

CHURN DASH

Hall County Quilters Guild

October 2024



Quilt by Betty Conoly

From Our President

Fall is in the air! The cooler mornings and leaves falling certainly give me ideas of Fall quilts to snuggle up with. So let's see what you can come up with. Grab some fabrics from your stash -- yellows, oranges, browns, and greens -- and make something for yourself or to give to a friend. If you need some ideas, look at our list of websites to get a good start.

We are still looking for a few of you to fill in our upcoming openings on the Board (starting in March 2025). Be sure to talk to Dean Ray if you are interested in serving your guild.

Our annual retreat is coming in February! Get your checks to me at the October meeting to reserve your space. See the newsletter for more details.

Happy Quilting,
Bobby Martin

Upcoming Dates

- October 7 – “Peace of Thread” with Stephanie Marbut and Denise Smith
- October 21 – Project Day – Christmas Table Runner
- November 4 – Lavender+Lime Quilt Shop owner, Kathy Skomp
- November 18 – Project Day – Charity Sew



PROGRAMS

Our October meeting will feature Stephanie Marbut and Denise Smith, from Peace of Thread, a non-profit organization that empowers women who have come to the US seeking refuge from war, persecution, and poverty to make a new life for themselves and their families. Their "Artisan Threaders" make high quality, one-of-a-kind purses and accessories using designer repurposed fabrics and embellishments. You can find more information at <https://www.peaceofthread.com>.

Coming up:

November - Lavender+Lime Quilt Shop owner, Kathy Skomp, Chattanooga TN

December - Christmas Celebration, with Potluck Luncheon, a "Parade" of members' Christmas quilts, table runners, ornaments, etc - be sure to bring your favorite to show! We will also have the Birthday Raffle!

Margaret Johnson



Birthday Raffle

Don't forget to bring a gift when it's your birthday month. (We are even having the Birthday Raffle in December so you folks don't have to bring one early.) 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!

BIRTHDAY ART

QUILT CHALLENGE

Did you take the challenge? If so, please bring your art quilt project, whether it is finished or not! We can't wait to see the creativity of our group! Quilts will be shown at this October meeting.

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.

If you have been given a quilt to bind, be sure to complete it, bring it to Show & Tell, and turn it in to Peggy. Thanks for all you do to provide quilts for the children at Eagle Ranch.

February 2025 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. The retreat will be February 10-14 at the FFA-FCCLA camp in Covington, GA. Don't miss out on all the fun!



WELCOME

New Members!

We continue to have new members join our Guild! Isn't it great to have new people and new ideas? If you see someone you don't know, say hello, and welcome them!

Even if they aren't a new member, you'll be meeting someone new!

Dawn Matthieu

Nancy Bates

OCTOBER *birthdays!*

- 10/1 Bobby Martin
- 10/2 Frances Allen
- 10/2 Melanie Coffman
- 10/2 Mary Lowrey
- 10/9 Jenny Grandfield
- 10/14 Jeanne Bond
- 10/16 Nancy Bates
- 10/21 Shirley Bennett
- 10/26 Mavis Rosbach
- 10/31 Debbie Dill



One of our members sent in this idea for a portable design board



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6FT Single Panel Rolling Room Divider, Partition Privacy Screens with Wheels, Freestanding Fabric Room Panel, Portable Wall Divider for Office, Room, Restaurant, Hospital (Beige)



Look on Amazon if you want to try this out.

Where Do You Go For Ideas?

Here are some great places to go for ideas, patterns, organizing tips, how-to videos and more:

Krista Moser - The Quilted Life
<https://www.kristamoser.com/info-graphics>

Why Join a Quilt Along? Because Quilting Alone is So Outdated!
https://www.brigitteheitland.de/blog/why-pal?mc_cid=ab8510db0a&mc_eid=785393c463

Leslie - The Seasoned Homemaker
<https://www.seasonedhomemaker.com/>

Gudren Erla - Stripology and more
<https://gequiltdesigns.com/collections/all>

Good location for free patterns and information sheets - see below for some examples of www.patchworkposse.com

...and don't forget your local quilt stores for your fabric and classes!!!!

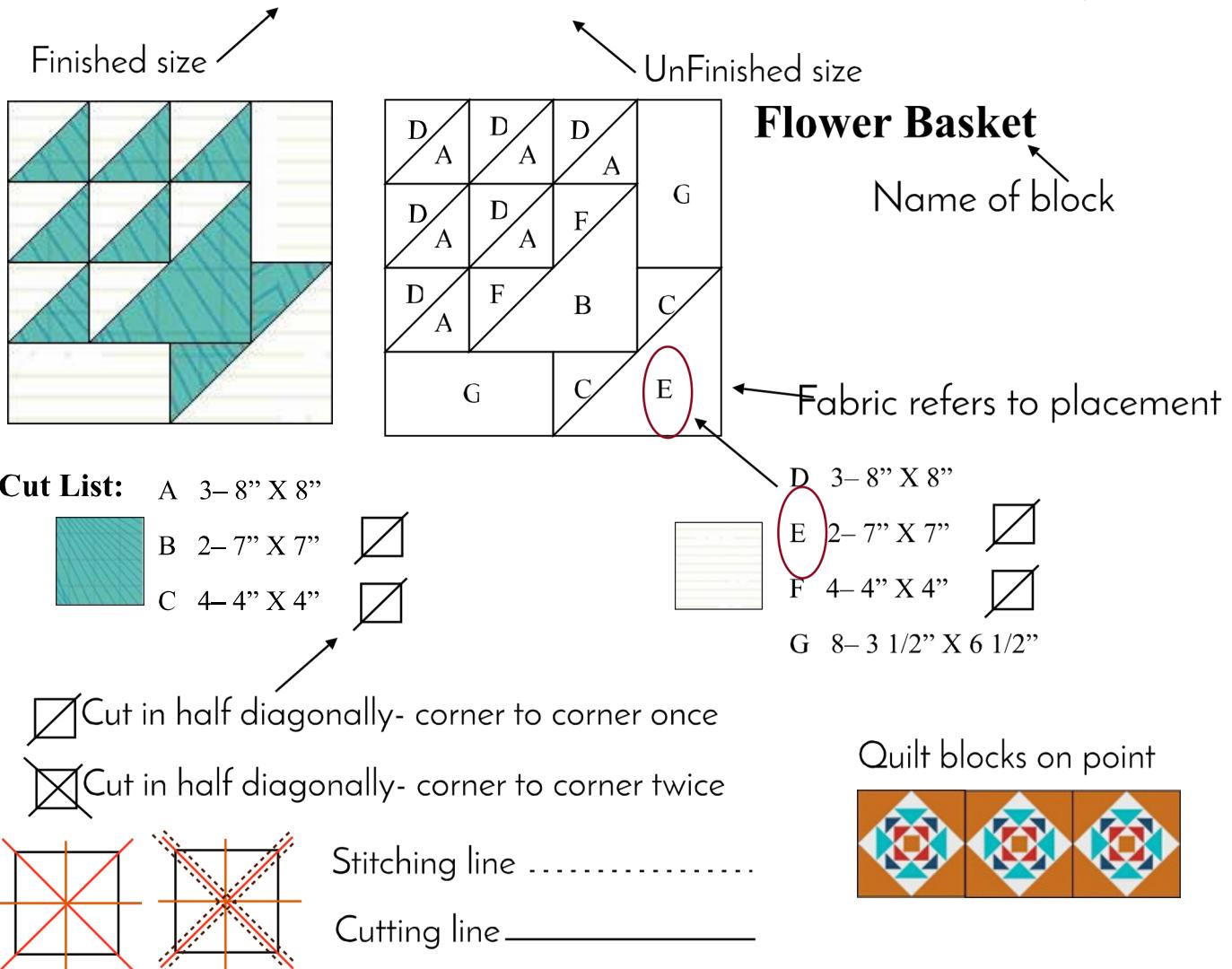
Quilt Sizes (from www.Patchworkposse.com)

BED SIZE	MATTRESS SIZE	QUILT SIZE	BATTING SIZE
CRIB	27 X 52	36 X 54	45 X 60
TWIN	39 X 75	54 X 90	81 X 96
FULL	54 X 75	72 X 90	90 X 108
QUEEN	60 X 80	90 X 108	120 X 120
KING	76 X 80	108 X 108	120 X 120

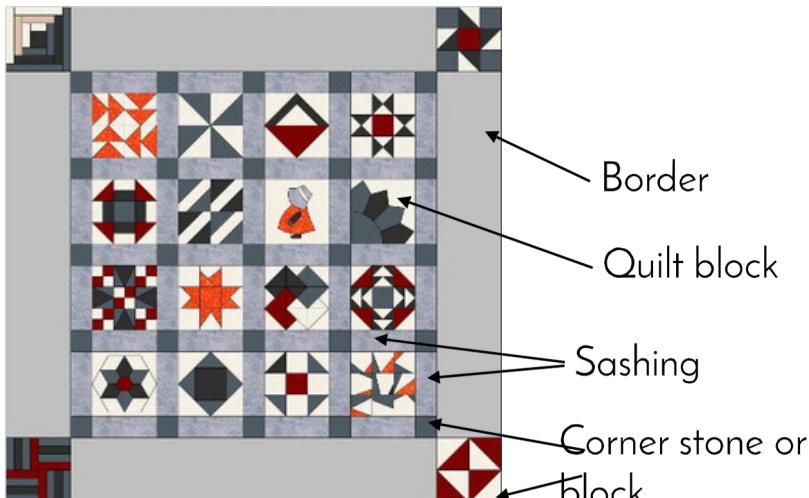
READING A QUILT PATTERN

(from www.Patchworkposse.com)

BLOCK SIZE 24 INCHES (24.5 INCHES WITH SEAM ALLOWANCES)



Quilt top



FQ = fat quarter

FMQ = free motion quilting

WOF = width of fabric

BOM = block of the month

OP = orphan project

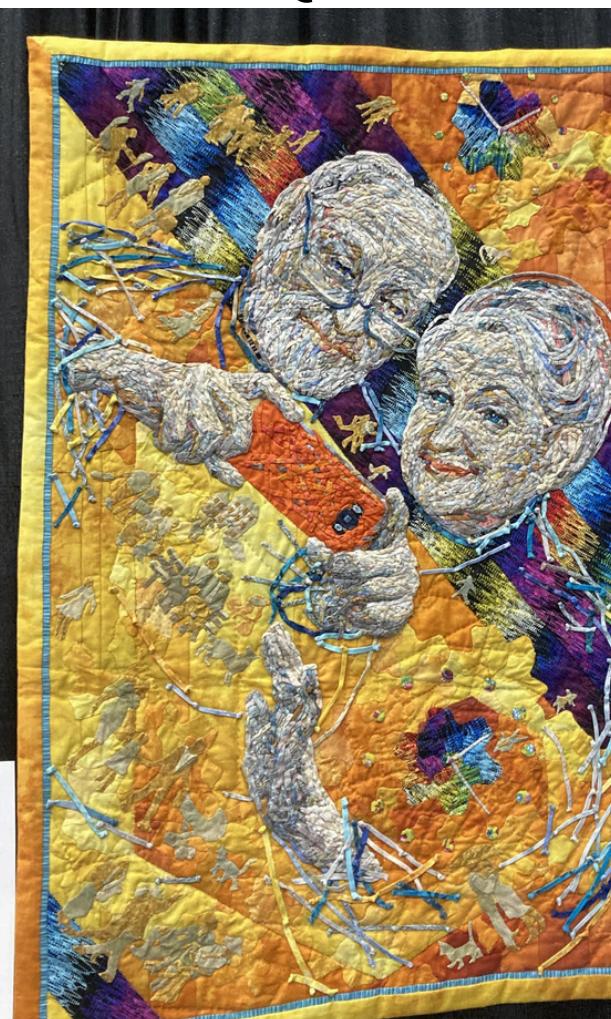
UFO = unfinished object

WIP = work in progress

WST = wrong sides together



From the Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Quilt Show -- thanks to Dean Ray



Quilts from Ukraine: Natalia Lashko and Illia Lashko

Love Ukraine With All Your Heart: Examples of the Straw Weaving Technique

This collection comprises artistic quilts and straw embroidery. All quilts are handcrafted and feature original designs. Ideas stem from various sources, resulting in each piece being crafted in a unique style. The creators hold a profound love for Ukraine; their creations are inspired by beloved Ukrainian folk songs and folklore, particularly from the region of Podillia.

The concept of embroidering with textile straws emerged from the straw-thread embroidery technique, revitalized by a family of artists. This led to an unexpected and captivating visual and tactile outcome, akin to mosaic and painting effects, largely borne from chance. This technique allows for ample improvisation. The quilts are enhanced by appliquéd and quilted textures, yielding distinctive light and texture effects. Illia Lashko combines patchwork with straw embroidery in quilts.

Even amidst conflict, our quilt

HALL COUNTY QUILT GUILD MEETING MINUTES – September 9, 2024

Meeting called to order at 9:50 AM

Margaret Johnson introduced our speaker, Shelly Munch, certified Stripology instructor. She showed many quilts she has made using only the Stripology rulers for cutting. Shelly also explained how each of the rulers can be used. A workshop will follow on Tuesday.

Break

Welcome by Bobby Martin

July minutes were approved; motion by Susan Steele, seconded by Carol Johnson.

The treasurer's report is on the website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Eagle Ranch – Peggy Johnson

- Has more kits available for boys; no girl quilts are needed.
- Co-chair, Jenny Thomas, is recuperating from a fall.

Membership – Marie Pasternak

- Today's attendance: 44, 2 new members and 1 guest.

Programs – Margaret Johnson

- October – Peaces of Threads, a non-profit organization
- November – Lavender Lime
- December – Pot luck luncheon

Project Day –

- September 23 – Finish the Pumpkin Patches quilt.

Community Service – Connie Murphy

- She has comfort pillow, seat belt cushion and walker caddy kits.
- Connie received a thank-you letter from the Northeast Georgia Health System Foundation.

Newsletter & Website – Jenny Grandfield/Debbie Dill

- If you have anything to include in the newsletter, please send it to hcqg.newsletter@gmail.com
- Be sure to read the newsletter; there may be a surprise

Sunshine – Mary Payne

- Sent 5 cards this past month. Please let her know if you want her to send a card to someone.

Retreat – Bobby Martin

- February 11-14, 2025 at the FFA Camp. Double room is \$260/person; 2 single rooms are available at \$340/each
- Signup will be in October

Welcome – Trisha Brisbois

- Drawing was held for 3 members, 2 new members and 2 guests.

OTHER REPORTS:

Birthday Challenge – Frances Allen

- Finished quilts are due at the October meeting
- Bring your quilt for show & tell

Pet beds – Chris Anderson

- Chris has received lots of pet beds, sheets & towels to take to the Humane Society. She will not be at the October meeting.

Quilts for Kids – Betty Wright

- Kits are available.
- They have started a new program and will need more baby quilts..

Block of the Month – Lindsey Martin

- Lindsay showed her finished quilt top.

By-laws Revision

- A committee was formed to revise the By-laws from 2012. The revision was approved by the Executive Committee at their August meeting. The revision was posted in the member section of the last newsletter and was approved at this general guild meeting by a show of hands.
- Election of officers will be in early 2025. We will need a President (2 years), Vice President (1 year) and Secretary (2 years).

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:05.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances Allen
HCQG Secretary