



SIMPLE STITCHES

Next Meeting:

Tuesday
February 28

Tonight's Lesson:

Roxanne Fike
Quilt as You Go

Next Month:

Pam Etheridge
Draft Your Own
Pattern

QUILT AS YOU GO

At this month's meeting, guest speaker
Roxanne Fike
will show us how to finish our tops using
the "Quilt as You Go" method.

2017 Meeting/Lesson Schedule

- Feb. 28 - Pam Etheridge - Draft your own pattern
- Mar. 28 - Challenge
- Apr. 25 - Julia Wolheter - (TBD)
- May 23 - Bev Bartlett (TBD)
- Jun. 27 - Chloe Haynes - Snip It Art
- Jul. 25 - Sacred Heart meeting
- Aug. 29 - Cindy Lash & Caroline North
- Sep. 26 - Garage Sale
- Oct. 24 - Edith Shanholt - Trunk Show
- Nov. 28 - Cindy Lash & Caroline North
- Dec. 19 - Christmas Party

Drawing Winners

Name Tags: Pam Etheridge and Julie Kessler

Tips & Tricks: "We all know how frustrating it is when the perfect fabric chosen for binding a quilt suddenly disappears! Here is a tip to avoid that frustration forever: When I am working on piecing a top, I take the time to make the binding as well. Then, I wrap it around my large ruler, tie it with a scrap of fabric or yarn, label it with the name of the quilt, and pop it into a large, clear, plastic jar with a screw-on lid. This keeps it clean and safe and, no matter how long it takes me to get to the binding, I will always know where it is."

-Cindy Lash

February Birthdays:

- 1 Sue Emerson
- 2 Caroline North
- 3 Karen Krill
- 4 Barbara Miller
- 5 Emma Slesman
- 6 Barb Huth
- 7 Becky Nichols
- 28 Sara Conrad

A note to new members:

If you would like to see your name in this space, please give your birthday to Cindy Lash...no need to give your birth year! :)

The Gathering

Saturday, March 11

8am - 4pm

Lakeview Middle School
Warsaw, IN

Featuring

"A Hexie Revolution"

By Mary Kerr

*Quilt Show *Vendors

*Ugly Fabric Challenge

*Block Exchange *Quilt Appraisals

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Block and 5" Square Drawing Winners

Please remember, when your name is drawn, get your preferences to Cindy Lash (email is on the front page) ASAP so that she can get the info into the next newsletter! Thank you!

5" squares: Marilyn Carlson - Red, yellow, and/or orange 20s/30s prints- same or different
Joyce Griffiths - Dark Civil War prints - different
Blocks: Bev Bartlett (see details below)

Bev would like a Four Patch Star block in **Civil War reproduction** fabrics.

For the Four Patch center, please use 2 different fabrics, a dark and a medium.

For the star points, please use an additional dark fabric.

For the backgrounds, please use 2 different light - one for B and one for C - Civil War prints (known as "shirtings").

Cutting: A-Cut four 2 7/8" squares from a dark fabric, then cut each on the diagonal to make a total of eight triangles.

B-Cut one 5 1/4" square from a shirting, then cut on the diagonal **twice** to make four triangles.

C-Cut four 2 1/2" squares from a different shirting
Two 2 1/2" squares from a different dark fabric
Two 2 1/2" squares from a medium fabric

Piece four AAB units and one C Four Patch unit. Piece units into rows and then sew the rows together.

Unfinished block will measure 8 1/2".



NOTE: Be sure to get the AAB units oriented correctly! I discovered (after spending all the time labeling the photo) that the one in the bottom row of the first photo is UPSIDE DOWN!!! Thankfully, I sewed it properly in the block! -Cindy :)

Free Bag - When you visit all 6 shops

Bring it with you to each shop, get a 15% discount for the next year (on regular priced items) after the hop

Quilting Sisters Shop Hop - 2017

February 21-25

Tuesday - Friday 10am-6 pm Saturday 10am-5pm

Free Passports!

Participating Shops

Edwards Sewing Center
Caroline's Cottage Cottons
Lowery Sewing & Vacuum
Heaven on Earth
Quilts N Gifts
Engine House Quilt Shop