

Bits and Pieces

Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Newsletter

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From the President...

Well, we have finally made it to Texas summer again. That is reason enough to hunker down inside with the AC cranked up and get busy working through that stash.

We had a very successful care quilt workshop this month, so Nicole's and Stephanie's inventory is healthier than it has been for a while, but the demand for our quilts continues steadily, so if you are looking for a project during the dog days of summer, care quilts are always a good idea.

Now is also a good time to look through your magazines/patterns/etc. to come up with nifty ideas for the Bluebonnet Shop during our quilt show. Theresa Morrison will be leading a workshop during the day on August 9 at Lonestar for those who would like to join her in making projects for the shop.

We continue to shop our donation quilt at various venues around the area. We have been having good results, but we need to continue our efforts steadily in order for us to meet our budgeted amount by the time of our drawing at the quilt show in September. Let JoAnn Williams know if you need some ticket packets to sell, and be sure to volunteer when you can to sit with the quilt as it moves around.

Related to our donation quilt which funds the guild's scholarships, I have just received the following note from Ashley Konderla, one of this year's recipients: "I really appreciate the beautiful quilt that was made for me and wanted to thank you, as well as the whole quilt guild, for helping to fund my college education.

Keep cool!

Charles

Meeting Minutes...

June 13, 2017

Welcome – The meeting was called to order by President Charles Gilreath at 7:00 p.m. at the Brazos Center.

Minutes – The May minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report – Benita Ebel reported a 05/31/17 balance of \$9,934.42 in the checking account and \$16,862.25 in the savings account for a combined balance of \$26,796.67.

Membership – Maggie McGuire reported 58 members in attendance with three new members who joined tonight, and 4 visitors. Door prizes were won by Charles Gilreath, Peggy Leach, Marjean Neve and Carol Wilson.

Scholarships – Mary Ann Durbin introduced scholarship winner Elizabeth Lafon who attended with her mother. Her quilt, made by Ettie Hurst and quilted by Jane Crouse, was shown and she thanked the guild members and told them she will attend Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA.

Quilt Show – Judy Beskow showed the 2018 donation quilt pieced by Judy and to be quilted by Norma Reel. The guilt will be finished in time to be entered in the Group Category at the Quilt Show. Flyers for the show created by Christine Deppe were also shown and will be ready soon. Sue Ryan has agreed to take care of food at the Show. Ribbons are finished for winners' guilts. There will be a slight change in admission; children 10 and under will be free. Items are still needed for Basket Blitz, White Elephant and the Bluebonnet Boutique. Registration will begin at midnight July 2nd and end August 12th, with a 140 quilt limit. Judy urged members to mention ad space in the Show program to friends and businesses for great exposure at a bargain price. Carol Wilson is working on a Memorial Wall for members who have passed since the last quilt show, and she asked for members to provide any pictures they might have.

Old Business – Summer retreat starts the 22nd at 3:00 p.m. Nancy Searcy attended a Habitat dedication two weeks ago and has another on Saturday, and mentioned the recipients appreciate the welcome banner given by the Guild. The Care Quilt workshop was held yesterday (6/12) and was attended by 22 quilters, the oldest at 91 years young and the youngest at age 12. The group spoke favorably about the venue at St. Thomas Episcopal Church. Nicole Pavel has 27 quilts complete and others that will be turned in soon. The 2017 Donation quilt was shown at JoAnn's on Saturday and \$168 was collected for tickets.

New Business – Carol Wilson said Boonville Days is on Saturday, October 14th at the Brazos Center and asked for volunteers to do demonstrations and represent the

Guild. Sally Coble gave a presentation on "Applique Away on Galveston Bay" to be held 2/25/18-3/01/18.

The meeting was adjourned by Charles at 7:30 pm. Alma Fonseca introduced the speakers Barbara and Loren Wilhelm. Following the program, the following members participated in **Show and Share**:

Benita Ebel – Split patch quilt finally finished

Alma Fonseca – baby outfit and quilt for expected grandchild

Barbara Mes – Welcome banner and quilt with horses for a friend

Charles Gilreath - Books & Blanket quilt

Sally Robinson – felted wool Christmas stocking for Joey

Rowena Reed – 10 Welcome banners and a quilt by the Quilt 'n Piece Bee

Rozan Coody - Quilt with hexagons

Paulette Mayes - Needle holder keychains

Elaine Lorance – double wedding ring quilt

Nicole Pavel – Care quilts and large log cabin quilt

Linda Shamblin – applique wall hanging

Debbie Ginn - Care quilts

Linda Winder – Texas Tech quilt #2

Sue Chrysler – 2 care quilts for Austin, 1 chain link

Vicky Carpenter – 2 old quilt tops she wanted to give away and one to sell

Kitty Ard – soldier squares made by Nancy Searcy

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Fisher, Secretary



Quilter's Hideaway
Day Retreat

Country Living Quilts
936-396-2889

Rent for sewing with your friends (up to 28)
10 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Brazos Center window

A small sample of our care quilts are now being shown at the Brazos Center. Some are from the recent workshop and some are others previously donated.

Thank you to all who attended and those who donated. There will be some very happy recipients.

Thanks also to Millie Carter for sharing her Mother-in-law's quilts.



Bee News ...

The QOV group has been traveling, but staying out of trouble. Our goal this summer is to organize another distribution. Everyone is on one stage or another in completion of a quilt. One of our members, Peggy Allbright, is experiencing some medical issues that the doctors don't seem able to "quilt out". Keep her in your thoughts please.



Happy Scrappers are busy with workshops, retreats, donation quilts, care quilts, and getting projects ready for the quilt show.



The Quilt 'N Peace Bee has been staying longer hours each Tuesday and this month we gave 10 Welcome Banners for Habitat, 10 care quilts, and 2 quilts for Books and a Blanket to the Guild. We enjoy visiting with each other as we work.





ShowNTell 1 Sally Robinson has a cute snowman ready for the winter season.





ShowNTell 2 Paulette Mayes displays her key chain needle holders



ShowNTell 3 Barbara Mes has a lucky friend who will enjoy this horse themed quilt



ShowNTell 4 Rowena Reed delivers Welcome Banners from the Quilt N Piece Bee



ShowNTell 5 Benita Ebel displays her Split patch quilt finally finished



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ShowNTell 6 Hexagons by Rozan Coody



ShowNTell 7Another Book N a Blanket by Charles



ShowNTell 8 Nicole Pavel's Log Cabin...Can you say BIG?

- **Dynamic Diversity: Quilts by African-American Artists**
- **Art Quilts of the Midwest**

Quilt Show Needs and Requests...

Kim DeBona and Nicole Pavel are working on the fat quarter and strip project for the Quilt Show. Have you turned yours in? Probably not as they are in need of more. Please go though your stash and find a few fat quarters and cut some strips. Without your help, very little gets done. Contact Kim and Nicole for information on how to get your fat quarters and strips to them..





ShowNTell 9 Double **Wedding Ring by Elaine Lorance**

Jexas Quilt Museum new exhibits...

Summer sizzles at the Texas Quilt Museum with three brand new exhibits running June 29-October 1, 2017. There will also be a free lecture by Dr. Sandra Sider, Museum Curator, on September 9 at 3 p.m., "Celebrating Five Years of Texas Quilt Museum Exhibitions."

Hearts and Flowers: Antique Quilts from the International Quilt Study Center & Museum





ShowNTell 10 Linda Winder – Texas Tech quilt #2



ShowNTell 11 Sue Chrysler and her Chain Link Quilt



Program Speakers...





For Sale: Sweet Sixteen Hand-Quilter. Very few hours of use with recent clean. Tru Stitch regulator and table included. \$3000 OBO. Anne Perry (979) 828-4374

Special thanks to Christine Deppe for all the ShowNTell photos.