

A BLOCK FOR BRENDA We would like to show our appreciation to Brenda for serving as our fearless leader for the past year and a half. She seems to have a thing for quilts that she calls **RED** and **BUTTER**, and our block of the month for December seems to suit her. Use cheery reds and soft golden yellows to make this block, and bring or send it with someone to guild meeting on the 29th. We will collect them at Linda's house.

FOUR-PATCH

CUT: TWO 2" X 9" strips, RED
TWO 2" X 9" strips, BUTTER

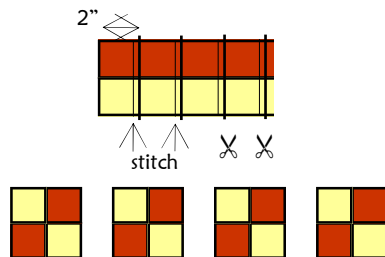
1) **STITCH** one red strip to one butter strip together lengthwise. Make two sets. **PRESS** seams toward red.



2) **STACK** strips right sides together, alternating colors and nestling the seam allowances in the middle. **PRESS** well.

3) **TRIM** off one end to straighten edges. **CUT** stacks into four 2" segments.

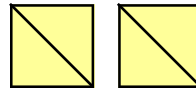
4) **STITCH** each set to create four 3-1/2" 4-patch units.



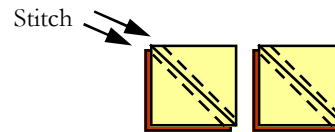
HALF-SQUARE TRIANGLES

CUT: TWO 3-7/8" squares, RED
TWO 3-7/8" squares, BUTTER

1) **DRAW** a diagonal line on wrong side of light squares.



2) **LAYER** one butter square and one red square right sides together. **STITCH** a scant 1/4" away from drawn line, on both sides of the line.



3) **CUT** in half on drawn line and press toward red. Trim to 3-1/2" square. Makes four half-square triangle units.



FRIENDLY HANDS BLOCK

To complete this block,
CUT: ONE 3-1/2" square RED for center

ASSEMBLE as indicated in layout below. **SIGN** your name and year with a permanent pigma pen on the lower half-square triangle.

