



# COMMON THREADS

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## Newsletter of the Quilters Guild of Plano

Hi Everyone –

It's hard to believe that almost a year has passed by since I became president. It's been a very busy year.....mostly gratifying with a few frustrations. I have not been able to get to the various small groups to visit with you.....to see where you would like the guild to be in future years.....to encourage you do what you love in making the guild be a better organization. At the same time, I see so many of you turning out such wonderful quilts that I know you must be loving what you are doing and I hope we are encouraging you with great programs and workshops. I'm happy to have the opportunity to spend another year as president and see what progress we can continue to make.

Thank you also to the board who has served so well this year. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you also to all the people working as committee chairs. It's been a great team.

Now we have to focus on Quilt Plano 2009. It will be here before we know it. I hope all of you are working on and finishing your entries. I still have quilting to do on one I hope to enter. And I have two mini's in the works that I plan to turn in this next month. Also, this year we are going to offer the vendors the chance to do a demonstration of either a technique or product. Please make an effort to go by to watch these demonstrations. It will give you a few minutes to rest and will support the vendors in their efforts.

We have some great vendors who will be at the show. And for the first time, we have a very long waiting list of vendors who would like to be in the show. Obviously, I work with the vendors for the show committee, so I get my plugs in early. Sherry Worley and I will need more people helping us with vendor support in order to help with the demonstrations. It's a great way to meet most of them. Please let me know if you can help out with vendors.

Happy Quilting.....Donna

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[www.quiltersguildofplano.org](http://www.quiltersguildofplano.org)

Prez Sezs –

Germaine showed off the mini quilts and purses donated for our Quilt Plano 2009 this past month.

They are wonderful. But we need lots more.

Please keep making them and turning them in. Then volunteer to take our beautiful raffle quilt to shops or guilds to sell raffle tickets. This money makes it possible to get the wonderful speakers we have.

Barbara Collins– please see me at the May meeting to get your black and white fat quarter for reading the newsletter and attending the meeting.

#### May Birthdays:

Sabine Watts	5/1
Pat Skwarek	5/3
Janet Plotkin	5/4
Crisann Skinner	5/5
Sandy Buttine	5/8
Cindy Schnick	5/9
Deni Schwendiman	5/9
Emily McCracken	5/11
Susan Gordon	5/12
Becky Woods	5/12
Marsha Erickson	5/13
Linda Hueston	5/15
Cindy Kingston	5/15
Tracy Spruell	5/16
Joan McGee	5/19
Kathy Olsen	5/19
Sharon Ellis	5/21
Barbara Kauffman	5/23
Catherine Sherwood	5/23
Deborah Cooley	5/25
Fonda Brinlee	5/28
Marithe Sullivan	5/31

#### APRIL 9, 2009 MINUTES - Sheri Smith

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by president Donna Petrick. On a motion by Karen Hawkins and a second by Donna Tomenga, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as corrected. On a motion by Donna Tomenga and a second by Karen Hawkins, the treasurer's report was approved as printed in the newsletter. There was no old business to discuss.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEW BUSINESS:**

The next board meeting will be on Monday May 11, 2009, at the Davis Library on Independence. The books will be audited on April 26, 2009 by Dayna Ragland and Marla Bradbury, along with Joan Wilson, Treasurer, Shirley Weaver and Donna Petrick. In the absence of Julie Schaefer, Donna Petrick will collect raffle tickets this evening. Amy Dillavou was the secret member and was not in attendance, therefore she did not receive the special fat quarter from the President.

**Elections.** Karen Hawkins introduced the nominees for the new board. Elections will be at the May meeting. The nominees are as follows:

President, Donna Petrick  
VP Membership, Crisann Skinner/Maria Eakin  
VP Programs, Donna Lobelson  
VP Community Service, Julie Schaefer  
VP Guild Activities Margaret Schafer  
VP Media, Tina Connolly  
Secretary, Sheri Smith  
Treasurer, Shirley Weaver  
Quilt Plano , Kemberly Wilshire  
All committee chairs are filled.

**Lone Star Awards,** Donna awarded stars to Brooks Wilson, Rhonda Kuntz and Sherry Worley and told the guild how these members had earned their awards. Also recognized but not in attendance were Joan Stevenson, Marla Bradbury, Marvel Link and Tracy Spruell.

**Retreat 2010:** The guild does not have a chairperson for the 2010 retreat. If someone does not volunteer by the May meeting, Retreat 2010 will be cancelled so that the guild can get back the deposit with no penalty. If someone does volunteer to be chairperson, then those who want to attend Retreat must give a non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 a night, per person, by the July meeting. This deposit will only be refunded if the guild cancels the retreat due to non participation.

**Anniversary Quilts.** Donna brought the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary guild quilt to display. She said a small group is working on a design for the 2010 quilt and she will work on the guild 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary quilt and complete it when she is done with her presidency. She stated that the small group Plano Piecers is working on the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary quilt and had the Plano Piecers' members in attendance stand to be recognized.

**Programs.** Wendy Butler Burns will speak at the May meeting . There will be a Friday workshop but no Saturday workshop due to lack of participation.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**TAQG Rally Day** will be on July 11, 2009. The guest speaker is Sharon Schamber and there are still a few spots left in both workshops.

**Fat Quarter Lotto** Teresa Knode announced April winners, Floral and shades of yellow went to Donna Tomenga and anything goes went to Vicki Damon. May categories are bright colors, fruits and veggies and anything goes.

**Membership** Helen Wilems announced there were no new members tonight, but that there were 58 members present. Door prizes were awarded to winning ticket

holders and were contributed by *The Quilter's Workshop*, *Suzy's Quilt Shop*, *Quilt Asylum*, *Quilt Country*, *Happiness is Quilting*, *The Old Craft Store* and several anonymous contributions. Helen awarded her assistants ChrisAnn and Maria with two plants for all their hard work when Helen had surgery. Helen reminded everyone to renew their membership by the July meeting so that your name will be in the directory. Also, she reminded members that you must have a current guild ID card to attend the TAQG rally.

**Block of the Month** Brooks Wilson announced that Beverly Geise won this month's blocks.

**9-patch** Terri Anderman has the muslin for the 9-patches and reminded everyone to be accurate in making them as we only want the very best sent to those who are moving.

**TAQG** Aggie Meszaros talked about TAQG Rally Day, which will be on July 11, 2009 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Aggie has raffle tickets for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. She also has lunch tickets for \$7.00 each with several selections. You must purchase the lunch tickets by the May meeting as they have to be turned in by June 15, 2009. She also needs mini quilts for the mini quilt auction, 24" X 24," and they must be turned in by the May meeting as well. She stated that we will take our raffle quilt to Rally Day and sell tickets there.

**Mini Quilts** Germaine Reconnu brought in all the mini quilts turned in so far for the auction at our quilt show and displayed them. She had a contest challenging all members to guess how many of the minis were made by her small group. The contest was won by Rebecca Clayton with a correct guess of ten.

**Show and Tell** Karen Hawkins introduced the following members who shared their beautiful quilts with us: Rhonda Kuntz, Donna Tomenga, Tina Connolly, Germaine Reconnu, Emily Armstrong, for the Net Girls, and Rose Clair Fletcher.

**Programs** Before introducing the guest speaker, Donna Lobelson talked about the workshops and the lack of support for them. She explained that we can not get guest speakers any more without providing two workshops. Attending the workshops is a priority if we want to have name guest speakers at our guild meetings.

**ADJOURNMENT** The meeting was adjourned with the introduction of our guest speaker Valery Guignon at 7:45.

Respectfully submitted, Sheri Smith, Secretary Pro Tem

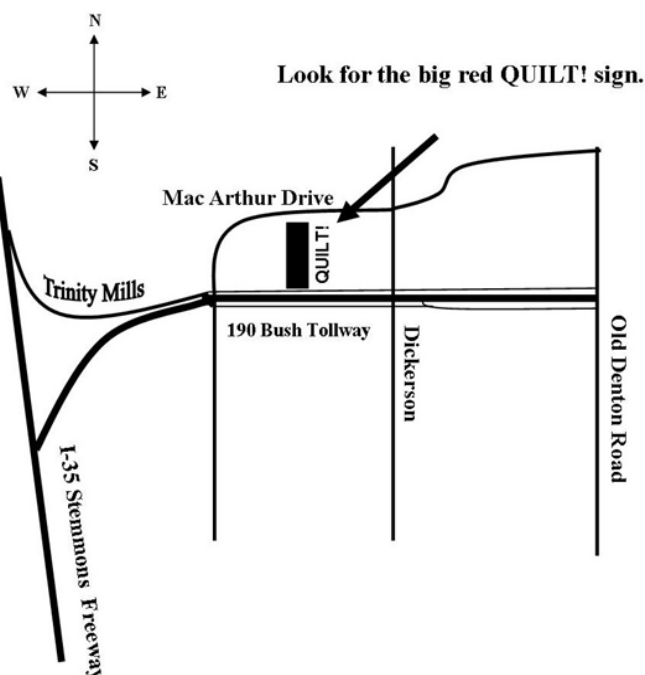
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## UPCOMING EVENTS - Brooks Wilson

May 1-2, 2009 - Kingwood Area Quilt Guild presents *Peacemakers of the Heart*, over 300 quilts, Humble Civic Center, 8233 Will Clayton Parkway, Humble, Texas. For more information: [www.KingwoodAreaQuiltGuild.com](http://www.KingwoodAreaQuiltGuild.com)

May 8 - 9, 2009 - Quilters' Guild of Arlington presents *Festival of Quilts*, Bob Duncan Community Center at 2800 South Center Street, Arlington, TX, 76014. Admission: \$6, free parking. For more information: [www.QGoA.org](http://www.QGoA.org)

May 16, 2009—Marble Falls Quilt Club presents Hill Country Sampler Quilt Show, Marble Falls Lakeside Pavilion. For more information, [bmg@tstar.net](mailto:bmg@tstar.net).

## PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS - Donna Lobelson

Last month local fiber artist Valery Guignon shared with us some of her wearable art and wall hangings. It's amazing what she has done with WonderUnder® and a microwave oven.

This month we have Wendy Butler Berns. Wendy's quilts are noted for their bold use of color, unusual fabrics, and a combination of traditional and unconventional techniques. Wander with Wendy as she guides us through an eclectic collection of traditional and contemporary quilts, all with a common thread - captivating color.

### May – Wendy Butler Berns

□ Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> – topic TBA

### June – Alice Wilhoit

□ Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup> – Hand Appliqué Workshop

□ Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> – Crazy Quilting Workshop

### September – Sara Moe

□ Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> – Winding Curves Workshop

□ Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> – Spinning Pinwheels Workshop

The Saturday workshop in May has been cancelled. I spoke about this at last month's meeting. If you have any ideas about how to increase enrollment in workshops, please let me know.

**Workshops are:** \$40/day for members  
\$45/day for non-members

**Hours:** 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

### **Bonus!! Advance Registration Discount**

Prepayment of registrations **received 35 days** prior to the scheduled event, entitles enrollees to take a \$5.00 discount with each prepaid workshop.

See the guild website at [www.quiltersguildofplano.org](http://www.quiltersguildofplano.org) and go to the programs page for more information. Fees are refundable only in the event the speaker cancels her appearance. Questions may be directed to the workshop coordinator. Refer to our website for current email.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive the supply lists via USPS. Supply lists may also be printed from the website. Your telephone number and email are particularly important so we can reach you in the event of any last minute changes. Copy or clip and bring completed form to a meeting, or mail to:

**Donna Lobelson**  
**8828 Haddington Lane**  
**Dallas, TX 75287**

## **LONE STAR AWARDS - Donna Petrick**

The Lone Star Awards were started by Brooks Wilson when she was president from 2000-2002, as an award to recognize members for the work they do for the guild. At times, awards were not given for various reasons. I wanted to get them started again as recognition of people who help the guild by doing the extra work to make it run smoother. These are brief biographies. Please make an effort to get to know these members if you don't yet know them.

**Brooks Wilson** - In looking back, Brooks Wilson had not received an award either for all that she has done. She joined the guild in 1988, was president from 2000 – 2002, started the Lone Star Awards back in February 2001; she has held a number of different positions in the guild; was the bee keeper years ago when I was looking for a new bee and we had shops in Plano where we could meet. She is currently the editor of the newsletter.

**Joan Stevenson** – joined the guild in 1999, has held a number of positions and is currently sharing the VP of membership position with Helen Wilems. She does a great deal of the guild work in the background, such as keeping up with the membership statistics, selling ads, and printing most of our literature.

**Marla Bradberry** – joined the guild in 2005. She was in charge of the library for two years and has run the fat quarter lotto for the past two years. Also, she is one that is always willing to help with the different projects that we have in the guild.

**Marvel Link** – Joined the guild in 1996 and has worked as an assistant to the VP of Programs for several years. Without her doing all she did, we would not have had the workshops running so smoothly. She is a member of the Plain O Piecers, a small group that has done a number of the raffle quilts and special projects.

**Rhonda Kuntz** – joined the guild in 2006. She did a lot of photography for the guild as historian for several years. Took pictures of our last quilt show and put into a CD format. (which I'm not sure we have gotten into the library, but need to.) Currently, is working as an assistant to programs. Very talented in beading and has won awards in that field.

**Sherry Worley** – joined the guild in 1993. She's one of those people who are always helping out with various projects. We wouldn't get nearly as much accomplished without her helping, especially active in community service sewing. She's very active in TAQG, four different guilds and is going to keep Plano, Frisco, Allen and McKinney guilds going in the right direction for our Rally Day 2010.

**Tracy Spruell** – joined the guild in 1995. She took care of the newsletter for several years, when we printed and delivered to the post office bulk mail. That in it self should get her jewels in her crown. She led her group, Sewciety Women, in last year's block of the month and is on the current show committee.

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**Membership Changes:**

Aggie Meszaros  
New Email:  
ameszaros@tx.rr.com

**TREASURER'S REPORT - Joan Wilson**

Cash Flow - March 2009  
3/1/2009 through 3/31/2009

<b>Common Thread Advertising Rates:</b>
Business card: 1 month = \$15 3 months = \$35
Quarter Page: 1 month = \$25 3 months = \$60
Half Page: 1 month = \$40 3 months = \$90
Please make ads in "jpg" files and email to Brooks Wilson at <a href="mailto:media@quiltersguildofplano.org">media@quiltersguildofplano.org</a>

Category Description

<b>INFLOWS</b>	
Uncategorized	\$5,000.00
Administrative Income	
Interest Income	\$10.32
TOTAL Administrative Income	\$10.32
Guild Product Sales	
Pins	\$13.86
TOTAL Guild Product Sales	\$13.86
Media Income	
Newsletter Advertisements	\$55.43
TOTAL Media Income	\$55.43
Membership Income	
Other Membership Income	\$60.00
TOTAL Membership Income	\$60.00
Programs Income	
Grant Income Contracted Services	\$219.00
Workshop Fees	\$70.00
TOTAL Programs Income	\$289.00
Quilt Show Income	
Vendor Fee Revenue	\$410.00
Other Quilt Show Income	\$1,020.92
TOTAL Quilt Show Income	\$1,430.92
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>\$6,859.53</b>

<b>OUTFLOWS</b>	
Administrative Expenses	
Storage	\$210.00
Supplies,Postage,Printing	\$99.98
TOTAL Administrative Expenses	\$309.98
Guild Activities Expenses	
Retreat Expense	\$500.00
TOTAL Guild Activities Expenses	\$500.00
Quilt Show Expenses	
Grant Expense Quilt Show Publicity	\$530.22
Raffle Quilt Expenses	\$466.29
Other Quilt Show Expenses	\$7.45
TOTAL Quilt Show Expenses	\$1,003.96
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>	<b>\$1,813.94</b>

OVERALL TOTAL \$5,045.59

Guild Net Worth \$46,329.93

## OFFICERS OF THE GUILD - 2008-09

President	Donna Petrick
VP-Membership	Helen Wilems
VP-Programs	Donna Lobelson
VP-Community Service	Sheri Smith
VP-Guild Activities	Emily Armstrong
VP Media	Tina Connolly
Secretary	Julie Schaefer
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Librarian	Nanette Gaskey
Quilt Show 2009	Kemberly Wilshire

### Committee Chairs

Assistant - Membership	Joan Stevenson
Assistants - Programs	Rhonda Kuntz Sherry Worley
Assistant - Treasurer	Shirley Weaver
Bee Keeper	Cathy LaManna
Block of Month	Diane deFreitas and Knotty Girls group
Stocking Project	LaDawn Dalley
Directory	Lynne Fritsche Gail Schwartz
Door Prizes	Diane Crandall
Education	OPEN
E-mail/Web Master	Beverly Geise
Facilities	N/A
Fat Quarter Lotto	Marla Bradberry Sandra Goecke
Historian	Nanette Gaskey
Hospitality	Terri Mendelow
Inventory	Sharon Schenke
Newsletter Editor	Brooks Wilson
Nine Patch	Terri Anderman
Publicity	Rose-Clair Fletcher
Retreat 09	Terri Anderman and Quilt Soup group
Service Quilts	Karen Christoffer
Show 'n Tell	Karen Hawkins
Texas Area Quilt Guilds	Aggie Meszaros

## BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS – Julie Schaefer

The April 6, 2009 board meeting of the Quilters Guild of Plano was held at Davis Library starting at 7:05 PM. Sheri Smith moved that the minutes as written in the March 2009 newsletter, *Common Threads*, be accepted. Helen Wilems seconded; the motion was passed.

### **Discussion Topics:**

- List of Lone Star Pin Awardees reviewed
- Retreat 2010 concerns
- Cost of hard copy newsletter mailing to be investigated (Kinko copying + actual postage)
- Need cost estimate for budgeting 2009-2010 Programs
- Need pictures and letters to be included in Grant application due by May 10<sup>th</sup>
- Seeking suggestions for 2010-2011 President

### **Those in attendance:**

Donna Petrick	Julie Schaefer
Helen Wilems	Joan Wilson
Donna Lobelson	Shirley Weaver
Sheri Smith	Tina Connolly

## QUILT PLANO 09: Registration - Joan Stevenson

The show is almost here and it is time to get those UFO's done and ready to photograph and the entry forms filled out. To help our members out with this process, we will be at the May and June guild meetings to take pictures of your quilts. They do not have to be quilted and bound but the top should be mostly finished. Then we will print out the picture and attach it to your entry form when it is received. All you have to do is mail in the completed form which you can download from the web site. We will also have forms available at the meeting.

We need everyone's participation to make this the best show ever. Not only do we need your beautiful work to show off but we also need you to volunteer to help during the show. There are some very easy "sit down" jobs such as admissions or hospitality and also some jobs that require a little more effort such as quilt angels but then you get to touch all the quilts! If every member would enter one quilt and work 4 hours we would have a truly memorable event.

See you at the May guild meeting!!

### **NINE-PATCH NEWS - Terri Anderman**

It's time to get our 9-patch bin filled, Quilters! We need 9-patches made with the new Guild muslin which is Unbleached Moda Muslin. If you have the old, Rangefinder, muslin please don't use this for future 9-patches. You can purchase the Moda muslin from me (\$2.00 per 1/2 yard) or it can be found at JoAnn's. If you can't make it to a meeting to purchase the muslin from me I can mail the muslin to you or you may pick it up at my home. We will be losing 2 members, Diane Crandall who is moving to Arkansas and Barbara Martinez who is off to Tennessee. The Nine Patches are sent as a reminder of the friends they are leaving in Plano and the Guild Muslin is what will give a "scrappy 9-patch quilt" some uniformity.

Please review the 9-patch directions on page 36 of the Directory and make sure your block is 6 1/2 inches (unfinished) in size. In the past we've received blocks that REALLY vary from that size and they just can't be used. Let's send our friends "the best of the best". And, if you want to sign and date your blocks (use a Micron pen, please) it will make the gift that much more memorable.

### **GRANT AWARD INFORMATION - Donna Petrick**

It's time once again to start applying for grants from various organizations to help supplement our guild income. Joan Wilson had originally started the process in 2006 with the City of Plano to help offset the cost of our 2007 quilt show. At the time, I wondered if it would be worth the effort. Obviously, I've decided it is since I'm now in the middle of it.

The money comes from the hotel tax assessed to visitors who stay in Plano. The money has been allotted by the city council to the Arts Council to further the promotion of Plano by awarding grants to deserving non-profit organizations. The city takes this very seriously and has guidelines that must be followed. One guideline being that organizations must attend the grant workshop. This past weekend, Shirley Weaver, Karen Hawkins and I attended the workshop for the next year's grants. We have started work and must turn in the grant application by May 8<sup>th</sup>.

We are currently receiving Plano grant money that helps to pay for guild insurance, programs and show publicity. We had applied to a couple of other organizations for grants. One rejected our bid and another has delayed awarding their grants until later this year. So we are still hoping to receive some help there. If you know of any company that awards grants to organizations such as ours, please let me know, so that we can tap into that stream also.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE – Sheri Smith**

Lots of finished quilts were turned in at our April 9 guild meeting. You still have one more month to turn in finished 'quilted' quilts as the drawing for the 3 prizes will be at the May meeting. Thank you, everyone for helping with this project. The next Sew Day at the Plano Sewing Center will be on May 12. Again it will be an 'open' sew day where you can come and sew as long as you want and leave when you need to between 10 am and 4 pm.

### **MEMBERSHIP - Joan Stevenson**

Once again the price of postage is going up so we will be trying to do annual membership renewal using email. Please watch for an email from me - plano.quilter@verizon.net - sometime during the month of May. It will have all your current information in it along with instructions on mailing in any changes to your information along with your check. It would be fantastic if we could finish this process and get the Directories out with record speed. I would like to aim for everything to be done by the end of June!

If you would prefer to have a printed copy of the newsletter mailed to you, we are offering subscriptions for \$20 per year in addition to the normal dues. The subscription will cover the cost of printing and postage. Just let me know when you mail in your check.



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The following is the proposed slate of officers and committee chairs for the 2009-2010 Year. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the May meeting, provided that the nominee is present and willing to serve.

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Webmaster	Beverly Geise

## MINI QUILT & PURSE RULES - Germaine Reconnu

Mini quilts and purses are being accepted now for auction at Quilt Plano 09. This is a major fund raiser for the guild. Please consider participating.

### Mini quilts:

- Must be no longer than 24" on any side
- Must be hand or machine quilted
- May be any shape, color or pattern
- May be pieced, appliquéd, embroidered or all three
- A 2" sleeve is required
- Attaching a label with the Guild name and show date is preferred
- Holiday quilts sell really well
- Landscapes, portraits, still life and "artsy" quilts also sell well
- A pieced mini-quilt should consist of multiple blocks 4" or smaller

### Purses/Totes:

- May be any size
- May be pieced or appliquéd
- Decorative stitching, beading and quilting is preferred
- Make your purse have "purse personality"
- Make your design irresistible
- Be creative and have fun!

Questions? Call Germaine Reconnu at 972-530-1763.

**BLOCK OF THE MONTH - May - Diane deFreitas and the Knotty Girls Small Group**

**Batik Basket Bonanza—Basket #11**

All the blocks this year will be pieced baskets made of a good quality batik and white-on-white as the background. All blocks will be 10 inches finished and 10 1/2 inches unfinished. Be careful with your 1/4 inch seams and your pressing so that the blocks that are won are uniform in size. Questions? Call Brooks Wilson or Diane de-Freitas

Cutting instructions:

*Basket* (batik—your color choice)

F—cut 4 squares 2 7/8"

G—cut 1 square 2 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

H—cut 1 square 6 7/8" - cut in half on the diagonal

*Background* (white-on-white)

A—cut 2 rectangles 2 1/2" X 4 1/2"

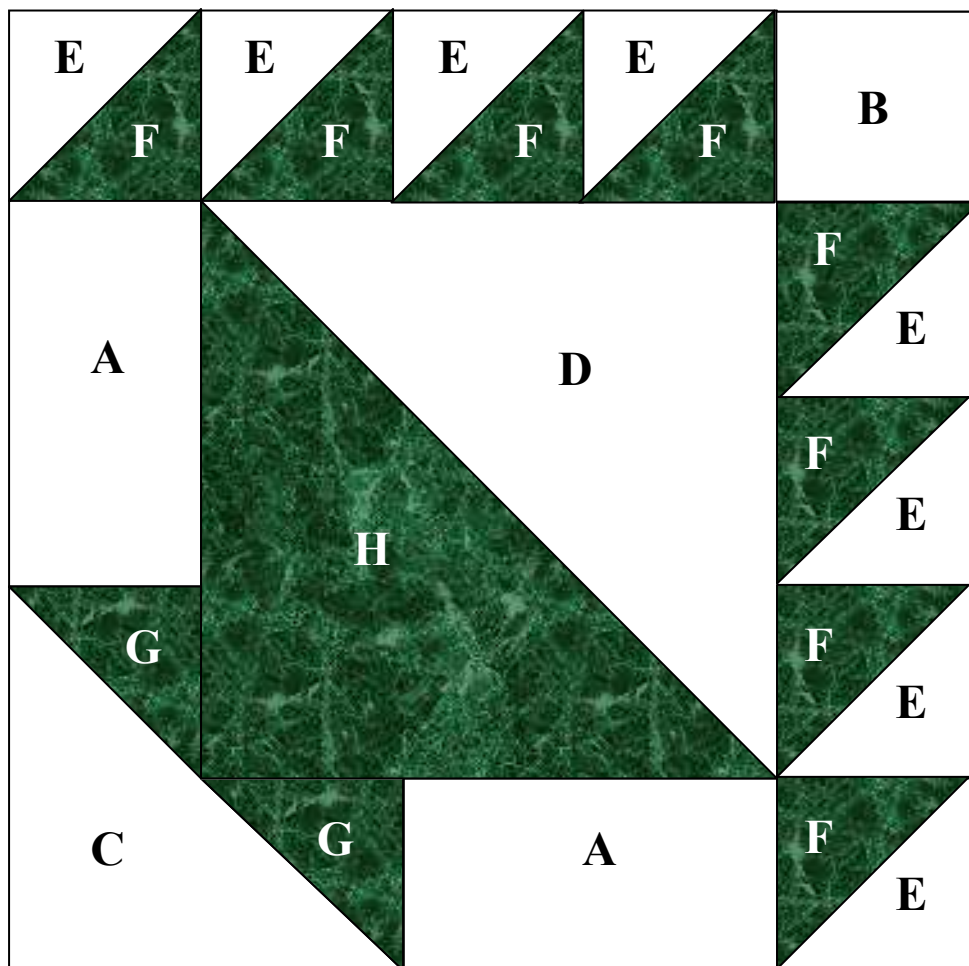
B—1 square 2 1/2" X 2 1/2"

C—cut 1 square 4 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

D—cut 1 square 6 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

E—cut 4 squares 2 7/8"

To make E/F half-square triangles: layer E + F squares, right sides together. On back of lighter square, draw a diagonal line. Stitch a scant 1/4" on both sides of drawn line. Cut in half on drawn line. This will yield 2 half-square triangles (or you may use triangle paper or any other technique to yield 8 total half-square triangles that are 2" finished). Follow the diagram below to assemble the block.



QUILTERS GUILD OF PLANO  
PO BOX 260216  
PLANO, TEXAS 75026

Bring to the May Meeting:

May Basket Block of the Month  
Fat Quarters and 9-Patches  
A mini quilt or purse for the Auction

Things to take home from the meeting:

A top or two to quilt  
A new book from the library

**Things to remember!!**

*The Quilters Guild  
of Plano is funded in  
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Quilters Guild of Plano  
PRESENTS

Wendy Butler Berns  
May 14, 2009

Parkway Hills Baptist Church  
2700 North Dallas Tollway  
Corner of Chapel Hill  
on the east side of the Tollway

SOCIAL TIME - 6:30 pm ~ MEETING TIME - 7:00 pm  
(Only board members will be admitted before 6:30pm)