



Mukilteo Lighthouse Quilters

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Next Guild Meeting:

Tuesday, March 15 - 7:00 p.m.

Where: Point of Grace Lutheran Church, 5425 Harbour Pointe Boulevard, Mukilteo

Program: Memory McClung, "Wool Appliqué Basics and More"

Refreshments: Connie Tebbutt & Linda O'Neil

Please note that we have a new email address for newsletter articles:

MLQNewsletter@live.com

Please note in your records. Thanks!

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Girls Just Want to Have Fun!!!

President's Message

OK, I admit it - it's my fault our newsletter is a little later than usual. A family member has had some medical problems and Tim and I have been spending most of our time in Tacoma at the hospital. I apologize to all of you that it has made me a little short of time.

WOW - how was our February speaker????? Awesome and inspiring, both, right????? Thank you Barb for having Sharyn visit us and present her personal philosophy through her quilting. Much appreciated.

We have some great programs coming up and hope you'll all be at our March meeting to hear Memory! She is so talented and am so glad she's agreed to share with the rest of us. By the way, if you have a special technique, all your own, or one that you excel in, talk to our Program Committee, and we'll see what we can do to get it scheduled. The Committee consists of Tracy Lowen and Karen Ostheller, presently, and if you are interested, please think about adding your name to the Committee as well. We have already set up a wonderful speaker for June - you'll hear more on that later. Our May Meeting will be our Comfort Quilt/Community Involvement Committee Quilt Show as well as a general meeting of all committees - so plan now for that!

And, we all know what's in July - yes, Mukilteo Garden and Quilt Tour. Just a note right now to thank Alice, Carol, Marian, Susan, and many, many more for all the time and effort going in to this. Just writing this message, I am struck by the level of giving and sharing from our guild members. Which begs the question, as well: How have your Recipe Book sales been going? I know after gifting the ones I had IOU's out on from Christmas, I had requests for more! Hope you all are having the same results I am - after all, it is Fantastic, isn't it??? We'll have more available in March, too, if you need more! And, thank you so much for all your hard work on this.

How many of you were able to make it to the Sew Expo down in Puyallup - I hear it was wonderful, as always, I guess. I wasn't able to make it this year, but always come away inspired and anxious to get busy on new and old projects, both. I've been pretty good this year about not starting too many new projects, but with all the beautiful fabrics coming out, and with the ideas and inspiration I've seen lately, I am a little "over started" and "under finished"! How about you???? Please say you're in the same boat! :) Please!

I will let you all go now, but one last thought - We've really made a lot of changes to our Guild, and I personally want to thank you all for jumping in with the changes and getting involved with all the different areas we focus on. Many thanks to you all!

Best, Sydney

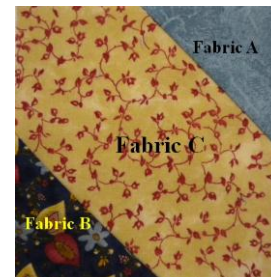
MYSTERY QUILT - Part 5



In this Part you will finish the remaining corners and begin putting some blocks together into larger units. Using the same sewing and trimming technique that you used in Part 4 for connecting the 2.5" corner squares to the larger 4.5" blocks, you will connect corner squares, to your 4.5" squares of **Fabric C**. But this time you will be sewing to **opposite corners** of the 4.5" square and not to adjacent corners.

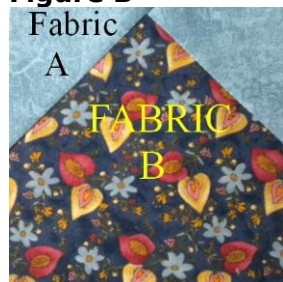
1. Lay out 28 - 4.5" squares of **Fabric C** which you cut. Place them in a stack right side up.
2. Now pull out 28 - 2.5" squares of **Fabric A** and 28 - 2.5" squares of **Fabric B**.
3. Sew (with right sides together as you did in Part 4) one of each small **Fabric A** squares onto a corner of each of the 28 - 4.5" squares of **Fabric C**. You can chain sew these if you put the stacks handy to your sewing machine and do them all in a series, then cut them apart. Trim the "inner" flap excess of the Fabric A square (*as was suggested in Part 4*). Press the corner of Fabric A square into alignment with the underlying corner of Fabric C.
4. Now, stack and rotate the Fabric C squares around to the opposite corner. Sew the 2.5" **Fabric B** squares, with right sides together, to the opposite corner from the one you just sewed. Trim and press. Your finished blocks (28 of them) should look like [Figure A](#).

Figure A



Now we will join a few of the blocks you made in **Part 4** to some of the plain Fabric B blocks which have not yet been sewn.

Figure B



5. Take the **4 baggies** into which you put the blocks from Part 4. One-at-a-time, **from each baggie**, remove **ONLY 2** of the blocks you made that look like the block in [Figure B](#).
6. To each side of this block sew a plain Fabric B block so that you will have 3 blocks sewn in a row that look like [Figure C](#) when done. Be sure to use a 1/4" seam when sewing the blocks together. Press the seams toward the outer blocks.

Figure C



You will have a total of 8 of these strips when finished (2 in each of 4 baggies).

Mystery Quilt - Part 5 (continued)

7. After sewing the eight strips like [Figure C](#) , put them back in the baggies with the remaining two Fabric B Blocks (like the center block in Figure C) and the 4.5" square of Fabric A.
8. Now take the 4.5" square of Fabric A and the two remaining Fabric B blocks (with the corner triangles of fabric A) from the baggies. Place one of the Fabric B blocks on each side of the Fabric A block - join these into strips (with 1/4" seams). They will look like [Figure D](#). Press the seams **toward the center**.

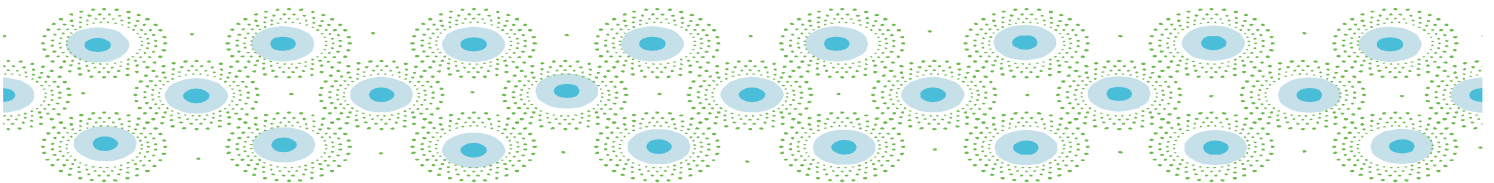
Figure D



You will have 4 of these strips when finished (1 in each of 4 baggies).

9. Put each group back into the baggies when finished.

In Part 6, next month, we will have more joining of the blocks as the Mystery begins to emerge.



March Birthdays

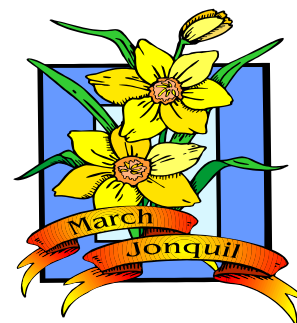


Karen Ostheller	March 24
Liz Wallis	March 24
Margaret Summit	March 2
Sue Reynolds Utt	March 28



March Program

Our very own Memory McClung will be presenting "Wool Appliqué Basics and More" at our March Meeting. She'll give us some great tips, show us some of her gorgeous work, and will inspire us to try this beautiful technique. If you want, bring a large - 3 strand floss needle, and if you're like me, a needle threader and your "reading glasses", and join in the fun. Hope to see you there!



Top 10 Reasons to Keep Buying Fabric



- 1 **It insulates the closet where it is kept.**
- 2 **Because I'm worth it.**
- 3 **It helps keep the economy going. It is our patriotic duty to support cotton farmers, textile mills, and quilt shops.**
- 4 ***It's non-fattening. Registered dietitians have confirmed that a fat quarter has 100% fewer calories than a hot fudge sundae.***
- 5 **I need extra weight in the trunk of my car for traction on wet, icy roads. This is important, even in Washington, as you never know when the weather will change.**
- 6 ***A sudden increase in the boll weevil population might wipe out the cotton crop for the next ten years.***
- 7 **Like dust, it's good for protecting previously empty spaces in the house, like the ironing board, the laundry hamper, the dining room table....**
- 8 **My cat/dog needs a fresh, new pile of fabric to sleep on and roll around on at least once a week.**
- 9 **Because it's on sale.**
- 10 **Okay, it wasn't on sale, but by the time it was, all the good stuff would be gone.**

Yes - you guessed it we had a little extra room in the newsletter so we thought we'd try to make you smile ☺



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The MGQT Committee has created a press release for the upcoming Mukilteo Garden & Quilt Show on July 16th. Check out the release on the next page!

Press Release

Mukilteo Garden & Quilt Tour February 28, 2011

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MUKILTEO, WA – The Mukilteo Way Garden Club and Mukilteo Lighthouse Quilters are planning their third biennial Garden & Quilt tour for Saturday, July 16, 2011, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., rain or shine. The tour displays one hundred hand-made quilts in eight beautiful gardens in and around Mukilteo, a scenic waterfront community located 25 miles north of Seattle. The tour is open to the public for an admission fee of \$12 for advance-purchase tickets, or \$15 if purchased on the day of the tour. Information and tickets will be available on our website, www.mukilteogardenandquilttour.org after April 1. Tickets will also be sold through various locations around Mukilteo and Everett after June 1.

This year, the Tour showcases two public gardens in addition to six private gardens. Mukilteo Community Garden will be one of these. This community garden is a labor of love created by local gardeners, where organic gardening techniques are taught and produce is raised for local food banks. Additionally, Mukilteo's brand new Rosehill Community Center, with its expansive water views, will serve as Garden & Quilt Tour headquarters on the day of the tour. The grounds of Rosehill Community Center include a Quilted Garden maintained by the Mukilteo Way Garden Club. Gardens often inspire quilters to make garden-themed quilts, but in this case, the gardeners were inspired to create a garden in the shape of a quilt block.

Good garden design uses elements of color, texture, size, shape and repetition, and quilters use the same elements when designing a quilt. Ann Lindquist, member of Mukilteo Lighthouse Quilters guild, is getting ready: "Quilters love to play with color and will coordinate their quilts with the inspiring gardens. The quilts will be contemporary, traditional, and artistic original designs. The combination of the art of quilting and gardening is breathtaking, especially on a Northwest summer day," said Lindquist.

According to Jean Skerlong, President of the Mukilteo Way Garden Club, "This year's Tour will feature some amazing private residential gardens. They include gardens of both Master Gardeners and self-taught masters. We will have an interesting mix of contemporary and cottage gardens, including a garden by a wild bird habitat enthusiast, and others that are simply enthusiastic about gardening, know their plants and have a remarkable talent for seasonal color displays and respect for habitat."


The Mukilteo Lighthouse Quilters guild, a non-profit organization, was established in 2004. The guild's mission is to provide opportunities for members and the community to learn more about the craft of quilting. Members also make comfort quilts for distribution through charitable organizations serving the needs of foster children and seniors, including KidsDream of Snohomish County and Senior Services of Snohomish County. Additional projects provide opportunities for young people to learn to sew, and donations to La Conner Quilt Museum restoration fund.

The Mukilteo Way Garden Club, also a non-profit organization, has a history that promotes gardening and community service since its establishment in 1933. Current projects range from caring for the Fowler Pear Tree Park in Mukilteo, identification of historic trees for preservation, and support of a number of local gardening and environmental causes. The Garden Club proceeds from previous Garden & Quilt Tours were used to establish a Horticultural Scholarship Fund.

"Our vibrant waterfront community is a gem on the North Sound, and we would like to give the public the opportunity to experience Mukilteo for a day of sunshine and a unique display of quilts in our beautiful gardens. The Waterfront Arts Festival will be underway at Lighthouse Park that same day, so there will be more than one attraction for visitors to enjoy," comments Alice Rhodes, Co-Chairman of the Tour.

Mukilteo by the Sea: Come for the Tour and stay for the weekend. Lodging and restaurant information is available at this website: www.mukilteochamber.org/ For questions about Mukilteo Garden & Quilt Tour, call 425-361-0757 or check our website: www.mukilteogardenandquilttour.org.

March 2011		1	2	3 Sew Expo	4 Sew Expo	5 Sew Expo
6 Sew Expo	7	8	9	10	11	12 MLQ Sew-in
13 Daylight Savings Begins	14	15 Guild Meeting	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18 QA Quilt Show	19 QA Quilt Show
20 QA Quilt Show	21	22	23 Tri-County Quilt Shop Tour	24 Tri-County Quilt Shop Tour	25 Tri-County Quilt Shop Tour	26 Tri-County Quilt Shop Tour
27	28	29	30	31		

April 2011						1 April Fool's Day	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
17	18	19 Guild Meeting	20	21	22 Earth Day 	23	
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May 2011						
1	2	3	4	5 Cinco de Mayo Day 	6	7
8 Mother's Day 	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Guild Meeting	18	19	20	21
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29	30	31				



Upcoming Quilting Events



We invite you to enter our first International Juried & Judged Show, sponsored by the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum, to be held September 30-October 1, & 2, 2011. Winning entries will be featured in a special exhibit at the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum titled "AWE: Award Winning Entries" from October 5 -December 30, 2011.

Deadline for entry is June 15, 2011

<http://www.laconnerquilts.com/>

*Tri-County Quilt Shop Tour
Northwestern Washington
Whatcom, Skagit & Snohomish
Counties*

When: March 23 – 26

Shops Open 9:00 am – 7:00 pm

www.quilttour.com

*QA Quilt Show
Quilters Without Borders*

When: March 18 – 20

Where: Evergreen State

Fairgrounds, Monroe

[www.quiltersanonymous.com/
quiltshow.htm](http://www.quiltersanonymous.com/quiltshow.htm)

Our Meetings

Where: Pointe of Grace Lutheran Church
5425 Harbour Pointe Boulevard, Mukilteo
When: Third Tuesday of Each Month
7-9:00 p.m.

Our evening includes a short business meeting, program, and show and tell. Guests are welcome!

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