

# WOW NEWS

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**PLEASE NOTE: New meeting location starting in January 2020 is at:**

**St. Barnabas Lutheran Church  
15600 Old Rockford Rd  
Plymouth, MN**

## January Meeting

Monday, January 27, 2020 – social hour from 6:30 to 7 pm, meeting starts at 7 pm.  
Featuring a lecture and Trunk Show by Sandi Irish (<https://www.irishchain.com>)

## President's Corner

Our WOW board has many new ideas, and it is working hard to make this year the best it can be. One of our goals for 2020 is to build relationships between WOW members. On January 27, at 6:30, we will have a social half-hour where beverages and treats are served. Guests and members will have an opportunity to get to know each other. The membership committee will have mixer activities that will encourage people to talk to people they may not know. Making everyone feel welcome and included is extremely important to us this year!

At 7:00, Sandy Irish, an accomplished quilter and designer with her own pattern company, Irish Chain, will present a lecture and trunk show. Show and Share will follow Sandy Irish's presentation—and then the break.

During our Business Meeting, WOW members will vote on the 2020 budget, which is included in this Newsletter. The budget reflects our goals of increasing our membership, building relationships, giving back to the community, and furthering members' knowledge of quilting. As you read sections of this newsletter, you will discover many ways that we are planning to fulfill these goals. For example, first time guests are free, We'll have nametags that allow easy check-in. Look for rewards for members bringing guests. We'll also have business cards to help you promote WOW.

We're looking forward to greeting, reconnecting, and learning with you at our first 2020 meeting at 6:30pm on January 27.

## Upcoming speaker information

The Irish Chain pattern company was started in 2003 by Sandi Irish. She has been quilting for over 23 years, teaching and working in a quilt shop as well as designing quilts for companies like Timeless Treasures Fabrics and doing other commissioned works. Since she's always preferred to create her own designs or adapt traditional quilts to her own style, starting a pattern company was a natural step for her to take. One of her most popular patterns is the Tall Pines which many of you will recognize:



### Recap of the last WOW Quilt Guild Meeting:

This section contains no December meeting recap as there was no December WOW Quilt Guild Meeting.

### Membership

Happy New Year everyone!! A friendly reminder that it's time for membership dues. Now that that is taken care of, it's time to let you know of all the great things we are doing:

1. Streaming of meetings: Starting in February, everyone who has a paid their dues will receive a meeting request with the link to be able to join a meeting. This allows those who are not able to attend the actual meeting to watch the streaming video of it. If you are not able to make the January meeting due to being someplace warmer and want to pay your membership, contact Kevin ([kevin.m.hemberger@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.m.hemberger@gmail.com)) for ways pay your dues.
2. Name Badges & Check in: You will be receiving a name tag at the January meeting that will contain a QR that will be used for check-in going forward. This means you will scan your name tag and you are all checked in.
3. Mentoring program: We will be launching a mentoring program, not only for new members but also for learning quilting topics. So, if you feel you can mentor someone or if you want to learn something new, look for the sign-up sheets during check in.
4. Rewards: New this year will be a point system for completing certain activities each month. The names of members who have completed them will go into a drawing for some fabulous prizes every few months. More details are coming during the January meeting about how to participate.

We are looking forward to an exciting new year at WOW. Come to the January meeting with your check book and be prepared to have fun.

### Upcoming Events/Activities

#### Small Groups

New and existing members are encouraged to join a small group.

There are 4 small groups on the WOW website.

1. English Paper Piecing – meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month at Lunds in Plymouth from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.
  - Leader is Sandy Johnson.
2. Quilts of Valor – meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at the Four Seasons Quilt Shop from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm.
  - The leader is Terri Good.
3. Loose Bobbins – meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at the Four Seasons Quilt Shop from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm.
  - The Leader is Sharon Peterson.
4. Designing Women – meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Four Seasons Quilt Shop from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.
  - The leader is Carole Olson

To all members, if your small group is not listed, please contact Carole Olson regarding adding it to the WOW website

#### Quilts of Valor:

Please remember to bring in the new block kit samples that you took in November.

### Upcoming Quilt-Inns

January 20<sup>th</sup> – Quilt-Inn at St. Barnabas Lutheran Church from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 March 30<sup>th</sup> – Quilt-Inn at St. Barnabas Lutheran Church from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Quilt-Inn at St. Barnabas Lutheran Church from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 October 15<sup>th</sup> – Quilt-Inn at St. Barnabas Lutheran Church from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

### Treasurer's Report:

#### 2020 WOW Proposed Budget

<b>Income/Revenue</b>	
<b>Beginning Assets /Cash Deposits as of December 31, 2019</b>	<b>11,872.21</b>
Birthday Club	350.00
Membership (dues)	2,300.00
Membership (Guests)	100.00
Block of the Month	
Workshops	500.00
Quilt Challenge Income	
Quilt Retreat Income	4,500.00
Craft Show Income	1,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>8,750.00</b>
<b>Expenses/Withdrawals</b>	
Bank Charges/Square Charges	46.00
Birthday club	25.00
Block of the month	
Community Service	100.00
Membership	750.00
Miscellaneous	570.00
Newsletter	
Programing	1,750.00
Quilt Retreat	4,500.00
Challenge Quilt	140.00
Rent/Picnic/Use Fees	380.00
Website	132.00
Workshops	500.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>8893.00</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>(143.00)</b>
<b>Ending Assets /Cash Deposits as of December 31, 2020</b>	<b>11,729.21</b>

#### Assets include Bank accounts, Petty Cash and Quilt Retreat Deposit

Many thanks to Alice and Kenneth Barrera for bringing our financial picture up to date. This 2020 budget will aid our decision-making as we move into the new year.

**Block of the Month:**

January Star

Attached is the star for your January Block. Please make 4 stars for your quilt. Your final quilt will measure 72-1/2" x 86-1/2". All blocks will measure 12" square. You will end up with 30 blocks. There will be 2" sashing in this quilt. Choose 5 to 6 focus colors medium & dark fabrics and a LIGHT background. If you choose a DARK background, then choose lighter focus colors.

NOTE: This Block-of-the-Month is separate from the difficult paper piecing BOM that resembles our Splash of Colour Quilt Show Raffle Quilt.

**See the end of this newsletter for the instruction on how to make the January star for your quilt.**

**Presidential Volunteer Service Award**

At our January 2020 meeting we will honor 6 members with the 2019 Presidential Volunteer Service Award:

Pam Plocek  
 Patricia Larson  
 Sharon Peterson  
 Carol Henderson  
 Mary Havisto  
 Jane Donner

Congratulations to these amazing volunteers! Together they served 3,716 volunteer hours in 2019! (We will take a photo of you holding your awards. Please wear a white shirt. Thank you!)

**Want to get involved with WOW?**

Welcome to a New Year with new ideas and an emphasis on donating to great causes.

Would you like to be a part of a group that sews contributions for the Methodist Hospital cancer area or for a women's shelter? Perhaps you would like to deliver completed quilts or sew on labels or help finish donated quilts. At the January meeting we will be gathering ideas for great ways to give to our community and have fun at the same time. Please bring one or two suggestions for places to donate quilted items, large or small.

**Here are a number of ways you currently can be involved in WOW Quilt Guild:**

Give Back to the Community by

Finishing community service quilts that need meandering or long arming.

Delivering quilts to designated charities.

Donating good quality fabric (cotton, minky, or flannel) for quilts

Donate old sheets for covering the spraying room.

Participate during the half-hour Social Hour

Help prepare and serve beverages and treats.

Join the buddy system for new members

Come to the first Quilt Inn of 2020 January 20<sup>th</sup> at St. Barnabas Lutheran Church 9:00am – 4:00pm. The Quilt Inns for 2020 are free of charge

Work on your own project. Audrey Fresh will be there to help with the Block of the Month Program.

Bring your own lunch;.

### Schedule of Speakers for 2020:

**January 27<sup>th</sup>** – Sandy Irish from The Irish Chain Pattern Company will present a lecture/trunk show.

**February 24<sup>th</sup>** – Sara Hardwig from Blueberry Backroads will present a lecture/trunk show - embroidery

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Joanne Hillestad from Swirly Girl Designs will present a lecture/trunk show.

**April 27<sup>th</sup>** – Heather Mulder Peterson from Anika's Trasures will present a fresh perspective to traditional quilting.

**May 25<sup>th</sup>** – Bev Getschel will present a lecture/trunk show on how to "Up-Cycle Those left-overs into something wonderful".

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Carol Steuck, Shawn Taylor and Alice Barrera will present a lecture/trunk show on techniques that make bags and totes look professional.

**July 27<sup>th</sup>** – WOW Picnic at Plymouth Park

**August 24<sup>th</sup>** – Margie McNichols from Noble Quilters will present a lecture/trunk show on Deb Tucker's Studio 180 Rulers.

**September 28<sup>th</sup>** – Mike Ellingsen of Blue Earth will present a lecture/trunk show with topic to be announced later.

**October 26<sup>th</sup>** – Stacy Horton from The Quilting Grounds will be lecturing on paper piecing with Tula Pink.

**November 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Members are invited to show their favorite Holiday creations, share/trade patterns, and make a holiday craft to bring home.

### Thank You

This is a new section in the January newsletter to include any "Thank You" the Guild has received for quilts given or any "Thank You" for work done and acknowledgement requested for a specific member or members.

1. Jim Holmlund was the point person at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church that helped our guild set up our 2019 quilt show. As a thank you to Jim for his hard work helping us set up our quilt show, members gave money and/or worked on making a hospitality quilt for Jim. Audrey Fresh and Shawn Taylor presented this quilt to Jim on Thursday, Oct 30 2019. Jim sent the following thank you note to Audrey for the beautiful quilt the guild gave to him – "I just wanted to let you know that I use my quilt almost every night while watching TV. Thank you and God bless you". Here is a picture of the quilt we gave to Jim:



**2020 WOW Board Members:**

**President:** Carol Steuck

**Vice President:** Terri Good

**Treasurer:** Alice Barrera

**Secretary:** Sandy Hamlin

**Membership:** Faye Rylander/Kevin Hemberger

**Newsletter:** Jeanne Wyman/Deane Gradous

**Activity Chairperson:** Mary Havisto

- **Small Groups:** Carole Olson
- **Community Service:** Judy Mages
- **Secret Quilter:** Cindy Stenson
- **Birthday Club:** Kathy Barnes/Connie Falkenstein
- **Craft Show Committee Chairs:** Open
- **Block of the Month:** Audrey Fresh

**Facebook:** Sharon Peterson/Brenda Dunlavy

**Web Master:** Joray Dunlavy

**“Show and Share” Quilts:**

There was no December meeting, so there are no “Show and Share” quilts to include in the January newsletter.

# DOUBLE ASTER

This makes a 12" block!

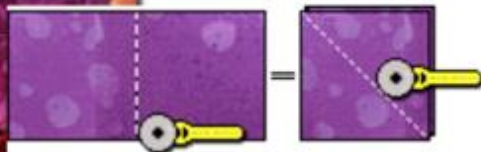
It's a bit of a Cart-before-the-horse-ism too, as my friend Jeri had made the block, and I made the pattern from her block!



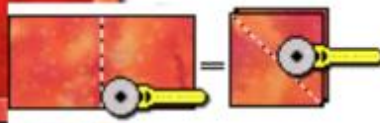
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## \*\* Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block \*\*

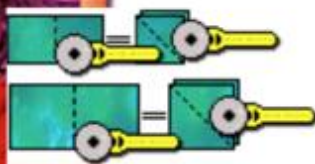
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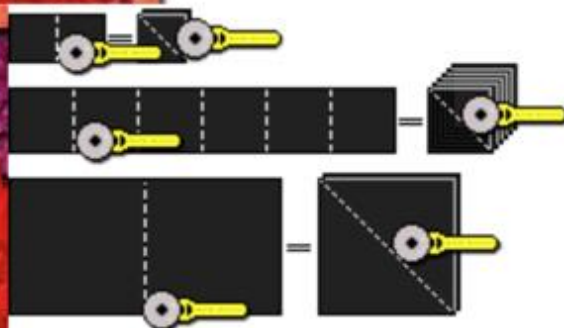
Next cut the Color 2 3-7/8" x 7-3/4" strip into two 3-7/8" squares. Stack these and cut them once on the diagonal to get four half square triangles...



Then cut the Color 3 2-3/8" x 4-3/4" strip into two 2-3/8" squares. Stack and cut these to make four SMALL half square triangles. Cut the Color 3 3" x 6" strip into two 3" squares and cut these to make four MEDIUM half square triangles...



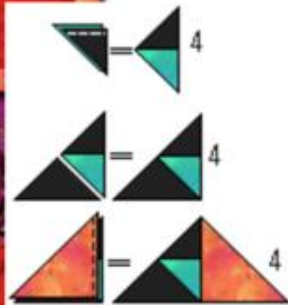
Now cut the Color 4 2-3/8" x 4-3/4" strip into two 2-3/8" squares. Stack and cut these to make four SMALL half square triangles. Cut the Color 4 3" x 18" strip into six 3" squares and cut these to make twelve MEDIUM half square triangles. Cut the Color 4 5-3/8" x 10-3/4" strip into two 5-3/8"





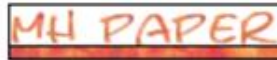
squares and cut these to make four  
LARGE half square triangles...

**\*\* Scant 1/4" seams are used throughout the sewing process \*\***



Sew pairs of SMALL Color 3 and Color 4 half square triangles right sides together to make four pieced triangles as shown at top left. Add a MEDIUM Color 4 triangle to the Color 3 side of each of those, making four units as shown middle left. Add a Color 2 half square triangle to the right to make four of the units shown at bottom left. I'll call these the Color 2 pieced units. Set these aside for now...on to Page 2!

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Traditional Block

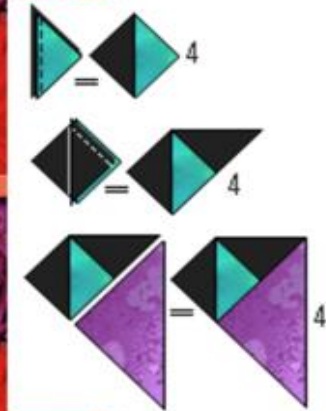


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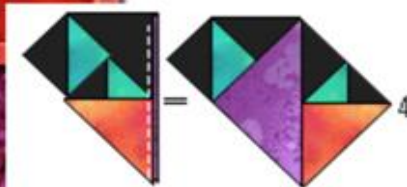
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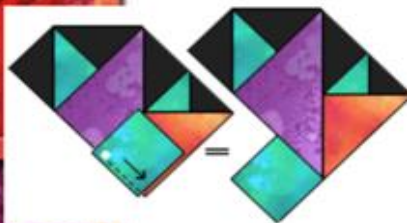
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Now sew together pairs of Color 3 and Color 4 MEDIUM triangles to make four of the units shown at top left. Add another Color 4 MEDIUM triangle to the Color 3 side of each of those to make four of the units shown at middle left. Now add a Color 1 half square triangle to each of the units we just made, making four of the units shown at bottom left. I'll call these the Color 1 pieced units...



Next sew one of the Color 2 pieced units we first made to each of the Color 1 pieced units we just made. Make four of these...



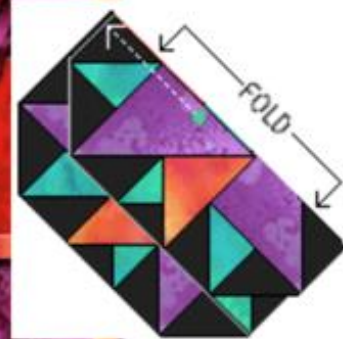
Now sew the Color 3 2-5/8" square to the bottom right edge of one of the larger pieced units, starting at a point 1/4" from the inner edge of the square and stitching to the outer edge...



Working clockwise, add another pieced unit to the bottom of that...

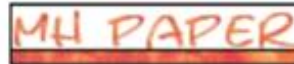


...Continue to add units in a clockwise fashion...



After adding the fourth unit, fold the block right sides together to align the remaining un-sewn seam, and stitch that closed; almost done!  
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 Traditional Block



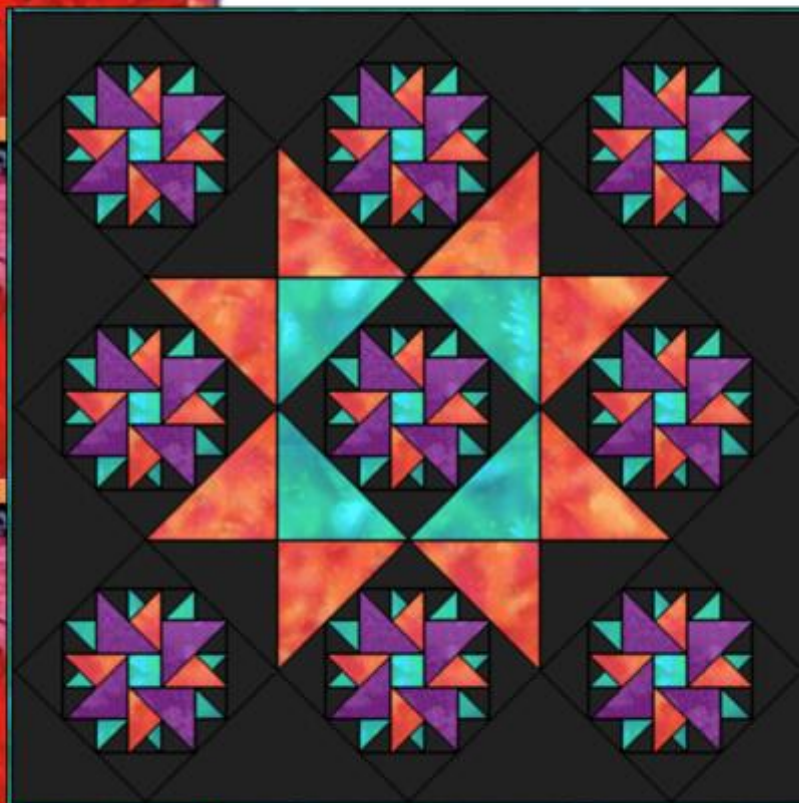
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Now add the four Color 4 LARGE half square triangles to the four corners, and the block is complete!



This little quilt has nine Double Aster blocks set on point! **Go HERE if you need help with setting triangles!**

Happy Quilting All!

Marcia :o)

Here's Jeri's! April's!  
Teri's! JoAnn's!

Ruth's! Kelly's!  
Cindy's! Lisa's!  
DMB's!

### \*\* Supplies List \*\*



Color  
1

Color 1 needs: one 5-1/8" x 10-1/4" strip



Color  
2

Color 2 needs: 3-7/8" x 7-3/4" strip



Color 3 Color 3 needs: one 2-3/8" x 4-3/4" strip AND one 3" x 6" strip AND one 2-5/8" square

Color 4 Color 4 needs: one 2-3/8" x 4-3/4" strip AND one 3" x 18" strip AND one 5-3/8" x 10-3/4" strip

To the Patterns or The Quilter's Cache

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 Traditional Block



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