BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Jar Block Raffle

Please turn in your completed jar blocks at the beginning of the September meeting. During this meeting, we will draw the name of the lucky quilter who will win all the blocks. We can't wait to see the collection of jar blocks!

In September, we will have apron kits. The aprons will be sold during the Quilt Show in October. Each kit includes a panel and backing fabric to create a cute apron. Please be sure to complete the apron and turn it in during the October guild meeting. Thank you for supporting the Quilt Show!

In September, we will also have block kits available that support quilts made for the veterans. We hope you will complete a block in support of our veterans.

Thank you,
Claire Reeves & Julie Cook
Block of the Month Co-Chairpersons

JAR BLOCK INSTRUCTIONS

Please pick up a kit at the Block of the Month table during the August meeting. Each kit has the background and lid pieces to make 1 block.

This block will measure 8 ½" unfinished.

Pieces included in the kit:

Two **A**: 2 ½" by 3" in background fabric
One **B1**: 1 ½" by 3 ½" in background fabric

One **B2**: 1 1/2" by 3 1/2" in lid fabric

Two **C**: 2" by 6 ½" in background fabric
Two **D**: 1½" squares in background fabric

<u>Cutting:</u> Since the kit provides the cut pieces of background and lid fabrics, you only need to provide and cut fabric for the jar shape. "Fill" your jars with your favorite things such as buttons, cherry jam, fruits, vegetables, etc. The jar shape is represented in the diagram below by the letter "E".

E: Cut one $6\frac{1}{2}$ " by $5\frac{1}{2}$ " for jar, using fabric pulled from your stash.

Sewing:

Step 1: Sew B1 and B2 together lengthwise (see diagram below). Press towards the lid fabric (B2).

Step 2: Sew A squares onto each side of the B₁/B₂ piece. Press towards the B₁ and B₂ fabrics. This is Unit One.

Step 3: Sew the two D squares onto the top corners of the jar fabric (be mindful of directional fabric). To do this for each D square, draw a line from corner to corner on the wrong side of D. Then place one D square right sides together on top of E, and match the top corner of E with the corner of D, being sure that the drawn line is pointed towards the center of the top of E, as seen in the diagram. Pin as needed and sew on the line. Trim 1/4" away from the stitching line to remove excess fabric, and press D back to create the angled top of the jar. Do this process again to the remaining top corner of E.

Step 4: Sew C rectangles to each side of E. Press towards the jar fabric. This is Unit Two.

Step 5: Sew Unit One to the top of Unit Two, being sure that the lid fabric is on top of the jar fabric. Press towards Unit Two.

