



# The News-Patch

July 2021

## Our Mission Statement:

**To promote  
the fellowship  
and art of quilting**

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## From the President

Hi All,

It was so nice to see so many of you at our last meeting. The energy in the room was amazing! Let's keep the momentum going.

Thanks to Madaline for the inspiration – I made a few Christmas placemats using her stitch & flip method out of my Christmas scraps. For those of you who haven't done it, I suggest giving it a try. It was quick & easy – my favorite type of project



As I type this, I am looking forward to another Sewing Saturday. I know I won't be able to handle the Jimmy John's order in Chris' absence, so we may all go hungry.

Happy Quilting,  
Jennifer

## JULY MEETING AND MEMBERSHIP

Welcome Back! It was absolutely wonderful to see everyone at the June meeting! I enjoyed Sew & Tell as well! I'm never disappointed in the beautiful work that all our talented members produce. We have 31 members currently registered for the 2021-22 membership year. This includes 2 brand new ladies (Marie and Margaret) and two (Carolyn and Laura) that were able to join us for their first meeting even though they were members last year.

There are still many of you that need to get registered to continue to receive the newsletter and any update information through email blasts. You may go to our website ([www.dcqg.org](http://www.dcqg.org)) to print off an application. Snail mail it in or bring it along with you to our next meeting! I will have some blank ones available for those who need them.

I was so excited to be meeting again, I completely forgot about **nametags** last month. To refresh our memories, and inform our new members, nametags are important. This is the best way to put names and faces together (besides our very own "Getting to know..." section of our newsletter). So feel free to make yourself (if you haven't already) a nametag using the fabric and quilt square of your choice. Please be sure your name is visible from a distance and wear it proudly! When you see someone that you do not know at a meeting, you will be able to welcome them by name as you approach to introduce yourself. If you forget or do not have your nametag each meeting, I will have stick-on tags for you to buy for .25 which goes into the "pot". Those with their nametag are entered into a drawing to win the "pot"!

We had 8 members take advantage of the space for sewing and quilting fellowship at our monthly sewing day. Mark your calendars for the second Saturday of every month and plan on joining us. Come all day, part of the day or just stop in to say hello and see what everyone is working on. The next one will be August 14 from 10am to 4pm.

See you on the 22<sup>nd</sup> (which is the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of July...not the last)!

Kim Colness - Membership

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

In March, Madaline Carpenter shared with the group two quilt as you go techniques, the flip and stitch, and raw edge method. To help practice what we have learned, the board would like to challenge you all to make at least one holiday themed placemat by our October meeting. These placemats will then be donated to Meals-on-Wheels or a similar charitable organization. The only requirement is that the placemat be approximately 12" x 18." Have fun and use up some of your scraps!

If you missed the March meeting, video can be found here. Sorry the sound quality got bad when I uploaded the videos to YouTube.

Flip and Stitch: <https://youtu.be/WRhG0Y7HCWY>

Raw Edge: <https://youtu.be/zR3tGniswfo>

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If you are able finish a baby quilt or two for the NICU Center, please contact JoAnn Russell to arrange for pick up or delivery of some quilt sandwiches!

**A friendly reminder...**

**Baby quilts made for the Rockford NICU Center should be 47" x 54"**

## JULY QUILT LOTTO

This month's Quilt Lotto is a double nine patch block. It is comprised of scrappy nine patches and plain blocks. The smaller scrappy nine patches are made with 1-1/2 inch strips. These can be constructed with 5 lights and 4 darks or vice versa. The completed nine patches will finish at 3-1/2 inches square.

To complete the block, add alternate plain blocks that are also 3-1/2 inches square. I used tone on tone fabrics in neutral colors for the plain blocks. These can be set with 5 scrappy nine patches and 4 plain blocks, or vice versa.

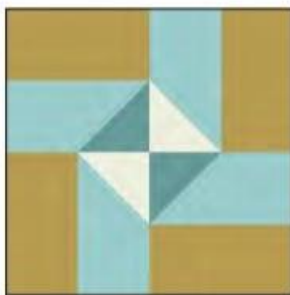
The completed double nine patch block will measure 9-1/2 inch square.

Remember, each block you bring gets you one entry into the drawing to win all the blocks in this month's lotto!



# AUGUST QUILT LOTTO

For August's quilt lotto we will be sewing Intersection by Stacy Iest Hsu, courtesy of Moda Block Heads. Please follow directions for the 8 inch block using any colors of your choice.



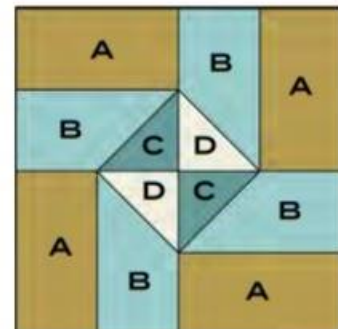
## INTERSECTION

BY STACY IEST HSU

*In life we often times find ourselves at an intersection and the choices we make at that intersection may impact our lives very much. This block represents the intersections of life and not knowing the results of our decisions.*

## CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

(For fabric choices refer to the diagram.)

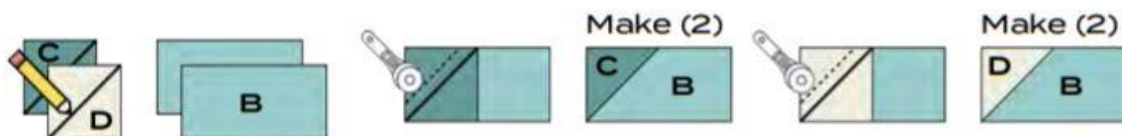


	4" Block	6" Block	8" Block	12" Block
A:	(4) 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles.	(4) 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles.	(4) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles.	(4) 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles.
B:	(4) 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles.	(4) 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles.	(4) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles.	(4) 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles.
C:	(2) 1 1/2" squares; draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of each square.	(2) 2" squares; draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of each square.	(2) 2 1/2" squares; draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of each square.	(2) 3 1/2" squares; draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of each square.
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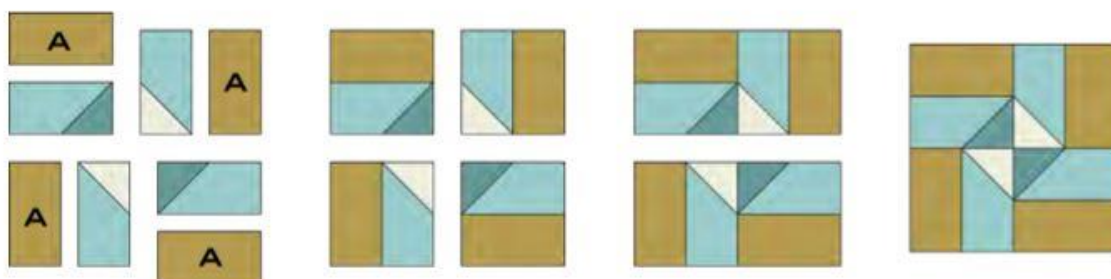


## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The block units are assembled using stitch and flip techniques. Begin by placing (2) C squares and (2) D squares with drawn diagonal lines onto the corners of (4) B rectangles. Diagrams indicate accurate C and D square placement.
2. Sew along the drawn diagonal lines.
3. Trim the outermost excess fabric to  $\frac{1}{4}$ " and press to the corner on each unit.
4. For unfinished stitch and flip unit sizing, reference the cut sizes for A and B rectangles in the cutting chart. There should be a total of (4) stitch and flip units, (2) of each colorway.



5. Lay out all stitch and flip units created in the above steps and (4) A rectangles as shown. The stitch and flip corners of each B rectangle should come together to create a diamond in the center of the block.
6. Sew the block together in quadrants, pressing seams to the A rectangles.
7. Sew quadrants together to complete the block. Press.



8. Trim block using the guide listed below:
  - a.  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished ( $4$ " x  $4$ " finished)
  - b.  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished ( $6$ " x  $6$ " finished)
  - c.  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished ( $8$ " x  $8$ " finished)
  - d.  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $12\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished ( $12$ " x  $12$ " finished)

## DESIGNER INFO

New Collection: Be on the lookout for two new fabric collections. Be Mine is my latest Valentine's collection and On The Go is my first novelty boy collection. Both collections include a fun cut and sew panel.

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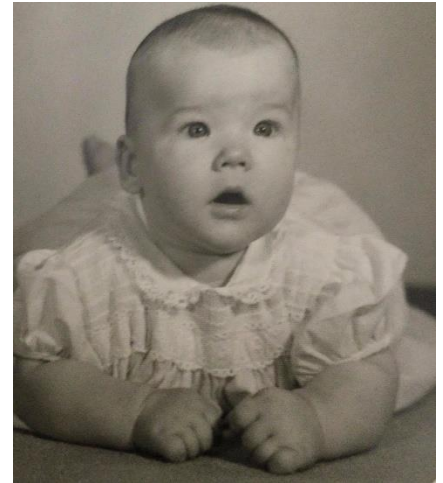
## GETTING TO KNOW...

# MADALINE MEIER CARPENTER



High school had the most amazing Home Ec program. Four years including tailoring, infant wear, fake fur and needle craft. A window was devoted to my work. Costuming for theater was sew much fun it's what I should have majored in. My degrees are in Fashion Merchandising and Home Ec Education with a Minor in

Music. My first quilt was made in my mid 20s in Vermont, using my students' scraps of course!



Flowers, glorious color, green grass, blue water...my favorite has always been yellow but you need everyone at the party. I live in a yellow house with yellow walls and I rescue, it is another passion. Recycle, reuse, renovate, make do. What you may be done with, furniture to scraps – become a new treasure.

I joined Guild in the 90s, knowing nothing. Ball point pen in hand, I traced my card board template and held my fabric in my lap and cut it out. I brought seven tied quilts to my second guild meeting, sew proud!



Starting with Log Cabins, I made quilt after quilt. Then stars, traditional blocks...now my interests change day to day – modern, improv, making it up as I go. I snatch and gather tidbits of knowledge and follow few, preferring my quilts to speak my heart.



## GETTING TO KNOW...

If you have not yet participated, please email [dcqgnews@gmail.com](mailto:dcqgnews@gmail.com) or snail mail Kathy Wells a photo to share as well as your answers to the following questions. We'd love to learn about you!

- How long have you been a guild member?
- How long have you been sewing?
- What was your first project?
- Favorite colors?
- Least favorite color?
- Favorite quilting celebrity?
- On what are you currently working?
- Any other hobbies or interests?

## GUILD INFO

Mailing Address: DCQG  
P.O. Box 385  
Sycamore IL 60178

Email Address: [info@dcqg.org](mailto:info@dcqg.org)

New Meeting Location: Federated Church  
612 W. State St.  
Sycamore IL 60178

### Meeting Info:

- Meetings are held the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month, January through October, with an annual Christmas Party in December.
- Doors opened at 6:30pm for gathering to meet and greet, with the meeting beginning at 7pm.

**Find us on Facebook!**

**Search for "DeKalb County  
Quilters Guild Group"**

**And click join for  
conversations, sharing, and  
fun!**