

# Needle Notes

March 2015



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## President's Notes — Melissa Taylor—March 2015

Thanks to all those who attended our last meeting. It was pretty COLD and I'm sure many of you thought twice about going out.

Everyone seemed to enjoy Audrey's presentation and all the different tricks to make the cutting and piecing faster on a nine patch. Linda and Trudy announced that they are planning to coordinate the program presentation with the following months work shop. We really appreciate their enthusiasm that helps make our quilt guild a stronger and more productive organization. Everyone needs to bring their ideas and skills to our guild, don't be shy bring it on and please feel free to get involved.

THANK YOU, to all of our volunteers! It's time to start thinking about all the new opportunities happening in the very near future. Please feel free to shadow any of our current volunteers and they will be more than happy to answer your questions.

How are the New Year resolutions going?? I'm making a little progress on my, I can actually see some areas in my room I have not seen in months even years. I'm also getting my donations ready for the June silent auction.

**Spring** is almost here. According to the calendar it's March 20th, all these up and down temperatures are just a tease. **Spring** cleaning is coming, time to hit all the garage sales, just for that one item you can't live without, but don't really need. LOL you all know what I'm talking about. This is another opportunity to clear out that sewing room.

Linda will take care of the meeting next month. I will be thinking about you all while in Panama under the 82 degree sun.

Probably not. LOL

See you in April.

Melissa



### March Members

Zana Elliott 3/17

### WELCOME NEW MEMBER

**Shirley Holub**

**February 2, 2015**

**Red River Quilting Guild Notes**

President Melissa Taylor called the meeting to order at 7pm. Melissa asked if everyone had read last month's minutes and did someone want to make a motion to accept the minutes.

Cindy Simmons made a motion to accept last month's minutes, Cathy Ladd seconded the motion. Melissa asked for all in favor, unanimous acceptance. Motion passed.

Melissa asked for a motion to approve last month's budget report, Cindy Simmons made the motion, Kathy Cremeens seconded the motion. Melissa asked for all in favor, the ayes carried the motion passed.

Linda Salmon introduced Audrey Bee and her program on the Nifty Nine Patch. You can see Billie Louder on You Tube demonstrating the different patterns she creates using the Nifty Nine Patch.

Linda displayed examples of the Road to Oklahoma block for this month. She also explained this is your quilt if you want to do just 2 colors that's okay too. It is your quilt make it the way you like.

Linda also explained that the monthly programs will be a forerunner to next month's workshop.

Audrey will do a workshop in March about the Nifty Nine Patch.

The program in March will be Kathy Cremeens doing needle turned applique. In April, Alice Wilhoit, will do a workshop on applique, April 18th. She will have quilts to display her work.

Linda asked for any volunteers and ideas for programs and workshops, just give her a call.

Door Prize Winners

Jean Swinney

Cathy Ladd

Sue Walker

Also a big Thanks! To Melissa for the Valentine Candy, very kind and thoughtful!

Audrey Bee discussed the roll of batting donated from one of the vendor's, American Quilt Batting Company. He donated it for the guild to use for the comfort quilts. He also left samples of all the different battings that his company carries. Contact Information [americanquiltbatting.com](http://americanquiltbatting.com) 855-865-6257

Melissa said, "Now we have the batting available, we just need the quilts."

Carolyn Miller let us know, the guild had donated 8 quilts this month, 4 to Patsy's House and 4 to the Red Cross. Ruth Lavy made the comfort quilt displayed. Dinah Redmon showed 3 of the comfort quilts that she made and donated this month. Frances Brackeen offered to quilt any tops put together for the comfort quilts.

Melissa also talked about the work done at Holiday Church last month. Worked about 2 1/2 hours cleared one whole table. Very hard to stay focused because the fabrics were so beautiful. They brought backings from Holiday and they are available for the comfort quilts.

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Melissa set a date for another trip to Holiday, Saturday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30-12:00, for more organizing and sorting. In April, she wants to have a cutting day and make up bags of 5" squares and jellyrolls. She wants to be able to use them to make kits to use as comfort quilts. So they will be ready to grab and go. Her goal is to use up a lot of the fabric we have stored. It isn't doing any good on a shelf or in a bin. Melissa asked for a motion to postpone moving the fabric and renting a new storage room until we know how much room we actually need to store the fabric. After all the sorting and organizing is done. Audrey Bee made the motion to table the moving and storing of fabric in Holiday. Cindy Simmons seconded the motion. Ayes carried motion, move of fabric and renting storage is put on hold.

Audrey Bee had new business the Habitat for Humanity has invited us to their fair May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Bridwell Ag Building. They want a booth demonstrating hand quilting. She asked for volunteers. Kathy Cremeens, Zana Elliott, Ruth Lavy, all volunteered to undertake that task. They will get with Audrey to get contact info. They will determine a good time and what is needed and will set up the booth. Other volunteers are needed to be handing out info on the Red River Quilting Guild. Ann Wyatt offered her period costumes for the demo, Kathy has a quilting frame. The Guild has a banner to hang at the booth, so they will have more particulars in March or April.

Melissa brought up the By-Laws and how they hadn't been updated since 1999. There were several things she noticed when reading them that needs to be updated, deleted, or changed. She asked for a motion to form a committee to study the By-Laws and any changes they may need. Diane Walker made a motion to form a committee, Judy Breyen seconded the motion. Ayes carried, motion passed. Any changes will be brought before the guild and posted for 1 month in the RRQG monthly newsletter. This is your opportunity to change or add anything you think should be added. Email the volunteers between meetings and let the committee discuss it and bring it before the committee. Some of the concerns Melissa had are: Prorating the dues when someone joins midyear or toward the end of the year. Pins marking each year, where are they or do we want to continue that? Bad weather causing cancellation of the meeting, that isn't in the By-Laws and should be. There were changes made from one printing to the next that weren't approved ALL changes need to be brought before the board.

Frances Brackeen suggested more than one person proofread before printing. She also suggested a veteran member should be on the committee. The newly formed committee of Audrey Bee, Chair Marianne Pattillo, Lucy Bonnin, Ann Reid-Wyatt, Jane Wiist, Pam Schenk will meet and discuss any changes. Melissa wants this completed by next year's printing.

Melissa brought up policy on members being able to advertise for classes in their private studio.

After discussion, the consensus is, members can bring flyers to class for individual classes. They can offer a signup sheet to members to be on an email list for upcoming quilting classes at their studio. What isn't acceptable is to let nonmembers advertise within the guild without paying for advertising in the newsletter. Being able to advertise classes within the guild is a privilege of being a guild member. The main opposition is, not to turn over the membership roster and information to anyone outside the guild for advertising or any other reason without guild and personal consent.

Other Announcements Becky Carter is having surgery in March, keep her in your prayers. Johnnie Mitchell is under the weather as well, keep her in your prayers. Con't

Carolyn let us know that Stephanie is doing fairly well after the death of her husband, keep her in your prayers as well.

Pam Schenk let everyone know that Mr Sweeney's is closing, be sure to visit Ann one last time.

Frances Brackeen made motion to adjourn, Audrey Bee seconded the motion. Ayes carried meeting adjourned.

Show and Tell next

Pam Schenk

## Comfort Quilts —

In January we delivered 4 quilts to the Red Cross and 4 quilts to Patsy's House. They were thrilled to get them and said many nice things about the quilts and the guild members who donate their time and talents to make them. This month the Red Cross needed more children's quilts than adults, and Patsy's house needed more teen quilts than children's. Our members must have known what would be needed, as that was just what was donated.

Funny how things work out so well.

This month we received 4 quilts at our Feb. meeting.

Ruth Lavy pieced and quilted a very pretty scrap quilt in browns, rust and blue. It is twin or youth size. The fabrics are very pretty. The colors are blues, greens, browns and rusts, and black. The colors blend so nicely.

Dina Redmon out did herself again! She donated 3 quilts, she pieced and quilted. One is a large teal and white Carpenter's Star pattern. The second is a child's quilt with fun kittens in the fabric, the pattern is a rail fence. The third quilt is done in blue and orange. The blue is a sky print with white stars and orange moons. It is bright and fun. Dina pieced and quilted them all.

Francis Brackeen dropped off 2 more quilts last week Wed. She had pieced and quilted a medium sized quilt made of 5 in. squares of blues and browns. The backing is a color that goes well with the colors of the quilt. It has an alphabet pattern in similar colors. It would be suitable for a grade school child for a youth size bed or possibly a twin size.

The other quilt Francis brought is a bright colored children's quilt. It is red and green, with strips of white. The white strips have colorful trains that appear to be in motion! It is soooo cute!!!! Melissa Taylor made the quilt, and Francis quilted it.

Don't forget we will be meeting at our regular guild meeting place, this Sat. for a sewing work day. You may bring something to work on for yourself, or for comfort quilts. Hope to see many of you there.

Carolyn, and Stephani

**As of February guild meeting—we are up to:  
70 Members!!!!!!**

# Red River Quilt Guild

## Treasurer's Report

January 1,

	Comfort Quilts	Education Fund	General Fund	Quilt Fund	Total
<b>Opening Income</b>	<b>1266.30</b>	<b>1335.00</b>	<b>9645.50</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>12246.90</b>

Refund Times Record News			397.50		397.50
Membership			175.00		175.00

<b>Total In-</b>	<b>1266.30</b>	<b>1335.00</b>	<b>10218.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>12819.40</b>
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### Club Expens-

Design Workshop Group			285.00		285.00
T Shirts for Workshop Program	16.99				16.99
Recurring Transfer to Savings			150.00		150.00
Postage			19.60		19.60
Postage			19.60		19.60
2 file boxes			18.34		18.34
Badges printing			347.86		347.86
Dinner for quilt appraiser			28.19		28.19
Workshop		100.00			100.00
Paper and Ink cartridges		87.31			87.31

<b>Total Expens-</b>		<b>204.30</b>	<b>868.59</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1072.89</b>
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<b>Ending Balance January 31,2015</b>				<b>0.00</b>	<b>11746.51</b>
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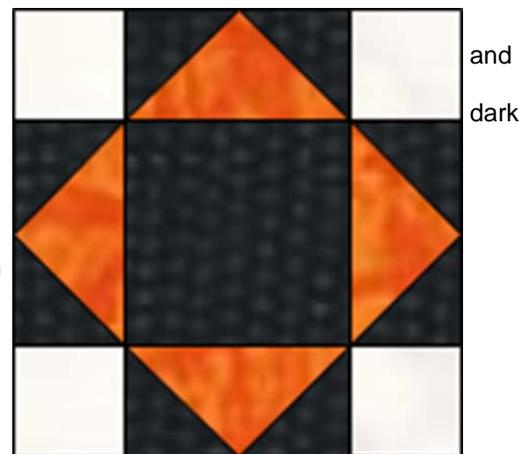
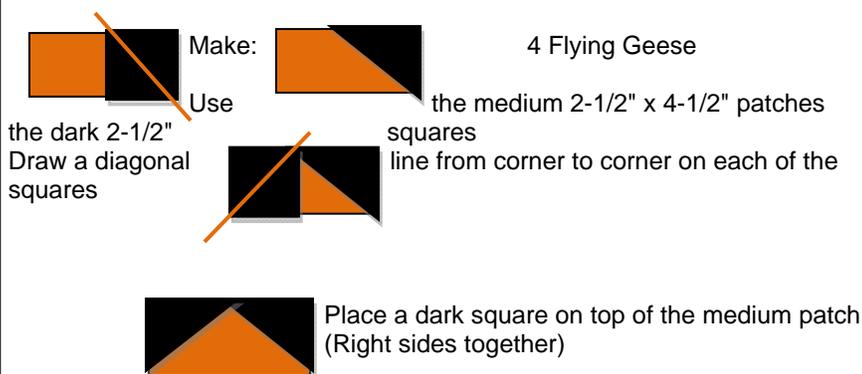
## Programs — Linda Salmon

Kathy Cremeens will be presenting the program on " Needle Turned Applique." Kathy has presented programs in the past and we found them very informative.

### March Guild Block 2015

## King's Crown

Light: Cut 4 patches at 2-1/2" square  
Medium: Cut 4 patches at 2-1/2" x 4-1/2"  
Dark: Cut 8 patches at 2-1/2" square  
Cut 1 patch at 4-1/2" square



Stitch on drawn line. Press open.

Place a dark square on top of the new patch on the opposite side (Dark square will overlap)  
(Right sides together)

Should have 1/4" overlap on black to allow for seam allowance.

Sew together as shown in diagram.

## Upcoming Workshops — Trudy Wallace \*\*

### March Workshop to be announced at the March Meeting

Anyone that signed up for the 2014-2105 membership will get a **FREE** ticket(back by popular demand) to stop by the membership desk to pick it up. (does not include special paid workshops).

Please note: those not wishing to sign up for a work shop but would like to be with friends with like interests—Please join us on the third Saturday of the month—Maybe you would like to sew a comfort quilt or help cut kits for the comfort quilts or sew a binding on a quilt.

Alice Wilhoit is coming in April for the third Saturday workshop.

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## Show and Tell

Jean Swinney—Baby Radio City, & Lap

Martha Woody—King

Frances Brackeen—Alberta Stars

Dinah Redmaen—Purple/Scrappy

Lucy Bonnin—Table Cloth, Table Runner, Rising Star Quilt Top

Karen Walker—Table Walker

Carolyn Miller—Table Runner

Ann Wyatt—Kids Quilts

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# Dallas Quilt Show 2015 "Funny Quilts"

Dallas Market Hall, March 13 - 15, 2015 Friday & Saturday, 10 - 5 PM and Sunday, 12 - 5 PM

## Missing Quilt

Audrey Bee showed a quilt at the November meeting that had been accidentally left at the quilt show, looking for the owner. Someone said they could get it back where it belonged and agreed to take it and I thank you.

If you have the quilt, call and I will gladly come and get it or if you know who got it for me also call.

The quilt is a 4 block small baby quilt size 1) US Flag, 2) Trees, 3) Cat and Mouse, 4) House.

Sincerely,

Zana Elliott, 691-0811

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## Reminder:

The next RRQG meeting will be on **Monday, March 2nd at 7:00 p.m.** at Notre Dame Elementary Cafeteria. Encourage your sewing 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