

Kiamichi Quilt Guild News

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Message from our President

Dear Quilting Friends:

Summer is here and what better way to keep cool than to sew in our Air Conditioned rooms! We have baby quilt kits that beginners can do and you can do them too. Please take one or two home with you after the next meeting. They are already cut. All you have to do is sew. We will sell them at the Quilt Show or give them to needy families.

Read about the QUAC Garage Sale in this newsletter.

The new Kiamichi Quilt Guild Handbook is available to new members at our guild meeting room. See Joan Bolesworth to obtain your copy.

See you at our next meeting, June 8th.

Kay Schumacher, President

KQG 2006 Quilt Kamp

Janice Davis announced we made 11 twin and 14 small hero quilts at kamp ready to be bound. They will be given to the burn center and others. Pat Leeper announced Marvin Frances was quilting the quilts and some will be mailed to Sharon Carter for the Hero's Memorial. Members volunteered to take home some quilts to be bound. Thanks, and please return them at our next meeting on June 8th .

QUILT TIP OF THE MONTH

When you have washed and ironed new cotton fabrics, lay them over something flat like a bed, table or the ironing board for 24 hours. Cotton is very slow to completely dry. This delay in putting the fabric away will result in fewer fold lines and creases when you store the fabric.

QUAC TEAM UPDATE

Garage Sale

The QUAC Team had a most successful garage sale. Radio station K101.3 helped drum up business by broadcasting from their truck parked across the street. The proceeds for the day totaled over \$600. Thank you to everyone who donated items, helped set up, held signs on the corner wearing their duck hat, tastefully rearranged the merchandise, negotiated prices, celebrated sales by blowing their quacker, cheering, collected and counted money, brought in lunch, shared their Twinkies, helped clean up and deliver leftovers to Shared Blessings. And a special "Thank you" to my husband's MOM for allowing us to use her home for the event. It was a perfect location and we couldn't have done it without her.

Relay Reminders

This will be the last guild meeting before Relay Night, June 23rd, Mike Deak Field beginning at 6:00 pm. Be sure to turn in any coin canisters you have. Tickets for the "America The Beautiful" quilt will be available at our June 8th meeting. All names for Luminarias (\$5.00 each) must be turned in by June 8th. The carpet squares for the Bake Walk are painted and my son-in-law, Jason, is working on a CD of "Walkin'" songs. All we need now is your tasty baked goods. If you're going to be one of our contributing cooks, at the June meeting, please sign the Bake Walk sheet and take a reminder slip

Announcements

June 9, 10, & 11, 2006

HEART OF OKLAHOMA QUILT FESTIVAL

1700 West Independence, Shawnee, Oklahoma. For additional information, contact Cindy Locke at info@heartofoklahomaquiltfestival.com or visit heartofoklahomaquiltfestival.com

July 21 & 22, 2006

A QUILTER'S SAFARI

615 E. Robinson, Norman, Oklahoma. For additional information, contact Carol Haynes at mlhcah@cox.net

Lone Star Heritage Quilt Show

September 15-16, 2006 Sulphur Springs, Texas. For more information go to www.sulphurspringstxquilts.com Deadline date for entry forms is August 14, 2006. Delivery date for quilts is September 9, 2006.

Celebration of Quilts

The Central Oklahoma Quilters Guild will hold their quilt show next year, July 26-28, 2007 at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City. You may view their web site at <http://www.centralokquilts.org/> for additional information regarding entering your quilts.

Information regarding the Parker Mountain Quilting Retreats (June 22-24, Aug 17-19, Sep 14-16, and Oct 5-7 cost \$180.00) was shared. Flyer available for anyone interested

Kay also announced a man is wanting someone to make a quilt with his deceased daughter's clothing. Anyone who would like to volunteer should contact Kay Schumacher.

Kits for Babies:

Joan Bolesworth showed 3 baby quilt tops that were easy to make. We need quilts for the show. Kits will be available at our June 8th meeting.

Many thanks to those who went to Paducah and brought back the Hancock's magazines for any member who wants one. They are in a box under the sign in table.

BOYS & GIRLS Club "Kids Quilt Kamp"

Boys & Girls Club "Kids Quilt Kamp" is looking like a go. July 18th and July 19th, from 9:00 AM till 1:30 PM each day. We will still need more workers. The sign up sheet is in our guild meeting room at the Old High School. Please put how many machines you can bring. We're making strip blocks this year. We need strips of fabric, any color, cotton, 1 1/2 to 3 1/2 inch wide, and any length. There is a plastic container in the guild meeting room for these. Some mentioned we might have strips from poker from camp. We hope they can make 20 blocks each, 4 wide X 5 length. If they can't we'll adjust to the amount they complete.

We will be cutting muslin in our guild meeting room from scraps, 9 1/2 inch square blocks. Come any Wednesday from 9:30am until noon to help us cut the muslin. The kids will sew the strips to the muslin. We'll provide flannel for the backs, no batting will be needed,. We'll need flannel approximate size is 42" X 47". They will sew these, right sides together, turn and tie.

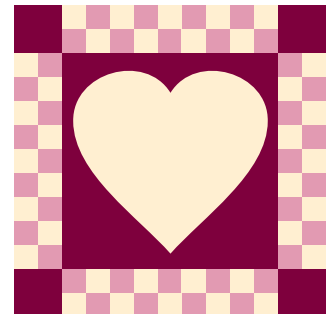
Mr. Edwards, Director of the Boys & Girls Club commented, I believe the Kids Quilt Camp was the most successful camp held last year, hope it can be again this summer. Kiamichi Quilt Guild members, thanks for all your support, fabric, everything you do to make this Kids Camp a memorable experience for the children."

Yes members, remember, it is for the children that we sacrifice our fabric, machines and time to instill our craft at an early age.

Pat Leeper

2007 Kiamichi Quilt Camp

Kay Schumacher announced that Linda Knowles has volunteered to be the camp director for 2007. Thanks Linda, we are looking forward to camp already! Mark your calendars for March 3-11, 2007. Any ideas, just see Linda with them.



Please bring your completed Blocks of the Month projects to our June guild meeting.

Also the blocks for Julia Dages so we can mail these to her.

2006 KQG Mystery Quilt
Revealed by Oleta Mitchell

Congratulations to Oleta Mitchell who completed a beautiful 2006 Mystery Quilt (shown at right). Louise Hoffman has done a fine job of quilting this Patriotic Clothesline Quilt for Oleta to enhance the pattern.

Many thanks to Lisa Hoffman for diligently piecing the blocks each month to be sure this quilt would fit together nicely. Even though this pattern was purchased in Paducah in 2005, we wanted to be sure the instructions were correct prior to our members receiving them. Each month, Lisa has shown how to piece each different star block to encourage our members to participate in a new challenge.

The final instructions are available in the quilt room for anyone who was not at our May meeting. Thanks so much for participating!
 Angie



Block of the Month

The May BOM was presented by Rosie Stoos. Rosie Stoos presented a 5" finished Churn Dash block, any shade of blues with gold or yellow. Packets were supplied with the background fabric.

The June BOM will be presented by Sherron Heard.

Program

The June Program will be presented by Kaye Dunn.

Refreshments

The May refreshments were provided by Rita Hester, Lisa Hoffman, Louise Hoffman, and Sharon Savard .

The June refreshments will be provided by Yvonne Smith, Pat Leeper, L.E. Smith and Brenda Thrash.

Remember, refreshments are served by 6:00pm, Meeting begins at 6:30pm.

Sew & Tell

Darlys Hutten – Table cloth quilt, quilted by Elaine Nelson.

Sharon Savard – 2 Scrappy Flag quilts from camp, quilted by her.

Juanita Barker – Chenille wall hang from Piecemaker's Class, Rocky Mountain Sparkler quilt, Scrappy Flag quilt from camp for her grandson, quilted by Fran Miller.

Brenda Stanway – Basket and flowers in red and green fabrics.

Betty Nevills – Blue and white wall hanging, Nana's Garden, Eleanor Burns' Fall Harvest wall hanging.

June Smith – Sweatshirt jacket.

Lisa Hoffman – Tree pattern from camp.

Elaine Nelson – Raw edge baby quilt which she donated to the guild.

Janice Davis – 2 zig zag quilts, (slice and dice quilts in fall colors), feed sack quilt block of the month.

Shirley Johns – Red, white, and blue baby quilt (Hexagon Star pattern), 2005 Mystery Quilt which she donated to the guild.

Rosie Stoos – Scrappy Flag quilt from camp.

Door Prizes

Eleven door prizes were presented at our May meeting! Thanks to all who donated them.

The final Mystery Quilt Instructions are on our web page including a photo of the original quilt with the appliqué work shown.

Just check it out by clicking below.

<http://www.orgsites.com/ok/kiamichiquiltguild/>



See you at our Next Meeting
 Thurs. June 8th!

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INSPIRATION



Dreaming of a new machine? (And who isn't!) Now may be the time to compare features of different machines in your price range. I realize we aren't all talking the same language when we speak of sewing machines. And the features we NEED may be different from those we WANT. I feel like a child of old with his nose against the glass of the candy counter when I look at top of the line machines.

Newer models have a lot of desirable features for making quilts. A high lift of the sewing foot is provided on some machines. A second notch of the lifter on some machines will raise the sewing foot just a bit and is great for getting the thick quilt under the foot on machines with the standard lift.

"Needle up, needle down" is another desirable feature. It will leave the needle down exactly where you paused.

A needle threader is a joy to these tired old eyes. Especially for using monofilament thread. The throat of the machine must be wide enough to hold the rolled up quilt you will be machine quilting. It is much easier to get that big quilt through a generous opening than a tight one.

Otherwise you may take your quilt top to one of our wonderful longarm quilters in our guild like I do.

