

# NEEDLE NOTES

## The Newsletter of Quilters

October 2020

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Fall Fellow Quilters!



I hope this month's newsletter is finding everyone safe and healthy! By this time we should have been wrapping up our Quilt Show, but due to the continue spread of COVID-19, that wasn't possible. We have to keep moving forward with positive thoughts and to practice the 3 W's. Wear a Mask, Watch your Distancing and Wash your hands often.

There have been a few changes since our September Needle Notes newsletter was sent out. Just like in life, we have to adjust and move forward. Brenda Owens has resigned as our president and I have stepped up for the rest of the 2020 year.

Our October meeting has been scheduled for October 5th at 6:30pm at the Vernon College Campus. We will be meeting in or around our usual meeting room area. In order to have as many members there as possible and to meet Vernon College's guidelines everyone must wear a mask when entering the building and temperatures will be checked. Any one running 100.4 or higher will not be allowed to enter the building. Hand sanitizer will be available for your use.

To help cut down on the spread of germs, we will not be having Show and Tell or refreshments. Please understand that we all want to keep each other safe and healthy.

We will have an order of business. These are the items we will need to cover:

a. Election of Officers

b. To hold meetings for the rest of the year

The slate of officers includes President, Audrey Bee; Vice President, Jennifer Sawyer; Treasurer, Ginger Metcalf; and Secretary, Barbara Wesley. Please be prepared to bring nominations from the floor.

We need your presence. A quorum of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) of our active members is needed to hold this election.

I would like to end this note by saying these are hard and difficult times, please remember: To be kind, courteous and respectful toward others. If there is a problem or a concern please visit with one of the officers rather than others.

I'm looking forward to seeing you Oct 5th!

Take care and God Bless,  
Renee' Lambert, President

### OCTOBER MEETING

October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

Vernon College

Wear your mask

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Slate of officers

Pres - Audrey Bee

VP - Jennifer Sawyer

Treas - Ginger Metcalf

Sec'y - Barbara Wesley

Plus Nominations from the floor

# TREASURER'S REPORT    Ginger Metcalf

Red River Quilt Guild Treasurers' Report			
As of 31 July 2020			
	General Fund	Quilt Show Fund	Raffle Quilt
Opening Balance: 1 July 2020	\$20,179.20		
<b>INCOME</b>			
Raffle Ticket Sales			\$542.10
<b>SubTotal</b>	<b>\$20,721.30</b>		
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
<b>Checks Written</b>			
Refunds for Booth Rentals	\$1,806.25		
Newsletter Expenses	\$96.85		
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,903.10</b>		
Checks Cleared	\$1,833.35		
<b>Ending Balance: 31 July 2020</b>	<b>\$18,887.95</b>		

SAVINGS	July 2020
Opening	\$3,873.13
Deposits	\$0.00
Withdrawals	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.03
Closing	\$3,873.16

Red River Quilt Guild Treasurers' Report			
As of 31 August 2020			
	General Fund	Quilt Show Fund	Raffle Quilt
Opening Balance: 1 August 2020	\$18,887.95		
<b>INCOME</b>			
Workshop Fees	\$135.00		
<b>SubTotal</b>	<b>\$19,022.95</b>		
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
<b>Checks Written</b>			
Workshop Instructor Fees	\$200.00		
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>		
Checks Cleared	\$269.75		
Transfer to Savings	\$14,000.00		
<b>Ending Balance: 31 August 2020</b>	<b>\$4,753.20</b>		

SAVINGS	August 2020
Opening	\$3,873.16
Deposits	\$14,000.00
Withdrawals	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.04
Closing	\$17,873.20

## CARE NOTES

Barbara Wesley wishes to thank everyone who sent her cards and well wishes during her surgery. She was very comforted by your concerns.

## BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Laurie Cannon	Oct 08
Elizabeth Mendez	Oct 08
Melba Flinn	Oct 15
Audrey Bee	Oct 17
Ginger Metcalf	Oct 17
Paula Gordon	Oct 18
Carol Holcomb	Oct 23
Gayle Storey	Oct 23
Helen Day	Oct 26
Sheri McGee	Oct 26



## MISSING FABRIC BLUES by Dian Hoehne

Recently I REALLY needed more of a particular fabric to bind my quilt. I had run out. So, I searched for the maker and the name of the fabric from the selvage. It was still in print, but I did NOT WANT TO BUY A BOLT. The manufacturer's website gave quilt shops that carried their lines. I called about 30, and none of them carried this particular fabric. One quilt shop owner suggested I email [MISSING FABRICS.COM](http://MISSING_FABRICS.COM). I did. An individual runs it and does not charge. She accepts donations. She posted a photo and the name of my fabric Sunday night and when I woke up on Monday, I saw a reply in my email. I was ecstatic!! However, it was from a quilt shop that was not open Monday. I had to wait until Tuesday to call. This quilt shop had a nice web page. I called, and gave my card number. They had a reasonable price, and shipped it to me.

You may want to look at this website. You may have something in your stash, that you don't want anymore. Another quilter may be desperate for it. It is an opportunity for quilters to help quilters around the country.

## THE KITCHEN BOX by Marie French



I am the quilter who volunteered to collect the aprons and place mats and kitchen do-dads to be sold at the next quilt show. I have a box that they are placed in. I just don't want you to forget me. I have only a few items. I live at 2508 McNeil Ave. And will be glad to accept them. We are a year away and it's never too early to receive them.

Thank you for all that you do.

## **OH THOSE MUST HAVES**

Diane Hoehne - My seam ripper and stand up magnifying glass are the Must Haves when I begin my sewing. I also enjoy the view outside my sewing room window. I love to watch the birds at the bird bath and my flowers, as I sew.

## **A QUILTER'S INVITATION**

Hello from the Quilters' Guild of East Texas in Tyler!



This has been an unusual year for all quilt guilds, and now we are all in the process of working to reorganize our guilds in this new normal. One of our first endeavors is planning our quilt show for March 26 – 27, 2021. Our theme this year is Ruby Red Celebration....40th Anniversary.

March 26-27, 2021

9:30 - 4:30

Harvey Hall - 2000 W. Front Street, Tyler, TX

Admission \$8.00

**You are invited to attend and/or enter a quilt in the 2021 Tyler Quilt Show!**

Over 200 beautiful quilts are entered for judging in many varied categories with ribbons awarded as well as monetary awards. In the past, some of the quilts shown in Tyler have gone on to win accolades at Paducah, Dallas, Houston, Road to California and other large shows.

At the Quilters' Guild of East Texas quilt show you can enjoy: over 30 vendors, Guild Country Store, Silent Auction, Raffle Quilt, Bed Turning; Demos by Vendors and Guild Members

Applications for Quilt Entry, category descriptions and instructions are online at [www.QGETX.org](http://www.QGETX.org). The deadline for applications is February 11, 2021.

We would love to see you at the Tyler Quilt Show!

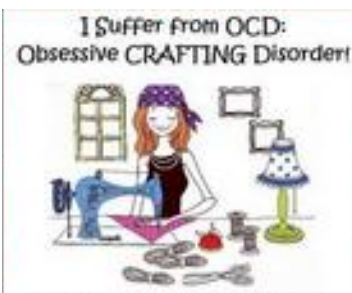
Find us on Facebook [www.facebook.com/QuiltersGuildofeasttexas](http://www.facebook.com/QuiltersGuildofeasttexas) or on Pinterest at Quilters Guild of East Texas

Wishing you and your guild a good and successful year!

Ann, Claire, Margaret, and Mary Ann

Quilt Show Chairs

## **QUILTERS SPEAK IN ANOTHER LANGUAGE**



I received another acronym that I thought you may enjoy. Since I've started paper piecing project, I find it very useful. Cindy Simmons, our certified instructor for Quiltworx has coined this acronym when paper piecing. FAT – Fold on the solid line, ADD – a quarter ruler, TRIM – leaving the unit folded. Then continue with the new fabric. If you are a paper piecing Quilter, this is amazing.

## UPCOMING RRQ GUILD RETREAT

Tina Nichols and Melissa Taylor are planning a retreat in March, 2021. They are looking for 25 interested guild members. Sunset Retreat said we can have up to 25 people and we don't have to pay until we get there. Which means that if you sign up for the retreat and cannot go we will entirely refund your money. So if you want to sign up now, you don't have to worry about losing your money if circumstances prevent you from going. We will have more on this later, you can contact Tina Nichols for further information. (940.636.0128)

## QUILTERS AT WORK by Marilyn Lautner



Several retreats and day long workshops were held this month. I am looking forward to the Guild's Retreat in March, 2021. I attended a four day retreat one at Sunset this month. It was organized by Audrey Bee and we had a wonderful time. I wanted to share a few pictures to let you know there is fellowship and crafting at your fingertips.

I always enjoy seeing sisterhood at it's best when Sheri McGee comes to a retreat. You'll get to meet and enjoy her sisters, Penny Berend and Wendy Mathews. They are avid crafters. They travel a great many miles to get to Sunset.



I shared a room with a new guild member, Bobbie Foote. (Left) She is amazing. She loves to work with wool and has many projects that she is currently involved in. This is one lady who doesn't mind needle work. To the left is a quilt that she is hand stitching the binding to. Now that takes patience.

I call this the Kaleidoscope Quilt. I am using my imagination here. The colors are so vibrant. Gloria Garcia is the quilter with Audrey. She's not a member of our guild yet, but she will be!!

Some new things that have changed at the Sunset Retreat House. If you attend, you will need to bring your own pillow and blanket. This is a Covid precaution. Sheets and towels are still provided for your use.

If you are interested in Quilter's Retreats, you can



contact Pam Schenk from Aunt Pam's Quilt Shop or Audrey Bee. She hosts the Crazy Bee Retreats. Both are guild members.

Also this month, about ten of us began work on the Vintage Rose, at Aunt Pam's Closet. It is a Judy Niemeyer quilt pattern. We are meeting every month for a full day of learning for the next four months. Cindy Simmons is our instructor.



Here, Cindy is demonstrating the FAT method for paper piecing. Individuals are at their work stations working on their Judy Niemeyer project.

## SHOW AND TELL

Dina Redmon shares with us two finished quilts. Neither are purple, but the next one will be :). The first one was made because she needed something colorful in her sewing room besides purple. It fits the bill. She was (gasp!!) tired of her purple ones. But she's over that now.



The second quilt was an experiment to see if she could use some squares from a layer cake. She wanted to make something besides Double Slice Layer Cake, which she just finished making four of.





**This cute little guy is standing by the quilt his grandmother, Bobby Foote, made for his birthday. The whole family is crazy about football and this little guy is too!**

**THERE SHOULD BE AN EIGHTH  
DAY OF THE WEEK CALLED**  
*Quiltday*  
**WHERE ALL YOU DO IS QUILT  
ALL DAY LONG...**

**The next three quilts were completed by Audrey Bee at her Crazy Bee Quilt Retreat in September.**





To the left is the Mystery Quilt her retreaters were challenged to make. We knew how much fabric to have on hand and we followed the clues to get it sewn. Many were completed. I didn't finish mine. :( I now have another UFO.

## **QUILT WORDS OF WISDOM (Just a few Tidbits) from Lucy Bonnin**

Quilts are made and given as a gift and we hope and pray they get the care they should receive. Perhaps you should include a Print Out on the care it should receive. This

- a. As needed, hand or machine wash in cold water using the gentle cycle and a mild detergent. Use SHOUT ColorCatchers if there is a possibility of color bleeding.
- b. Air or machine dry using low to medium heat.
- c. Iron on the lowest steam setting.
- d. Often just airing out the quilt or running it in the dryer on a low setting for about 15 minutes will freshen up a quilt without having to wash it.

## **FROM THE EDITOR**

I want to thank all of you for sending me your quilt photos to share with our Guild. I also appreciate the abundant literature that's been sent so I can glean some great information and share with you.

Please continue sending your Must Haves, Funny Acronyms, and members prayer concerns, along with your projects. I like having your input no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of every month. So drop into my "Email Box" all your news!

I'll see you at the Oct. 5 Guild meeting at 6:30.

Marilyn Lautner, Needle Notes Editor