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Great Free Pattern by Moda

There is a lovely pattern put out by Moda that can be found at https://my.modafabrics.com/webfiles/fp_ RQC-701-Villages.pdf (copy and paste this link in your browser to download pdf)

Moda's posting about this quilt can be found here:

https://my.modafabrics.com/inspiration-resources/one-village-together

Alternatively there is a great tutorial on Youtube put out by Missouri Star for a similar quilt here:

Create a Tiny House Quilt Block https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=G1vn043LV50

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are well and truly into our guild year and fall has arrived. The colours have not peaked yet (at time of writing), but it is getting colder. This is my favourite time of the year as I am sure it is for most of the members. Where did our summer go?

September program reminded us of how well our 2023 Quilt show went. Lee did an amazing job capturing 'all' 300 quilts on display. Do we have our next show in two years, 2025 or 3 years, 2026? A decision will need to be made soon. October program was a reminder of the past and how quilting has been the mainstay sewing for women throughout history. Thank you, Kelly, keep the good program ideas coming.

Your guild has a new batch of executive members alongside of our returning ones. What a great start with Sonia's Block of the Month. I enjoy hand work, but the older I get the arthritis in my hands makes it a little harder to do. Luisa's gnome challenge for December is so cute. Kathleen has an interesting twist to our Library 50/50. Let's give it a try.

Anne Pennington will be looking for newsletter submissions from you to get our next newsletter out. Send her updates, pictures, cartoons. Maybe a vendor or two will advertise and we can support them.

Comfort quilts does such an amazing job donating quilts to worthy community causes in our county. The stash of fabrics is never ending. Are you able and willing to help put together quilts, large and small to help with this donation? Come out to Bloomfield United Church the last Thursday of each month and see how you can contribute.

As we move into winter our meetings will go back to zoom for December, January and February. Sit back in a comfy chair with a beverage and enjoy.

> Christine Hays President, PECQG

MEMBER'S SHOW AND SHARE 11 OCTOBER 2023



PROGRAM 11 OCTOBER 2023

October 2023 - Michael Rikley-Lancaster, Curator of the Mississippi Valley Textile Museum - in person.

We were delighted to welcome Michael and assistant who presented a trunk show selected from the museum's collection. It was an informative and entertaining presentation!



CRUMB QUILTING WORKSHOP

Our Crumb Quilting Workshop was held at the Bloomfield United Church on Saturday, November 18th from 9:30-3:00. 17 members and guests participated in our workshop lead by our very own Sarah Roberts.



Sarah displayed several types of crumb quilt blocks and our members soon learned what she meant when Sarah described it as easy, fun, and relaxing.

She quoted Victoria Findlay Wolf when she said we should learn to play in our sewing rooms for at least 15 minutes each time we sew. If you are stuck on a project and don't know what to do to move forward or are in between projects, crumb piecing is just the ticket! It will help relax you and reduce stress!

Sarah saves all scraps 1 x1.5 inches and sorts them into similar coloured boxes. She suggested using small a stitch length and getting away from 90 degree angles! We found this is easier said than done! Also directional prints require careful placement. Smaller prints work best as the pieces we are using are small.

We had a wonderful day sewing with people! We want more days like this!

Thank you so much Sarah for a wonderful, relaxing day where we could learn this technique!



If you have an idea for a workshop or want to suggest a teacher, please contact us.

Kelly Panacci, Judy Blemkie and Maggie Goode Workshop Committee (more pics on page 6)

PROGRAM 8 NOVEMBER 2023

November 2023 - Jennifer Tryon of Homemade - in person and via Zoom

In her past life as a network news correspondent, Jen travelled with a craft project in her suitcase to stay sane. Now, Jen has a full-time crafting on TV gig and a store in Kingston.

HomeMade is A NEWKingston Quilt Shop and exclusive Janome Sewing Machine Dealer! Stop in for fabric, thread, craft supplies or to meet Jen! Join us in-store or online for classes and events in the HomeMade Studio Classroom.

Jen is still on TV reporting cool creative stuff - you can find out when she is on here: https://home-made.ca/tv-appearance/



MORE FROM THE CRUMB QUILT WORKSHOP



UPCOMING PROGRAMMING

December 2023 - Shannon Fraser - via Zoom Finding Your Creative Practice Through the 100 Day Project



Shannon is a colour and textile lover who accidentally stumbled into quilting! You're probably thinking "how does one stumble into quilting?"!

Well, I'd been working in the corporate world for over 15 years when I decided to step away to focus on starting a family. I had a stressful job and we thought maybe all the travel and pressure weren't helping the situation. Little did I know what an all-consuming, long, and difficult fertility journey I'd be embarking on.

It was a strange time as I went from being very busy and constantly on the go, to my main focus being doctor's visits and taking it easy. All I knew, was that I needed more creativity in my life and I turned to sewing as my outlet.

It wasn't until years later when I stumbled upon a You-

Tube video on how to make half-square triangles (or HSTs as I've lovingly come to know them) that I became fascinated with quilting. One HST led to another and another and, before I knew it, I was well on my way to making my first quilt! That was back in 2015 and I've been hooked since! This surprised me as I had completed discounted quilting as something I'd be interested in — too slow, too many details, too much hand stitching.

Turns out, the very elements of quilting I thought I would dislike are the ones I needed the most. Slowing down, reconnecting with my creative instincts, and learning to enjoy the process (not just being focused on the end result) were key lessons I needed to be reminded of.

January 2024 - Stephanie Hackney of Hobbs Bonded Fibers - via Zoom Batting: What's Inside Matters

This lecture offers quilters and other creatives a chance to learn all about fires and batting. This lecture covers:

- The questions we ask quilters to assist them in narrowing down the many batting choices to what's 'best' for achieving the results they desire
- The various finer types, and pros and (potential) cons of each type
- What we recommend for specific use cases (modern quilts, charity quilts, art quilts, wall hangings, runners, throws, etc.)
- Proper use and care of battings and quilts
- Tips and tricks for best results, and, a bit of fun!

OUT IN THE COMMUNITY

COMFORT QUILTS

Dear Guild Members, from our collection of beautiful quilts lovingly made by guild members, we were able to donate to The Storehouse in Wellington 9 lap quilts and 2 bed quilts for their clients. They were so grateful for the donation and I have attached a photo which has also been circulated on social media. Thank you so much for your beautiful creations! There is a continuous need for lap quilts and so please keep using up your stash as you are able and/or come get some fabric from the Comfort Quilt stash at Bloomfield United Church on our Comfort Quilt Workdays.



Community Care for Seniors has advised me that they need 115 placemats this year. The number has increased since last year. Thank you to everyone who are making placemats. Again, if you need batting or fabric, come to the workday and we would be happy to pass some along. We have lots of smaller pieces of batting that would work and some orphan blocks that could be creatively turned into placemats.

With gratitude on behalf of the Comfort Quilts Committee, Hanne



Community Care for Seniors Active Living Fair

We had a great day at the Community Care for Seniors Active Living Fair Thursday Nov 2, 2023 at the Wellington and District Community Centre.

There was great interest in our hand quilting projects/ demo. and in joining our Guild. Out of 28 membership forms, I only had 9 left!

Janet

Editor - Sounds like a very successful day - thanks for representing us ladies! Hope to join you next year!

Fabric Requirements for Luisa's challenge.

Christmas Gnome

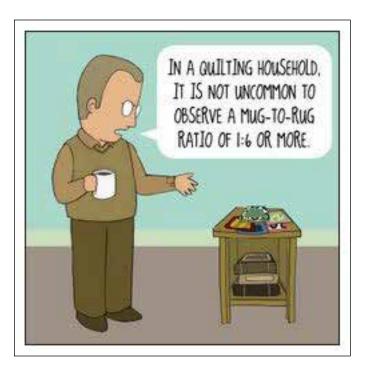
The Christmas Gnome is a Confident Beginner Paper Pieced Pattern

Please note that there is an error on the pattern ... the A should be on the pattern just below where it currently is.

Note: ensure that you add the $\frac{1}{4}$ inch around the outer edge.

You will need the following fabric:

- Fat ¼ for the background
- Fat 1/8 for the hat
- Fat 1/8 for the coat
- Or a fat ¼ if doing the hat and coat the same colours
- Scrap fabric for the hands and beard
- You will also need a button or piece of felt for the nose





Christmas Tree Mug Rug Free Pattern

This is a tutorial video. The link to the pattern is in the video description below the video.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VP-0Frrf09IY



Fun Quilting Links

Free Quilting Tutorials by Missouri Star

https://www.missouriquiltco.com/pages/free-quilting-tutorials

YouTube - Machine Quilting

Beginner Free Motion Machine Quilting with Jenny Doan of Missouri Star https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGNOS5JQHYQ

Machine Quilting 101 with Angela Walters | Midnight Quilt Show https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKT7WeG6C6Q



Quilt Shows

Canadian Quilters Assoc. Quilting Events Calendar

https://canadianquilter.com/calendar/

Quilter's Travel Companion - quilt shops, quilt shop sales, quilt shop hops, quilt guilds, quilt shows, and quilt retreat facilities worldwide http://quilterstravelcompanion.com/

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