DIAMOND STRINGS

Fabric: Scraps of assorted strips of various widths, length 12" or less Paper: (4) rectangles of paper, cut @ $6\,\%$ " x $9\,\%$ " (Newsprint or other thin paper works well)

Place the %" mark of your ruler on opposite corners of each paper square and draw a line which will be %" past the centre diagonal. **NOTE:** Two must be marked from top left to bottom right, and the other two from bottom left to top right. Place two strips RST with raw edge



aligned with the marked line, making sure that each strip extends beyond the edge of the paper. Sew $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the edge of the fabric. Open out top fabric and press towards that side. In the same manner, add strips in each direction towards the opposite corners until the paper is covered. Turn over and trim the fabric even with the paper (6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "). Lay the four units out into a diamond pattern and sew together as pictured. Remove paper from back of placemat top. Layer, quilt, add label and bind.