



APRIL 2008

QUILTER'S GUILD OF PARKER COUNTY

Next Meeting: 6:30PM, APRIL 17, 2008, at the Senior Center

PROGRAMS

APR.—Willetta Bumpas—Quilt Restoration

MAY—Guild Auction

***Remember To
Bring!!***

Canned Goods

Name tags

Show and Tell

Library Books

A friend!!!!

Message from the President

BY DIANNA CARTER

Greetings!!! I think you will find that this newsletter is filled with lots of useful information as there are many things happening! Our guild is fortunate that we have board members who take their jobs seriously and are working diligently for all of us and towards accomplishing the purpose for which the guild was established in the beginning:

The purpose of this Guild is to preserve the art of quilting and to stimulate interest in quilts and quilt making. The Guild will provide assistance to the community in any area concerning the art of quilting. The Guild will also strive to educate our members and the public by providing instruction and fellowship for persons interested in the art of quilting. (Bylaws of QGPC, April 2000)

We are fortunate to have many informative programs every year and this year the thanks for those go to Susan Wynne, Carrie Wallace and Phyllis Thornton. You may not know that many of our speakers schedule their speaking engagements 1-3 years in advance so "it takes a village" or at least cohesive efforts by several people to provide our programs. We also strive to have learning opportunities through our workshops and the one on mini quilts last month by Phyllis Thornton was enjoyed by those in attendance.

Our Comfort Quilt program has expanded from providing small quilts for children in Weatherford to providing quilts: for nursing home residents, for the Pythian home, for Habitat for Humanity homes in Parker County and a program similar in Palo Pinto County, for battered women's shelters, for outlying medical clinics in Palo Pinto County, for Child Protective Services in Weatherford, and the police stations of Weatherford and Willow Park in addition to continuing to supply the quilts for the original recipients. This program, as well as canned food for the Senior Center Pantry, contributions to Meals on Wheels (from funds raised during our quilt show and our raffle quilt),

and our Senior Center Donation Quilt every year are a large part of our service to the community and the surrounding areas. These programs are all part of our duties, if you will, as a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. It is not unusual that we should do so much in our communities as quilters in general have a history of assisting others in many ways.

Our operating budget covers all of these programs and more. Please be assured that the board members are mindful of the expenses and there are checks and balances to insure that the guild's money is managed as carefully as possible. The funds for our budget come from our fund raising events (the May Auction, Quilt Show with Raffle Quilt) and our dues.

When the guild was established in 2000 the dues were set at \$15.00. There has been no increase in these last 8 years despite our bringing in nationally known speakers, offering workshops which cost a flat fee of \$25.00 despite the fact that some of the instructors charge more per student (the guild general fund picks up the excess), expanding our Comfort Quilt program, and the fact that most guilds in our area charge \$25.00 per year.

With this in mind and with the increasing costs of our services as mentioned about, it was recommended that we consider raising our dues. A motion was made and passed unanimously to raise the dues from \$15.00 per year to \$24.00 per year (January 1 thru December 31. This suggested change in dues will be presented at the next guild meeting for discussion and a vote from the membership at large. Please carefully consider this item between now and then. If passed by the membership, this change will become effective January 1, 2009. New members joining during the last half of the year will be charged \$12.00 for the remainder of the year.

I believe that we can look forward to a year of several interesting and enlightening speakers along with learning and volunteer opportunities. Please consider becoming active in the guild if you aren't already - the more you are involved, the more you learn, the more wonderful friendships you can experience and the more enjoyment and satisfaction you can receive from your quilting. You can be involved in many ways: join a Bee or two- Jeanie can assist you, offer to help Jo Lynn with the Quilt Auction, sign up with Linda and go to a workshop,

offer to help Susan Wynne on the Quilt Show, make and/or quilt a Comfort Quilt- see Joyce - she has a whole stack ready to be quilted, participate in Myra's Block of the Month exchange, or check out a book from the Library and get to know Linda and Mary. If you are already involved - thank you and GOOD FOR YOU! Until the next guild meeting - Happy Stitching!

TAQG

Dianna Carter

For those of you who aren't aware, Texas Association of Quilt Guilds (TAQG) is a state organization of quilt guilds of which this guild is a member. The representative meetings are held in Lewisville every other month.

Every year TAQG has a program/meeting which is held in the summer. This program/meeting is at no charge for members of member guilds (that means us). They call this meeting "Rally Day". This year Rally Day will be Saturday, July 12, 2008 from 10am-3pm at the Mimosa Lane Baptist Church in Mesquite, Texas. The Guest Speaker will be J. Michelle Watts from New Mexico. The title of her lecture is "Beauty of the Southwest". She is also doing a workshop titled "Amish Stars" (there is a \$40.00 fee and a limit of 40 participants for this class - registration forms are available). Lunch will be provided by Applebee's for a cost of \$7.00. TAQG will also raffle off a gift basket containing a Kenmore Mini sewing machine, fabric, books, patterns and notions - tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets for both the lunch and the gift basket will be available during April, May and June at the guild meeting.

TAQG will also be holding a mini quilt (not larger than 24x24) auction (to benefit TAQG) on Rally Day. The organization asks that each member guild donate 2 mini quilts to this auction. The organizer of the mini auction stated that other well made fiber crafted items would also be accepted (i.e., purses, totes, needle punched pictures or woven items). The deadline for these items is May 2008 - if you are interested in participating in this auction, please contact me.

LOOSE THREADS FYI'S

APRIL PROGRAM

Willetta Bumpas

QUILT RESTORATION—Bring your quilts for an evaluation and a plan of action. Please sign up at the Show-N-Tell table.

MAY 15TH ANNUAL GUILD AUCTION

Chair, JoLynn O'Neil—We will be holding our annual guild auction at the regular meeting in May. Please mark this event on your calendar and invite your family,

neighbors, and friends. I am currently accepting items that will go for sale at either the live or Chinese auction. The more nice finished items that we have the more money we will raise. I would like to see lots of finished quilts, of any size. Also, table runners or other quilted items would be wonderful. I have a 1930's lunch kit that was donated and I would like to fill it with 1930's fat quarters, so if you have a couple of extra please send them my way. Also, we generally have groups of items like notions, patterns, and blocks, so even if you have one or two items I will accept them to add to others. I have heard of several groups and bees that are working on or have finished quilts for the auction. If you have a finished quilt I would like for you to bring it to the April meeting. We need some publicity photos and a nice show and tell to spark some interest would be wonderful. I will be taking items until the board meeting on Thursday evening, May 1st. On May 6th at 3pm we will meet at Beverly Lindsey's home (4329 Tin Top Rd.) to sort thru and organize the auction items. We would love for you to join us.

COMFORT QUILTS

Chair, Joyce Coney - Comfort Quilts has a new need for more twin size quilts and bunk bed size. Nu-Bee thanks guild members for all the quilts you have made for us to distribute. They have gone to police departments, nursing homes, shelters, department of children's services and hospitals. As we explore more, we are finding the need is pressing in today's economy.

2008/2009 SENIOR CENTER QUILT

Chair, Evelyn Mathis—The pattern I have in mind for the Senior Center Quilt is made up of pale/light pink fabric (printed, solid, plaid, etc.). If you would cut a 6" wide strip and bring it to me during the next 2-3 months, I would appreciate it. Thank you in advance for a sharing and caring attitude.

LIBRARY NEWS

Chairs, Linda Barlow & Mary Sears—

**SOON TO BE REMODELED — MORE USER FRIENDLY - BOOKS! BOOKS!
BOOKS!**

Please return any over due books for others to use. If there's any books you'd like to see added, give us a call! Linda @ 817-596-2864 or Mary @ 817-594-0346

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chair, Betty Kitchens—Please see me if you would like to review a copy of the monthly Treasurer's Report.

THE 2008 QUILT SHOW COMING

Chair, Susan Wynne—I know we are all busy with the auction, but come June it will be time to think about our Quilt Show. This is the only other fund raiser our guild has

and a portion of our receipts from our show will be donated to the senior center and Meals on Wheels. So all the hard work goes to good causes.

The theme for this year's quilt show will be "Traditions with a Twist". A special exhibit area will be designated for 40x40 challenge quilts.

Also, starting in June, we will have available pre-registration forms. You must complete one of these forms for each quilt that you want to enter into the show. All forms must be returned no later than the August guild meeting. You don't need to turn your quilt in until Friday, September 26th, but the forms must be turned in by the August meeting. Only the quilts pre-registered will be hung in the show.

The show is scheduled for September 27th and 28th. I am calling on volunteers to help me organize and put on this show and selling raffle quilt tickets. There will be organizational meetings soon and I hope I can count on you guys. So put this in the back of your minds until after the auction and come June, we can once again start the ground work for another great show. Thanks in advance to all.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Chair, Judy Fitzgerald & Andrea Killius—

DUES! DUES! DUES! For those of you who have not paid your prorated dues for 2008, please see Judy or Andrea at the Membership desk prior to the April Guild meeting.

MEMBERSHIP BOOKS - Any member who has not received their membership book, please see Judy or Andrea at the Membership desk when you sign in at the April Guild meeting.

QUILTERS "ROAD TRIP!!!!!"

LADIES AND GENT—"START YOUR ENGINES....."

MAY: 9,10,11—Arlington Quilt Show "BLACK, WHITE & REaD ALL OVER" @ Bob Duncan Center, Vandergriff Park. 10:00 TO 5:00.

JUNE: 7, 8—Abilene Quilt Show @ Abilene Civic Center

13, 14—Irving Quilt Show @ Lindero Ranch

20, 21—Mesquite Quilt Show @ Rutherford Recreation Center

JULY: 25-27—New Braunfels Area Quilt Guild, "THREADS OF OUR PAST" @ New Braunfels Kongresshalle (Civic Center), 380 S. Seguin Ave., New Braunfels. Vendors- raffle quilt-silent auction and MORE!!

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Quilters Guild of Parker County

Guild Meeting Minutes March 20, 2008

Meeting was called to order, President Dianna Carter presiding, at 7:02 PM.

Requested cell phones be silenced. Announced the Treasurer's Report is available to be seen by anyone who would like to see it. It has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Board. Dianna thanked the greeters for March: Betty Kitchens and Judy Bell. The Bent Needle Bee will be greeters for April.

Welcomed visitors: Cindy Goodwin, Lisa James and Lisa McCurdy.

Show and Tell: 12 People showed Quilts

February Minutes: Motion was made by Susan Wynne and seconded by Judy Fitzgerald to approve minutes as printed in the newsletter. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

BOM: Myra Hall - 13 Rosebud blocks were turned in. The lucky winner was Andrea Killius. The pattern is still available if anyone would still like to make the block.

Comfort Quilts: Joyce Coney - Most recent donations were to Rainbow Room and Weatherford Police Dept. We have 68 quilts on hand. We need recipients. If you know of a nursing home or other recipient who might want our quilts, please contact Joyce with a contact person's name at that facility so that we might distribute all our quilts. There are 9 quilts ready to be quilted available tonight. Your help will be appreciated with these quilts. There were 5 finished quilts shown ready to be distributed with the Comfort Quilts.

Newsletter: Susan Armstrong - If you have items to go in the newsletter, please get them to Susan by the first Friday of each month. If you do not have email, please call her and give them to her on the phone. Also, if you are having trouble downloading the newsletter on the website, there is a condensed version that may download easier.

Quilt Show 2008: Susan Wynne - There will be a Quilt Show meeting after the board meeting in April. Susan is asking for volunteers to help with the Quilt Show; her goal for the show is to make \$10,000, so she will need everyone's help.

Senior Center Quilt 2009: Evelyn Mathis - Evelyn is asking for donations of light pink fabrics, 6" by width of fabric, to go into the Raffle Quilt. She is asking that we get these fabrics to her no later than the April Guild Meeting.

Special Events: Jo Lynn O'Neil - Any items for our Auction in May need to be given to her no later than the Board Meeting in May. Quilts, wall hangings, placemats, table runners, antique quilt blocks and tops as well as notions, fabrics, books, etc., are excellent items for the auction. Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to come to our auction. August retreat dates are August 7,8,9,10, so put it on your calendar. Signups are in June.

Sunshine & Shadow: Jane Haas's husband passed away this past Sunday. Jane is doing as well as possible. There is a card on the table for her for everyone to sign. Also, if you would like to do a Healing Heart block for her, it should be 6 1/2" square, greens on white on white background and you can drop it in the mail to her.

Workshop: Linda Rogers - Mini-quilt workshop Saturday, Mar 22 at Harberger Hills Community Center, conducted by Phyllis Thornton. There are a few spaces left; the fee is \$10.00 which includes a pre-cut kit for a mini-quilt. If you would like to participate, see Phyllis.

Program: Darlene Christopherson - Darlene is a renowned quilter/applique artist, author and teacher. She gave a very entertaining and educational program and trunk show of some of her beautiful quilts.

Announcements: Dianna thanked everyone for their support of our canned food program. There were 18 cans of food tonight. Gwenna Lee Evans announced that there will be a "Dear Jane" quilt class starting soon, date to be set later. The class will be at Gwenna's home, if you are interested in that class, please contact Gwenna. This is open to everyone.

Membership: Judy Fitzgerald - There were 61 members present, 3 visitors, 64 total attendance, 5 renewals, 6 door prizes. Door prize winners: Judy Fitzgerald, JoLynn O'Neil, Pat Long, Phyllis Thornton, Marguerite Madden, Joyce Coney.

Meeting adjourned. - Motion made to adjourn by Lori Crawford, seconded by Bob Poznick. Motion carried.

Time: 8:23 PM.

Submitted by Leta Winford, Secretary

“QGPC Quilting Bees”

Bluebonnet Bee: Meets every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. To about 2:00 p.m., in the Weatherford Public Library Auditorium. Works on group projects as well as your own project. Bring your lunch

Contact Mary Vaughn (817) 598-0280 or Katherine Dykes (817) 596-5147

Bee Old Timey: Meets in the Weatherford Public Library the 4th Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. If you have any interest in reproduction quilts, patterns & fabrics.

Contact: Kathleen Poznick (817) 598-0760 or Susan Wynne (940) 769-2797

Library Quilter: Meets 2nd Tuesday night of each month in the Weatherford Public Library Auditorium at 6:00 p.m. To 8:00 p.m. They share different techniques, hints & patterns. Programs are informal & helpful

Contact Jeanie Garvin (817) 341-0052

Millsap Bee: Thimbles & Thumbs 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Contact Robbie Evans (940) 682-4200 or Barbara Davis (940) 682-4448

Nu-Bee: Meets The second and last Friday of each month at 10:00 at different locations.

Contact Jeanie Garvin (817) 341-0052

You can not imagine the inspiration, fun, friendships, etc., in participating in a Quilting Bee. Don't feel you have to be an expert to participate. This is absolutely the best place to learn different skills from many different people. Remember, if you hear that a Bee is closed, it only means they meet in a place that will only hold so many people and machines—not that they do not want to include any new people. Jeanie Garvin, Chair—817-341-0052

Sunshine and Shadow

Jeanie Garvin had cataract surgery this month and despite a scratch which necessitated wearing a contact lens sort of patch, she is doing quite well. You may have trouble recognizing her as she has shed her glasses!

Susan Wynne's mother celebrated her 87th birthday on April 2nd. Susan's mom is in an extended care facility and a couple of the ladies who used to help her at home took her out on the town for a nice birthday lunch. There were also festivities at the facility and pictures were emailed to Susan for her enjoyment.

As was mentioned at the last meeting Jane Haas' husband, Tommy, passed away on March 16th. It was suggested that for her “healing hearts” the hearts be green (as this is her favorite color) and the background be a white on white. These blocks should measure 6 ½” unfinished for a 6” finished block. Feel free to mail your block to her or

bring it to a guild meeting (if she is not present, you can give it to Susan Armstrong, Beverly Lindsey or Leta Winford who will then get it to her)

If you have Sunshine or Shadows please let one of your board members know. This guild is very caring and appreciates knowing about it's members.

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Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales	Carrie Wallace	817 441-5577
Sunshine & Shadow	Minda Meadows	817 594-7081

QGPC Executive Board 2007

The Quilter's Guild of Parker County, a 501c3 non-profit organization, meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 to 7:00 for fellowship and 7:00 to 9:00 for the program/business meeting. We meet at the Senior Center of Weatherford. Non-members may attend twice as our guests. The Executive board meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 at the Senior Center of Weatherford. Members are welcome to attend. Membership is open to anyone interested in quilts or quilting. Annual dues are \$15.00. For more information call 817 594-1426. Email: qgparkercounty@yahoo.com. www.quiltersguildofparkercounty.org.

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