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DIANNE SPRINGER PRESENTED AN ENERGIZING PROGRAM



The March meeting of Pine Belt Quilters was just what we needed to kick start us onto the creative path.

Dianne Springer's quilts and other pieces, were vibrant and full of life. Her methods were simple enough for novice quilters, but enough fun to engage more experienced quilters. Her lecture was full of humor as well as good advice. And, she and her daughter, Brandy, brought plenty of goodies to tempt us. They had kits, books, fabrics, patterns, and tools.

Dianne is from Ruston, Louisiana, though it doesn't sound like she gets the chance to spend much time there. She

and her daughter managed to wedge us in between AQS Quiltweek in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and a trip to Cleveland, Ohio to tape a segment of Quilting Arts Television.

Dianne who has been making garments all her life, started her first quilt because she saw a batik dragon panel she liked. So, she asked the shop owner "how do you make a quilt". As most of us do, she over-bought fabric. **She had lots of scraps.** Dianne made several scrappy quilts that barely made a dent in her scraps, so she sewed a runner and reversible placemats. Then she sewed a lamp shade. She decoupage'd a floorcloth to cover the ugly floor at market.



Continuing, she decoupage'd more items. She made a mirror, a mailbox, a piggy bank. She covered the seat and back on folding chairs.

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When she started, she didn't know any quilting terms, she had never read a quilt book, but when AQS approached her to do a book, she had made 80-90 quilts in her first year, and figured she already had enough quilts and other projects. The result was *Scrap-o-lator*. Writing a book turned out to be "seriously hard" work, and she spoke with humor about dealing with incredibly short and frequently changing deadlines.

Quilting is creating. Getting over being compulsive, she realized that her method only requires that you match in the center of a block. Dianne says her quilting methods are very forgiving and there is very little measuring. If she runs out of fabric, she doesn't try to buy a match for fabric she already has, she chooses a completely different fabric and sprinkles it throughout the quilt. She uses many string-quilting and crazy-quilting techniques.

Having only a few days in order to get something to cover the floor of her booth at market, Dianne didn't buy a rug. She thought she could glue fabric to a foundation and have an original floor covering. She wasn't happy with the first one, so she gessoed over it and glued down more fabric. To make it more durable she painted on two or three layers of polyurethane. If the rug lasted for two or three markets, she would have been happy. She's still using it. The chairs came from necessity, too. She needed somewhere for people to sit. Of course, she couldn't have them sitting on plain folding chairs. So she covered the cushions with pieced and appliquéd fabric in a few hours.

Dianne is expecting her fabric design to come out in April. We will be watching anxiously for that. Did I mention that her color choices are vivid and full of joy?

Donna Crager introduced the guild to a mystery quilt challenge she will be overseeing. Many of us tried to get her to tell us what the quilt would look like. She said she didn't remember. Donna will send instructions for each step of the mystery quilt once a month. Please call or email Donna if you are interested in this project. Her contact information is listed in the left-hand column on the front page of this newsletter. If you have never participated in a mystery quilt, it is such fun, and it's a good way to loosen up and to use up some of that stash you have accumulated.

The boutique committee needs Christmas fabrics. You can bring any fabrics you are willing to donate to the April meeting.

Mary Nell Magee introduced guild member, Dianne Herrington who spoke to us about the quilt, made by PBQ members and donated to the Wounded Minutemen of Mississippi for their raffle. Dianne introduced us to Donna Stewart who won the quilt. Major General, Retired, Johnny Sellers and Command Sergeant Major, Gary Iverson spoke to us about the WMM program and how it benefits Mississippi men and women who have served our country.

Friendship blocks for the quarter starting in April will be "Just Call Me Crazy!" Missy Lee won the friendship blocks for this quarter, "How Green is your Stash?" Be sure to see Missy's photo at the right. Don't you think it looks like she came dressed in camouflage to blend into Dianne Springer's quilts?

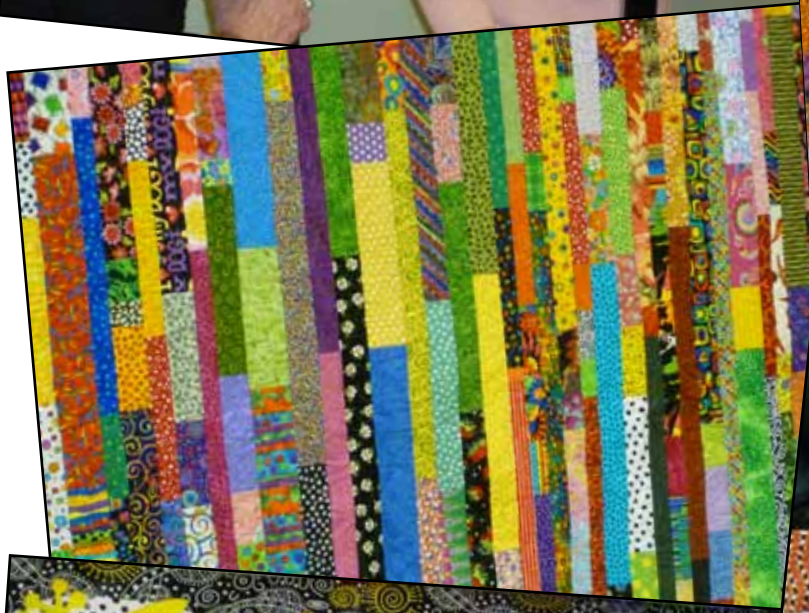


The Boutique reported that nine project holders had been created at the last committee meeting. Think about participating in the boutique meetings. You will get to know a great group of ladies and the boutique brings in a significant amount of money at our quilt show. For more information contact Shirley Whiltshire.

Betty and Joe reported the donation of 65 more pillows for the hospitals. We always need more pillows.

Geraldine Simmons reported that 20 walker totes and 6 catheter bags were turned in at the meeting. These bags are easy to construct and make life much easier for those who receive them. Think about getting involved in making them for Geraldine and her group.

Martha Ginn is back from her China trip. Maybe we can get her to tell us about it at the meeting.





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APRIL REMINDERS

April Birthdays:

Fay Barlow
Sandra Davis
Anne Hindmarch
Jean Martin

Joe Bingham
Doris Dunn
Connie M. Hitt
Marilyn Tucker

Stacy Clady
Elvia Edwards
Elaine Magee
Edna Walker

People with birthdays in April, please remember to bring a small gift (quilt related) to be used as a door prize. It should be wrapped or bagged.

April's fat quarter lottery fabric choice is spring florals.

The April workshop is Art Quilts with Mo & Mike.

The Friendship blocks are "Just Call Me Crazy".

PRIDE OF THE GULF QUILT SHOW Bay Oaks Quilt Guild

St. Rose de Lima Holy Spirit Center 301 S. Necaize Avenue
Saturday, April 13 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Sunday, April 14 Noon - 5 p.m.

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