



Bits and Pieces

Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Newsletter

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From the President...

This will be an exciting month for our guild. A grant from the Arts Council of Brazos Valley has allowed our Program Chairs (Sharon Braunagel and Charles Gilreath) to bring in Debbie Jones as an artist – in – residence. What a week of fun it will be!

Three months until the Quilt Show. Our Quilt Show Committee chairs (Maggie McGuire and Charles Gilreath) are working hard. The committee members are committed to provide their part of the quilt show and could absolutely use your help. So, please volunteer when asked! It's a ton of fun and you know you want to be seen at the quilt show.

Basket Blitz Chair (Kitty Ard) will need gift baskets by August 1. At the May Guild meeting Maggie handed out a long list of ideas for creating a gift basket. You do not need to pretty-up the basket, just bring the basket with the contents and a list of what is in the basket. Debbie Brooks and Kitty will make your basket oh, so pretty. Tickets will be sold at the Basket Blitz booth for individuals to take a chance at winning their favorite baskets.

How are everyone's projects going? Some members have been extra busy with care quilts and quilt donations to Books and a Blanket, Laverne especially. Don't forget we have a Facebook site where you can post your pictures. Bees or retreats

can take pictures and post them. It's fun to have pictures of our members busy with guild activities or just wanting to share the projects they are excited about.

See you soon, Denise

Meeting Minutes...

The BBQG held their monthly meeting at the Brazos Center on May 14, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Denise Mackan. There were 70 members present and 4 visitors.

Door Prizes – Sue Ryan presented door prizes to Ann Perry and Rhonda Kuboviak.

Minutes – A motion was made by Charles Gilreath and 2nd by Sharon Braunagle to approve the April minutes as written in the newsletter. Minutes were approved.

Quilt Show Report – Maggie McGuire gave a summary of the Quilt Show Committee work. Members and bees were encouraged to provide a basket for the Basket Blitz and a page of basket ideas was distributed.. Maggie also distributed a list of dates to remember in preparation for the upcoming show. The Bluebonnet Store requested items to be sold in the booth, particularly new quilts or baby blankets. Sue Idol encouraged members to contact her if they have finished workshop projects that can be displayed at the show. Posters were distributed for members to place in businesses to

advertise the upcoming show. Work signup opportunities will be available at the June Guild meeting.

2020 Donation Quilt – Sharon Braunagle presented the 2020 Donation quilt she constructed and quilted. It will be an entry at the Quilt Show and also appraised at the Quilt Show. She is donating the quilt to the guild. Thank you Sharon - it is stunning!



New Business

American Legion – A thank you card for the American Legion Post 159 was distributed for members to sign. The American Legion graciously provides their hall for quilt guild workshops. Sharon Braunagle created a banner to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of the Post as a thank you for the Legion's generosity. The banner will be presented to the Legion on June 6th @ 7:00 p.m. Maggie McGuire encouraged members to attend the event that night. Please contact Maggie @ 979.204.4737 if you are planning on attending.

Quilt Education – Carol Willson asked for volunteers to help mentor a high school class making quilts. A signup sheet was provided. Help is needed on May 17, 20-21.

Scholarships – Marty Fuller reported she had presented one scholarship quilt to a graduating senior at St. Joseph's school and will present another scholarship soon. Plans are for scholarship winners to be presented to the guild at the June meeting.

Programs – Sharon Braunagle reported there are still spots available for the Debbie Jones workshops in June. She will be sending out supply lists shortly for these workshops. Please contact Sharon if you are interested in attending any of these workshops. Sharon also reported that with the

current registration and the grant from the Arts Council the Debbie Jones event is fully funded.

Upcoming programs and workshops are listed below.

June – Debbie Jones – Fabric Becomes Fine Art

Workshop 1 – Silk Bowls

Workshop 2 – Butterfly Decollage

Workshop 3 – Fabric Stamping and Painting

Workshop 4 – Landscape Decollage

Workshop 5 - Fabric Ice Dyeing

(Note: Debbie Jones is available to us via a grant through the Brazos Valley Arts Council.

Participation is open outside the guild. Early signup is highly encouraged.)

July – Lou Ellen Hassold – Quilting through Generations

Workshop – Bluebonnet Store and Quilt Show Prep

August – Quilt Show Prep and Quilters and their Tools

Workshop – Bluebonnet Store and Care Quilts

September 6-7 - BRAZOS BLUEBONNET GUILD QUILT SHOW

September – Quilt Show Recap

October – Rae Nae Merrill – Spiral Mandella Trunk Show

2 Day Workshop – Magnificent Spiral Mandella Boot Camp

(Co-Sponsored by Lonestar Quiltworks)

November – Sabrina Szymczyk – Round Robin Quilts

Workshop – Developing a Round Robin Quilt

December – Christmas Party

Program – Sharon Braunagle introduced our speaker for the night, Ann Loveless. Ann is an award winning Landscape quilter from Michigan. She shared a slide show of her quilting journey to date, highlighting her techniques and award winning quilts. She then shared a trunk show of quilts she created. We thoroughly enjoyed her presentation.



Show and Tell – The meeting was concluded with 12 members showing their awesome quilts, wearables, and quilt related accessories.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Kirkpatrick

Treasurer's Report

For the Month of April 2019

Checking

Beginning Balance - Checking per bank	12,476.03
Deposits Made	1,470.00
Checks Cleared	(338.91)
Ending Balance per Bank	<u>13,607.12</u>
Less Outstanding Checks	(505.56)

Ending Balance - Checking per
Register

13,101.56

Savings

Beginning Balance - Savings per
Bank

16,970.03

Interest Received

5.58

Transfers to Checking

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Ending Balance - Savings

16,975.61

Total Cash Balance

30,077.17

* Outstanding checks

12/4/2017 ck 1482 RaNae Merrill 450.00

04/9/2019 ck 1604 Nelda Cohen 55.56

Total 505.56

Submitted by Rozan Coody

Bee News...

There is now a list of Bees in Groupworks under the Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild "About" tab. Send in your updates to our Bee Keeper, Jane Riggs

The **Praying Piecers** are creating quilts for the Hope Pregnancy Center now. They expect to deliver 15-20 quilts in June. During their gatherings, they work on individual projects and finish with lunch together. This bee, originally created by Peggy Cooper, usually meets every second and fourth Mondays from 9-12 in the Activity Building at Franklin United Methodist Church in Franklin. Contact Donna Otto, (e-mail rdot37r@aol.com; phone [979-777-8663](tel:979-777-8663)) for more information.

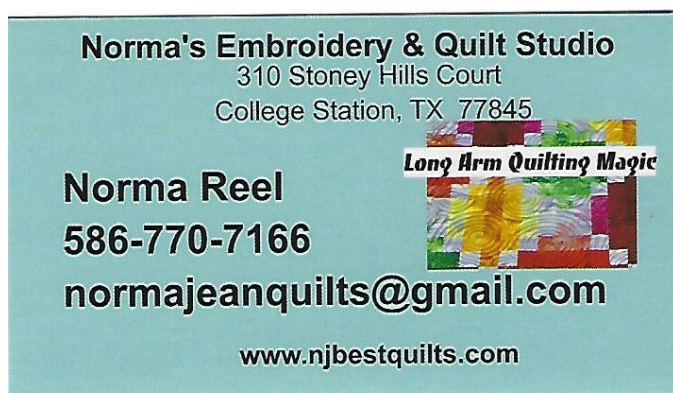


This month **Wednesday Bee** is getting close to finishing up our monthly block exchange project. The fourth Wednesday of last month we started a scrappy charity quilt project using Pat Sloan's "Little Wishes" pattern. We plan to work on similar projects every 4th Wednesday of the month. Other Wednesdays, we work on our own projects.

Happy Scrappers continue to keep busy on individual projects.



Quilt'n Peace Bee has completed three quilts for graduating seniors from Texas Baptist Children's Home in Round Rock. Thirteen quilters will attend a party there and present the quilts to the recipients on May 21. It goes without saying that we'll have to stop by a couple of quilt shops on the way and we'll eat lunch at the Stage Coach Inn in Salado. We also continue to work on care quilts for the Guild and quilts to donate to Books and A Blanket.



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Saturday, July 13 from 2pm - 4pm
Wednesday, July 17 from 6pm - 8pm
Saturday, July 27 from 2pm - 4pm

The Conference Room, on the first floor, behind the Reference Desk is where you will need to go to meet with Denise for assistance while you register your quilt. No appointment is needed.

For those of you who feel that you can navigate the registration process, but have a question or need help with login information contact Denise Mackan at denisemackan@gmail.com or call 979-862-4450.



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2019 Quilt Show Registration information

Registration will open on June 1 and end at midnight on July 31. The process to register your entries is through our online program.

Denise Mackan will be available to help you as you enter your quilts.

For those who do not have a computer or would like assistance with the online registration system, Denise will be at the Clara B. Mounce Public Library, 201 E 26th Street in Bryan at the dates and times below:

Saturday, June 8 from 2pm - 4pm
Wednesday, June 19 from 6pm - 8pm
Saturday, June 29 from 2pm - 4pm



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Ann Loveless Trunk Show



Ann Loveless Trunk Show continued



Vickie Carpenter
showing her
husband's work

Maggie McGuire -
Quilt of Valor





Clockwise: Carol Foster, Rachelle Kubricht, Charles Gilreath, Poullette Mayes, Sue Idol and Lynda Gustavu



Sally
Robinson
Creations



Quilt n
Piece
donation
Quilts



Nancy Searcy Donations
for Bluebonnet Store



Dates to remember:

June 1, 2019 - BBQG 2019 Quilt Show Registration begins

June 3, 2019 at 6pm - BBQG Board Meeting

June 11, 2019 - BBQG Guild Meeting - Meet and greet at 6:30pm;
Business and Program begins at 7:00pm
Debbie Jones first workshop is June 11, 2019 at 9am (same day as guild meeting)

June 19, 2019 7pm - Quilt Show Committee Meeting