



Kiamichi Quilt Guild

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April 2009

Sewjourn – Exit 255

Sewjourn Camp will be August 13-16 2009. Sherron Hearod and Janice Davis are camp directors. Sign up sheet will be ready by the April meeting night. Camp cost is \$122 and you need to have \$50 deposit when signing up with the balance due by June 11th. There will be a lot of fun activities, quilt blocks, etc. They need at least 50 people. We will be using the outside doors so the late nighters don't have to walk through the closest dorms for those that are trying to sleep. When signing up, let Sherron or Janice know if you prefer to stay in one of the closest dorms.

April 9th

6:00 pm Refreshments
6:30 pm Meeting

Refreshments for April meeting: Rosita Branscum, Geneva Hamilton, Shirley Johns, Alta Lake

Program for April: Betty Nevills

Block of the Month for April: No one signed up.

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

Area Events: Please provide any that you know of to Darlys so that we can list them.

Announcements: Date of the quilt show has been **changed to October 24, 2009**, St. Johns Catholic Church Gym, McAlester, OK.

Happy Easter



Kamp Kutti Uppi 2009

This was a huge success and a lot of fun.
Thanks to the kamp directors Kaye and Sherry
and welcome to the new kamp directors Patty
(she is such a good sport) and Darlys. Mark
your calendars for March 4-7, 2009



President: Linda Knowles, 918-420-5811
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AREA EVENTS:

April 17 & 18, Muskogee "Nine Patch in 09" Quilt Show, 9:00am to 4:00pm, \$4, St. Paul Methodist Church, 2130 W. Okmulgee, Muskogee, OK.

April 22 – 25, American Quilting Society Quilt Show, Paducah, KY.

April 24 – 25, Pontotoc County Quilt Show, 9:00am to 6:00pm, 1700 N Broadway, Ada, OK,

May 8 – 9, Annual Festival of Quilts, 10am to 5pm, Bob Duncan Community Center, 2800 South Center Street, Arlington, TX, admission \$6, free parking.

May 22 – 23, Kiowa County Quilt Show, Western Technology Center, 1000 S. Bailey, Hobart, OK. cost \$3, bargello quilt raffle and merchants.

June 4 – 6, Road to Oklahoma Shop Hop Check out: www.roadtooklahoma.com

June 18 – 20, Central Oklahoma Quilters Guild Quilt Show , "A Time to Shine 2009", 10:00am-6:00pm at the State Fair Park, I40/I44, Oklahoma City, OK.

March's Member profile was **Elaine Nelson**

Who am I???

I was born in Chicago and grew up on the north side of Chicago near O'Hare Airport. I attended Loras College in Iowa and met my husband. After marriage we lived in Des Moines, IA and had our first daughter. He went to work for the military as a civilian and we started to see the world. Our second daughter was born in Pueblo, CO. Well...never made it out of the states myself but he saw Korea. We've also lived in AL and IL and find ourselves now in OK. I've been quilting for about 15 years and am actually now challenging myself to be a bit more particular about my finished projects.

Likes/Dislikes--love snow, thunderstorms that light up the sky for hours, a colorful fall, drizzly days, a full moon, sunsets, lazy afternoons. Can't stand being hot, exercising (even if I occasionally actually do it), letting people down.

Family life--empty nester now...spend much of my time driving to Houston or Freeport.

What is important to you--Family and friends--honor, integrity, ethical behavior, personal accountability.

What you want to accomplish this year--there is a quilt I have made in my head that has actually got about 12" of it quilted...I can't seem to finish it as other obligations get in the way.

Any talents you have--I can't think of any, other than possibly quilting itself.

Any unusual experiences you have went through--Our oldest, Amy threw a fork at me when she was 15 or so and it stuck in my knee. With everyone laughing over it punishing her was not going to happen.

50th Wedding Anniversary
Celebration

Eddie and Juanita Barker
Saturday, April 4th, 1 – 4 pm

Choctaw Community Center
707 Broad Street
Crowder, OK

No gifts please.



Use blunt tipped Fiskars kid scissors for snipping threads. No chance of accidentally snipping through the fabric but the blades are sharp enough to easily snip threads.

Quick-Mix Chocolate Cookies

1 box super moist devil's food cake mix
½ cup vegetable oil
1 tsp vanilla
2 eggs
¼ cup sugar



Heat oven to 350 degrees. In large bowl, mix cake mix, oil, vanilla and eggs with spoon until dough forms.

Shape dough into 1-inch balls; roll in sugar. On ungreased cookie sheets, place balls about 2 inches apart.

Bake 10-12 minutes or until set. Cool 1 minute; remove from cookie sheets to cooling racks. Cool completely, about 30 minutes. Store tightly covered.

Party Ice-Cream Cake

Use your favorite flavor of frozen yogurt, ice cream or sherbet to "frost" this festive rainbow chip cake.

1 box party rainbow chip cake mix
Water, vegetable oil and eggs called for on cake mix box
1 quart frozen yogurt (any flavor, slightly softened)
Candy decorations, fresh fruit or shipped cream

Heat oven to 350 degrees (325 degrees for dark or nonstick pan). Make and cool cake as directed on box for 13 x 9" pan.

Spread frozen yogurt over top of cake. Immediately cover and freeze at least 4 hours until firm.

Just before serving, top with candy decorations, fresh fruit, etc. Cover and freeze any remaining pieces.

Wanted: 2009 Quilt show Chairman
If no one volunteers at the April meeting, there will be no show in 2009.

Duties: Oversees all aspects of the shows planning and implementation. We have a great bunch of ladies to volunteer for the various committees, but need someone to just make sure things stay on track.

March BOM by Elaine Nelson

Return to April meeting.
You will need one 10" and one 5" block of light, medium or dark.
PLEASE have contrast.
Find the center of both blocks and place together in the center.
Pin and sew ¼" around the smaller block.
Return.

If you make a couple you will be Elaine's friend.
If you make more than a couple, you will be her friend for life.

To Brighten Your Day

While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut-ins, I used to take my 4-year-old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, "The tooth fairy will never believe this!"

A little girl had just finished her first week of school.
"I'm just wasting my time," she said to her mother.
"I can't read, I can't write and they won't let me talk!"

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The Burning Hut

The only survivor of a shipwreck washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming. Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect him from the elements, and to store his few possessions. But then one day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, the smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened; everything was lost. He was stung with grief and anger. "God, how could you do this to me!" he cried.

Early the next day, however, he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. "How did you know I was here?" asked the weary man of his rescuers. "We saw your smoke signal," they replied.

It is easy to get discouraged when things are going bad. But we shouldn't lose heart, because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of pain and suffering.

Remember next time your little hut is burning to the ground- - it just may be a smoke signal that summons the grace of God.