

Piecemakers Press

A Publication of The Livingston Piecemakers Quilt Guild

At A Glance...

August

11 Aug – Guild Meeting

LaDonyce Hamilton, Speaker
Lala's Quilt Shoppe

14 Aug – F.A.I.T.H. Packing

September

08 Sep — Guild Meeting @

Camp Cho Yey & Sew Day

29 Sep - 5th Monday -

Fidget Quilts, Bonnie Magid

October

13 Oct — Guild Meeting

Glenda Henson, Truck Show

FAT QUARTER OF THE MONTH

August – Team Sports (any sport, team, or all)

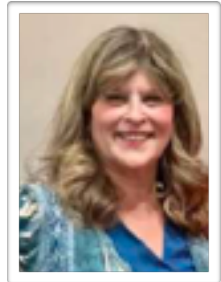
BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Jul /due Aug – “Spin Me Around”

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Fellow Quilters –

July's Meeting was very fun with our normal activities and a Workshop. I enjoyed seeing everybody and their One Block Wonder projects. We have very creative, artistic members. Lisa was very helpful and a great teacher! My hope is that the Guild will continue to provide Quilt Related Sessions and Workshops. It never hurts to learn new techniques and processes.



We have quite a bit to look forward to in the next few months. September's Cho-Yeh Meeting is an opportunity to do our “normal” and then join in some fun activities. It is a chance to get to know somebody you haven't had a chance to talk to. Hope to see you all there.

Last year we had a bus trip to the International Quilt Show and had a great time. We are repeating it this year. Make sure that you sign up for the trip no later than the September Meeting. You are welcome to bring friends so they can learn what our Guild is all about.

Our last meeting in December will be our Holiday Party. Start thinking about a great quilt related gift. With all the tragedy the world has had lately, remember to be kind and nice to all! You never know when a comment will make another's day all better.

Vicky Wooddell, President

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Friday, August 15th, 2025

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PROGRAMS

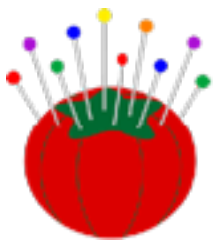
1st Vice President

Bonnie Walker

- **AUG** — Lala's Quilt Shoppe
(Visiting guild - Golden Triangle)
- **SEP** — Happy Bloom's Challenge
(Camp Cho Yeh)
- **OCT** — Glenda Henson, Trunk Show
- **NOV** — Reverend Billy Graft with
Camp Hope
- **DEC** — Christmas Party, Bingo
(Place your new gift in a brown paper
bag; Valued at \$25)

Guild Members Workshops

- **Sep 29th** - 5th Monday - Fidget Quilts,
Bonnie Magid
- **Dec 29th** — How to Make a Block
Design Board



Please consider taking the position of guild Secretary. This position involves taking minutes at the guild and board meetings. Please contact Vicki Wooddell if you are interested in filling this important position.



MEMBERSHIP

2nd Vice President

Cheryl Cox

Attendance: 43
New Members: 1
Guests: 2
Current Membership: 82
Bee Attendance: 16
Volunteer Hours: 369
Door Prizes:

Mary Ann Wilson, Debbie Cox, Karen Lee,
Bonnie Walker

Cheryl Cox

2nd VP, Membership

2025-2026 Membership Stats:

Past Presidents: 16
Charter Members: 3
Members: 63
Total Membership: 82
Year-to-Date Volunteer Hours: 3215.5

F.A.I.T.H.

Hello everyone,

Families And Individuals Thanking Heroes

After the wonderful support for FAITH in June, we didn't get much in July. We had four people donate money for postage, Slim Jim's, drink mixes and condiments. Norma and I also made pocket prayer quilts and I turned in 100 of those.

They have a continuous need of drink mixes and small snack items! July packing was on the 10th. The next packing will be August 14th!

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer! Avoid the heat and continue sewing! Blessings to each of you,

Lisa Jefferies, F.A.I.T.H. Military Support Chair



<https://livingstonfmc.org/faith>

The TOP TEN MOST REQUESTED ITEMS

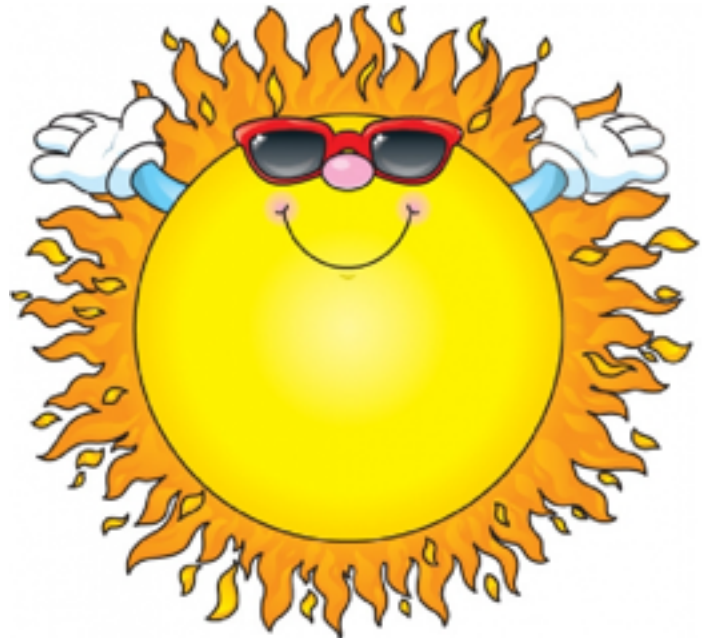
- ✦ Instant Drink Mixes (individual powdered drink mixes for water bottles i.e. poweraide, kool-aid, tea, crystal light etc.)
- ✦ Sun Block
- ✦ Cotton Swabs (for cleaning sand from rifle)
- ✦ Eye Drops
- ✦ Baby Wipes
- ✦ Canned Fruit
- ✦ Peanuts/Sunflower Seeds
- ✦ Liquid Hand Sanitizer
- ✦ Gum/Candy/Breath mints (Individually wrapped)
- ✦ Food/Snack Items (peanut butter, granola bars, trail mix, tuna etc.)

Thank you for your constant support!

We thank all our Heroes for their service and their families for their sacrifice.

WE WILL PRAY THEM HOME!!

Donations are always welcome to cover POSTAGE FEES! Shipping cost per package is \$23.80/box.



2025 Donation Quilt

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Drawing to be held

September 8, 2025

Tranquility by Wing and a Prayer

Quilted by Cathy Tullos



Our 2025 Donation Quilt will be traveling to:

- **07 Aug, Fri** — Alvin Senior Center, Alvin, Texas — 5:30pm-8:00pm — **Bonnie Walker, Madi McMurry**
- **15 Aug, Fri** — Waller City Piecemakers Quilt Guild, Hempstead, Texas — **Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed to take our quilt and sell tickets to each of these guilds and events.
I need suggestions for more places to take our quilt. If you have any ideas let me know.

Madeline McMurry, Ticket Sales Chair

Please return your tickets and money **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**.
The drawing for the Tranquility quilt is at the September Meeting.

I will have tickets for 'Jubilation' at the October Meeting.



**Kathy Weeks, 50/50 Chair
Presents Karen Lee with her winnings!**



***Soup Jar Table Runner Project
If you are participating in this project, PLEASE
make sure to bring your completed table
runner and jar back to the August 11th
meeting to give to the person whose jar you
took. There were 12 jars turned in!!***

September CHALLENGE

The challenge theme for 2025 is:

“HAPPY BLOOMS”

- Mini Quilt must be **no larger than 24-inches square**, and may be pieced, appliqued, mixed or other.
- Mini Quilt must be quilted through 3 layers by hand, by machine or both.
- Mini Quilt must be made with the theme in mind using selected fabric from LaLa's Quilt Shoppe.

Reveal will be held at the
September Guild Meeting to
be held at Camp Cho Yeh



**Free Spirit, Happy Blooms
Pinwheels Multi, by Sue Penn
Fabric is available for purchase at
LaLa's Quilt Shoppe**



September 5th Monday Workshop

Learn to make fidget quilts for Charity

The purpose is to provide a blanket made of different washable and dryable bright tactile fabrics (no black), such as terry cloth, fleece, corduroy, satin, Minky, velvet, denim, etc., cut into 6-1/2", 7-1/2" or 8-1/2" squares or rectangles sewn into a small quilt top, layered with batting and a backing, quilted and decorated.

We will make three kinds of fidgets for:

- 1) autistic children
- 2) adult men
- 3) adult women

Measurements are approximately 18" X 20" (more or less is ok). A fat quarter can be used for the back.

IMPORTANT:

All decorations must be very **securely sewn** into the fidget and **everything faces the patient's tummy**, not out toward the knees.

Kits will be provided, or you can bring your own items to complete the fidgets. The kits will contain materials to make: 1) fidget foundations, squares, batting, and backing, 2) zippers, 3) pockets,

4) beads and strings, and other items, depending upon what you want to make, as well as complete kits.

What to Bring to the Workshop:

Sewing Machine
 Extension Cord
 Sewing Supplies (pins, clips, scissors, thread (no black), etc.
 Zipper Foot for sewing zippers.
 Ruler
 Marking tool for quilting

Foundation — Sew together the squares or rectangles in rows, so they fit onto the batting and backing, about 18" X 20". Quilt the foundation.

Decoration — Beads – string about 7 beads onto a boot string; sew one end of a boot string about 2" from the left top seam and the other boot string end into the left side seam, so the beads and boot string hang loose enough to play with the beads.

Pockets with hankies – Cut a pocket about 5", fold down the top about 1/2", and sew. Securely sew one end of a shoestring onto the right side seam, about 1" from where the top of the pocket will be. Sew the "bottom" of the pocket into the foundation top seam (remember the "top" open side of the pocket faces the patient); sew the right side of the pocket into the seam and the pocket left side onto the foundation. Securely sew one corner of the hankie to the loose shoestring, fold the hankie and place it in the pocket. A lot of pulling and folding will happen on this pocket.

Other decorations — will be demonstrated and I will have examples.

Please contact Bonnie Magid, redfibers4@gmail.com, if you have any questions. Thank you for your support!



**Happy Birthday
Mary Ann Smith**



**Happy Birthday
Karen Overton**



There is a hidden needle within
this newsletter! Be the first to
email when you find it and
receive a little gift at the next
guild meeting!

Note: needles that are part of a clipart
image do not count

Email: piecemakersguildtex@gmail.com

2025 LEADERSHIP TEAM

Elected Board —

President - Vicki Wooddell (2nd term)
 1st Vice President – Programs - Bonnie Walker (2nd term)
 2nd Vice President — Membership - Cheryl Cox (1st term)
 Secretary - **OPEN**
 Treasurer - Sharon Wright (1st term)
 Parliamentarian - Bonnie Walker (2nd term)

The Board of Directors consists of all duly elected Officers and the Chairpersons of Standing Committees appointed by the President.

2025 Committee Chairs —

1. Hospitality — Karen Lee (Apr 2025)
2. Newsletter — Debbie Cox (Apr 2025)
3. Librarian — Sheila Robertson / Karen Lantron
4. Quilt Show 2027 — Vicki Wooddell, Chair & Donna Garland, Co-Chair (Apr 2025)
5. Show & Share — Patty Drewett (Apr 2025)
6. Publicity — Kay Hardy
7. Sunshine & Shadows — Sarah Bourne (Apr 2025)
8. Fund Raising Quilt** — Sarah Hiatt (Apr 2025)
9. Door Prizes — Cheryl Cox (Apr 2025)
10. Block of the Month — Marci Dickens (Mar 2025)
11. Community Service — Sharon Jeans, Chair, Norma Christensen, Co-Chair
12. Webmaster — Debbie Cox (2019)
13. Historian — Kay Hardy
14. F.A.I.T.H. (Troop Support) — Lisa Jefferies
15. Hometown Christmas — Kathie Hilton
16. Quilts of Honor — Bonnie Walker
17. Buy, Sell, Trade Table — Mary Parrish
18. Photographer — Destiny Pennington
19. Social Media Team, Debbie Cox, Chair (Apr 2025)

**Fund Raising Quilt Committee:

Quilt Design — Sarah Hiatt (2024)
 Quilt Tickets Printing — Madi McMurry (2024)
 Quilt Ticket Sales — Madi McMurry (2024)
 Quilt Scheduler — Madi McMurry (2024)

Other Guild Projects:

LPQG Memorabilia — Mary Parrish
 Bee Keepers — A member from each Bee
 Guild Logo Items — **OPEN**

Fun Stuff Tables:

50/50 - Kathy Weeks
 Birthdays - Kathy Weeks
 Stash Builder - Gail Kestler
 Fat Quarter of the Month - Sarah Bourne (2025)
 Gifts to Visitors - Kathy Weeks (2024)
 Secret Pals - Patty Drewett

Social Media Team:

Debbie Cox, Chair, Kathleen Weeks, Destiny Pennington, and Marci Dickens

*Sunshine and
Shadows*

Shadows & Prayers:



Sunshine:



Contact Sarah Bourne at: bourne422@aol.com



**Open your Smart
Phone then open your
camera and hover over
this QR code. A link to
the website will
appear. Click on the
link and you will be
directed to the Guild
Website**

FAT QUARTER of the Month

Sarah Bourne, Chair

2025 Fat Quarter of the Month

Aug -- Team Sports (any sport, team, or all)
 Sep -- "Sew Much Fun" Sewing Prints
 Oct -- Baby Animals
 Nov -- Juvenile Prints
 Dec -- Jewel Tones



Sharing the big news...

Fat Quarter of the Month Winners

Jul 2025 – Gail Kestler
 Jun 2025 – Sam Poprocki
 May 2025 – Mary Ann Wilson
 Apr 2025 – Marti Hubbard
 Mar 2025 – Sharon Wright **
 Feb 2025 – Joyce Halam
 Jan 2025 – Destiny Pennington
 Dec 2024 – Vicki Wooddell
 Nov 2024 – Sharon Jeans
 Oct 2024 – Julie Wilson
 Sep 2024 – Sharon Wright **
 Aug 2024 – Melanie Fredrickson



PIECEMAKERS PRESS



Please contact Karen Lee
 regarding refreshments at our guild
 meetings to see how you can help
 with what items are needed for the
 table at each guild meeting.



THURSDAY BEE

WHERE: Escapee Club House, Livingston

WHEN: 9:30 am to 2:30 pm each Thursday

PURPOSE: Fellowship while working on projects! Work on your own project. Work on BOM the Thursday following the guild meeting. Come and enjoy! Something for everyone!

BEE KEEPER: Sue Glick

OTHER: We can help anyone needing help with the Mystery Row-By-Row Sew-Along. We have room for about 15 sewing machines and several hand work areas. Bring your lunch, let's have some fun!

SEW & SO BEE

WHEN: 4th Tuesday, 10:30am to 4:30pm

WHERE: Marci Dickens home,
590 T. W. Dickens, Livingston, Texas 77351



PURPOSE: Work on whatever you want. An AccuQuilt Go Big along with a large assortment of dies will be available as well as a cutting table, ironing station, and plenty of places to set up machines with power. Longarm available.

"Breakfast at Naskila at 9 am for anyone interested."

BEE KEEPER: Marci Dickens

OTHER: Bring a lunch! Marci will supply tea, coffee, and water.

QUILTS FOR KIDS

WHEN: 2nd Tuesday, 10am to 4:00pm

WHERE: LaLa's Quilt Shoppe (formerly Red Barn Quilt Retreat)
21 N Butch Arther Rd., Coldspring, Tx 77331

PURPOSE: Make Quilts for Kids.

BEE KEEPER: LaDonyce Hamilton

OTHER: Bring a lunch plus \$10 Facility Fee.
Please text your RSVP to 903-276-0030

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Guild Meeting Opportunities

- *Block of the Month Drawing*

Bring the BOM to enter the drawing. If you win the drawing, you are obligated to bring the BOM for the next twelve months. You can also contribute to the BOM without entering the drawing. This is a great way to learn new skills.

- *Fat Quarter of the Month Drawing*

Bring the Fat Quarter of the Month to enter the drawing. If you win the drawing, you are obligated to bring the Fat Quarter of the Month for the next twelve months. You can also contribute to the Fat Quarter of the Month without entering the drawing.

- *50/50 Drawing*

Monetary contributions are split 50/50 with the guild and the member in a drawing.

- *Stash Builder Drawing*

Contribute \$'s to enter the drawing for a bundle of fat quarters to build your stash..

- *Education (childrens book & mini quilts)*

Pick up a children's book and make a mini quilt to go with it! Return at the next meeting. Books/quilts are donated to childrens programs

- *Buy, Sell, Trade Table*

Stop by the Buy, Sell, Trade table to pick up a few things to add to your sewing room at a nominal cost.

- *Library Table*

Pick up a few books or magazines to add to your quilting library for a nominal cost.

- *Community Service Table*

Helping our community one kit at a time! Pick one up, sew it up, bring it back!

- *F.A.I.T.H. Military Support*

Support our military by bring designated items for packing and sending to our troops.

- *Donation Quilt*

Sell tickets for our Donation Quilt. This is our main fund raiser each year.



Minutes

LPQG | 14 JULY 2025

Vicki Wooddell, President, called the meeting to order at 9:30 am and welcomed all present. Bonnie Walker gave the opening prayer.

Vicki presented the minutes of June 9, 2025, as published in the Newsletter and called for corrections. Hearing none, a motion was made by Sarah Bourne, seconded by Madi McMurry and the minutes were approved.

Vicki presented the Financial Report for June 2025, as sent by Newsletter and called for corrections. Hearing none, a motion was made by Destiny Pennington, seconded by Madi McMurry, and the Financial Report was approved.

Committee & Chairman Reports:

1st Vice President Bonnie Walker reported that we would have our One Block Wonder Workshop today, taught by Lisa Jefferies. In August, LaDonyce Hamilton will present her LaLa's Trunk show as she is the Quilt Sponsor. September we will have our meeting at Camp Cho-Yeh where we will have our Challenge Fabric Reveal. Glenda Henson will present in October, Camp Hope in November and then our Christmas Party in December.

2nd Vice President Cheryl Cox – Cheryl reported 43 in attendance; Bee Attendance was 16 and Volunteer hours was 369. Door prizes were won by Mary Ann Wilson, Debbie Cox, Bonnie Walker and Karen Lee. Guests were Mary Butler and

Chelsey Butler. We had Judy Stevenson sign up as a new member.

Treasurer Sharon Wright reported the May Treasurers Report:

Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 23,415.96
Revenue	\$ 942.50
Expenses	\$ 665.29
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 23,693.17

Exchange Table – Mary Parrish – Mary out. Kathy Weeks brought in a lot of Fabric Scraps for Members

Block of the Month and Soup Jars – Marci Dickens – The Block of the Month was won by Karen Lantron. Marci asked that all members that brought Soup Jars sign in and tell which jar they picked up. Finished "Soups" are to be completed and returned at the next meeting

2025 Row By Row – Debbie Cox – All participants showed their Lady Bugs. The next month's pattern will be sent out by Friday

Community Services – Norma Chistiansen, Sharon Jeans and Bonnie Magid – Norma reported 130 items turned in. Pocket prayer Quilts were made for SAAFE House in purple and teal. Pillowcases are planned to be sent to Kerrville Flood Victims. They have lots of kits available as well as quilts that need to be quilted.

F.A.I.T.H. – Lisa Jefferies – Lisa reported 28 member donations

Fat Quarter of the Month – Sarah Bourne awarded Sam Paprocki the June Fat Quarters and Gail Kestler won the July Fat Quarters.

Hospitality – Karen Lee – Karen thanked those that brought in snacks for the meeting

Historian/Publication – Kay Hardy – nothing to report

Librarian – Sheila Robertson & Karen Lantron – they have lots of new books and magazines

50/50. Birthdays and Visitors – Kathy Weeks – Karen Lee won \$12.50 in the 50/50. Birthday Fat Quarters were given to Mary Ann Wilson and Karen Overton, and our Visitors from Mainland Quilt Guild, Mary and Chelsea were also given Fat Quarters.

Bee Committee Reports – Quilts for Kids are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at the Red Barn, Sew Sew Bee is cancelled for July 22 per Marci

Donation Quilt & 2025 Tickets – Madi McMurry – Golden Triangle Quilt Guild will be at our August Meeting. We will not show our Donation Quilt at the International Quilt Festival this year but will start to book it earlier next year.

Donation Quilt Schedule – Madi McMurry – Madi needs volunteers for the August 7th presentation at Alvin, TX (5:30-8PM) and August 15th at Waller County (9A-11:45)

Donation Quilt 2026 – Sarah Hiatt – The quilt is with Cathy Tullos

Newsletter and Web – Debbie Cox – Sharon Wright and Sylvia Sills found the needle this month and won a Fat Quarter. Chairmen Reports for the Newsletter due by Friday 7/18/25

Sunshine and Shadows – Sarah Bourne – Patty Drewitt had shoulder surgery, Gail Kestler's husband has been very ill and Ginger Sebastian should have her surgery on the 30th.

Stash Builder – Patty Lawson for Gail Kestler – Winners were Madi McMurry, Julie Wilson and Cheryl Cox

Hometown Christmas – Kathie Hilton – awaiting information

LaLa's Quarterly Drawing – Vickie Myers – The winner was Bonnie Walker

Old Business:

Bus Trip to International Quilt Festival – We have 18 signed up and have 50 seats to fill. Last signup will be at the September Meeting. You can bring friends.

September Meeting at Cho-Yeh Camp – We will have our September Fabric Challenge and Fabric can be purchased at LaLa's. Everyone can bring their lunch and snacks. We will provide coffee, water and Iced Tea. You need to sign a Cho-Yeh waiver to attend. We will have lots of fun things to do and everyone can stay and socialize, sew or do handwork after the meeting.

Show & Tell – Vicki Wooddell

1. Jackie Burck – Showed some Rope Coasters and Trivet
2. Destiny Pennington – Showed her hexies English Paper Piecing Project in progress
3. Sue Glick – Showed four quilts: a sampler quilt, a Whimsical Marty Michelle Quilt, a Chinese Lanterns Quilt and a Cat Quilt.
4. Sarah Hiatt showed a king size quilt with reproduction Fabric and the pattern was Charlotte's Medallion
5. Vicki Wooddell – showed five Quilts, a paper pieced project from a Pizza Box Challenge that looked like a Bird of

BOARD MEETING

LPQG | 14 July 2025

Vicki Wooddell, President, called the meeting to order at 11:45 AM.

Old Business

1. Camp Cho-Yeh – Karen Overton has offered to do a demonstration for members at the meeting

New Business – None noted

Vicki called for a motion to adjourn. Cheryl Cox so moved, seconded by Sharon Wright and the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 so that all that were attending the work shop could do so.

Paradise. A Black & White Hey Y'All Texas Quilt, a River Rock Quilt, a bright pink quilt for her friend undergoing cancer treatment, a Riki Tiki Tavi Quilt

6. Marci Dickens showed a brightly colored quilt she made from the 2024 North Side Shop Hop

One Block Wonder – Lisa Jefferies – Lisa gave us a brief overview and Slide show on One Block Wonder.

Vicki Wooddell called for the meeting to be adjourned. Motion was made by Karen Lee, seconded by Karen Lantron and the meeting adjourned at 11:28.

Notes taken by Mary Ann Wilson and typed by Vicki Wooddell.

Minutes taken by and typed by Vicki Wooddell.



**2027 Quilt Show Theme:
"A Quilt for all Seasons"
Start planning your quilt now!!**



What Makes a Quilt So Special?

by Debbie Anderson Searles

Surely, when the final stitch is entered and the needle laid to rest, only a quilter can know the feeling of pride soaring within her soul. She has the contentment of knowing that a long, hard journey has come to an end. She has conquered a challenge, and through her own patience and endurance, has created a loving work of art. It may well live on long after she has finished her walk upon this earth.

Perhaps what makes a quilt so special, is that pride a quilter knows — that deep in her heart she knows — some distant future generation might gaze upon her quilt, or touch its fragile threads, and still feel the love and care that she has sewn in every stitch.

Anyone interested in making red white and blue pocket prayer quilts please get with Norma or Sharon —

See Pattern on the next page



Thank you for all the items turned in for Community Service!! Please continue to bring plastic grocery bags, Flannel for Adult Clothing Protectors and bibs for babies along with other charity items needed.

Total Items turned — July 2025 meeting - 130

- * 6 – Large Christmas Stockings
- * 12 – Small Christmas Stockings
- * 62 – Adult Clothing Protectors
- * 5 – Wheelchair Quilt Tops
- * 1 – Fidget Quilt
- * 6 – All Purpose Bags
- * 2 – Dolls for Nursing Homes
- * 36 – Quilt Blocks



Sharon Jeans
Community Service Chair

POCKET PRAYER QUILT

Finishes to 2" x 2"

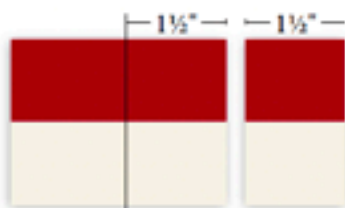
All seam allowances are $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

4-PATCH VERSION

- Fabrics in contrasting colors:
 - (2) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, at least 3" long, for patchwork
 - (1) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " for backing
 - (1) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " for lining (optional)
- Small cross pendant
- Small safety pin
- Printed prayer, cut to 2" x 2"
- Embroidery floss (optional)

MAKE QUILT

From *each* of two contrasting patchwork fabrics, cut (1) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " strip at least 3" long. Sew together down length of strips, and press seam toward darker fabric. Cut strip set into (2) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " units.



Arrange units to form a patchwork pattern. Sew units together, and press seam open. 4-Patch Block should now measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".



You can add batting, if desired, but we found that the bulk made turning difficult. For this reason, we chose to use a light lining fabric (optional). If using lining fabric, place 4-Patch Block on top of it, right sides up. Place backing square on top of 4-Patch Block, right sides together.

Sew around edges, leaving an opening in one side for turning. Trim corners, then turn right side out. Push corners out, and press. Carefully place cross inside to the middle of quilt, then topstitch $\frac{1}{8}$ " around entire quilt.

Use embroidery floss to tie down quilt center, if desired.

POCKET PRAYER PACKS

with crosses, safety pins,
and printed prayers
are available at
ShabbyFabrics.com
while supplies last!



RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS

- Clover Point Turner
- Charm Packs
- Mini Charm Packs
- Chenille Needles
- Kai Scissors
- Patchwork Pins
- Creative Grids - $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ " ruler (#CGR48)
- Creative Grids - $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " Square Up Ruler (#CGR4)
- Konfetti Neutral Thread Set
- Olfa Spinning Rotary Mat - 12" x 12"
- Olfa 45mm Rotary Cutter
- Creative Grids 9in Seam Guide Tool
- Optional Embroidery Floss

Available at ShabbyFabrics.com

As seen on the HOW TO MAKE A POCKET PRAYER QUILT

video featured on our YouTube channel:



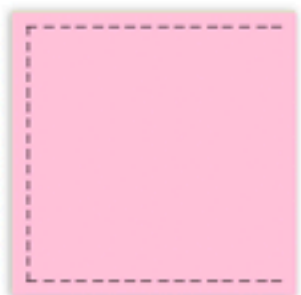
[YouTube.com/ShabbyFabrics](https://www.youtube.com/ShabbyFabrics)

HOURLASS VERSION (MAKES 4)-----

- Fabrics in contrasting colors:
- (2) 5" x 5" squares *Charm packs work great for this!*
- (4) 2½" x 2½" for backing
- (4) 2½" x 2½" for lining (optional)
- (4) Small cross pendants
- (4) Small safety pins
- (4) Printed prayers, cut to 2" x 2"
- Embroidery floss (optional)

ASSEMBLE QUILT-----

Join (2) 5" x 5" squares of contrasting colors, right sides together, and sew together all the way around all four sides.



Cut in half diagonally, twice.



Press units open, pressing seam toward same fabric on both units.

Place one unit on top of the other, right sides together, with similar fabrics in opposite corners as shown.



Draw a line from corner to corner, noting the direction of the diagonal. Sew ¼" on either side of the drawn line. Cut apart on drawn line **OR** use Creative Grids 9in Seam Guide tool as shown in the video. Press seams as desired.



You will have (2) Hourglass Blocks. Square up each block to 2½" x 2½".



Repeat for a total of (4) Hourglass Blocks.

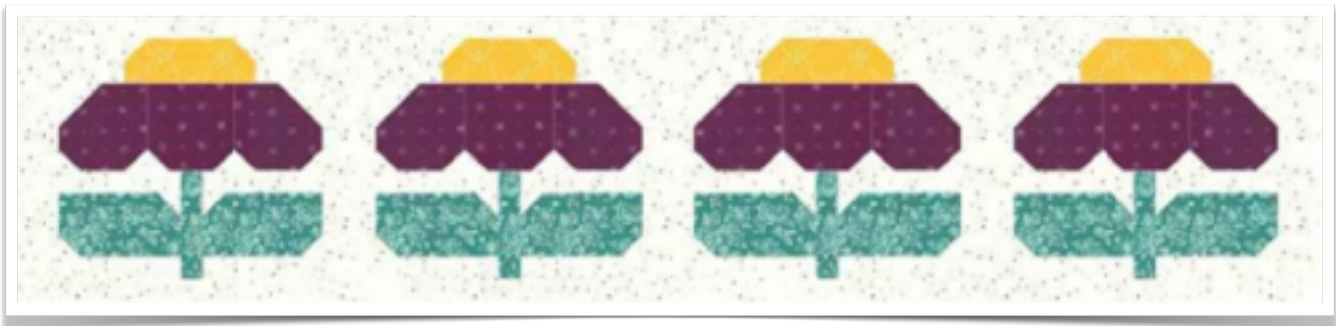
If using lining fabric, place Hourglass Block on top of it, right sides up. Place backing square on top of Hourglass Block, right sides together.

Sew around edges, leaving an opening in one side for turning. Trim corners, then turn right side out. Push corners out, and press. Carefully place cross inside to the middle of quilt, then topstitch ¼" around entire quilt.

Use embroidery floss to tie down quilt center, if desired.

This "Pocket Prayer Quilt" was made especially for you to slip in your pocket. Throughout the day when your fingers touch the cross inside the quilt, be mindful of God's love and grace for you. Keep it as a tangible symbol of God's peace.

2025 mystery Row-by-Row Sew-Along



Next Row – Cone Flowers



Participants brought their Ladybug Row for Show & Tell!!



BLOCK NEWS ...

Block of the Month Winners

Jun (due Jul 2025) — Bloom Where ... — Karen Lantron
 May (due Jun 2025) — Confetti Starburst — Kathy Winter
 Apr (due May 2025) — Sparkle & Shine — Vicki Wooddell
 Mar (due Apr 2025) — Vintage Delight — Connie Timm
 Feb (due Mar 2025) — Basket Weave — Marti Hubbard
 Jan (due Feb 2025) — Butterfly — Shiela Robertson
 Dec (due Jan 2025) — Sunrise Star — Rita Orban
 Nov (due Dec 2024) — Holly & Berries — Ginger Sebastian
 Oct (due Nov 2024) — Pumpkin Star — Karen Lee
 Sep (due Oct 2024) — Flower Basket — Sarah Bourne
 Aug (due Sep 2024) — Anvil — Sharon Wright
 Jul (due Aug 2024) — On Point in the Middle — Marci Dickens

* - Completed BOM

** — Completed in six months

Those listed above are obligated to bring a BOM to each guild meeting until your name drops from the list.

—NOTE: BOM requirements - When you enter the drawing and you win the drawing, you are obligated for the next twelve months to provide a block for the BOM drawing.

If your BOM quilt is completed in six months you will be presented with \$25. Contact Marci Dickens, Chair to let her

BOM

JUNE 2025

BLOCK OF THE MONTH
MARCI DICKENS, CHAIR

Participating members turned in **14** blocks of the 'Bloom Where You Are Planted' BOM at the July Guild meeting. **3 IOU's**

The July (due in Aug) 2025 Block of the Month is the 'Dazzle'. See pattern for fabric requirements.

Those with IOU's from previous months, PLEASE GET THOSE TURNED IN so recipients can complete their quilts.

Please use the Moda solid porcelain or white bleached fabrics as indicated on the patterns so the blocks are similar. Fabric can be purchased at our sponsor shop, LaLa's.

*Congratulations to our winner for this month, **Karen Lantron.***

Marci Dickens, Chair

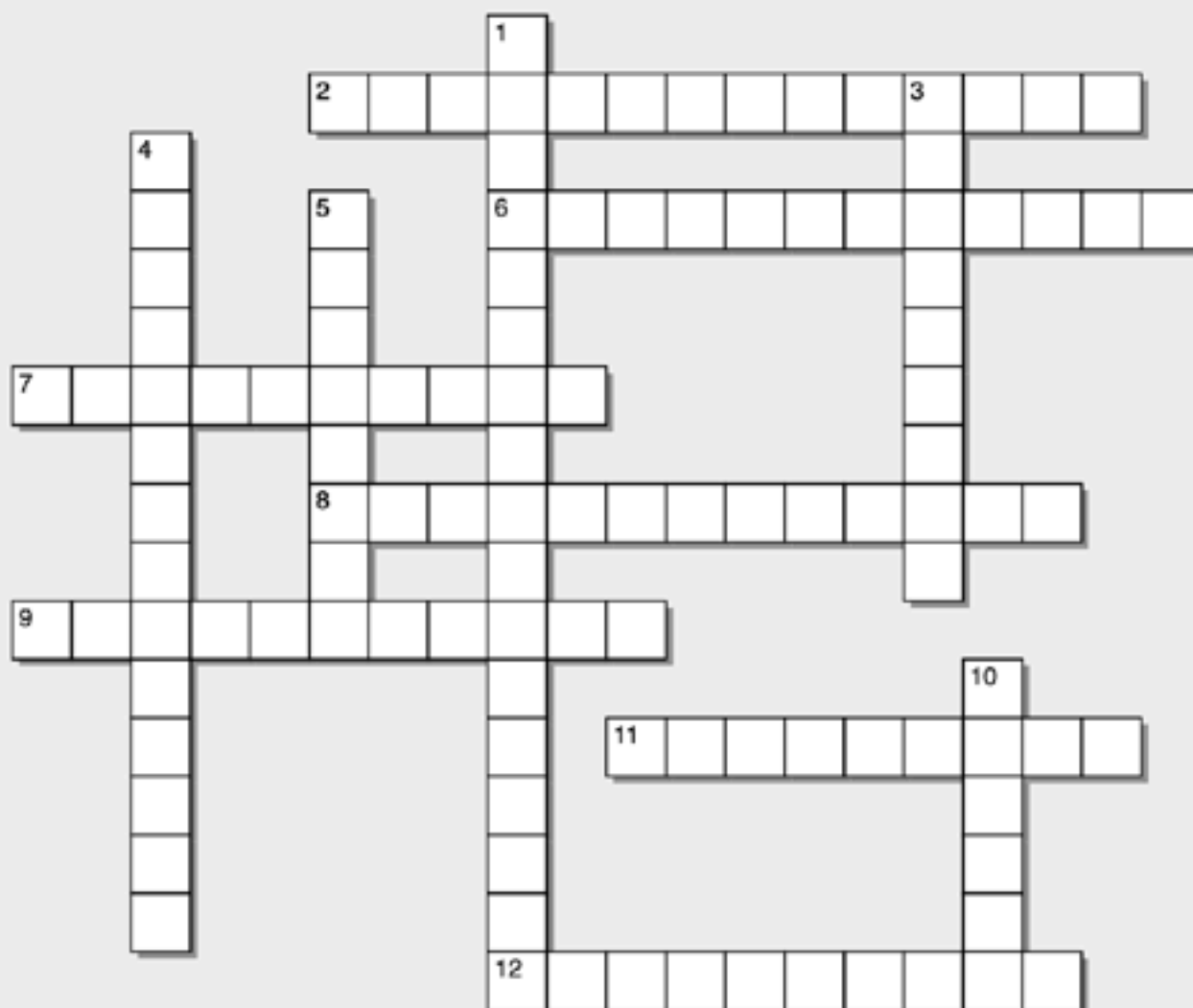


July Block of the Month Winner
Karen Lantron



Block of the Month
July due Aug 2025
'Dazzle'

Quiltblox Crossword - Quilt Block Names



Across

- 2) Mile High Gorgeous
- 6) Smashed Plates
- 7) Prince's Dad's Headpiece
- 8) Fowl Above
- 9) Felines and Rodents
- 11) Butter Run
- 12) Yellow Door

Down

- 1) Two Joining Circles
- 3) Pennsylvania Twinkle
- 4) Hat and Spikes
- 5) Tree House
- 10) Woven Container



Door Prize Winners
Karen Lee, Mary Ann Wilson
Debbie Cox, Bonnie Walker



Stash Builder Winners
Madi McMurry, Julie Wilson, Cheryl Cox



"I Found the Needle"
Sharon Wright and
Sylvia Sills (not pictured)



Madi McMurry
Donation Quilt Scheduler

SAVE MY BLEEDING QUILT!

How to best remove excess dye from a quilt (and prewash fabric to prevent the problem)

by Vicki Welsh, colorwaysbyvicki.com



There's nothing worse for a quilter than washing our quilt for the first time, pulling it out of the washing machine and finding out that one of the fabrics has run and ruined your quilt. It happens with both hand dyed and commercial fabrics. Dyeing processes vary so much and different colors of dyes react differently on different fabrics so it's really impossible for a fabric manufacturer to make all fabric perfectly colorfast..... just think about how much our clothes run in the wash.

As a fabric dyer I have spent many hours testing washing processes to make my fabrics as colorfast as possible. My quilts use both hand dyed and commercial fabrics. As a result I have developed the following guidelines for getting excess dye out of your quilt and for pre-washing fabric.

Whether your quilt has already been washed and dried, you can still do this process to remove excess dye but it's best if this is the process that you use for the first wash.

It's important to have a large volume of water for the quilt to soak in. I use my bathtub. There isn't enough water or room for the quilt in the washing machine. The quilt needs to be loose in the water. The water holds the excess dye so the more water the better.

Start filling the tub with hot water. It doesn't have to be boiling but the hotter the better. I have the hot water heater in my house set to 140F so it's quite hot coming out of the tap. If your water isn't very hot you can add some pots of boiling water. The truth is that time is more important than heat but the heat does help the process along.

Add soap and the quilt. For a large quilt I will use as much as a half cup of soap. The soap is what keeps the dye particles from re-adhering to your quilt so don't be stingy. My preference is Dawn Pure Dish detergent. I have used a Free & Clear type laundry detergent with success. Avoid using any detergent with fragrances or additives. The additives can have chemical structures that cause particles to adhere to your quilt or additives that may fade fabric. I have only tested unscented products. Do not use Dharma Textile Detergent, Synthrapol or Retayne especially if you have any commercial fabrics in your quilt. My testing has proven that these detergents do not behave well with some commercial fabrics and it's impossible to tell which fabrics will have problems. Dharma Textile Detergent can cause backstaining on some fabrics and Synthrapol will fade some fabrics. Retayne is for a completely different use. Do not ever use it unless you are very familiar with the product. Once the tub is about half full with water you can add the quilt.



You need gloves but not dye catching sheets. For this quilt I did use some dye catching sheets but subsequent testing proved that they are totally unnecessary. You can use 1 just to see how much dye is being released but otherwise they are not needed. You will need some heavy duty gloves to protect your hands from the heat. I have 2 sets of these gloves, one inside of the other, to insulate my hands from the hot water.

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While the tub is filling agitate and move the quilt in the water. The quilt should have plenty of room to move around in the water and it needs to be agitated for a while. I'll agitate it while it's filling and for another 5 or 10 minutes after the tub is full. If the water gets VERY dark right away let it soak (agitating every 10 minutes or so) for an hour and then drain the water and start over.

Make sure the entire quilt is under water and let the quilt soak for 12 hours. I use plastic bin lids and containers of water to weight the quilt and make sure it stays under water. If any part of the quilt sticks above the water dye will stick to the quilt at the water line. You can see the dye catching sheet in the water but it's really not necessary. The important thing is time. I've found that there is a point in the soak where the fabric seems to "burp" and release the rest of the dye. That can happen between 3 and 12 hours. Blue is the most difficult dye to get out (especially turquoise blues) and red is the most likely to stain the quilt. The soap is what keeps the dye particles suspended in the water.



Repeat until the water is clear. If there is color in the water after 12 hours repeat the entire process until the water remains clear for at least 6 hours. I do not add a lot of soap to each subsequent soak. I make a judgement call on each soak to determine how much I need. In this wash I knew that most of the dye was gone so I did not add more soap. There was soap still in the quilt and that was plenty.

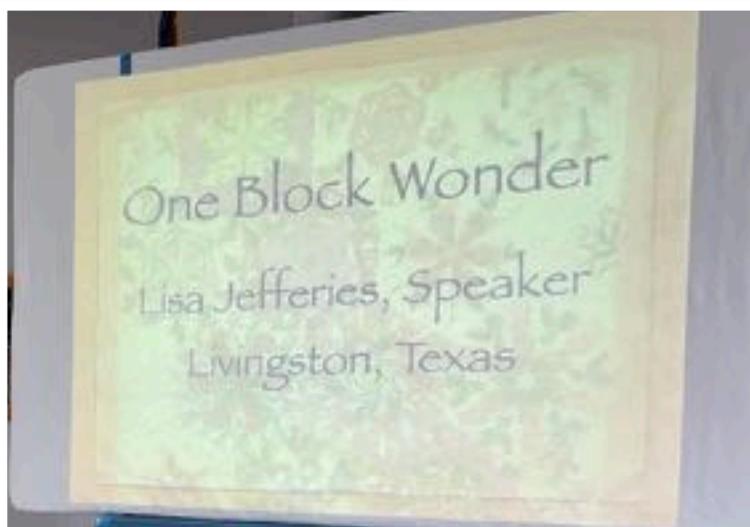
Carefully drain and remove the quilt. You can rinse it either in the tub with cold water or in the washing machine.

I can't promise that this will work 100% of the time because different fabrics react differently but this has worked for me consistently with *commercial and hand dyed cotton fabrics*. Test on swatches of fabric if you are unsure or are using different fiber content fabrics. The quilt in the photos is one that I knew would run and that's why I chose it for testing the process. If you have different results and want to discuss them please contact me at vickiwelsh.com.

For new fabric I do this process in the washing machine. I tested it by running a new batch of fabric through a wash cycle with a dye catching sheet. After a normal wash cycle in hot water the dye sheet was clean. Next I soaked the same fabric for 12 hours using the process above. After 12 hours the dye catching sheet was very dark! At some point in the soak the fabric released the excess dye. That dye would have eventually released onto my quilt. Maybe not in the first wash, but eventually. Better safe than sorry.

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OBW Presentation**



Mainland Morning Quilt Guild with Donation Quilt







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Visiting guild and Kathy Weeks



**Bonnie Walker won the Gift Basket
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Donna Garland

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By Sarah Hiatt**



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Black & White 'Hey Yall' Quilt by Vicki Wooddell



**2024 North Side Shop Hop Quilt
By Marci Dickens**



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OBW Class – Becky Wickander



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Lisa Jefferies, Mary Ann Wilson, Karen Lee**





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One Block Wonder Class

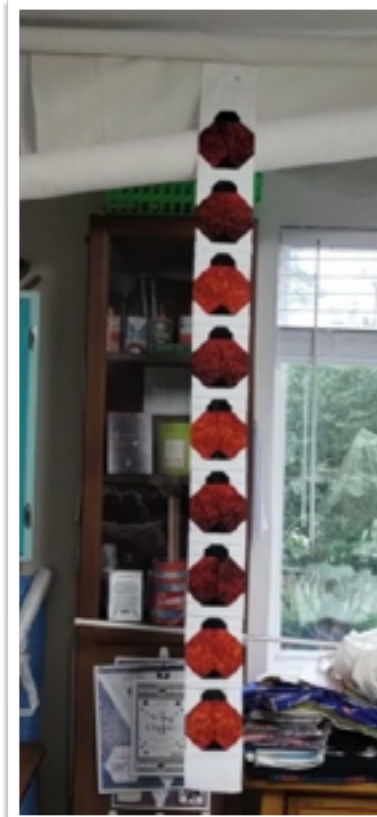


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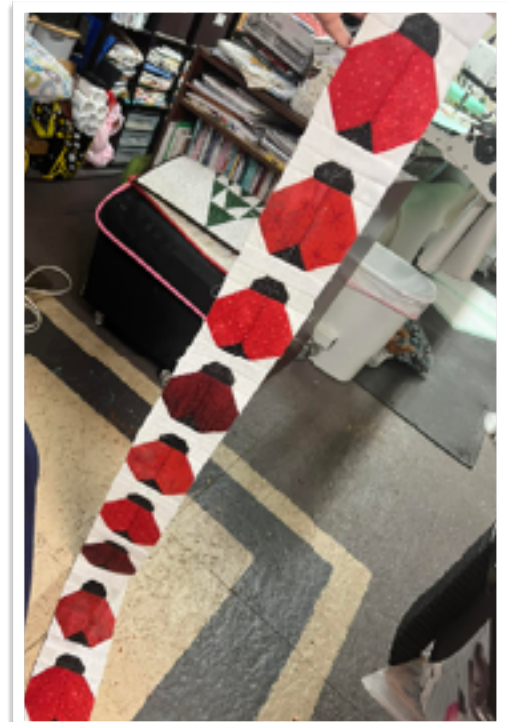




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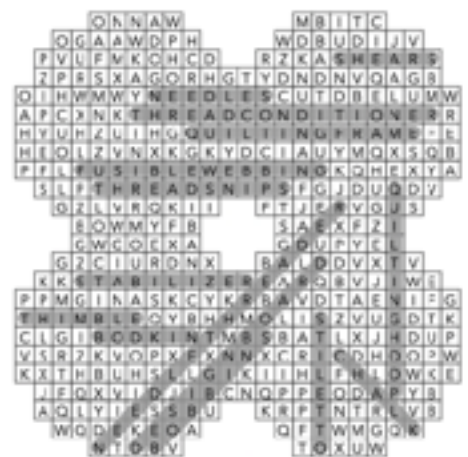
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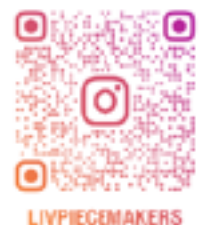
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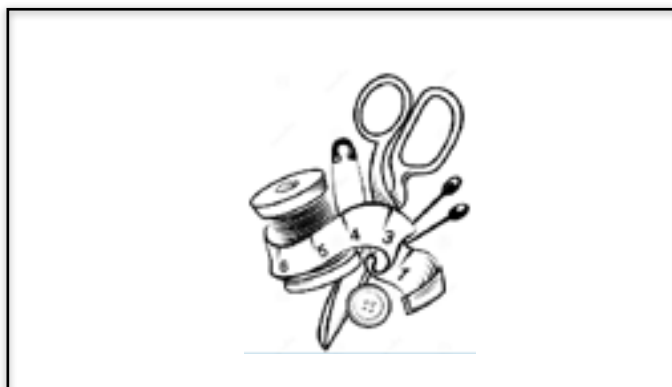

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