

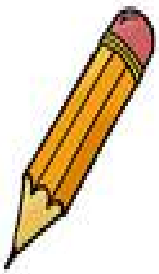


NEEDLE NOTES

The Newsletter of Quilters

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A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT



We are now into the 4th month of self-isolation for COVID 19. We totally appreciate every ones effort to ensure safety. I know we are really tired of this isolation.

I wanted to write this note to let you know that you are not forgotten. As a quilter, I miss my quilting friends too. I miss all the stories of what is going on their sewing room or even in their lives. We can still have happy times, joyful times and share in the sad times.

HELP.....Quilters are social people. We need to and love to see other quilter's work, work in progress and the many completed projects. Marilyn Lautner, our editor, will post current pictures of work sent to her. She's also forwarded to Ginger, our Webmaster the same pictures of your quilt work.

We still need Quilts of Valor and Comfort Quilts. We have several comfort quilts ready to be quilted but no one to complete them. Anyone that can help with these

At a GLANCE: TOPICS COVERED

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quilts please let us know. Sharon Gilmore or Betty Brown can give you information on comfort quilts. If you turn in a quilt top and the backing please ensure that the backing is large enough. It must be a minimum of 5 inches on each side. We had one quilt top turned in with the backing, but the problem is the backing came in several pieces. We have struggled to put the pieces together to have a backing. Please make sure that the backing is the correct size.

Some of the ladies were able to get together to work on their Judy Niemeyer project. Thank you, Cindy Simmons, for teaching this class. Thanks to Ginger

Metcalf for allowing the use of her church, Faith Lutheran. The Vernon Regional College does not be open until 31 Aug so we will not be able to meet until 7 Sept at the regular time.

With that we did have a saddening moment. Phyliss Richard, a past member now living in Louisiana, lost her mother to Covid 19 and nearly lost her own life. She was extremely ill and was in intensive care and unable to attend her mother's funeral. When I read that I cried. How incredibly sad and heartbreaking. Phyliss, we feel your pain and want to know that we cry with you for your loss. Love, prayers and blessing are sent to you.



Sincerely,
Brenda Owens, President



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS

MARCH

- 1 Ginger Alsup
- 23 Bonnie L. Kielty

APRIL

- 3 Bobbi Collins
- 3 Michele Schmidt
- 4 Mary McElvain
- 30 Paul Blair

MAY

- 5 Ann Wyatt
- 9 Betty Brown
- 10 Glenda Shepherd
- 12 Judy Breyen
- 14 Becky Carter
- 15 Renee' Lambert
- 21 Donna Knapp

JUNE

- 2 Debbie Thompson
- 2 Barbara Komatz
- 7 Bernice Sylvester
- 9 Evelyn Albrecht Garland
- 13 Robin Parrish
- 14 Barbara Wesley
- 16 Jan Saville
- 21 Martha Woody
- 22 Amanda Gartman
- 27 Geraldine Powell
- 29 Dian Hoehne
- 30 Terri Coleman

JULY

- 9 Ashley Norris
- 11 Jeannine Roberts
- 12 Tina Nichols
- 13 Janis RuBane

COVID-19 FACE MASKS by Dian Hoehne

Twenty six Red River Quilt Guild members responded to the email regarding number of face masks they made. 4341 masks were made by these 26 members. Rawn Kirk made 850!! Amanda Gartman made 552! Renee Lambert made 530 "so far." Jan Saville and her mother, Carol Holcomb, made over 500. Yvette Roberts



made 250. Paula Gordon made 230. The rest of us contributed to the total effort. The majority of the members did not reply to the email, so it is safe to guess that several thousand more masks were made by those members.

Local quilt shops were also busy. Aunt Pam's Closet in Henrietta organized making and distribution of 10,048 face masks. Many non-quilt guild members also sewed these. Enchanted Quilt in Wichita Falls was busy assisting mask-making also. Seams Sew Right in Jacksboro had ladies bring in sewing machines to make masks for their hospital and community.

Numerous organizations received these masks including Presbyterian Manor, House of Hope, Texas Blood Bank, Sheppard Air Force Base, The Pines at Rolling Meadows, First Step, United Regional Hospital, Clay County Hospital, Wichita Falls Medical Alliance, Wichita Falls Hospice, and countless individuals.

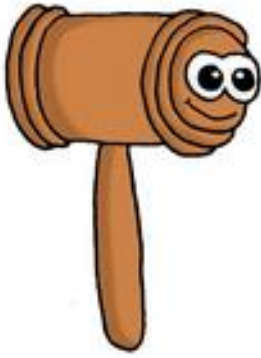
Thank you to each person for each mask that you made and shared. It was important and nice to share our talent and stash to help protect our community!

TREASURER'S REPORT

Red River Quilt Guild Treasurer's Report 1 May, 2020

	General Fund	Quilt Show Fund	Raffle Quilt	Total
Opening Balance	17,934.93			17,934.95
Income				
Check Correction	0.02			
Total Inc 2019 income	17,934.95			17,934.95
Club Expenses	General	Quilt Show	Raffle	
Just Store It				
Total Expenses	0.00	0.00		0.00
Ending Balance	17,934.95	0.00	0.00	17,934.95
5/31/2020				
Savings opening	3,873.18			
Interest	0.10			
Savings ending 04/30/2020	3,873.28			

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT



The Nominating Committee, composed of Lucy Mae Bonnin, Chairman and Ann Wyatt have submitted the nominees for 2021. They are President, Brenda Owens; Vice President Renee Lambert; Secretary Diane Hoehne; and Treasurer Ginger Metcalf. Per By-Laws, the slate of officers shall be presented to the membership at the September general meeting and shall be voted on as the last order of business. Nominations for any office may be made from the floor. A quorum shall be fifty percent plus one of the active membership. Next scheduled meeting will be

September 7, 2020.

2020 QUILT SHOW LETTER

To the members of the Red River Quilt Guild,

After much thought and consideration for the health safety and security of our membership, we are canceling the 2020 **"Quilting in the Falls"**, our annual quilt show. We realize some of you have been working on Quilts for this show and we look forward to seeing them once we can start having monthly meetings again. Vernon College is not opening their facility until "maybe" September. This would not allow us the necessary time to organize and coordinate many of the tasks for the Show. Others are having a difficult time finding long arm Quilters who can finish their Quilts in time for the Show.

So many others of you dropped everything to make needed masks for the community. We are very blessed to have so many in our midst that are willing to give so much. Let us now concentrate on our other worthy projects..Quilts of Valor and Comfort Quilts, just to name a few.

We miss seeing each of you and look forward to the time when we can finally – safely - get back together.

Your Quilting Sisters,

Brenda Owens, President

Bernice Sylvester
2020 Quilt Show Chairman



WORKSHOP FUN WITH QUILTWORX

Cindy Simmons met with our latest workshop members in June to teach them to make this quilt. The Quiltworx pattern by Judy Niemeyer is called Cat-tail Mixer. They will meet again, August 11 at Faith Lutheran Church. Cindy is a Judy Niemeyer representative. Below are a few of the pictures taken at the workshop.



Present at the workshop were Cindy Simmons, a Judy Neimeyer representative, Ginger Metcalf, Donna Roth, Connie Johnson, Barbara Mathews, and Lucy Bonnin. The basic premise is to learn a technique called Foundation Paper Piecing while making their own quilt top. They will meet again August 11th at Faith Lutheran Church on Southwest Parkway.

Right side: Connie Johnson and Donna Roth

Bottom Left: Ginger Metcalf

Bottom Right: Barbara Mathews at the layout table.



SHOW AND TELL PROJECTS COMPLETED by RRQG MEMBERS



Both quilts Quilted by Amanda Gartman



"Sewcial Distancing" Mystery Quilt Top
Quilted by Bobbie Collins



Cathedral Stars by Jordan Fabrics
Quilted by Carolyn Hawpe



Cindy Simmons made the paper-pieced quilt above. It is a Cattail Mixer by Judy Niemeyer.



Woven Baskets and Quilt top made by Traci Pierce. The quilt is one she saw online and loved the colors, so she research and found the fabrics and pattern, it's called Algorithm.



This was Marilyn Lautner's first time quilting using the Pineapple pattern. Her daughter, Kirsten, gave her for Christmas a book called Pineapple Play and a 10' Pineapple Trim tool. So she decided to start by making pillows for her daughter who wanted a Caribbean color palette. Four pillows were the result. They now reside in Chandler, AZ.

The banner on the left was made with a stain glass window affect using beautiful batiks and now hangs in the sanctuary at Faith Lutheran.

The quilt below is called is called Ombre Flower Bouquet. Marilyn made it for her granddaughter. She used 3 Jelly Roll to complete the quilt. She had enough 10" blocks to make a wall hanging and a valence for her daughter's bedroom.



Thanks to all who submitted articles for the newsletter. Keep me updated with your contact information. AND, send me pictures of your work!

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