

*Aptos Quilt*

# **Birthday Quilt**

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## **Progresses**

U.S. BICENTENNIAL

Betsy Ross sewed to celebrate the birth of this nation, and the women of Aptos are doing it now to celebrate America's 200th birthday.

They are hand making a quilt which they hope eventually to display throughout the county, then donate to the county museum.

Jean Davidson, in charge of the Bicentennial quilt project, held a couple of meetings to determine whether enough Aptos ladies were interested in the task.

Enough were, and they're meeting on Wednesdays now from 10 a.m. to noon at the Aptos Library to work on the quilt.

Each of the ladies pays \$1 to help buy material and receives her portion of the master instruction to make sure the quilt makes sense when it is ready to be sewn together.

The ladies are charged with making pictures to fit on a background of red and white and two shades of blue. They also are invited to contribute their own scraps of any color.

The ladies also have what they call "mini-squares" to fill in any gaps in the masterwork. And with true pioneer practicality, they have decided to make an additional smaller quilt if there aren't enough gaps in the big one to use up all the mini-squares.

Betsy Certain has agreed to serve as technical advisor to the project.