



March, 2025

Next Meeting: March 25, 2025 **6 pm**

North Point Church  
1779 NE Hostmark St , Poulsbo

**President’s Message—Karen Boeve**

What an amazing Quilt Show we put on last month. Our quilts included a vast array of styles, showcasing the art and skill of our members. In addition to the beautiful quilts, we had great demonstrations, wonderful vendors and delicious food. But none of this could have happened without the time and dedication of volunteers. We are lighting all of Kitsap County with all of the **March KQG Points of Light!**

In January we highlighted the essential work of our Quilt Show co-chairs, Darlene Boggs and Gail Mann. This month we are highlighting the contributions of the Quilt Show Committee Chairs. I am just hitting the highlights of their work, but everyone gave much more. The work began months before the show, and did not end until every quilt was home and all the bills paid.

**Lynn Thornton** and **Nancy Parrot** handled the pre-show publicity. Nancy visited business through out the county to ensure our print materials were available to everyone. She even provided a demo during the show. In addition to working full time, Lynn made sure our ads were in the Facebook feeds of our quilting friends. Nancy also provided a demo in addition to all her volunteer time before and during the show.

**Sherry Schweizer** handled both small and large preshow signs. We can’t thank her enough for her work to update our Sandwich Boards.

**Debi Snyder** registered 212 quilts and sent each quilter identification slips. She also coordinated all of the quilt tags. **Keitha Unger** coordinated Quilt pick up and ensued all quilts were returned safely.

**Becky Holt** recruited our vendors, sponsorship sales, and ensured we had plenty of Door prizes from our vendors and the boutique.

**Nancy Mathisrud** recruited volunteers for all of our volunteer positions (a first since i joined), and made sure positions were filled when volunteers were unable to work at the show. Her work began long before the show and continued all 4 days.

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**Guild Contacts**

President: Karen Boeve

Secretary: Susi Gaskins

Vice President: Katherine Holtgraves

2025 Quilt Show Chair: Darlene Boggs & Gail Mann

Treasurer: Barbara Martin

Newsletter Editor: Marj Deupree

Treasurer Elect: Jan Kohler

Past President: Jeannette Schanbeck

*Kitsap Quilters was established to foster and encourage the art of quilting, both in its traditional approach and its contemporary adaptation, to bring together those who love the art form and to share the art form with the community.*

## KQG Points of Light—Continued

**Luisana Sawyer** lead us through set up and hanging. Her new hanging process significantly improved the hanging process! In addition to her other volunteer work, she also provided 2 demos during the show, one on foundation paper piecing (FPP), and one on finishing quilt edges.

**Val Martinson** and **Sarah Lewis** feed all the volunteers who hung the quilts on Thursday. Lisa Jett volunteered to feed all the volunteers on Wednesday. Sarah also provided a demonstration making dish scrubbers using scraps.

**Betty Wing** ran our cafe, giving our guests a place to relax, enjoy their meals and get a sweet treat. **Debbie McKeever** arranged the food trucks. She also partnered with Terry Forslund to provide a demo on the no-cut, no-trim block in a block.

**Norma Tipton** selected the beautiful bouquets used during the show.

**Terry Loy** and **Diane Levang** coordinated our Demonstrations all day Friday and Saturday. Linda Moran provided demonstrations on embroidery.

**Kathy Beach** ran our Children's Discovery programs. The kids loved looking for the images hidden in the quilts, I think the parents loved it too.

**Leslie Stapleton** organized another wonderful bucket Raffle and provided a demo on Christmas ornaments for our guests.

**Barbara Martin** took on the job of tracking all the cash and credit card purchases, with Jan Kohler assisting. They track the sales, count and deposit the cash, and send out checks to our members.

**Carol Michel** was responsible for our front entry, and the many volunteers who welcomed our guests. She also coordinated the hourly door prizes.

**Chris Miller** ran our membership booth. 10 new members joined our guild during the show.

**Jeanette Schanbeck** and **Katherine Holtgraves** coordinated our Raffle Quilt Ticket sales, and **Belinda Hoellwarth** made the beautiful Raffle quilt. Jeanette also provided a demo on bag making during the show.

**Becky Holt** and **Maryjane Efstathiou** ran this year's amazing Quilters Boutique. They worked for hours preparing Guild donations to sell, setting up the boutique, overseeing sales, and tracking sales of items sold by our members. Thanks to Barbara Peterson for preparing donation items for the boutique, and for the demo on circular sewing she gave during the show.

Our Featured Artist, **Pam Whitt**, was a big attraction at our show. She set up a beautiful display. We all want to know who won the beautiful quilt she donated.

**Carolyn Nannery** coordinated and provided overnight security, keeping all quilts safe while members slept.

**Brynn Graham** organized the show takedown, the quickest I have seen. Andrea Rudman coordinated the quilts being prepared to return to their owners. She also provided a number of demonstrations during the show, highlighting two of her specialties, table runners and Legit Kits FPP.

**Kathy Beach** sourced the beautiful ribbons that were awarded to our People's Choice winners at our February members meeting.

However, every Quilt Show volunteer was important to the success of our show. Thank you for everyone who volunteered during the show, your dedication and hard work made all the difference.

## February 2025 Kitsap Quilters Guild Minutes—Susi Gaskins

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President Karen Boeve called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

The motion to approve the January meeting minutes was made by Diane Stafford; second by Lisa Jette and passed by unanimous voice vote.

### TREASURER'S REPORT – Barbara Martin

Checking balance: \$35,657.32

Saving Balance: \$9,940.47

Visiting Guild: Gig Harbor Quilts Guild – Nancy Sutton and Judy Clark; their raffle quilt is English paper pieced and made with Tula Pink fabric. The drawing will be held 5 November 2025.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### QUILT SHOW WRAP-UP: Darlene Boggs, Gail Mann and Quilt Show Team

Darlene Boggs said she was very pleased with the quilt show; everyone did their part. Gail agreed that things went smoothly. Luisana's new quilt hanging method was very efficient. All the quilt show team members introduced themselves, explained their contribution to the show, and were heartily thanked for their hard work.

#### Quilt Show People Choice Awards:

100: Large Pieced Quilts – (perimeter equal to or greater than 310")

Pam Whitt's *Woodland Creatures*

200: Medium/Large Pieced Quilts – (perimeter between 241" and 309")

Nancy Parrott's *Harry Potter's Bookcase*

300: Medium Pieced Quilts – (perimeter between 161" and 240")

Vicki Adams' *Monet Meets Surratt and Van*

400: Small Pieced Quilts – (perimeter less than 160")

Vicki Adams' *Dresden Neighborhood*

500: Contemporary – any size (Improvisational, Modern, Whole-cloth quilting)

Loretta Gordon's *Sue Spargo's Crimson Tweed* **ALSO BEST OF SHOW**

600: Applique/ Embroidery – Any size with applique and/or embroidery on more than 35% of quilt

Pam Whitt's *Underwater Life*

700: Contemporary BOM Quilt – Any size made w/ monthly blocks provided by Katherine Holtgraves

Nancy Mathisrud's *Froggie*

800: Innovative/Art Quilts/Collage

Nancy Parrott's *Angel Fish*

900: Miscellaneous – garments, table runners, purses, pillows, placemat sets, etc.

Gail Mann's *Sunflowers*

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1000: First Time Entry First time entering a Kitsap Quilters show, one entry per new member

Sharon Douwes' *Flower Girl*

Challenge Quilt Awards: Near the Salish Sea

1st place: Barbara Martin's *Life in the Salish Sea*

A tie for 2nd place: Linda Johnson's *Hood Canal* and Sherry Schweizer's *The Protectors*

3rd place: Diane Levang's *Unknown Inlet*

### NEW BUSINESS

Karen Boeve welcomed 4 new members this evening, including Jil Hauge, Don Hodges, Kariann Payne Carol Silva. Ten (10) members joined during the quilt show.

POINTS of LIGHT: Karen highlighted **Luisana Sawyer** and **Nikki DeSormier** this month. Luisana has contributed to the guild in so many positive ways: she has served as our treasurer-elect and treasurer, our Program Coordinator, our Quilt Show Set Up/Hanging chair, she is responsible for setting up, and evaluating our biannual surveys. She has provided specialized training to our members and on YouTube. She has supported the guild, sharing her knowledge and expertise.

Nikki has revitalized the Snuggles Program. She has reached out to multiple community agencies and expanded our outreach to programs supporting children in crisis. Her enthusiasm is contagious. Nikki reached out to Meals on Wheels to offer our support, setting up another way members can assist our community.

BY LAWS & STANDING RULES COMMITTEE: MaryJo Brisbon and Colleen Lane are looking for volunteers to assist with the By Laws Committee. There are only 4 minor issues to address, but they want to get the process going.

SURVEY QUESTIONS: Luisana has been formulating a new members' survey, but it has been delayed by the quilt show. Additional questions have been proposed, although it shouldn't be too long.

### COMMITTEE UPDATES

- BEGINNING QUILTING CLASS: Katherine & Luisana have 6 new members signed up for the class which begins in April. Katherine suggested offering a Zoom version of the beginners' class possibly in September.
- SPRING RETREAT: All but one of the overnight beds have been filled for the March retreat. Sarah can still take reservations for daytime attendees. The spring retreat committee is looking for a new chairperson as Sarah will be moving. The person who takes over will be free to explore different retreat ideas concerning the spring retreat.
- SNUGGLES: Nikki DeSormier needs quilts for pending orders. Small for State Patrol and Olympic Ambulance. She has some medium to large stuffed animals that will need coordinating sizes up to 24x24.
- MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS: Is looking for a chair to coordinate our support.
- EXECUTIVE BOARD & COMMITTEE CHAIR RECRUITMENT: Karen Boeve noted it is time to begin recruiting people for executive board positions and committees.

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SHOW & TELL: All Members

FAT QUARTER LOTTERY: presented by Carolyn Nannery - Pink Batiks (Winner: Cheryl McCurdy) / Pink Fabric (Winner: Diane Stafford)

RAFFLE QUILT RAFFLE: presented by Jeannette Schanbeck; the winner was Linda Morton.

DOOR PRIZE RAFFLE: Pam Whitt created a “what would you see at a quilt show?” game.

### UPCOMING DATES

- Spring Retreat - March 10 - 14
- Quilters Anonymous 43rd Annual Quilt Show, “Journey into Quilting.” Evergreen State Fairgrounds/ Monroe, WA, March 14 - 16, 2025
- Third Saturday Workshop - March 15
- Executive Board Meeting - March 20
- General Meeting – March 25
- Workshop with Charisma Horton - March 26
- Cabin Fever Quilters Quilt Show, “After the Storm, the Rainbow,” Port Townsend Community Center- May 10

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.

### 2025 By-Laws and Standing Rules Review

The current By-Laws and Standing Rules for Kitsap Quilters are reviewed every odd year, so it’s time to get the review process started. The current By-Laws and Standing Rules are posted on the Members Page of the guild website. Please take the time to review them. If you have any suggested changes, please submit them to Colleen Lane, Katherine Holtgraves, or Mary Jo Brisbon by March 25, 2025. We are targeting the May general meeting for the membership approval of the proposed changes. If you would like to participate on this committee, please let any of the above committee members know.

### Sunshine and Shadow—Chris Miller

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Kitsap Quilters has a Sunshine and Shadow chairperson, Chris Miller. If you are aware of someone who might be in need of a card to celebrate something special or a note of sympathy or support, please contact Chris. She will send a greeting from Kitsap Quilters to that member to let them know we are thinking about them.

Chris can be reached at

### 3rd Saturday Workshop—Audrey Fitzgerald

The **15 March** free sew has been cancelled due to low attendance. Another event has been scheduled for July for those who may be interested.

On **19 April** Sarah Lewis will lead us through the assembly of a zippered pouch that resembles a **small in-box** when unzipped. This low-slung bag isn't overly tall but opens into a great shape to keep everyday sewing notions, clips, pencils and pens, or anything else that needs to be corralled when running loose. Once you have made one, I bet you could figure out how to adapt the pattern to any size to meet future requirements.

Leslie Stapleton will be taking a break from Hospice and Cancer quilts on **17 May** and will be offering instructions on how to make **ornaments** from Styrofoam balls and material. Although traditionally made for Christmas, these ornaments would do equally well for Easter, to perhaps hang from a mobile over a baby crib, or in any other setting where a bit of color is wanted. You can get a sneak peek at the ornaments and construction method during her demonstration at the quilt show on Saturday at 2:00 pm where you can sign up at that time or during a regular guild meeting.

Margaret Jones will be making another appearance on **21 June** with her AccuQuilt cutter and assorted dies. This will be a chance for you to check out how the cutting system works, cut out shapes that appeal to you and pick up some skills with **raw edge quilting**. Bring a project you are currently working on that you want to add a bit of zip to with applique or just bring fabric pieces and backgrounds to play with. The idea is to get comfortable with to this technique. Although you can affix the applique to your projects with a straight stitch, you may want to bring a sewing machine that has blanket, zig zag or other decorative stitches so you can just doodle around for the sheer fun of it.

Another **Free Sew** will be offered **19 July**. Bring your own project to sew with fellow guild members or pick up one of the offered pre-cut Cuddles, Hospice or Cancer kits that will be made available for this event. Barbara Peterson, Leslie Stapleton and I will be making up more kits in one of the conference rooms while you sew, and I don't think any of us would object if you wanted to take a kit home with you for later.

In person signups for workshops are in the church lobby during guild meetings. I am close to the door behind the Hospitality table when you first enter the church. If you are not able to sign up for a workshop in person, please contact me to sign up (). The workshops run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the church and there is a \$5.00 class fee. Supply lists will be emailed out a couple of weeks before the workshop to allow for the gathering of materials.

Please remember that workshops are led by quilters like you who have volunteered to share a project with their fellow guild members. If there is something that you enjoy doing or a favorite project that might be of interest to other sewers and you would like to share, please contact me. Also, fresh ideas for future workshops are always welcome.

**REMINDER:** The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 20th at 9:30 am on zoom.



## Programs—Luisana Sawyer

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**March 25 2025** – Charisma Horton! She will be doing her trunk show and talk about her design journey. March 26, 2025 – Workshop with Charisma – Banana Split series. See list of patterns by searching on her Etsy shop using “banana split”. Use KITSAP20 for a discount. She recommends reading through the pattern and doing any preliminary sewing together of 2 ½ strips before the workshop (if you’re so inclined) so you could almost have a completed quilt top!

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/charismascorner?#items>

**April 22 & 23, 2025** – Krista Moser! April 22, trunk show. Workshop, April 23, The vote is in – 1611 Union pattern is the pattern!

Looking forward, **June 2025** – Cindy Grisdela! Presentation: Journey of an Art Quilter, workshop TBD. More info to come as we get closer.

## Beginning Quilting—Katherine Holtgraves

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**Beginning Quilting** – We wanted to offer a one-month course that will help you get started on your quilting journey. This is a class for **beginners** – who have a working sewing machine. We will be meeting at Northpoint Church each Friday from 10 – 2 (bring your own lunch). We ask that you commit to attending all 4 meetings. This is for only the month of April ... so you could plan accordingly. We will be working on a different skill each week .... drawing to the close of the month with a 4-block wall hanging or a start of a quilt. We will be teaching all the fundamentals tricks of the trade during each meeting time to our 10 willing folks. This is why it is very important that you attend all 4 sessions. Please drop an email to Katherine Holtgraves () or Luisana Sawyer ). We will be in contact with you during the month of March, and be ready with our final list to start April 4, 11, 18, 25.

## Fat Quarter Lottery—Carolyn Nannery

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Welcome to this year's FQ Lottery! Bring a fat quarter/or ¼ yard to enter the lottery in the color each month. One chance for each FQ you enter. This year we are going to do a year of batiks! For those of you who don't have batiks you can bring a FQ in the color of the month or the theme if posted that month. The months of August and December there will not be a drawing as we have the picnic and Holiday party.

March -	Green batiks/Green fabrics
April -	Yellow batiks/Yellow fabrics
May -	Purple batiks/Purple fabrics
June -	Red batiks/ Red fabrics
July -	Any color batiks or fabrics
August-	No lottery due to picnic
September-	Brown batiks/brown fabrics
October -	Orange batiks/Orange fabrics
November -	Any color batik and or Holiday fabrics

## Membership—Chris Miller

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First, let me apologize for not making it to the February meeting. It was nasty out in our neighborhood, some of the roads were blocked and of course, no power. I stayed home from work on Tuesday as well. But nothing will keep me from the March meeting.

As of today (3/1/25) we have 167 members. At our quilt show we signed up 9 new members and 1 rejoining member. There were a few more that took membership forms. So, we may be getting more. Nametags have been ordered and received. They will be available at the March meeting.

## Sew-ins via Zoom—Colleen Lane

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Share the camaraderie of sewing with friends from your home!

**All Zoom Sew-In's (Saturday and Monday) will use the Saturday Zoom sign in link.....**

**MONDAYS— 10 am to ??????**  
**SATURDAYS- 9 am to ?????**

To join the Zoom Meeting, go to the Member's page of the guild website and **use the Saturday link**. If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Lane at

Attention to all members who EVER volunteer to help in any set up or take down of equipment/tables/chairs for general meetings and Workshops:

We want to thank all of those who beautifully volunteer at all our gatherings. Their selfless help to set up and take down tables and other items to store is by committee and often is fulfilled by committee chairs. **We love that you all help and believe that it is such a great way to volunteer for the whole group.** We want to make sure that everyone knows that you are aware of your own health and wellbeing. We want you to make the wise choices that are needed for lifting tables and other items. If you are not able to assist, we totally want you to leave it to others. We know that you will make the best decision for yourself. **THANK you to those of you who are so kind to help and assist the whole group. YOU ARE ROCK STARS!**



## Small Groups—Karen Boeve

**SMALL GROUPS** — Small groups are a great way to meet and get to know other guild members that are interested in similar techniques.

### Applique / Handwork

First Tuesday each month – 10 to 12:30 at North Point

Join us for a great social time doing handwork and applique

### Improv

First Thursday each month – 10 to 1 at North Point

Come join us if you are interested in working and learning with others on improvisational piecing and design.

**Dear Jane** -- work at your own pace and share with others your version of the Dear Jane quilt originally pieced by Jane Stickle in 1863.

Second Thursday each month 1 – 3 in person at North Point church

Every Thursday except for second each month 1 – 3 Zoom, using Saturday log on

## Puff Quilt Class—Katherine Holtgraves and Linda Scaibilia

We are contributing to the Kitsap Humane Society by teaching a class at Quilted Strait. The subject is a PUFF QUILT. All the proceeds go to Sam's Fund, for pets who need extra help and their pet parents do not have the funds to assist. We are going to have some fun... Do you want to learn a super easy way to make this type of quilt? You can make these for your pets.. for your kids... for your grandkids. Can you imagine them on a dorm bed? A dream come true. At any rate, this class will be on

March 25th, 2025

10:30 - 2:00 PM

@ Quilted Strait

All proceeds to Kitsap Humane Society



## Stitches In Time—Nancy Parrott

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The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show is in the books, and it is a good read. The weather cooperated, the new hanging method was a huge success, the boutique overflowed with treasures, the quilts were some of the best we have ever seen, food was yummy, the vendors varied and Pam Whitt's Featured Artist booth was beyond compare. A heartfelt **Thank You** is extended to the show chair and co-chair, **Darleen and Gail**, who led us all to this grand conclusion, the **volunteers** who demonstrated what a well-run show looks like and the **community** whose continued support year after year gives us the energy to do it all again! My two favorite parts of the show are the I spy hunt lead by Kathy Beach (supposedly for the youngsters, but fun for all ages) and the opportunity to be a roving reporter. I approached unsuspecting visitors and asked how they liked the show and how they heard about it. Here are some of the responses:

<i>Love the bursts of color; so bold!</i>	Brenda
<i>Best show I've been to in a few years. By both quantity and quality.</i>	Rick
<i>Great show! Worth the trip.</i>	Vicki
<i>Love all of the sampler quilts. The skull was a fun surprise.</i>	Vicki 2
<i>Better than last year!</i>	Robin
<i>Good food trucks, but where's the beer truck?</i>	Steve
<i>Beautiful! Amazing! So impressed!</i>	Bonnie
<i>First show I've been to in Kitsap County. Glad I came.</i>	Darlene
<i>Never knew quilts could be so detailed. The 3D ones are really cool.</i>	Tim
<i>I wish there were a hand quilted section.</i>	Kathy
<i>Love all the different styles</i>	Athena
<i>We come every year from Grapeview to get quilting ideas.</i>	Linda & Ross, Lingerers
<i>Too bad Kathy (Ockuly) is moving. She is a great quilter and neighbor.</i>	Rob
<i>Wide variety of skill levels. Stunning. But where's the wine?</i>	Jillian
<i>Many works of art. You can tell they were years in the making.</i>	Anne
<i>You guys are so amazing.</i>	Paula Wood, former member
<i>I have one more to find! This is so fun! (about the I spy search)</i>	Little Emilia
<i>The quality is wonderful and such a wide variety. Delightful!</i>	Marcia & Jerry from Auburn
<i>I appreciate the intricate work. The modern vs vintage.</i>	Emmett
<i>The historical pieces speak to me.</i>	Sam
<i>My favorite event at the fairgrounds.</i>	Beatrice
<i>I like the 'themey' ones! (I think she meant the pictorial ones)</i>	Tate
<i>What a great quilt show. I will never miss it again. I loved the variety of quilts,</i>	
<i>The beautiful presentation and the friendly guild members.</i>	Lee
<i>I really liked the voting by 100, 200 etc. It made me focus more on the quilts.</i>	Carol
<i>Spectacular show. This was our best year ever as a vendor.</i>	Scissor Sharpeners
<i>And one person sent me an email:</i>	
<i>I really enjoyed attending the Kitsap Quilt Show these past two years. The expertise, creativity and technical skill shown on the exhibited quilts is inspiring. The wide range of styles, colors, patterns, fabrics, and designs means there is something for everyone to admire. It motivates me to head home and sew. Karen W.</i>	

When asked how people heard about the show, the most common answer was by the signage around town. Others, familiar with our show, check our website this time of year for the exact dates. One couple got the details from a website called The Quilting Hub, which has a wealth of information about guilds and shows across the whole country. And one group got the information from an announcement at their own local guild meeting.

And now, some pictures!

Challenge Quilt Winners  
*Near The Salish Sea*



1<sup>st</sup> Place **LIFE IN THE SALISH SEA**  
Barbara Martin

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Tie **THE PROTECTORS**  
Sherry Schweizer



2<sup>nd</sup> Place Tie **HOOD CANAL**  
Linda Johnson



3<sup>rd</sup> Place **UNKNOWN INLET**  
Diane Levang







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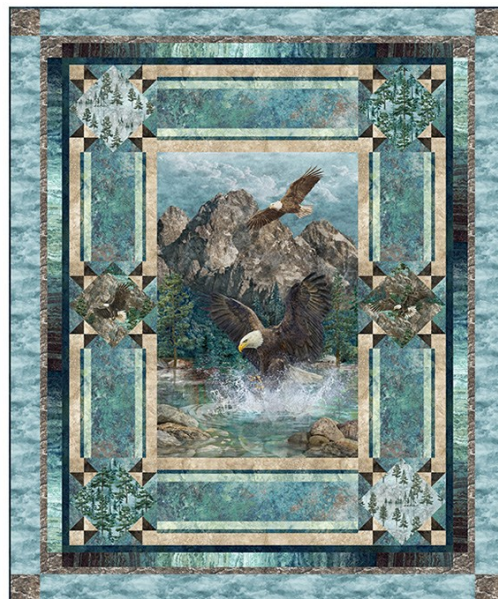
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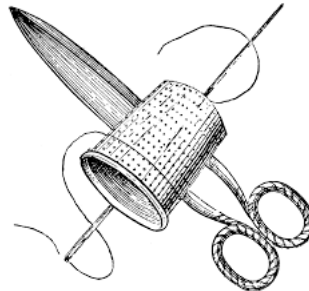
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