

July 2015 Newsletter

Quilters By The Sea Guild

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Our next meeting is on **Monday, July 27th, 2015**, 7:00pm
First Christian Church, 2035 Oleander Dr, Wilmington, NC
*If New Hanover Co schools are closed due to inclement weather
on meeting nights then the guild will **NOT** meet.

Future meeting dates: Aug 24, **Sept 21 is the *3rd Monday**, Oct 26, Nov 23,
December- no meeting, we have our holiday party, generally held on
the first Monday in Dec.



From the desk of the President

Greetings,

Hope everyone is having a great summer. I, myself, am looking forward to the fall when it is not so hot. The AC in my sewing room is not working, so no sewing going on in there. I am working on my granddaughter's Grandmother's Flower Garden that I started 3 years ago, doing it all by hand. What we will do for our grandkids!!!! We are now a pet-less family. Our cat, Esmeralda, that we had for 19 years passed away in June. She was blind and deaf. She is so much better off in cat heaven, but it is lonely around here without her. I see pets on the horizon.

Guild business is going well. We have several workshops planned. Make sure you sign up for them. Dianne is doing a great job on programs. Looking forward to the projects for the July meeting. The committee for the BAC is making great headway. Looks like a good partnership for the showing of some quilts. Lynn Flaherty and her committee are working on the retreat for January of 2016. She will talk about it at the July meeting - sounds exciting.

Day of Sharing is coming up in New Bern You will be able to sign up at the July and August meetings. The cost is \$6.00. PLEASE BRING THE CORRECT AMOUNT AS I WILL NOT HAVE CHANGE FOR LARGE BILLS. Or you can write a check.

Our raffle quilt has been made and is at the long arm quilter. We will reveal it at the Christmas party or at the meeting in November if there is no Christmas party. Mary Ann Kotas and Ruth Humphrey took advantage of the quilt retreat in Tabor City. Hope they will be able to report back to us at the July meeting. Congratulations to Marie Ann Coadic for her win at the NQA 46th Annual Quilt show in Little Rock. She won a special award for Exemplary Appliqué for her quilt "Now I Know My ABC's" and also placed 2nd in Appliquéd quilt - Medium.

Karen Smith and the nominating committee are working to get a slate of officers for next year. Please consider volunteering when she asks you. It is a great way to meet new people and to know the inner workings of the guild.

I hope you are participating in the Row by Row program that the quilt shops are doing. I have two and hope to get several more. See a road trip coming with my bee. Looking forward to seeing you on the 27th.

Ann

Checklist for July Meeting

- Name Tag (or 25 cents fine)
- Library Books
- Show & Tell
- Block-of-the-Month
- Neo-Natal Quilts
- Canned Goods
- Chemo Scarves
- Dollar Bills for Raffle
- Free Stuff



Meeting Programs

Thank you to all for your patience at this past month's meeting – room was hot, our speaker had an emergency and could not make it, I forgot to bring her phone numbers (*lesson learned for me!!*), and so many members left at break! A big thank you to those that stuck it out, especially our visitors and new members!!

I am happy to report that Jan Beyma's husband is home doing much better. He had collapsed at home the afternoon of our meeting. As Jan was getting him to the hospital, his heart failed. Needless to say, he was admitted and stayed in the hospital for 4 days. I understand he got to drive the car a short distance this past week!! Progress is in those little things, isn't it? And Jan has graciously agreed to come to our August meeting and do her Basket presentation.

July: Our Christmas in July demonstrations will be our program. There are 4 different stations to visit for about 15 minutes each. The presenters will give you a handout with instructions, have samples and show how it make and use their items. This should be fun, and maybe jump start some of us to start thinking about Christmas gifts. Be sure to bring a pen in case you want to make additional notes as they talk.

And in following the Christmas theme, do you have any Christmas quilts that you could share for Show and Tell??

August: Jan Beyma will be our speaker. Jan is a basket maker and teacher. She is from Wilmington and a member of the Port City Basketmakers Guild and the NC Basketmakers Association. She has taught several classes for us in the past and we are looking to have another basket class with her this fall. Baskets and quilts just seem to go together, so I hope you will enjoy this presentation.

Some of you brought "basket" quilts for Show and Tell in June, but could we do that in August as well?? I think Jan would love to see some as well. Also check the date for Jan's basket class – it is a nice small Nantucket style basket that can be easily converted into a pin cushion or used as is for small items. It will be a lot of fun!! So come and join us!!

Rest of the Year:

For October, Pat Mattison has agreed to set up a "Quilt War"!! We will have a couple of teams – main quilter and 1 or 2 assistants in each – who will be given a Quilt theme, set of guidelines, and mandatory-to-use fabrics. They will then have a set amount of time to make a quilt in our meeting!! We will get to watch as they go through the process. Best quilt wins a nice prize!! Several of us have seen variations of this done, and it is hilarious!! Pat will tell us more at the July meeting, and be looking for contestants!!

Working on the "wool" program!! If you have a strong desire for a specific topic, please let me know. We are always looking for ideas! Remember, if I do not hear from you, you will just get stuff I like!!

Christmas Party: Would someone or group like to host the party this year? It's never too late thinking about it. *Someone please think about it!!!*

Please share your thoughts!! You can reach me at: deputnam@charter.net. Thanks, Dianne Putnam



Workshop News

Habitat Workshop

A workshop for habitat quilts will be held on Saturday, August 8, at the Cape Fear Hosp. on Wrightsville Ave. The workshop will run from 9:00 until 2:00.

Please come and help us get some quilts for these new homeowners. This means a great deal to them when they get this quilt at their dedication. Hope to see you there. Barbara Sieme

❖❖❖ QBTS BOM 2015 ❖❖❖

You will be constructing 2 blocks each month. One you will bring to our guild meeting for the raffle drawing, and one you will keep for your own "My Quilting Journey" quilt. Your hostess, Vonda Witherspoon

The block is at the bottom of the newsletter



QUILTS OF VALOR

See **Kirsta or Miranda** at the guild meeting if you need ideas, or use the national block posted in many recent newsletters. Here is a link for the official QOV website: www.qovf.org/content/qov-national-sew-day-2014.html and their Facebook page: www.facebook.com/quiltsofvalorfoundation



The Poplar Grove Bee that meets on Wednesday mornings is open and would like to encourage new members to join us. We meet at about 10:30 a.m. at Poplar Grove above the barn in what is called the kitchen, and are there until about 12:30p.m. From there we go to meet at a local restaurant for lunch. The bee members work independently on their own projects. The cost for this bee is \$50 per person per year - the fee is a donation to Poplar Grove and is tax deductible. For more information, please call Angela Bridger, [910-686-6719](tel:910-686-6719)

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Charges for ads are as follows: Business card Size- \$5.00; 1/4 page-\$7.50; 1/2 page-\$10.00 and Full Page-\$20.00. Charges will be doubled for non-members or businesses. Please send your ad copy via email to: gbts.guild@gmail.com Payment can be made via check to QTBS and mailed to: QBTS, PO Box 955, Wilmington NC 28402 Or, can be handed in at the meetings to the treasurer.



Upcoming Events

♥ **June 21 - September 8, 2015 Row By Row Experience** ***Our area quilt shops are participating!*
www.rowbyrowexperience.com <https://www.facebook.com/NCRowbyRowExperience>

August 6-8, 2015 The Mountain Piecemakers Quilt Show Town Center, 6 S Main St, Burnsville, NC 28714
www.mountainpiecemakers.blogspot.com

♥ **August 8, 2015 Workshop to make** habitat quilts at the Cape Fear Hospital on Wrightsville Ave.
The workshop will run from 9:00 until 2:00. Contact Barb Sieme for more info: jbsieme@bellsouth.net

August 14-15, 2015 Lake Norman Quilters Quilt Show and Exhibition Talbert Recreation Center 210 Talbert Pointe Drive, Mooresville, NC 28117 www.lakenormanquilters.com

August 15, 2015 High Point Quilt and Vendor Show YMCA 150 W Hartley Dr, High Point, NC 27265
hpquiltguild@gmail.com

August 21-23, 2015 A Celebration of Quilts - www.andersonscquilters.com
Civic Center, 3027 Martin Luther King Blvd., Anderson, South Carolina

♥ **Saturday, August 29th** QBTS Neo-Natal Workshop



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QBTS Guild Outreach Projects

Baby Hats Please make hats 6" or less from top to bottom to fit babies in nursery. They need to be pink or blue. (All sizes are needed at present time.) If you need yarn, please let me know. I do have some patterns also. Than you. Check our website for directions. (Betty Flavin)

Bereavement Sets for the hospital. 18 x 18" square blanket, either knitted or crocheted, and a matching hat in any PASTEL color or WHITE for stillborn babies or babies who expire at birth or shortly after. Two per month on average are used. (Betty Flavin)

Chemo Scarves for cancer patients. The pattern is on the website. (Amy Brassard)

Flag Donations Old flags collected to be placed on the caskets of veterans before cremation. (Jan Jacobson)

Food Drive Each month we bring non-perishable food items that are given to Mother Hubbard's Cupboard (Bev Cochran) Federal Point Help Center (Anne Hope Marvin) and St. Mary's Tileston Outreach (Mary Ann Kotas) on a rotating basis.

Habitat for Humanity Quilts Quilts for new homeowners. (Barb Sieme)

Neo-Natal Quilts for babies on the neonatal unit (Carolyn Baker & Anne Freeling)

Quilts of Valor and Wounded Warrior Quilts (Kirsta Meadows)

*It is important to remember that participation in these activities is voluntary.

Symposium Finance Committee:

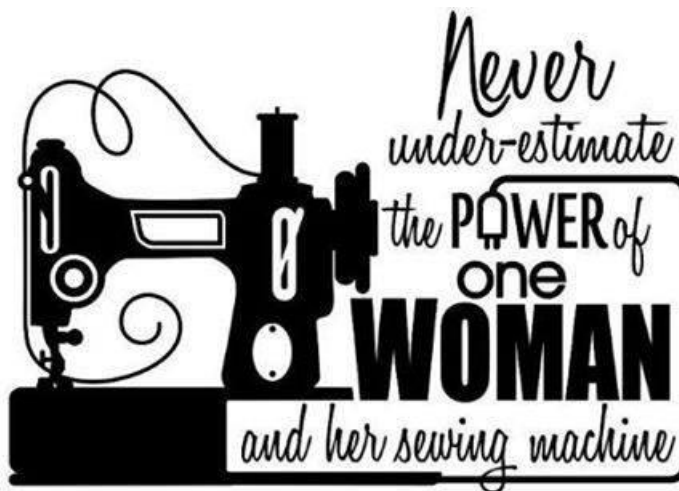
Cindy Marzac (2015), Amy Brassard (2015), Miranda Dungan (2015, 2016), Dianne Putnam (2015, 2016)

Members at large: Margie Carano, Linda Sherrill, Marion Martin



Committees

Habitat Quilts- Barb Sieme / Beekeeper- Angela Bridger 686-6719 / B.O.M.- Vonda Witherspoon 599-8566 / Community Outreach- Lise King 763-5564 / Historian- Vonda Witherspoon 599-8566 / Neonatal- Carolyn Baker 383-6682 & Anne Freeling 383-1427 / Librarian- Donna Bergman 371-2613 / Raffle Coordinator- Any Brassard 793-3496 & Candy Smith 452-9217 / Sunshine Lady- RoseMarie Dalby 371-6504 / Workshops- Miranda Dungan 547-0601 & Julie Brewer 791-1712 / Retreat: Lynn Flaherty 910-523-5517



Free Bees



FREE patterns & tutorials from the web. Here are a couple:



[FABRIC BASKET](#)



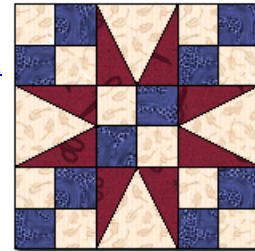
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Fifty-Four Forty or Fight!

<http://quilterscache.com/F/FiftyFourFortyorFightBlock.html>

"54-40' or Fight!" was the 1844 campaign slogan of James Polk, and referred to the joint control of the border at 54-40' (by the United States and British Canada)



This makes a 12" block!
Please abide by the Terms and Conditions of use! :o)
Oct 1999 Marcia Hohn

** Supplies List **



Color 1 Blue needs: one 2-1/2" x 25" strip

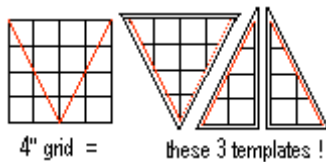


Color 2 Red needs: one 6" x 20" strip



Color 3 White needs: one 5" x 20" strip AND one 2-1/2" x 25" strip

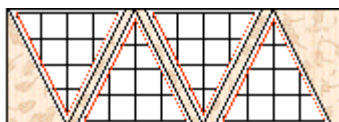
** Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block **



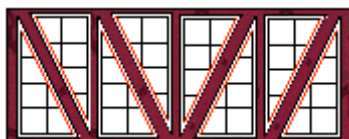
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these 3 templates !

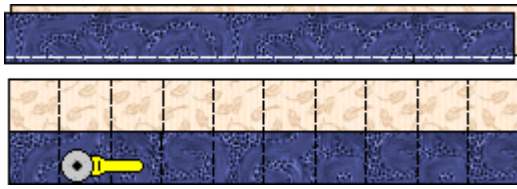
Welcome to Making Templates101! First make a four inch grid. (or use 1" ruled graph paper) Draw a line connecting the top left corner to the mid bottom point. Make another line from the mid bottom point to the upper right corner. Cut out the 3 sections and lay these on your chosen template material (Mylar, cardboard, etc)...**ADD 1/4 inch on all sides....**and cut out your templates!



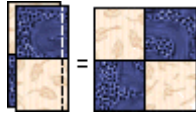
Start by laying your large triangle template atop the Color 3 5" x 20" strip. Trace around it once, then flip, trace, flip, trace, flip, trace, until you have four base triangles. Cut these out, using a rotary cutter and ruler...



Then lay your left side triangle template on the Color 2 6" x 20" strip, trace around it. Flip, trace, flip, trace, flip and trace to give you four of that side triangle. Then lay on the right side triangle template and do the same, trace, flip, trace, flip, trace, flip and trace to get four of those. Cut out, using a rotary cutter and ruler...

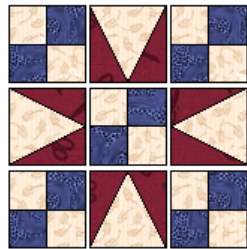
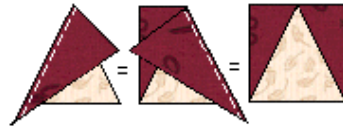


Next, sew the Color 1 and Color 3 2-1/2" x 25" strips together along one long edge, right sides together, and pressing seam allowances towards darker fabric. Mark and cut apart at 2-1/2" intervals....



To make the four patch units, flip one of the Color1/Color 3 combos, and sew together using a 1/4" seam. Make 5 of these units.

Now place a Color 2 side triangle atop a Color 3 base triangle, right sides together and slant edges aligned. Sew, using a 1/4" seam. Press the seam allowance towards the large center triangle. Repeat with another triangle opposite that one as shown. Make four of these...



Then put the block together, first by making rows, and then by sewing the rows together, alternating seam pressing directions by row...Another one bites the dust....Another notch in the old scissors handle.... :o)

Here is what several blocks together will look like set with a blender block.

