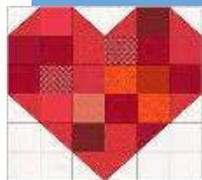




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Program Preview

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Saturday Guild— Feb. 4 (in person)

Crumb Quilt Applique

Monday Guild— Feb. 13

Day Chapter: (in person & zoom) Nancy

Gorry—Butterfly Applique Quilts

Evening Chapter: (zoom only)

Interview with Bonnie K. Hunter

Tuesday Modern Group—Feb. 21

Creative Inspiration and Quilt

Planning

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Monday Night Show and Tell - Send your photos by Feb. 11 to tggvanewsletter@gmail.com

Also

Please send photos of your Bonnie Hunter designed quilts for our program.



President's Message

Greetings Quilters!

Time is rolling along – it's mid-January!
Well, that means we all need to get to quilting and crafting!

There are wonderful things happening in our future – Spring Fling will be happening in March. Please plan to attend and enjoy the classes taught by our members.

Our membership continues to grow – it is so very exciting.

And a very big thank you to those of you who responded to our Member Survey. I know a lot of people do not care for surveys. The Board believes that our membership is the best and we want and need your input. Again, thanks for responding.

I look forward to seeing all of you in person. In the meantime, we will Zoom and keep each other safe during the cold, dark months.

Quilt on!

Linda Kelley



**HAPPY
VALENTINE'S DAY**

Mancuso Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show

22 – 26 February 2023

The Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show is fast approaching. For those of you who entered quilts into the special exhibit, I will be at both the Saturday and Day chapter meetings in February to collect your entries. If you are unable to get to those meetings or persuade someone to drop your quilt off for you please contact me and we can make alternative arrangements.



In order to have that special exhibit we agree to provide white glove hosts/hostesses for the show. This year the organisers have asked that we provide white glove support on Friday February 24. If you are able to volunteer to help out on that day please contact me and I will put a schedule together.

We will also have the 2023 raffle quilt hanging at the show and be selling tickets to be drawn in November. We are able to sell tickets throughout the show and need volunteers to man the stall. Again, contact me and I can add you to the schedule.

So, if you want to volunteer to help out with white glove duties, selling raffle tickets or need to make alternative arrangements to drop off quilts please email me at : carlndebbycoleman@gmail.com

Saturday Guild



Coordinator Message:

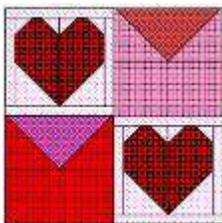
We are off to a running start. Join us for fun and fellowship February 4th at our next Saturday Chapter Meeting. Social time starts 9:30 a.m. with the meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m. After the meeting breaks you are welcome to bring your lunch or run out to the different nearby restaurants and pickup something. Then we sit and sew until 3p.m. Stay a while and get to know your fellow members.

At this month's Program we will discuss the many options of making "a Crumb Table Topper" using crumb sheets, Accuquilt cutting machines and dies, along with other creative possibilities. *See the supply list on this page.*

We continue to grow! Last month we had 52 members and 2 guests at our meeting. So don't forget to grab a friend, tell a neighbor, or bring your bee.

Congratulations to our door prize winners Pat Carney and Janet Simmons. Our BOM winners were Yvonne Morran and Dianne Richardson.

I want to thank each and everyone for helping to make our chapter what it is. But I'd like to give Ann Sinclair a special shoutout for the AMAZING Block of the Month designs. She has added a fresh spin to our Block of the Month. See the instructions for Feb. BOM on Page



Deb Garrett

Saturday Chapter Coordinator

A Crumb Table Topper

Supplies

Crumb Sheets in various color families (for example:



Quilt Technique Tutorial - Crumb Quilting - Alanda Craft

shades of red, pink, peach, apricot together); blue, green, purple, etc. If you don't know what a crumb sheet is here is an online tutorial:

<https://www.alandacraft.com/2017/09/08/crumb-quilt-technique-tutorial/>

Sewing machine in working order if you want to sew (you can just iron the design down, but what's the fun in that).

Front and back for table topper (14 x 28) approximately

Batting for (16 x 30)

Pins optional

Clips to hold your quilt sandwich

Neutral thread for sewing

Quilting thread of your choice

Applique thread to match or not (your preference)

Double Stick Fusible Web, i.e.

Steam A Seam Lite

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Day Chapter

Chapter Coordinator Message:

I hope you are enjoying some quality sewing time, and inspired with some fresh ideas for quilting. I've been staring at a UFO, challenging myself to go ahead and quilt it. It's been a few years since it was pieced, so I promised myself to finish by next month. Maybe I'll have it ready for Show and Tell for February's meeting.

January's meeting was via Zoom, and we were very pleased to have Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Quilt Designs in Massachusetts talk to us about her quilting journey. She is a quilt designer and instructor who has developed a way to piece half-square triangles in a unique manner. I suggest you look her up to see her tutorial on YouTube. During our Zoom meeting we had 66 members watching. Millie Johnson, treasurer, announced that our Day Chapter budget had a balance of \$802.62. Our Door Prizes were gift certificates for **Shilo Rust-Rayburn and Diane Wicker** to use at **Sarah's Thimble**.

Our next meeting is February 13th in-person and Zoom. We are really looking forward to a presentation "**My Monarch Quilts - How I Got from Alma to the State Fair**", by **Nancy Gorry**. Please see photos and further description of her presentation on this page.

Look out for your email blasts for Block of the Month patterns and updates. Don't forget to bring your Lucky Buck block since we skipped a month in-person. Also, remember to bring quilting fabric to the scrap table.

Happy Quilting!

Mary Witwer



Feb. Meeting—NANCY GORRY

"My Monarch Quilts - How I Got from Alma to the State Fair."

Blame it on the Chrysler Museum and their summer 2021 exhibit, Alma Thomas, "Everything is Beautiful." In my presentation, I'll cover my inspiration, design, and construction of what was to be one quilt, that became three (actually four). Their first outing was the 2022 State Fair, where two of them received ribbons!

Day Chapter Block of the Month for February. Please bring your finished heart blocks for the drawing at the February 13th, 2023, Day Chapter meeting. We will draw names, and you may take home enough hearts to make a quilt or placemats or a wall hanging. The complete instructions and a video for making this scrappy heart can be found at this live link:

<https://heathergivans.com/2014/02/10/scrappy-heart-block-tutorial-inlove/>



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Night Chapter

Night Coordinator:



First, a big thank you to Norene for a very interesting and informative lecture on modern quilting at our January meeting! I love to look at modern quilts, but I never make them. Quite frankly, I find the idea of modern quilting to be intimidating even though it's supposed to be freeing. I find the lack of "rules" give me decision fatigue. Noreen had some excellent insights into some of the design elements of modern quilting such as shapes and colors, as well as what makes a modern quilt modern. One of my sewing New Year's resolutions is to relax some of the "rules" I have about quilting and enjoy the process more. A modern quilt might be just what I need. Let's hope this New Year's resolution lasts longer than my resolution to cut back on my caffeine intake, which lasted a total of four hours.

We're on Zoom again for the next two months. I will miss seeing you all in person at the meetings, but we have plenty of opportunities to see each other. Be sure to stop by our table at the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show and see the beautiful quilts made by our members in our exhibit. Spring Fling is March 18th. I'm quite sure our members have come up with lots of creative class ideas.

Door Prizes won by Lisa Frieman and Jane Ann Snyder. And as always we saw some gorgeous quilts in show and tell.

Happy Stitching,

Kelly

February Zoom Meeting

Join us as we watch the Quilt Alliance is **Quilters' Save Out Stories** interview as part



of their weekly Textile Talks with **Bonnie K. Hunter**, who has been a guest of The Quilt Show and is *"the head, heart and hands behind Quiltville.blogspot.com and the new retreat center Quiltville Inn."* Bonnie's Quiltville Inn is here in Virginia and several of our members have taken quilt retreats there. Join us to hear her interesting interview.

If you have made a Bonnie Hunter Quilt, please send a photo of your creation to tqgvnewsletter@gmail.com as soon as possible to be included in the program.

Modern Quilt Group

New Year—New Start

At the January Meeting we learned about Modern Traditionalism. You can catch up on the Member area of the website. We also discussed and chose a theme for our upcoming Modern Quilt Challenge: Pantone's



2023 color of the year Viva Magenta.

You can see more about this color at the Pantone website: <https://tinyurl.com/4rawfchp>.

At the February Meeting we will decide on the rules for our challenge quilts. Please think about what those rules might be and come prepared to have a discussion. Some things to think about include: size, amount of color included, finish date, included shapes or techniques, etc.

Moving forward in 2023 we will structure our topics to flow with the creation of a challenge quilt: planning, techniques, and quilting. The meetings will be directed at ALL members even those not participating

Try our first Modern Group Virtual Sit and Sew the first Tuesdays 6:30—8:00 p.m.

February Meeting—Feb. 21

Manage Inspiration and Planning a Quilt.

We will learn about finding your inspiration for quilt design and review the steps to designing your own quilt. Join us to plan for your own inspiration!

Modern Traditionalism

The term “Modern Traditionalism” generally refers to any quilt that has a traditional pattern, block, or design as its foundation, combined with one or more modern design elements. Modern traditional quilts often start with a traditional block or pattern and then are modified using modern design elements. This is a great way to take tiny steps into Modern Quilting. According to Quilting Daily <https://tinyurl.com/5e94fm7p> The formula for this is to take something from each section below:

Traditional foundations

- Traditional block patterns
- Traditional quilt patterns
- Traditional quilt layouts

Add one or more Modern Elements:

- Negative space
- Improvisation
- Minimalism
- Asymmetry
- Alternate grid
- Modern color palettes
- Contrast
- Scale






Membership

January brought us 3 new and one returning member. New members: Michele Roberts and Christine Heber, Virginia Beach and Linda Kay, Chesapeake. Janet Bander rejoins us from Peoria, AZ.

We can now process credit cards in person – a big help at the TQG Quilt Show. As always, you can sign up online by filling out the Google form and paying with PayPal, or print the membership form and mail it and your check to our P.O. Box.

Our current roster is located in the Members Area of our website. Please check your listing to be sure it is correct.

Pat Carney, Membership



Tidewater Quilters' Guild Application for Membership www.tqgva.org

Dues: \$25 (Annual Membership is September 1 to August 31)

Make checks payable to: TQG, Inc. (For duplicate membership card, add 50¢ or total of \$25.50)

(Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you would like your membership card mailed to you.)

New Member # _____ Renewing Member # _____ Have you EVER been a member of TQG? Yes No

Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone (to be published in roster): (757) _____ E-mail: _____

- Member related quilting service. Write on the reverse side how you would like the info to appear on the website.)
- If you have an idea for a program, teacher, class, or event you would like our guild to sponsor, write info on the back.

I hereby grant the Tidewater Quilters' Guild permission to use my likeness in a photograph in any of its publications, including website entries, without payment or other consideration. I also give my permission to be contacted by TQG using the Constant Contact email application or any other email services as may be utilized by TQG for the purposes of disseminating information.

Signature _____

Mail to Membership Chair with your check and a self-addressed, stamped envelope:

TQG, Inc. C/O Membership Chairperson P. O., Box 62635 Virginia Beach, VA 23466-2635

For Membership Use Only: Date: _____ Amount Pd: \$ _____ Cash or Check # _____ Card: Direct Held Mailed
 Pin (new only) Book Keeping: TQG DB CC Roster Article SS Email member: Newsletter Bylaws Welcome



TQG Calendar



Date	Event	Time
Feb. 3	Friday Night Drop In	6:00 PM—9: 00 PM
Feb. 4	Sat. Guild— Crumb Sheet Appliques AND Turn in quilts for TQG Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show	9:30 AM
Feb. 7	Tuesday Morning Drop in	10 AM—2 PM
Feb. 7	Tuesday Night Modern Group—Drop In	6:30 PM—8:00 PM
Feb. 10	Friday Night Drop In	6:00 PM—9: 00 PM
Feb. 11	Deadline to submit your Show & Tell for Monday Zoom Meeting	
Feb. 13	Monday Day— Nancy Gorry—Butterfly Applique AND Turn in quilts for TQG Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show	10:15 AM
Feb. 13	Monday Night— Zoom— Interview With Bonnie Hunter	7:00 PM
Feb. 14	Tuesday Drop in	10 AM—2 PM
Feb. 16	Executive Board Meeting—Zoom	6:30 PM
Feb. 17	Friday Night Drop In	6:00 PM—9: 00 PM
Feb. 21	Tuesday Drop in	10 AM—2 PM
Feb. 21	Modern Group (Zoom)- Norene Skiles—Managing Creativity and Planning for a Quilt	7 PM
Feb. 24	Articles Due for Feb. Newsletter	
Feb. 24	Friday Night Drop In	6:00 PM—9: 00 PM
Feb. 28	Tuesday Drop in	10 AM—2 PM
Feb. 23 –26	Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show	
March 18	TQG Spring Fling	
March 2023	Jenny Kae Parks -lecture with workshop to follow	
August 2023	Margaret Willingham—workshop and lectures	

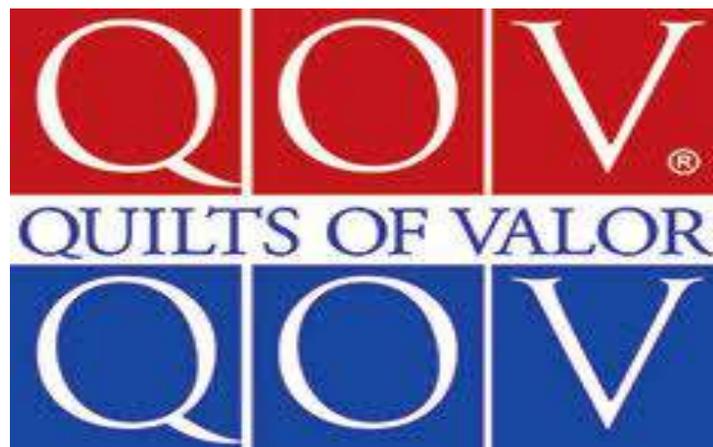


TQG Community Service

We were approached in early December by the Cancer Unit at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital asking for any donations of quilts to use as Christmas gifts at a party for Cancer patients. With the help of Karen Levine we were able to come up with 15 quilts. Here is a picture of the gentleman that picked them up. He was very excited and thankful.



Cindy Reno



The Quilts of Valor Foundation State of Virginia groups will have our Booth at Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival again this year. There will be representatives from groups across the state will be represented and participate long distance. We will have the new Quilts of Valor Foundation All-Star Quilts of Valor: 25 Patriotic Patterns from Star Designers! available and a multi-prize raffle which will include Quilts(s), sewing baskets and more....

We will also have an QOV Award Ceremony on Saturday afternoon to deserving veterans and service members.

As always we will be in the main reception Hall outside the show floor. Please stop by and see us.

Thanks, Les Wallace

Patriots Triangle QOV

Monday Day BOM

Supplies for Scrappy Heart

½ yard of lightweight interfacing per block

Oodles of scraps of whites and reds (or if you need yardage, 1/8 yards of a goodly amount will suffice)

This quilt is perfectly suited to digging through your scrap bin and using up those oddly shaped pieces. The blocks can be as scrappy as you'd like, using as many different fabrics as you'd like. We encourage you to find at least eight different reds and five different whites, just for funsies and to create superior contrast. If using eighth yard cuts, cut (2) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" squares and (13) 2 ½" x 2 ½" squares from each fabric.

Cutting

To create each finished block, you will need:

- (24) 2 ½" x 2 ½" white squares
- (4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" white squares
- plus —
- (17) 2 ½" x 2 ½" red squares
- (4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" red squares



Classified Ads



The Virginia Consortium of Quilters (VCQ) is a statewide guild supporting quilters and the art of quilting throughout Virginia. VCQ meets monthly. For more information, visit www.VCQ.org, or contact Debi Harding.



GUILD ONLINE RESOURCES

- **Website (access Newsletters and Member Roster with the password on the back of your membership card.)** : <http://www.tggva.org/>
- **Blog:** <http://www.tggva.org/blog>
- **Facebook:** Open Facebook and search for Tidewater Quilters Guild
- **Online Quilt Show on Instagram** by using #tggva

Juki Quilting Machine with computer & frame for sale



New machine, used once. Mom no longer able to quilt.
 Stored intact in climate controlled room,
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Traditional ★ Modern ★ Art ★ Miniature ★ Appliqué ★ Fashion/Home Décor ★ Youth

*****Showcasing Quilts from Southwest Virginia and Beyond*****

Star Quilters Guild Quilt Show



March 24 & 25, 2023
 Berglund Hall, Roanoke, VA
 710 Williamson Rd. at I-581

Friday 9-5 ~ Saturday 9-4
 Admission is \$10 per person which allows entry for both days
 (12 and under free)

- ★ Over 150 quilts on display
- ★ Certified Judge: Stacy Koehler
- ★ Featured Quilt Artist: Karin Tauber
- ★ Bed-Turning Presentations three times daily
- ★ Vendor Mall
- ★ Navaho Rose' quilt raffle
- ★ Door prizes
- ★ Quilt of Valor Presentation

With a special exhibit:
40th Anniversary Quilts
 1981-2021
 Creating and connecting for 40+ years



Hosted by:
 Star Quilters Guild of Roanoke, VA
 Visit our website at starquilters.org




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 presents
FABRIC OF LIFE QUILT SHOW

Special Exhibit of
Edyta Sitar's Quilts

Vendor Booth featuring
Edyta Sitar's Products

Edyta Sitar Lecture and Trunk Show
 on Friday, April 14, 2023 at 5:30 pm

Over 300 Displayed Quilts
 Vendor Mart
 Raffle Baskets – Raffle Quilts
 Second Time Around Shop
 Guild Quilt Challenge
 Quilt Appraisals by Karen Dever
 Quilting Demonstrations
 Community Service Projects Display
 Food Service On-Site
 Free Parking at Sussex Academy



Thursday, April 13, 2023 - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
 Friday, April 14, 2023 - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
 Saturday, April 15, 2023 - 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

\$10/one day - \$15/two days - \$20/three days

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NACQJ Quilt Show Judges
 Sandra Dorrbecker and Beth Pauley

For additional information:
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 Guild Quilt Show



Show and Tell





Virginia Quilt
Museum News

[https://
www.vaquiltmuseum.org/](https://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/)

Upcoming Programs:

VQM is for Lovers: Mini Quilt Challenge

Quilts due to VQM by February 10, 2023

Participants of any age and skill are encouraged to participate. Mini quilts should be 15" x 15" and each quilt must have a sleeve on the back for hanging, sleeves must be 3" in diameter. Entries will be on display in the museum between February 14 - May 19, 2023. Show us what you think love looks like!

No Boundaries (Small Works Fiber Exhibition)

July 11, 2023 thru October 7, 2023

Entries accepted January 15 - May 15, 2023

Artists are invited to interpret the theme "No Boundaries" in an original piece of fiber-based artwork.

Mini quilt link: <https://tinyurl.com/ync28kt7>

No Boundaries: <https://tinyurl.com/bdfd245h>

REGULAR HOURS:
TUE - SAT: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Current Exhibitions:

OURstory: Human Rights Stories in Fabrics



Star Struck



Jinny Beyer Retrospective



Guild Chapter Meeting Locations

Saturday

Harvest Assembly of God
525 Kempsville Rd., Chesapeake
(First Sat., 10:00 a.m.)

Monday—Day

Bayside Baptist Church
1920 Pleasure House Rd., Va. Beach
(Second Mon., 9:45 a.m. social & 10:15 a.m. meeting)

Monday—Evening

Community United Methodist Church
1000 Kempsville Rd., Chesapeake, Va
(Second Mon., 6:30 p.m. social & 7:00 p.m. meeting)

Zoom Only Feb.

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Saturday Chapter

Instructions

If possible, make your crumb sheets ahead of time and iron on the fusible web, this will leave you with more time to create and have fun.

Accuquilt cutting machines will be available to use. If anyone has one or dies they would like to share, that's great!!!! But please remember to mark your name on your dies so they don't mixed up.

We will then cut out our designs using the dies to make our table topper. Once your satisfied with your design we will iron in place, applique, embellish and quilt as desired.

Once you've mastered the Accuquilt shapes, you may want to design outside of the box, I found several free pages of Stained Glass designs on Pinterest for free. The simple line drawings are great or you can use a coloring book. The main goal will be to keep your design simple. The different shades of color will offer movement within your design. I would

plan on stitching around each color because of the many seams in a crumb sheet. So have fun with it and think of it as a design opportunity.

Trace your design onto the front of your table topper.

Trace the various shapes onto your fusible webbing before ironing onto your crumb sheets. I like to number my shapes on my copy as well as the fusible webbing).

Once your webbing has been ironed on you can cut them out to start building your design. Leave the back on until you are ready to iron down (for shape identification).

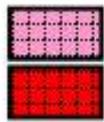
Once you've completed designing, iron to hold in place and then embellish or quilt as desired.

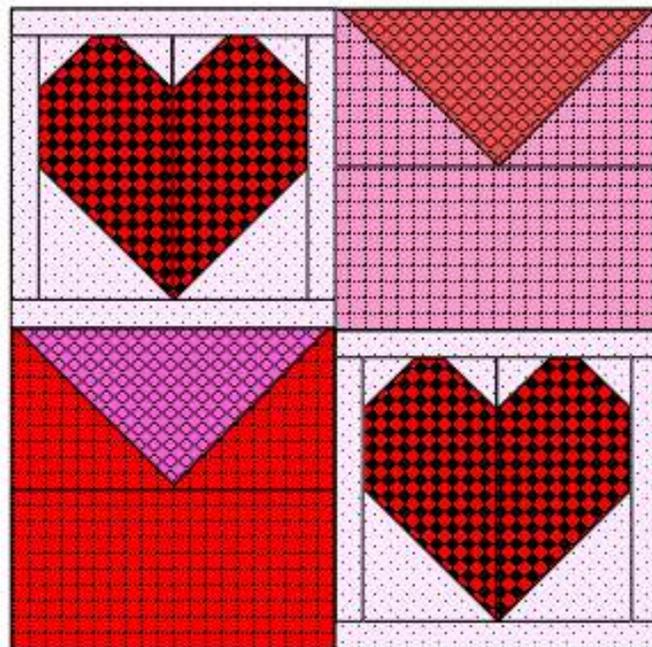


January 2023 BOM: Love Letters

Tidewater Quilters' Guild Saturday Meeting
Pattern designed and written by Ann Sinclair

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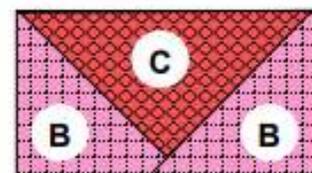
-  **Red or Pink Fabric for Envelope Body**
A1 & A2 (1 & 1) $3\frac{1}{2}" \times 6\frac{1}{2}"$
B1 & B2 (2 & 2) $3\frac{1}{2}"$ squares
-  **Red or Pink Fabric for Envelope Flap**
C1 & C2 (1 & 1) $3\frac{1}{2}" \times 6\frac{1}{2}"$
-  **Red or Pink Fabric for Heart**
D1 & D2 (2 & 2) $3" \times 5\frac{1}{2}"$
-  **White Background (low volume)**
E (4) $3"$ squares
F (8) $1\frac{1}{2}"$ squares
G (4) $1" \times 5\frac{1}{2}"$
H (4) $1" \times 6\frac{1}{2}"$



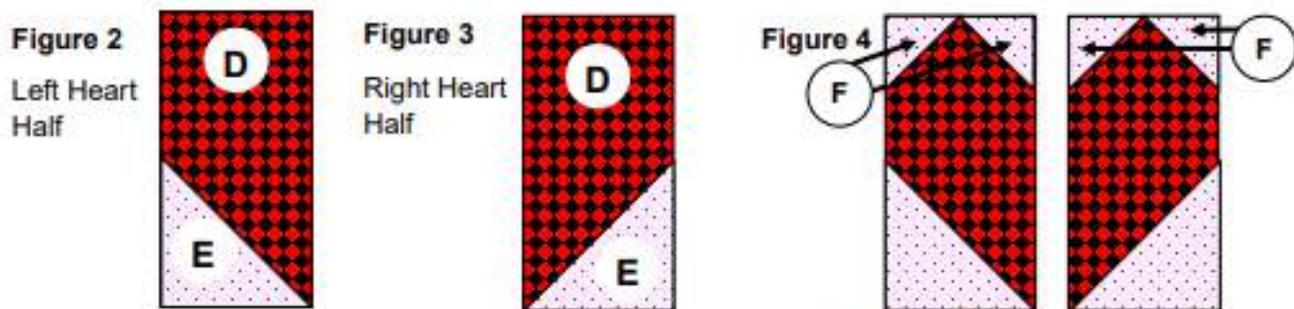
NOTE: Use red and/or pink fabric either solid or patterned for the envelope body, envelope flap and heart. Choose 3-6 different fabrics. Use white solid or white low volume fabric for the background of the heart. Sew seams using a scant $\frac{1}{4}"$ seam (except for when instructed to sew on the line). Read all the directions before beginning.

- To make the flying geese units for the envelope flaps, draw a diagonal line corner to corner on two matching **B** squares. Place one **B** in bottom left corner of **C** and sew on the line. Trim $\frac{1}{4}"$ from the sew line and press seams open.
- Repeat on right side to make a flying geese unit (**figure 1**). Unit measures $6\frac{1}{2}" \times 3\frac{1}{2}"$.
- Sew one flying geese unit to the top of matching **A** rectangle to create envelope. Press toward bottom. Placement per final block diagram. Envelope unit measures $6\frac{1}{2}" \times 6\frac{1}{2}"$.
- Repeat steps 1-3 to make a second envelope unit.
 *This can be in a different color combination per the cutting instructions. (Use fabrics **A2**, **B2** & **C2**)

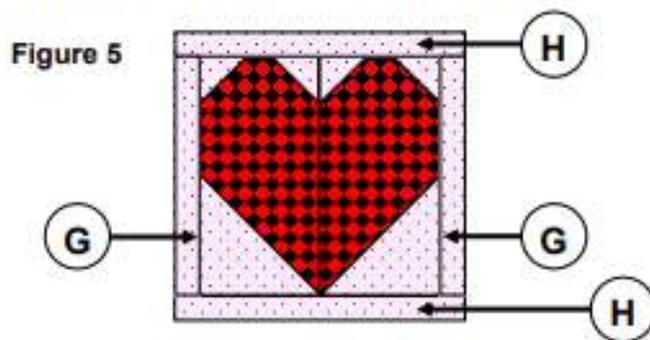
Figure 1



5. To make the heart units, draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the back of two **E** squares.
6. Place one **E** in the left bottom corner of **D** for left heart half (**figure 2**). Sew on the line. Trim $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the sew line and press seams open.



7. Repeat step 6 on the second matching **D**, making sure the diagonal line goes the opposite direction for right heart half to be a mirror image (**figure 3**).
8. Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the back of 4 **F** squares.
9. Place one **F** square in upper left corner of **D** unit (left heart half **figure 4**). Sew on the line. Trim $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the sew line and press seams open.
10. Place one **F** square in upper right corner of **D** unit (left heart half **figure 4**). Sew on the line. Trim $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the sew line and press seams open. (These points will **NOT** overlap.)
11. Repeat steps on the mirror image, right heart half, unit from step 7. You now have two halves of the heart in mirror image. Each half measures $3" \times 5\frac{1}{2}"$.
12. Sew left heart half to right heart half matching the points (**figure 5**). Press seams open.
13. Sew one **G** to the left side and one to the right side of the heart unit. Press seams open.
14. Sew one **H** to the top and one to the bottom of the heart unit (**figure 5**). (This will cover the top $\frac{1}{4}"$ of the heart points to round them off.) Press seams open. Heart unit measures $6\frac{1}{2}" \times 6\frac{1}{2}"$.



15. Repeat steps 5-14 to make a second heart unit.
 *This can be in a different color combination. (Use fabric **D2**)
16. Arrange the heart and envelope units per the final diagram on page one. Sew in rows, pressing to the envelopes. Join the rows, pressing down.
17. Unfinished **Love Letter** block measures $12\frac{1}{2}" \times 12\frac{1}{2}"$.