

Quilters' Guild of the Bluegrass

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Happy Spring



April 8th Guild Meeting

- 6:00 - Refreshments
- 6:30 —Meeting: Speakers from groups that have received our quilts: Ronald McDonald House, Methodist Children's Home & Chrysalis House
- Block of the Month Drawing: shamrocks
- Show & Tell: Flower quilts

A CLEAN HOUSE
IS THE SIGN
OF A BROKEN
SEWING MACHINE



Looking Ahead...

Apr 8—Guild Meeting

**Apr 11 & 12—Sit & Sew: Saturday
School: Pillow Case Sewing**

May 13—Guild Meeting: election

May 16 & 17—Sit & Sew

**June 10—Guild Meeting: Install of-
ficers. Bee Hives!**

QGBG Board Elections

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Vickie Coleman, Pam Pfister & Jean Scaravilli, will present a slate of candidates for the Vice-President Elect and Treasurer positions.

We had a terrific response to our "Participation Survey" at the March meeting! Committees will be shuffled around soon and we are looking forward to some fresh faces and new ideas!

Community Outreach

- This month, we are collecting large-print game books, "readers," toiletries, and other essentials for the Joy of Giving initiative. So far this year, contributions have been a bit lighter than usual so we're designating this as a catch-up month. If you're able, we encourage you to bring items to help make a difference. Your generosity means so much!
- Pillowcases will be collected throughout the year for Military Missions. **At this time we are in need of yardage.** If you have even one full yard of fabric you are willing to donate for pillowcases, please bring it to the April meeting. We will be making kits for use during April's Sit & Sew. See the attached pattern for directions.

—Pam Pfister

Quilters Day Out

We want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your incredible contributions to the success of QDO! This year's event was truly a banner showing—marked by outstanding attendance, fantastic vendors, and an exceptional keynote speaker. The glowing praise we received is a testament to your generosity, dedication, and hard work.

This success wouldn't have been possible without your time, resources, and unwavering support. Please know how deeply we appreciate each of you.

Thank you for making QDO such a memorable and meaningful experience!

—Kellie & Jennifer

Community Quilts

We continue to be amazed by the generous and hard-working quilters in our guild!

We have recently donated the following quilts:

- 17 quilts and 11 pillowcases to Ronald McDonald House
- 10 to Methodist Children's Home
- 10 to Eastern State Hospital
- 10 to Taylor Manor Nursing Home

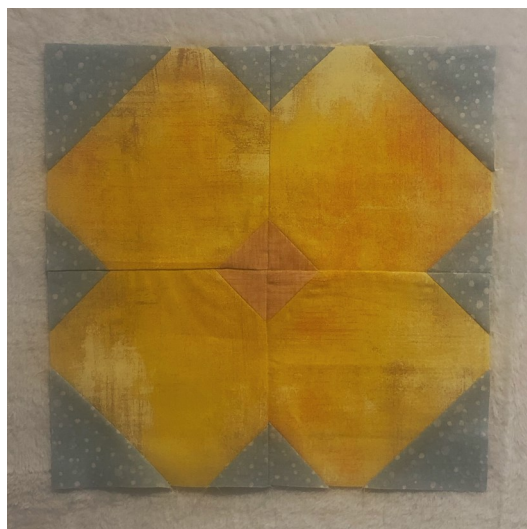
Remember: you can show up during Sit & Sew as a "Cutting Cutie" to help cut strips & fabric for Community Quilt use.

And as always, **THANK YOU!**

—Fran & Pat

Chance of the Month

Remember to bring your completed "shamrock" blocks to the April meeting for a chance to win all the completed blocks!



Lissa LaGreca will now be arranging the "Block of the Month" challenge. The April challenge is to make the above block—background fabric & instructions available at the April meeting. The cost is \$1. The blocks must be turned in at the May meeting, when the drawing will be held. Please tape or pin your name on all the blocks you are submitting.

Dr Pearlle Johnson Brunch

10:00 a.m., Sat April 19

See attached page for details.
Space is limited! Register today!

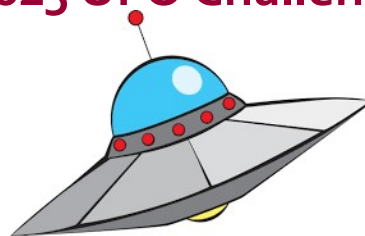


Sit & Sew April 11 & 12

- Jean Scaravilli has offered to teach a sweat-shirt jacket class at 9:30 on Sat., 4/12, room 3. The cost of the class is \$10 and space is not limited. Additional classes will be held at a future date and will be limited. More info & sign ups at the April meeting.
- Bring your current quilt project to Sit & Sew with your guild friends. Whip up a pillowcase or two while there or sign out a kit to take home & make later.



2025 UFO Challenge



We have been challenged to make a list of 12 of our most pressing Unfinished Objects (UFO's). This list should be numbered 1-12. Every month we will be challenged to work on the UFO corresponding with that number. The March number is "5"—be sure to email/text Liz Kingsland or post to Fb a photo of your number 5 when you have worked on it for at least one hour. If you have finished the quilt project, please let us know as you will get a 2nd ticket in the monthly drawing!

Quilts and Brunch

Saturday, April 19

Quilt Art: Examining the Narrative in Kentucky Quilts

With Dr. Pearlie Johnson

Join us for a light brunch at 10 a.m. and
presentation at 10:30 a.m.

Are you intrigued by the history, time, love, and skill involved in the making of quilts? If you are, then you won't want to miss Dr. Pearlie Johnson's program at the Fayette County Extension Office. She will discuss 19th century quilts made by black women living and working on slave plantations, traditional quilts made by African American women of the 20th century, as well as contemporary art quilts made by women of all cultural groups of the 21st century.

FREE! Registration required to plan for brunch

Register on-line at <https://fayette.ca.uky.edu/classregistration>
or call 859-257-5582

Pillowcase Instructions



Fabric Needed:

Standard size

Main Fabric: $\frac{3}{4}$ Yard (Cut to 27" x 41")

Cuff Fabric: $\frac{1}{3}$ Yard (Cut to 10" x 41")

Trim between Main & Cuff: $\frac{1}{8}$ yard (cut 3" x 41")

King Size

1 Yard (Cut to 36" x 41") Cuff & Trim are the same size as for Standard Size.

Instructions:

Fold the trim fabric in half, lengthwise, with **wrong sides together**. Press.

Lay Out the fabric in the following order:

1. Cuff fabric with right side up
2. Main fabric with right side up
3. Trim fabric with right side up

Pin the 3 pieces across the top, raw edges even.

Starting at the bottom of the main fabric, roll up toward the top. (the filling)

Stop rolling a few inches before you get to the edges at the top, **exposing the cuff fabric**.

Fold the cuff fabric up and over the main fabric/ trim roll, making all ridges even. (the tortilla)

Pin well along the raw edges and stitch all layers together.

Reach inside and pull the rolled-up fabric tube out, Press.

French seam to Finish:

Fold with **Wrong sides together. Right side out**. Sew the side and bottom together with a **$\frac{1}{4}$ inch** seam allowance.

Press and turn pillowcase **Wrong side of fabric out**, sew the seamed side again with a **$\frac{3}{8}$ inch** seam.

This method encases the raw seamed edges making a clean non-fraying seam on the inside.

Turn pillowcase and press. All Done.

Finding Help: Below is a you tube video link. There are many, search Burrito Method Pillowcase.

Please note: Measurements on videos may be different from these instructions, but process is the same.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J_rgKrl_bzI