HERRING RUN QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER MAY 2025

President's Corner

What a year we have had! We have welcomed many new members, had great Visiting Artists with trunk shows and workshops, we heard Quilters' Stories, gathered to work on Comfort Quilts, sewed Blocks of the Month, some of us won quilters baskets or collections of BOM's. We have a renewed website, greatly enhanced our guild historical records, enjoyed warm hospitality, kept up with NEQM events, have 50 participants in Mystery Quilt (surely a record!) had a terrific Herring Run Quilt Show. AND we have a team who have been diligent in researching and assessing potential new venues for our meetings. And we've kept the library going, seen incredible monthly "Show and Tell" sessions, and had efficient meeting and Board minutes, completed an audit and kept the treasury safe and solvent. We have also mourned with those who have lost loved ones and mourned guild members who have died. All that is quite a lot to pull off amidst all of life's challenges and changes.

I am honored to have participated in this amazing community as President for 24/25. It has been a joy to do so and it will be a joy to pass the baton to the next team! Thank you all for being such an extraordinary community.

Jennifer Brown



MEMBERSHIP

Hi Quilters,

The current season is winding down and it is time to think about rejoining the guild for the 2025-2026 season. I have already received some checks.

Fees for dues have remained the same, \$40 for a full membership and \$20 for an associate membership which entitles you to two meetings per season and receipt of the quarterly newsletter.

The 2025-2026 season runs from May 2025 to April 2026, with no meetings in July, August or September.

We have had a busy year, including a full schedule of programs and workshops with dynamic instructors.

Our Quilt Show was a huge success, showcasing the talent, innovation and variety of our quilters, at all levels.

The coming year's programming and a new slate of officers should keep things interesting.

And of course we are closing in on holding meetings at a new location starting in September.

STAY TUNED!!

Please let me know if you have any questions about the coming year.

There **ARE** openings in the guild, so remember to invite your friends and quilting afficionados.

Dues can be paid by cash or check at the May and June meetings, checks payable to HRQG, or sent to me at the following address:

Best,

Maribeth Sayers

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SUBMISSIONS & SHARES

Hi Quilters,

Many of you asked about my Bloomin Nine Patch Quilt at the April meeting. It is a deceptively easy quilt to assemble once you've chosen your fabrics.

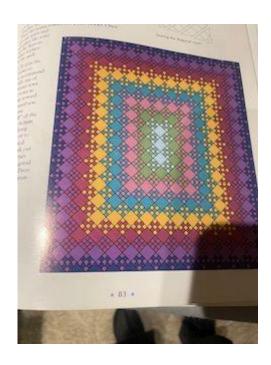
Here are two images. The first shows the layout of the quilt so you get the idea of how the design works. It's just nine patch and a square patch pieced on point so that the colors blend together effortlessly.

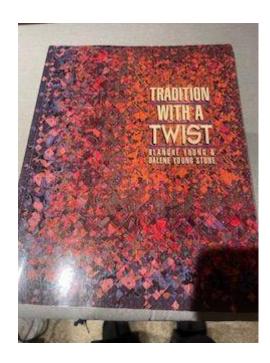
The second is the book cover. The pattern is available there and may be summarized in other places online. I didn't want to copy the whole thing onto a public website for copyright reasons.

I'll bring it to the May meeting so people can take a look inside.

Enjoy!

Maribeth





A small newsletter this month as the only submissions were those listed above. I know it is a busy time of year for everyone, but I am hoping that committee chairs will make a point to submit something for the new editor for our upcoming newsletters.

I joined this Guild in 2012 and assisted my sister, Gina with the raffle basket. I believe it was 2013 when I officially joined the raffle basket committee. I did this with Gina up until last year, when we gave that up and Gina took on hospitality and I took on the newsletter. Next year we are looking forward to just enjoying the meetings with no responsibilities.

Several times at this years getaway, Gina and I overheard people talking and saying that they did not know our real names. They only knew us as Sistaaa. We love that! It is a tradition of ours that we wear the same shirts each day at getaways, so whenever we find a cute shirt we always buy 2. I think we may have close to a dozen now. I am truly blessed to be able to have this time with Gina. Love you Sistaaa!!

We have had quite a few new members join our guild recently and am thrilled that so many have stepped up to assist. I had the pleasure of meeting and spending time with a few new members at the 2025 Getaway. What an amazing and friendly group of people.

Let's talk about the Getaway! I have attended every year since joining the guild. Although, location has changed and we no longer do raffle baskets, this is something I look forward to each and every year. Denise deserves a medal!!!! She makes this event so relaxing and fun. I don't have the words to express how thankful I am for Denise. I know that this is not an easy task to get everyone together without any issues. Every getaway that I have attended has run so smoothly and it leaves me wanting next April to get here as fast as possible. I appreciate you Denise!!!!!

Kristen Anderson, aka Sistaaaaa

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UPCOMING MEETING DATES

May 3 June 7