



Gazette

Palm Leaf - Sarah Elizabeth Sharp



Get Ready to ZOOM! by Lura Campbell

It is time for the ESQG to get back to having meetings. We will kick this off with a ZOOM meeting in **October**. Our special guest will be Marshall Dewell from Georgia. Take some time this month and learn a little more about ZOOM. I know that many of us have been using it for our Sunday School classes and other group meetings. Did you know that you can customize your backdrop? Read more and get ready by visiting: [ZOOM Support](#)

If you don't have the app loaded, take time to load it before the meeting.

Reminder to finish up your President's block with dark background fabric. Pattern is included at the end of the newsletter. When completed, please mail to Lura Campbell at 8350 Hwy 13, Helena, AL 35080 . Thank you!

President's Notes by Janet Humphreys

Hello Everyone:

The board held a meeting on Thurs. Aug 27 at Lura's quilt studio.

There was discussion of moving the ESQG year from starting in September to starting in January. That means membership dues would be paid the first of the year, along with the officers serving from January to January. The dues will remain at 25.00 a person. Please look at the by-laws change in this newsletter.

As of this writing, the North Shelby County Library is not having meetings. We have asked them if they would consider letting us have a meeting and they will discuss this at their board meeting in September. We told the library we would wear masks, practice social distancing, and sanitize light switches, chairs, etc. Attendance MAY need to be limited. How to do that is to be determined. I hope we would not have limit attendance, but please be aware it may be a possibility. If we do have do limit attendance, we certainly would consider live streaming the meeting on Facebook.

There was also a discussion about changing the by-laws for the position of VP of Programs. It was presented

that there are too many duties assigned to the VP and this creates a conflict of being present for the program presenter and setting up the meeting room. It was suggested that volunteers could help on a three month basis. So look for more information on that by-laws change.

Also, Lura is planning on having a Zoom meeting for the October meeting and it sounds like it should be a good one. Every please take care and stay well. -Janet

When Life Gives You Scraps *by Lura Campbell*

2020 has been a pretty scrappy year so far. We all hope to be made whole again soon, but until then, what can we do? During all of this "Safe at Home" time, I have tried to go through my UFOs, fabric, scraps and orphan blocks. And, I can attest to having so much of all four that I cannot even sew up everything in my lifetime. As I go through my scraps, I remember why I have never let some of them go; I still love the fabric and I want to create something with it. In the case of orphan blocks, I remember the class where I made the block or the quilt that I intended to make.

I'd like to share some ideas on using up some of your scraps and orphan blocks. One great idea is a pillow cover. Think of this as a mini quilt. If you have an orphan block and a few strips of coordinating fabric, use the log cabin method to add to the block until you get the block to the size of pillow that you want. I found 18 inch pillow forms on Amazon that I can slip into the pillow covers as I use them. I quilt the front of the pillow as I would a quilt with batting and muslin as the backing. The back has an opening that overlaps so you can slip the form in and out. The red, white and blue pillow pictured was from a kit that I purchased. It was where I got the idea of using scraps for pillows.



This pillow was made from a piece of fabric that had 3 repeats of four blocks. It made a great pillow that I can enjoy on my front porch. Just using one of the sets of four blocks allowed me to gift the other two to someone else to enjoy.

Making something from my scraps gives me some satisfaction from creating something and it allows me to turn loose of the rest of the scraps/fabrics in that line. If you have children's fabric or scraps, try making some reading pillows. Google reading pillow patterns and you will find several YouTube videos on making them. These are great gifts for all of the children spending more learning time at home.



These pillows and seat cover were made from orphan blocks.



I hope you enjoyed my mini quilt show and will use this time to turn some of your scraps into something that you can enjoy during this long period of staying at home. I know that many of you work but if you take time to cut out and plan your small project one night, you can stitch it out the next. The pillow tops are small enough for you to practice your quilting and it only take a few minutes to stitch the pillow cover together.

Until we get back together, let's make our scrappy year a creative year!

Lura Campbell

2021 Guild Year Nominations

The nominating committee for 2021 guild year officers is receiving nominations. To nominate yourself or someone else (please abide with the by-laws) call Monique Smith, Committee chairperson at 205/358-8133 H, 601/270-4746 C, or email dragonflyms@gmail.com.

Guild T-Shirts

T-Shirts are in and they look great!

You will be able to pick up your shirt(s) at either Beverly Williamson's front porch in Bluff Park, Hoover, or at Lura Campbell's front porch, Helena. Please contact BEVERLY by emailing her at beverlybw19@gmail.com or on our Facebook page with your porch pickup preference and we will let you know when they will be out for pick up.

Treasurer's Report *by Mary Berry*

Included at the end of the newsletter.

General Information:

- ◆ **Board Meeting:** Meets on the 2nd Thursday of the Month at 6:30pm at the home of Ellen Anson. All members welcome.
- ◆ **Do you want to put an ad in the Newsletter?** Ads are only \$5 and reach all of our members and is posted on our website. Give payment to Mary Berry. Checks made payable to ESQG and yearly ads run from August to July. For additional info send email to eveningstarquiltguild@gmail.com
- ◆ **Next Newsletter Deadline:** September 25, 2020.
- ◆ **General Meetings** take place on the first Thursday of the month at North Shelby County Library. Mingle with members at 6:30, meeting to start promptly at 7:00. Guests are always welcomed! **In person meetings cancelled until further notice.**
- ◆ **Sit & Sew:** Join us for informal sewing at the Valley Christian Church, 2600 Cherokee Place, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of the month. \$5 donation to attend, bring your lunch or there are restaurants in the area. BYOP (bring your own projects!!!!) **Cancelled until further notice**
- ◆ **Newsletter Distribution:** Are you not receiving our newsletter? Please send an email to eveningstarquiltguild@gmail.com. It is a good idea to add this email address to your email contacts to avoid it being marked as spam. We want you to receive all Guild communication!



Guild Calendar

2020

Date	Time	Event	Member Cost	Location
10/1/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	ZOOM Meeting
11/5/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	ZOOM Meeting
12/3/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	ZOOM Meeting

Ongoing Programs

Begin	Title	Cost	Due
11/2019	Embroidery Bee - various dates coinciding with Sit and Sew	\$5 + Varies	N/A



Thanks to these venues that allow Evening Star Quilt Guild to hold meetings and sewing events in their facilities:

North Shelby Library
5521 Cahaba Valley Rd
Birmingham, AL 35242

Valley Christian Church
2600 Cherokee Place
Birmingham, AL 35216



Valley Christian Church 
Disciples of Christ

Please submit to Michelle Yarbrough

Evening Star Quilt Guild

Quilt of Valor Request

Quilting to Honor & Comfort Those Touched by War



Requester: _____

Date Requested: _____

Recipient: _____

Branch of Service: _____

Date of Service: _____

Comments (50 words or less):

Date Awarded: _____

Presented by: _____

BY-LAWS OF THE EVENING STAR QUILT GUILD

November 7, 2019

DRAFT August 27, 2020

Statement of our organization:

The first meeting of the Evening Star Quilt Guild was held on Monday, September 21, 1998, at the Helena Public Library. Charter members were: Becky Wammack, Rachel Ivey, Alisha Horton, Resa Culpepper, Candy Suther, Sheryl Simpson, Roxie Elliott, Kathy Sumrall, Sheryl Colle, Stacey Grammer, Deborah Fillmer, and Meg Simle.

Article I. NAME

This organization shall be called Evening Star Quilt Guild.

Article II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Guild shall be to promote the love of quilts; to encourage and preserve the art of quilts and quilting; and to contribute friendship, knowledge, and encouragement to others.

Article III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Eligibility. Membership is open to all persons interested in quilts and quilting.

Section 2. Visitors. Visitors may attend 2 regular meetings of the Guild free. On the third attendance, dues must be paid and membership established.

Section 3. Membership. A benefit of obtaining membership is to attend workshops, classes, Friday night drive-in, piecemakers events, etc. If someone is not a member and would like to attend a member-only event, they must pay the event cost plus membership fees.

Section 4. Donations. Each member is encouraged to donate quilts to a qualified charity such as Project Linus and/or Quilts of Valor.

Section 5. Anti-Discrimination. No person shall be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, age, national origin, sex, or handicap.

Section 6. Denial of Membership. The Board reserves the right to deny membership to anyone if a two thirds vote of the Board is obtained.

Section 7. Expulsion of Member. Any member may be expelled from the Guild by a two thirds vote of the Board if that member acts in any manner which:

- a) tends to interfere with operations of the Guild,
- b) engages in the theft of the property of the organization or of its members,
- c) uses the name of the organization with intent to defraud,
- d) engages in criminal or unlawful activity during Guild sponsored activities, or
- e) creates a threatening situation.

Any and all dues paid will not be refunded. An expelled member may petition the Board for reinstatement giving reasons for their violations. The Board, by a two thirds vote,

may grant reinstatement by placing member on a probationary period to be decided by the Board. Once a member completes the probation in a satisfactory manner, he/she will be reinstated with full voting rights.

Article IV. DUES

Section 1. Amount. The amount of annual dues is \$25.00.

Section 2. Renewal Date. The payment of annual dues shall be due at the ~~September~~ **January** meeting, and will be considered late after the ~~October~~ **February** meeting.

Section 3. Renewing Members. Dues of renewing members shall be the full amount of the annual dues, regardless of the month of renewal.

Section 4. New Members. New members joining ~~September to February~~ **January to June** will pay the full amount of annual dues and membership will be due again in ~~September~~ **January**. New members joining ~~March to August~~ **July to December** will pay \$15.00 and full membership will be due again in ~~September~~ **January**.

Article V. MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular Meetings. The Guild shall meet once each month unless otherwise designated by the board.

Section 2. Change of Meetings. The board may change the date of any regular meeting when necessary.

Article VI. OFFICERS, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE and BOARD

Section 1. Officers. The elected officers of the Guild shall be President, Vice President-Programs, Vice President-Special Events, Secretary, Treasurer, and one Director. These officers shall compose the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Election. The officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present at the ~~July~~ **November** Guild meeting, shall be installed at the ~~August~~ **December** meeting, and shall assume their duties at the end of the ~~August~~ **December** Guild meeting.

Section 3. Qualification of Officers. All officers must be Guild members in good standing. Good standing is defined as: having membership dues paid, participating in Opportunity Quilt ticket sales, shall be a member for at least one full year from date immediately prior to joining, attending **greater than 50%** ~~at least 75%~~ of guild meetings, and having all library dues, if any, paid in full.

Section 4. Terms. The President shall be elected for a term of one year only and shall be eligible to serve two consecutive terms. All other officers shall be elected for a term of one year, but may serve more than two consecutive terms.

Section 5. Executive Board. The Executive Board (Board) shall consist of the Executive Committee (the elected officers), the immediate past president (who serves as

Parliamentarian and Chair of the Bylaws Committee), and the standing committee chairs or co-chairs. Any ESQG member in good standing may attend a Board meeting. Anyone may voice an opinion at the Board meeting. One third of the number of persons – not positions – on the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The act of the majority of the Board present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board unless a greater number is required by these bylaws. Each office and standing committee is entitled to one vote on the Board; however, each person regardless of how many offices or committee chairs held is only entitled to one vote.

Section 6. Action by Consent in Lieu of Meeting. The Executive Committee may take action on behalf of the Board without a meeting if: 1) ALL members of the Executive Committee who are entitled to vote consent to the action in writing or by electronic methods such as fax or email; 2) the action is reported to the Board and Guild members at the next scheduled meetings; and 3) a copy of each consent is filed with the minutes of the Board. This allows the Executive Committee to rapidly respond to issues that may arise and require decisions before a regularly-scheduled meeting of the Board or Guild.

Section 7. Vacancies. If an officer position is vacated, the Board will fill the vacancy.

Section 8. Removal of Officer. In the event that any officer is unwilling or unable to fulfill his/her responsibilities, the Board, by a two-thirds vote, may place a motion for his/her removal before the general membership. In the event that a duly elected officer cannot complete the term of office, whether by removal or resignation, the Board shall appoint a member to carry out the term of office.

Section 9. Duties of Officers and Committee Chairs. All guild officers and committee chairs shall report directly to the President of the guild, and shall attend the board meetings prepared to discuss the agenda and plans for their office or area of responsibility. These individuals shall make the Board, or the President at the very least if privacy is an issue, aware of their activities and plans for their office (both short term and long term), particularly if guild funds shall be used to facilitate these activities. All officers and committee chairs are expected to assist the Treasurer in preparation of the guild budget by providing him/her with an estimate of funds they anticipate needing for the year, and the Board subsequently votes on the budget. Therefore, each person should be aware of the annual budget as it pertains to their office. If an officer or committee chair anticipates needing more funds than are allocated to them for any reason, a request for additional funds must be brought before the Board and voted on prior to the activity requiring such funds. Any unapproved spending which exceeds budgeted amounts may not be reimbursed.

A. President. The President shall call all meetings; shall preside at all Guild, Executive Committee and Board meetings; shall appoint all Standing Committee Chairs; shall serve as ex-officio member of all Standing Committees; and shall sign checks in the absence of the Treasurer.

B. Vice President-Programs. The Vice President-Programs shall preside in the absence of or at the request of the President at Guild and Board meetings and has the responsibility of securing a program for each month of the Guild year, ~~shall be responsible for logistics associated with the monthly programs including setting up the room for each meeting according to the meeting requirements,~~

(board agreed this task should become a separate committee of volunteers)

and presenting a gift to the outgoing president.

C. Vice President-Special Events. The Vice President-Special Events shall be responsible for logistics associated with the special events including setting up the room according to the requirements of the speaker/presenter; negotiating contracts with speakers; making arrangements for out of town speakers, including lodging, transportation and meals; and securing an alternative location for the program if attendance is expected to exceed the limitations of the normal meeting place.

D. Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the records of the Guild and board meetings; and shall conduct general correspondence of the Guild. The Secretary of the Guild shall provide a copy of the minutes of the Guild meeting to the newsletter for publication before the next scheduled meeting.

E. Treasurer. The Treasurer, with input from the Board, shall prepare the budget; shall make monthly and annual reports to the Guild. Any funds collected **should be turned over to the Treasurer, or to the Treasurer's representative, to** be deposited no later than 21 days from receipt.

F. Director. The Director shall be a member of the Board whose purpose is to represent the Guild as a whole. This officer shall bring concerns or issues before the Board that may have been voiced by a Guild member, and shall vote according to the wishes of the Guild.

Article VII . COMMITTEES

Section 1. Special Committees. Special Committees shall be formed by Parliamentary Procedure; these committees are Nominating and Bylaws.

- A. Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall consist of three members. The Nominating Committee shall nominate at least one eligible person for each office and present the slate at the ~~June~~ **October** Guild meeting. Additional nominations, with the permission of the one being nominated, may be made from the floor at the ~~July~~ **November** meeting prior to the election. A member of the Nominating Committee may not be nominated for an elected position in the Guild. If someone serving on the Nominating Committee seeks to run for an elected position, they must first resign from the Nominating Committee and the resulting vacancy on the Nominating Committee must be filled. The Nominating Committee should strive to put as many interested names on the ballot as possible.
- B. Bylaws Committee. The immediate past president shall head the Bylaws Committee and bring any recommended changes or amendments before the Board and the membership according to due process.

Section 2. Standing Committees. The President shall appoint all Standing Committee Chairs and shall serve as ex-officio member of all Standing Committees. The Standing Committees can be changed by a majority vote of the Executive Board. Additional committees may be assigned by the board as defined in the policies and procedures guidelines with voting rights as determined by the board.

Section 3. Duties of the Standing Committees. All activities and decisions made on behalf of the Guild are subject to Board approval.

- A. Librarian Chairperson. This Chairperson will maintain books and videos that

- are the property of the Guild and will keep records of lending of said materials to members of the Guild.
- B. Membership Chairperson. The Chairperson shall greet visitors and keep a list of all visitors and members at each meeting and introduce the visitors to the membership. He/She shall contact prospective members and give prospective members information about the Guild. They shall provide temporary nametags for visitors and supply the membership packets/dues to the Treasurer for new members. Addresses of visitors and new members are to be given to the Newsletter Committee after the Guild meeting.
 - C. Newsletter Chairperson. The Chairperson shall obtain pertinent information from any Officer, Committee Chairperson, or member and compile and publish a newsletter. Included in the newsletter shall be the monthly program and a supply list, if needed, the minutes of the last Guild meeting, and the **Treasurer's** report.
 - D. Quilt Show Chairperson. The Chairperson of the quilt show will coordinate the dates, times, and location of the show and organize sub-committees as needed for assistance.
 - E. Cuddle Quilt Chairperson. The Chairperson shall collect cuddle quilts from the guild membership and track the number of quilts received and member participation in the endeavor. He/she shall be responsible for making sure the membership is familiar with the specifications, if any, required by certain organizations receiving the quilts, as well as familiarize the membership with any rules in place for guild drawings regarding prizes, etc. to encourage participation in this event. The guild has historically donated its cuddle quilts to Project Linus, but if a member would like to make a different suggestion as to where the cuddle quilts will be distributed, the member may make the suggestion to the Cuddle Quilt Chairperson to be submitted to the board, or may approach the board him/herself, for investigation and approval of said suggestion and, pending board approval, to be voted on by the membership of the Guild.
 - F. Web Page Chairperson. The domain name for the Evening Star Quilt Guild will be owned and maintained by the Guild and shall not be the responsibility of any one member. Any individual or business wanting to advertise on the website will pay a fee to be determined by the Board. The Chairperson shall obtain pertinent information from any Officer, Committee Chairperson, or member and compile, publish and update the web site in a timely manner.
 - G. Opportunity Quilt Chairperson. This committee shall bring to the Board the design and proposal for the Opportunity Quilt for majority approval. Fabric, pattern and any other supplies shall be distributed to members only with a time limit of completion. The committee will monitor the sewing process and completion of quilt top, the basting, and quilting process until quilt is completely finished. They shall determine drawing date and order tickets seven months prior to the drawing date, distribute the tickets to the membership, oversee the ticket sales and collection of money, and remit funds to the treasurer.
 - H. Travel and Retreat Chairperson. Committee shall bring before the board, place, time and cost of proposed travel plan and/or retreat for majority approval. Committee shall oversee all plans for meals, classes and housing of the proposed event.
 - I. Property Custodian Chairperson. The Custodian shall be responsible for keeping an inventory of all guild property, including such information as a

description of each item, when the guild acquired it, the approximate value of it, how the guild came to possess it (whether the guild purchased it or if it was a gift), if the item was a gift, who donated it, if the item was purchased, from where it was bought and a copy of the receipt if possible. Also, the Custodian should know at all times where these items are-if they are being stored in a particular **place such as someone's home, or if a guild member is borrowing it for some reason and how long they have had it.** The Custodian should be able to obtain any property of the guild whenever it is needed by the guild, because they should know at all times where the property is. They should keep as accurate and descriptive records as possible in case the guild finds itself in a situation where it needs to distinguish its property from **someone else's.**

- J. **Guild Meeting Set Up and Clean Up Committee. Shall be responsible for logistics associated with the monthly programs including setting up the room for each meeting according to the meeting requirements and returning items used afterwards and cleaning the facility.**

Section 4. Ad Hoc Committees. The President may appoint ad hoc committees and a chairperson for such committee from time to time as deemed advisable. Each ad hoc committee shall be appointed for a specific purpose or purposes, shall confine its activities to the accomplishment of the purpose or purposes for which created, and continue as needed or shall be discharged upon completion of the duties for which it was created.

Article VIII. AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended or revised, or overruled upon the recommendation of the Board, or by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at a regular Guild meeting; providing notice of the proposed change has been made at the previous meeting or in the current Newsletter. Once adopted through due process, these Bylaws replace any earlier versions.

Article IX. DISPOSITION OF FUNDS

In the event of the dissolution or disbanding of the Evening Star Quilt Guild, any and all funds remaining in the treasury of the Evening Star Quilt Guild will be turned over to another educational, tax-exempt quilt guild, or to a charitable organization. The recipient organization will be determined, upon the recommendation of the Board, by a majority vote of the members present at a regular Guild meeting.

Article X. The revisions made in October of 2006 and September 2013 were absorbed into the November of 2019 re-write. **August of 2020 re-write**

I, Beverly Douthit, Secretary of the Evening Star Quilt Guild, do hereby certify that, at a meeting of the Guild held on ~~November 7, 2019~~, **August 27, 2020** these Bylaws were adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present and are now in full force and effect.

Beverly Douthit, Secretary

Evening Star Quilt Guild**Treasurer's Report**

August 31, 2020 .

Checking Account Beginning Balance	\$7,863.50	\$7,863.50
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Deposits/Credits

T-Shirts 8/6

<u>\$531.00</u>	
\$8,394.50	\$8,394.50

Checks/Payments

T-Shirts 8/ Ck 1540

\$461.70	
	\$7,932.80

Outstanding Checks

T-Shirts 8/ Ck 1541

\$461.70	
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Checking Account Ending Balance		\$7,471.10
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Money Market April 1-June 30, 2020

Beginning Bal

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"Friendship Star"

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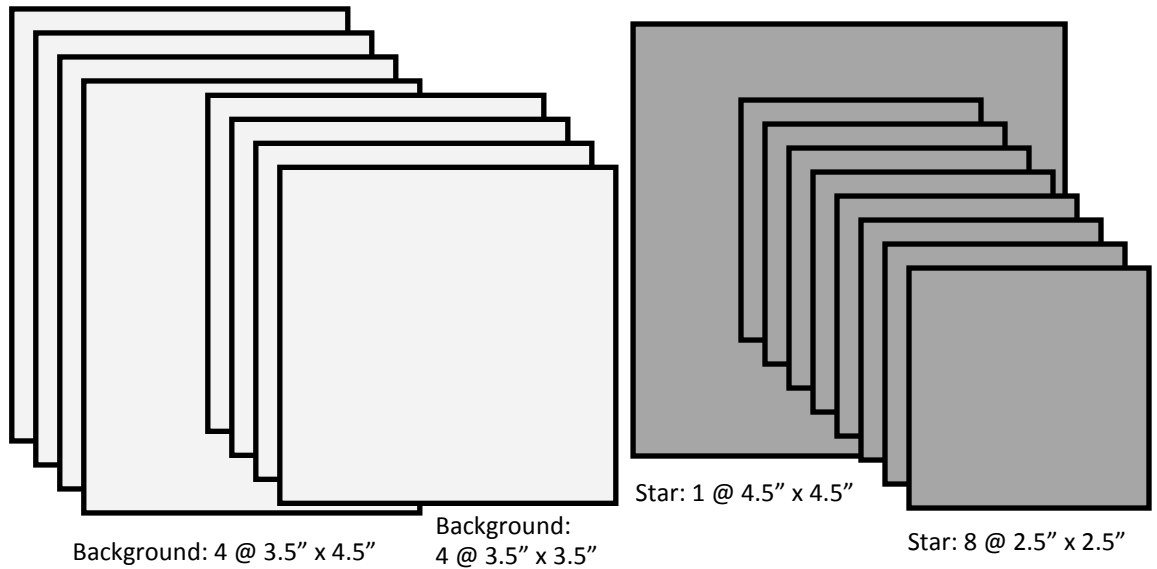
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1 @ 4.5" x 4.5"

8 @ 2.5" x 2.5"

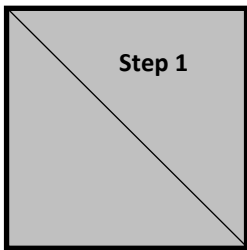


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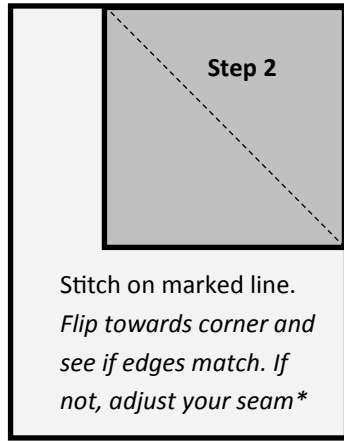
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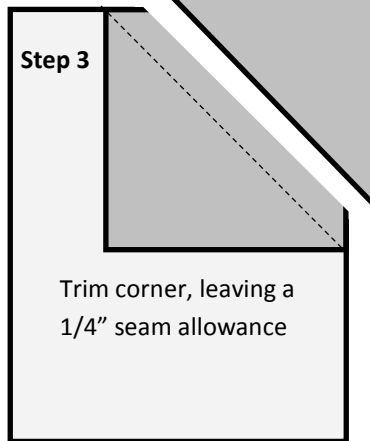
Step 1

Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of eight 2.5" squares of the star print. Place a marked square on the corner of four 3.5" x 4.5" background pieces, right sides together. Stitch on the line. Trim corner and press toward corner. Keep the trimmed pieces.



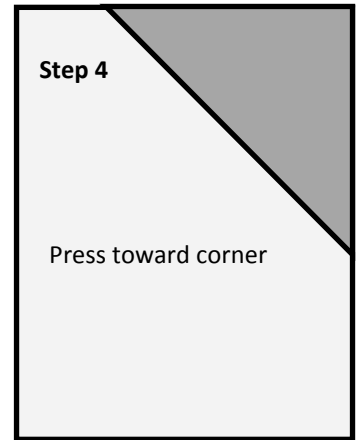
Step 2

Stitch on marked line.
*Flip towards corner and see if edges match. If not, adjust your seam**



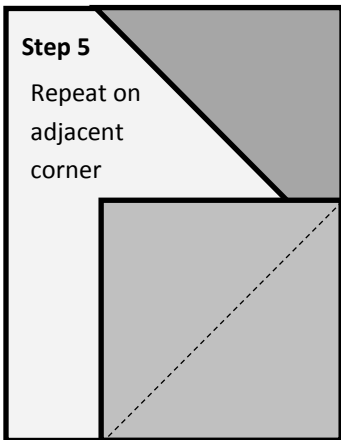
Step 3

Trim corner, leaving a 1/4" seam allowance



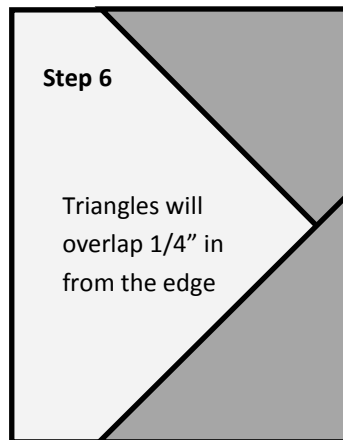
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Press toward corner



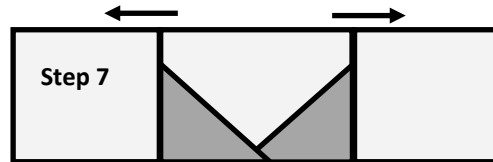
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Repeat on adjacent corner

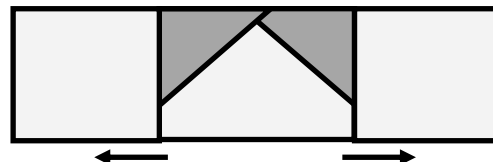
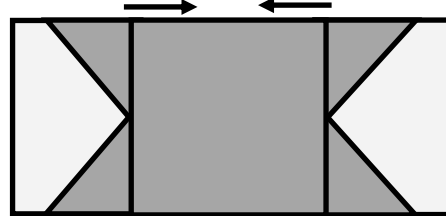


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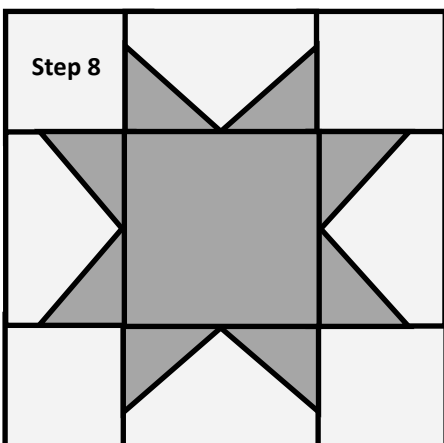
Triangles will overlap 1/4" in from the edge



Step 7



*** SCANT SEAMS:**
If your 2.5" squares don't line up with the outside corners when flipped, you may need to adjust your seam and sew a few threads distance from the drawn lines.



Step 8

Step 7: Arrange corner background squares, pieced starpoint units, and star center into rows and stitch and press as shown. Sew rows together to complete block. Block should measure 10.5" x 10.5" at this point, and should measure 10" x 10" finished size when assembled into the quilt top.

Please sign your block with permanent ink away from the outside edges!

From the triangles trimmed away in step 3, sew a light and a dark pair together, then sew four pairs to make tiny pinwheel blocks.



Step 9

