

April's Helping Hands:
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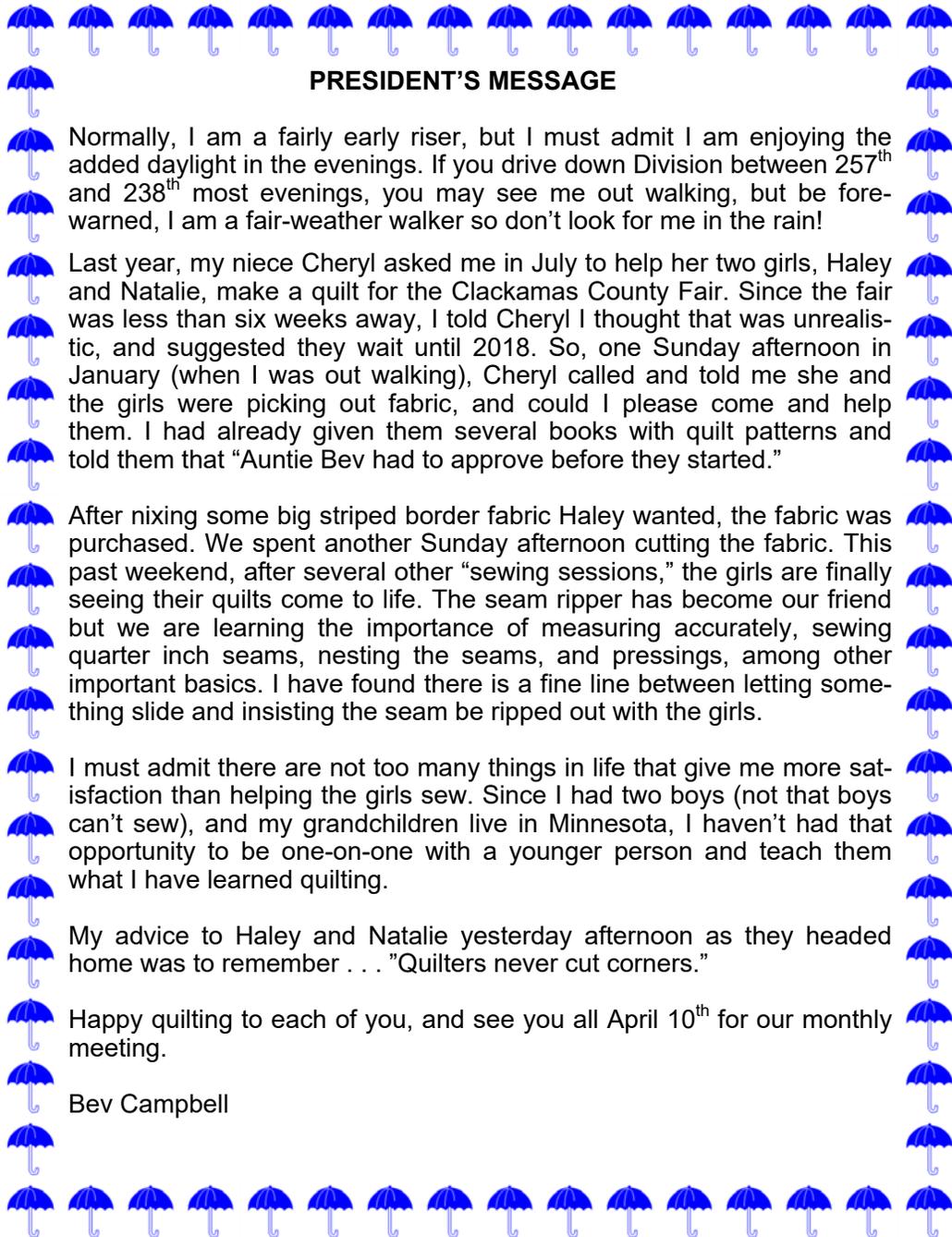
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MEETING : April 10 at 7:00pm

OFFICERS



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Normally, I am a fairly early riser, but I must admit I am enjoying the added daylight in the evenings. If you drive down Division between 257th and 238th most evenings, you may see me out walking, but be forewarned, I am a fair-weather walker so don't look for me in the rain!

Last year, my niece Cheryl asked me in July to help her two girls, Haley and Natalie, make a quilt for the Clackamas County Fair. Since the fair was less than six weeks away, I told Cheryl I thought that was unrealistic, and suggested they wait until 2018. So, one Sunday afternoon in January (when I was out walking), Cheryl called and told me she and the girls were picking out fabric, and could I please come and help them. I had already given them several books with quilt patterns and told them that "Auntie Bev had to approve before they started."

After nixing some big striped border fabric Haley wanted, the fabric was purchased. We spent another Sunday afternoon cutting the fabric. This past weekend, after several other "sewing sessions," the girls are finally seeing their quilts come to life. The seam ripper has become our friend but we are learning the importance of measuring accurately, sewing quarter inch seams, nesting the seams, and pressings, among other important basics. I have found there is a fine line between letting something slide and insisting the seam be ripped out with the girls.

I must admit there are not too many things in life that give me more satisfaction than helping the girls sew. Since I had two boys (not that boys can't sew), and my grandchildren live in Minnesota, I haven't had that opportunity to be one-on-one with a younger person and teach them what I have learned quilting.

My advice to Haley and Natalie yesterday afternoon as they headed home was to remember . . . "Quilters never cut corners."

Happy quilting to each of you, and see you all April 10th for our monthly meeting.

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Notes from the VP

Didn't you just enjoy Arlene Sachitano's presentation last month? I have always enjoyed reading books and admire people who can write a series of books, it's impressive!

This month's program will be a presentation by Michael McCormick, who is Editor in Chief of Quiltfolk. Quiltfolk is a community supported, print-only quarterly magazine that celebrates the people and the stories behind the stitches.

We have the One Block Wonder Class scheduled for April 27th & 28th taught by Liz Sheeley. We do have spaces left at this point, and you can sign up at the April meeting.

Starting in May, we will have open sewing the first Sunday of each month in the classroom at Fabric Depot. The first date will be May 6th and we will have full access to the classroom from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will be able to use their irons and ironing stations, power cords, and cutting mats. Guild members will also receive 25% off their total purchase for the day. The cost will be \$5 per guild member, and if you'd like to bring a guest, they will be \$10. Let me know if you have any questions, I'll have a sign-up sheet at each guild meeting.

At our May meeting, we have our own Suzy Grunau, who will tell us about diagonally pieced backings for our quilts. I'm looking forward to that!

Susan



MESSAGE FROM MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 173 total members.
At March's meeting we had:
88 Members attend
1 New member signed up, and
2 Guests attended

Julie

Treasurers Report for March 2018

Opening Balance: \$5923.32

Deposits:

Memberships/Guests	30.00
Pins	5.00
Skip-a-Week Commission	30.00
Replacement Name Tags	10.00
Retreat Payments	<u>625.00</u>
Total Deposits	\$700.00

Expenses:

Quickbooks Software	179.95
Guest Speaker	118.36
Deposit on Hull Center (2018 Retreat)	250.00
New Laptop Computer	<u>449.99</u>
Total Expenses	\$998.30

Closing Balance: \$5625.02

Charlotte

MT HOOD QUILT GUILD MINUTES
March 13, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Bev Campbell.

The on-time door prize drawing was held and a thank you for people setting up the room.

The birthday celebration was conducted with a drawing for March birthdays and a prize offered to the winner. Four miscellaneous door prize drawings were held during the course of the meeting.

Committee reports were given as follows:

Barbara Belgrave, Small Groups, during which she announced that an applique group will be meeting on Thursdays. Delleen reported on charity quilts and announced that quilters were needed to do quilting on their home machines. Shirley Curtis reminded everyone about the free table and the fact that those donating items need to take them home if they are not gifted.

Sue announced a proposed open-sew day on Sundays May through November for a fee of \$5 (\$10 for guests) in the classroom at Fabric Depot.

Tomme announced the new fall retreat location in Sandy and the dates will be November 8-11. The fee is \$250 for the four-day, three-night retreat and a \$75 deposit will assure you a place. Tomme also talked about the mystery quilt and said that she will be at the back of the room during the break to answer questions.

Bev reminded members about the National Quilting Day Sew-in from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at our meeting room at Mountainview Church this coming Saturday, March 17. Fee is \$5 which includes lunch.

The April color for 24's A Charm will be yellow.

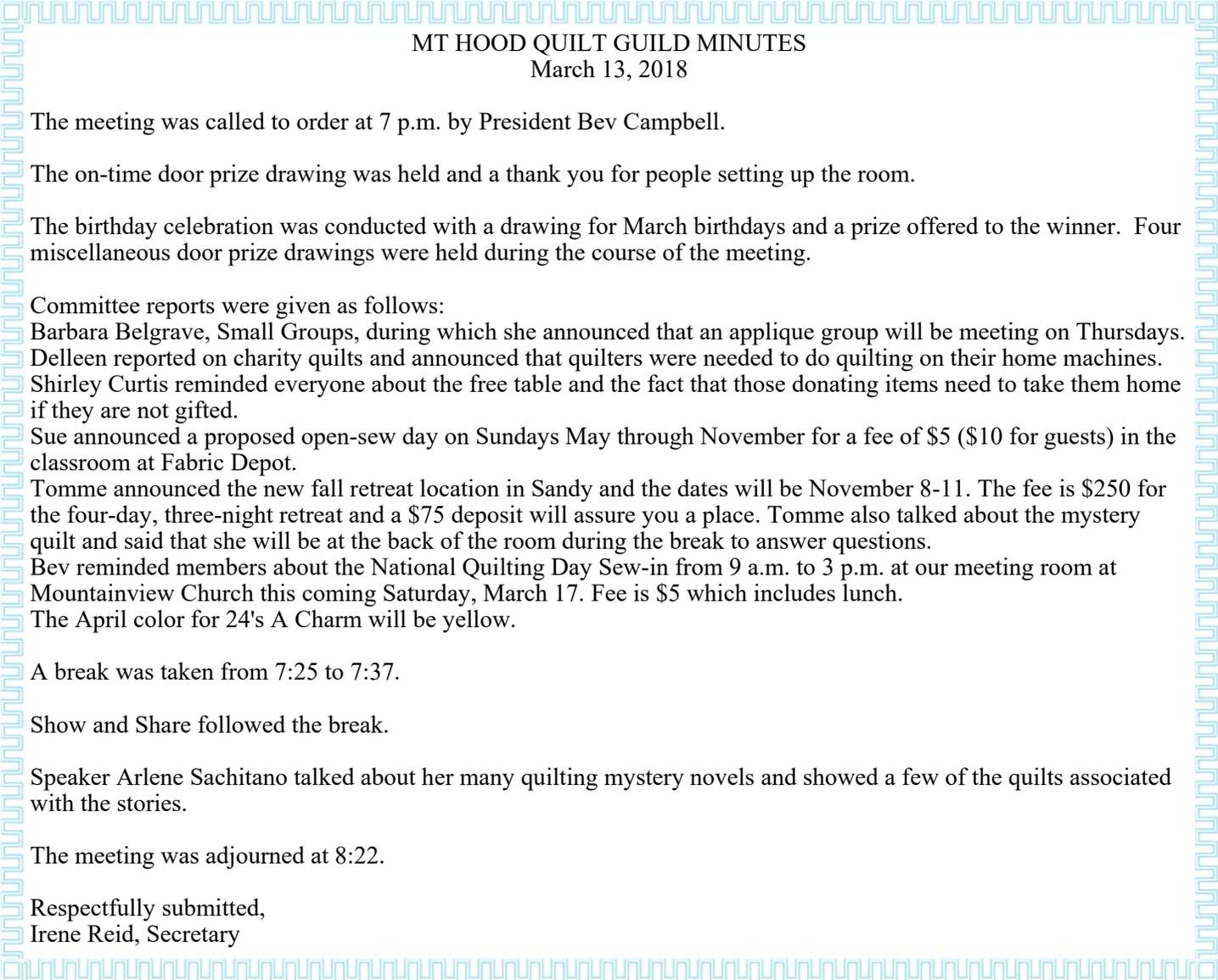
A break was taken from 7:25 to 7:37.

Show and Share followed the break.

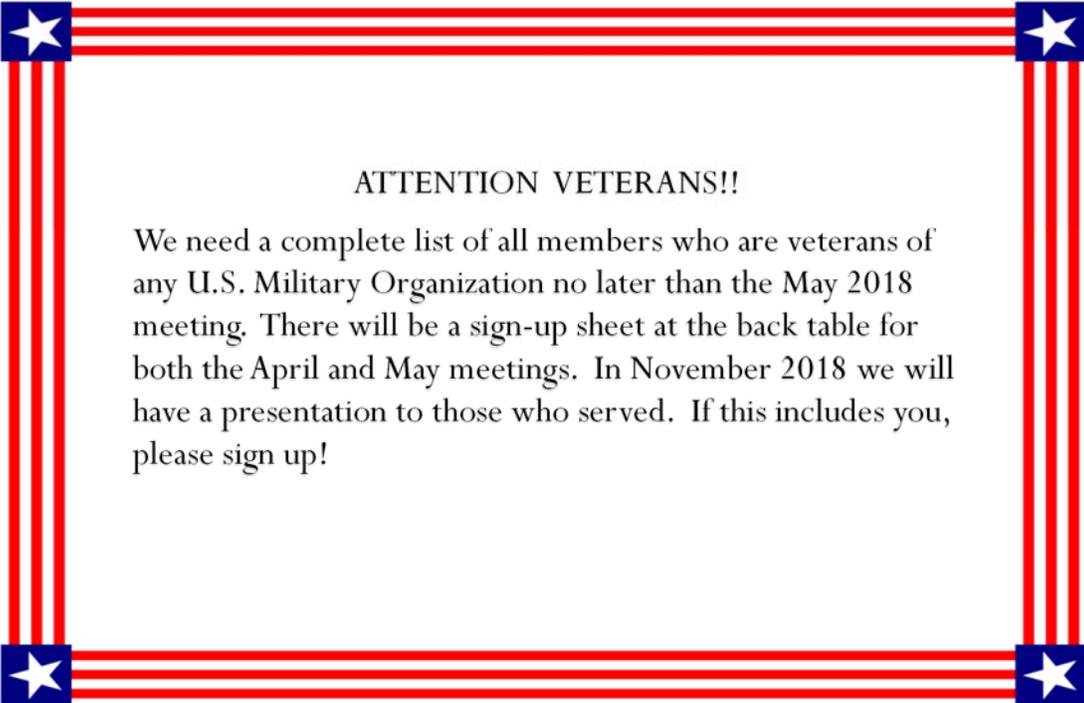
Speaker Arlene Sachitano talked about her many quilting mystery novels and showed a few of the quilts associated with the stories.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22.

Respectfully submitted,
Irene Reid, Secretary



ATTENTION VETERANS!!



We need a complete list of all members who are veterans of any U.S. Military Organization no later than the May 2018 meeting. There will be a sign-up sheet at the back table for both the April and May meetings. In November 2018 we will have a presentation to those who served. If this includes you, please sign up!



Check at Multnomah County Library to read magazines on line. Even Quilt Magazines!!



Small Group Update

If you have formed a small group, please let Barbara Belgrave know so we can include the info in the newsletter. bjb1955@gmail.com

Appliqué group, **NEEDLE TURNERS, meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. at Jackie Parks's house. Contact Jackie for more info. 503-512-7665, jmillerparks@comcast.net.

**General focus small group meets at Laura Rom's house on the 3rd Friday of each month from 10:00am-3:00pm. Contact Laura for more info, 971-244-2305, puma01.laura@gmail.com.

** Evening small group, **SEWCIAL CLUB**, is currently meeting at Heidi's on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Contact Debbie Johnsen for more details, 503-680- 6494, debbie.johnsen@yahoo.com.

****STITCH & SHARE** meets at Café Delirium in downtown Gresham at 9am on the Friday following each Guild meeting. Contact Tomme Fent for more info, 503-674-4464, tommequilts@gmail.com.

****GIVING QUILTS** group meets the last Wednesday of each month from 11:00am - 3:00pm, at First Baptist Church, 224 W. Powell in Gresham (across from Truffle Hunter restaurant). Parking is in back of the church. Contact Nancy Toupin for more info.

24's a Charm ! Last month! Bring 24 **YELLOW** 5" squares in April; pick up your 24 bright purple squares in April! Because Barbara has to miss the May meeting, yellow squares will be returned in June. Please cut off the selvages prior to cutting your squares, and use only good quality quilting fabrics!

“Quilt As Desired” - A term we find at the end of a lot of quilt patterns. It's the term that quilt designers use to give us permission to be creative in the finishing step of making a quilt. This phrase is so prevalent, Arlene Sachitano has even used it as a title of one of her books.

For community outreach quilts made by guild members, “Quilt As Desired” means machine quilting. Our receiving agencies expect machine quilting and machine stitched bindings to ensure the quilts will withstand heavy use. We always have more tops on hand than our machine quilters can do each month. If you haven't practiced quilting on your domestic machine lately, I hope you will consider taking one of ours to try your desired method of machine quilting. These are utility quilts; straight or curvy line quilting with your walking foot is perfectly fine!

A couple members have asked me to bring batting and binding for quilts they have made from their stash. I'm loading that up with the other things I'll be bringing to the meeting. If you have a need for something to finish up a donation quilt, feel free to email me with your take-out order!

Thanks again to all the volunteers who support our outreach program. We have received several large donations of fabric in the last month, and 18 quilts/tops were turned in during the March meeting. It is so nice to work with such generous quilters.

Delleen

To all my fellow quilters/friends,

You truly surprised and overwhelmed me with all your beautiful red, white, and blue squares! When I got home that night and sat down and looked through all the squares, well I'm not sure I can truly express my thankfulness and joy. Each one is a work of art that I will cherish forever! I promise it will not become a UFO, and as soon as my arm heals from surgery, I will design and sew them into something that will always remind me of my joy in being allowed to serve as our Guild's and your president. From my heart - Thank each and every one of you!

Take care and happy quilting, Linda

FREE ITEMS

There will be a table with "free" items at the guild meeting. Please feel free to bring items you no longer can use but are in good condition. If you bring something and it fails to find a happy home, then you will be responsible to take it at the end of our meeting. Contact Shirley Curtis with any questions.

SUPPORT OUR BUSINESS MEMBERS!

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Crafty Staci
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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Debbie Thomas	1st
Nancy Pettit	3rd
Marsha Geisinger	5th
Suzi Grunau	8th
Patty Calcagno	10th
Linda Harmon	10th
Karen Whittemore	12th
Kaye Hill	14th
Linda Kent	17th
Nancy Seltzer	17th
Kristi Villani	19th
Beverly Lombardo	20th
Michelle Monson	20th
Linda Twilleager	25th
Wendy Sternberg	26th
Barb Crawford	29th

Mount Hood Quilt Guild Challenge 2018

THEME: Yin and Yang

Yin and yang, from Chinese medicine and philosophy, is the illustration of the concept that opposite or contrary forces may be interconnected and interdependent. These forces may create each other as they interact. Some examples of this are light and dark, fire and water, femininity and masculinity, shadow and brightness.

“The ubiquitous yin-yang symbol holds its roots in Taoism/Daoism, a Chinese religion and philosophy. The yin, the dark swirl, is associated with shadows, femininity, and the trough of a wave; the yang, the light swirl, represents brightness, passion, and growth.”

For more information, see the TED talk by John Bellamey called “The Hidden Meanings of Yan and Yang” on YouTube.

John Bellamey explains why we all contain the spirit of yin and of yang—and how we can achieve a balance of both in our lives.

This video has a lot of images and could help inspire you, and with your design.

DUE DATE: Projects must be turned in on or before September 11, 2018

WHAT YOU MUST INCLUDE IN YOUR PROJECT

1. Your project must be a finished quilt, or made of a finished quilt. A quilt consists of three layers: top, backing, and batting.
2. An expression of the Yin and Yang concept.
3. It must be your own work and completed in 2018.
4. It may be no larger than 45 inches square, or if some other shape, have a perimeter of no more than 180 inches.
5. You will be given two squares of contrasted fabric, approximately ten inches square. The furnished fabrics must be visible on the FRONT of your piece. Use at least one square inch of each furnished fabric.
6. You may use any style, pattern, or technique.

Cost for joining: \$2.00

Give your money to Merle Scribner. She will add your name to the list of participants and give you two pieces of fabric.



The secret word for the month is: Secret

GET AWAY FROM IT ALL - COME TO OUR RETREAT !!!

When: Thursday, November 8, through Sunday, November 11, 2018

Where: Hull Park & Retreat Center, Sandy, OR

<http://hullparkfortheblind.org/who-we-are/photo-tour/>

What's Included:

3 nights' lodging, 2 quilters per room (optional single room for additional fee)

Gourmet food prepared by the on-site Chef!

3 Brunches (Fri., Sat., Sun.), and 3 Dinners (Thurs., Fri., Sat.)

"Goodie Bag" & Door Prizes!

Mystery Quilt!

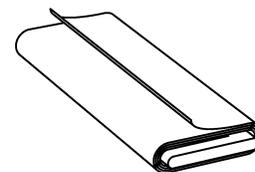
Several cutting and ironing stations!

Daily Yoga Classes (taught by Tomme Fent)!

Game Night!

Shop Hop!

Fun! Fun! Fun!



Amenities:

All rooms are on ground level.

All linens provided (bedding, towels, etc.).

Round-the-clock coffee & tea service.

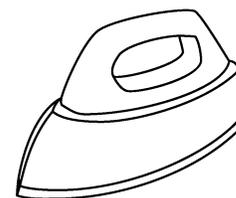
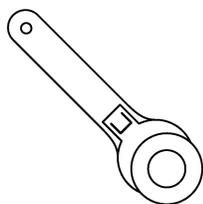
Large main room where we will quilt and eat our meals.

Gardens and paths for walking.

12-person indoor Hot Tub

Free WiFi, and good cell reception

Library with computers



How Much Does It Cost?

\$250.00 (additional \$60 for private room)

Deposit: \$75.00 to hold your spot

Balance Due by the Guild meeting on October 9th

ATTENTION ALL MYSTERY QUILTERS !!!

If you're making the Roman Holiday Mystery Quilt, there's a rotary cutting template that will be very helpful for you when we get to the June clue. The template comes in a 2-template set that retails for \$17.00. Tomme can get it for you at a cost of \$9.00. If you want the set, you must **sign up and pay your \$9.00 by the May meeting**. Tomme will deliver the template set to you at the June meeting. (Nina will collect money and signups at the April meeting, and Tomme will do it at the May meeting. You may pay in cash or with a check; no credit cards. If you can't be at the meeting, you may mail a check or money order to Tomme. Email tommequilts@gmail.com to make arrangements.)

Note that **the template is not required** to complete the Mystery Quilt. The template shape will be printed in the June newsletter, and we will have a printout of the template in the correct size to give you at the June meeting. However, having the rotary cutting template will make your cutting and piecing more accurate and your life easier!

ROMAN HOLIDAY MYSTERY QUILT - APRIL CLUES

ABOUT THE CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

WOF = Width of Fabric (selvedge edge to selvedge edge). All seams are a precise 1/4", unless otherwise noted.

Wherever you see 3 numbers separated by hyphens, they represent the 3 sizes - Lap, Full, Queen. Select the number for the size you're making, and draw a circle around it to make it easy to keep track of how many units you are supposed to cut or sew.

April Cutting:

Lap Size:

From **Fabric B**, cut 2 WOF strips 5-1/4" wide, and 1 WOF strip 2-5/8" wide. Sub-cut each of the 5-1/4" strips into 15 segments 2-5/8" wide, yielding 30 rectangles 2-5/8" x 5-1/4". Sub-cut the 2-5/8" strip into 4 segments 5-1/4" wide, yielding 4 more rectangles 2-5/8" x 5-1/4" (for a total of 34 rectangles). Set these aside for later.

Full Size:

From **Fabric B**, cut 4 WOF strips 5-1/4" wide, and 1 WOF strip 2-5/8" wide. Sub-cut each of the 5-1/4" strips into 15 segments 2-5/8" wide, yielding 60 rectangles 2-5/8" x 5-1/4". Sub-cut the 2-5/8" strip into 2 segments 5-1/4" wide, yielding 2 more rectangles 2-5/8" x 5-1/4" (for a total of 62 rectangles). Set these aside for later.

Queen Size:

From **Fabric B**, cut 7 strips 5-1/4" wide. Sub-cut 6 strips into segments 2-5/8" wide, yielding 90 rectangles 2-5/8" x 5-1/4". From the last strip, sub-cut 8 more segments 2-5/8" wide, yielding 8 more rectangles 2-5/8" x 5-1/4" (for a total of 98 rectangles). Set these aside for later.

All Sizes:

From **Fabric D**, cut 5-8-13 WOF strips 4-1/8" wide. Set these aside for later.

April Piecing:

Retrieve the 6-12-20 **Fabric B** 5-1/2" squares you cut in February. On each square, mark the center of two opposite sides. You may mark using any method, such as fabric marker, pin, or by finger-pressing. Note that if you're finger-pressing (or pressing with an iron), you should press the squares with **wrong sides together**.

Retrieve half (12-24-40) of the 24-48-80 **Fabric A** 2" x 6-1/4" rectangles you cut in March. On each rectangle, mark the center of one long side. (If pressing, you should press with **right sides together**.)

Select 1 **Fabric B** square and 1 **Fabric A** rectangle. Match centers, right sides together, and sew from end to end of the rectangle **using a scant 1/4" seam**. Repeat on the opposite side of the square. Press seams **toward the Fabric B square**.

Set these units aside for later.

