Turkey Lacer Stilettos

Materials:
- Turkey lacer, available at the grocery store
- Glass beads with holes large enough for the lacer to fit
- Spacer beads metal or glass
- Aleene's Jewelry & Metal Glue
- Needle nose pliers, round nose pliers
- Wooden clothes pin
- Magic Eraser

1. With round nose pliers, close the loop at the top of the lacer.

2. Starting with a small spacer bead, try different arrangements of the beads until you find one you like. Once, you are satisfied, you are ready to glue.

3. A very small amount of Aleene's Jewelry & Metal glue is needed for each bead. I put a tiny dab between the loop and bead, then slide the bead into position.

4. Add another a dab of glue, then slide your bead up snug against the previous bead. Continue in this manner until all your beads are glued in place.
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5. Using the wooden clothes pin to hold the stiletto upright, allow the glue to dry completely, about 24 hours. There may be a white residue when the glue has dried.

6. Use the magic eraser to clean the residue off the beads.

7. If the bottom bead comes loose from use, place a dab of super glue between it and the prior beads.

Stiletto...The tool you never knew you needed, but once you have it, you don’t know how you quilted without it!

A stiletto is used to...

- guide fabric through the sewing machine
- hold turned edges while ironing
- pull up the bobbin thread to the top of fabric
- un-sew stitches
- “scrunch” ribbon against machine needle when doing silk ribbon embroidery

Finally, a stiletto adds beauty to our quilting environment.