



The Newsletter of Quilters

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August 2015



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President's Notes — Melissa Taylor—August 2015

How was that 4th of July celebration?? I had a great time at the lake, I needed at least two more days just to recuperate.

Thanks to everyone who attended our last meeting. Pam's presentation was very educational, we had our first meeting for the 2016 Quilt Show with Audrey, Many ladies are excited with Frances upcoming Bargello class, Stephanie received a nice number of donation quilts and Ruth was giving out the instructions for the basket squares.

Ladies believe it or not we are doing a bunch of stuff, and it's all possible because of the power of **US**.

We currently have 70 members but only 32 were in attendance which makes it difficult to do up or down votes to our proposed updates to our By-laws. On the other hand we have **eight new members** since the beginning of our calendar year 2014-2015. Please feel free to approach any of us, with any questions or suggestions.

See you at the

Life is good

Melissa

Comfort Quilts — Carolyn and Stephanie—August 2015

In the month of June I delivered four lovely quilts, two to each of our designated charities. These were good sized quilts from my own stack of flimsies that I pulled for finishing. Pam Schenk helped me select backings for some or I was able to use donated fabric for backings, they were quilted by Frances Brackeen and Kathy Cremeens, and binding was stitched down by Ruth Lavy and Jane Benson.

In the month of July, I delivered six quilts, three to each of our designated charities. I was almost overwhelmed at the July meeting with quilt tops and finished quilts. It was a delightful surprise for which I would like to thank Ann Wyatt for lovely children's quilts. Finishing was done on those and other quilts by Ruth Lavy, Cheryl Neale, Kathy Cremeens, and Francis Brackeen. It can take a village to finish a quilt, but it's so delightful to count on others to participate. I thank these ladies heartily and enjoyed sharing the finishing in a way to get them ready for delivery.

A few weekends ago, I went to Dallas to be with family. I wanted to travel a new way since my destination is near to downtown Dallas, and I-35 and I-75 have been a mess lately. I usually stop at Cracker Barrel in Denton to fortify myself for I-35. This time when I left Cracker Barrel, I turned north, away from I-35 and picked up a loop for truck traffic going east that was infinitely better than downtown Denton or I-35 traffic. At the end of the loop, I was forewarned, there was a new-to-me quilt shop on 380 in the end store of an Industrial Park, so labeled. The name of the shop is Minding My P's and Q's. Ph # is 940-365-5933. Nice shop, well stocked, and very friendly. From there I went on 380 to the Tollway, then to George Bush Tollway, spent minimal time on I75, and made the back and forth trips and actually enjoyed the driving.

Another shop I have visited often is Quiltworks in OKC. They have announced on their blog, they are hosting **Carrie Nelson of Schnibbles** fame at the end of August, a trunk show on Friday nite, and classes on both Saturday and Sunday. Quiltworks is a great shop and has been in OKC since the 40's. They cut fat quarters for all the fabric they have on the shelves which makes for a quick getaway if hubby is waiting in the car, also loads of inspiring sample quilts and just a huge variety of fabrics.

So that's my goods for this month. Don't forget to feel free to come to the Comfort Quilts table. Pick up a fabric bundle or a quilt bundle that is ready to stitch. Quilt tops have the quilt backing and binding fabric added to them. Feel free to stitch a quilt top and bring it for someone else to finish. Very generous stitchers are willing to quilt what you can piece. Maybe you can add binding to a quilt that just needs finishing. Give me a jingle and I can have quilt batting for you at the next quilt meeting or sooner by arrangement.

Stephani Siekierski

Carolyn Miller

Donation Quilt Block

This is a Basket Block, which is set on point.



12.5 inch unfinished 12 inch finished

Or

10.5 inch unfinished 10 inch finished (These blocks will have green sashing which we will add.)

Choose any basket quilt block pattern. Use muted colors, blending with the green sample. Do not use thirties prints or bright colors. If you want, you may use some of the green in your block. These blocks may be pieced or appliqued (any method) or both.

The sand colored fabric is the background for the block.

If you feel you cannot finish the block by the October meeting, please return the packet as soon as possible.

If for some reason, you need more background fabric, please call

Ruth Lavy at 940-692-2561 or 940-704-2561. Thank you for your help. Pieces of 8 Quilting Bee

Program Chairman Report By Linda Salmon

I am looking forward to the program August 3. . Several of our experienced quilters have graciously offered to share their expertise with us. We all are "good at" something as our president, Melissa, reminded us earlier **this year**. **Carolyn Miller will be demonstrating mitered borders**. **Trudy Wallace**, who plans our workshops each month, will show how to do **machine binding**. With the **Baskets on Point Donation Quilt** project in the works already, **Ruth Lavey** will be offering help and tips.

Below is a schedule for upcoming programs.

	Stations	Experienced quilters
Aug 3		
Sept 14	Strip poker "using 2 ½ inch strips"	Linda Salmon
Oct 5	Special techniques	Karen Coker
Nov. 2	Charity Quilt-	informational talk

Okay, again let me ask you about your Challenge blocks of the month. How are you doing? It is August already so below you will find the August block. Remember if you have blocks that you would like to share for a Comfort quilt, please bring them to one of the monthly meetings. Are you working on your blocks, to be set in a quilt, by the December meeting?

New August Guild Block

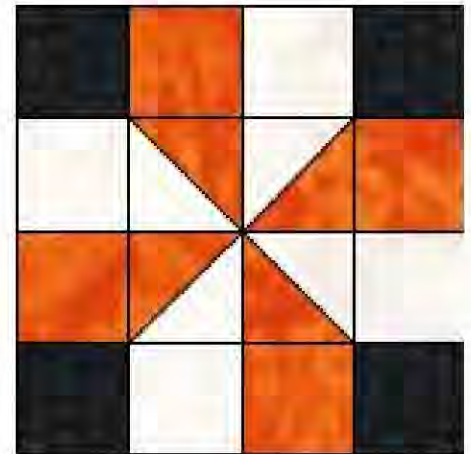
Nelson's Victory

- Light: Cut 4 patches at 2-1/2" square
Cut 2 patches at 3" square
- Medium: Cut 2 patches at 3" square
Cut 4 patches at 2-1/2" square
- Dark: Cut 4 patches at 2-1/2" square

Make: 4 HSQ of light/medium

Use the 3" squares to make Half Square Triangles as follows:
Using 2 light and 2 medium, make 4 HSQ in light/medium
TRIM to 2-1/2" if needed

Sew together as shown in diagram.



Looking back to Pam Schenk's Color Program

Primary, secondary, tertiary, monotone, analogous, complementary, double complementary, split complementary, triadic. These words might have been strange to some of us, but Pam Schenk from *Aunt Pam's Stash* in Henrietta seemed at ease with sharing them at our July Guild meeting. Her enthusiasm was catching. Wow! The information sheet was great. That beautiful laminated color wheel will be so useful. The handout with all those big words and explanation will be of use when we wonder what each means when we encounter them again when looking for quilt fabric. A huge thanks to Pam for the program and for opening our eyes to the challenge of color.

Reminder:

The next RRQG meeting will be Monday, August 3rd at 7:00 PM in the Notre Dame grade school cafeteria located at York and Lansing in Wichita Falls. Invite some friends to join us.

Also, please remember to put your chair up at the end of the meetings and pick up any trash you may have left. If you are not physically able to lift, please ask a fellow quilter or one of the officers for assistance.

Show and Tell July 6, 2015

Dinah Redmond-Illusion Bargello and cream and rust quilt.

Frances Bargello

Melissa Taylor-Bargello

Paula Gordon-Baby quilt and car quilt

Teresa Barnes-Lap Quilt

Anny Wyatt-Antique and tumbler quilts

Debbie Griffith-Kids lab quilt

Audrey Bee-Frozen

Stephanie V. Siekowski-Yellow Brick Road

Please go to web site for pictures

Red River Quilter's Guild

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Shirley Rutherford	August 03
Melissa Taylor	August 04
Darla Woodruff	August 07
Teresa Barnes	August 08
Paula Ballard	August 22
JoAnn Stone	August 26
Lucy Bonnin	August 28
Debra Boring	August 29
Rita Dean	August 29



" Please remember to bring snack on your BIRTHDAY month to share with our members"

"of course anyone is welcome to bring a snack anytime"

Proposed Slate Executive Board 2015-2016

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3rd Vice-President (Membership)-Jane Benson and Teresa Barnes

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Special Request from Brenda Odom

I have been approached to contribute twin size boys quilts to a boy's home in Hollis, Ok.

Any of you who want to help with this endeavor would be greatly appreciated. Anyone willing to quilt the tops, please let me know, maybe this could be part of our charity quilts. These boys do not have anything of their "OWN". There are 30 boys at the ranch. You can call, text or email me if you have any questions..781-7129, Brenda.odom@sbcglobal.net.



About Our Home

Since 1956, Westview Boys' Home has cared for boys who need the love, security, and guidance our Home offers. The purpose of Westview is to help boys deprived due to sickness or death in their family, boys experiencing significant problems in living with their family, boys needing supervision (runaways or truants), delinquent boys (those who violated the law, but who are not in need of treatment or detention), and abandoned, abused, or neglected boys.

Westview is located in a rural setting near Hollis in southwestern Oklahoma. With the administrative office in town, the six homes are situated far enough apart from each other so that each can act as independent families where the parents direct the affairs of "their family". The country atmosphere provides boys a place to live, work, play and receive education, as well as moral and spiritual training. Our goal is to help boys grow into their unique capabilities, attainable success in their lives. At Westview, they are given an opportunity to become useful citizens, as well as responsible young men.

Westview Boys' Home is a non-profit residential child care agency, supported by Churches of Christ and other friends. No child is denied care because of race, religion, national origin, economic status, or handicapping condition, unless otherwise qualified for residency.

Quilting In the Falls 2016 August Newsletter Report

Quilt Show dates: September 23-24, 2016

We had a *great* meeting in July. Many thanks to the members who arrived early to participate. We will meet again at 6:00 prior to the August guild meeting. We keep the meetings under 30 minutes and discuss a few items each week.

In planning anything, some things need to be decided early, some things can't be decided until late, and most things fall somewhere in between. My approach on organizing anything is to be proactive instead of reactive. I like to get things done early when possible and leave time at the end for the unforeseen and the crises. We have the urgent things done. Now we will work on the in-between things.

At the July quilt show meeting we agreed on the following:

1. **Show hours:** The quilt show will be 10:00 am - 5:00 pm both days
2. **Miniature Auction:** The miniature auction will be held at 4:00 pm on Saturday. Vendors can begin packing at this time if they wish. Members can come to the auction and be there to help take down quilts and/or retrieve their quilt entries.
3. **Appraisals:** We will not offer quilt appraisals during the 2016 quilt show.
4. **Booth Rental Fee:** Booth rental fees will be \$125 for the first booth and \$100 for each additional booth. A 50% deposit is required with the balance due in March 2016.
5. **Donation Quilt:** Pieces of Eight will coordinate the Donation Quilt. It will be a "**Baskets on Point**" quilt, though it hasn't been given an official name yet. The quilt requires a variety of different blocks and members are asked to find a basket pattern they would like to use and make the block. Patterns are available in books, magazines, and on the Internet. Ruth Lavy handed out block kits and *will have them available again at the August guild meeting*. Finished blocks are due **no later than the October meeting**. Pieces of Eight will finish the quilt and have it ready to show at the Home and Garden Show.
6. **Entry Form Due Dates:** Entry forms (**forms only, not the actual quilt**) are due at the 2016 August guild meeting or the August workshop. No late entries will be accepted. We need to have 100+ quilts at the show, so be thinking of what you would like to make and/or enter.
7. **Non-Member Entries:** Quilts will be accepted from non-members. All rules and deadlines apply to non-members. The entry fee for non-members will be \$15 per quilt.
8. **Judge:** Members were asked for suggestions for a judge for the show. Several members mentioned possibilities and will check into them. (Note: Frances contacted Candy Norris from Amarillo who is available and interested.) We will review potential judges in August.

At the August meeting we will discuss:

1. Guild Block or Quilts of Valor
2. Honorary / guest judges
3. Ribbons
4. Judge selection
5. Topics from the floor

I would like to thank the following members that have volunteered to chair a committee:

Assistant Chair	Marianne Pattillo
Treasurer	Marianne Pattillo
Vendor Coordinator	Pam Schenk

Publicity	Paula Ballard
Volunteer Coordinator	Cindy Cunningham
Guild Emporium	Diane Hoehne (with Carolyn Miller and Eleanor Edwards)
Miniature Quilt Auction	Jayne Wiist (with Debra Wiist)
Donation Quilt	Pieces of Eight (Ruth Lavy and others)
Programs	Linda Salmon
Fat Quarter Basket	Dina Redmon
Take In Quilts	Janis Rubane
Hang Quilts	<i>Need Chair</i> (with Paula Gordon and Judy Breyen)
Take Down Quilts	<i>Need Chair</i> (with Paula Gordon and Judy Breyen)
Photographer	Ann Wyatt

Other areas that we need help (nothing needs to be done yet but it would be nice to know who will be coordinating it) are:

- Hang Quilts Chair
- Take Down Quilts Chair
- Guild Block or Quilts of Valor Coordinator (whichever one the guild decides on)
- Door Prizes
- Coffee Can Auction Items
- Demonstrations Coordinator
- Donation Quilt Ticket Sales Coordinator

If you are willing to help please let me know. If you have never done it before, no problem. I can and will help you. If you have done it before, please consider helping again.

Please bring your thoughts and opinions and come to the quilt show meeting at 6:00 prior to the guild meeting. Help us make decisions on what we want and find a place where you would like to participate.

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WorkShops — Trudy Wallace ** MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The August 15th workshop is Bargello Quilt taught by Frances Brackeen.

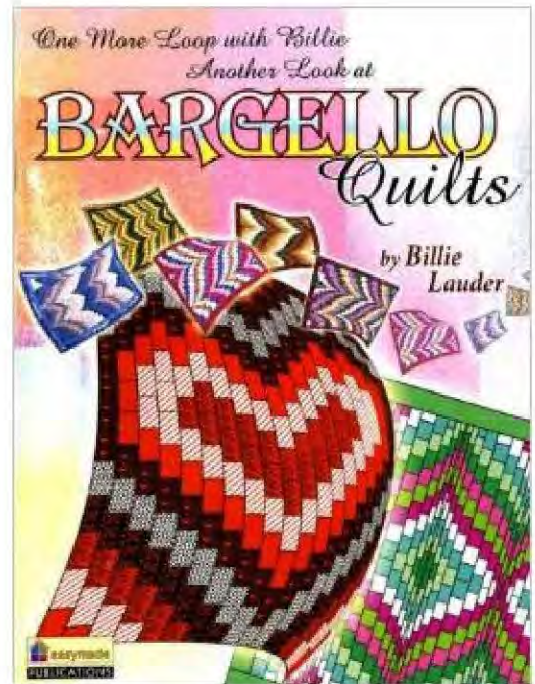
The September 19th workshop is Strip Quilt taught by Linda Salmon.

The October 17th workshop is Christmas Tree Skirt taught by Audrey Bee.

Book Needed for France's class :

One More Loop with Billie,
Another Look at Bargello Quilts by
Billie Lauder—

Thank you, Trudy Wallace



Quilt Plano 2015

Friday and Saturday, August 14-15, 2015
9:00am - 5:00pm
Plano Centre

"Fiesta Christmas" 2015 Raffle Quilt



95" by "88"