



Needle Notes

July 2015



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President's Notes — Melissa Taylor—July 2015

HAPPY Fourth

Our city looks so beautiful, everything is so green. You can drive around and see flowers growing in yards, everyone looks happy and enjoying summer. I'm sure you all have wonderful Fourth of July memories, it's a great time to visit with family and friends plus the obvious BARBEQUE. Are you doing something special this fourth??

We are Lake People (also known by our friends "Lake Rats") hahaha. Don't matter what rain, sun or no water, we are always at the lake. As you can image we can't wait for the Fourth of July week, it's been so long since we had a bunch of water in our lakes. The past few years putting our boat in the water with only two feet of water has been a challenge to say the least. Lol

Our June Potluck was so much fun and our silent auction was a success, thanks to everyone for all the donations. I hope everyone had fun, we worked really hard to make the silent auction flow smoothly. Thanks Marianne and Linda for all the hard work to make the silent auction a success. I would also like to thank everyone that help organized the bucket in Holiday, we are finished and the magic number is 20. We reduced the number of buckets from around 32 to 20. We are very pleased with the results.

I would also like to thank Audrey for the presentation and for stepping up and taking on the Quilt show Chair for 2016. **WE the members of the RRQG** are going to do our best to support you and the members of the committee, this is **OUR show and the success or failure is in our hands.**

Please try to attend July's meeting, we will be voting on the By-Laws changes.

Life is good. See you at the next meeting.

Melissa

Reminder:

The next RRQG meeting will be on **Monday, July 6th at 7:00 p.m.** at Notre Dame Elementary Cafeteria. Encourage your sewing friends to join us.

Those taking, or interested participants; the August Bargello class from Frances Brackeen, please be at the July guild meeting around 6:15 so Frances can go over supplies and pre preparations for the class and any questions you may have.

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 June 1, 2015

- Eleanor—Hawaiiin Quilt
- Stephani Siekierski—Log Cabin, Weed Wacker
- Jeannine Roberts—9-Patch, Monster Jar
- Audrey Bee—Red, White & Blue
- Diane Hoehne—Square In a Square

Please go to web site for pictures

Red River Quilter's Guild

www.wichitafallsquiltguild.org/



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| Frances Brackeen | July 05 |
| Jeannine Roberts | July 11 |
| Tina Nichols | July 12 |
| Janis RuBane | July 13 |
| Susan Aday | July 16 |



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

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

WorkShops — Trudy Wallace ** MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The July 18th workshop is Square in a Square Christmas Tree taught by Trudy Wallace.

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.

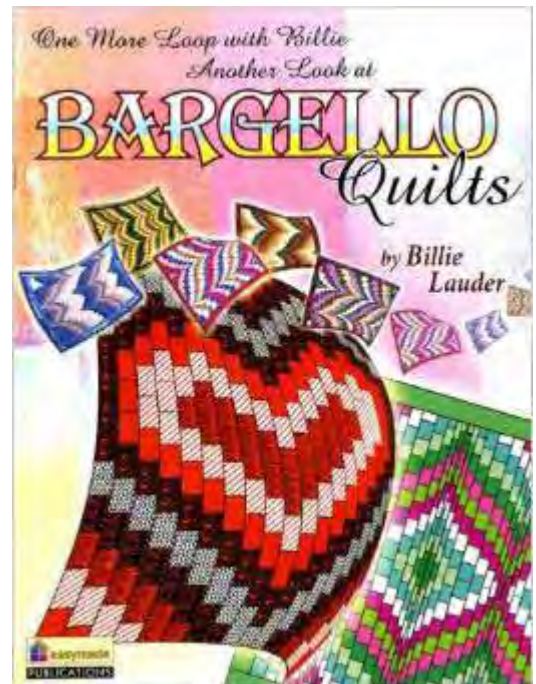
Book Needed for France's class :

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"

Comfort Quilts — Carolyn and Stephanie—July 2015

Love the change of seasons so I can get out my quilt books and magazines and scraps, and decide where to plunge next. Since we actually have Spring this year, I want to go through all the scraps and stockpiles and find pinks and greens and yellows, and all sorts of lighthearted prints for piecing over the next few weeks. Then the color range will dive into Summer with more vivid colors, turquoise and purple, watery colors to feel cool with. Quilts are like a wardrobe, to be changed with the season. New magazines and the new releases from the quilt market in Minnesota that just finished promise we will have every fabric our heart desires.

Ready for delivery to our designated groups, I collected six quilts last meeting. Thank you so much for those contributions. Carolyn Miller brought along two additional quilts. There were several that were just so kid friendly and cute. Thanks to Frances Brackeen, Jane Benson, Kathy Cremeens, and to Ruth Lavy who picked up quilts at the meeting for quilting or for binding. Having the ability to hand along quilts to the finishing point sure helps us to accumulate quilts for delivery.

I have been out to Aunt Pam's Closet in Henrietta and just so appreciate Pam's help in finding backings that sparkle for my quilting needs. She has a new section designated the Vintage Room that gives quilters additional fabrics to choose from, in addition to the collections of color family fabrics. There is always great lunch next door or around the corner.

At each meeting, feel free to come to the Comfort Quilts table. Pick up a quilt bundle that is ready for quilting with the backing and binding fabric added to them. Check out the baggies with Take Home Scrappy Fabrics for Comfort Quilts, in addition to precut 2-1/1" rolls donated by Darla Woodruff, cut with her accurate AccuQuilt machine. 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 put together. Maybe you can add binding to a quilt that just needs finishing. An added plus, the guild has batting available in packages and off the roll. Give me a jingle and I can have it for you at the next quilt meeting or sooner by arrangement.

Stephani Siekierski

Carolyn Miller

Program Chairman Report By Linda Salmon

Pam Schenk from *Aunt Pam's Stash* in Henrietta will be presenting our July Guild meeting. I am so looking forward to learning about Color, Contrast, and Value as it applies to choosing fabric for quilts. I have to admit that when I began quilting, I never thought colors would be a challenge for me. Boy, was I wrong! I knew what I liked, but when it came to putting what I liked together in a quilt I was stumped. I am confident that Pam will help me and maybe others who face this same challenge

Well, how are you all doing on your Challenge blocks of the months? We are now ready for July. If you have blocks that you would like to share for a Comfort quilt, please bring them to one of the monthly meetings. Remember we would like to have our blocks ready in a quilt for the December meeting (No, mine are nowhere near ready!) Below is a schedule for upcoming programs.

July 6	Color/Contrast/value in quilting	Pam Schenk
Aug 3	Stations	Experienced quilters
Sept 14	Strip poker "using 2 ½ inch strips"	Linda Salmon
Oct 5	Special techniques	Karen Coker
Nov. 2	Charity Quilt-	informational talk

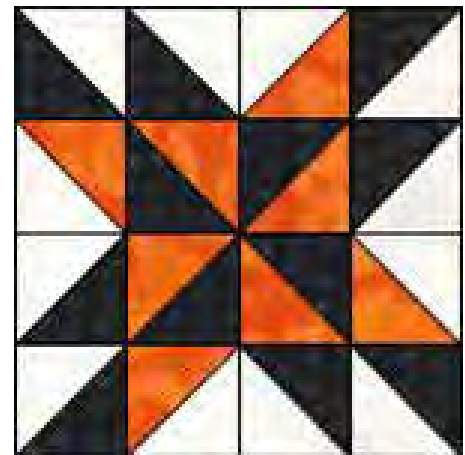
Walking Star July Guild Block

Light: Cut 6 patches at 3" square
Medium: Cut 4 patches at 3" square
Dark: Cut 6 patches at 3" square

Make: 4 HSQ of light/medium
8 HSQ of light/dark
4 HSQ of medium/dark

Use the 3" squares to make Half Square Triangles as follows:
Using 2 light and 2 medium, make 4 HSQ in light/medium
Using 4 light and 4 dark, make 8 HSQ in light/dark
Using 2 medium and 2 dark, make 4 HSQ in medium/dark

TRIM to 2-1/2" if needed



Looking back to the Red River Quilters' Guild Silent Auction

The Silent Auction was a quilter's success! All of the items were of great quality and items that we really needed. The items for bid were arranged so that all could browse and see what was available. The plastic bags were a great idea because browsers could pick up the item and see what was inside without some of the contents being separated. The numbered bidding cards brought comments and joking about not knowing who had bid before you. Apparently some of us like to try to out-bid our friends (or even family). Lots of friendly conversations, bidding, and kidding took place.

Huge thanks to all who donated items and also to those who purchased items. Melissa and others (would not want to leave anyone out) did an excellent job of gathering and packaging items from the church in Holliday for the auction. The auction was a great money-maker for our Red River Quilters' Guild.

Oh! And the potluck food was plentiful and delicious. Thanks to all who brought food to share with our friends.