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## THE PRESIDENT'S PIECE

If we have the opportunity to be generous with our hearts, ourselves, we have no idea of the depth and breadth of love's reach.

-Margaret Cho

As I sit looking out my studio window I have a touch of longing for fall colors. Wouldn't it be fabulous to look out and see trees that are completely awash with the bold reds, yellows and oranges instead of the green and brown we get in fall? I guess the universe truly does grant what you want, but maybe not exactly like it is requested, because when I went to my fabric closet and opened the door it literally exploded with color...and mounded all over the floor like leaves.

Since I do not own a fabric rake and did not feel like picking up all the fabric I decided to let it stay where it landed. Just like a pile of leaves will tempt play, so does a pile of fabric. The cat got to take a nap in my fabric "leaves", my daughter got to swipe some for doll dresses and blankets and I was inspired. Color/style combinations were made by chance that looked great and I never would have thought to pair them together, especially when they were segregated by color and style on the shelf.

When you have a spare moment, examine your stash and experiment with fabrics and colors you think should never be put together. You may be surprised! I'm not saying to dump your stash on the floor (it's not always fun to pick up...really) but amazing things happen when we look at what we already have and mix it up A BUNCH. Who would have thought that a Civil War reproduction print would look

super fun with a modern print?! If we take our guidance from nature we can never go wrong – be bold and be colorful!

I am very grateful for all our members that do special jobs for the guild! It takes time and energy to make a successful guild and we have been blessed this year with talented committee chairs and officers. Some things we take for granted, such as getting our newsletter on time every month. The fact is that Sue Ellis takes a great deal of her personal time to gather and compile all the information that is sent out to us each month. She does such a great job that it seems like magic when it pops up in our email or mailbox. Thanks for all your hard work, Sue! What an impact we all have when we share our talent!!

Fall Blessings!  
Kimberly

### NOVEMBER MEETING

#### What to bring:

- Name Tag
- Show and Tell
- Library Books due back
- Quilt Magazines for Recycle Sale
- Gifts for ASAP

### Guild Happenings

Board Meeting, 11/3, 6:30 p.m.

November Meeting, 11/17

Frieda Anderson

[www.friestyle.com](http://www.friestyle.com)

November Workshop

*Fun, Fast, Fusies—Sundance*

December Meeting, 12/15

Potluck Dinner

#### 2010 Programs

January Meeting, 1/19

Beverly Ramsey

February Meeting, 2/16

Karen Combs

March Meeting, 3/16

Sandy Brawner

Quilt Show

Set Up, 4/8

Show, 4/9 — 4/11

April Meeting, 4/20

Teresa Sherling and

Barbara McCraw

May Meeting, 5/18

Mary Stori

June Meeting, 6/15

Linda Blasosky

July Meeting, 7/20

TBD

August Meeting, 8/17

Barbara Olivia Hartman



## Bear Creek Quilt Guild Meeting

### Bear Creek Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

October 20, 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 September 2009 meeting was made by JaLonn Carter-Stanley and seconded by Carolyn Ray. The motion carried.

Treasurer report was given by Kathy Jurich.

Rachel Cowley, Programs, stated that the November speaker will be Frieda Anderson and her topic will be fusibles.

Nominating Chair, Rachel Cowley, reported that there are a few committees in need of a chairperson. Please let Rachel know if you are interested. The floor was opened for nominations for 2010 officers. There were no nominations. The slate for 2010 is: President, Michelle Lewis, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Charna Gray, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Loretta Brennan, Secretary, Judy Shearer and Treasurer, Kathy Jurich. The election will be held at the November guild meeting.

Quilt show update was given by Sheri Jones. Entry forms and rules are in the newsletter and also are available from Sheri. Everyone is encouraged to enter quilts. Entries are accepted now and until January 19, 2010. The vendors are showing a positive response.

Janice Irick, community service, reported there was 111 volunteer hours for the last month.

Workshop chair, Kayleen Allen encouraged members to sign up for the November 18 workshop which will be on raw edge fusing with Frieda Anderson. A kit will be available the day of the class.

Sherrill Pecere, membership, reported attendance was 86 tonight with 4 visitors. An update for the membership directory is available.

Peggy Burrell, Special Projects, presented fat quarters to 2 winners.

Shawn Frazier, Raffle ticket chair, reported shop sales of tickets have been going well. More opportunities are available. Let Shawn know if you are willing to sit with the quilt. Members were reminded to pick up their raffle tick-

ets to sell. Each member is responsible for selling 25 tickets.

New member liaison, Rosalee Weiler is hosting a new member sew-in at Quilter's Dream on November 7 from 10am until 2pm. All members are welcome. Let Rosalee know if you will be coming.

Charlene Sadley, Librarian, reported on the new books that are available to borrow.

Paula Burda asked members to please consider regifting or donating gifts to ASAP for Christmas presents for the girls to give to their families and children. Toys should be age appropriate for 3 years and under. She will be collecting these along with ornaments and decorations at the November guild meeting.

Kayleen Allen thanked members for their generous response for food donations for the Battered Women's Shelter.

Michelle Lewis, beekeeper, informed members that a block exchange bee will be forming in January. Please let her know if you are interested.

Michelle Lewis presented door prizes.

Show and Tell was presented by Eileen O'Neal.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Rachel Cowley introduced tonight's speaker, Elsie Campbell.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Shearer, Secretary

### Care Bears

Good News--Mona Levingston has a new grandson  
This now makes the 7th grandchild  
Name: Austin James Pantano  
Born: 10/7/09  
Wt: 7 lbs. 5 oz.

Please send Care Bear information to Jeana Fiske  
(817) 416-6215 or [JeanaUSA@msn.com](mailto:JeanaUSA@msn.com)



## WHAT'S THE BUZZ?

Fall has arrived and it's wonderful. Just puts you in the mood to stay indoors and work on all those quilting projects. I'm sure many of you are like me and you have plenty to keep you busy.

Pins & Needles Bee is busy as usual. They decided to challenge one another to get their UFOs completed. So, they each made a list of UFOs they would like to complete in the next year and put in a Moda Marble for each UFO. As they complete one their name goes in the hat to win all the Moda Marbles. They will be showing their completed UFOs at Show & Tell when possible.

Pins & Needles also held a two day retreat at Joann Fabrics in Grapevine. They opened it to the guild and a few people showed up. It was a lot of fun and they really got a lot done. Sometimes you just need to get away with other quilters to inspire you to work on those projects.

I am in the process of forming a new bee to do a block exchange. The idea came from Lynn Roddy Brown. She made the idea so fun. Linda Davis has volunteered to head up the bee. If you are interested in participating please let me know. We plan to start in January, 2010 and will have more details when we find out how many are interested. We want to keep it simple and not take too much of your time with meetings. It should be fun and non-stressful! So, let me hear from you!

If you or your bee is working on a quilt(s) for Mimosa Retirement Home, I will be collecting them through the middle of December. I have all ready received several and they are wonderful. I can't wait to deliver them and see the smiling faces of the people who receive them. Thank you so much for your support on this project!

That's it for this month!

Happy Quilting!  
Michelle Lewis

## How to Make Friends

BCQG would love to be a small, cozy organization where everyone knows each other, but unfortunately we are just too big an organization for this to happen. We're relying on you to make the social connections that meet your needs.

Our guild meetings exist primarily to report to our members what's going on in our guild and present programs. Socializing, as you know, is best done in small groups. With 200 members, meeting people with your same interests is difficult. Here's four suggestions:

**Join a bee.** That's where the social sewing goes on, where friends help with your quilt making, give and receive advice, and so on. Contact our bee chairman for more information.

**Take a workshop.** It's the same kind of social sewing as a bee, but you have a shared background, the workshop project. Listen for Workshop announcements at the guild meeting, look for them in the newsletter or contact our workshop chairman for more information.

**Serve on our board or help a chairman.** You can contact anyone on our board and say, "I'm interested in this position. Can I assist you and learn the ropes?" If someone you approach says no, let our president know.

**Greet people at meetings.** We usually don't have enough people and time to greet and get to know guests and new members. Ask our membership chair to direct any new members or guests your way. Here's your chance to introduce yourself to someone who is in the same boat.

Submitted by Sherrill Pecere, Membership

## BCQG Quilt Show Web Site

The BCQG Quilt Show web site is being updated with vendor information as the vendors sign up for our show. If you know of any vendors that may be interested in our show, you can point them to our web site for easy access to the registration information. We sent out vendor packets to 240 potential vendors, but you may know of some that we missed. Feel free to pass the information along.

Just go to the main Bear Creek web site at [www.bearcreekquiltguild.org](http://www.bearcreekquiltguild.org) and click on the Quilt Show link in the menu. From the show home page, you can navigate to all of the pages containing show information.



## New Member Sew-In



Eileen Drennan, Kathy Gale and Marilyn Cox



Rosalee Weiler and Edna Meyer



Rosalee Weiler and JoAnne Sheppard

### **SECOND NEW MEMBER SEW-IN**

TIME: Saturday, November 7, 2009, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

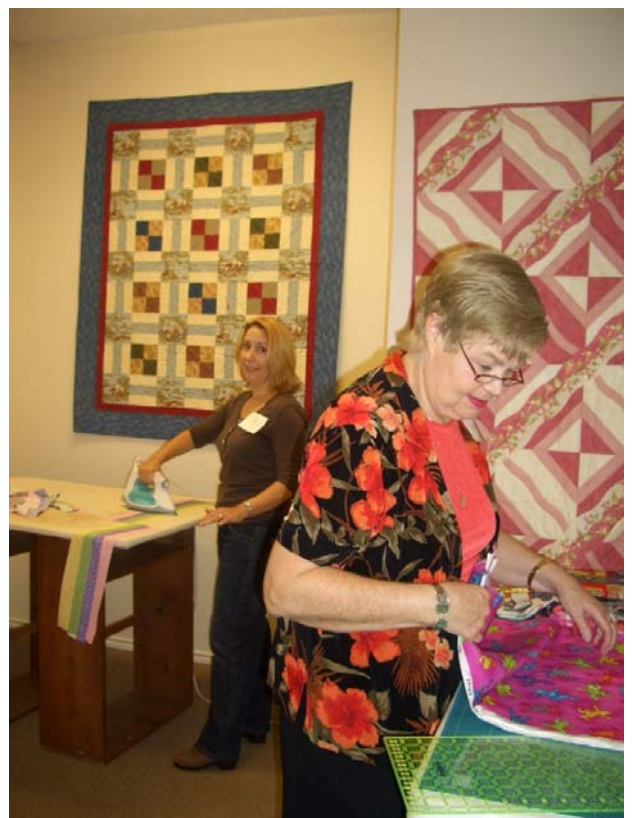
PLACE: Quilters' Dream, 6409 Highway 26, 76034

BRING: Sewing machine if transportable with usual sewing supplies, neutral thread, ruler and rotary cutter  
Sack lunch, beverage or change for drink machine.

Dessert and fabrics for making baby quilts will be furnished.

All new members and any long time members wishing to join in will be welcome. Contact Rosalee Weiler,

817-488-9624 or [w3il3r@aol.com](mailto:w3il3r@aol.com)



Maureen Ciemian and Sandra Hardin



### Nash Farm

Bear Creek Quilt Guild was invited to demonstrate hand quilting at the 'Fall Round Up' at Nash Farm in Grapevine on October 10, 2009. Thanks goes out to the following guild members who participated: Kayleen Allen, Joyce Bohan, Maureen Ciemian, Shawn Frazier and JoAnne Shepard.

Besides the hand work, they sold tickets for our Raffle Quilt and gave out information about the Guild. They received a very nice thank you note from the Grapevine Heritage Foundation for participating. More than 6,000 people attended. It was chilly, but they had a great time - what else could you expect from a "Fall Round Up"?





## North Texas History Center Exhibit

The North Texas History Center is excited to announce its first ever exhibit of historic quilts. The exhibit is titled Pieces of the Past, and will feature quilts from the 1870's to the 1930's. Many of the quilts are from the History Center's private collection, but the exhibit will also include quilts loaned to us from the personal collections of local residents.

The exhibit will open on November 21, 2009 and run through January 16, 2010 with the grand opening on November 28th. Starting with the grand opening, we will have special events scheduled every weekend during the exhibit that will include quilting demonstrations, collection care workshops, and other special events.

We are very excited to share these historic quilts with the public for the first time and would like to invite your guild to come and enjoy them with us. If you would like more information on the exhibit or would like details on the events scheduled, please contact us at 972-542-9457.

NTHC is located in downtown McKinney in the historic 1911 post office at 300 E. Virginia. Admission for this exhibit is \$5. NTHC has space available if you'd like to schedule a meeting with your group during the run of this exhibit. For information about scheduling a meeting at NTHC or a group visit, please contact Sarah Hatcher at 972-542-9457 ext. 102 or sarah@northtexashistorycenter.org .

## ASAP Christmas Program

For our November meeting, please consider bringing small toys or clothes for the babies in the ASAP program. Also, ASAP is accepting items that you would like to "re-gift" for the girls in the ASAP program can give to family as Christmas gifts. Items such as body and bath lotions, picture frames, or handbags that are new or gently used would be appreciated.

If you have any questions about the ASAP Program, please do not hesitate to contact Paula Burda at 817-788-2407 or 817-313-9505 (cell).

## November Workshop Wed. November 18, 2009 *Fun, Fast, Fusies—Sundance*

**Frieda Anderson**  
www.friestyle.com

Beginner quilters to advanced level will enjoy the techniques and finishing tips taught by Frieda. The class teaches raw edge fusing that makes quilting fun and fast. Frieda will supply her own original Sundance pattern. (See picture below). A kit with hand dyed fabrics can be purchased for \$35 or bring from your stash suitable fabrics to make the wall quilt. A supply list will be provided when you register for the class.

The class will be at the Hallelujah Center located at the First United Methodist Church (where Guild meetings occur) from 9 am—3:30 pm. Fee for this class is only \$30. Register for the class by filling out the mail in form below or email Kayleen Allen to keep a spot in this class. kayleen\_allen@yahoo.com



### WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Fee: - member \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Materials Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ (pay to the instructor)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ cash or check # \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to **Bear Creek Quilt Guild**

**Mail to:** Kayleen Allen, 511 Arbor Oak Dr. Grapevine 76051

\*\*\*\* PAID registrations get priority reservations.\*\*\*\*

Class materials and other information will be provided the week before the Workshop or when you sign up.



## October 2009 Show & Tell

Name	Name of Quilt	Name of Quilter
1. Teaa Lentz	Bright Nights	Bonnie Sloan
2. Kayleen Allen	Christmas Pickle With a Curve	Kayleen Allen
3. Charna Gray	Placemats for the Seasons	Charna Gray
4. Sherrill Pecere	Ugly 1	Julie Lawson
5. Sherrill Pecere	Ugly 2	Julie Lawson
6. Mary Reap	1 <sup>st</sup> Place Winner	Terri Vanden Bosch
7. Mary Reap	Pikachu	Terri Vanden Bosch
8. Erema Merrill	Crown of Thorns	Erema Merrill
9. Marilyn Kautzer	Goody, Lots of Presents	Marilyn Kautzer
10. Marilyn Kautzer	Trees, Tree & More	Marilyn Kautzer
11. Marilyn Kautzer	Pointsettia Fan	Marilyn Kautzer
12. Jeannie Vogel	Friendship Flowers	Joyce Hall
13. Joyce Hall	Butterflies	Joyce Hall



Grand Lone Star by Jan Krentz and Janet Sturdevant Stuart won 1st place AND Viewers Choice at the Trinity Valley Quilt Show in September. Jan and Janet were thrilled and so excited on their win.



## October Workshop Hand Quilting—Winning Stitches

Elsie May Campbell

[www.elsiemcampbell.com](http://www.elsiemcampbell.com)

Quilters had a great time at the workshop and would like to invite Elsie back. Students appreciated the time Elsie worked individually with them evaluating their stitching techniques and making suggestions to create a consistent hand stitch. Elsie taught students how to transfer designs to freezer paper and then to the quilt top (before layering the quilt) by using a pen that will not set if ironed. She answered questions and gave tips on the fiber content of batting, fabric and thread, which she has found through experience, is the best to use for hand quilting.

Elsie also gave detailed information about the types and sizes of thimbles, needles and hoops which are the easiest to use. She then told students about her basting technique where the basting thread does not become a problem when stitching. Elsie used the latest technology to project her hands on to a screen so the whole class could easily see her stitching technique. Students brought their own quilt tops and Elsie gave suggestions on how to quilt the tops. At the end of the workshop, quilters were saying the class was fantastic and they had learned so much about hand quilting.



## FROM THE LIBRARY

It doesn't seem possible that we're getting into the busiest time of year and that there are only two more Guild meetings in 2009. As a reminder, we would like to collect all books, DVDs, and miscellaneous items borrowed from the library so that we can do a year-end inventory before turning the library over to our new librarian in January 2010. We will not be checking out any more books this year. However, if there is a book that you really need, just give me a call (817-304-7040) or e-mail ([char@texasmgb.com](mailto:char@texasmgb.com)).



Many thanks to all our generous members for the quilting books that they recently donated to the library, including a nice little collection of redwork books. As a result, there are over 35 books that we're adding to the library! Getting the books 'library ready' and updating our on-line list will keep me busy until the end of the year!!

Charlene Sadley  
BCQG Librarian



**Quilt Show Entries**

Let's see...when was the last quilt show? Almost 2 years ago! That must mean we all have some quilts we have made since then that we can enter into our 2010 quilt show. If you have given them away, or plan to at Christmas, ask to borrow them back so we can see them hanging in the show. I've seen so many great ones at Show 'n Tell I'm hoping to see entered. We have lots of room to fill up!



At both the December and January meetings we will be set up to accept your entries, as well as take a digital picture for \$1.00 if you need one. Entries can be mailed in anytime. The deadline will be after the January meeting, January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Please review the information for categories and entering that were published in the July and September newsletters respectively or on the website. We will republish the categories and entry form in the December newsletter. For your convenience the entry form has been included in this newsletter.

Happy quilting...and think "quilt show"!

Sheri Jones  
Quilt Show Entry Chairman

**For Sale: Jasmine Heirloom Quilt Frame**

Classic (solid hard maple) easy spinner floor stand with a 16" hoop & the border master bars (for edges & corners). It spins for infinite rotation & adjusts for tilt easily. It brings the work area up to you & the angle is changed with a lift & drop into the metal gear slot concealed inside the base of the post. It will not tip over & the oval base slides easily under a couch or easy chair for comfortable quilting. New price lists for \$505 + tax + shipping. For sale for \$300.00. Please contact Cynthia Duesing 817-488-5086.

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Nancy Carr	11/1
Lisa DelCastillo	11/1
Jennifer Chenault	11/3
JaLonn Carter-Stanley	11/5
Penny Maki	11/5
Maggie Perkins	11/7
Jennie Nixon	11/9
Sandy Mercado	11/10
Mary Davidson	11/12
Nancy Edwards	11/12
Kate Constable	11/13
Linn Jencopale	11/14
Ethel Bradford	11/17
Mary Belcher	11/19
Lisa Mire	11/22
Teresa Bristow	11/26
Ruth Linhart	11/26
Dot Paneri	11/29
Elise Pistor	11/30

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

We had 86 members signed in at the October meeting and 4 visitors. The updates for the directory were available at the membership table so if you missed the October meeting, please try to remember to pick up yours next time you come.

Welcome to our visitors

Sherry Brandt, Keller  
Lynda McElroy, Keller  
Gay Agan, Richland Hills  
Peggy Sweeney, Trophy Club

and new member

Joyce Hall, Keller

Submitted by Sherrill Pecere and Patty Flores  
Membership Co-Chairs

**Bear Creek Quilt Guild  
2010 Quilt Show  
Entry Form**

**For Committee Use Only**

Category \_\_\_\_\_

ID# \_\_\_\_\_

- Please **print** all information in pen.
- Review **Entry Instructions** prior to completing this form.
- Attach a photo of your quilt to this form. Photo will not be returned.
- Submit this form at the December or January guild meeting or via mail no later than Jan. 19 to:  
Sheri Jones, 2966 Majestic Oak Dr., Grapevine, TX 76051

Entrant's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Entry \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Made by: \_\_\_\_\_ Quilted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Quilt Size: Width \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_

**Category:** (See Entry Categories to select the Division (Master's, Artisan, or Open) and the number that best describes your entry.)

**Category Division:** Master's  Artisan  Open

Category # \_\_\_\_\_ Category Name \_\_\_\_\_

Judging: Non-Judged  Judged

**Fees:** No fee for non-judged (members only)

Judging fee for members: \$5.00 per entry

Judging fee for non-members: \$15.00 per entry

This quilt for sale? Yes  No  (If yes, your phone number will be provided on the sign)

Did you use, or were you inspired by, a published book or pattern to create your quilt or garment? Yes  No

If yes, please give credit here to include on sign: \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments about entry:** (the committee reserves the right to edit comments as needed to fit on sign)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please note:** The judges have the right not to award ribbons in categories with too few entries. Only judged quilts are eligible for ribbons. One ribbon will be awarded per winning entry.

**Hold Harmless Agreement:** To the maximum extent permitted by law, attendance and participation in any Bear Creek Quilt Show 2010 events (paid or not) constitutes your agreement to hereby indemnify Will Rogers Memorial Center and Bear Creek Quilt Guild, its representatives, agents, employees, volunteers and contractors. With my signature below, I hereby agree to abide by all conditions stated on this entry form. I understand that no responsibility for loss or damage to my entry or to me will be assumed by the executive committee, chairpersons, BCQG; nor by Will Rogers Memorial Center.

I give my permission to BCQG to photograph my entry for BCQG files, digital media, or publicity.

**Signature Required** \_\_\_\_\_



## OFFICERS/CHAIRS 2009

### BCQG OFFICERS

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Past President	Janet Sturdevant Stuart	214-384-7816

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	Patty Flores	817-605-0467
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	Patty Flores	817-605-0467
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2010 Raffle Tickets	Shawn Frazier	817-909-2161

### 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](mailto:suegellis@hotmail.com) AND  
Patty Flores, [pflores444@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pflores444@sbcglobal.net)

### ADVERTISEMENT RATES

Size	1 month	3 months	6 months
<b>Business Card</b>	\$ 7.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 40.00
<b>1/4 page</b>	14.00	40.00	80.00
<b>1/2 page</b>	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](mailto:suegellis@hotmail.com)

#### Care Bears

If you have an item for "Care Bears", send to Jeana Fiske  
[JeanaUSA@msn.com](mailto: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@lsc.com.net](mailto:imlewis@lsc.com.net)  
Phone (817) 741-5792

