

## Outreach Workshop March—Save the Date!



We have a huge challenge. The tops keep coming in and the challenge is to measure the tops, find the appropriate backing and get it ready, cut batting and prepare a bundled top, batting and backing ready for tying or machine quilting. Since we house portions of the program in our homes, we don't always have the right combination of products to complete that goal.

This is where you come in...it will be a huge job for us to haul the tops, backing fabric and batting rolls to the guild meeting, SO, we want to be sure there will be a nice attendance of members to help us complete this goal!

### **HERE'S THE PLAN:**

*Supplies you will need:* tape measure, painter tape and marking pen, large scissors, cutting mat, rotary cutter, 24" ruler, sewing machine and supplies.

It would be great to work with a partner. We will set up tables with risers so that you won't have to bend over too far or work on the floor! We will set up stations for each part of the assembly line process.

1. Measure tops and calculate the yardage needed for backing fabric and the size of batting to cut. Using painter tape, record the size of the quilt, add 8" to each direction and that will be the size of the backing needed and batting needed.
2. Cut batting for each top. This needs to be 8" longer and 8" wider than the quilt top.
3. Choose backing and cut the amount needed for each top. Add 8" more to the length and 8" more to the width of the quilt top measurement. If there is enough coordinating fabric, cut 1/2 yard for binding.
4. Sew the backing seams and press for each quilt top.
5. Assemble quilt bundle: top, backing and batting.

It's been a few years since we have had a group help us with this process! It's amazing what we can accomplish as a team! We are very excited to have your help!

Thanks in advance,

*Marilynn and Sandy*