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THE PRESIDENT'S PIECE

It's the soul's duty to be loyal to its own desires. It must abandon itself to its master passion.

- Rebecca West

Summer seems to be the time of year to learn the things we really want to know instead of the "have to know" things.

Usually it is a family member who takes the time on a summer day to teach us how to ride a bike, drive a car or sew a stitch.

Some of my fondest summer memories are going to my grandmother's house and learning how to make bread. The experience made an impact on me because my grandmother was teaching me something that she had a true passion for. I may not have become an expert bread maker from the experience, but to this day I have a love for the process of making bread. Just smelling the rising bread transports me back to her kitchen. The simple act of sharing her joy of baking with me made me feel both loved and special. When we share our passion we can't help but touch the soul of those around us.

I have been looking forward to our July guild meeting. This will be a fun opportunity to learn from a few of the 'experts in our midst' and get a bargain from the garage sale tables. I am a very visual learner, so seeing a demonstration goes a lot farther than reading directions in my mind. Do you have an over abundance of stuff in your sewing room and need a few extra dollars? The garage sale is your chance to sell your quilty/crafty stuff to a captive audience! Contact Rachel Cowley

to rent a table at the garage sale.

Thanks Rachel for lining up a great roster of ladies willing to share their passion of quilting with the rest of us!

I have to say one more time THANK YOU and WOW to everyone who worked on the 2010 raffle quilt! What a beautiful quilt. It is another example of great things happening from working together on a common goal. Thanks Michelle for keeping the project on track and completed on schedule.

Keep cool and happy stitching!

Kimberly

JULY MEETING

What to bring:

- Name Tag
- Show and Tell
- Quilt Magazines for Recycle Sale
- Neutral Fat Quarters for FQ Drawing
- Money to buy garage sale items

Guild Happenings

Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m. on 7/7

Rally Day, 7/11
Mimosa Lane Baptist Church
1233 N. Beltline Rd.
Mesquite, TX

July Meeting, 7/21
Guild Garage Sale &
Quilt University

August Meeting, 8/18
Lynda Milligan & Nancy Smith

August Workshop
Christmas Pickle

September Meeting, 9/15
Lynn Roddy Brown

www.lynnroddybrown.com

September Workshop
Scrap Quilting—Texas Two Step

October Meeting, 10/20
Elsie Campbell

www.elsiemcampbell.com

October Workshop
Hand Quilting—Winning Stitches

November Meeting, 11/17

Frieda Anderson

www.friestyle.com

November Workshop
Fun, Fast, Fusies—Sundance

December Meeting, 12/15
Potluck Dinner



Bear Creek Quilt Board Meeting

Bear Creek Quilt Guild Board Meeting,
 June 2, 2009,
 First United Methodist Church, Keller TX

Kayleen Allen, Workshops, will be promoting upcoming workshops at the June guild meeting.

President Kimberly Sparks called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Members attending were: Kimberly Sparks, Judy Shearer, Kathy Jurich, Rachel Cowley, Michelle Lewis, Linda Davis, Kayleen Allen, Shawn Frazier, and Donna Hoffman.

The next board meeting will be on July 7, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03pm.

Motion to approve the March 2009 minutes was made by Rachel Cowley and seconded by Kathy Jurich and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
 Judy Shearer, secretary

Treasurer report was given by treasurer, Kathy Jurich.

Kayleen Allen was welcomed as Workshop Chair and Shawn Frazier as Quilt Raffle Ticket Chair.

Program update was given by Rachel Cowley. 2010 speakers are booked. There will be 4 ½ workshops offered with two being on Saturdays. July 2009 will be a garage sale and quilt university. Volunteers are needed to give mini lectures and demos.

Donna Hoffman presented a quilt show update. Committees are working out well. A motion to increase the quilt show budget for 2009 by \$600 was made by Donna Hoffman and seconded by Rachel Cowley and the motion carried.

Raffle quilt chair, Michelle Lewis, reported that the quilt is being quilted by Julie Lawson and will be presented to the guild at the June meeting. Discussion was held on entering the quilt at upcoming quilt shows.

Shawn Frazier, Raffle Ticket Chair is lining up sites to show the quilt and sell chances.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Lou Ann Reynolds	7/1
Linda Mae Winant	7/1
Karen Scribner	7/2
Racheal Morgeson	7/3
Marilyn Kautzer	7/5
Martha Davis	7/6
Lydia O'Sullivan	7/7
Kaye Shapaker	7/12
Laura Slay	7/20
Kathy Jurich	7/24
Tracy Moyers	7/26
Rosemary Dawes	7/28
Chris Atwell	7/30
Nancy Mincey	7/31





Bear Creek Quilt Guild Meeting

Bear Creek Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes,
June 16, 2009,
United Methodist Church, Keller Texas

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Kimberly Sparks.

Motion to accept the minutes from the May 2009 meeting was made by Paula Burda and seconded by Dot Lang. The motion carried.

Treasurer report was given by Kathy Jurich.

The 2010 raffle quilt "Sunshine and Flowers" was presented. Special thanks to Michelle Lewis for heading the construction and to Julie Lawson for the donating the beautiful quilting.

Rachel Cowley, programs, reported that the July guild meeting will be a garage sale and quilt university. Please email Rachel by July 15 if you would like a table. The cost is \$15. 5 members have volunteered to teach that evening and 2-3 more would be great. Let Rachel know if you are interested.

Quilt show update was given by Loretta Brennan. The Challenge category is a special exhibit which requires the use of a pre-selected material somewhere in the quilt. Fat quarters are available to purchase from Eileen O'Neal. The Chairman's challenge is a quilt made with 30's reproduction fabrics or feed sacks. The minimum size is 60". Small Silent auction quilts are also needed. These are used to raise funds for the guild. Other categories have been finalized and will be in the July newsletter.

Janice Irick, community service, that there were 200 volunteer hours for the month.

Workshop chair, Kayleen Allen reminded members of the class on Saturday June 20 with Susan Minatrea. There is still room for more participants. The next class will be on August 19 with Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith.

Patty Flores, membership, reported attendance was 82 tonight with 8 visitors. She reminded everyone about policy #14 in the handbook. All members will be given a minimum of 25 tickets for the annual raffle quilt with the expectation that they will sell or purchase the tick-

ets.

Peggy Burrell, Special Projects, stated the fat quarter drawing in July will be neutrals.

Librarian, Charlene Sadley, informed the members that the library will not be open in July and that members may keep the material they have checked out until August.

TAQG chair, Elizabeth Gage, reminded members that Rally Day this year will be on July 11. She will be selling lunch tickets for \$7. Maps are available in the newsletter. Your BCQG membership card is your ticket to enter.

Shawn Frazier, Raffle ticket chair, announced she has 3 locations to show the quilt in July. She is looking for volunteers to sit with the quilt and sell chances.

Eileen O'Neal reminded members about the Challenge quilt of childhood memories for the quilt show. It must be quilted and bound. A perimeter of 80" is the minimum and 160" is the maximum. Guidelines and the required fat quarter are available from Eileen.

New member liaison, Rosalee Weiler challenged all members to introduce themselves to someone at the meetings they do not know and to invite someone new to sit with them.

Michelle Lewis, Beekeeper, asked members to please let her know if they would like to join a bee or start one.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28pm.

Door prizes were handed out by Michelle Lewis.

Show and Tell was presented by Eileen O'Neal.

Rachel Cowley introduced Susan Minatrea as tonight's speaker.

Sincerely,
Judy Shearer, secretary



WHAT'S THE BUZZ?

Hello Fellow Quilters!

The Bees have been busy working on projects and having a lot of fun.

Pins & Needles

The raffle quilt was completed and presented to the guild at the June meeting. If case you weren't there to see it a picture is below. We will start selling raffle tickets at TAQG. With that done the girls have planned a retreat to work on other projects.



Cub Paw's members made and presented Paula Burda with this prayer quilt before her surgery in May. Paula took the quilt with her to the hospital and said she felt the love and prayers that went into it and gained much comfort from it.



Cub Paw members presented Chester (custodian at Living Word Lutheran Church) with this quilt in celebration of he and his wife buying their first home together. In the picture from left to right are Karen Bumgardern, Patti Shelley, Mary Black, Maureen Ciemian, Janice Irick and Chester.

Cub Paws

In March, Cub Paw's members presented Chuck Black, husband of bee member, Mary Black, with this prayer quilt that is filled with many prayers for healing. Chuck is a big John Deer fan.





Peaceful Daze

Some of the members of Peaceful Daze had a day retreat at Quilters Dream's new Daytime Retreat room. In fact they enjoyed it so much they have all ready planned their next one at the same place. They tell me it is wonderful and we should all check it out.



Fabriholics

The Fabriholics, Lynn Conklin, Gwen Roof, Sheri Jones, Carol Leinen, Sue Ellis, and Vicki Hawkins (pictured from left to right) enjoyed their 3rd annual retreat at Cedar Creek Lake. By the time they all set up for their marathon sewing they pray for good weather...as the only table left to eat on was outside on the deck! They came home with completed donation quilts, progress on their own projects, and big smiles!



Wannabees

The Wannabees completed a quilt for Open Arms. It was a variation of Bonnie Hunter's (Quiltville.com) Strip Twist quilt.



If you are a Bee Leader please be sure to send me updates on your bee.

If you are interested in joining a bee or two let me know and I will put you in contact with the ones that are a fit for you.

Happy Quilting,
Michelle Lewis





June 2009 Show & Tell

Name	Name of Quilt	Name of Quilter
1. Cathy Braunreiter	Emily's Quilt	Barbara Chamblee
2. Cathy Braunreiter	Big Star	Barbara Chamblee
3. Kayleen Allen	Piano Keys	Kayleen Allen
4. Colleen Connor	Unnamed	Unquilted top
5. Ruth Loyd	Hunter's Star	Janet Sturdevant Stuart
6. Fabriholics Bee	Donation Quilts	Sheri Jones, Sue Ellis, Carol Leinen, Lynn Conklin, Gwen Roof, Vicki Hawkins
7. Vicki Hawkins	Kaylie's Topiary	Vicki Hawkins
8. Joy Holekamp	Texas Our Texas	Joy Holekamp
9. Joy Holekamp	Serape	Joy Holekamp
10. JaLonn Carter-Stanley	Unnamed	JaLonn Carter-Stanley
11. Elise Pistor	Dad's September Sun	Janet Sturdevant Stuart
12. Charlene Sadley	Snowy Egret	Charlene Sadley

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We had 83 members signed in for the June meeting with FIVE new members and six visitors; pretty darned good for a summer meeting!!

We'd like to welcome new members--

Lucia Suggs	Keller, TX
Judith Hicks	Bedford, TX
Jo-Ann Stankus	Roanoke, TX
Rose Steinmetz	Keller, TX
Mary Reap	Colleyville, TX

and our visitors--

Brenda Bowen	NRH, TX
Cindy Ware	Hurst, TX
Margaret Chavez	Ft. Worth, TX
Alexandra Pistor	Colleyville, TX
Liz Gahwiler	Keller, TX
Kashmira Mistry	Roanoke, TX

We also have one email address change for your directory. Carolyn Ray's new email is carolynray2@verizon.net.

Submitted by Sherrill Pecere and Patty Flores
Membership Co-Chairs



VICTORIAN HOUSE RETREAT

Weatherford, Tx

Plan your next Retreat
in Weatherford
(45 min. from Keller)

Sleeps 12 - Twin beds for everyone (no bunks)
Comfortable Chairs - everyone has their own Table
Ironing boards and cutting tables.
Full Kitchen --2 Baths
Everything provided except food and sewing projects.

Great for quilters and scrapbookers.

Contact Barb Chambliss 817-475-9009

Email - chamblissbarb@gmail.com

www.victorianhousetretreat.com

FROM THE LIBRARY



No Library in July—We felt it might be too busy with our garage sale and “quilt university” to have the library open at the July meeting. As a result, we will not be looking for borrowed books to be returned. Anyone with items checked out may keep them for an additional month.

More Books Added—We thank those members who recently donated books to our library. Two really nice additions include:

[Quiltmaking by Hand: Simple Stitches, Exquisite Quilts](#) by Jinny Beyer; and, [The Art of Machine Piecing](#) by Sally Collins. Hope you'll plan to browse the library to see what's new when we're open again for our August meeting.

Charlene Sadley
BCQG Librarian

Log Cabins – Timeless Treasures

Trinity Valley Quilters' Guild of Fort Worth 27th Annual Quilt Show

September 18 – 20, 2009

Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Amon Carter Exhibit Hall, Will Rogers Memorial Complex

3401 W. Lancaster Ave., Fort Worth, TX, 76107

100's of quilts on display – Donation Quilt, Tickets \$1
Judged Show – Viewer's Choice – Awards and Ribbons
Log Cabin Quilt Exhibit – Silent Auction – Appraisals
Vendor Mall – Door Prizes
Quilts for Sale – Kid's Treasure Hunt – The Scissor Man

Admission \$6, \$1 discount for bus groups
Free underground parking – handicap accessible

www.tvqg.org

quiltshow@tvqg.org



RALLY DAY***RALLY DAY*** RALLY DAY

It's that time again! Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 11 for our 10th Annual Rally Day. Once again, it's at Mimosa Lane Baptist Church, 1233 N. Beltline Rd., in Mesquite. The doors will open at 9 a.m., with the program beginning at 10 a.m. and ending around 3 p.m. **Be sure and bring your Bear Creek Quilt Guild membership card!** That is your free pass to get into the event.

Our speaker this year is the inspiring Sharon Schamber. She will be bringing many of her numerous award winning quilts to show us in a trunk show and will also be speaking about her "Quilting Journey". Other Rally Day activities include: A Mini-quilt Auction, Sharon Schamber's Store, TAQG Raffle, Guild Raffle Quilts and social time with other quilters. Get together with your friends and carpool out to Rally Day.

SEE YOU THERE!

Elizabeth Gage

(972)539-5387

egage1@verizon.net



Directions:

Take I-635 East to
US-80 East to
Beltline Road
Turn Right onto Beltline Road to
1233 N. Beltline Rd on your Right

Programs

Oh boy! July is shaping up to be a great and fun get-together. Please let me know by July 15th if you require a garage sale table. I need a little time to plan out the layout of our event. We also would love to have a couple more "Professors" for our Quilt University, maybe someone with tips for miniatures or utility quilting or paper piecing....? August's speakers are nationally known Nancy Smith and Lynda Milligan from Possibilities. Don't miss the opportunity to see them and learn from them at the August workshop. Hope your summer is going great.

Rachel Cowley, raebow@verizon.net

Special Project July 2009

Fat Quarter drawing will be for neutral fabrics. Please bring any 100% cotton quilt fabric fat quarter that works as a neutral--black, white, cream, tan, brown, beige etc. For every fat quarter you bring in your name goes in the drawing to win.

Peggy Burrell



Bear Creek Quilt Guild 2010 Quilt Show

ENTRY DIVISIONS AND CATEGORIES

Your quilt show committee for 2010 has decided to offer more categories for entering your quilts in the 2010 show by having 3 different divisions...**Master, Artisan, and Open Divisions.**

You will qualify to enter your quilts in the **Master Division** if you answer yes to any one of the following:

- You have won two or more blue ribbons in any judged competition, locally or nationally. This includes ribbons won by the entrant or the quilter. Blue ribbons won in a Group Category do not count.
- You have published a pattern or book.
- You have professionally taught quilting classes.

In preparation for our next show in 2012, we will be adding a 4th criterion:

- You have sold your work or profited from your quilting in any way.

You will qualify to enter your quilts in the **Artisan Division** if you have not met the criteria listed under the Master Division.

The **Open Division** may be entered by both Master and Artisan quilters.

The quilt show committee reserves the right to change the category of any entry as appropriate.

Happy Quilting!!

ENTRY CATEGORIES

Master Division:

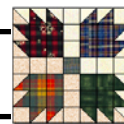
1. **Pieced, large**
A pieced quilt in which the length plus width totals 120" or more and is primarily patchwork; hand or machine quilted
2. **Appliqué, large**
An appliquéd quilt in which the length plus width totals 120" or more and is primarily appliquéd; hand or machine quilted
3. **Pieced, small**
A pieced quilt in which the length plus width totals at least 30" but less than 120" and is primarily patchwork; hand or machine quilted
4. **Appliqué, small**
An appliquéd quilt in which the length plus width totals at least 30" but less than 120" and is primarily appliquéd; hand or machine quilted
5. **One person, pieced or appliquéd, machine quilted**
A quilt that has been made and machine quilted by one person; may be pieced or appliquéd
6. **One person, pieced or appliquéd, hand quilted**
A quilt that has been made and hand quilted by one person; may be pieced or appliquéd

**Artisan's Division:**

7. **Pieced, large**
A pieced quilt in which the length plus width totals 120" or more and is primarily patchwork; hand or machine quilted
8. **Appliqué, large**
An appliquéd quilt in which the length plus width totals 120" or more and is primarily appliquéd; hand or machine quilted
9. **Pieced, small**
A pieced quilt in which the length plus width totals at least 30" but less than 120" and is primarily patchwork; hand or machine quilted
10. **Appliqué, small**
An appliquéd quilt in which the length plus width totals at least 30" but less than 120" and is primarily appliquéd; hand or machine quilted
11. **One person, pieced or appliquéd, machine quilted**
A quilt that has been made and machine quilted by one person; may be pieced or appliquéd
12. **One person, pieced or appliquéd, hand quilted**
A quilt that has been made and hand quilted by one person; may be pieced or appliquéd

Open Division:

13. **Miniature**
A quilt in which no side measures more than 24"; all interior blocks are no larger than 4". (This is separate from the small quilt auction.)
14. **Art Quilts**
A quilt of any size in which a technique or combination of techniques or materials are used in a non-traditional way. This **MUST** be an original design, **NOT** a pattern or kit.
15. **Chairman's Choice**
A quilt in which no side measures less than 60" and uses 1930's original or reproduction fabrics. Background fabric need not be 30's fabric.
16. **Kits/ Block-of-the-month**
A quilt of any size in which the patterns and fabrics have been packaged as a kit or unit for retail sale
17. **Group/Friendship**
A quilt made by a group of three or more persons
18. **Mixed Techniques**
A quilt that is approximately 50% pieced and 50% appliquéd, or 50% pieced and 50% embroidered; or any combination of the three techniques.
19. **Other Techniques**
Any quilt, such as rag quilt, yo-yo, cathedral window, crazy quilt, wholecloth, redwork, chenille, etc. that does not fit into other categories.
20. **Garments**
Items of clothing that include a recognizable amount of patchwork, appliquéd, and/or quilting.
21. **Juniors**
A quilt made by someone 17 years of age or younger, either a group or individual effort. These quilts will not be judged.



OFFICERS/CHAIRS 2009

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NEWSLETTER

Deadline for the newsletter is
the 25th of the month.

Please send all articles worded as you would like them printed to Sue Ellis,
suegellis@hotmail.com AND
Patty Flores, pflores444@sbcglobal.net

ADVERTISEMENT RATES

Size	1 month	3 months	6 months
Business Card	\$ 7.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 40.00
1/4 page	14.00	40.00	80.00
1/2 page	28.00	80.00	160.00

Advertisements may be submitted electronically or by camera-ready art on or before the 25th of each month. Advertisements must be paid in advance. If you are interested, please contact me via phone, email or mail.

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Members in the News

If your quilt has made news recently, send a picture of you and the quilt to suegellis@hotmail.com

Care Bears

If you have an item for "Care Bears", send to Jeana Fiske
JeanaUSA@msn.com
Phone (817) 416-6215

Bee News

If you have an activity or picture for "Bee News", send to Michelle Lewis at imlewis@lscm.net
Phone (817) 741-5792

OTHER QUILT SHOWS and GUILD ACTIVITIES

TAQG Rally Day

July 11
Mimosa Baptist Church in Mesquite

'Houston Under Cover'

July 24-25
Quilt Guild of Greater Houston
Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church
162 Memorial Drive, Houston,
www.qggh.org or 979-289-5175

'Quilt Plano 2009'

Quilters Guild of Plano
August 14-15
Plano Centre Plano, TX
www.quiltersguildofplano.org/quiltplano/quiltplano.shtml

'Kaleidoscope of Quilts'

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild
September 18-20
Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd
San Antonio, TX
www.sanantonioquilt.org
Contact Ida Tyson Blankenship
ldabbc@satx.rr.com

'Log Cabins ~ Timeless Treasures'

Trinity Valley Quilters Guild
September 18-20, 2009
Amon Carter Exhibit Hall
3400 Burnett Tandy Rd
Fort Worth, Tx
www.tvqg.org

'Threads and Golden Needles'

Golden Needles Quilt Guild
September 18-19
Lone Star Convention Center
9055 FM 1484, Conroe, TX 77303
For more information
goldenneedlesgg@aol.com

'Quilt Express '09'

October 2-3
Chisholm Trail Quilt Guild, Round Rock, TX.
For more information:
www.ctquiltguild.org

'Threads of our Past - Celebrating 30 Years'

Midland Quilter's Guild
October 3
Midland Center 105 N. Main St Midland, TX
For more information:
www.geocities.com/midland_Quilters_guild/

International Quilt Festival

October 15 - 18, 2009
Earlier date this year!
George R. Brown Convention Center
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www.quilts.com

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