NEW 2013 QUILT CHALLENGE

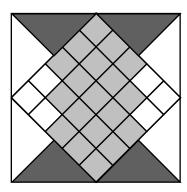
We will ALL be starting with the SAME BLOCK PATTERN (below) this time, and, keeping with our 25th Anniversary theme, this pattern is a spool block.

You can make as many blocks as you like, but you have to include AT LEAST ONE OF THESE SPOOL BLOCKS in the inner part of your quilt. The block can be made bigger or smaller. It can be set straight or on point. It can have sashing, corner stones, etc., if you so choose. The quilt layout is up to you. The quilt size is up to you.

NOW COMES THE BORDERS...Taking the idea of "BETTER BORDERS" from the Tea Workshop, add something wonderful to your spool block or blocks. You can add as many borders as you like, just make them "BETTER" ones. We will be posting "better" border ideas on the website and in the newsletter.

Your quilt entry must be quilted and bound when we display them at the Holiday Brunch.

THIS QUILT WILL BE YOUR OWN. YOU WILL NOT BE MAKING IT FOR ANOTHER GUILD MEMBER!



SPOOL BLOCK PATTERN

(Makes a 7" finished block)

CUTTING DIRECTIONS

- ♦ Cut six 1½" squares of the background (light fabric)
- ◆ Cut nineteen 1½" squares of the thread color (mix of medium & dark fabrics)

SEWING DIRECTIONS

- 1. Sew the 1½" squares together in strips as follows: two light (background) & three medium, one light & four medium, five medium, four medium & one light (background) and three medium & two light (background).
- 2. Sew these strips together in the order above to make the thread portion of the spool (see drawing above). This should measure 5½" square.
- 3. Using the 4½" squares, make two half square triangles. Cut these in half, diagonally, across the two colors.
- 4. Using the picture for placement, sew the spool tops to the thread square. Center the half square triangles on the square (they are larger) and sew. Press and trim the block down to a square (approximately 7").

And now for the important stuff...

THE PRIZES

There will also be judging in the following categories...

- ❖ Viewer's Choice Second Prize ❖

‡Judges Choice ‡