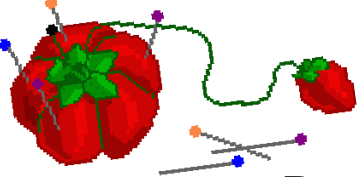


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# Bits and Pieces

## Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Newsletter

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### Message from the President:

It is hard to believe the quilt show is upon us already. Seems like yesterday it was still 3 months away! Many thanks to all who have worked so hard this last year to insure a successful show. Dawn and Deb, you make an awesome team! You have kept everything very organized and have implemented some really neat changes that I am looking forward to seeing.

Just want to remind you all that there will be no regular meeting in September. The board meeting will be on September 1 at the Arts Council Center and is opened to all who wish to attend.

Many of you will be called on in the next few weeks to be an officer for next year. I hope anyone called will be willing, if able. We need a board to work well together, but we also need diversity and new and fresh ideas.

Happy quilting,  
Marian

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### CONGRATULATIONS TO LAVERNE

Laverne Ondracek, leader of the Happy Scrappers Sewing Bee has won the prestigious Arts Council of the Brazos Valley Volunteer of the Year Award. She will be honored during the annual *Celebrating the Arts 2009, A Renaissance of the Arts*, on September 15, 2009, at Miramont Country Club. All Guild members are invited to attend. Tickets can be purchased for \$100 by calling the ACBV at 979-696-2787 by September 7, 2009.

The purpose of Celebrating the Arts is to honor the arts community and present awards to five leaders in the arts. All 59 affiliate regional nonprofit arts, culture and heritage organizations are asked to submit a nomination for the Volunteer of the Year Award. The Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild nominated Laverne. Thank you for your support and votes.

Not only is Laverne the leader of the Happy Scrappers, she is a faithful donor of 50-75 "Care Quilts" each year. As a member of RSVP, she also makes lap robes and bibs that are given to elderly residents of nursing homes. Using her sewing talents, she makes and fills RSVP Christmas Bags that are distributed to participants of Meals on Wheels.

Mary Anne Durbin

Arts Council of the Brazos Valley Representative

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## Quilt Show Baskets

For those of you who are donating baskets for the BBQG Quilt show, please send the description of your basket via email to Kimberly D. at [dachsie@earthlink.net](mailto:dachsie@earthlink.net) and she will print them all up to be put with the baskets for uniformity. Please put BBQG Basket in the subject line. If questions call Kimberly at 731-1016.

**To volunteer for the open slots in the schedule please call: Peggy Cooper at 979/828/3460**

<b>BASKET TABLE SCHEDULE</b>
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Friday-----Saturday
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<b>8 to 10 am: Peggy Cooper 828-3460</b> <b>Linda Bridges 696-3460</b>	<b>10 – 12: Carol Patterson - 690-9630</b> <b>Pat Nichols – 589-3031</b>
<b>10 to 12pm: Delores Rydell</b> <b>Kerry Dwyer</b>	<b>12 – 2pm: open</b>
<b>12 – 2:00 - -Open</b>	<b>2 – 4: Jane Waldrop &amp; Peggy Mobley</b> <b>775532                      690-1366</b>
<b>2pm – 4: Sue Idol</b>  <b>4pm -5:30</b>	<b>4 – DRAWING</b> <b>Ramonda Almand 778-0476</b> <b>Cathy Davis 731 - 8909</b>

## CLEANING OUT YOUR STASH???

Quilt 'n Peace Bee (First Baptist Church, College Station) makes one or two trips each year to a mission site in the Rio Grande Valley. We teach quilting to the women in the little community of Lasara; we have been going to Lasara for the past eight years. Lasara is a rather remote community with very significant poverty. Our next trip is scheduled for early January 2010.

In order to teach quilting we must take the fabric that we use. Our group has grown to about thirty-five women. Last month, we used all the fabric we took and had to buy additional fabric. Several Guild members have suggested that we let other Guild members know that we need fabric, so we are asking you...when you clean out your stash...to remember that we can use the fabric that you no longer like, or no longer want, or no longer remember why you bought it!!! We use fabric sized from *fat quarters to yardages*...nothing smaller, please. We will take almost anything that is 100% cotton; however, we prefer not using geometrics, plaids, checks, stripes for the obvious reasons: lots of beginning quilters.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Rowena Reed, Peggy Mobley, or Linda Winder.

## Helpful Hints:

The largest pills box (seven day) makes a great storage/file for sewing machine needles. This can be labeled for easy identification

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### BBQG Programs and events for 2009

**September 8** – NO MEETING

**September 11 & 12** – BBQG Quilt Show – Brazos Center

**October 13-** Program Potluck/Show and Tell

**November 10** – Jim Salinas from Moda fabrics

**December 8** – Christmas party

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### Area Quilt Shows

**September 10,11, and 12 2009** - Creative Memories Quilt Guild of Caldwell, 23<sup>rd</sup> annual quilt show. Civic Center on Hwy. 21 in Caldwell.

September 18-19, 2009 – Threads and Golden Needles 2009 Quilt Show and Auction. Loan Star Convention Center 9055 FM 1484 Conroe, Texas 77303. [www.goldenneedles.org](http://www.goldenneedles.org)

**September 18-20 Fri and Sat. 10 am – 5 pm Sunday 11 am – 4 pm** – Trinity Valley Quilters' Guild Presents: "Log Cabins – Timeless Treasures" Amon Carter Exhibit Hall, Will Rogers Memorial Complex 3401 W. Lancaster Av., Ft. Worth, Tx. 76107 [www.tvqg.org](http://www.tvqg.org)

**Oct 2-3, 2009 – Chisholm** Trail Quilt Guild **Color** Explosion 09. Dell Diamond Heritage Center Round Rock, Tx. [www.ctquiltguild.org](http://www.ctquiltguild.org)

Oct. 2-3, 2009 – Peacemakers' 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Quilt Show. Trinity Lutheran Church, 5201 Spring Cypress, Spring, Tx 77379 Free Admission.

February 12-13, 2010 – Tri-County Quilt Guild's First Guild Show – Featuring Quilt Artist Tom Russell. Fairfield Baptist Church, 27240 Hwy. 290 West, Cypress, Tx. 77410. [www.tricountyquiltguild.org](http://www.tricountyquiltguild.org)

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### Notice

Laura North and Michael Jackson both have an extra room for anyone wishing to stay over after a Guild Meeting or workshop. Just let us know and we will be sure the bed is made fresh.

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Viking Designer SE combo sewing/embroidery machine for sale; \$3,900.00; basic accessories PLUS many extra items; pictures and further information upon request; Diana DeFrancesco; 979-776-0041; [thisnthat@suddenlink.net](mailto:thisnthat@suddenlink.net)

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\*\*\*\*\* NOTICE\*\*\*\*\*

The Applique Society is starting an evening group. Meetings will be 4th Tuesday from 6:30 to 9:30 at the home of Carmel Hill (3046 Hickory Ridge Circle, Bryan). This will start in October.

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#### Road Trip

Jane Waldrop, Peggy Leach, Kerry Dwyer and Michael Jackson recently went on a fun road trip to Missouri City, Texas where they took a two day class at Little Stitches. This was great class in Machine embroidery. This shop caters to those interested in Machine Embroidery.

*Send notes about your road trips to Michael Jackson (bryan\_purple@yahoo.com)*

#### CARE QUILTS

Care Quilts: The Committee would like to thank everyone who showed up to give us the best attendance for a Care Quilt Workshop ever. Together, we had a whole lot of fun while producing more than 30 quilts that day. Along with the quilts that were made before the meeting, the shelves were stocked with more than 50 quilts. In addition, two more quilts were finished for the Twin City Mission bringing our total to 9 twin size quilts. Once all of the quilts currently in progress are filled, our goal of twenty twins for the Mission will have been met--- we hope by Christmas. Thank you to all the many members that have made this possible.  
Sincerely, Luci Smith and Laura North

**Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild**  
**August 11, 2009**

**Call to Order:** President Marian Dierschke called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Thanks for everyone who helped make the workshop such a great success.

**Officers Reports**

**1<sup>st</sup> V.P. - Programs / Workshops:** Linda reminds everyone that there will not be a September meeting because of the quilt show. In October we will have show and tell and Pot Luck evening. Thanks to all who participated in the Carol Doak workshop last month to make it such a big success.

**2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. - Membership:** Carol Patterson reported that tonight 51 members signed in and we welcome 2 visitors tonight.

**Secretary:** The July minutes are available on the website. They stand approved.

**Treasurer:** No treasurers report tonight.

**Committee Reports**

**Arts Council:** Mary Anne reminds everyone that the dinner to honor Laverne will be Tuesday September 15<sup>th</sup> @ Miramont Country Club, @ 5:30 PM.

**Block of the Month:** 14 blocks were turned in. Sue Idol Wins. The next block is due in October, the pattern is available on the website.

**Care Quilts:** Thanks to all that helped at the care quilt workshop. We had a great day and finished over 40 quilts today. We have donated 139 quilts this year.

**Door Prize:** winners are Laura North, and Kim Debona.

**Education:** There will not be quilt education at the Arts Council building this Saturday.

**Library:** Sue Idol is working on getting the library ready.

**Newsletter:** If you have not received the newsletter. Please e-mail Michaele to confirm e-mail address. If you have any information for the newsletter, please e-mail it to Michaele.

**Quilt Show:** The quilt show is quickly approaching. Sign-up! Sign-up! Sign-up! To work in the different areas. Thanks to all who are helping make this show great. Also reminded all groups to be working on their give away baskets. There will be a general e-mail announcement sent out to the guild members to forward to their e-mail list.

**Raffle Quilt:** Michael reported that the raffle quilt has sold \$3,489.00 so far they will be going to Temple, Conroe, and JoAnn's. They also ask that each member sell at least \$20.00 worth of tickets each.

**Soldier Squares:** Linda asked members to take a kit to work on soldier squares.

**WebSite:** Anne reported that the guild's website has had over 1,000 hits in June and July.

**New Business:** The board voted to transfer \$2,000.00 from the savings account to the checking account to cover the expenses of the quilt show.

**Show & Tell**

Laura North & Luci Smith	- mission quilts & Carol Doak quilt
Barbara Seim	- the bear paw (the "shut-up" quilt)
Sue Chrysler	-dress that Nancy Searcy helped with, a scrabble tile bag
Linda Winder	-Kate's quilt – tossed nine patch
Diedra Roberts	-care quilts, scrapbook quilts
Peggy Mobley	-two care made by the quilt in peace bee
Barbara Mes	-'crosses and clouds" red white and blue quilt based on a pattern called "Tile Tango"

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:23 PM. Recording Secretary, Stephanie Fazzino**

### **BBOG Officers for 2009**

President-	Marian Dierschke
1 <sup>st</sup> VP for Programs	Linda Bridges
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP for Membership	Carol Patterson
Treasurer	Theresa Morrison
President Elect	Kerry Dwyer
Past President	Beverly Alexander
Secretary	Stephanie Fazzino
Retreat – Winter	Connie Silber
Retreat – Summer	Rowena Reed
Teaching	Alice Luttbeg
Scholarship	Sue Chrysler
Soldiers' Squares	Linda Novosad

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### **BBOG Committees for 2008**

Arts Council	Mary Anne Durbin
Beekeeper	Peggy Mobley
Block of the Month	Charlotte Simpson
Brazos Center Display	
Bus Trip – Dallas	Marijane Deen
Bus Trip – Houston	
Care Quilts	Luci Smith, Laura North
Christmas Party	Material Girls
Door Prizes	Jelinda Pepper
Habitat Quilts	Bunny Douglas
Librarian	Sue Idol
Newsletter	Michaele Jackson and Jane Magill
Quilt Education	Carol Willson
Quilt Show	Dawn Merker
Raffle Quilt Construction	
Raffle Quilt Sales	Kerry Dwyer and Michaele Jackson

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