

# The Silhouette

January 2026 Newsletter of CAMEO Quilters Guild

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## Welcome New Members Brunch

**Saturday, January 10 • 10am**

First Congregational Church of Royal Oak  
1314 Northwood Blvd (at Crooks Rd)

Park behind church off Northwood, enter back door.  
Go through lobby to glass door & hallway leading to church office,  
our meeting room will be on your left.



Carole

## Guild Meeting

**Jan 15**

**7pm**

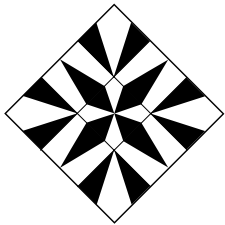
**Panel discussion  
with Guild Members**

**Carole Gilbert & Rosemary Spatafora**

**Clawson United Methodist Church**



Rosemary



## A Message from the President

**Cheryl Cawley**

Happy New Year Cameos!

I hope your holidays were filled with joy!

We will be starting off the New Year with a Welcome Brunch on Saturday the 10th (check your email for time and location) to introduce new and old members to CAMEO events, projects and purpose - and to get to know each other.

This month's Guild meeting (our second event this month) will be led by two members who are very experienced quilters: Carol Gilbert and Rosemary Spatafora who will be sharing their knowledge with us. If we get bad weather and need to cancel, we will be sending out texts, emails and/or calls to let people know we won't be meeting--but that rarely happens, so I will see you on Thursday 15th at 7pm!



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2025-2026**

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**Deadline for the  
February issue is Feb. 6.**

Keep reading for  
"Slip of the Keyboard."

Hello CAMEO Members,

We hope you will be able to attend our January meeting in person! The future forecast for January 15th looks promising!

If you can't make it, or think you might not be able to make it, please email [cameoquilters@gmail.com](mailto:cameoquilters@gmail.com) **by 3pm**, so we plan to set up ZOOM.

A Zoom link will be mailed out the afternoon of January 15th.

**(Just a note, we are still looking for more members who would like to serve as alternate "Zoom Technicians".)**

Thank you  
Louise McCormick-Glazier



## Happy Birthday

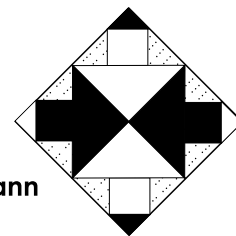
Treats for the January Guild Meeting will be provided by those with a January birthday:

Marlene Klebba	Jan 12
Kathy Wilson	Jan 18
Linda Wallace	Jan 20
Laurie Johnson	Jan 29
Terry Poduska	Jan 31

and by anyone else who wants to contribute! All I want for the New Year is a nap.

## Charity

Linda Wallace  
Jean Schlegelmann



### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Now that the holidays have passed, hopefully we can get back to our sewing projects. We will have quilt kits and pillow case kits available at our January meeting.

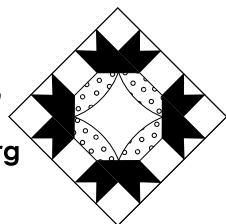
### CHARITY DAY 2026

Next month is **Charity Day on Saturday February 21** at Clawson United Methodist church in the basement. 9am to 3pm, bring your sewing machine and lunch will be provided. Charity Day is a day when we come together and work on charity projects.

We hope to see you there and thank you for participating.

## Membership

Sharon Cratsenburg  
VP, Membership



### MEMBERSHIP

Welcome back & Happy New Year!

We are trying to get the membership roster updated with current photos. The following ladies: please see Laura Ball Carey at the January meeting to get your photo taken:

L Campbell  
B Freese  
M Fromm  
D Griffith  
D Johnson  
Marlene Klebba  
M Klopfer  
S Thompson  
P Wanat  
J Warren

Once Laurie Johnson gets the photos placed, I will then email an updated membership roster out to everyone.

### SPRING 2026 RETREAT

Our Spring Retreat will be at Lions Bear Lake Camp in Lapeer from Friday, April 10 through Sunday April 12, 2026. (With Thursday being an additional fee.) A registration form will be posted on our website and copies will be brought to the meeting.

## 31 DAYS TO AN ORGANIZED SEWING SPACE - WEEK 1

**DAY 1. Discard broken/old supplies**

**DAY 2. Clean your cutting mat**

**DAY 3. Change your machine needle and rotary-cutter blades**

**DAY 4. Clean your sewing machine**

**DAY 5. Organize sewing machine parts**

**DAY 6. Wind extra bobbins**

**DAY 7. Corral thread**

from *American Patchwork and Quilting*

## Programs & Workshops

**Theresa Nielsen**  
VP, Facilitator



### JANUARY MEETING

We will be entertained by two of our members, Carole Gilbert and Rosemary Spatafora. They will each bring a favorite technique to share with us. Perhaps you will learn a new way to do a quilting project or discover an old favorite. Either way, it will be a great evening of sharing. There will be time for questions; looking forward to another CAMEO evening.

### ROUND ROBIN

Don't forget to drop off your Round Robin and exchange it for the next round. I don't want anyone to miss out. Those I have seen so far are really looking good.

### FEBRUARY WHISTLE STOP

Here's a chance to share one of your favorite quilting techniques with the guild. So far, we only have two people willing to demonstrate for us (Applique and Color Theory). Please contact me if you're interested in taking part, each demo last about fifteen minutes. Any questions, let me know.

Theresa 248-227-9579

### CAMEO PROGRAMS 2025-2026



Jan 15	Panel discussion with guild members Carol Gilbert & Rosemary Spatafora
Feb 19	WhistleStop
Feb 21	Charity Day Sew-In
Mar 19	Rosemary Spatafora lecture: "Indigenous Quilts"
Mar 21	National Quilting Day Sew-In Clawson Church
April 9-12	Spring Retreat at Bear Lake
April 16	Carolyn Johnson lecture & trunk show: "Using Panels to Make Quilts"
May 21	Linda Thielfold lecture & trunk show: "Domestic Machine Quilting"
May 23	Linda Thielfold Workshop "Domestic Machine Quilting"
June	CAMEO Potluck and Elections

## Quilters Calendar

submitted by  
**Ann Bonnell**



### January 8, 2026 at 7 pm ZOOM

#### Great Lakes Heritage Quilters

Kristen Echids, Lecture "Seminole Patchwork"  
Birmingham Unitarian Church.

38651 Woodward, Bloomfield, Hills, [www.glhq.org](http://www.glhq.org)  
January 10 at 10am-2pm Workshop "Seminole Patchwork"

### January 13, 2026 10-11:30am ZOOM

#### Needlework and Textile Guild of Michigan

Catherine Redford, Lecture "Lessons I Learned While Quilting"

St. Stephen Episcopal Church  
5500 N. Adams Rd., Troy, MI. 48098 [www.ntgm.org](http://www.ntgm.org)  
Zoom Workshop 1-4pm "Hand Beading on Fabric"

### January 17, 2026. 9:30 am ZOOM only

#### Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild

Rachel Derstine Lecture, "Keep it Simple but Pack a Punch"

Morris Lawrence Building, Washtenaw Community College  
4800 E. Huron Dr. Ann Arbor 48105 [www.gaaqg.com](http://www.gaaqg.com)  
January 16, 9-4 ZOOM Workshop – Bringing Architecture to Life

January 17, 2-5 ZOOM Workshop – Mini Landscape  
January 18 & 25 Workshop ZOOM – Strata Quilts

### January 20, 2026, 7pm

#### Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit

Meg Cox, Virtual Lecture, "Behind the Scenes of the Greatest Quilt Museum in the World"

Redeemer United Methodist Church  
20571 Vernier R., Harper Woods. [www.qgmd.org](http://www.qgmd.org)

### February 2, 2026, at 6pm ZOOM

#### Macomb County Quilt Guild

Mary O'Gregg, 3D Art Quilts  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
38900 Harper, Clinton Township  
[www.macombcountyquiltguild.org](http://www.macombcountyquiltguild.org)

### February 5, 2026 at 7pm

#### Oakland County Quilt Guild

Marge Tucker, "Improv and Abstraction in Antique Quilts"

First Congregational Church  
1315 N. Pine St., Rochester  
[www.oaklandcountyquiltguild.com](http://www.oaklandcountyquiltguild.com)

### April 18, 2026. 10 am– 2pm

#### Great Lakes Heritage Quilters Quilter To Quilter Sale

Now accepting table rental reservations  
Troy United Methodist Church [www.glhq.org](http://www.glhq.org)



Watch out for the "Slip of the Keyboard"  
*The Fantastic Finds table will be open*





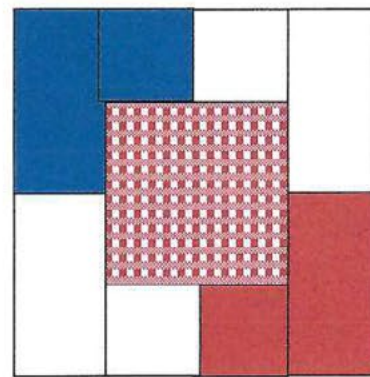
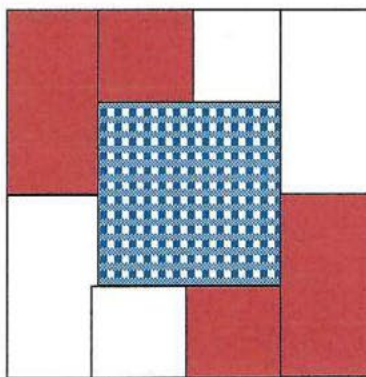
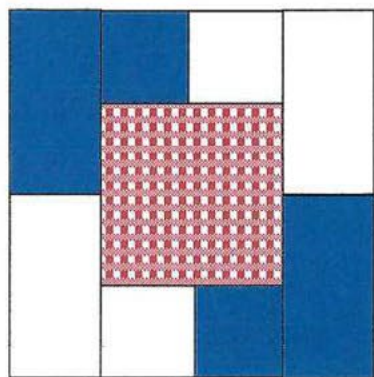
## QUILTS OF VALOR 2026 NATIONAL BLOCK DRIVE

This block is designed by Nancy McCann for those who do not want to complete a whole quilt.

Blocks can be mailed to Nancy using the mailing instructions at the end of this article.

from <https://www.qovf.org/national-block-drive>

### **"Echoes" 2026 National Block 10" finished (10 ½" unfinished)**



**Welcome to Quilts of Valor's 2026 National Block Drive where your block donations support our efforts to cover every military veteran and active service member with a Quilt of Valor made especially for them.**

When choosing fabrics for your block donations, please use the guidelines given below, this will insure we are easily able to work your donations into a quilt for a veteran.

Use only red, white (cream) and blue fabrics. Please DO NOT use floral fabrics. The center block is a great opportunity to incorporate those medium and large prints (including branch specific) that attract the eye. If choosing branch specific, represent only one military branch per block.

The reds and blues to the upper left and lower right corners of the blocks should read as solids, only very small prints will work here.

The whites and creams should also read as solids; prints larger than a pin dot are too overwhelming to the rest of the block.

Thank you for working with the 2026 block drive, I look forward to coordinating your donations of blocks to support our groups as they sew these blocks into quilts to honor our veterans. Sew happy you are a part of our team.

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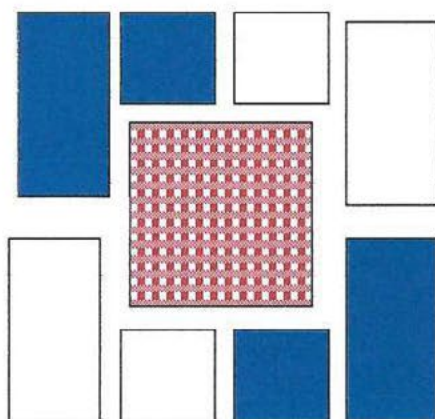
# **Echoes Block** 10" finished block (10 1/2" unfinished)

## Block One

Center: 1-5 1/2" focus square (A)

Blue: 2-3" X 5 1/2" rectangles (B), 2-3" squares (C)

White: 2-3" squares (D), 2-3" X 5 1/2" rectangles (E)

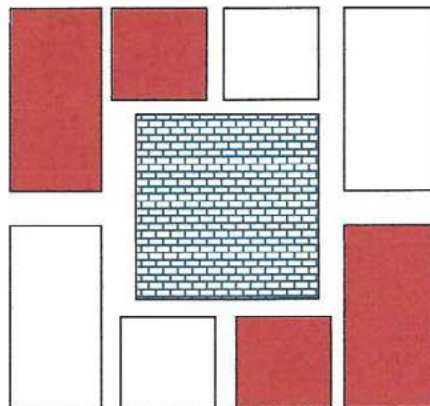


## Block Two

Center: 1-5 1/2" square (A)

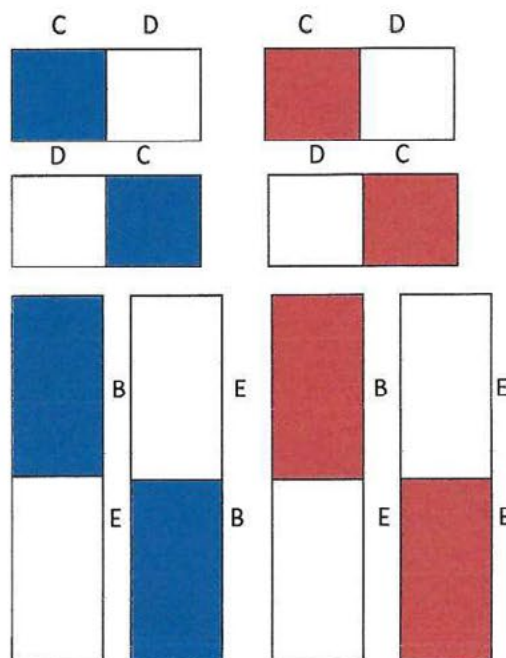
Red: 2-3" X 5 1/2" rectangles (B), 2-3" squares (C)

White: 2-3" squares (D), 2-3" X 5 1/2" rectangles (E)



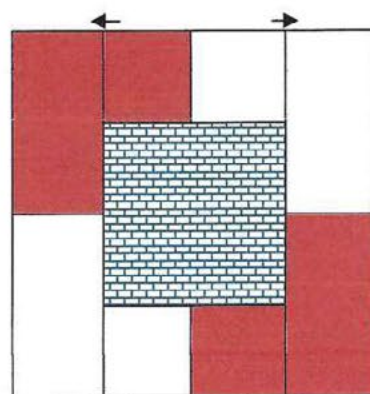
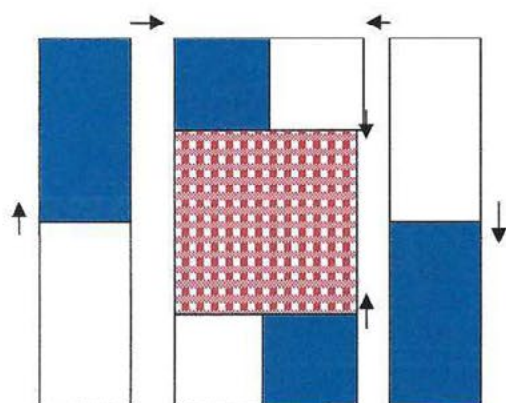
Sewing instructions are the same for Blocks 1, 2, and 3.

1. Sew one C to one D. Repeat for the other C and D.



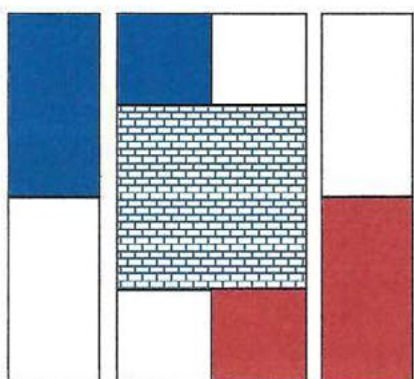
2. Sew one B to one E. Repeat for the other B and E.

3. Sew units together as shown. Follow arrows for pressing.

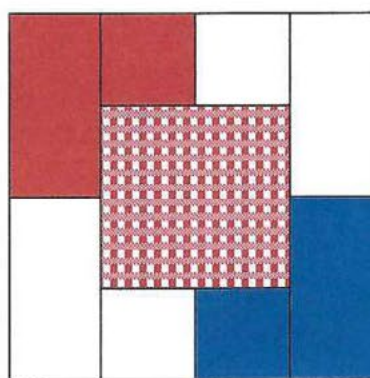
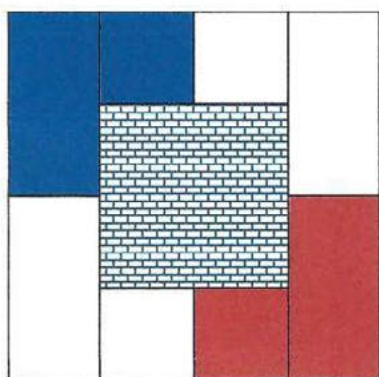
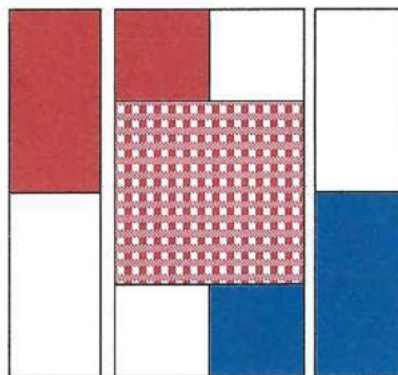


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## Alternative Block layout (mixing colors)



OR



### A YouTube tutorial is here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=41FbX8ZLWjI>

### You can mail your blocks to:

Nancy Cann  
Quilt Block Drive  
709 Lukie Drive  
Nicholasville, KY 40356

### Mailing Instructions:

1. If mailing ONE block, fold it carefully and mail in a standard business-size envelope with a "forever" stamp. It cannot be more than 1/4" thick.
2. If mailing more than ONE block, use a manila envelope (remove the metal clasp, as that makes it non-machineable and costs more) and take it to the post office to have postage attached.
3. If sending a lot of blocks, place them in a Ziplock bag and put a label with your name and address in the bag.
4. If you want to be notified that your quilt block donation has been received, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with a note enclosed stating your block donation in your block package with your name, email address, and/or cell phone number.

## **CAMEO Executive Board Meeting 11/13/25 zoom**

Present: Laurie Johnson, Cheryl Cawley, Theresa Nielson, Donna Griffith, Martha Nordquist, Sharon Crastenburg, Jean Schlegelmann, Chris Schulte, Laura Ball Carey, Jeanne Flynn

Absent: Terry Poduska

Meeting called to order 7pm.

**VP Facilitator Theresa Nielsen-** Ready for November Fandango workshop. At least 12 needed to attend. If there are more than 10 people, the cost will be \$35 plus pattern.  
Checks needed \$350 for lecture, \$450 for workshop

**VP Scheduler Laurie Johnson-** Speaker and workshop for November 2026 Linda Thielfold need \$100 deposit. She also noted that this is her 4th year on the board and she can't facilitate next year.

**Member-at-Large Chris Schulte-** Sew In December. Needs \$200 for facility and \$100 for janitors.

**VP Membership Sharon Cratsenburg-** we have 44 members, but not all have emails. Sharon is working on Spring Retreat, needs new form with dates and pricing

New Member Breakfast- to facilitate new member involvement as well as getting people interested in filling new roles. Will shoot for 1/10/26. First Congregational Church

Talk to Judy Murray - Is it time to change from door prizes to do 50-50 Raffle?

**Theresa Nielsen-** we are interested in getting younger members. Possible girl scout troop? Sewing badges

**Cheryl Cawley:** We need to reduce the number of charities. We will put the list to a vote, but plan on keeping the Layette program as it is part of the Clawson church.

**Charity Jean Schlegelmann-** Lots of charity fabric donated but it tends to be ugly or undesirable and we need larger pieces for backing. As a charity we have to keep track of how much we spend and donated. There are also quilt kits in the closet.

HAVEN deliveries will be done 12/3. Maggie Smith will accept donations at home if people forget to bring to the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:19

respectfully submitted by Jeanne Flynn

**CAMEO Quilters Guild Meeting**  
**November 20, 2025 • 7pm**  
Clawson United Methodist Church

Business Meeting called to order 8:30 pm by President Cheryl Cawley after presentation by Norma Stark on "Foundation Paper Piecing"

Slip of the Keyboard winner Laura Ball Carey

**VP Facilitator Theresa Nielsen**- The Whistle Stop needs people. We also need irons and boards. Louise has a spare board to bring.

**Sewing weekend**- December 12-13 9am-9pm, bring lunch or plan to go out. Leave things overnight

**Maggie Smith**- December meeting is potluck. Please sign up and bring a wrapped white elephant gift worth \$10-15

**Charity**- Linda Wallace has been coordinating for 15 years and is ready to pass the baton. We will be scaling back to two charities from the six that we are currently doing. We will be keeping the layette program as it is part of the church. A vote was taken and we will continue with the Orchard Children's Charity and the Layette Program.

New Member Brunch scheduled for January 6, all members are welcome.

Quilting with Confidence classes could be held if someone wants to volunteer.

**Treasurer Martha Nordquist** reported our bank amounts

**Door Prizes**- Jeanne Flynn, Sharri Hart, Jackie Speer, Linda Grant, Carol Herzberg, Marlene Fromm, Lorrene Garrison

**Quick Tips** Kathy Wilson - Dollar store has plastic cutting mats that work well for templates.

Meeting adjourned 9pm

respectfully submitted by Jeanne Flynn