



Elm City Quilters' Guild



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Cheryl Petreman, editor

Minutes of the September 3rd meeting:

Flow Bowser, Secretary

[Edited by both Joan Baldwin & Cheryl Petreman, who can't keep their fingers out of the pie – apologies to Flow]

Meeting was called to order by Coordinator, Joan Baldwin, with 72 members, including 8 new members.

Joan welcomed all members and discussed issues that arose at the executive meeting, including her order of business for meetings, which will be as follows:

- Welcome
- Announcements (note: the Coordinator is to be notified of announcements at least one day prior to the meeting)
- Attendance
- Library update
- Workshop discussions
- Program (note: the first two meetings this fall will be dedicated to organizing the quilt show)
- Break
- Name tag & fat quarter draws
- Show and tell
- meetings to close by 9pm

Retreat will be Feb.5-8, 2009 at the Villa Madona in Saint John

Financial report given by Treasurer, Ann Wood. In the past years, while the finances were good, large donations have been made to various charities and special needs situations. These have depleted the bank balance to the point fund raising must take place. Charlotte pointed out that when the guild started at the Masonic Hall, it was proposed that a quilt be made annually, to raffle to raise monies to cover expenses.

Workshops are a good opportunity to learn new things & ask questions. Marj Deveau reported that all workshops will have a project, with both beginner & more advanced options. Members can work on the specified project or bring their own. The first 20-30 minutes of each workshop will have a demonstration of a quilting technique. Workshops are included in the events list of the newsletter. The next workshop is September 13th, from 9am-3pm. This month's demo will be on basic rotary cutting & the project will be potholders.

The janitor has been given a floor plan of how the tables should be set up and the number of tables required. Due to the cost involved for Hall rental, Set Up and Clean Up of the tables, a \$5.00 fee will be payable at the door when you arrive at a workshop. There must be at least ten members committed to attending. Workshops may also be cancelled if there is a funeral at the church. In that case, members will receive an email or a phone call notifying them of the cancellation.

Cecile reported on the progress with the quilt show. Registration forms of items being shown have to be in by the Oct. 1st meeting, with no exceptions. Members are encouraged to volunteer.

Jackie reported on the kitchen for the quilt show. Antique quilts to cover the tables were requested. The quilts will be covered with plastic. Sign up sheet at the back of the hall. Each member is requested to donate 3doz. cookies or squares. Quilts to be used for decorating in the kitchen should be registered. Members are reminded to put their names on their containers and pick them up at the end of the show, if they want them returned.

Marj Deveau reported that advertising has gone out to newspapers, radio stations, to other guilds and to the Canadian Quilter and N.B. textiles. Flyers will be at the frex and at workshops. They will also be emailed to members, to print and post at workplaces, doctors' offices, etc.

Donna Chase reported on volunteers for the quilt show. There are 48 slots need to be filled for the quilt show. A sign up sheet is located at the back of the room. Some discussion was held about stamping hands or giving out tickets at the door. Sale table will be downstairs with the vendors and small items for sale do not need to be registered. Members will pay admission once only.

Proceeds from the quilt show, after expenses, will be split with the church.

Esther Clarke is arranging vendors and sale table.

Anita reported on registration. The need to have all items for the show registered by the next meeting was stressed, with no exceptions. Those who can not bring their quilts in on Oct.15, can drop them off to Gwenda, Cecile, or Anita. Sleeves are not necessary for items being shown.

Minutes of the Sept. 3rd meeting continued...

Linda Boudreau spoke about group projects and stressed that each group is responsible for decorating their area. Linda needs the names of two people from each group by the Oct. 1st meeting. These members will be responsible for decorating for their group -- a 13 inch x 8 foot table with a backdrop. Tables will need a skirt, which could be a quilt.

Gwenda spoke on the set up of the show. The show's name will be Reflections & it will have a Victorian theme. Quilts will be displayed upstairs, unless there are too many entries. New quilts, or quilts not previously shown, are preferable as entries. Antique articles are needed as props, anyone having such items that are willing to loan them for the show, should contact Gwenda. Members are reminded this is a group quilt show and all members are welcome to take part. The general setup was explained. New frames have been made by the church, but are unable to be moved to different locations. Additional frames are being rented from the Fredericton Guild.

Following the break, draws were made for the door prizes, with Jackie Ferguson and Tammy MacKinnon, a new member, being the lucky winners.

A wide variety of interesting items were displayed by members during Show & Tell.

The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

Name tags

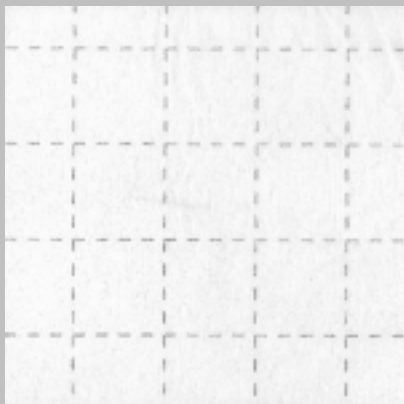
We will be putting in an order for the magnetic Elm City Quilters' Guild nametags. If you'd like one, then please give \$11.25 (cash or cheque) to Susan Mayo at the Oct. 1st meeting. We should receive the name tags in time for them to be worn at the quilt show.

Notions to look for:

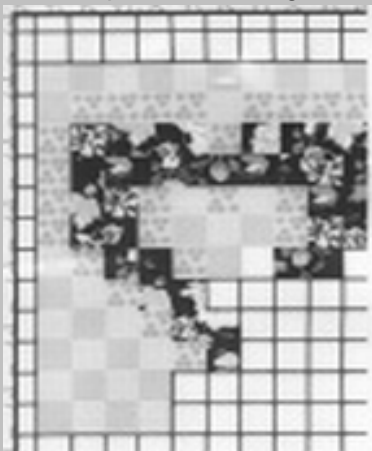
One of the big hits of our Sept. 13th workshop was the method that Terry Tesky was using to make her wall hanging. This fusible interfacing (sold as Quilter's Grid or Quilt Fuse) has a printed grid of 1" or 2" squares. It was developed in the 90's to speed up the sewing of "Watercolor Quilts"

For design ideas, look for quilting books entitled "Watercolor Quilts" or "Fuse, Fold & Stitch". Alternatively use a small cross stitch design as a pattern. Remember that your quilt will "shrink" by 25% as you sew it... this is because you use up 1/2" in every seam (two 1/4" seam allowances).

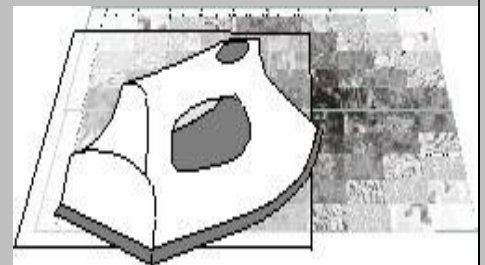
Place the interfacing on a table or design wall - fusible side out.



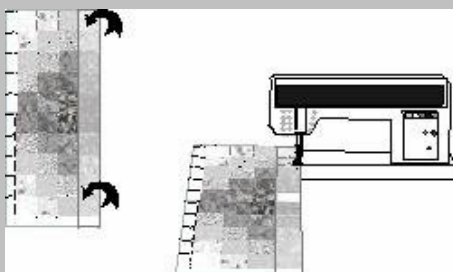
Design your quilt by aligning 2" fabric squares on the grid lines.



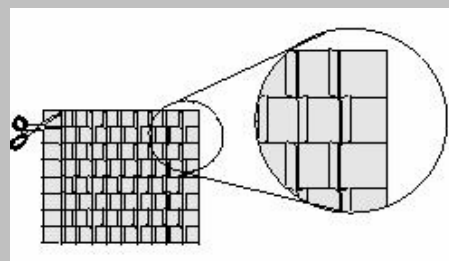
Once satisfied with your design, iron the piece to fuse the squares into place.



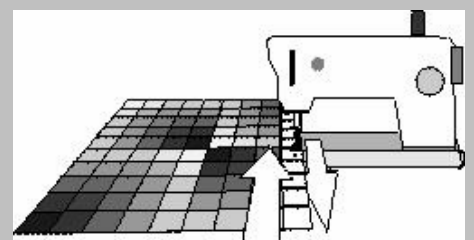
Fold & stitch horizontal rows.



Snip intersections



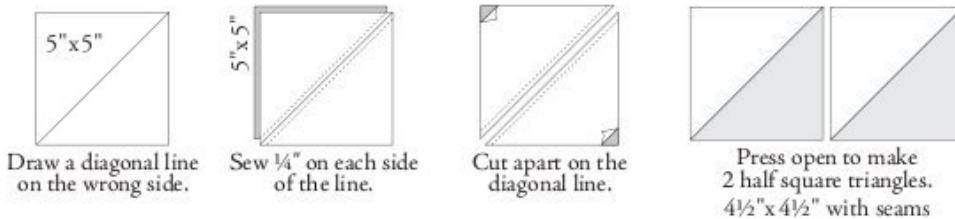
Stitch vertical rows, pushing seam allowances in opposite directions.



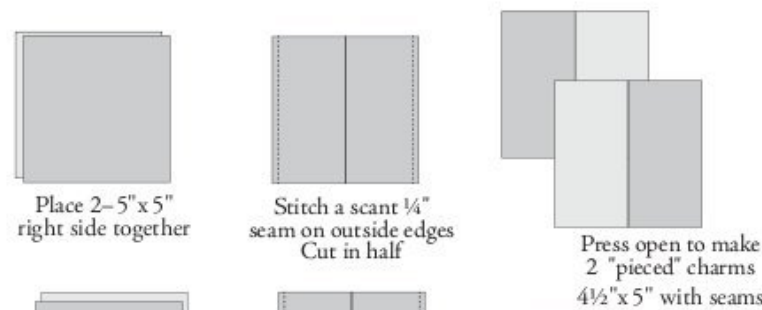
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What can I do with a 5" square?

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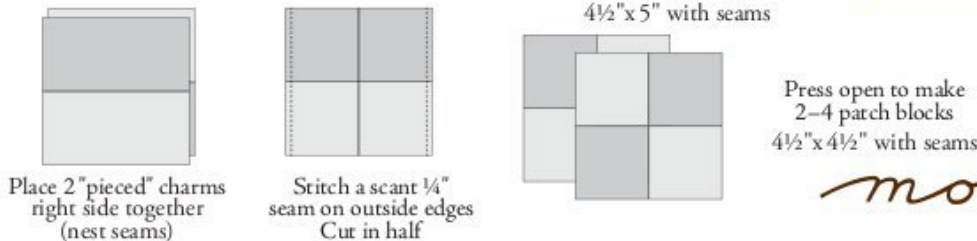
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Cutting your own 5" squares:

- $\frac{1}{4}$ yard = 8 squares
- 1 fat quarter = 12 squares
- $\frac{1}{2}$ yard = 24 squares
- $\frac{3}{4}$ yard = 40 squares
- 1 yard = 56 squares

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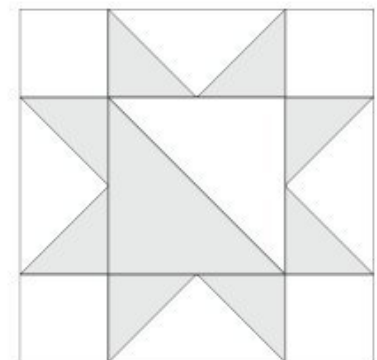
Easy corner triangles

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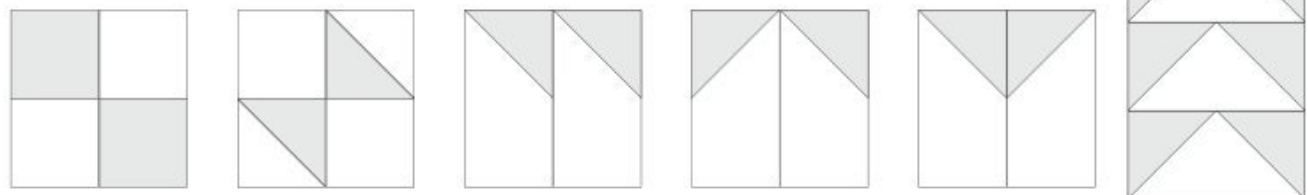


Use a scrap saver ruler.

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BLOCK IDEAS



Dates of Interest

- Oct 2-4 **Sussex Vale Quilters' Guild Autumn Splendor Quilt Show & Sale** Lions Club, Sussex, NB
Thur. 1-7, Fri. 10-7, Sat.10-4. Adm. \$3. Contact autumnsplendorinsussex@gmail.com
- Oct 3-5 **Mahone Bay Quilters' Guild Show and Sale.** Firehall, RR#1, Blockhouse, NS
(between Exit 11 & Mahone Bay). Fri 10-5:30. Sat 10-5:30. Sun 1-5. Adm \$2, kids under 12 free.
Contact Donna Veinot (902) 275-5100 or donna_veinot@hotmail.com
- Oct 10-18 **Fibre Art Festival** Amherst, NS <http://www.fibreartsfestival.com>
- Oct 17 **Cumberland Quilters' Guild Quilt Show** First Baptist Church; 90 Victoria St East; Amherst, NS
Contact Pauline (902) 667-3227
- Oct 16-18 **ECQG Reflections Quilt Show** St. Paul's United Church, 224 York Str., Fredericton (at George St.)
October 16, 17 & 18th. Thursday - Noon - 9pm Friday 10am - 9pm & Saturday - 10am - 4pm
For more information contact Cecile Grant: cng@nb.sympatico.ca
- Oct. 24-26 **Kindred Spirits Quilters' Guild** will hold their bi-annual **Quilt Show, Sale & Tea**
Fri 10-8; Sat 10-6 & Sun 12-4 at Holy Redeemer Parish Center, Pond St., Charlottetown, PEI
Contact jherbert@eastlink.ca
- Oct 25 **ECQG Workshop** (\$5) 9am – 3pm Fall Table Runner. Sandra Noftell will demonstrate basic pressing.
- Oct 17-19 **Art Trek '08 Open Your Eyes Studio Tour** Fredericton and area artists will open their studios to visitors
on the third Saturday and Sunday in October. Contact: (506) 443-9900
- Oct 17-19 **CreativFestival** Toronto, ON <http://www.csnf.com>
- Oct 18-19 **Art Across the Marsh Studio Tour** Sackville, NB <http://www.artacrossthemarsh.ca>
- Oct 24-26 **14th Biennial Quilt Show** in Charlottetown, PEI
- Nov 5 **ECQG Meeting** 7-9pm
- Nov 13-14 **Christmas at the Market Craft Show**, 10am - 9pm Boyce Farmers' Market, Fredericton
- Nov 15 **ECQG Workshop** (\$5) Christmas Tree Skirt/Table Topper
- Dec 3 **ECQG Meeting** 7pm-9pm
- Dec 13 **ECQG Workshop** (\$5) Finish projects. Christmas Pot Luck Lunch

Embroidery Fever?

Singer (72 York / 458-9193) carries DMC cotton \$0.89 & Anchor wool (\$1.25) embroidery floss in a multitude of colours.



Mini-Quilt donations requested

Cathly Schlichter, volunteer coordinator for the CNIB, was wondering if members would be willing to make & donate 6"-10" quilts (ie: small wall hangings or pot holders). Optimally the quilts will have some "texture" that a visually impaired person could feel (embellishments, different fabric mixed together, 3D blocks, etc.). The mini-quilts will be given away as a token of thanks to CNIB volunteers in the spring.

Cheryl Petreman will be collecting these at guild meetings.