

Quilter's Guild of Parker County

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North Side Baptist Church
910 N. Main St.
Weatherford, TX 76086
May 2018

May 17, 2018

North Side Baptist

7:00 P.M.

Maria Hall:

Trunkshow. No
Pattern no problem

Workshop May 18

Pick-up Raffle Tickets
to sell

Bring show and tell

Wear name tag

Bring \$1 for Center of
Hope

Fat Quarter Raffle:

Florals



President's Message

At the beginning of the year, I challenged everyone to try something new. How are you all doing on that?

I know many of you are working on a President's Challenge mini quilt which I think is very exciting. Some have shown me their ideas and there are going to be a wide variety of creative and beautiful little quilts. If you didn't get some of the fabric earlier, it isn't too late. Several people have passed on their extra fabric to others and there will be more so let me know if you want to participate. It doesn't take much fabric and I am sure others will have extra.

Have you taken a workshop yet? This month's workshop "No Pattern No Problem" on Friday the 18th should be very informative and fun. The instructor will help us with how to use large prints and panels. All you need is a large print fabric or panel and some coordinating fabrics. Most of us probably already have that in our stash because we bought some, but then didn't know what to do with it. I have recently purchased a book about how to use large prints so I am excited to learn what ideas another person offers. Contact Nancy Martin to sign up or find out more details about supplies.

Are you working on a quilt for the Quilt Show? I hope some of you have decided to make this the year for your first quilt show. If not, start thinking ahead. Make it a long-term goal to plan and make a quilt to be ready in two years.

Now I need to get going so I get my own done on time!

Mary Williams

General Meeting Minutes

April 19, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by President Mary Williams.

Minutes:

The minutes from March 15 were accepted with no corrections.

The treasurer report is available to view from Judy McDonald.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Beth Collins reported that she and Shirley Reagan are creating this year's raffle baskets for the quilt show. They are requesting sewing and fabric donations to make the baskets. She also announced that Grace House is accepting yarn donations for their Learn to Knit program.

Beverly Lindsey has raffle tickets available for members to pick up from her. The measurements of this year's quilt are 87 x 91 inches.

Mary Williams announced that fabric is still available for the Presidents Mini-quilt challenge for the quilt show.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mary Williams read a thank you note from Houston thanking the guild for the quilt donations after Hurricane Harvey.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Programs and Workshops: Becky Klein and Nancy Martin

The next program in May is No Pattern, No Problem presented by Maria Hall. This is a program on using large panels and prints in your quilts. There will be a Friday workshop by Maria. Nancy is at the sign up table with more information.

Doris Wright will be here in June for a program on Texas Treasures, an X Block pattern quilt show.

In July Sharon Holliday will be presenting a program on scrap quilts. Her workshop will be on Saturday, July 21. It will be a pineapple style scrappy quilt.

Quilt Show: Anita Ruthenberg

The quilt show will be September 21-22. The theme is Quilts in Bloom. It will be held at North Side Baptist Church. All quilts will need a hanging sleeve. Sleeve can be no more than 90 inches from the bottom of the quilt. Mini challenge quilts should be turned in with other mini-quilts. Mini-quilts should be no larger than 30 inches on one side.

The Country Store organizers are asking that donators price their own items for the store.

Show and Tell: Jean McBride

Items worked on at the Comfort Quilt sew in were shown. Yvonne Wolfsen and Marsha Corley showed a large number of comfort quilts they had completed during the past month from tops that were in storage.

Becky Klein moved to adjourn the meeting at the end of show and tell. Happy Johns seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by Mary Williams at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Lynn Main
Secretary

2018 Programs and Workshops

May – Maria Hall, Charming Prints Quilting

Program: “No Pattern, No Problem”. Afraid of buying panels or large-scale fabric because you don’t have a pattern to fit it into? Some fabric is just too cute to be cut up into small pieces! In this trunk show of quilts, Maria will display a wide variety of quilts, from simple to complicated, small and large, that can be made without a pattern. You will be eager to visit the local quilt shop afterwards to purchase those panels and cute large-repeat fabrics!

Workshop (Friday, May 18, North Side Baptist Church, 910 N. Main St.): “No Pattern, No Problem”. You will need to bring focus fabric and coordinating material. You will receive personal instruction and attention and may very well leave the workshop with a finished quilt!

See her website charmingprintsquilting.com

June – Doris Rice, Quilting Queen Designs

Program: “Texas Beauties Trunk Show”.

July – Sharon Holliday, Sourdough Quilts

Program: “Sourdough Quilts”. This will be a trunk show of over 30 quilts showing numerous ways to make scrappy quilts, including squares and strips of various sizes, 4-patches, half-square triangles, irregular sized strings, row quilts, medallion quilts, scrappy block exchanges with friends using “found fabric” like men’s shirts, and be sure to save those selvages!

Workshop (Saturday, July 21, North Side Baptist Church, 910 N. Main St.): “Starstruck”. You will make large scrappy star blocks. This will be a good workshop to combine the blocks into a group quilt.



2018 Quilt Show

Keep working on your quilts for our quilt show in September. All quilts except miniatures and antiques, must have a 4" sleeve. To make a sleeve, cut fabric 9" wide by the width of the quilt. Hem each end $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Fold the piece lengthwise wrong side out and stitch the long side raw edges together with $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Turn right side out and press with the seam near the bottom. Stitch the sleeve on the back of the quilt. Make sure to stitch the seamed ends of your quilt down also. Extra-long quilts should have the sleeve at no more than 90" from the bottom of the quilt – extra-long quilts which do not comply will not be exhibited – there will be no quilts “spilling” onto the floor.

Anita Ruthenberg

Center of Hope

Thank you for your generosity in April. We collected 44 dollars. Center of Hope helps people who are in need. If you can, bring an extra dollar or two for the basket.

April Membership Report

Fifty members signed in for the Comfort Quilt Sew-In. Barbara Williams joined us and signed up as our newest member. The new Membership Directory was handed out and will be available at the upcoming May meeting.

Dartle Atherton

COMFORT QUILTS

I want to congratulate all of you who participated in the Sew-In. The number of quilts that were turned in was 36. That is wonderful. We still have several kits that need to be done and they will be at the guild meeting this month for anyone who wants to take them home. I will also have some backing fabric this month .. There is quite a bit of it so if you need it please take it home . I am asking that our members concentrate on wheelchair quilts and baby quilts. Wheelchair quilts would be especially for men. Our nursing homes like those because so many of the residents use wheelchairs and could use a small quilt to keep them warmer. But if you have fabric for the ladies at the nursing homes that would be fine too. The size of the wheelchair quilt is 36 x 42. So it is a small quilt that can be accomplished at home. Baby quilts are always in need. We have 14 charities, most of which are nursing homes.

Thank you all again for all the work you put into making these quilts. They turned out just so pretty and for the babies they were so cute. I know the people who get these quilts are so appreciative.

Judy Fitzgerald

Veterans Quilt

We once again are making small lap size and wheelchair quilts for our local veterans in Weatherford Nursing Homes. Sandra McKee and Becky Klein have already taken quilts to Holland Lake Home. We need about 30 for two more homes. If you can help please do. You can use a panel for the center and just put some borders on. If you need help with quilting please let me know Becky Klein 817-341-6702.

Thanks for all your help.

Sandy and Becky

HELP!! DONATIONS NEEDED FOR RAFFLE QUILT BASKETS

Please clean your sewing room and sort through your fabric stash! We welcome donations of any gently used quilting supplies/equipment, patterns, books and fabric to assemble the three large raffle quilt baskets for the Quilt Show.

Beginning this month, we will have a laundry basket labeled for you to donate items for the raffle baskets. Beth Collins and Shirley Reagan are co-chairs for the raffle baskets. They are willing to accept any sewing/quilting related items that you would like to donate.

2018 Texas Quilt Block Competition

In conjunction with this year's Family Land Heritage (FLH) event which recognizes Texas farmers, ranchers and the land they own, the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) is asking quilters from all across the Lone Star State to participate in TDA's 2018 Quilt Block Competition. From wines and wildlife to Gulf coast and flowers – these beautiful, hand-crafted quilts have been viewed, displayed and admired by Texans at exhibits across the Lone Star State.

The theme for TDA's 2018 Quilt is 'Celebrate Agriculture' – Sew Your Texas Roots! Because quilting is an integral part of Texas farming, ranching and agriculture, we felt this was a wonderful fit for this year's block submission. As in previous years, participating quilters will create patterns from a selection of natural fibers provided by TDA and up to three additional cotton fabrics provided by the participant. TDA wants quilters to include one special piece of cotton fabric that personally represents family, history or heritage.

The agreement/application to request your quilt block packet is available online at TDAQuiltCompetition. All the entries must be received by July 2, 2018. After this deadline, a panel of independent, outside judges will select the winning blocks, which will be pieced together into a quilt and unveiled at this year's FLH event in November at the Texas Capitol in Austin, Texas.

Sew, what are you waiting for...Ready. Set. Stitch!

GO TEXAN team

GOTEXAN@TexasAgriculture.gov

Fat Quarter Raffle

Our winner for April was a very excited Helen Jones. She won 35 Bright Batiks fat quarters. The May Fat Quarter Raffle is Florals how perfect for a spring quilt.

Rock House Retreat

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May 25th to 28th –Memorial Day weekend--\$275—includes Machine Quilting with a Walking foot class and Collage Quilts, patterns by Laura Heine.

July 22nd to 25th - open retreat \$250—we will have some special visitors from England during this time.

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The Quilter's Guild of Parker County, a 501c3 non-profit organization. It meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm for fellowship and 7pm~9pm for the program/business meeting. Non-members may attend twice as our guests. Membership is open to anyone interested in quilts - or quilting. Annual dues are \$24.00. Call Mary Williams 940-682-4631 for more information.

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