



Kiamichi Quilt Guild

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Shirley Wiss of "Itchin to be Stichin"
displaying one of her scrap quilts.

Camps:

Fall retreat at Rhema Ranch on August 21-24, 2008. Applications are being accepted now with a \$25 deposit. A copy of the application is available on our website. Cost is \$127.

Kamp Kutty Uppy will be held the 2nd weekend in Mar 2009 at Kamp Pickens.

Refreshments for May meeting: Angie Sellmeyer, Pam Cable, Marge Grubbs, Marty Center, and Joanne Miller.

May Program: Will be presented by Joan Bolesworth and Lisa Hoffman.

Treasure Box: Bring anything quilt related that you no longer want as "one quilter's trash is another quilter's treasure".

Cotton Belles Cookbook CDs: \$7.00; four books in one CD. All proceeds go to FISH (to feed the needy). Contact Kaye Dunn.

2008 Quilt Show: "Quilting Party", Oct 25, 2008, 9:00am – 5:00pm at St. John Catholic Church Gym. Kay Schumacher and Joan Bolesworth are quilt chairmen.

Area Quilt Shows:

May 2-3, Norman, OK

May 9-10, Black and White and Read all Over, Arlington, TX, www.qgoa.org.

May 16-17, Quilt Celebration, Durant, OK

May 8th

6:00pm Refreshments
6:30pm Meeting

All committees for the quilt show have chairmen including a team of ladies for the tea room. The main thing we will need is everybody's help with the setup and take down. Show will be Oct 25th with setup the day before.

Check out the library listing (on the website or the guild room). We have a lot of nice books in the library for our pleasure. To feature one book: "65 Drunkard's Path Quilt Designs" by Pepper Cory. One quilter's review stated "The book did a fine job going through the history of the pattern and had excellent color photos of different styles. I obtained the book for those two reasons -- and the color photos and variations give me ideas for projects."

The guild voted to write up standing rules for the guild. These rules are different than by-laws and lists the regular guild workings such as what to do when a member is in the hospital, what is the Onie quilt, what do you do with the blocks of the month, and so on. If you would like to suggest what to put in the standing rules, contact Pres Clark. A draft will be provided at the next meeting.



Janice with North-South directional quilt.



Morris wanted to get his wife Sherry something nice for their wedding anniversary. So he decides to buy her a cell phone. She is all excited, she loves her phone. He shows her and explains to her all the features on the phone. The next day Sherry goes shopping. Her phone rings and it's her husband Morris, "Hi hon, "he says, "How do you like your new phone?" "I just love it, it's so small and your voice is clear as a bell, but there's one thing I don't understand. How did you know I was at the mall ?"

Crockpot Candy (need to use a large (5-1/2 qt) slow cooker)

- 16 oz. salted peanuts
- 16 oz. unsalted peanuts
- 1 (12 oz) pkg semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 (8oz) bar semisweet baking chocolate, broken into pieces
- 2 pkgs vanilla flavored almond bark (24 oz. each)

Put all ingredients into a slow cooker in order given. Cover and cook on low setting for 3 hours-do NOT lift lid. Let cool for 30 min. or so and stir thoroughly mix. Drop by spoonfuls onto wax paper and let set. It is pretty runny, but will harden. This makes a BUNCH!!!

There are several fellow quilters having health problems and surgeries. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Armpit Fudge
(one of the receipts from Champ Rhema)

½ cup powdered sugar
1 Tblsp butter
2 tsp cocoa powder
2 tsp cream cheese
Dash of vanilla
Sandwich bags

Put ingredients in the bag. Put the bag under your arm pit to soften the butter and cream cheese. After soft, squish to mix up. Put in refrigerator for 5 min. Eat with a spoon.



Betty Nevills'

Same quilt pattern, different color schemes. Both fantastic looking!!



Juanita Barker's

Quilting Tips (taken from March guild meeting)

Little rings designed to mark wine glasses make great markers for your quilting supplies.

When you have to cut multiple strips, first straighten the edge of your fabric, next divide the width of the strip into the width of your ruler to determine how many strips can be cut at one time. Then cut the largest slice possible and without moving your fabric, slide your ruler over to the next increment and cut the next slice, repeat. For example: 2" slices and an 8-1/2" wide ruler – place 8" line on the straight edge and cut, then the 6" line and cut, then the 4" line and cut, and finally the 2" line and cut. This keeps your fabric square and you don't have to straighten it as often.

When it's hard to tell the right side of a light fabric, hold the fabric next to a very dark fabric.

Use a lint roller brush to take off threads on a quilt.

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God's Coffee

A group of alumni, highly established in their careers, got together to visit their old university professor. Conversation soon turned into complaints about stress in work and life.

Offering his guests coffee, the professor went to the kitchen and returned with a large pot of coffee and an assortment of cups - porcelain, plastic, glass, crystal, some plain looking, some expensive, some exquisite - telling them to help themselves to the coffee.

When all the students had a cup of coffee in hand, the professor said:

"If you noticed, all the nice looking expensive cups were taken up, leaving behind the plain and cheap ones. While it is normal for you to want only the best for yourselves, that is the source of your problems and stress.

Be assured that the cup itself adds no quality to the coffee. In most cases it is just more expensive and in some cases even hides what we drink. What all of you really wanted was coffee, not the cup, but you consciously went for the best cups... And then you began eyeing each other's cups.

Now consider this: Life is the coffee; the jobs, money and position in society are the cups. They are just tools to hold and contain Life, and the type of cup we have does not define, nor change the quality of Life we live.

Sometimes, by concentrating only on the cup, we fail to enjoy the coffee God has provided us."

God brews the coffee, not the cups..... Enjoy your coffee!

"The happiest people don't have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything."