



Stitches in the Sand

March 2021

MEETING DATE: Zoom meeting in March due to COVID 19. See below

Programs

Meet our Speaker Susan Cleveland!

We are excited to host Sue Cleveland this month. If you're not familiar with her or her work, you're in for a treat! She is a quilt designer/author/teacher/inventor and admirer of all things quilterly! Her quilts are loosely based on traditional designs with a fair bit of unexpected surprises and details. They showcase precision piecing, thread embellishments and bold color.



She has won more awards than can be listed here, having been in international competitions since 1997 where judges comment on her fine workmanship and original style. She includes charming, unexpected elements such as specialty threads, prairie points, piping, and great binding techniques. She invented the Groovin' Piping Trimming Tool which is used to trim piping seam allowances and the Prairie Pointer pressing tool. In 2010 she was named Minnesota Quilter of the Year.



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Please join us for what is sure to be a fun and informative zoom presentation! Join us as early as 6 PM on March 11th to chat with other members. The meeting will start at 7 PM. Feel free to share the Zoom link with friends who might be interested! The Zoom invitation is below.

Jennifer Morgan, Programs

Topic: Beach Cities Guild Meeting March

Time: Mar 11, 2021 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Upcoming Speakers:

April: Members Showcase

May: Janis Rivera

June: Linda Sullivan

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BCQG's Board Meeting is held the Third Thursday of the Month via Zoom.

From the President

Well February was quite the meeting! Thank you all for your patience as we worked out our technical difficulties and got you all back on the meeting, big thanks to Liz Pickering who was right there with me figuring it all out!

Once we got it going what a great meeting, another big thank you to Eileen Campbell for opening her home to us so we could present Kathy with her wonderful quilt including balloons and flowers and a totally decorated home with wine lots of Valentine quilts.

I did my first Virtual workshop and picked a good one with Carmen Geddes, we had fun time and I was able to complete two small items. That's big for me! To be honest I probably prefer in person workshops but as we navigate these new virtual times it was a good time to sew and learn with others "in the room".

Looking forward to March coming in like a lion because we need some rain and a truly great speaker, who you won't want to miss. Please feel free to invite a friend by sharing the meeting Zoom link, I did create a new one to help eliminate the February problem.

We open Zoom at 6 PM for chatting and then we start meeting promptly at 7 PM and mute you all so we can all hear better.

- Wendy Price



Membership

Reminder: It is time to renew your membership, you can renew your membership or join our Guild by sending the completed membership form (available on our website or on the final page of this newsletter) along with your \$40 check to:

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Please contact Barbara Robison if you have any questions.

Note from Kathy Stolhand

I love my President's quilt! I can hardly wait until I can bring it to an in person meeting or event to share your creation with all guild members! I have had so much fun looking at each block and enjoying the creativity and colorful blocks that represent my garden of friends in the Beach Cities Quilters Guild. Thank you all for the work and effort to create this quilt during a pandemic! I am both honored and impressed.

Special thanks go to Elaine Pappas-Puckett, Patricia Pardoen and Janet Cook for coordinating your efforts. Thank you too to everyone who created a block, helped with the construction of the quilt, the art work (the back of the quilt is just amazing!) and for contributing all those quilting hand stitches. In other words, I love it and thank all of you for this amazing quilt.

- Kathryn Stolhand



Internet



Hi everyone! Our team is hard at work to keep all of you informed about the activities of the Guild. This includes our weekly snippet that typically goes out every Sunday. If you haven't received one, call us. You can always find information about the Guild on our website, beachcitiesquilters.org. We also have two Facebook pages, Beach Cities Quilters Guild is our public page, and provides information to you and the Public. BCQG Members is our members only page, where you can confidently and safely post pictures, comment on guild activities, and obtain important information like Zoom meeting links. Contact us if you would like to join.

I am so glad we had that in place when we experienced technical difficulties at the last Guild Zoom meeting. Members were able to go there to ask if fellow members were having trouble, and get the new link when we determined the best way forward was to create a new meeting. We were half an hour late, but we were still able to have the meeting with 109 members and guests! We know not everyone has Facebook, and we were also able to quickly send an email with the new link that night. My apologies to those who tried to connect and did not get on, have my telephone number handy so if this happens again, you can get right to me.

Last but certainly not least, we have started a monthly Sew and Share Zoom meeting, on the last Saturday of every month. Although this is for members only, if you have a friend who is interested in joining the guild and would like to sew with us, we offer a one time login so they can try us out.

During our last Guild meeting, I announced that we are happy to offer a Zoom meeting link to Guild friendship groups who want to have their own online sew and share! The Bedlam Quilters jumped right on that, and are now meeting every week! Contact us for more information.

I also announced that we are now able to take virtual payments! The Guild is using our PayPal account to generate an invoice directly to you for your payment, which you can then pay using your PayPal account (feefree to us and to you), or a credit card (a small fee to us). I have already had two requests just in the last week! Reach out to me if you have questions about this process.

A big thank you to everyone engaged on our Facebook page and in our Sew and Share!

Liz Pickering

Carrie Donohoe

Jennie Fuller

P.S.
If you need to reach a board member or have a question please email beachcitiesqg@gmail.com and we will forward the email to the appropriate person.

Fall Event Fundraiser Update

The Fall Event Fundraiser will be a one-day event that focuses on raising monies for the Guild to cover hard costs through the fall of this year, and/or beyond. Initial talks with the Norman P. Murray Center will help us confirm a Saturday in September for the fun event. In the meantime, there are some important things that you can do now, to help the Guild get ready for a terrific fundraiser:



- Pencil in your calendar that our event will be on a Saturday in September, as we would love to have you attend the event with friends and family. We will also need some help setting up and then packing it up at the end of the day. This will be a smaller set-up, like the Spring Tea and Tour events that we have had in the past years. *We will announce the event date as soon as possible to help everyone plan.
- Please keep creating lovely items that can be sold in the Boutique to help raise funds the Guild. This includes sewing and non-sewing related things. Think of what you like to shop for at a boutique! The event will be held before the October-November-December holidays, so there are lots of possibilities. If you have questions, please contact Wendy Price or Mary Arntz
- **Stay positive and healthy.** Being creative can help lift your spirits, as we all work hard to do our part during this time. Check on your friends with a FaceTime call over coffee just to say hi and say that you are thinking of them. Share your recent projects. Here is a fun way:

*Join the Guild's "Sew n' Share" Zoom sewing time each month – the last SATURDAY morning each month. It really is fun and is just for Members and their friends.

I loved the one in December and will be on the future ones. No, you don't have to clean your sewing room.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Happy Stitching,

Keri Follmer
Fall Event Chair



Philanthropy Report

Philanthropy is still going strong! We were able to have our monthly drive through in February and it was a huge success. Many of you pick up kits to be made. We will have our next drive through in March but the location has not been determined yet. Watch for an email update.

Nancy's closet is still overflowing with quilts that need to be quilted - long arm or machine.

We are including the directions, if you are interested in making NICU blankets. Check your stash for flannel prints and solids.

2 Layer NICU Blanket 40"

Cut 2 pieces of flannel (approx. 36" X 40") one print and *one solid darker color such as dark grey or dark blue. Pin & sew the label on the solid piece of fabric. After sewing the label, pin right sides together. Sew edges with a 1/2" seam, leaving an opening of about 12". Turn inside out. Make sure you can see the label. Turn unfinished edges in, press and/or pin as needed. Final step is top stitch to close the opening and around all sides. Thank you!!

**The blankets are placed over the incubator with the solid side down. The darker color helps to calm the babies.

Happy Quilting

Nancy & Pam

ZOOM SHOW AND TELL...

SHOW AND TELL has always been everyone's favorite part of the meeting. It is even more important during our time away from one another that we be able to be inspired and enthused by the work of our members. Looking at new color combos or new patterns or original quilt designs draws us together and connects us to all quilters. Be sure to email photos of your quilts to Elaine Pappas-Puckett by **Friday, March 5th**. Please send us the largest size photo you are given as an option—it makes it look even lovelier.

Monthly Mini

I'm looking forward to being the Monthly Mini Chair, but this year has not been "normal", and we simply don't know when we will be able to meet in person again; however, we need to stay optimistic and be prepared for when we are free to be out and about doing all the things we love, including being together with our friends and family.

To make the Monthly Mini Committee successful, we need donations of mini quilts (one quilt is needed for each monthly meeting). If you are able to donate/make a mini quilt, please call or email me so that I can add your name to the list for any month you choose. We don't need the quilt right away as we have 3 quilts donated by Kathy Stolhand, Julie Greenspan, and Deb Komatsu (thank you ladies) that we can use for the first three months when we go back to having meetings; however, at least 7 more quilts will be needed at some point. If, for some reason, we meet fewer months than are currently planned, then we'll save the quilts for next year.

My contact information: Lupe Maher, Monthly Mini Chair

Sunshine and Shadows



The only source for gathering information is through you. Please do not hesitate to let me know. Don't think that someone else will do it. It is better to get 20 messages than not hear at all.

If you have something you would like to be included in this column, please contact me. Please include your name and contact information, and if about someone else, their name and contact information for verification.

Thank you.
Janice Trumbauer

Teddy Bears on Parade

Interested in helping to sew teddy bear is gaining enthusiasm. These bears are being donated to both philanthropy and some, we hope, will be sold at our Fall Fundraising Event.

Thank you to the members helping in their construction and I hope to have more available at our next drive through in January. I will have kits available then.

For those of you who have been working feverously sewing together quilts may find a change in making a bear. They are simple to make and satisfying once they have been sewn together.

If you are interested in joining the Teddy Bears on Parade friendship group, please email Juan Garcia.

Thank you to all of our volunteers and remember "The Sew Must Go on."



Things to Do



Workshops

Until further notice we are planning on having online workshops.
We will let everyone know if we are able to meet in person.

MARCH: Susan K. Cleveland from www.piecesbewithyou.com will be our March speaker and teacher. Susan is a quilt designer, author, teacher, and inventor. You will love her quilts, the design, colors and precision and she will be sharing all of her techniques with us.

PRECISION & PANACHE: This is our March Zoom workshop. This class is packed full of tips and tricks that Susan utilizes in this eye-catching quilt. Details galore, including fancy prairie points, embellishing, piping and hints with helpful tools and lots of quilts will be displayed showcasing these fantastic techniques. There is NO supply list for this workshop as it is a technique class.

This workshop is scheduled for Saturday, March 13, 2021. Saturday's class will be from 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM.



Email Kathy Hutchins to sign up. Cost is \$25.

Contact Gail Brunell or Sandy Corbin if you have questions.

APRIL: We have Members' Showcase in April, therefore, there will not be a workshop.

MAY: You will not want to miss our May workshop with Janis Rivera. Janis is a certified Laura Heine instructor and she will introduce you to the art of making a collage quilt.

If you are not already familiar with the wonderful work of Laura Heine, review her spectacular work online.

You will purchase group #5 of patterns for \$25 (\$20 with discount) which includes three projects (refer to the pictures). If you would also like to purchase a kit for **one** of the patterns, that will be an additional fee of \$35 (\$28 with discount). Janis is also selling the Steam-A-Seam Two for \$7.00 a yard (\$5.60 with discount). Everyone in our guild will receive a 20% discount on your order. The project is a 16"x20" collage. That is without borders. The patterns say "Teeny Tiny", but 16"x20" is a good



wall hanging size.

ORDERING INFORMATION WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

This workshop is scheduled for Saturday, May 15, 2021. Saturday's class will be from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

Email Kathy Hutchins to sign up. Cost is \$50.

Contact Gail Brunell or Sandy Corbin if you have questions.



JUNE: Get ready for a fun and festive workshop in June. Check out Linda and Carl Sullivan from <https://colourwerx.com/> for our upcoming speaker and teacher. You will love the colors and the fun projects presented. More information will be in next month's newsletter.

WHY DO VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS COST THE SAME AS IN PERSON WORKSHOPS?

The workshop costs the same or more. Workshop fees have never paid for the cost of the workshop. The fees we collect are a contribution to the speaker's charge for the workshop. If workshops are full, they will usually cover the cost of the speaker, but not always. The Guild will save on travel, hotel, meals, and custodian with virtual workshops. While we will miss the fellowship of being together, we can still learn as much and make a virtual friend or two.

Workshops

GENERAL WORKSHOP INFORMATION

If not online, our workshops are held at Community Presbyterian Church, 32202 Del Obispo Street, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. Time: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Please arrive at least 15 minutes early to set up your work space. After the workshop chair helps the speaker and sets up the classroom, she will be happy to help you if you need assistance. Remember to bring your lunch/drink/snack. You won't want to spend time buying a lunch since the lunch break is limited. Fees are usually \$50 but can be more when the speaker is bringing supplies. All fees are noted in the newsletter. **Do not bring irons even if it is on the speaker's supply list.** The Guild will provide all irons. You may cancel and receive a refund if you let the workshop chair know by email 45 days before the workshop. After that time, you can only be refunded if there is a waiting list. We will wait until a check is received from your replacement before a refund request is made.

As soon as you see the announcement in the newsletter (usually 3 months before the workshop) you may sign up for the workshop by emailing Kathy Hutchins.

If you have any questions, please contact Gail Brunell or Sandy Corbin.



Upcoming Speakers – Beach Cities Quilters

March 2021	Susan Cleveland	piecesbewithyou.com
April 2021	Member Showcase	
May 2021	Janis Rivera - Collage Quilting	
June 2021	Linda and Carl Sullivan	colourwerx.com
July 2021	Timna Tarr	timnatarr.com

Block of the Month



Marilyn Hamilton



Grace Lombardo



Nancy McBride

Brenda Sirignano



Dana Foster

Kathy Stolhand



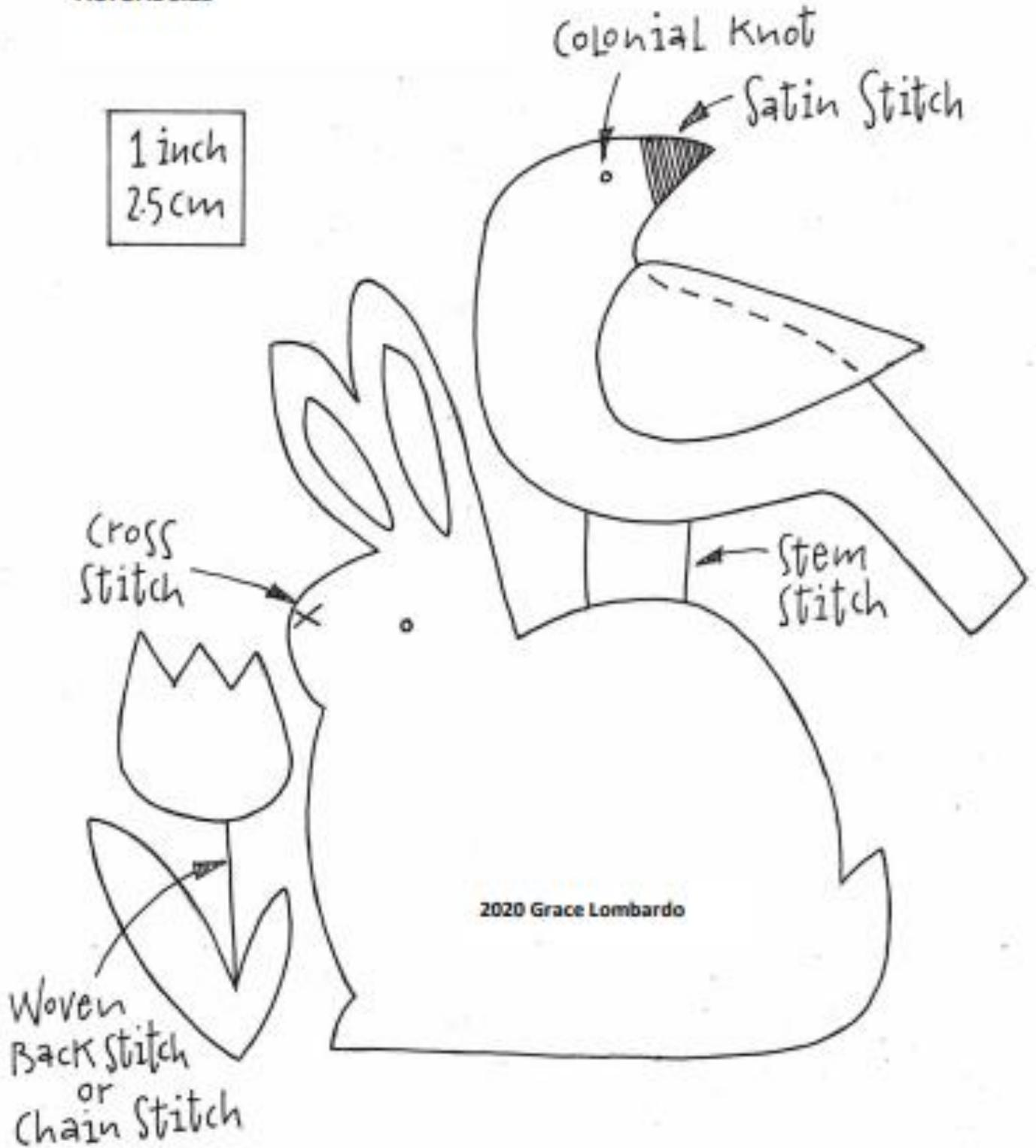
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BIRDS OF A FEATHER BOM

BLOCK #4 – LAYOUT

ACTUAL SIZE

1 inch
2.5 cm



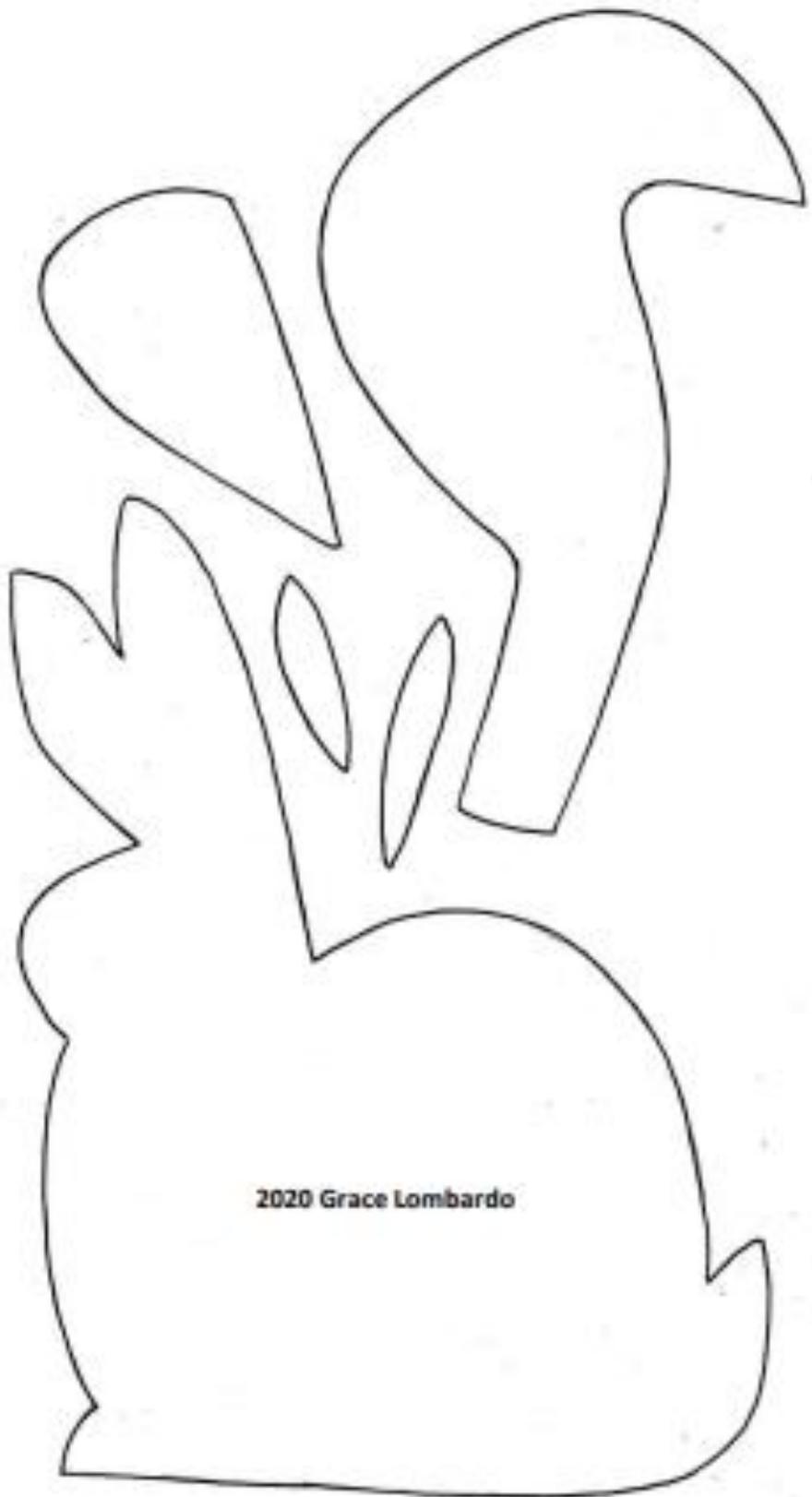
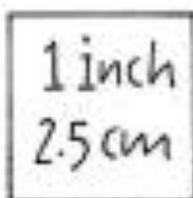
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BIRDS OF A FEATHER BOM

BLOCK #4 – PATTERN

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allowance for needle turn
applique



Show and Tell

Elizabeth Eastmond's Criss Cross Workshop

Gail Brunell



Deb Komatsu

My Elizabeth Eastmond workshop wall hangings/table toppers. This one will stay with me. The next one has been given to a friend. I think our Fiesta Ware dishes will look great with these bright colors. My friend has Fiesta Ware too and I made her 4 napkins with two of the solids.



Patrice Lambourne



Her trademark zipper back

Liz Pickering

The square Criss Cross project is my finished (yay) workshop quilt, using leftover batiks I had in the house. Loved how it turned out.



Melinda Smith

Blocks cut down from 10" to 5" to make a pillow. Really enjoyed this class on Zoom.



Kathryn Stolhand

it will be my table cover for Christmas parties and meals.



Show and Tell

Mary Arntz

I made these 4 small quilts for the ALS patients that Philanthropy talked about in December newsletter.



Pam Emond

my projects I did before Christmas. Bread/Cracker basket.



Henry Glass Timber Gnomies
Home for the Holidays

Juan Garcia

Philanthropy has asked us to make lap top quilts for the VA Hospital. I took scraps of fabric and incorporated fussy-cut animal pictures to pepper throughout the quilt.



Marilyn Hamilton
In cleaning out the sewing room I came across lots of red squares and my Freddy Moran book. I just kept adding to the squares until I had sizes that I wanted. I started with the nine patch in the center and worked out from there. Jean Impey did the long arm quilting for me.



Karen Harvey

This is a philanthropy quilt from a panel I found in my stash. I decided to quilt it myself which I don't do very often. But I really enjoyed doing it.



Elinor Nelson

I am a new member of the guild. A new great niece was born and her room color scheme is purple. The quilt is for her.



Her five-year old sister feels the same way about cats as me, so the cat image is the big sister gift. She loves it and says she wants it for her entire life. Of course, that was my idea.



Patrice Lambourne



Show and Tell

Liz Pickering

The peppermint and poinsettia table runner was a project both France Imagawa and I worked on last fall, it is now ready for my table next Christmas!



Wendy Price

This is my favorite Heart quilt I call it Green with Envy I made it at a retreat at Mendocino with 2 close friends when we were doing that sort of thing. My friend Phyllis Reddish quilted for me



Becky Reed

I made this Ferrari quilt for a friend in Texas who loves Ferraris and actually has a couple. The center block is hand-embroidered and the quilt is hand-quilted.



Kathy Stohlhand

Twinkle was a Zoom workshop with Jean Impey. I enjoyed this class and really like my finished quilt.





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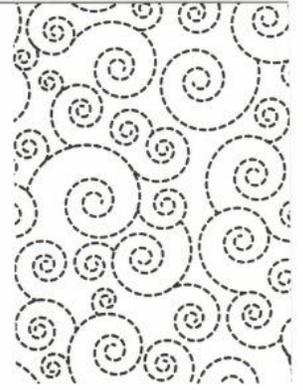
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- BCQG is a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to provide a creative atmosphere, to share knowledge of methods and techniques, and to encourage each member's growth and talent in the field of quilt making and related subjects.
- Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Norman P. Murray Center, 24932 Veteran's Way, Mission Viejo.
- Social time begins at 6:30 pm with the General Meeting & Program from 7:00 pm to approximately 9:00 pm.
- Dues are payable prior to the start of each membership year, annually from October 1 through September 30.
- Please bring this completed form and your dues (check payable to BCQG) to the Membership Table at the General meeting or mail it to:

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