



# QUILTING THREADS

November 2020



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**General Meetings:** 3rd Thurs of each month, 1:00 pm on

**ZOOM**

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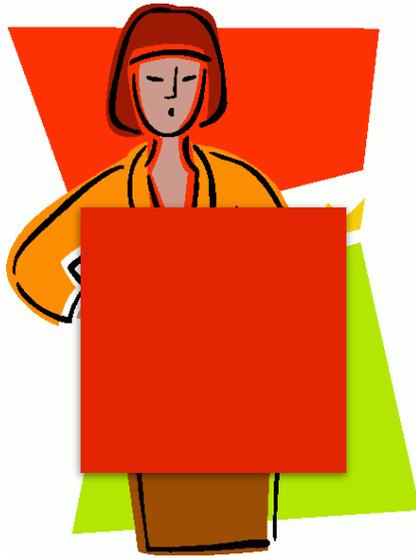
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contact a board member



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**MEMBER LIST:** If you wish a copy of the membership list, you may request one at the general meeting.



I think fall has arrived and just in time for Thanksgiving! It was nice to return to my sewing room after adventuring with my sister in our RV and discover all the wonderful projects waiting for me. I had not remembered some of them and am looking forward to making my sewing machine "sing" again. I hope you all have some inspiring Christmas ideas ready to be transformed into quilting works! Remember to send pictures to our webmaster for sharing or post on our Facebook site.

A number of our members made our first zoom general meeting a wonderful event! Sharon Thompson presented a program that gave us great ideas moving forward with art quilting, and Karen Laird, our program chair, has continued to give her time coordinating our programs or lack thereof due to Covid restrictions; and am so grateful that Karen Rainford has been on call as our webmaster...so much progress in that area thanks to her expertise and willingness to go the extra mile for us.

I look forward to our November general meeting...details in the newsletter!

Happy Quilting! Suzanne

We're holding our next meeting via Zoom.

Topic: Valley Quilter Meeting

Time: Nov 19, 2020 12:30 PM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting by clicking on this link. Make sure you have the Zoom app on your device.

<https://zoom.us/j/99439690731?pwd=RGRxU3EzTzVPekJnd0l6ZGhKSIRXQT09>

**Meeting ID: 994 3969 0731**

## Program Committee

We will be having a Program again this month via Zoom, Michelle Watts will be our speaker. Our program will be held on Thursday November 19th after the general guild meeting.

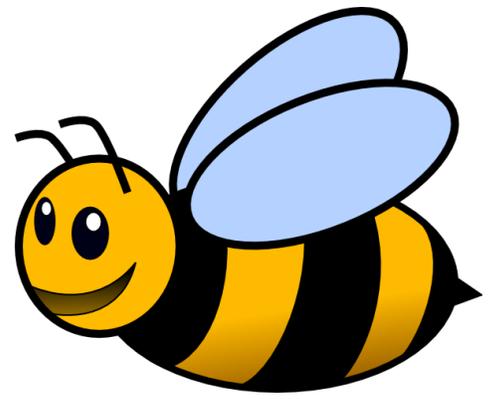
Our lectures title is: **How Does It Get From An Idea To A Quilt** This lecture and trunk show features some of her very best work and

takes you through her design process. She discusses where her ideas come from, how she draws, calculates yardage and assembles the quilts.

Michelle is a quilt artist that loves living in the Southwest region of the U.S.. She has been quilting for over 38 years. She has spent the last 36 years creating wearable clothing and quilts and that express her love of the Southwest. Michelle designs southwestern quilt and wearable art patterns, southwest fabrics, teaches classes and lectures throughout the U.S. She is also the author of 3 quilting books. Most of Michelle's quilts are machine pieced, machine appliquéd and machine quilted.

As a quilt designer, she is continuously inspired by the beauty of her surroundings. She draws inspirations from Native American weavings, pottery, woven baskets, jewelry, and beadwork, Spanish tinwork, ironwork, wood carvings, tile architecture, churches, missions, and the landscape are also used for inspiration. Through her use of rich color, strong design and texture, Michelle creates objects of beauty to the eye and comfort to the soul.

# Bees



## Modern Quilt Bee (Mod Squad)

We are continuing to meet during this Covid19 crisis via Zoom. If anyone is interested in joining contact me (Karen Laird) at [k.laird@att.net](mailto:k.laird@att.net) and I will add you to the mailing list. We meet the 4th Monday of the month at 10am.

## Charity Bee

A trunk full of charity quilts have been delivered to Hands of a Friend. They have a new executive director and she was thrilled to be receiving 25 twin sized quilts and 7 various sized quilts. She also received 20 totes and 50 Christmas Stockings. Picture in Facebook.

Speaking of Christmas Stockings, I was at the storage unit the other day. The stockings were all counted, some boxed and readied for distribution to Valley Assistance. They will be/or have got 700 stockings this year. With the stockings marked as donated, we have 545 stockings in storage. We had a total of 1295 stockings this year. These do not include the 100+ stockings that Nancy and Suzie sewed for the Del Coronado Apartments. Thank you everyone for the awesome job!

I have decided to close my entryway as an easy way to pick up Charity kits to sew. My alarm system got too bored waiting for someone to come in for kits,( no one to bark at)so they went on strike and I have no way to know when someone is here. Now, I still have kits available if you decide to pick one or two up. Just give me a call at (520)390-0370 and let me know what kits you need and I will put that tote out for you. If you have any Charity items you need to drop off, again just give me a call.

Thank you for all you do for Charity..... Janell Duncan, Charity Chairperson

# New Block of The Month Bee

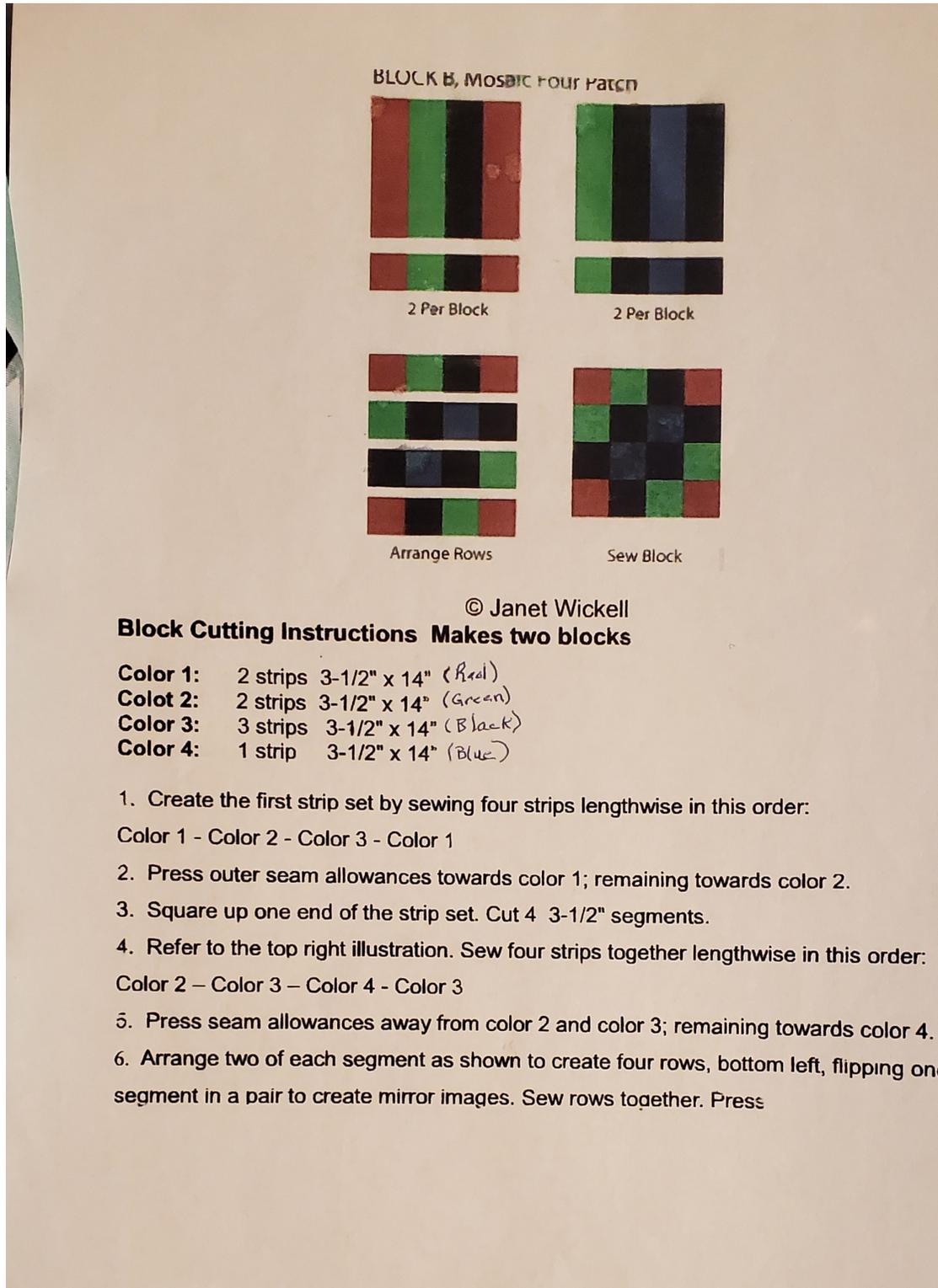
I have volunteered to restart the block of the month. I will publish the block and instructions in the newsletter each month. You are free to make these without the group. However, my vision is to create a learning Bee. During this unusual time we are not going to be able to get together personally so with Karen Rainford's help I hope to have a virtual help session with a show and tell once a month for those of you who want to start this Bee. Together we will create 12 different 12 ½" by 12 ½" blocks using your own colors. Each block is designed to review a different sewing technique or teach a new concept that will help improve your quilt making. By doing only one 12 ½" pattern each month, I hope everyone who wants to join us can find the time to make one or more of our squares each month.

You can make the 12 blocks into a lap quilt at the end of the year or by making additional squares using different placements or chose of fabric, you can expand it into a queen or even king size quilt. I suggest you get 6 different coordinated fabrics. Can you say trip to your favorite quilt shop? Or find them in your stash. You will want 3 yards or more of a basic fabric or a total of 3 yards in two different coordinated fabric. Get ½ yard to one yard of 4 to 6 other matching colors with a couple of them being solid colored fabrics. You will want to think about light, dark and medium tones. If you want to make a larger quilt, be sure to get more of each fabrics. With different placement or chose of the fabric, each block can be used several places in your quilt. You can also make each block out of your scraps for a scrappy quilt. You do not need coordinated thread for the construction of the squares. Most of us use a light tone of tan, grey, brown or cream.

Please let me know if you are interested in being a part of this Bee. Peg Hadley, text 541-944-8245, or [hioaks@yahoo.com](mailto:hioaks@yahoo.com). I look forward to getting a group together.

## November Block of The Month

The purpose of this block is to work on an accurate quarter of an inch sewing line. I also want you to work on good corners. Making sure you iron it in the correct direction will help with your corners. I know this is basic for many of you but I think a review is important as we get more complicated blocks. When your block is finished, square it up to 12 1/2" by 12 1/2". Have fun and good luck.







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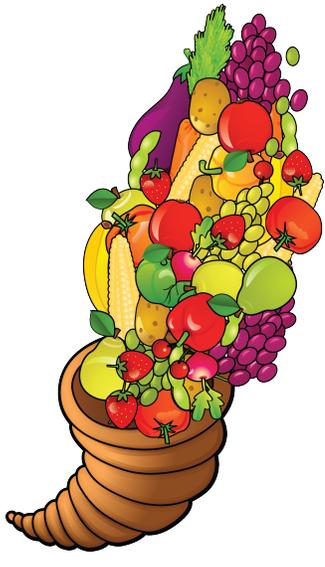
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Board Meeting 1:00 Zoom					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
				1:00 Zoom General Meeting		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	10:00 Modern Bee (Mod Squad)		Newsletter Deadline			
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