



QUILTING LINES

NEW START TIME: Wed. Dec 11 @ 6:30

President's Message

As we are rapidly approaching the Holiday Season, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. With the hustle and bustle of the season, the baking, and the last minute finishing up of sewing projects, take time to relax and enjoy the beauty that surrounds us this time of year. I am looking forward to sharing time with you on Dec. 11 for our Christmas Craft and desserts evening. Start time is our usual of 6:30. Remember to bring your donation for the food bank. We do have a few surprises in store for all of you that evening. For our Snow Birds that leave us at this time of year, may you have a wonderful winter. I will see you in the spring. For the rest of us lets finish up our UFO's, I look forward to seeing all you have accomplished in January.

Lee



Dec11 Christmas Gathering

We will have a hand-made Christmas Craft for you to make at the Christmas meeting.

Please bring:

1. small, sharp, scissors
2. bodkin,
3. long thin tweezers, surgical forceps, surgical hemostats etc.
4. donation for the Salvation Army Food Bank for the ornament kit

If you make squares please cut them small (this will let us sample more varieties! ☺)

Newsletter Submissions

- Do you have a 'quilty' question or dilemma? ASK Ms. QUILTY.
- Do you have a humorous quilting related story you would like to share?
- Do you have a great storage solution? Send a pic with a description
- To date I have only had one quilt member respond to Ms. Quilty in the last two newsletters. If there is still no interest after this letter, Ms. Quilty will be retired.

*let me know if you do/don't want your name attached to the submission(s).

Please respond to gbbeauty@hotmail.com with subject line Ms Quilty. Due before/by Jan 11/20

Library News

No LIBRARY for December's meeting! Please enjoy your books until January's meeting. Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! The Library Challenge to be announced in January.

Ruth Deaves

The Longarm Corner For Quilters and Longarmers



This month we will look at the 'backing', and 'batting' as you prepare your quilt for your longarmer so that she/he can work their magic.

Preparing the quilt back and batting for Longarm Quilting

Backing:

- Please have your quilt backing 4- 8" larger than your quilt top ON ALL FOUR SIDES (right, left, top and bottom)! EXAMPLE: If the top measures 40"x40" then the backing (as well as batting) should be between 48"x48" and 56"x56". The extra backing material and batting is needed to load the quilt onto the longarm machine.
- Make sure that your backing is squared.
- If your backing is not made from one single width of fabric, we strongly recommend that you create a 1/2 inch seam that is horizontal to your quilt top edge. You can also piece the backing with 3 pieces of fabric with the center being the larger piece with all seams horizontal to your quilt top edge.
- Press the backing flat and from the back side so that you can direct the seams to one side. Do not press seams open since this will degrade the strength of the overall quilt.
- If the backing has a definite direction please leave a note on the backing. If dropping off the quilt be sure to let your longarmer know.
- Preparation of backing (if needed) is usually an extra charge.

Quilt Batting:

- Please provide quality batting that is uniform in thickness. Batting that is irregular in thickness will cause irregularity in the quilt stitching.
- Please make sure that the batting is as big as the quilt backing and let us know the batting brand name.
- 80% cotton, 20% polyester is a good all-purpose batting.
- Batting should be the same size as the quilt backing (see below).
- If the quilt top and backing are dark, I strongly suggest that you provide black batting material. This will provide the most pleasing result.

The preceding information in the Nov. and Dec. newsletters are general guidelines. Please check the specifics with your longarmer especially the sizing for backing and batting.



*Wishing a Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year
to all!*


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