



Bits and Pieces

Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Newsletter

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From the President...

Bikes speeding downhill and rushing to the finish line.

While watching Le Tour de France I realize how quickly the quilt show will be here. I know Le Tour and quilt show may not fit together for you, but in my mind it fits for me. It's time to speed things up and focus on getting ready for the quilt show. Please find time at the next meeting to sign up to help. If you cannot make the August meeting, tell someone to sign you up. Everyone is needed! Isn't it nice to feel needed.

Big thank you to Lou Ellen for putting together and presenting that fabulous program. The stories were great and the quilts were amazing. I saw many happy faces in the crowd. Looked to me like everyone enjoyed the program as much as I did.

During our August Guild meeting we will work on plans for the quilt show. Very important information will be discussed, so don't miss. Also, WE are the program. Bring your favorite sewing tool. I have mine ready, can't sew without it.

For now, it's back to watching the bikes and beautiful countryside. I need the rest before the work begins!

Secretary's Report

The BBQG held their monthly meeting at the Brazos Center on July 9, 2019. The meeting was

called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Denise Mackan. There were 57 members present, and 7 visitors. The guild currently has 144 members.

Minutes – A motion was made by Charles Gilreath and 2nd by Rozan Coody to approve the June minutes as written in the newsletter. Minutes were approved.

Scholarships – Marty Fuller reviewed the scholarship selection details. She then introduced the Joyce Blasi scholarship recipient, Peyton Mitchell. The Luci Smith scholarship recipient, Lacy Matocha, was unable to attend due to a schedule conflict. Congratulations to both these young ladies.

Door Prizes – Sue Ryan presented door prizes to Lynn McCartney, Joann Williams, and Nancy Breed.

Quilt Show Report – Maggie McGuire an update on the Quilt Show Committee work. Signup sheets were posted around the room listing different opportunities for members to volunteer to work at the show. Workers will be asked to wear a hat at the show to coordinate with our Garden Party theme. Vendor booth space is sold out! Maggie reminded the group a new booth, Quilts for Sale, will provide members an opportunity to sell their quilts on consignment. Members were encouraged to contact Sue Idol (sueidol@yahoo.com) if they have finished workshop projects that can be displayed at the show. Debbie Ginn encouraged members to “Like” and “Share” the guild Facebook page as a way to advertise our show. Registration

for the show is open online through July 31st and members are encouraged to enter their quilts. A workshop for the Bluebonnet store will be conducted beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 10th, at the American Legion Hall and everyone is encouraged to participate. It was also announced the last day to donate anything for the White Elephant booth will be the August meeting.

2020 Donation Quilt

– Stephanie Modrall announced the Donation quilt will be at Lonestar Quiltworks on Wednesday, July 10th. Contact Stephanie Modrall



(samiam4sur@gmail.com) if you are willing to help transport and sell tickets at upcoming dates she has arranged. An announcement was made that the plastic tub containing the table cloth and banner used when displaying and selling tickets is missing. Please contact Stephanie if you have the tub or know of its location.

New Business

Fall Retreat - Registration for the Fall Retreat is now open. The retreat is October 13-16, 2019 and will be held at the 12 Pines Retreat in Huntsville. Cost is \$250. Contact Diana De Francesco if you are interested in attending the Fall Retreat.

Nominating Committee- Denise Mackan announced we are in need of volunteers to coordinate and help with a nominating committee to select Board Members for 2021. Denise and Rozan Coody volunteered to help but more volunteers are needed. Please contact Denise if you can help with this important committee.

Christmas Party Committee – Denise Mackan also asked for volunteers to participate on the Christmas Party Committee. The party will be December 9th.

Volunteers at the meeting were Rachelle Kubricht, Denise Mackan, Donna Bracewell, and Gwen Koval. If you are interested in helping, please contact Denise Mackan.

Programs – Sharon Braunagle reported there were 82 participants for the Debbie Jones workshops in June. The workshops were very successful. Sharon also discussed the August program topic – Quilters and Their Tools. Sharon encourage everyone to bring their favorite tool and share how it helps them with their quilt projects. The tool does not necessarily need to be a designated sewing tool, but could be something adapted to use as a sewing tool. She also reminded members our September meeting program would be a time for Quilt Show participants to share the quilts they entered and the judge's comments. Sharon also encouraged members to sign up for the Rae Nae Merrill Spiral Mandella 2 day boot camp. Upcoming programs and workshops are listed below.

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, our own Lou Ellen Hassold. Lou Ellen presented a history of quilting through her family. She treated us to a wonderful trunk

show of quilts made by her great grandmothers ,
grandmothers, mother and her own beautiful quilts.

450.00

Show and Tell – The meeting was concluded with 9
members showing the awesome quilts and quilt
related projects they have completed.

Submitted by Rozan Coody

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Kirkpatrick

Treasurer's Report

For the Month of June 2019

Checking

Beginning Balance - Checking per bank	11,882.19
Deposits Made	4,840.00
Checks Cleared	<u>(7,905.28)</u>
Ending Balance per Bank	8,816.91
Less Outstanding Checks	<u>(450.00)</u>
Ending Balance - Checking per Register	<u>8,366.91</u>

Savings

Beginning Balance - Savings per Bank	16,981.38
Interest Received	5.58
Transfers to Checking	<u>-</u>
Ending Balance - Savings	<u>16,986.96</u>
Total Cash Balance	<u>25,353.87</u>

* Outstanding checks

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Merrill	450.00
Total	<u> </u>

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Bee News...

Happy Scrappers are working on individual
projects, including ones for the upcoming quilt
show.

Quilt in Peace Bee has continued to meet during the
summer. Several members attended the Summer
Retreat and enjoyed the fellowship and country
ambiance, good food, demos, and lots of sewing
time. We are looking forward to the BBQG Quilt
Show and displaying our newest projects.

Wednesday Bee completed our block "Pizza Box"

exchange last month. Now members who participated will be working on completing their own quilt with the blocks they received, or working on completing quilts for our quilt show in September. However, you are free to work on whatever you'd like during our bee time.

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Scholarship Winners...

The BBQG scholarship committee reviewed and ranked 17 applications from 6 High Schools in the Bryan College Station area. The applications were judged on the applicants interest in visual arts, record of community service, academic standing and recommendations. The 2019 scholarship recipients are:

Lacy Matocha received the BBQG Luci Smith scholarship. Lacy was an outstanding student at St. Joseph Catholic High School. Lacy will attend Texas A&M University. Lacy's quilt was pieced and quilted by Melody Nelson.



Martha Fuller and Lacy Matocha

Peyton Mitchell received the BBQG Joyce Blasi Scholarship. Peyton graduated in the top 10% of her senior class at College Station High School. Peyton will attend the University of Houston. Peyton's quilt was provided by JoAnne Williams.



Martha Fuller and Peyton Mitchell



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Dates to remember...

- Monday, August 6 Board Meeting 6pm
- Tuesday, August 13 Guild Meeting 6:30 meeting and greet, 7pm meeting
- Wednesday, August 14 Quilt Show Workday
- Thursday, September 5 Hang the Quilts! for the show. HELP!
- Friday, September 6 Quilt Show opens to the public
- Saturday, September 7 Quilt Show open to the public, drawing for donation quilt



Garden Party

Presented by
THE BRAZOS BLUEBONNET QUILT GUILD
 A Biennial Judged Quilt Show

September 6–7, 2019

Friday, 10 am–6 pm
Saturday, 10 am–5 pm

www.BBQG.org

Quilt seen by Jo Ann Williams & Lynn McCartney. Quilting by Patsie Burin.



Donation Quilt: "Lotus" by Jinny Beyer

Admission: \$10

(12 & under free; active/retired military with ID free)

- ✿ 120+ Quilts
- ✿ Vendors
- ✿ Raffle Baskets (at 3 pm Sat)
- ✿ Care Quilt Challenge & Auction (at 2 pm Sat)
- ✿ Gift Boutique
- ✿ Denise Bartosh, M.A. AQS Certified Appraiser
- ✿ Brazos County 2020 Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo "Go Texan" Quilt

The Brazos Center

3232 Briarcrest Dr.
 Bryan, TX



This show is our primary fundraising event.
 All money raised goes to fund college scholarships for local high school students

