## Pieced Block presented at the July 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting

(please bring completed blocks to the September 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting)

## **Bear Paw Block**

## **Fabric:**

- 1. Cream:
  - a. Cut 8 squares 2½" x 2½" for Half-Square Triangle (HST) units.
  - b. Cut 5 squares 2" x 2" (use 4 for the corners and 1 for the center).
- 2. Brown:
  - a. Cut 8 squares 2½" x 2½" for Half-Square Triangle (HST) units.
  - b. Cut 4 rectangles 2" x 5".
- 3. Plaid (any combination of brown, gold, red, cream, etc.): Cut 4 squares 3½" x 3½.



## **Piecing Instructions:**

1. Lay a Cream 2½" x 2½" square on top of each Brown 2½" x 2½" square (right sides together) and draw a line diagonally (corner to corner) on the cream fabric then sew a scant ½" on each side of the drawn line as shown. ▶



2. Cut along the center drawn lines (aligning your ruler's 45 angle on the seam line) then open each HST unit and press towards the Brown fabric to form a total 16 HST units then trim each unit to 2" x 2". ▶



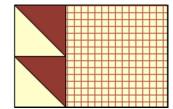
3. Using a Cream 2" x 2" square and 2 HST units from Step 2 above, assemble a unit as shown and press towards the Cream square. ▶
\*\*Repeat 3 times to form a total of 4 of these units.



Note: When performing Steps 3 and 4, take care to note the orientation of the half-square triangle units!

4. Using a Plaid 3½" x 3½ square and 2 HST units from Step 2 above, assemble a unit as shown and press towards the Plaid fabric. ►

\*\*Repeat 3 times to form a total of 4 of these units.



- 5. Create4 corner units by sewing a Step 3 unit to each Step 4 unit as shown in the upper left corner on the right. ▶
- 6. Arrange the Step 5 corner units, the Brown 2" x 5" rectangles, and the Cream 2" x 2" square into 3 rows as shown. ▶
- 7. Sew the pieces in each row together then press the seams towards the Brown rectangles in each row.
- 8. Sew the 3 rows together and press the seams.

Note: Your block should now measure exactly 11" x 11".

