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Message from our president

Dear Members,

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter. We had a wonderful time in Potosi at the Trout Lodge. Serena Crisp did an awesome job planning our program and games. I have been through Potosi a hundred times and never dreamed such a beautiful lake and facility existed. We were welcomed and made to feel at home. I enjoyed the wide selection of food choices and desserts (not cooking myself and eating with friends always makes the best combination). There was lots of much needed catching up with old friends and making new ones.

This was a first attempt at putting our spring meeting on Facebook live. We have a lot to learn and perfect. It was a first attempt, which allowed many who could not attend, to catch a glimpse of the meeting. All board members were voted in to extend their term by 1 year.

It had been decided several years ago to have 4 newsletters, 2 of which would be email. Our retreat applications for spring and fall would be regular mail. The follow-up letters, after our retreats, would be email. There are several members, who have let their membership lapse. If you fall into this category, you will not receive the fall retreat application. It was suggested you send in your dues as a new member. This will ensure you won't miss our fall retreat October 8, 9, 10, 2021.

Our contract is again with Capitol Plaza in Jefferson City. I challenge our members to find 2 new members to join. With more and more of us receiving the Covid-19 vaccines, I look forward to things beginning to find a new normal.

Gayla Barbra, our fall retreat chair is planning some exciting classes and fun times. We look forward to seeing you there. You will find a list of classes and more details included in this newsletter.

Smile life is too short to be unhappy.

Juanita Miner, president



MSQG SPRING MEETING

MINUTES

APRIL 11, 2021

The Spring Meeting of the Missouri State Quilters Guild was called to order by President Juanita Miner on Sunday April 11, 2021, at the Trout Lodge in Potosi, Missouri, at 9:05 AM. The meeting was live streamed (the guild's first attempt) for those who were unable to attend.

There were no additions or corrections to the June 2020 minutes and they stand approved as published.

The guild needs to increase its membership and each member is challenged to bring two new members to the fall retreat.

There were no committee reports.

President Miner reported the current board members have agreed to continue in their current positions. Each term will be extended one year. Madeline Gieselman will finish the newsletter term. Cheri' Hofeldt will finish the term of Denice Nehl who moved out of state. Pat Smith made a motion that the board be elected by acclamation. Gerri Friese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Gayla Barber reported on the fall retreat being held at the Capital Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City on October 8, 9, and 10 and presented workshop information. The retreat theme is Quilt Camp.

Workshops will be provided by the following:

Teajuana Mahone—guest speaker and all-day workshop on the pineapple quilt.

Betty Brooks—half day class on weighted blankets.

Margaret Lewis—all day class - One Block Wonder Quilt with a Panel

Serena Crisp—half day class on Dresden neighborhood.

Madeline Gieselman—half day mystery quilt

Jeanette Gregory—wrap using quilted blocks

Jolene Magruder—wool applique offering two fall options.

Mary Ann Kemper—lecture on quilt study.

Half day classes are included in the retreat fee. An additional fee is charged for full day classes and participation in more than one half day class.

Serena Crisp reported there will be a swap. Members are urged to make small items to trade with other attendees. You will receive the same number of items as you bring to swap.

Challenge quilts must have a patchwork camping tent on the front.

There will be a decorated vest contest.

Pat Smith thanked everyone for their prayers during her illness. She has been cleaning and found her winning retreat hat. She passed the hat to Juanita Miner.

Spring Retreat class participants showed their Dresden plates.

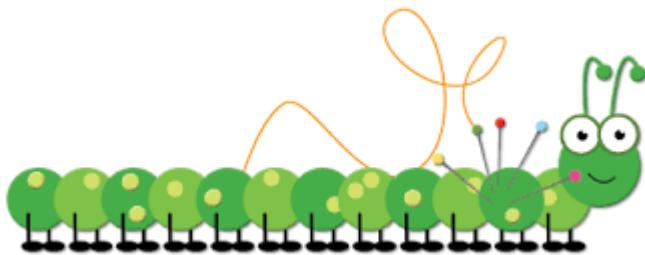
Prize drawings and game winners were announced.

Everyone was reminded to pay their dues by July 1. An email newsletter will be going out soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Williams, Secretary



Have you ever been asked? A State Guild...Is it the Right Fit for Me?

We seem to “Spring” right into Fall. It’s no wonder the year passes so quickly. I just had the opportunity to listen, on Face Book, to the Spring Board Meeting. Of course, this is when we start thinking about the Fall Retreat. From the looks on the quilter’s faces, they had a real good time at Spring Retreat. Serena knows how to keep your time full of opportunities to play, learn and meet more members. Job well done.

Gayla informed us of the program she has in store for Fall. I hope each of you find a friend, neighbor or local quilt guild member who would like to share time with us at Fall Retreat. Some of the guilds are starting to find places to meet or getting better at zoom meetings. Who would guess we would learn more about our computers this year during a quilt guild meeting? I was amazed with the drone cam member Terri Welch uses when she demos a technique while speaking to you through her computer screen. I am a bit of a newbie with a smart phone and virtual computer programs, but with quilter’s help I am learning.

This brings me to a message I would like for you to share. Face Book was another venue I have experienced this year. While on Face Book someone asked what the State guild had to offer. Was it for Professionals, newbies, particular techniques...what can a new member expect to find from our State Guild? I answered stating what I found the State Guild offered to members; remembering I was not sure myself what to expect. Truthfully, I would not have joined had it not been Ruth Rakop invited me to tag along with her. I was afraid it was too far advanced for me. I was so pleased I had attended and I loved it. I found it was wannabes, newbies, serious stitchers, crazy- whatever floats your boat quilters. I discovered loads of inspiration, folks willing to help you learn and professionals, showing you could earn a living doing what you love. It was an awesome mix and I instantly felt welcomed. This is the message I would like you to share with your friend, a neighbor or another local guild member. Bring them to Fall Retreat. Let them see firsthand that everyone is welcome. Just like at Spring Retreat we play; we learn and we meet more members. Pass the word...share the fun...have a great summer

Jeanette Gregory

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The 2021 Spring Retreat is over – third time's a charm. I hope everyone who attended had a great time and are now busy making tiny Dresdens, thread catchers, English style cathedral windows, prairie point ornaments, and punch needle creations! These were just some of the things we learned during the retreat.

Many thanks to Susan Marth for her wonderful class and inspiring program. She is an amazingly talented quilter and pattern designer as well as a skilled and patient teacher. Be sure to sign up for Susan's Blog (Quilting My Way Through Life) for helpful tips, free patterns, and inspiration. You can get to her Blog through her website:

www.sewingwithsusan.com . Here you will also be able to shop for her patterns and supplies.

Also, thanks to our local quilt shop owners:

- **Phyllis Vandergriff of Fabric Creations.** Phyllis kindly gave a demonstration of punch needle technique at the retreat on Friday night and she also opened her store on Sunday especially for us. Fabric Creations is located at 12396 E. State, Hwy E, Cadet, MO, 63630
www.Fabric-Creations.com, 573-366-3535.
- **Christie Zawodniak of Cottage Grove Quilt Company.** Christie invited members to stop by her shop on Friday as they traveled to the retreat where they were treated to a trunk show and salad lunch. This ticketed event was only open to MSQG members. Cottage Grove Quilt Company is located at 200 S. Main St., DeSoto, MO 63020, <https://www.cottagegrovequilt.com>, 636-337-5407.

Be sure to visit these shops when you are in the area!

I also must thank the professional, patient, and friendly staff at the YMCA of the Ozarks, Trout Lodge. If you are looking for a place to hold a retreat for your guild, I strongly encourage you to consider this location. I worked with Ellen Kelly who can be reached at 573-438-1701 ext. 206 www.ymcaoftheozarks.org .

And finally, no retreat can occur without the help and support of many members. So, a very special and big thank you to:

- **Martha Cox**, River Heritage Quilt Guild, who thoughtfully organized the fat quarter exchange and friendship block exchange. She always does such a beautiful job.
- **Cheri' Hofeldt**, Stitch 'n Time Quilt Guild, who demonstrated how to construct the Cathedral Window using the English method. Cheri' is also always there to answer questions and provide much appreciated support.
- **Barb Reininger**, Treasurer of MSQG, Barb manages all the information we send her on the registrations. Her masterful organizational skills are so respected and valued.
- **Juanita Miner**- President of MSQG, Piecemakers Quilt Guild (St. Clair), who demonstrated how to make a thread catcher. She also made the notebooks and luggage tags. And, of course, the delicious chocolate peanut brittle! I can't thank her enough for all her help and support.

I have already started thinking about the 2022 Spring Retreat. If you have any suggestions for a location please let me know.

Serena Crisp, Vice President



Put your troubles and your diet in an old suitcase and leave them at the City Limits of Jefferson City. Come to Quilt Camp at Fall Retreat October 8, 9 and 10, 2021. We have a very talented Keynote Speaker/Teacher Tea Mahone to teach a class on Saturday as well as speak Saturday evening.

Be prepared for lots of surprises and lots of fun! Please remember to bring your smile and your funny bone!

The classes on Saturday are as exciting as varied. All the details will be in the next newsletter.

Susie Happy-Camper has a secret she wants to share. The challenge quilt this year will go right along with our theme. 30 x 30 inch wall quilt – must have a patchwork tent (camping tent – not Native American) on the front. So, get your fall retreat thinking cap on and go to work!

Lots more “camping” news in the next newsletter.



A NOTE FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON

Hi to those people whose MSQG Membership expired June 30, 2020. This newsletter will be the last one you receive. **Think about rejoining as a new Member!** Please send in your dues of \$20 for one year **after June 1st** and your membership will be for July 1st, 2021 - June 30, 2022. You can save \$10 by renewing for 3 years for \$50. The newsletter that has the Fall Retreat 2021 information will be mailed only to current members. Thank you!!! Hope to hear from you soon. Cheri' Hofeldt, Membership Chairperson

MISSOURI STATE QUILTER'S GUILD

MYSTERY QUILT - A 5 PART MYSTERY

PART 1

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

There are 8 fabrics in this quilt from very light to very dark. Choose a large main print (or border print) for the border, a medium print, and for the remaining 6 fabrics, choose small prints or tone-on-tones/blenders. Fabrics like white on white or batiks. These are fabrics that look almost solid. These should include a very light and very dark fabric and 4 coordinating and contrasting fabrics ranging from medium light to medium dark.

The quilt is 60" x 78". If you want to make it larger, plan on adding $\frac{1}{4}$ to h yard to each of the measurements.

Fabric 1: Light 1-7/8 yards

Fabric 2: Contrast #1 - 7/8 yard

Fabric 3: Contrast #2 - 3/4 yard

Fabric 4: Contrast #3 - 3/4 yard

Fabric 5: Contrast #4- 1 yard

Fabric 6: Dark — 1-1/4 yards (includes binding)

Fabric 7: Medium size print — 7/8 yard

Fabric 8: Large print 1-1/2 yards or Border print 2-1/2 yards

QUILTING TERMS

*HST means half-square triangle. That is a square cut once diagonally to create two triangles.

*QST means quarter-square triangle. A square cut twice diagonally to create four triangles.

*WOF means Width-of-Fabric. Strips that are cut the full width of the fabric (40"-42").

*LOF means Length-of-Fabric. These are strips that are cut parallel to the selvage edge such as border prints. *All seams are sewn with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Be sure to measure each section before moving on and make adjustments on the way.

*Test your $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance before sewing. Cut three 1-1/2" strips and sew them together. The center strip should equal exactly 1 ". If it is smaller, the seam is too big, if it is larger, the seam is too small.



MISSOURI STATE QUILTER'S GUILD

MYSTERY QUILT

PART 2

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Fabric 1

Cut: (5) 2-3/8" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (72) 2-3/8" squares. Cut each square once diagonally into (144) HST.

Fabric 2

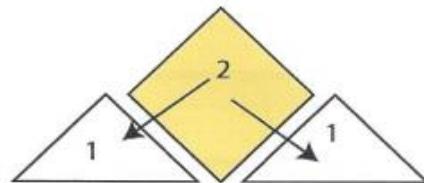
Cut: (4) 2" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (72) 2" squares.

Fabric 3

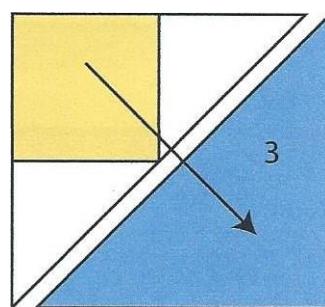
Cut: (4) 3-7/8" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (36) 3-7/8" squares. Cut each square once diagonally into (72) HST.

SEWING INSTRUCTIONS (Press in the direction of the arrows.)

1. Sew (2) 2-3/8" Fabric 1 HST to two sides of the 2" Fabric 2 square.



2. Sew the 3-7/8" Fabric 3 HST to the unit from step 1. Unit should equal 3-1/2" square. Make (72) units.



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MYSTERY QUILT

PART 3

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Fabric 1

Cut: (2) 4-1/2" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (18) 4-1/2" squares.
Cut each square twice diagonally into (72) QST.

Fabric 2

Cut: (2) 4-1/2" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (18) 4-1/2" squares.
Cut each square twice diagonally into (72) QST.

Fabric 4

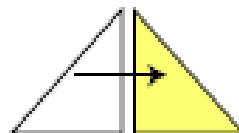
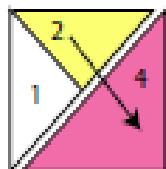
Cut: (4) 3-7/8" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (36) 3-7/8" squares.
Cut each square once diagonally into (72) HST.

Fabric 5

Cut (2) 3-1/2" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (18) 3-1/2" squares.

SEWING INSTRUCTIONS (Press in the direction of the arrows.)

1. Sew a 4-1/2" Fabric 1 QST to a 4-1/2" Fabric 2 QST.

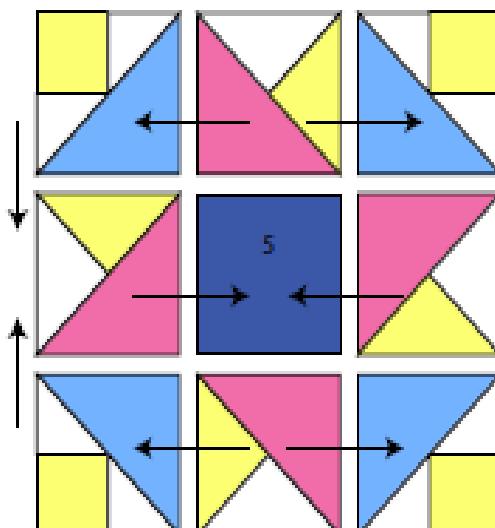


2. Sew the 3-7/8" Fabric 3 4HST to the unit from step 1. Unit should equal 3-1/2" square. Make (72) unit2.

3. Layout (4) Unit 1 (from Part 2), (4) Unit 2 and (1) 3-1/2" Fabric 5 square.

4. Sew units across then sew rows.

5. Make (18) Block 1.



MISSOURI STATE QUILTER'S GUILD MYSTERY QUILT

PART 4

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Fabric 1

Cut: (3) 6-7/8" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (68) 1-5/8" x 6-7/8" rectangles.

Fabric 6

Cut: (4) 3-7/8" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (34) 3-7/8" squares.

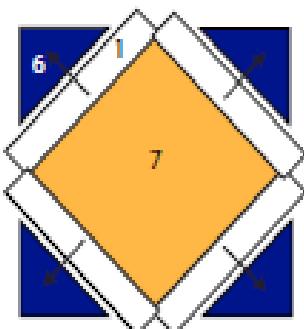
Cut each square once diagonally into (68) HST.

Fabric 7

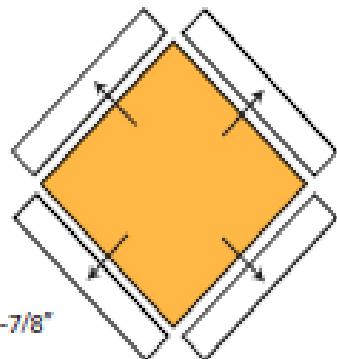
Cut: (3) 6-7/8" x WOF strips. Sub-cut into (17) 6-7/8" squares.

SEWING INSTRUCTIONS (Press in the direction of the arrows.)

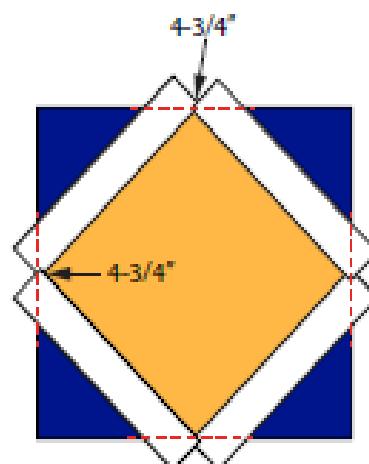
1. Matching centers, sew a 1-5/8" x 6-7/8" Fabric 1 strip to each side of the 6-7/8" Fabric 7 square. Don't worry that the ends of the strips do not overlap.



2. Matching centers, sew a 3-7/8" Fabric 6 HST to each side of the block.



3. Using a large ruler, line up the 4-3/4" marks with the centers of the two adjacent sides of the block. Trim those sides. Rotate the block 180° and repeat on the remaining two sides of the block. Block should equal 9-1/2". Make (17) Block 2.



Quilt Top Assembly

1. Using the quilt image on the following page as a guide, alternately lay out Blocks A and B ve across and seven down.

2. Sew the blocks together in rows. Then sew the rows together. Press seams towards Block B whenever possible.

If using a border stripe (Fabric 8) cut into (4) 6-1/2" wide by length of fabric through identical stripes.

3. Measure through the horizontal and vertical quilt centers and trim Fabric 8 border stripes to these measurements.

4. Sew side borders on.

Cut fabric 7 into (4) 6-1/2" squares.

5. Sew Fabric 7 squares to each end of the top border strips. Sew to top and bottom of the quilt.

If using a large print (Fabric 8) for the border, cut into (7) 6-1/2" strips. Sew strips together with diagonal seams. Follow steps 3 -5 above.

Need 5 yards backing fabric. Cut into (2) pieces, trim o- selvage edges and sew along long edge with a 1/4" seam. Press seam open.

Layer top, pieced backing and batting. Quilt as desired.

Binding

Cut fabric 6 into (7) 2-1/4" strips.

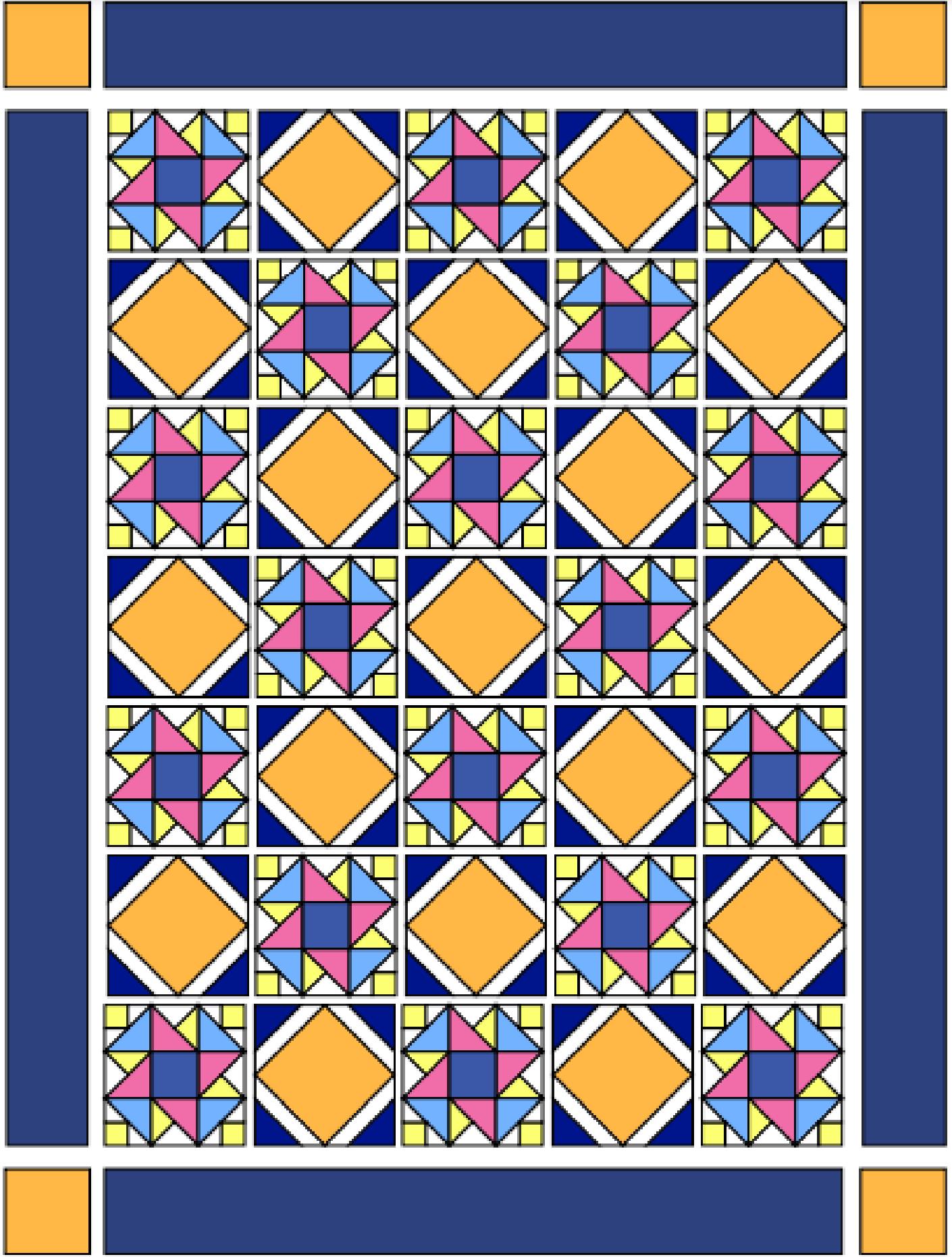
1. Sew together with diagonal seams.

2. Sew binding strips to top of quilt with 1/4" seam, mitering corners around quilt.

3. Fold binding to back and hand sew down.

Remember to put a label on your quilt and ENJOY!





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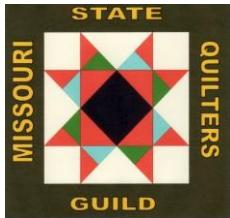
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