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From The President's Stash

Happy Spring, everyone! This is my favorite time of year. Everything is turning green, flowers are blooming and we're surrounded by beautiful colors!

Spring makes me think of the colorful quilts we make. By the time you read this, we will have had Anna Maria Horner Parry as our very special guest in April. I hope you came to meet her and hear her presentation. 24 of us were lucky enough to attend a 5-day Color Theory workshop with her. If you see her personal gardens, you'll see her inspiration for her fabric lines. Her creativity makes me want to take my fabrics outside where Spring is in full bloom to decide what to use on a quilt! Be watching Show and Tell to see what she has inspired us to create!

Since I'm all excited about Spring and Anna Maria, let me continue with good things. We have our three 2028 Quilt Show Co-Chairs in place! Denise Hardcastle, Karen Potter and Patty Mooney have volunteered to lead us forward to the 2028 Quilt Show. They're all dedicated, hardworking, and very creative members. I think we'll have a wonderful quilt show in 2028. Please let these three ladies know if you're interested in helping out.

Our next meeting will have us back on track as we will move back to the first Tuesday of each month. That means May 5 and June 2. There will be no meeting in July, but we are trying to finalize a July workshop that is going to fill up fast so be prepared sign up as soon as you hear about it.

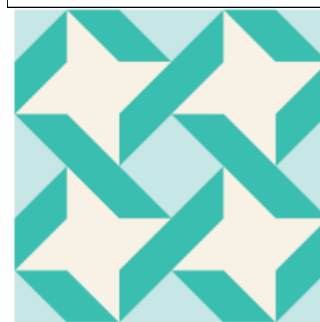
That's all for now,
Happy sewing!
Elaine Bullard

Meetings begin promptly at 7p.m, 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 All Stars



Meetings

Fairfield Baptist Church
27240 Highway 290
Cypress, Texas
On 290 westbound
between
Mueschke and Mason Road.
1st Tuesday of the month,
7pm-9pm
tricountyguild@gmail.com



Thank you for signing in for our meetings. Attendance records help us to plan for future needs.

As a reminder, you are awarded 2 Volunteer hours just for attending! If you have done any sewing for the guild since the last meeting (such as sewing kits/quilting for charity Bee, Boutique projects, etc.) go ahead and add those hours, too.

Jaine Jewell Membership 25-26



Happy Birthday to These Members!

Jennifer Cutler 2
Lauren Tessmer 3
Heidi Voigt 4
Betty Collette 4
Susan Goodrich 9
Sara Hopkins 11
Andrea Lagard 12
Stacey Chandler 13
Pam Barman 13

Natasha Potts 13
Cynthia Auble 13
Rhonda Van Alstine 14
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welcome

Welcome to our newest members!

Jennifer Edwards and Esther Ruiz

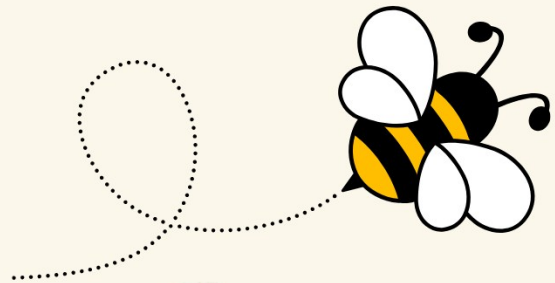


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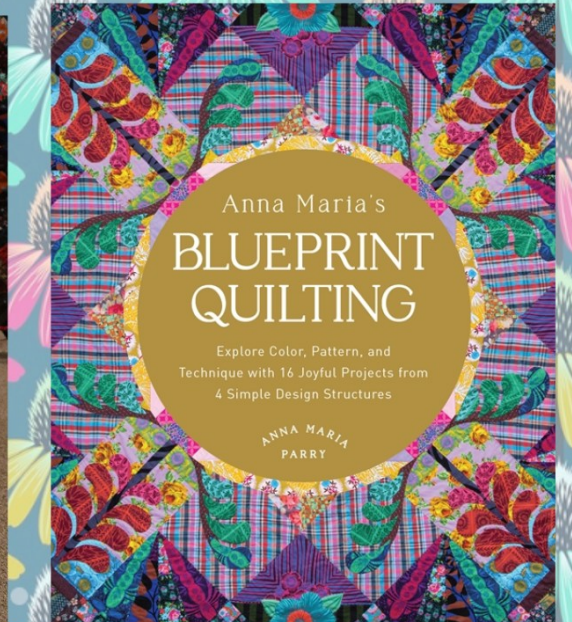


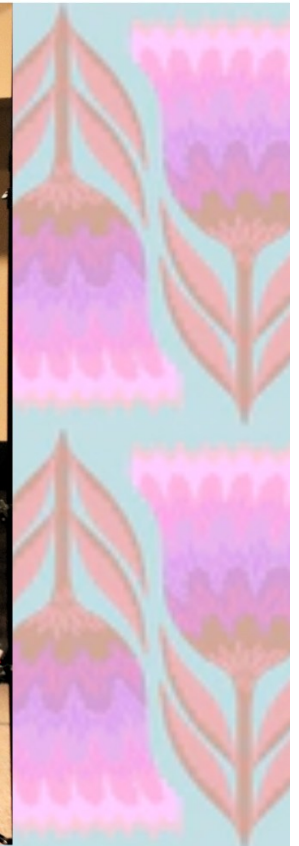
April '26 Sew & Tell





ANNA MARIA











SCAM: Zoom Meeting I somehow missed. There never was a zoom meeting!!

NOTE: Do not click on anything in the message!

NOTE: Do not go to the zoom link in the message!

These are common precautions to take with any message that comes out of the blue urging you to connect with them.

Be ever vigilante and question **EVERYTHING**, no matter how official or appealing it may seem.



May Block of the Month - All Stars

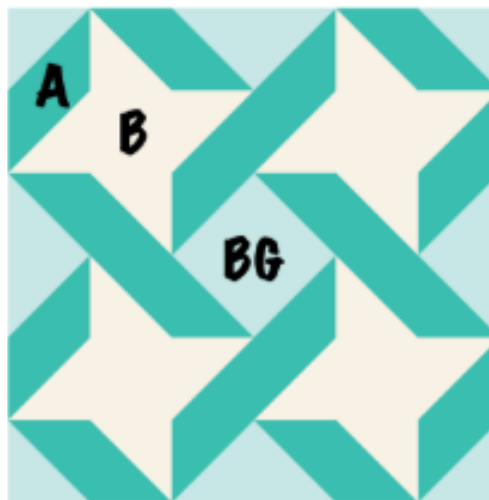
Adapted from a Moda Blockheads block, originally Lisa Bongean

What you'll need:

Background Fabric (BG)
(8) 3" squares

Fabric B
(8) 3" squares
(4) 2 1/2" squares

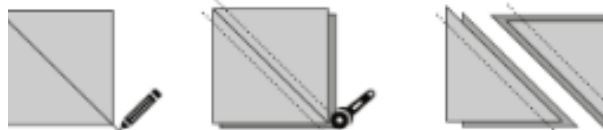
Fabric A
(16) 3" squares



Steps:

1. On the wrong side of each **A** square, draw a line from one corner to the opposing corner.
2. Place **A** squares right sides together with each of the **BG** and **B** squares. Stitch a scant 1/4" seam on both sides of the drawn line.

3. Cut the square apart on the line to yield two HSTs, and press the seams to the darker triangles.



4. Trim HSTs to 2 1/2".
5. Create a 9-patch with (4) **A/B** units, (4) **A/BG** units, and a 2 1/2" **B** square.
6. Repeat to create (4) 9-patch units. Stitch together following the diagram.





Upcoming Lectures, Workshops



May 5: Come listen to Deb Atchison, Educator & Certified Instructor share her quilting journey & Trunk Show. She will be teaching a Portrait Quilt Workshop on **Wednesday, May 6**, at Bobbins & Threads, 9-3, \$35.

June 2: MJ Kinman will offer a Program & Trunk show on “Gems & Joy”. **June 3**, she will offer two separate workshops: Crack the Color Code, 10-1pm, \$35 + \$5 kit fee. From 2-5, she will conduct a “Gemstones” class. \$35 + \$5 pattern. Both workshops will be at The Quilty Shop, 1006 W Main, Tomball.



We have a special Workshop on **Wednesday, July 15** from 10:30-3 at Sewing & Vacuum Warehouse, 13233 North Eldridge Parkway, Cypress. Guild member Jackie Hillman will be sharing her Disappearing Flying Geese Technique. You will not want to miss the opportunity to learn and practice this magical process! \$35.00 Register now by emailing Regina.Eardley@gmail.com .A payment link will be sent to you via Square.



2028 Quilt Show

What? We just got through with our 2026 quilt show. But yes, we are already starting to work on our next show. Along with myself, Patty Mooney and Karen Potter will be the co-chairs for our next show. If you are interested in chairing, co-chairing or simply joining one of our many committees we would love to have you. You can email me at dshhardcastle1@outlook.com to let me know how you can help or what you're interested in. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to get to know many of our members of the guild, learn what it takes to put on a quilt show, support our mission of the guild, and just to have some fun! More news to follow as we begin our journey to 2028.

Denise Hardcastle

2028 Quilt Show Chair



Tip for May



Click the screenshot to be taken to the Facebook video to see a trick for creating quick and even diagonal/bias strips.



Tri-County's Fabulous Bees



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



Our Bees create a strong sense of a quilting community within the guild. Consider becoming a Beekeeper! Organize your bee, find a location, contact the Queen Bee Chair to let her know, and go from there!

Charla Reese, Queen Bee, charla361@yahoo.com



BEE Czars: Meets the 4th Saturday of the month at The Quilty Shop. We choose projects as a group or work on our UFO's. We plan on two retreats a year. If you are interested in joining this be please call to be put on a waiting list.

Bee Keepers: Ann Keilers 832-515-1081 or Marian Page 281-797-3014.



Day Strippers: 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 the beekeeper to be put on a waiting list. New members have been moving in through the list!

Bee Keeper: Judy Klevorn jkklevorn@gmail.com




Quilty Pleasures Meets on the second and fourth Monday from 1:30-4:30 at The Quilty Shop. We mostly work on individual projects with an occasional group project. Our Bee is currently closed to new members but contact either of the CoBee Keepers to be added to a waiting list.

Bee Keepers: Deb Durr dpdurr1@yahoo.com and Anita Arendall




Quilter's Dozen: Meets the 4th Thursdays at The Quilty Shop from 10-4:30. We have great times together! This bee has openings.

Bee Keeper: Charmaine Fritchey cfritchey@gmail.com




Grateful Threads: Formerly "We Be Quilters". We have changed our meeting time to the THIRD THURSDAY -once a month- at the Quilty Shop in Tomball from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. Now a full day!! We are a "sassy" group of Quilters who meet to sew whatever you are working on, a long lost "UFO", hand work, etc. Come to share tips, get ideas, and socialize. Come when you can, no experience necessary. Contact Bee Keeper, Stacy Chandler, to be included in our great group. An email is sent out prior to the Bee to remind you to RSVP. Come and have a great sewing day with us in a beautiful quilting shop.

Bee Keeper, Stacy Chandler stacey1622003@yahoo.com



Quirky Quilters: This bee is for those quilters who want to push the boundaries of traditional quilting by exploring textile art. This may include, but not limited to, collage, fabric painting, mixed media, free motion quilting, slow stitching, raw edge applique, pixelated blocks, foundation paper piecing, and thread painting. The purpose is to share ideas and techniques, encourage creativity, and seek feedback in a safe environment. We will work on our own projects, possibly invite guest speakers, and learn from one another. If this sounds like fun, give this bee a try. Quirky Quilters meets at The Quilty Shop on the third Thursday of each month from 5-9pm. **This bee is accepting new members!** Contact Regina Eardley, Beekeeper, at Regina.Eardley@gmail.com.



Charity Bee: Meets at Cypress Crossing Christian Church on the 4th Wednesday of each Month from 9:30-1:00. 15751 Cypress Rosehill Rd, Cypress, TX 77429. **Charity Bee needs new members and volunteers. We are growing and we need help in getting our project needs fulfilled. The activities we perform are not difficult; just very busy. We will help you learn everything you need to know.** Any questions, please contact Mary Willyerd, Janet Winkler, or Karen Cook.



The Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild of Texas will have their bi-annual quilt showcase on July 10-11, 2026. The quilt showcase committee has decided this will be an **open** quilt show. Accordingly, we invite your members to consider entering their quilts into the Peace by Piece quilt show.

Information about the rules and quilt categories can be found at <http://cpqgtx.org/quilt-entry-menu>.

Quilters can enter quilts into our show with the following limitations: Only 2 quilts per quilter may be entered by quilters who are not members of our guild

Quilters who are not members of our guild may not enter the challenge categories

A maximum of 225 quilts will be accepted for judging on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Here are some key dates your quilters will want to know:

April 1, 2026 – Online submissions will open

at <http://cpqgtx.org/2026-quilt-showcase>

May 21, 2026 – Deadline for all submissions

June 22 – July 1, 2026 – Deadline for shipped quilts to be received

July 8, 2026 – Quilt turn-in at the Stafford Centre in Stafford, TX

July 9, 2026 – Quilt judging

July 10-11, 2026 – Peace by Piecing Quilt Showcase

July 11, 2026 – Quilt pick-up at the Stafford Centre



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Lakeview Quilters Guild
1407 Victory Lane
Alvin, Texas 77511
May 1st, 9 AM to 8 PM
May 2nd, 9 AM to 4 PM

The Woodlands Area Quilt Guild
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Victoria's Crown Sampler
By: Jerianne Evans
Quilting by: Cynthia Clark

78" X 78"



Friday, May 1, 2026, 9:00am - 8:00pm Saturday, May 2, 2026, 9:00am - 4:00pm

Victory Camp
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