

Jean R and Jan S have volunteered to co-chair the 12 x 12 and Bonus Word Program for April 2024 - March 2025. The 12 x 12 program will change a little, but will continue as follows:

1. Make a list of anywhere from 1 to 20 projects that you'd like to get done in the next 12 months.

The idea is to keep us all sewing and complete old or new projects each month. Large projects could be split into several months. If you want to list a specific quilt project as cutting the blocks one month and then finishing a quilt top (or not) another month, as opposed to completing the quilt start to finish all in one month that is just fine. If you want to revamp your sewing room or just organize your fabric list that as a project. Choose your own projects but be specific on your list as to what you plan to do each month. If you are listing a project such as organizing your sewing room please submit before and after picture of your sewing room. Number your projects when you turn them in so that we can identify which project you are turning in each month.

2. If you plan to start participating in April please email your numbered list of 12 x 12 projects to Jan S ([jstauffer56@yahoo.com](mailto:jstauffer56@yahoo.com)) and Jean R ([jele1967@yahoo.com](mailto:jele1967@yahoo.com)) no later than the March 5 guild meeting. You can bring a printed list to the March 5 meeting if you don't get the email sent.

If you aren't ready for March you can join at anytime during the program year, which will run April 2024 - March 2025, but the program is not retroactive. You must also turn in your 12 x 12 list for the remainder of the program year prior to showing the project at a meeting to have it count for the drawing. Once you turn in your list you cannot add to it.

Please only submit one project per month as your 12 x 12 for the month.

Submit photos of your projects to Jean and Jan prior to the guild meeting each month. If you want your project photo to be posted on the slide show at the meeting you must also submit it to the guild email at [chequamegonbayquilters@yahoo.com](mailto:chequamegonbayquilters@yahoo.com). If you don't submit a photo please bring your project to the guild meeting to get your name in the drawings for that month.

3. The Bonus Word Program is just further incentive to get another project done each month. If your project(s) relates to the bonus word it counts for the month. You do not have to be in the 12 x 12 program in order to submit a bonus word project.

New this year: Bonus Word projects and 12 x 12 projects must be a project that you worked on during this program year (April 2024-March 2025). The program is meant to be fun. There's no pressure to participate every month or at all. It's your choice.

We will hold a prize drawing for the 12 x 12 Program and the Bonus Word Program at the August 2024, November 2024, February 2025 Meetings and May 2025. There will also be a Grand Prize Drawing for the 12 x 12 Program at the May 2025 Meeting. Each quarter we will start over with adding names to the hat for the next quarter's prize

drawing, with everybody's total for the 12 x 12 program year added back in for the Grand Prize.

The 12 x 12 Program and the Bonus Word Program must be projects that you have not shown to the guild previously and that you completed in the Program year. Additionally, the Bonus Word projects must be completed projects. You can only get your name in the prize drawings two times per month (once for your 12 x 12 and once for your Bonus Word). IF your 12 x 12 project also meets the Bonus Word criteria for the month your name will be entered for both programs. If you complete a project that meets the Bonus Word criteria, but you do not complete one of your 12 x 12 projects you can still get your name in the Bonus Word drawing.

An example for how the Bonus Words work: May's Bonus Word is "seasonal." Complete a project that you consider to be "seasonal" during the program year and show it at the June Meeting to count for the May Bonus Word. The Bonus Word project must be a completed project, though.

The Bonus Words for the upcoming months are as follows:

April: Flowers/Plants  
May: Seasonal  
Jun: Shop Hop  
Jul: Juvenile  
Aug: Seeing Stars  
Sept: Strips  
Oct: Waste Not, Want Not  
Nov: Christmas  
Dec: Food  
Jan: 2 Colors Only  
Feb: Old  
March: 4-patch

Don't hesitate to ask Jan or Jean if you have any questions.

Happy Sewing!

Jan S  
Jean R