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2014 Donation Quilt

Open

May 2014 Guild Meeting
Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00 pm

White Rock Baptist Church
"Round Robin of Techniques and Ideas"



Sew-a-thon Quilt assembled by Deb Claytor

From the President:

What a fun collection of quilts and quilted items we have in "Our Favorite Quilts" show in the 3rd Floor Gallery of Mesa Public Library!

Many, many thanks to all who contributed items, and the many who brought their quilts and stayed to hang the show! We have 82 quilts and quilted items on display. The show will be there for the entire month of May - make sure you stop by to see what your fellow quilters have been doing. Encourage your friends and neighbors to do the same!

Our beautiful Donation Quilt, "North By Northwest," is off to a great start. We had it on display at the Opening Reception at the Library on May 2nd, and sold tickets all day at the Arts & Crafts Fair on May 3rd at Fuller Lodge. We still need someone to be in charge of the ticket sales for the summer. Please consider if you can help in this way.

Looks like we might finally be getting some warmer weather. Enjoy the Spring, but don't forget to keep quilting - for the Quilt Market in September, or just for yourself!

Laura

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT - Deb Claytor and Deb McLin

April started off pretty quiet as Deb and Deb started planning for the LAP annual Sew-a-Thon. Our original plan was to donate 20 quilt blocks with a patriotic themed pattern to go with the blocks to the Bear Paws Quilt Guild in Jemez Springs for their Veterans Quilt project. We started with a few choices of fabric from the shed collection and our own stashes and planned to buy more fabric with a gift certificate we won in a drawing from Santa Fe Quilting. However, the word got out and we received tubs of red and blue fabric from guild members both present and former. All we had to purchase was $1\frac{1}{4}$ yards for the second set of star blocks. So many guild members showed up to cut, sew and press that we were able to make enough blocks for one entire quilt top and 10 blocks to get us moving into a second quilt. Since we had so much enthusiastic help with the Sew-a-thon Deb Claytor decided to assemble the first 20 blocks into the pattern she designed and with a little help from Deb McLin she was able to add borders too! We will show you the finished top at our May meeting. We also heard great comments from our quilters that night saying that this was a great way to get a quilt top finished as a group rather than working for many months or years after to finish a project started at the Sew-a-Thon. Our original idea of presenting 20 quilt blocks to the Bear Paws will still happen with thanks to Joan Williams, Deb McLin and Deb Claytor for finishing up the last 10 blocks.

We had some exciting times later in the month racing to finish the donation quilt. Nicole Dunn gave us priority in her studio to finish the quilt and passed it off Tuesday night at the Sew-a-Thon to Deb McLin to square up and cut binding. Deb took up Fran Suchocki's offer to attach binding and hand sewed it down on the back. Fran's magic fingers finished up this monster king size beauty in two days and we were able to deliver it including a temporary sleeve on the following Tuesday in time for the opening reception on Friday for our show at Mesa Library and the Arts and Craft Fair on Saturday. This quilt top will be a Block of the Month at Warm Hearts Yarn starting on May 10. There are a few kits left but the class will close at 12 quilters.

Our May meeting has been moved to a new date. Because of the Memorial Day holiday we will meet on May 20 at the White Rock Baptist Church. The program will be a Round Robin of quilting techniques, "old is new again" handwork and a useful tutorial for a notions caddy. Our presenters will be Pat Randall, Micki Taylor, Flo Carr and Deb McLin. **Please remember the date has changed this month to May 20th.** Join us for a night of inspiration, socializing, and learning a new technique.

We would also like to remind you of our June meeting and workshop. Millie Young will present a trunk show and workshop. You can sign up at our May meeting or call Deb Claytor at 672-1912.

May 20th White Rock Baptist Church Round Robin 7:00 PM

June 24th, United Church, Graves Hall. Millie Young speaker 7:00 PM also drawing for Mug Rug Challenge

June 25 Workshop "Wonky Log Cabin" 9:00AM-4:00 PM

July no meeting

August 26th White Rock Baptist Church. Pandy Lolos speaker, 7:00 PM

September 23 United Church Graves Hall Membership Potluck, 6:00 pm

October 28th, White Rock Baptist Church, 7:00 PM. Nicole Dunn fiber artist

November 18th, United Church Graves Hall. Virginia Walton speaker 7:00 PM also drawing for mug rug challenge.

November 19th "Whirlpool" workshop using Creative Curves Ruler.

December no meeting.

2014 QUILT MARKET - Micki Taylor and Libby Carlsten

QUILT MARKET is Saturday, September 27, 2014, at the Crossroads Bible Church. Mark your calendars and get busy. Again, there will be a "yard sale" of used or second-hand quilt related items. SO start making, and/or gathering, items to sell. The Jemez Bear Paws Quilt Guild will join us again. Co-Chairs are Micki Taylor and Libby Carlsten; Publicity Chair is Margaret Hendricks; and Silent Auction Co-Chairs are Charlene McHale and Dorothy Smedley.

The QM inventory sheets and tags are now on the LAP website.

That's all for now.

DONATION QUILT

Guild Members have made the Donation Quilt from a kit supplied by Nicole Dunn. North by Northwest with Artisan Spirit fabric from Northcott fabrics. She will be offering the block of the month at Warm Hearts Yarn the second Saturday of the month starting in May.

COMMUNITY SERVICE - Lyn Haval

KEEP THOSE MUG RUGS COMING!! We had several mug rugs entered in our competition last month. The guidelines for mug rugs were posted in the last newsletter and are on our website. The short version is: 9" by 6" with six different fabrics. See the posting for more details. There will be prizes--in June and November. Please continue to make other mug rugs (not for prizes) of any size and any fabric--we need 80-100 by our December cookie fest at Aspen Ridge.

Thanks for all your support of new and on-going community needs. I love how you all reach out with your sewing skills to make the world a better place!

Also, if you know of anyone who needs a quilt, please let me know. I have several ready to give

TREASURER'S REPORT - Donna Smith

The Checking account balance on May 1, 2014 \$10,030.45.

EXHIBITS IN NEW MEXICO

Studio Art Quilt Associates of NM present a exhibition entitled, **BEYOND TRADITION**. This is an exhibition of contemporary fiber art at the Hubbard Museum of the American West, Ruidoso NM. The show runs through September 1, 2014 guild member, Nicole Dunn has several pieces on display in this juried show.