

Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild

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President's Message

It seems to be difficult to write this message, when we haven't had Christmas yet! Hope your holiday was relaxing and filled with family and friends, and, of course, plenty of quilting.

The new year brings our 30th Anniversary celebration and dinner, being held at Hernder Estate Winery on Wed. Jan. 26th, 2011. Hope you have your ticket for this event. The entertainment is a wonderful group of women (Sister Lune) with amazing voices. I have heard them before and look forward to hearing them again.

We have a full lineup of speakers for our February, March and April General Meetings. Hope you've marked your calendars for the change in our Annual General Meeting, which has been moved ahead to accommodate the quilt show. There will be a few positions that will be opening up. Maybe you might consider volunteering for one of them.

Our quilt show, Quilts of Niagara - A Symphony of Talents, is fast approaching. I have been busy completing some of my quilt projects so that we will have a great display - we're hoping to have close to 400 quilts, including some vintage quilts that some of our members have in their collections.

Speaking of quilts reminds me of my first quilt project that I started during the winter/blizzard of 1977. Looking back, I'm amazed that I was able to complete the quilt without the help of quilt shops, quilt classes or even good books. I decided to make a quilt because my grandmother had made some, and I knew how to sew. It should be an easy task! I can't believe how I managed to complete the top - my applique sure didn't look anything like the applique that you see today - I don't even know if my seams were 1/4". The sashing almost matched and the hand quilting took almost 20 years to complete!

We are very fortunate to have all the shops, classes, a multitude of books on any topic you can think of and then some, and friends/experts who can help us with any task that we can decide to take on.

Which reminds me that there will be some "experts" at our January meeting who will help with such things as how to make a "sleeve" for your quilt, labels and more.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those members who brought in placemats for the Meals on Wheels project, and the donations for RAFT. They were very much appreciated. As usual, Niagara Heritage quilters came through with plentiful donations that shows their caring for others, especially at this time of year. Great Job!

Happy New Year!

Marilyn



Social Hour:

Doors open: 6:30 pm.

January: last names beginning **J, K, L, & M** are asked to bring the goodies.

February: last names beginning **N, O, P, Q, & R** are asked to bring the goodies.

Remember to Bring:

Name badge

Membership card

Mug for drink

Money for Loonie and 50-50 draw

Show and Tell

Block of the Month



Niagara Heritage Quilters= Guild meets the third Wednesday of the month at the Merritton Community Centre, 7 Park St., St. Catharines, ON at 7:30 pm.

Dates are: Jan. 19, 2011 – Garage Sale, Mar. 16, 2011 – Sherri Hisey
Feb. 16, 2011 – Elaine Quehl Apr. 20, 2011 – Joyce O'Connell
May 11, 2011 – AGM

2010-11 Executive Committee

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Social:	Mary Ahle Sophia Etherington
Workshop	Fran Inglis Marilyn Yeo
50/50 Draw:	Karen Jensen Lisa Thoms
Loonie Draw:	Elaine Baty Joan MacKenzie

Note: The next executive meeting is on Wednesday, January 5, 2011 at Jan Metcalfe-Brown's home, 104 Church St. (upstairs), St. Catharines.

Our deepest sympathies

... to Roberta Masecar on the deaths of her husband and son.



Programme 2011

January:	Garage Sale Bring pre-priced items for sale. There will be demonstrations of quilting skills and techniques.
February:	Elaine Quehl - From Inspiration to Art Quilt
March:	Sherris Hisey - Borders, Borders, Borders!
April:	Joyce O'Connell - Bargello Inspirations



30th Anniversary

A fun-filled evening is planned to celebrate the Guild's 30th Anniversary. We have a fantastic menu planned and entertainment by Sister Lune. There will also be prizes throughout the evening.

Doors will open at 6:00, and dinner will be served at 6:30 pm.

If you haven't yet purchased your ticket, you can still buy one until January 15. After January 15, we need to give our final numbers to the caterer. Tickets can be purchased by mail at the Guild postal box. To ensure that you don't miss out, I suggest you call me, Gloria Meyer, or one of the committee members to arrange for your ticket. I'm looking forward to a wonderful evening.

Gloria Meyer

Committee members: Theresa Bell, Sue Moskal, Lisa Thoms, Janice Metcalfe-Brown, Marilyn Michelin

Quilts for Others

Thank you to everyone who has taken home and is working on a Community Outreach quilt kit. I will have more kits available at the February meeting and for the remaining meetings for this year. At the January meeting, I will set-up a community outreach quilt be tied.

On November 12, Theresa Bell and I delivered 10 comfort quilts to Gillian's Place. They were so grateful to have them for distribution to women and children who arrive there. Remember, if you know of someone or a family who has been impacted by fire or a similar loss, please let me know. Then we can arrange to deliver a quilt to help them get back on their feet.

Gloria Meyer

Gillian's Place – November 12, 2010



Name Badges

A small name badge order will be sent and will be ready for the January meeting. If there is anyone who hasn't got a name badge and would like to order one, the cost is \$7.00. They can contact Teresa at 905-228-0424 or teresa@cogeco.ca by January 7th.

QUILTS OF NIAGARA – A SYMPHONY OF TALENTS

Quilt Show News

- ★ Your Quilt show Committee will be presenting a Fashion Show with ties, at the January 19th meeting. Come join the fun.
 - ★ Our beautiful hand quilted Raffle Quilt, “Pomegranates”, was made by the NOTL Needlers “. Proceeds to Wellspring Niagara.
 - ★ All show entry forms and show rules are now available including Boutique, Quilts for Show, Sale and Vintage quilts. All forms must be returned by April 20.
 - ★ You can also purchase Advance Show tickets, pick up Raffle Tickets, sign up for Show Lectures, Volunteer shifts at show, and book a Quilt Appraisal for Thursday, May 19th (9 only) - \$10 deposit of \$50.00 fee is being charged by Appraiser for a written appraisal or \$25.00 for a verbal appraisal.
 - ★ We would like members to donate a Fat ¼ of 100% cotton (approximately 20’x20”). These will be used for the Silent Auction. See Carol Cunningham. Carol is accepting items for the auction with business card of donor.
 - ★ All quilts in the Show will require a 4” sleeve. If your quilt does not hang straight please add a sleeve to the bottom as well. We will demonstrate sleeve application at the January meeting if you need help.
 - ★ Irma Bull and Sharon Colli are the gals to contact re advertising. They will have bookmark and posters.
 - ★ Barbara Morrison is looking for a dozen or so Vintage Quilts (at least 50 years old) – preferably made by a Niagara Area resident. No hanging sleeve will be required for these quilts.
 - ★ More to come in March, re Car Quilt. Watch for an article about the Car Quilt in C.Q.A. Spring issue.
- **** Next Quilt Show Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 at 7 pm at NIAGARA COLLEGE, Glendale Campus.

We hope you will have many new quilts to contribute to the show. It’s going to be AWESOME!

Nina and Pat



Quilt Show - Work Schedule



The Quilt Show will be here before you know it and we need all the help we can get to make this a **super** show. I will have a table set up at our January meeting for you to sign up to work at the show. Most of the times will be for a three-hour shift. You can choose the place you wish to help out, and the day and time that are most convenient for you. Sign up early and get your choice. See you at the January meeting.
Jacki Morningstar.

An Eye for Decorating

Do you watch HGTV religiously and love to create lovely spaces? We need someone to coordinate the setting up of the library display. There are several volunteers; we just need a leader.
Irma Bull.

Name That Quilt

Before we invite the public to join in the fun, we want to give you ladies first chance to come up with a good name for our quilt show mascot, the colourful car quilt. Think about it. There will be a box for your entries or you can tell Pat Watt.



Centennial Library Display

Share Your Quilts

The Centennial Library will be displaying 12 quilts in April and 12 in May. If you have a large full size quilt you are willing to display for a month, let Irma Bull know. 905 646-7900 or e-mail: irmab@vaxxine.com.



2011 Challenge

To go along with the name of the quilt show **Quilts of Niagara - A Symphony of Talents**, the theme of our next challenge will be music. Titled **"With a Song in my Heart"**, we would like you to depict your favourite piece of music in a small quilt. The quilt can use any technique, colours, fabrics or embellishment. The quilt must measure 24" by 24" and include a hanging sleeve. The quilts are due at the March 2011 meeting and again there will be great prizes.

Susan Bowslaugh

Meals on Wheels Placemats

A HUGE thank you to all members who participated in our placemats for Meals on Wheels. We wrapped each mat in red plastic bags (the ones your advertising flyers come in), tied them with gold ribbon and included a greeting card. They looked very festive and cheery. The ladies in the office were thrilled. They couldn't stop oohing and aahing over the lovely work. Next year, we will aim for a slightly higher quantity. I was told the organization serves at least 250 clients; and, unfortunately, we only had 180 placemats. The staff was very kind, but it would have been nice to know that everyone received a gift from us. I hope that next year we can meet that target. With all the 50% off sales coming up we have another reason to go shopping! Just .3 metres will make the front and back of a mat- or if it is prequilted - it makes 2.

Thanks again to everyone who helped. The people at Meals on Wheels were really happy to get our gifts.

Carolyn Brandy

White Glove Ladies

January	
Beverly Clark	Pamela McAndrews
Marg Heinrichs	Kim Rees
February	
Donna Parr	Barbara Ransom
Lee Varnai	Margit Valliere
Sherry Richards	

A reminder: If you are unable to serve, please call Gayle Stewart, so a replacement can be found. Thank you.

Gayle Stewart

Community Outreach - Urgently Needed!

We urgently need a place to store the fabric for Community Outreach. The place it currently is been stored, will no longer be available as of February. If you can help, please let Gloria Meyer know. THANK YOU!!

Missing

Ingrid Harms' newsletter has returned to us from both her email and mailing addresses. Does anyone know of her new address?? Contact Marilyn Michelin at 905-937-7556 or email at president@nhqg.ca.

Sunshine Report

Report to Secretary Jacki Morningstar, 905-227-9194, members who require special sunshine due to illness or bereavement.



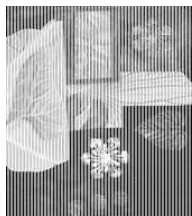
Patrick Lose - demo at the workshop.

How can you help be part of the guild? There will be several positions opening this May for the Executive. Think about volunteering!

Sign up now for our spring workshops!

All spring workshops are full day classes (~ 9 to 4) and will be held at the Rehoboth Christian Reform Church Hall, Jepson Street, Niagara Falls. Fees: Members \$30 non-members \$35
Please note that the pictures represent the *type* of project you will be working on, not necessarily the actual end result!

To register for a class, either call Fran at 905 397-9036 or visit the workshop table at one of our meetings. Don't forget to bring a cheque!



Thursday February 17 - Surface Design with Elaine Quehl

Get those creative juices flowing with this fun, full day *experimental* workshop. Learn how to use many surface design treatments (Prismacolor pencils, water-soluble wax pastels, Shiva paintsticks, Tsukineko inks, textile paints and foils) to add detail, depth or dimension and learn how to cut your own stencils. See Elaine's website at

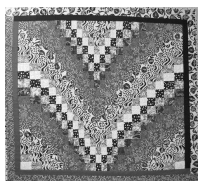
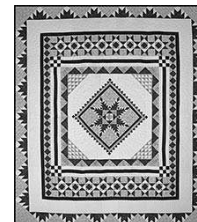
www.equarelle.ca.

Supply Fee: \$10.

Thursday March 17 - Sherri Hisey: Borders, Borders, Borders!

Sherri will teach us how to make our quilts into something extra special with borders! By adding layers of borders your traditional quilt centre becomes unique. The picture is one example of how central medallion can become a fantastic full sized quilt by adding a variety of well-planned borders – see Sherri's website for more inspiration!

www.bordercreekstation.com

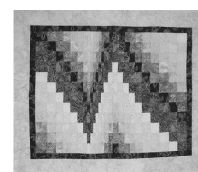


Thursday April 20 – Joyce O'Connell – Bargello Inspirations

This workshop will cover the very basic level of making a small bargello wall-hanging. You will learn how to create a "strata" and then form a traditional bargello pattern by cutting and placing your strips in a specific order. You will select 12 fabrics of your choice – all types of prints or solids may be used. Stripes, one way designs and large florals are NO problem.

Please note: Preparation of strata must be completed by students prior to the class (instructions will be provided). The pictures are examples of some of the peak and valley patterns that can be created once you have learned the basic techniques. Just be warned – once you have created one wall hanging, the "bargello" in you will be unleashed and could become addictive!!!

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LANCASTER TRIP - MARCH 15-19, 2011

There is still room for a few more on the trip The rest of the money for the trip is due by March 17th, for guild members it is \$300.

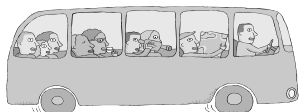
Make the cheque out to **N.H.Q.G.**

Donna Pree

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Weather or Not

If you think the monthly meeting maybe cancelled because of uncontrollable forces of nature, please check your email or contact:

Fort Erie & Area – Gail Jeacock 905-871-2292

St. Catharines & Area - Marilyn Michelin 905-937-7556

Niagara Falls & NOTL - Sandra De Young

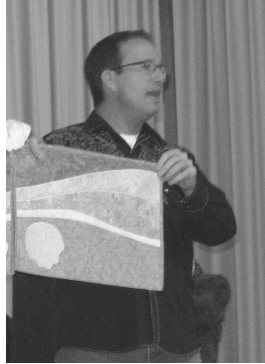
905-374-4130

Niagara South - Elaine Baty 905-892-5317

OR one of the executive members.

November's General Meeting

Lolly Challice introduced Patrick Lose, who is a pattern and fabric designer as well as a magazine publisher. He has designed fabrics for Moda, Robert Kaufman and Timeless Treasures. He enjoys designing smaller items which he shared in his trunk show. Following his enjoyable and entertaining trunk show presentation, he invited questions from the audience.



May 24 - 28, 2011 - **Quilt Ontario** (Canadian Quilter's Association) - London. For more info, visit www.canadianquilters.com



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Marilyn Michelin introduced Ann Mantini-Celima of Wellspring Niagara who thanked the Guild for donating the proceeds from the Quilt Raffle, and explained how Wellspring Niagara got started. She told us that Doris Miotto, a guild member, started a quilting group and has helped many women learn to quilt. Wellspring Niagara receives funding only through monies raised by the community.





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50/50 draw winner – Marilyn Michelin \$109.00

BOM winner of 26 blocks – Doris Miotto

Upcoming Events

April 15 - 17, 2011 - Kawartha Quilt Maker Guild - **Feelings in Fabric Presents Memories in Stitches** - Peterborough. For more info, contact Maureen O'Neil at kgg2011@gmail.com or visit www.kawarthaquiltmakerguild.com

April 16 - 17, 2011 - **Quilt North** - Elliot Lake. For more info, contact Joyce MacKenize at 705-848-1063, twoscots1@mac.com or visit www.elliottlake/quiltshow

April 29 - May 1, 2011 - Windsor Quilters' Guild - **Quilt Show & Sale** - Windsor. For more info, contact Pat Laing at 519-733-5731, vivianiac@gmail.com or visit <http://windsorquiltersguild.8m.com>

April 30 - May 1, 2011 - Quinte Quilters' Guild - **Threads of Time** - Belleville. For more info, contact Beth Cook at 613-395-5208, hblco@reach.net or visit <http://quintequiltersguild.ca/>

April 30 - May 1, 2011 - The Region of York Quilters Guild - **Silver Threads Quilt Show - Celebrating 25 years Together** - Newmarket. For more info, contact Carol Lypaczewski at 905-841-8250, pyp@sympatico.ca or visit www.regionofyorkquiltersguild.ca.

May 19 - 21, 2011 - Niagara Heritage Quilters' Guild - **Quilts of Niagara - A "Symphony of Talents"** - Niagara-on-the-Lake.

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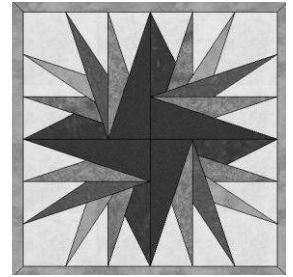
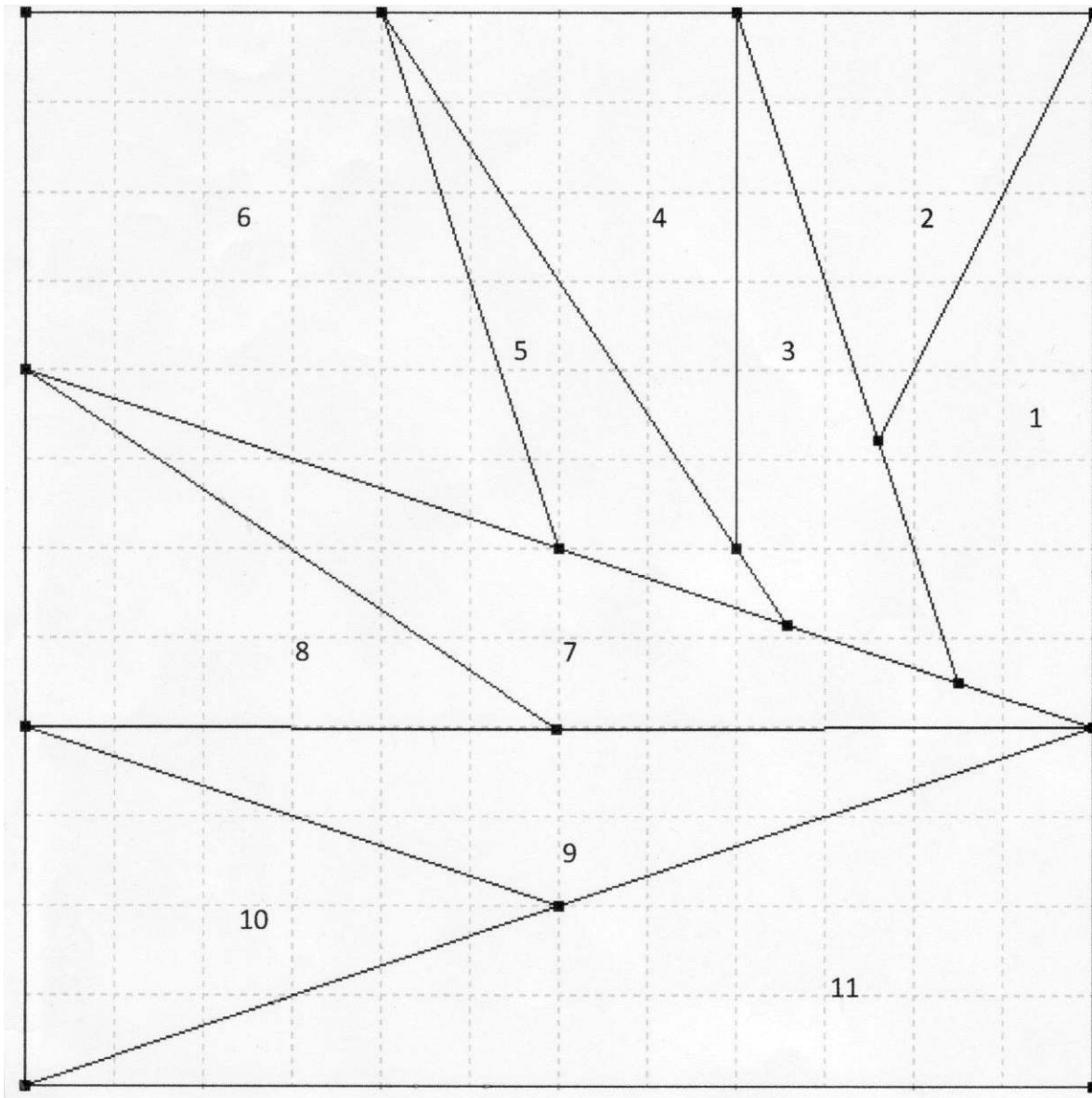


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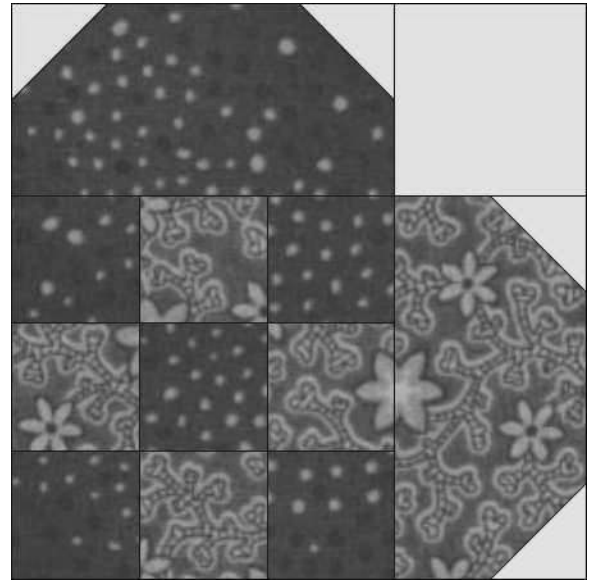
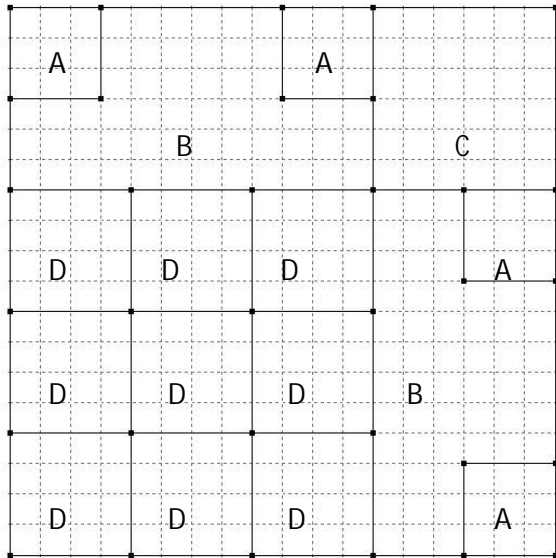
Add a 1/4" seam allowance to the paper-pieced foundation. You will need 4 copies of this template to complete the block shown above. Folding the foundation paper back with each seam you stitch when you trim, will make it easier to tear the paper away later.

Use a 90/14 needle and set stitch at 1.5 (20 stitches per inch). Using a light source, center the fabric for piece 1 on the unprinted side of the foundation, right side of fabric facing out, making sure there is a 1/4" all around (including 1/4" on the outside of the block). Place postcard along line between piece 1 & 2 and make a fold line on the foundation paper, trim fabric to 1/4" seam on piece 1. Place the #2 piece face to face with the first, checking that there will be 1/4" all around it when it is stitched and flipped. With right sides together, hold in place, flip the whole thing over, now stitch on the line between section 1 and 2, (sew a stitch or two before & beyond the line). Flip and press with dry iron. Place postcard along stitch line for piece 3 and fold back foundation, trim seam to 1/4". Place blue fabric for piece 3 face to face with pieced 1 & 2 checking that there will be 1/4" all around it when it is stitched and flipped. Sew, clip threads, and press. Proceed with pieces 4 to 11, continuing until all pieces have been added. Using a rotary ruler, align the 1/4" on the outside sewing line and trim paper foundation and fabrics a 1/4" all around. Do NOT remove paper yet; sew three more, join, & press. To remove the paper, gently tug along stitch line and the fabric will pull away; only remove *the odd numbered pieces* so that the BOM winner can easily align the blocks. For a video clip showing the assembly of a paper-pieced block, check <http://www.daystyledesigns.com/paperpiecing.htm>. See also pages 12 -16 of Carol Doak's book, 300 Paper-Pieced Quilt Blocks for step by step description.

Block Cutting List

Location	Size to Cut	No.
6 light background	3 1/2" x 5"	4
11 dk brown/black	3" x 7"	4
2, 4, 8, 10 light background	3" x 4 1/2"	16
1 red	2" x 5"	4
3 blue, 5 gold	2" x 3 1/4"	44

B.O.M. February 2011 – 9 Patch Heart – 9 ½” unfinished



This block was inspired by a quilt that I rescued from a Thrift Shop and a favourite of my granddaughters. The block is designed to be used in an On-Point setting. The red colour is for February. The block has only 3 fabrics, a medium and a dark red, and a cream for the background.

Cutting Instructions:

Cut 4 of patch A 1 7/8" x 1 7/8" of the cream,

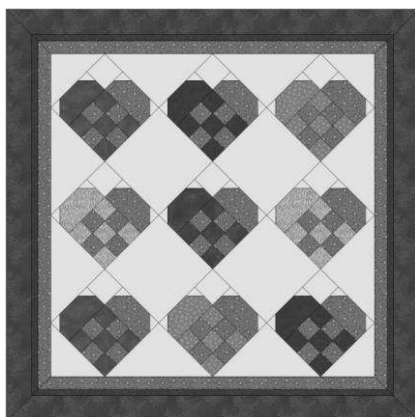
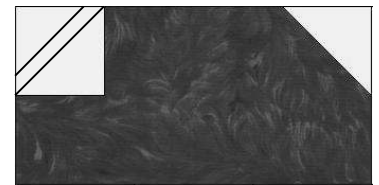
cut 1 of patch C 3 ½" x 3 ½";

cut 1 each of patch B 3 ½" x 6 ½" in the medium and dark red,

cut 5 in dk red of patch D 2 ½" x 2 ½" and cut 4 in med red of patch D 2 ½" x 2 ½".

Sewing Instructions:

Assemble each row of the nine patch (D), pressing towards the dark, then sew each row together to complete the nine patch section of this block. Draw a diagonal line across the back of the 1 7/8" cream squares and place on the top edge of each of the red rectangles, right sides together. Sew through the center, press and trim leaving ¼" seam as shown. Sew the dark rectangle to the top of the nine patch section; sew patch C, the 3 ½" cream square to the medium rectangle, checking that you are adding it to the right end. Now sew this strip to the nine patch section to complete the heart.



This is a diagram of a possible setting. The picture on the right is the quilt rescued from the Thrift shop. It was signed: "Made for ____ with Love by Aunt _____, Jan. 2002". The names had been blacked out. If anyone knows the quilter, I would gladly add a label to acknowledge her work. All drawings made with EQ7 by Doris Carbert.

