



SIMPLE STITCHES

**Tonight:
Garage Sale**



TONIGHT'S MEETING: GARAGE SALE--6:00 IN THE PARKING LOT!

YAYYYYYYYY! The September Meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 22nd beginning at 6:00 pm in the parking lot. This is our annual garage sale.

Please allow those who are selling items to use the parking spaces closest to the building. If your vehicle doesn't accommodate displaying items, please bring a folding table to use. Also, make sure you have sufficient change for buyers.

After the garage sale winds down, we will hold our meeting by moving to the.....parking lot!!! Unless you like standing, please bring a folding chair.

Looking forward to seeing all of you!

October Birthdays:

2-Jean Replogle

10-Cathy Putman

28-Donna Gossett

29-Julia Wolheter

A note to members:

*If you would like to see your name
In this space, please give your
birthday to Cathy Holman,
no need to give your birth year!*

Facebook Users

NNT has a closed (private) Facebook group. Let's all share our projects, progress (or lack of!) and questions.

This is a great way to stay in touch and I know that it helps my mojo!

More Quilter Back Stories

Both my mother and my grandmother were prolific seamstresses who brought in extra money by sewing for others. I grew up wearing handmade dresses crafted by these two precious ladies. I was in fourth grade when I began sewing some of my own clothes. Garment sewing was my first love and came in quite handy with my own family. I made my first quilts for my three children when they were babies. Those quilts were pretty simple but served their purpose. I took a quilting class from Joyce Griffiths in 1985 and from that point just continued to learn and grow as a quilter.

This time of interruption in my usual activity has served me well as it has given me much needed "down time" to catch up on many tasks that have been neglected far too long. After spending several weeks addressing some of those things some of those things I have been able to settle in and enjoy working on my quilting projects that I was working on before all this started. I am feeling accomplished and pretty much content to see where all this takes us. God is proving Himself faithful as always.

Marilyn Carlson

I learned to hand piece thanks to my mother-in-law's influence, nearly 40 years ago. She hand-pieced nine-patch blocks sitting in the living room watching TV. She had Ruby McKim's pattern book. I bought my own copy, and hand pieced my first quilt (still a top!!) from a pattern in that book. I hand pieced for a very long time, even after rotary cutters came out. I finally gave rotary cutting a try, and began machine piecing as well. I think most of us in the Nimble Thimbles have a "I took up quilting" story much like mine! I'm an introvert, so the lockdown has given me plenty of reason to stay home and just sew to my heart's content. I hope all my sewing sisters (and brother) are staying safe and healthy, and enjoying stitching time, too.

Pam Etheridge

My mother and mother-in-law were my two greatest influences in getting me started in quilting. From a very early age, I can remember my mother sitting and sewing at her machine. She sewed mainly clothing for herself and me. I was her only girl and she was determined to have me wear dresses, my only requirement was they had to have a pocket. After wearing hand-me-down boys jeans, I was thrilled to wear a dress but I still had "treasures" I had to put somewhere-my pockets! Later mother went on to make scrap quilts from left over pieces from things she had sewn. Many of these quilts included double knit fabric and lots of florals!! Mother tied most of her quilts and I helped in that application. She also guided me through several 4-H sewing projects.

When I came into the Hague family I found that my mother-in-law was a quilter extraordinaire. She turned ordinary fabric into beautiful works of art. I loved to watch her sew and tried to learn everything I could from her. My first quilt was a blue jean quilt that I made with her help and my sister-in-law's help. I still have that wonderful quilt.

With this legacy behind me I began my own journey of quilt making. When our first daughter was young she would push the foot pedal to run my machine as I sewed! Later my sewing machine faced the steps to the basement and our girls would sit on the steps and talk to me while I sewed. I was ready to move my machine when along came our granddaughters who also liked to sit on the steps and talk to me while I sew. I guess I won't rearrange furniture for a while.

My latest project has been making masks for my brother's business in California. I also decided to make a "crumb quilt" which isn't making much of a dent in my scrap pile.

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