

Quilters 2 Newsletter #145 - April 2013

This newsletter recaps some of the information that was in various March emails plus various new items.

Meeting notes of interest:

1. Summer Challenges –
 - a. Karen Anderson's is **Baby Quilts**. Lots of creative opportunities for this challenge!
 - b. Fran Walthall's is **Kid Size Pillowcases** (to go with the baby quilts!). Her instructions are on the second page of this newsletter. (Instructions for adult size can be found in Newsletter #38 under Archives.)
2. March 25th Auction – organized by Lynn Jensen. Great fun was had by all attending and \$610.50 was raised. Furthermore, Adrienne has a list of everyone who participated; so, if you complete the quilt and donate it back for one reason or another, we will refund your money. How's that for a deal?
3. Charity Quilts – 233 quilts were donated this season! A big thank you to all of you who helped in any way. Recently, the Habitat quilts were presented to a mother and her 3 daughters. They were very appreciative.
4. Charity Quilt Raffle – raised \$1890. The following note is from Fran Walthall:

I wish to thank all the raffle quilt sellers in the various venues, but especially at Market Daze where 8 women showed up (2 every hour) to sell tickets covering the 9am to 1pm hours. I know some of you signed up every week. Also a special thanks to Jan Gruber who sold at every Saturday coffee. And a special thanks to all the "charity Quilt displayers" at the last coffee where the winning ticket was drawn March 23rd. Our speaker Karen Anderson did a great job highlighting our history for our 10th anniversary. Gloria Lloyd was in the audience when her name was drawn which made it all the more special. We made a good amount of money with a very nice quilt.

Next season, we again will cover every other Saturday 8am coffee and all the Market Daze activities 9 - 1. After seeing our new raffle quilt, I predict a new record in raffle sales. Please continue to support us - this money helps us continue our activity. Thanks, Fran

5. Tip jar hint – from Karen Anderson -> use pipe cleaners to help clean your sewing machine.

Website Updates:

6. 2013 Quilt Show pictures and all 149 entries (in numerical order) are now on the website under "Picture Gallery". Viewing hints - clicking on a picture will take you to a screen showing the name of the quilter and title of the quilt. You can also elect to view the pictures in Slideshow which will also display information about the quilt.
7. 2012 Quilt Show pictures and all the entries (in numerical order) are now on the website under "Picture Gallery".
8. Bylaws and 2013-2014 Coordinators are now posted in a new section titled "Organization". This was formerly the Members Only section that required a password. None of the sections require one.

Small Pillowcase Instructions

From Fran Walthall

Easy Kids Pillowcase pattern as shared with us by Quilter's Market on Speedway – close to Pantano.

You will need:

One piece of fabric for **body**, cut to 17" x 29".

One piece of fabric for **cuff**, 7" x 29". Do not fold in half.

One piece of fabric for **accent**, cut 1-3/4" x 29", pressed in half lengthwise, wrong sides together.

1. Lay cuff fabric, lengthwise & right side up on your worktable, not folded.
2. Lay body fabric right side up on top of cuff, matching long raw edges.
3. Lay the pressed Accent fabric on top of body fabric, matching long edges and pin. (The body fabric will be hanging down, single layer.)
4. Starting at the bottom, roll the body fabric up toward the top in a tight roll. When you can see the bottom of the cuff, stop rolling and gently pull the cuff over the rolled body fabric and match up ALL the raw edges (except the bottom of the body) Pin well so edges don't shift.
5. Stitch along long edge with a ¼' seam.
6. Pull the body fabric out of the tube, right side out. Press well.
7. Trim the sides of the piece, removing selvages. The piece should measure about 29" wide.
8. Fold piece in half cross-wide, RIGHT SIDES OUT, matching up raw edges. Stitch along the side and bottom of pillowcase, using a scant ¼' seam and backstitch at beginning and end. Trim seam even. Clip corners.
9. Turn wrong side out and press well. Stitch right sides together with a 3/8" seam allowance alongside and bottom, again backstitching at ends to secure. (You've made a flat-fell or French seam.)
10. Turn right side out and press.

Hint: Use a freezer paper pattern and cut 2,3, or 4 body layers at the same time.