

The Newsletter of Quilters: Needle Notes



## President's Message

I love quilting and I love our guild! There is always something going on. Maybe too much sometimes, but that means you can pick and choose what you want to do. We can't please everyone, but hopefully you find joy in some of the guild activities.

The Mystery Quilt reveal was awesome! The quilts were all gorgeous and will make a colorful display in the quilt show! Thank you to all who participated.

We have all been working independently on our quilt show entries as well as getting or making items for the mason jar, boutique, and quilts for sale portions of the quilt show. The quilts will be turned in on Wednesday, September 25, and everything else needs to be turned in to the respective committee chairs at the September Guild Meeting so the committee chairs can begin organizing their areas.

Several years ago we started making Quilts of Valor for our veterans. I don't have the actual numbers, but the first year we gave out over 40 quilts, the second year close to 40, and last year we gave 40 (32 to the veterans at Royal Estates and 8 to other veterans). This year our Quilts of Valor coordinator is asking for a whopping 72! The first place contacted has 12 veterans and the second place has 10 veterans for a total of 22 quilts. Wanting a few more, a third place was contacted and they have 50 veterans! Being unwilling to slight any of the veterans, Brenda committed the guild to these 50, making the total a whopping 72 quilts needed. Now, that's a lot!

Can we do it? I don't know. Hopefully we can because it is the guild's reputation at stake. Making the tops is the fun and fast part. Getting them quilted and bound is more difficult. We have only a few longarm quilters willing to donate their time. In past years they have also been expected to provide the backing and batting. We as a guild need to figure out how we can meet the 72 goal and be fair to our volunteers.

Remember, *everyone* in the guild is a volunteer. There is no way to please everyone, and the volunteers are doing their best. If you don't like the way things are done, please get involved and help make the guild a better organization. Every committee has a chairperson, each one would appreciate some help. If you know a better way or an easier way, get involved.

Peace by Piece Audrey Bee

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 3rd Vernon College On Maplewood Registration 6:00 PM Meeting 6:30 PM



#### September Birthdays

Marie French—9th Pam Schenk—13th Stella Haas—24th Marcina Walker—25th



Evelyn Gardner Joan Schaffner

#### Officers and **Committees**

**President:** Audrey Bee

Vice-President: Mary McElvain

Secretary: Barbara Wesley Treasurer: Carolyn Hawpe Membership: Jeannine Roberts and Annette Richey

**Programs**: Jane Benson

Workshops: Brenda Owens Comfort Quilts: Tina Nichols Hospitality: Dianne Bernhardt **Refreshments:** Betty Brown

**Newsletter:** Kristin Johnston

Webmaster: Audrey Bee **Directory:** Melissa Taylor

Quilt Show: Mary McElvain



## Programs

- In September a Ace Sewing Machine will be at our meeting.
- In October SeamsSo Right will present our program and I think you will all be looking forward to that as much as I will. They were planning on bringing Christmas material. It's never too early to start Christmas.
- In November Renee Lambert will show us how to applique with wool
- December will be our potluck program.

## Workshops

Hello Members!

This has been a terrific year for our workshops. Thank you for all the instructors for all your guidance and instructions.

We will not have a workshop in September in preparation for the Quilt Show.

In October we will be having a guest instructor. More information when it becomes available.

One final thing...we will be in for a tremendous time next year with Lucy And Kathleen taking over to chair the Workshops.

#### Ouilts of Valor

At the last meeting it was explained that 3 sites had been chosen for the Quilts of Valor presentation. Since that time the board has decided that we should limit our presentation of the Quilts of Valor to the 2 assisted living and save the larger presentation to next year. This allows our Guild to have enough sufficient time to make the 50 plus quilts needed. Please let me know if you have any auestions.

## **Treasurer's Report**

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### Comfort Quilts



Contact Tina Nichols if you are interested in donating a quilt to our Comfort Quilts. 940-636-0128.

We also have kits of fabric for you to use to make quilts. Your generosity of time is much appreciated.

#### Red River Quilt Guild August 2019 Vernon, Jr. College

- The meeting was called to order by President at 6:30pm.
- The T-Shirts are in and they are a different color of red but that is ok.
- The business cards were remade due to an error on the first ones at Audrey expense.
- All UFO's challenge should be finish.
- We will be having the Mystery Quilt show and tell tonight.
- The first workshop went well. Parking is near the sliding glass doors. When we have the workshop, Vernon has asked for the names and Social Security #'s for their records to show the government the building use. They keep those records in a safe place. If we don't let the workshop be open to the students then the rental will cost us more money. There was 6 people in class.
- Board meeting at IHOP and Quilt Show meeting at Audrey's one week from today. at 5:30.
- Raffle of the quilt at the Horseshoe Tournament was taken over by Betty Brown and Sharon Gilmore to help out and they made \$462.00□
- Workshop: There will be a workshop in 2 weeks taught by Cindy Simmons.
- Quilts of Valor: University Park Assistant Living -12, Whisper Holt 10 and Elm Croft at Lake Wellington- 50 for a total of 72. The size is twin. Large rolls of batting coat \$160.00. Evelyn Gardner donated a roll of batting and is a new member tonight. We need help with batting and backing materials for the guild as we use it more than once. We will buy materials for backing, do we object. We do not certify the quilts are Quilt of Valor. We have 26 now and more are being worked on.
- Quilt Show: Mary, we need help with hanging quilts starting at 8am on Thursday. Please see Terry. We are working on ribbons and yard signs. Ads are 75% of last year, come on ladies. Honorary Judges from Vernon Jr. College, Channel 3, and MSU Fine Arts Department. All items for Boutique, Mason Jar and Buy It Now the Chairs are asking you to contact them and they will pick them up or bring them to next guild meeting in September. We do not have to have all quilting item for boutique and mason jar. We to see what sold in the last show and do the same again. There will no limit on space for the boutique this time. The Buy It Now sale needs some small items such as table runners, baby quilts and twin quilts. Need more muslin fabric to cover the tables. Have we been selling tickets for the raffle. Vendors rent pay the hall rental, Ads pay for the book. Get tickets from Ginger and this is pure profit. We will have a Mystery Quilt and Quilts of Valor section at show. The quilts to be judge will cost member \$5.00 to entry. Make sure to have your quilt in by Aug.7. Please put your quilts in a pillow case with your name on it. The time to turn in quilts will be extended for 2 weeks.
- Retreat in March 5, 6, 7 and 8 still taking forms and \$50.00 dep.. All paid by second week in Dec. Forms next month
- Membership 54 New members 2 Visitor 1
- Door Prize: Members can buy door prizes
- Tonight Program: Audrey Bee Quilting tips 15
- Show and Tell
- Business meeting:
- The office of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary will be voted on in September. Ginger will be our new webmaster.
- By-laws changes: a motion was made by Betty Brown first and 2nd by Annette Ritchie approved. The Trea. and Sect. 1st by Glenda Shepard and 2nd by Lucy Bonnin approved
- Adjourn 8:22

#### Quilting in the Falls 2019, Sept 27th & 28th



#### Greetings, Quilters!

We have a meeting at the MPEC this week to finalize layout of the show and other details. We will also be having a committee meeting at Audrey's studio at 5:30pm Thursday afternoon to distribute each committees specific show items from the storage unit. We will give a more detailed update at the September meeting.

Thanks so much!

Mary McElvain

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#### Free Table

The Free Table at the guild meetings is intended to be a place to share leftovers from quilts. It has been fun the last few months to watch guild members checking to see if there is anything on the table they might want. Generally speaking, all has gone well. I just want to remind everyone that if you bring free stuff and no one claims it, then it is your responsibility to take it back at the end of the meetings. Most quilters have done just that.

For the last few months, I have collected the few items that were left and brought them home, putting them out the next meeting. But at the last meeting, there was way too much stuff left on the table. No one wanted it, obviously, and whoever brought it should have taken it when the meeting was over.

I will be "in charge" of the Free Table for the next two months, and then if the guild wants to continue it, someone needs to take over in November when the new officers take office. It is a fun task, most of the time.

Dina Redmon



# Wild Bird Rescue

## **Needs Volunteers**

- Call Ginger at 940-691-0828 to set up a volunteer orientation
- Help is needed:
  - · Caring for and feeding baby birds
  - Doing laundry
  - Cleaning
  - · Office work
  - · Basic maintenance around the facility
  - Fund raising, special events and outreach

For more information: Ashley Norris at paige29072@yahoo.com or 702-885-4321



#### Newsletter Editor Needed

This is the last newsletter I will be publishing. I have resigned from the position of RRQG Newsletter Editor. I need a wonderful member to step up and take over the publication of the monthly newsletter. If you are comfortable using the computer you might just be the person they need. Please contact Audrey if you are interested.

Kristin Johnston