

NOVEMBER NEWS

Brunswick Quilters: The best little quilt guild in the whole wide world!

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Letter from the President:

Happy November! This is my favorite holiday month. I love Thanksgiving. A time to share good food with your friends and family. No gift giving stress; just a time to enjoy and make memories with your loved ones. I hope all of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Lorelei has contributed a wonderful article on where to find free quality patterns on the web. And, I have included a link to some fun and fast gifts you can make for the upcoming gift-giving season. I've also included my free pattern for using up scraps. It's a follow-up to my Coronavirus Quilt shared last year. I call this one: Coronavirus - The Variant



Also, keep in mind that Quilts N Crafts in Leland is closing its doors, and everything is on sale at a reduced price. I will be there for the next couple of Saturdays with a fresh bunch of my batiks.

Don't forget to contact me with any information you think would be helpful to include for our members. I'd love to share your tips, tricks, and ideas! I can be reached at tparkerc59@me.com.

Fun and Fast Gifts to Make

Amy Smart, from *Diary of a Quilter* has put together a list of fun ideas for fast Handmade gifts. Her list of handmade projects to sew are perfect for lots of people on your list including mom, neighbors, teachers, kids, friends, etc. Find her blog entry at this link: <https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/last-minute-handmade-gifts/>

November Birthdays:

Beth Spoon
 Beverly Bartlett
 Cheryl Hearn
 Colleen Richling
 Elaine Howard
 Joanne West
 Linda Naumann
 Madonna Rawley
 Penny Long
 Petey Law
 Sarah Daneill
 Shawn Porter
 Tracey Birnie

Website:

Our password for 2021 will remain ohio star. You only need to enter the password when you are attempting to gain access to the "member sign-in" area (across the top menu) where we keep our membership information and other private documents.

Sunshine Cards:

Know a member that could use a bit of cheer? Please let us know so we can send a "Sunshine" card from the guild.

Freebies on the Web:

From Lorelei Hauptmann

Last month I highlighted websites that had free BLOCK patterns. This month we will look at websites that offer free patterns for entire quilts. There are many sites, some associated with fabric companies, some with quilter's blogs. These are some of the ones I like best!

Quilted Twins — Quilted twins is out of Florida and is an online fabric company. One of the twins runs the fabric store/site and the other one, who lives in Poland (her husband is a pastor there) writes the blog and the patterns. Most of the patterns are scrappy! <https://www.quiltedtwin.com/free-patterns.html>

Bonnie Hunter — Bonnie Hunter is a prolific scrappy quilter and runs a Mystery Quilt every year as well as having many free patterns. (She also has patterns for sale in her 'store.')

<https://quiltville.blogspot.com/p/free-patterns.html>

Mystery Quilts Anonymous — Debi Montgomery designs Mystery Quilts and offers them for free on this site. Clues are released in a timely manner. Sometimes there are multiple mysteries going at once! Fabric requirements are included. There are past mysteries available as well!

<https://mysteryquiltsanonymous.com/category/current-mystery/>

Art Gallery Fabrics — Lots of patterns here in many styles! Click the pattern you like and download the instructions along with cutting instructions.

<https://liveartgalleryfabrics.com/free-quilting-patterns/>

Pat Sloan — Pat has a blog as well as a number of free patterns for quilts, wall hangings and other projects. She also has numerous quilt alongs going where block directions are released as you go along!

<https://www.patsloan.com/pat-sloan-free-patterns-html>

Moda Bake Shop — Moda Fabrics have a great website that you can search by category like pre-cut types: charm, layer cake, etc. They have great patterns as well for not only quilts but other home decor items.

<https://my.modafabrics.com/inspiration-resources/free-patterns>

Benartex — Benartex Fabrics also offers many free patterns on their website. <https://benartex.com/free-patterns/>

Stashify — Free quilt patterns on Stashify are by many different designers. There are some other home decor and gift type items also included. <https://www.freequiltpatterns.info/>

Fat Quarter Shop — FQS acts as a clearinghouse for free patterns from many different fabric lines. They also have some patterns exclusive to them. You can see all of the choices here: <https://www.fatquartershop.com/free-quilt-patterns>

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A Free Pattern Designed by Parker Chiudioni

I have designed another scrappy, happy quilt for those who love 2"x3-1/2" rectangles and want to use up what's in their stash. This quilt finishes at approximately 78"x78".

Block size is 12-1/2" (unfinished).

Cut Your Fabric

You will need to cut your fabric into 2"x3-1/2" rectangles.

432 light or neutral rectangles, and
720 dark rectangles (can be darks & mediums)

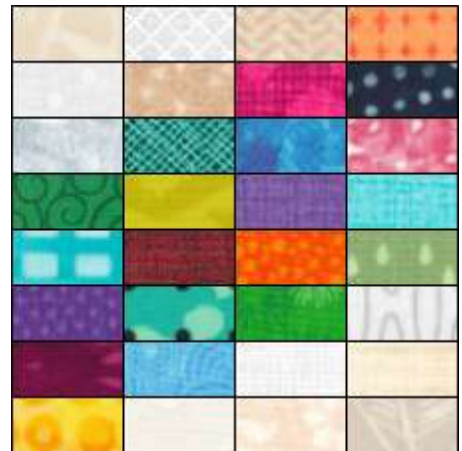
1 yard of border fabric; 5/8 yard binding fabric

Sew Your Blocks

Each block consists of 12 "light" rectangles and 20 "dark" rectangles.

Quilt requires 36 blocks (6 across by 6 down).

Each block consists of 4 columns of rectangles. Use the block diagram above to sew your columns. Sew your columns into a block. Take care to follow the color placement in the diagram. Repeat for 36 blocks



Make Your Quilt

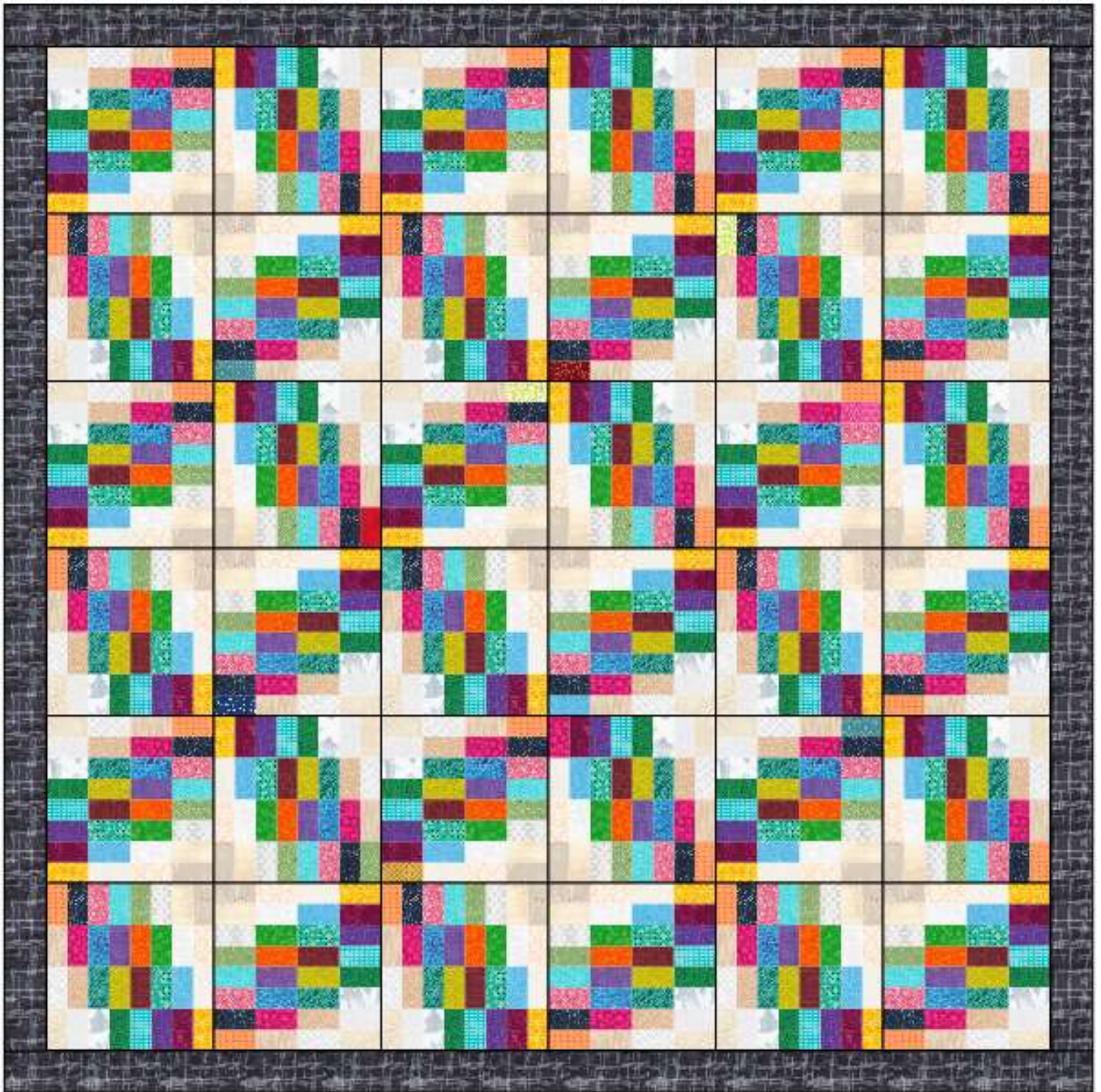
Sew your blocks into rows of 6, and sew your rows into a quilt following the quilt diagram on next page — again taking care to follow the color placement and block orientation on the diagram.

I added 3" borders: Cut 8 strips at 3-1/2".

Binding takes 8 strips.

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78"x78"



(This pattern is the intellectual property of T. Parker Chiudioni. You are free to use it for your own projects. Please don't copy and share the pattern.)