

## From The President's Stash

I know we are all concerned with events surrounding the coronavirus. I hope everyone is staying in and staying healthy. I saw a posting on Facebook that said, "9 o'clock is when you change from your daytime pajamas into your nighttime pajamas". I have been following that belief consistently. Now that we're all just sitting around the house more, it's a great time to get out all those UFO's that we've been putting off and complete a few. You may also want to make a few bags for Charity Bee. The directions are on the blog.

We will be cancelling our April meeting. Rachael Daisy who was scheduled to speak to the guild in April, has canceled both her speaking engagement and her workshop the following Wednesday.
Our 2020 Quilt Show was one of the most successful shows in our history. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to work booths, help set up and take down, check in and hang quilts, sell raffle tickets, etc., etc., etc. The quality of quilts entered in the show was outstanding. People were constantly commenting about how impressed they were with the beauty and workmanship of the quilts. A very special thank you to Shari Stone and Mary Brownlee, our quilt show chairs. They did a truly amazing job and worked tirelessly for months. The funds we earned at the show help us support our charities and pay for speakers to visit the guild. Great job everyone. Our plan was to have all our ribbon winners bring their quilt(s) to the April meeting for Show and Tell. Hopefully, that will happen at our next meeting.

Believe it or not, we are already putting some pieces together to plan our quilt show in 2022. Barbara Boone will be the lead quilt show chair. We will soon be selecting a theme for the show and begin designing the raffle quilt. This needs to be completed by fall so we can print our postcards and schedule times and places to travel with the 2022 quilt.

We have also filled some open chair positions for the guild. Charla Reese is our new Community Service Chair. We have a team of people who have volunteered for the Hospitality Chair. They are Georgia Maynard, Anna Church, Peggy Wheeler, and Vicki Brown. Lisa Hart has agreed to be our Holiday Bash Chair again. I welcome these new volunteers and I know they will do a great job.

Again, thank you to everyone who made our 2020 show such a success. Take care of yourselves and your family.

## Janet Winkler

Welcome to all Members!! Many of you put in volunteer hours each month but cannot always make a guild meeting, just email me at the guild's email address \{tricountyguild@gmail.com\} and let me know your hours so I can include those in our monthly report. Also. please...when signing in for the guild meeting, give yourself two (2) hours credit for participation plus any volunteer hours you have accumulated. Sharon Castillo

## Welcome New Members!

| Jill Bedford | Lori Brunner | Jan Davidson | Angelette Jakobsen | Cheryl Mehl |
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| Thiry Kincaid | Sharry Kohler | Lori McCaleb | Karen Jankiewicz | Anita Wiese |

Meetings begin promptly at 7pm, so we can adjourn on time. The front doors will be closed at 6:55, and the members will be asked to take their seats. This will allow the various committee heads \& board members to get into the meeting on time. Come early so you have time to sign in, check out any raffles or upcoming workshops, visit the magazines, etc.

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## May BOM

## Meetings

Fairfield Baptist Church 27240 Highway 290 Cypress, Texas
On 290 westbound between Mueschke and Mason Roads Ist Tuesday of the month, 7pm-9pm
tricountyguild@gmail.com



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## 2020 A Quilt Odyssey



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# Special Notice <br> Due to concerns over the coronavirus, Tri-County Quilt Guild will not meet April 7 or have a workshop April 8. 

## June Speaker

Our speaker for the June 2nd meeting will be Karen Combs, a well known quilter, author, fabric designer and teacher. She lives in Tennessee and will be bringing her lecture and trunk show Quilts of Illusions to share with us.
https://www.karencombs.com/class-detail.php?ID=1

On Wednesday, June 3rd, we will have a 6 hour workshop at Quilters Crossing. The class fee is $\$ 35$ for guild members plus a $\$ 10$ fee to be paid to Karen before the end of class for the pattern. We have a maximum of 20 students for this class and sign up is currently open. If you are interested in taking the workshop, please send an email to Lisa Hart
at TCQGprograms@gmail.com and she will give you instructions for payment. Remember that the signups for non-members of the guild does not open until we are two weeks out from the workshop. If spots are available for non-members, the fee will be $\$ 40$ plus the $\$ 10$ to Karen. Following is the link to the supply list and picture of the project.
https://www.karencombs.com/class-detail.php?ID=22

During this time when so many are working from home and staying home to flatten the curve, take advantage of the amazing offer from bluprint for free classes through April 9th. Karen has a free
https://shop.mybluprint.com/quilting/classes/new-directions-in-tumbling-
blocks/39935?SSAID=1699393\&sscid=31k4 IOvw5\&sasClickId=31k4 IOvw5\&cr linkid=ShareASal e Banner ShareASale\&cr maid=46579\&cr source=ShareASale\&cr medium=ShareASale

Stay safe and healthy!

## Sewing is Good for You

https://thisblogisnotforyou.com/6-reasons-why-sewing-benefits-your-mental-health/

## April—Birthdays, Special Events, Recognitions, Sympathies

April 3-JoAnn Lambert; April 4- Donna Vandiver; April 5-Gaile Howland, Linda Niermeyer; April 8- Maudie Engle, Kay Jacobs, Mitzi Stamper; April I0-Cindy Grant; April I3- Bernadette Gonzales, Betty Johnson, Karen Neitzke; April I4-Janice Phillips; April 19- Paulette Dukerich; April 22- Lisa Hart; April 23- Cynthia Bohannon; April 24-Robin Kenna; April 28- Marie Engelhart, Cynthia Hawks; April 29- Beckie Sanderson.

## TCQG's 2020 Quilt Show is a WRAP!

Mary and I would like to thank everyone who helped make this show the best experience we could have asked for!! We loved seeing our fellow members getting to know each other better, work together, smiling and having a good time. That kind of comradery is contagious and it makes others want to join us and have fun!! We had 7 new members join at the show!

We also got many reports of members hearing the public say how great our show was and how much they enjoyed coming to it. They loved seeing so many quilts and vendors. They also commented on how nice, friendly and happy our volunteers were!

We would ask all of you to help keep the momentum going! Find, start, join a BEE!! Keep connecting to fellow members and enjoy the fellowship that results. Our guild meetings are always full of show \& tell quilts, great speakers, and there is time before the meeting and during the break for visiting.

We are asking for comments and suggestions about this quilt show. Please send them to SLSTONE@SWBELL.NET. We'd like to know what you liked, what was not-so-good, what you'd like to see in the next show.

## SHOW RIBBON WINNERS - APRIL SHOW \& TELL at our general meeting

Normally, in lieu of the regular show \& tell, we would ask ribbon winners bring their quilts for show \& tell at our APRIL meeting. Because of the Covid-I9 virus, we will postpone this until a later date. All ribbon winners - pick up your Ribbon Label at the next guild meeting. This is a special label to put on the back of your ribbon. It has the additional information: category, entrant name and, if different, quilter's name.

THE WINNERS LIST is finalized and published here in the newsletter, on the blog, and emailed to all guild members. VIEWER'S CHOICE \& VIEWER'S CHOICE-YOUTH would have been announced and awarded at our April meeting but due to the Covid-I9 virus, we will now announce:

## Congratulations!!

Viewer's Choice goes to Barbara Boone for her quilt "Einstein"
Youth Viewer's Choice goes to Madison Johnson \& Joynell Jones for the quilt "Rag Quilt"

Many thanks,
Shari Stone, Mary Brownlee \& Committee Chairs

## Quilt Show: 2020 A Quilt Odyssey

## Raffle Quilt Guild Winner

TRI-COUNTY QUILT GUILD is happy to announce that our Raffle Quilt, "A Storm at Sea; Traditions and Transitions" was won by Dalia Yanez. We thank everyone who bought a raffle quilt ticket and helped make this year's show a success. Dalia, we hope you treasure the raffle quilt as much as we do! Congratulations!

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| Quilt Guild |  |  | 2020: A Quilt Odyssey |  |  |
| Award | Category Number | Quilt Number | Quilt Name | Entrant | Quilter |
| Best of Show | Overall | 510-02 | Night Stars | Shari Stone | Vicki Russell |
| Judges' Choice | Overall | 1010-01 | Blooming Butterflies | Judy Aswad | Shannon Wright |
| Judges' Choice | Overall | 1900-05 | Thin Blue Line | Marilou Black | Ida Anderson |
| Judges' Choice | Overall | 900-05 | Thank You Lord for Letting Me See All the Colors That Bring Such Joy To Me | Diana Reed | Diana Reed |
| Judges' Choice | Overall | 910-01 | Vases | Valerie Jolly | Valerie Jolly |
| NACQJ Award of Merit | Overall | 1600-08 | The Family Tree | Kathy Rennar | Kathy Rennar |
| Past President's <br> Award | Overall | 600-05 | Hazel Hedgehog | Jaine Jewell | Jaine Jewell |
| Best Use of Color | Overall | 2000-04 | Gridlock | Gaile Howland | Hubert Madole |
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| Hand Quilted, Large |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 100 | 100-01 | Billy Bob's 3-D Tumbling Block | Suzanne Coble | Suzanne Coble |

Hand Quilted, Small

| 1st | 200 | 200-04 | Hawaiian Dreams | Sara Ballard | Sara Ballard |
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| 2nd | 200 | 200-01 | Petite Dresden Plates | Patsy Mosby | Patsy Mosby |
| 3rd | 200 | 200-05 | Charming Memories | Mindy Danforth | Mindy Danforth |
| HM | 200 | 200-03 | Sweet Memories | Theda Flournoy | Theda Flournoy |
| Mixed Technique, Large, Non-professional -- Self-Machine Quilted |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 300 | 300-03 | Cake Walk | Mary Ann Coleman | Mary Ann Coleman |
| 2nd | 300 | 300-04 | Just Takes 2 | Janet Deschamps | Janet Deschamps |
| 3rd | 300 | 300-01 | Holly Jolly Nutcrackers | Lynn Loyd | Lynn Loyd |
| Mixed Technique, Large, Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 310 | 310-01 | Lovely Ladies | Debbie Spoelker | Valerie Jolly |
| 2nd | 310 | 310-03 | Underwater Fantasy | Mary Laskowski | Pat Connelly |
| 3rd | 310 | 310-02 | Spin Drift | Sara Irwin | Sherrie McCarty |
| Mixed Technique, Large, Computer Guided Quilting |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 320 | 320-03 | Patchwork Garland | Patsy Mosby | Martha Cornstubble |
| 2nd | 320 | 320-01 | Texas Sweet Texas | Bankie Lavender | Kathy Spargo |
| Mixed Technique, Small, Non-professional -- Self-Machine Quilted |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 400 | 400-04 | Makena Landing, Maui | Vicki Tate | Vicki Tate |
| 2nd | 400 | 400-03 | Welcome to Our Pad | Sara Ballard | Sara Ballard |
| 3rd | 400 | 400-02 | Christmas Feathered Star | Janet Deschamps | Janet Deschamps |

## Mixed Technique, Small, Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph

| 1st | 410 | 410-02 | BOO! | Shari Stone | Shari Stone |
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| 2nd | 410 | 410-01 | Peppermint Twist | Anita Arendall | Mandy Stokes |
| Mixed Technique, Small, Computer Guided Quilting |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 420 | 420-01 | Heidi | JoAnn Lambert | Marcie Henry |

Traditionally Pieced, Large, Non-professional -- Self Machine Quilted

| 1st | 500 | $500-03$ | Chocolate \& Cherries | Eileen Egloff | Eileen Egloff |
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| 2nd | 500 | $500-02$ | Windows on Christmas | Diana Reed | Diana Reed |
| 3rd | 500 | $500-05$ | Bellanova | Jaine Jewell | Jaine Jewell |
| HM | 500 | $500-14$ | House 2 | Norma Johnson | Norma Johnson |

Traditionally Pieced, Large, Professional -- Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph

| 1st | 510 | $510-02$ | Night Stars | Shari Stone | Vicki Russell |
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| 2nd | 510 | $510-03$ | Batik Stars | Shari Stone | Vicki Russell |
| 3rd | 510 | $510-07$ | Quilty Fun | Marilou Black | Ida Anderson |
| HM | 510 | $510-08$ | Expresso Road | Mary Laskowski | Peggy Rihn |


| Traditionally Pieced, Large, Professional --Computer Guided |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1st | 520 | $520-09$ | Autumn Odyssey | Marsha Franty | Lee Ann Munoz |  |
| 2nd | 520 | $520-02$ | Shades of Blue | Linda Love | Betty Barker |  |
| 3rd | 520 | $520-17$ | Kaffe Fassett Collage | Marie Engelhart | Carrol Stewart |  |
| HM | 520 | $520-21$ | Down the Rabbit Hole | Gaile Howland | Hubert Madole |  |
| Traditionally Pieced, Small, Non-professional --Self-Machine Quilted |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 600 | $600-08$ | Pomegranate Rose | Shelly Wiggins | Shelly Wiggins |  |
| 2nd | 600 | $600-04$ | Cats Galore | Jean Chapman | Jean Chapman |  |
| 3rd | 600 | $600-07$ | Something's Fishy | Marsha Franty | Marsha Franty |  |
| HM | 600 | $600-02$ | Swirl | Lane Devereux | Lane Devereux |  |

Traditionally Pieced, Small, Professional -- Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph

| 1st | 610 | $610-02$ | Moda Sampler Shuffle: Santa Style | Marsha Franty | Eva Ellison |
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| 2nd | 610 | $610-01$ | Old Glory | Judy Aswad | Shannon Wright |
| 3rd | 610 | $610-05$ | Mike's 50th | Carolyn Niemann | Joan Corson |


| Traditionally Pieced, Small, Professional --Computer Guided |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1st | 620 | $620-04$ | Aqua Stars | Shari Stone | Cheri Blocker |  |
| 2nd | 620 | $620-01$ | Mountain Pass | Martha Alderson | Quilter's Crossing |  |
| 3rd | 620 | $620-02$ | Frosty | Joynell Jones | Kathie Spargo |  |

Paper Pieced, Large, Non-professional --Self Machine Quilted

| 1st | 700 | $700-02$ | Tangled Up In Blue | Diana Reed | Diana Reed |
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| 2nd | 700 | $700-01$ | Lumina Feathered Star | Jaine Jewell | Jaine Jewell |

Paper Pieced, Large, Professional -- Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph

| 1st | 710 | $710-01$ | Barnstorming | Nancy Youens | Diane Anderson |
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| Paper Pieced, Large, Professional --Computer Guided Quilting |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 720 | $720-01$ | Starburst | Martha Alderson | Cheri Blocker |
| 2nd | 720 | $720-02$ | Weathered Windmill | Mary Ann Coleman | Carolyn Bisbee |


| Paper Pieced, Small, Professional -- Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1st | 810 | $810-01$ | Summer Solstice | Theda Flournoy | Diane Anderson |  |
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| Paper Pieced, Small, Professional --Computer Guided Quilting |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 820 | $820-04$ | Sonora | Mary Laskowski | Carolyn Bisbee |  |
| 2nd | 820 | $820-01$ | My Kinda Town | Linda Niermeyer | Cheri Blocker |  |


| Appliqued, Large, Non-professional-- Self Machine Quilted |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1st | 900 | $900-01$ | Quilt Diva | Sheila Kristynik | Sheila Kristynik |  |
| 2nd | 900 | $900-03$ | Karina's Quilt | Diana Edgington | Diana Edgington |  |
| 3rd | 900 | $900-05$ | Thank You Lord for Letting Me See All the <br> Colors That Bring Such Joy To Me | Diana Reed | Diana Reed |  |

Appliqued, Large, Professional -- Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph

| 1st | 910 | $910-01$ | Vases | Valerie Jolly | Valerie Jolly |
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| 2nd | 910 | $910-02$ | Animal Whimsy | Judy Aswad | Shannon Wright |


| 1st | 920 | 920-01 | French Sister | Alice Shrader | Susan Boutwell \& Alice Shrader |
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| Appliqued, Small, Non-professional--Self Machine Quilted |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1000 | 1000-03 | Cock-A-Doodle-Doo Morning Rooster | SuZanne Gilbride | SuZanne Gilbride |
| 2nd | 1000 | 1000-06 | Fun Flowers | Debbie Spoelker | Debbie Spoelker |
| 3rd | 1000 | 1000-02 | Bob Ross Challenge | Jennifer Clegg | Jennifer Clegg |
| HM | 1000 | 1000-01 | The Watcher | Barbara Boone | Barbara Boone |
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| Appliqued, Small, Professional -- Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1010 | 1010-01 | Blooming Butterflies | Judy Aswad | Shannon Wright |
| 2nd | 1010 | 1010-02 | Plates | Trish Schultz | Shari Stone |
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| Appliqued, Small, Professional -- Computer Guided Quilting |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1020 | 1020-01 | Which Witch? | Linda Niermeyer | Cheri Blocker |
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| Modern Design, Large, Non-professional --Self Machine Quilted |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1100 | 1100-01 | Shattered-Modern | Eileen Egloff | Eileen Egloff |
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| Modern Design, Large, Professional -- Quilted Free Hand or Pantograph |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1110 | 1110-03 | Octo | Nancy Youens | Mandy Stokes |
| 2nd | 1110 | 1110-02 | Discovery | Trish Schultz | Shari Stone |
| 3rd | 1110 | 1110-04 | Radiant Star | Becky Burkett | Becky Burkett |
| HM | 1110 | 1110-01 | Zig-Zag with Swag | Stephanie Moss | Betty Hankinson |


| Modern Design, Large, Professional --Computer Guided Quilting |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1st | 1120 | 1120-01 | Modern Rainbow | Marie Engelhart | Carrol Stewart |
| Modern Design, Small, Non-professional --Self Machine Quilted |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1200 | 1200-01 | Green Modern | Jennifer Cutler | Jennifer Cutler |
| 2nd | 1200 | 1200-02 | Floating Stars | Vicki Tate | Vicki Tate |
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| Modern Design, Small, Professional --Computer Guided Quilting |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1220 | 1220-01 | Floating Forms | Becky Burkett | Becky Burkett |
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| Other Technique, Large |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1300 | 1300-01 | Garden Dance | Nancy Youens | Nancy Youens |
| 2nd | 1300 | 1300-02 | Hexi's Around the World | Jaine Jewell | Jaine Jewell |
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| Other Technique, Small |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1310 | 1310-05 | Through The Woods | Patricia Lopes | Karen Shively |
| 2nd | 1310 | 1310-06 | Crazy Quilt Teddy Bear | Tina Lauzon | Tina Lauzon |
| 3rd | 1310 | 1310-04 | A Child Is Born | Patricia Lopes | Patricia Lopes |
| HM | 1310 | 1310-01 | It Take A Village | Mindy Danforth | Mindy Danforth |
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| Miniature |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1400 | 1400-02 | Mandala | Nancy Youens | Nancy Youens |
| 2nd | 1400 | 1400-03 | Perkiomen Path | Shelly Wiggins | Patricia Lopes |
| 3rd | 1400 | 1400-01 | Mooketsi | Marietjie Engelbrecht | Marietjie Engelbrecht |


| Original Design |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1st | 1500 | 1500-13 | Vincent's Bird | SuZanne Gilbride | SuZanne Gilbride |
| 2nd | 1500 | 1500-12 | Unending Rhythm | Hope Wilmarth | Hope Wilmarth |
| 3rd | 1500 | 1500-07 | ExplOcean | Hope Wilmarth | Hope Wilmarth |
| HM | 1500 | 1500-08 | Season Of The Swans | Karen Shively | Karen Shively |
| Collage |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1600 | 1600-06 | Izzy | Teresa Wavra | Teresa Wavra |
| 2nd | 1600 | 1600-10 | Pretty in Pink | Charla Reese | Charla Reese |
| 3rd | 1600 | 1600-05 | Under the Sea | Deborah Durr | Deborah Durr |
| HM | 1600 | 1600-08 | The Family Tree | Karen Rennar | Karen Rennar |
| 3D, Wearables, Home Deco |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1700 | 1700-04 | Poppins Bag | Ida Anderson | Ida Anderson |
| 2nd | 1700 | 1700-07 | Red Lady | Tina Lauzon | Tina Lauzon |
| 3rd | 1700 | 1700-08 | Curly "V" Handbag | Vicki Tate | Vicki Tate |
| Group Quilts |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 1800 | 1800-12 | Friendship Quilt | Shelly Zacharias | Vicki Russell |
| 2nd | 1800 | 1800-07 | Pinwheels from the Past | Anita Arendall | Vicki Russell |
| 3rd | 1800 | 1800-09 | Sunbonnet Sue Rescued | Deborah Durr | Vicki Russell |
| HM | 1800 | 1800-06 | Subsea Submarine | Jennifer Clegg | Donna Clegg |


| Quilt Kits \& Block of the Month |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1st | 1900 | 1900-08 | Big Blue | Gaile Howland | Hubert Madole |
| 2nd | 1900 | 1900-23 | President's Wives | Linda Love | Cheri Blocker |
| 3rd | 1900 | 1900-11 | My Amish Barn Blocks | Candi Hays | Carolyn Bisbee |
| HM | 1900 | 1900-10 | Crimson Crown | Catherine Holliday | Catherine Holliday |
| HM | 1900 | 1900-21 | My Flower Garden | Bankie Lavender | Ida Anderson |
| Scrap Quilt |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st | 2000 | 2000-06 | Long Time Gone | Teresa Wavra | Teresa Wavra |
| 2nd | 2000 | 2000-08 | Quilty Fun | Teresa Wavra | Teresa Wavra |
| 3rd | 2000 | 2000-10 | Bearpaw Autumn Leaves | Marian Page | Valerie Wagner |
| HM | 2000 | 2000-02 | Long Time Gone | Marilou Black | Ida Anderson |
| HM | 2000 | 2000-04 | Gridlock | Gaile Howland | Hubert Madole |

Challenge Quilt: Traditions \& Transitions

| 1st | 3000 | $3000-01$ | Easy as 1-2-3 | Jean Chapman | Patricia Lopes |
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| 2nd | 3000 | $3000-02$ | Sweet Pea | Shelly Wiggins | Patricia Lopes |


| Challenge Quilt: Another Dimension |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1st | 4000 | $4000-03$ | Einstein | Barbara Boone | Barbara Boone |
| 2nd | 4000 | $4000-11$ | Labyrinth | Shelly Zacharias | Vicki Russell |
| 3rd | 4000 | $4000-02$ | Convex Illusions | Janet Cary | Cheri Blocker |
| HM | 4000 | $4000-04$ | Crystal Towers | Anita Arendall | Vicki Russell |
| HM | 4000 | $4000-08$ | Playful on the Rainbow | Marietjie Engelbrecht | Marietjie Engelbrecht |



Colors: Blue Sky with scrappy brown/beige mountains

## BLUE SKY MOUNTAIN BLOCK

We all made it through the Quilt Show and are back to settling in to start our new projects. Since Spring is upon us, I think of getting outdoors and enjoying all that nature gives us. Dream about a walk in mountain meadows and blue skies; such was my inspiration for this month's block.

Cutting: (Your kit already has these pieces cut) This is a great pattern for fat quarters.

Blue Sky: Cut one 10 7/8" square of blue
Mountain: Cut one 10 7/8" square of brown/beige


## LET'S GO PIECE THIS BLOCK

FIRST: Start with two contrasting $107 / 8 "$ squares of fabric and place them right sides together. Draw a diagonal line from one corner to the other corner. Pin the edges and sew a scant $1 / 4$ " away from both sides of the center diagonal line. Cut along the diagonal line and you will obtain two half square triangles (HST). Press both HSTs open. Each block measures a $10 \frac{1}{2} "$ square. Trim off the dog ears on the corners. Spray starch to stabilize the fabric more.


SECOND: Place each HST on your cutting mat and make sure they mirror each other to make that mountain-see above. (This step is very important, or you will end up with two blocks exactly the same and you can't make the mountain) Mark each square in four vertical strips which will measure $25 / 8 "$ for each strip. Cut on each line. Invert and move each strip so the mountain looks like the second picture below. Sew each strip together using a scant $1 / 4 "$ seam allowance. Press all seams going in the same direction,


THIRD: This pattern will make two blocks that are finished at $10 \frac{1}{2} " \times 9 "$. Do not sew the blocks together because the person winning these blocks can make the decision to sew the same fabric together or maybe put with other blocks to make a scrappy quilt. There are many arrangement options, a few of which are shown below.


Let's get creative and dig into those scraps that you have and use a light blue for the sky and all sorts of browns, beiges and golden browns for the mountains. These blocks will make a gorgeous scrappy mountain quilt. The possibilities are endless.


I am repeating the instructions for the February BOM. Part of the cutting measurements were not visible in the last newsletter.

Opps! Janice—Newsletter Editor
As always, we strive to have blocks that turn out all the same size so when they are pieced together, they all match. All seams are $1 / 4 "$. Using a scant $1 / 4 "$ seam helps to maintain the integrity of the block size.

## Colors: NAVY, WHITE, \& NAVY/WHITE PRINT

## Cutting: (Your kit already has these pieces cut)

Solid Navy Fabric-
Cut 4-3" $\times 51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles
Cut 4-3" squares
Cut 2-5" squares
Print Navy/White Fabric-
Cut 2-5" squares
White Fabric-
Cut 2-5" squares
Cut I-3" square


## LET'S GO PIECE THIS BLOCK!

## Piecing:

We are going to learn a method for making 4 HSTs at a time. For this block we will need 4 HST in 3 different combinations.


FIRST: Take the 5 " squares and place right sides together as follows: (navy/white, print/white, \& navy/print.

Pin on all 4 sides of each set and sew a $1 / 4$ " seam around each of the units. (Note: at this point I sprayed starch on each unit to help keep it from stretching.)


I am repeating the instructions for the February BOM. Part of the cutting measurements were not visible in the last newsletter .

Opps! Janice-Newsletter Editor

You will then make 2 diagonal cuts on each unit to form 4 HSTs per unit.


Please note the HST units are cut on the bias \& will stretch very easily \& become distorted. Open each HST and lightly press seam towards the darker fabric. I have made an allowance in the initial measurements so you can true-up your HST to an accurate 3" square after sewing \& pressing. Place your 45-degree line on your ruler on the diagonal line of the square and trim to 3 " square. You will end up with 3 different sets of 4 HST. This method is a lot better than doing them one at a time. Don't you think? ".


SECOND: Make 4-patch units using a solid 3" navy square and one each of the different HST blocks. Place the 3 " squares in the order shown below. Sew together the top two squares and then the bottom two squares. Press the seams in opposite directions and sew those sections together, matching center seams. Make them mirror images of each other and make 2 of each.


Finished bock measures $12.75^{\prime \prime}$.

THIRD: Arrange the 4 -patch units in 2 rows with a navy 3"x5 I/2" rectangle between using mirror images of each 4 -patch. Arrange a center row with the navy 3 "x5 I/2" rectangles on either side of the center 3" white square. Sew each row together as shown. Then sew all rows together , matching seam lines, to finish the block.

## Tri-County's Fabulous Bees

Remember: you must be a paid member to participate in our Bees.


Barbara Clark, Queen Bee

Our Bees create a strong sense of a quilting community within the guild. Consider becoming a Beekeeper! Organize your bee, find a location, contact Queen Bee Barbara Clark bclark448@sbcglobal.net to let her know, and go from there! If your bee does something unique, contact Janice Toler so she can recognize your bee in the newsletter.

BEE Czars: Meets the 3rd Monday from 5PM-8PM at Quilters Crossing. We choose projects as a group or work on our UFO's. We usually go on two retreats a year. If you are interested in joining this be please call to be put on a waiting list.
Ann Keilers 832-5I5-108I or Marian Page 28I-797-30I4.

## Chicks With Feathers

Sarah Yuhr-Beekeeper (sarah_hoffpauir@yahoo.com) These are quilters who love their Featherweight machines. They meet at Quilter's Crossing on the first Thursday of the month from 2-5. Contact Sarah if you are interested in this bee.

Day Strippers: Barbara Clark, BeeKeeper. bclark448@sbcglobal.net Daystrippers is the only bee that has been with TCQG since its beginning. It meets at Cypress Crossing Christian Church on the second Friday of each month from 10-2. They work on personal projects and occasionally go on retreats and to quilt shows together. There are currently no openings in this bee. However, you can contact beekeeper, Barbara Clark to be put on a waiting list. New members have been moving in through the list!

Quilter's Dozen: Charmaine Fritchey Beekeeper. cfritchey@gmail.com. Meets the 2nd Thursday at Quilters Crossing from 10-2:30. We have great times together! We have openings for 3 members.

We Bee Quilters: Nancy Terlikoski Co Beekeeper. Nancy_terlikoski@sbcglobal.net. Sarah Ballard, Co beekeeper-mballardII@comcast.net Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at Quilters Crossing from I-4 PM. This bee is a group of quilters who just want to enjoy spending time doing what we love with fellow quilters. We work on our own projects, group projects, exchanges. Anyone who would like to join us is welcome!

Quilts for Soldiers' Families: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Quilters Crossing. Contact Marian Page for more information.

Charity Bee meets the 4th Wednesday at Cypress Crossing Christian Church from 9:30am to l:30pm.

## Sharon Castillo



## Storybook Quilts

Now that the Quilt Show 2020 is in the history books, I want to call your attention to an on-going project that is sponsored by Tri-County Quilt Guild. This project is one that focuses on the students who, we hope, might become interested in quilting someday. This project, supported by the guild, is called Storybook Quilts. We have about 40 books and matching quilts that are available for members, schools, libraries, day care centers, etc. to borrow. The list, along with a summary of each book and information about each quilt, is on the blog.

It is a wonderful way to share our love of quilting with students, teachers, caregivers, and family members. It is simple to check them out. All that needs to be done is to contact Sara Ballard at mballardII@comcast.net or call her cell 7I3-5I5-5670.At that point, she will make arrangements for you to get the quilt and book to you.

If you know of a group that might be interested, please pass along this information to them. It's another great way for Tri-County Quilt Guild to become known in the community.


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