider border strips Cut 2 strips 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ " for sides and cut 2 strips 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 71 $\frac{1}{2}$ " for top and bottom

This diagram shows the placement of the "Sisters" patchwork blocks

The large blue squares are the 12" patchwork blocks.

The small gray squares are the 6" patchwork blocks.

Fill the 12 spots indicated by the adjacent cream-colored 6" squares with very light-colored prints, simple patchwork blocks like Four Patches, or additional background fabric. **Cut 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares.**



Instructions for Finishing the “Sisters” Quilt

Place the 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " patchwork blocks and 6" plain blocks according to the layout diagram on a large design surface (wall, bed, or floor). Move the blocks around paying attention to the distribution of colors throughout the quilt. **Note:** It is not necessary to place the “little sister” blocks near the corresponding “big sisters.”

Assemble the quilt as vertical columns rather than horizontal rows. First add sashing *within* the columns, then add sashing *between* the columns.

For each of the 4 columns:

Pair and sew each 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " “little sister” block to its adjacent plain 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Sew 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " sashing strips of background fabric between the 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " blocks and the 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " pairs.

Each column should measure 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 64 $\frac{1}{2}$." *If the length is a bit different, adjust the length of the sashing between the columns accordingly.*

Measure, pin and sew 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 64 $\frac{1}{2}$ " background fabric strips *between* the 4 columns of patchwork blocks.

Inner Border:

Measure, pin and sew 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 64 $\frac{1}{2}$ " background fabric strips to the sides of the quilt.

Measure, pin and sew 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 63 $\frac{1}{2}$ " background fabric strips to the top and bottom of the quilt.

Outer Border:

Measure, pin and sew 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ " print fabric strips to the sides of the quilt.

Measure, pin and sew 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 71 $\frac{1}{2}$ " print fabric strips to the top and bottom of the quilt.

Finishing:

Quilt: Press quilt well. Layer with backing and batting. Baste and quilt as desired.

Binding: Cut 8 strips 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide. Join into one long strip with diagonal seams. Press seam allowances open. Fold strip in half, right sides out, lengthwise and press.

Align raw edges of the binding with raw edges of the quilt. Sew binding to quilt, mitering corners. Flip the folded edge of the binding to the other side of the quilt, covering the batting. Hand or machine stitch binding in place.

HALL COUNTY QUILT GUILD MEETING MINUTES – August 5, 2024

Meeting called to order at 9:50 AM

Margaret Johnson introduced our speaker, Patty Murphy, from the Atlanta area. Patty showed us some beautiful quilts and all the ways you can use the scraps from that quilt. She has also created quilt patterns and written books. Her newest book will be out soon and you can pre-order.

Break

Welcome by Margaret Johnson

July minutes were approved; motion by Becky Munteanu, seconded by Chris Anderson.

The treasurer's report is on the website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership – Marie Pasternak

- Today's attendance: 41, 3 guests.

Welcome – Trisha Brisbois

- Drawing was held for 3 members and 2 guests.

Eagle Ranch – Jenny Thomas

- Has more kits available; also has 4 to be quilted.
- The quilt that has been missing has been found!

Community Service – Sandy Pomper

- She has comfort pillow and seat belt kits. They have received lots of finished walker caddies and will be delivering them soon.

Project Day – Lisa Vieira

- August 19 & September 23 – Pumpkin Patches. Contact Lisa for the pattern.

Sunshine – Mary Payne

- Sent 2 cards this past month. Please let her know if you want her to send a card to someone.

Newsletter & Website – Jenny Grandfield/Debbie Dill

- Membership list has been updated & is in the "members only" section of the website.

Programs – Margaret Johnson

- September - Shelly Mutch, certified Stripology Teacher. The stripology ruler workshop is full.
- October – Peaces of Threads, a non-profit organization
- November – Lavender Lime
- December – Pot luck luncheon
- All programs have been booked for 2025; thanks to Dean Ray & Susan Steele for their assistance.

OTHER REPORTS:

Pet beds – Chris Anderson

- Chris has received a carload of pet beds but has more covers available for stuffing or you can make your own. Chris explained how to make the beds.

Quilts for Kids – Lisa Vieira

- Kits are available.
- They are 350 quilts away from their big goal of delivering 10,000 quilts before Christmas. Children's Healthcare is moving into a new facility so the need for quilts will be even greater.

Block of the Month – Lindsey Martin

- Last blocks are in the newsletter. Assembly instructions will follow.

Challenge – Frances Allen

- There are at least 20 people who have said they are in the process of creating a challenge quilt. Show & tell will be at the October meeting.

Reminders:

- If you brought something for the free table and it is still there, you must take it home.

Birthday Raffle – Sharon Weir

Show & Tell

Joyce Pinson announced that a lady in the Cleveland area is liquidating all her quilting/sewing supplies, including machines. The sale will be this coming weekend.

Trisha Brisbois explained to visitors how the various service groups work by creating kits so you can easily make something to benefit them.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances Allen
HCQG Secretary