



# COMMON THREADS

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## NEWSLETTER OF THE QUILTERS GUILD OF PLANO

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### President's Message

*Donna Petrick*

Hi everyone –

I've waited so long to write this that I get to talk about several current happenings instead of speaking for the future. So here goes.

The "Salute to Bees" evening was much better than I had even imagined. I was so impressed with all of you that shared your bee activities with us. The work that you have produced is staggering. Just thinking of all the community service work you have produced is awe inspiring; plus doing all the quilt projects you have kept and shared with family and friends. And then all the years of service to the guild that each of you has given adds up to a tremendous amount of hours. Congratulations to all of you.....you are the back bone of the guild.

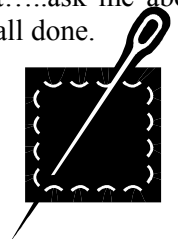
After seeing the "Salute" you can see why more people want to be in small groups. It was good to see that some of the groups have room for more members. There is also room for more bees to be formed. If anyone is interested in starting a new group, please contact Cathy LaManna, our beekeeper. As an individual, you have to make an effort to join in. You cannot wait for someone to just pop up and ask if you are interested. Be pro-active in meeting others and inviting them to sew with you.

A good number of us turned out for the TAQG rally day. J Michele Watts is a fun speaker. She drives to events so she can bring all her quilts and garments, so we got to see a lot of quilts. However, there were only 30 people who took her workshop on Friday. That was sad to hear, but I couldn't make it either so can't fuss at any of you too much. The TAQG group is "hinting" broadly that is time for the guilds to sign up for the next round of hosting rally day. It seems that everyone has done it once now. We need to discuss it and then make sure it's on an off year from our quilt shows.

We really need several people to volunteer to help Teresa Knode with planning education events. Sometimes events come to us such as Children's Medical Center asking us to help with the grand opening of their new wing. But we need to be finding ways to reach into the community to teach about the history of quilts and what they meant to everyone before us. Several guilds are starting up the story book quilts.....making small quilts that match a story, deliver both the quilts and books to schools. If you still have children in school, you know the need for new reading activities.

Last but not least, there is still more need for our comfort quilts for charities. We have a great many tops that need to be quilted so that they can be given out. It's a great way to practice quilting designs (maybe even some that Michelle talked about....ask me about those). Please keep making more tops too. We'll find a way to get them all done.

Happy Quilting,  
Donna



### Newsletter Deadline

For Ads and Articles is

**ALWAYS**

**Saturday Midnight**  
AFTER the Guild  
Meeting

Please don't be late!

Membership to the  
Quilters Guild of Plano  
is open to anyone  
interested in quilts or  
quilting.  
Annual dues are \$25.  
Membership is from  
June 1-May 31.

## Board Meeting Highlights

### Donna Petrick

President Donna Petrick called the June Board of Officers meeting together at 7:15 pm on Monday, July 14. The meeting was held at the Davis Library.

A discussion was held regarding moving the board meeting to the Monday before the general meeting rather than the Monday after the meeting. It was voted to try out the new day.

The QGP has been asked to host the TAQG Rally Day in an upcoming year. Discussion was held and since we have a show on the odd years it was agreed that we could consider hosting it in an even numbered year. Suggestions for a facility that would not be too expensive were given and information will be obtained.

Membership cards will be distributed at the next regular meeting. We will be selling ad space in our membership directory this year.

Programs for the remainder of the 2008-09 year were discussed.

The Historian position is unfilled. We need someone to fill this position who can take good photos, has the ability to crop pictures, and can email them directly to the webmaster. Documents and printed material relating to the guild should also be collected and preserved.

The next board meeting will be in the same location within the Davis Library on Monday August 11 at 7:00. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted: Julie Schaefer, Secretary

## COMMON THREADS

### AD RATES

Size	1 month	3 months
Business card size	\$15.00	\$35.00
Quarter Page	\$25.00	\$60.00
Half Page	\$40.00	\$90.00

Send PC compatible ads in both black & white and color to: Brooks Wilson at

[media@quiltersguildofplano.org](mailto:media@quiltersguildofplano.org)

**ADS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE**

**Make checks payable to:** Quilters Guild of Plano

**Mail to:** Brooks Wilson  
3308 Brentwood Drive  
McKinney, Texas 75070  
972-562-4922 (for questions)

## Quilters Guild of Plano

### Officers ~ 2008-2009

<b>President</b>	Donna Petrick
<b>VP-Membership</b>	Julie Brooks
<b>VP-Programs</b>	Donna Lobelson
<b>VP-Community Service</b>	Sheri Smith
<b>VP-Guild Activities</b>	Emily Armstrong
<b>VP Media</b>	Tina Connolly
<b>Secretary</b>	Julie Schaefer
<b>Treasurer</b>	Joan Wilson
<b>Librarian</b>	Nanette Gaskey
<b>Quilt Show 2009</b>	Kemberly Wilshire

### Committee Chairs

<b>Assistants - Programs</b>	Rhonda Kuntz
	Sherry Worley
	Shirley Weaver
<b>Assistant - Treasurer</b>	Cathy LaManna
<b>Bee Keeper</b>	Diane deFreitas
<b>Block of Month</b>	LaDawn Dalley
<b>Christmas Stocking Project</b>	Lynne Fritsche
<b>Directory</b>	Gail Schwartz
	Diane Crandall
<b>Door Prizes</b>	Teresa Knode
<b>Education</b>	Beverly Geise
<b>E-mail/Web Master</b>	N/A
<b>Facilities</b>	N/A
<b>Fat Quarter Lotto</b>	Marla Bradberry
	Sandra Goecke
	N/A
<b>Historian</b>	Terri Mendelow
<b>Hospitality</b>	Sharon Schenke
<b>Inventory</b>	Brooks Wilson
<b>Newsletter Editor</b>	Terri Anderman
<b>Nine Patch</b>	Rose-Clair Fletcher
<b>Publicity</b>	Terri Anderman
<b>Retreat 2009</b>	& Quilt Soup
<b>Service Quilts</b>	Karen Christoffer
<b>Show 'n Tell</b>	Karen Hawkins
<b>Texas Area Quilt Guilds</b>	Aggie Meszaros

## FOR SALE

9 ft Gammill SOS table with light bar \$2500.00  
Bernina 440 QEE sewing & embroidery \$2000.00  
Babylock QCP sewing machine \$ 500.00  
Viking Platinum 750 sewing machine \$250.00

Wendy Duerr windiraycer@gmail.com 214-460-8595

# July 10, 2008 Minutes

Julie Schaefer

**President Donna Petrick** called the meeting of the Quilters Guild of Plano to order at 7:03 PM. She asked that a motion be made to accept the minutes of the June 12, 2008 meeting as printed in the guild's newsletter. Debbie Skorepa so moved and Sheri Smith seconded. Vote was taken and the minutes were approved as written. Donna asked that the guild's budget be accepted as printed in the July 2008 newsletter. Shirley Weaver so moved and Aggie Meszaros seconded. Vote was taken and the budget was accepted as written. Donna reminded the membership that the budget was dependent on membership dues, amount of raffle tickets sold and other things.

**Old Business:** Donna asked if there was any old business to be discussed, as she had none. The question was raised as to when the new membership cards would be given out. Donna announced that it would be next month as the VP-Membership is out of town. Donna also mentioned that there were still many members that needed to renew their membership. Members were reminded that the Board meeting would be at the Davis Library on the upcoming Monday and any one may attend. Members were also reminded that they needed to take the guild survey. At the present time 97 people have taken it. People wanting to have their name in the directory in a list of quilters please contact Lynne Fritsche.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Community Service:** Sheri Smith reported that various community agencies were asking the guild to participate in their activities. Help from members is needed. Teresa Knode needs help this coming Saturday from 10:00-12:00. If you can help her in any way please call her.

**TAQG:** Aggie Meszaros reminded members that the rally day will be in Mesquite. The doors open at 9:00 and the old membership cards will be accepted. The next TAQG meeting will be 7/29 for those wishing to go.

**Newsletter:** Brooks Wilson reminded people to renew their membership or they won't get a copy of the newsletter. Those wanting a hard copy to be sent to them must tell her and provide either stamps or money for stamps.

**Library:** Nanette Gaskey reported that anyone with a late book/magazine would be charged \$1.00.

**Block of the Month:** Diane DeFreitas reported that 18 blocks were handed in this evening. Shirley Weaver and Debbie Skorepa each won 9 blocks.

**Christmas Stockings:** LaDawn Dalley reported that she will have kits ready for members to make stockings but she needs more fabric. She requested that people bring in any material appropriate including whites, reds, creams etc. Last year we gave away around 1500 stockings.

**Raffle Quilt:** Tina Connolly requested that people sell tickets and then remember to give her the stubs with names on them. She brought to our attention that the meeting of the guild was mentioned in the *Dallas Morning News* under Community Calendar.

**Quilt Show Minis:** Germaine Reconnu reminded members to make mini quilts. She explained what the requirements were and stated that animals and holidays sell well. As incentive for everyone that brings in a mini, their name will be placed in a pot. Each month a name will be drawn to win a 6 pack of fat quarters.

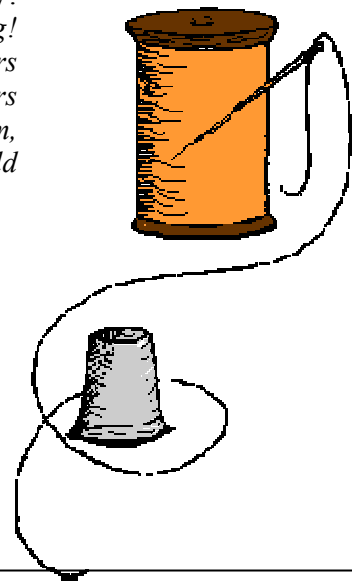
**Programs:** Rhonda Kuntz reminded members that there are still 3 spots for the Cynthia England workshop and that a really nice gift for a friend would be a \$30.00 certificate for a workshop to be chosen by the recipient.

**Fat Quarter Lotto:** Marla Bradbury awarded fat quarters of the "red, white and blue" to Sheri Smith, Rhonda Kuntz and Rebecca Clayton. Donna Tomenga won "anything goes" fat quarters. Next month's categories will be "kid prints, sunny/summer prints and anything goes".

**Membership:** Terri Mendelow announced the names of two new members who received a "goody bag" as well as greetings. Lorraine Morse reported that there were 74 members present at the meeting and awarded door prizes that were given by:  
*Happiness Is.. Quilting!*  
*Suzy's Quilt Shop, Quilters Connection, The Quilters Workshop, The Quilt Asylum, Quilt Country and The Old Craft Store.*

The business meeting was adjourned at 7:30 and the program of "Salute to the Bees" was presented.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Schaefer  
Secretary



## *Treasurers Report*

*Joan Wilson*

### Cash Flow - June 2008

#### INFLOWS

Administrative Income	
Interest Income	\$7.43
TOTAL Administrative Income	\$7.43
Guild Activities Income	
Raffle Quilt	\$1,058.00
TOTAL Guild Activities Income	\$1,058.00
Media Income	
Newsletter Advertisements	\$43.94
Newsletter Postage	\$50.42
TOTAL Media Income	\$94.36
Membership Income	
Guest Fees	\$5.00
Membership Dues 08-09	\$3,260.00
TOTAL Membership Income	\$3,265.00
Program Income	
Workshop Fees	\$400.00
TOTAL Program Income	\$400.00

**TOTAL INFLOWS** **\$4,824.79**

#### OUTFLOWS

Administrative Expenses	
AQS Membership	\$25.00
Bank Charge	\$16.00
PO Box Rental	\$94.00
Storage	\$210.00
TOTAL Administrative Expenses	\$345.00
Media Expenses	
Newsletter Postage	\$42.00
Newsletter Printing	\$52.29
TOTAL Media Expenses	\$94.29
Program Expenses	
Dinner with Speaker	\$12.21
Guild Meeting Facilities Rent	\$50.00
Speaker Fees	\$375.00
Speaker Travel Expenses	\$505.48
Workshop Teacher Fees	\$600.00
TOTAL Program Expenses	\$1,542.69

**TOTAL OUTFLOWS** **\$1,981.98**

**OVERALL TOTAL** **\$2,842.81**

## *Education*

*Teresa Knode*

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

Saturday August 2

8:00-10:00 am

Children's Medical Center Legacy.

The hospital is hosting a fun day for employees and their families. We have agreed to teach the children about crayon quilt blocks. Hopefully they'll all get donated so we can make some quilts for the hospital to display. I need more 3 people there that morning. If you can be there, please email me ASAP so I can get you more information. I need to know by the end of the week whether I will have enough volunteers for this event. Thank you.

Teresa Knode

bearhugquilts@yahoo.com

Quilter's Guild of Plano-Education Chair

972-437-9277

**FOR SALE - \$3,500.00**

**Brother Innovis 4000D**

50th Year Disney Edition  
Embroidery/Sewing Machine  
Purchased July 2006 -  
Only 201,817 stitch count

Included: Free-standing  
10 spool thread stand,  
MagnaHoop (never out of  
box), extra bobbins,  
7 spools embroidery  
bobbin thread and  
Pooh design card.

If interested, call  
*Carolyn Fisher* at  
972-964-3083



# Programs & Workshops

Donna Lobelson



**Piece and Quiet**  
80" x 64"  
Quilt by Cynthia England  
Created in 1993  
[www.englanddesign.com](http://www.englanddesign.com)

This month we are lucky to have Cynthia England ([www.englanddesign.com/](http://www.englanddesign.com/)). There are three spaces left in her workshop. If you have been thinking about signing up, you had better hurry. Cynthia is a commercial artist and lifelong quilter. Her quilt "**Piece and Quiet**" (shown on the left) has been named one of the 100 Best Quilts of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

Her lecture **Making a Pictorial Quilt** will show how to break any picture into straight-line pieces. You'll be amazed at the exciting quilts you can create with her technique...and not a curve in sight. She has so much to share about fabric, color, and scene selection.

**Workshop:** Friday, August 15, 2008  
**Location:** Legacy Bank

Cynthia will teach you the construction techniques in her book "**Picture Piecing**" (shown on next page).

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**SEPTEMBER** – Lisa Erlandson [www.lequilts.com/](http://www.lequilts.com/)  
Quilt historian and appraiser from Greenville will take a humorous look at some of the results of our quilting ancestors.

**Workshop:** No workshop this month.

**OCTOBER** – Teri DeBolt  
A wonderful quilting teacher at area Bernina shops, Teri is known for machine-work. Come let her show you what you never thought was possible on a machine.

**Workshop:** No workshop this month.

**NOVEMBER** – Sally Collins [www.sallycollins.org/](http://www.sallycollins.org/)  
The master of miniatures! Sally has published several books on precision piecing, miniatures and borders. We are very lucky to have this internationally-known quilter.

**First Sally Collins Workshop:**  
Friday, November 14 2008  
Location: Legacy Bank  
*Achieving Quality Workmanship*

**Second Sally Collins Workshop:**  
Saturday, November 15, 2008  
Location: Plano Chamber of Commerce  
*Pieced Baskets*

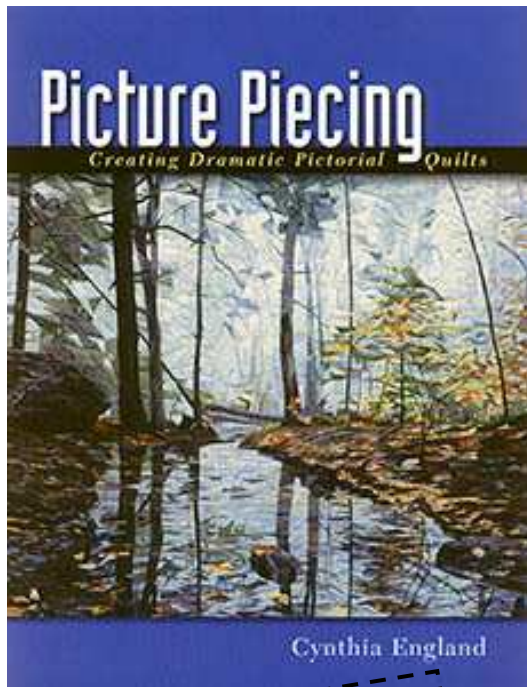
**DECEMBER** – Holiday Party

**JANUARY** – Linda Reynolds  
Director of the East Texas Research Center a historian who has done extensive research on east Texas quilts. For an article about her go to:  
[tides.sfasu.edu/Press/30May2007PublicAffairs.pdf](http://tides.sfasu.edu/Press/30May2007PublicAffairs.pdf)



# Programs & Workshop Registration

Donna Lobelson



**Workshops are:** \$35/day for members  
\$40/day for non-members

**August 15<sup>th</sup>: Cynthia England**

□ Fri, August 15<sup>th</sup> – Legacy Bank **Hours:** 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Cynthia will teach you the construction techniques in her book “**Picture Piecing**”.

See the guild website at [www.quiltersguildofplano.org](http://www.quiltersguildofplano.org) and go to the programs page for more information. Fees are refundable only in the event the speaker cancels her appearance. Questions may be directed to Donna Lobelson through email: [lobelson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lobelson@sbcglobal.net) or call her at 972-407-9234.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City and Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive the supply lists via USPS. Supply lists may also be printed from the website. Your telephone number and email are particularly important so we can reach you in the event of any last minute changes.

**Copy or Clip and mail your registration form to:**

**Rhonda Kuntz**  
1552 Aylesbury Lane  
Plano, TX 75075

If you have ideas about a topic for a program or workshop; a favorite teacher or quilt book author that you would like to have come to our guild, please let me know. Now is the time to speak up because next years programs are being scheduled

Quilts are so much more interesting when you combine two blocks.... Look how these 2 blocks play well with each other.



Blocks downloaded free from [www.dlstewart.com/clipart.htm](http://www.dlstewart.com/clipart.htm)

# Proposed Budget

## Joan Wilson

On this page and page 8, you will find last year's actual budget compared with the proposed budget for the upcoming year. Please look it over carefully, as we will be voting at the August meeting.

Category Description	2007-2008 Actual	2008-2009 Budget
<b>INCOME</b>		
Administrative Income		
Cash Donations	100.00	100.00
Interest Income	195.57	150.00
Grant Income	665.08	9,000.00
Sub-Totals	<u>960.65</u>	<u>9,250.00</u>
Community Service Income		
Community Service Donations		
Fabric Sale		
Sub-Totals	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Guild Activities Income		
Guild Challenge Fabric Sales		
Raffle Quilt - 2008	1,203.00	3,500.00
Sub-Totals	<u>1,203.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>
Guild Product Sales		
Cookbooks		
Mugs		
Notions Totes		
Pins	20.47	
Sub-Totals	<u>20.47</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Library Income		
Library Book Sales	205.74	200.00
Library Donations		
Library Fines		
Sub Totals	<u>205.74</u>	<u>200.00</u>
Media Income		
Newsletter Advertisements	242.93	500.00
Sub Totals	<u>242.93</u>	<u>500.00</u>
Membership Income		
Guest Fees	60.00	80.00
Membership Dues	7,345.00	7,500.00
Nine Patch Muslin Sales	19.40	
Sub Totals	<u>7,424.40</u>	<u>7,580.00</u>
Programs Income		
Trash to Treasure Income	222.20	
Workshop Fees	4,005.25	4,000.00
Sub Totals	<u>4,227.45</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>

Quilt Show Income		
Admissions Revenue	10,551.15	400.00
Appraisal Revenue		
Catalog Advertising		
Revenue	1,027.37	1,500.00
Donations	15.00	
Grant Income	402.74	
Hospitality Revenue		
Mini Quilt Auction Revenue	5,112.00	
Raffle Quilt Revenue	5,798.05	
Registration and Judging		
Fees	495.00	
Show Products Revenue	995.84	
Vendor Fee Revenue	4,271.25	6,500.00
Sub Totals	<u>28,668.40</u>	<u>8,400.00</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b><u>42,953.04</u></b>	<b><u>33,430.00</u></b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Administrative Expenses		
AQS Membership		25.00
Bad Debt	15.00	
Bank Charges and Supplies	75.71	60.00
Bulk Mail Permit	267.00	
Liability Insurance	1,032.00	1,040.00
Miscellaneous	182.91	
Plano Chamber of		
Commerce Dues	250.00	250.00
PO Box Rental		50.00
Safe Deposit Box Rental		25.00
Storage	700.00	840.00
Supplies, Postage, Printing	265.86	250.00
TAQG		
TAQG Dues	200.00	200.00
TAQG Expenses	420.30	200.00
Sub Totals	<u>3,408.78</u>	<u>2,940.00</u>
Community Service Expenses		
Charity	600.00	500.00
Public Education Expenses	262.82	300.00
Supplies	309.01	800.00
Service Pins		
Sub Totals	<u>1,171.83</u>	<u>1,600.00</u>
Guild Activities Expenses		
AQS Challenge		
AQS Challenge Ribbons		
AQS Challenge Shipping		
Block of the Month		
Expenses	101.98	90.00
Fat Quarter Lotto Expenses		
Guild Challenge Fabric		
Raffle Quilt	831.29	500.00
Retreat Expenses	14.00	20.00
Show and Tell Expenses		
Sub Totals	<u>947.27</u>	<u>610.00</u>



<b>Guild Products</b>			<b>Quilt Show Expenses</b>		
Guild Pin Purchase			Administrative Expenses	88.24	
Notions Tote Purchase			Advance Ticket Printing		
Postage			Advertising and Publicity	592.44	2,500.00
Sub Totals	0.00	0.00	Appraisals Expense		1,000.00
			Catering		
<b>Library Expenses</b>			Door Prizes	22.15	
New Book Purchases		250.00	Facilities Deposit and Rent	10,736.00	2,000.00
Supplies and Repairs			Catering		
Sub Totals	0.00	250.00	Insurance		20.00
			Glove Purchase		
<b>Media Expenses</b>			Judging Expense	2,329.71	500.00
Guild Website	288.00	100.00	Mini Quilt Expense	70.57	100.00
Historian Expenses	29.99		Raffle Quilt Ticket Printing		500.00
Newsletter Postage	600.00	50.00	Registration Expense		
Newsletter Printing	1,758.89	150.00	Setup Expense	3,061.29	500.00
Publicity Expenses			Show Catalog Printing	1,400.00	
Sub Totals	2,676.88	300.00	Show Products Expense	2,208.68	
			Sign Printing	337.51	
<b>Membership Expenses</b>			Vendor Expenses	25.76	
Anniversary Pins	454.00	100.00	Volunteer Expenses	255.95	
Beekeeper Supplies			Sub Totals	21,128.30	7,120.00
Directory Printing	1,159.59	1,000.00			
Door Prize Expenses			<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>42,229.20</b>	<b>26,020.00</b>
Hospitality Supplies	35.27	50.00			
Membership Postage	24.60	200.00	<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>723.84</b>	<b>7,410.00</b>
Membership Supplies	167.19	150.00			
Nine Patch Muslin Purchase					
Nine Patch Postage and Supplies					
Sub Totals	1,840.65	1,500.00			
<b>Programs Expenses</b>					
Speaker Meals	290.68	300.00			
Guild Meeting Facilities					
Rent	600.00	600.00			
Guild Meeting Setup Fees	72.91				
Guild Meeting Sound System Rent					
Speaker Fees	2,583.30	3,000.00			
Speaker Honorarium		200.00			
Speaker Travel Expenses	2,102.48	3,000.00			
Supplies and Equipment	364.62	300.00			
Workshop Advertising	354.00	500.00			
Workshop Facilities Rent	262.50	600.00			
Workshop Teacher Fees	4,425.00	3,500.00			
Sub Totals	11,055.49	12,000.00			

#### President's Blurb:

Even though this newsletter may be late getting to you this month, please take the time to complete the on-line guild survey. It will only be on the website for the month of July.

Your opinion counts! We want to hear from you.

Thanks, Donna

## Fat Quarter Lotto

Marla Bradberry

#### July winners:

*Red, White & Blue* were won by Sheri Smith, Rhonda Kuntz and Rebecca Clayton

*Anything Goes* was won by Donna Tomenga

Next month will be Kid prints, sunny/summertime and anything goes.

Simply bring a good quality fat quarter to have the chance to win many more in the same category. You can't win if you don't play!

#### Tip of the Month

Here's a "bunny" that doesn't eat carrots: it's a small piece of fabric - maybe an inch square - used at each end of your chain piecing. Here's how you do it: cut a small scrap and fold it over. Start your sewing here. Feed all your like pieces through the machine and end with a second "bunny." This saves time, thread, and often helps your machine not to "bind up" and catch the thread in a wrong way. You can sew over it again and again and it just keeps working for you!



## Upcoming Events

Brooks Wilson

August 1-2 - **At Home With Quilts**, Fort Worth Quilt Guild, Academy of Fine Arts, 3901 South Hulen Street, Fort Worth.

Aug. 7-9 - **Deep in the Heart of Texas Quilt Show**, hosted by the Professional Longarm Quilters Guild, Plano Centre.

August 29-31 - **Quilting Through the Generations**, 726 Highway 87 South, Fredericksburg. For information, click on [www.verainsquiltguild.com](http://www.verainsquiltguild.com).

Sept. 12-13 - **Washington Quilt Show**, Southwest Quilters Association, located in Historic Washington State Park, Washington, Arkansas. For information, call 870-983-2684.

Sept. 19-21 - **For the Love of Quilting**, Trinity Valley Quilters Guild, Fort Worth. For information, email [marywimberly@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marywimberly@sbcglobal.net).

Sept. 26 - **Quilt Mania II**, Dallas, [www.quiltmania.org](http://www.quiltmania.org)

Sept. 26-27 - **Busy Bee Quilt Show**, hosted by the Post Oak Quilters, Post Oak, Texas. For information, [www.postoakquilters.com](http://www.postoakquilters.com).

Oct. 3-4 - **Threads of Texas**, hosted by the Town 'n Country Quilt Guild, Valley Grove Baptist Church, Stephenville, Texas.

Oct. 3-5 - **Silver Anniversary Quilt Show**, Red River Quilters, Riverview Hall, 600 Clyde Fant Parkway, Shreveport, Louisiana. For information, click on [www.redriverquilters.com](http://www.redriverquilters.com).

Oct. 30 - Nov. 2 - **International Quilt Festival**, George R. Brown Convention Center, Houston, Texas. For information, email [www.quilts.com](http://www.quilts.com)

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## Community Service

Sheri Smith

What a great program we had in July. We have so many talented people in our guild, it was great to see what they have done and are currently working on. And all the donations to Community Service. You members are wonderful.

We had 20 finished quilts turned in this month. As soon as I affix our guild labels to them they will be off to our various charities. The small ones will go to Newborns in Need, the slightly bigger ones will go to CC Advocacy Center and the large ones to the Rape Crisis Center. Please try to avoid the dark colors. We like our donations to be "happy" quilts. And we appreciate all you do. Thank you so much.

The next Community Service Sew Day will be Tuesday, August 12, from 10 to 2 at the Plano Sewing Center. Everyone is invited. Just bring your sewing machine and contact Karen Christoffer to tell her you are coming. Everything else is provided.

And we still have over 100 completed tops that need to be quilted. This is a great learning tool. Try your quilting skills on our charity quilts.

We are still looking for volunteers to help us form an Education Committee. These members will help Teresa Knode plan, set up, teach and generally work in the community to pass the world of quilting on to anyone in the city of Plano that is interested in learning.

## Retreat 2009

Terri Anderson

### Fun! Friends! Fabric! It's the 3Fs of Retreat 2009!

Put **February 19-22, 2009** in bold print in your planner. We'll be back at Tanglewood for 3 nights and 4 days of F,F, and F!!! More information will be coming each month.

This year Kaleidoscope Quilt Shop from Whitesboro, TX will be our "Stash Enhancement and Emergency Supply Center!" Donna Sluder, the owner of Kaleidoscope, will have us covered for those necessary needles and pins and thread...and some kits, too! I know I'm looking forward to her "retreat store"!

Watch for more retreat information in the next month or so! It'll be GREAT!

## Guild Survey

### Beverly Guise

It is that time again to survey our membership to see what you like or would like to change about our guild. The survey will be given online to those receiving their newsletters online. It will only take a few minutes of your time, and will be of great use to the guild board and committees.

The survey will be available for the month of July ONLY. An e-mail has been sent out to tell you where it is online. It will also be available from the newsletter page on our website. When going to the survey, you will be asked for your email address, but this information will not be used to identify you or your replies, or for any other purpose. The survey information is completely anonymous.

For those of you receiving the newsletter by mail, a survey will be mailed to you. Please complete and return at the guild meeting, or by mail to QGP, PO Box 260216, Plano, Texas, 75026 by the end of July.

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN A ROUND ROBIN?

I have participated in several round robins and would really love to do it again. I know how busy we all are, so I was thinking we could do a "slow robin", meaning instead of once a month, we could meet every other month? Or once a month if we decide that is what we want. I am really looking for quilters who "ARE COMMITTED" ... "FOR SURE". It makes for unhappy quilters if everyone isn't 100% committed to timeliness, and creative quality workmanship. A round robin can be such a fabulous learning experience. This can be a real growing learning and sharing experience you will cherish.

Here are a few web sites to check out if you are not what you're getting into..lol I hope you find it interesting and want to participate! If interested, please email or call. Nanette Gaskey at [ngaskey@gmail.com](mailto:ngaskey@gmail.com) or Cell-214-616-4078

These are some web shots with RR pictures

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### Special Upcoming Events

<b>Cynthia England</b>	Wed, Aug 13 10AM-4PM	Picture Piecing \$75 + pattern
<b>Harriet Hargrave</b>	Fri & Sat Aug 22-23 9AM-4PM	Machine Quilting \$150
<b>Meg Hawkey</b>	Wed Oct 29 or Thur, Oct 30 10 AM-4 PM	Hand Embroidery \$50

PLEASE register early for events to guarantee your spot and ensure that the teacher will travel to our shop!

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## Raffle Quilt

### Tina Connolly

### "Come Spring" Raffle Quilt Update

The last chance to sell tickets is approaching...  
The winner will be drawn at our August 14 meeting!!

We are down to the wire with our ticket sales for our beautiful raffle quilt. By the end of June, we had sold a total of \$2,240 worth of tickets. So far, in July, we have sold another \$685 worth of tickets including \$218 sold at TAQG Rally Day.

I am expecting more sales for July as the quilt will be taken to the Allen, Frisco, Sherman and Van Alstyne guild meetings by Julie Schaefer, Sheri Smith, Joan Wilson and Sherry Worley, respectively. Thanks to these ladies for their time and effort!

Also in July, Richard Larsen offered to sell tickets in his studio for us during the Fabric Fanatics sale. As of the press deadline, we have sold \$2,925 worth of tickets.

**BUT WE CAN DO BETTER!**

Please sell your tickets and turn the money and stubs in to me by the August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting! I hope one of you (or maybe me) wins this beautiful quilt.

# Block of the Month

August Block

Knotty Girls

Batik Basket Bonanza—Basket #2

All the blocks this year will be pieced baskets made of a good quality batik and white-on-white as the background. All blocks will be 10 inches finished and 10 1/2 inches unfinished. Be careful with your 1/4 inch seams and your pressing so that the blocks that are won are uniform in size.

Cutting instructions:

*Basket* (batik—your color choice)

D—cut 1 square 4 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

F—cut 4 squares 2 7/8"

G—cut 2 squares 2 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

*Background* (white-on-white)

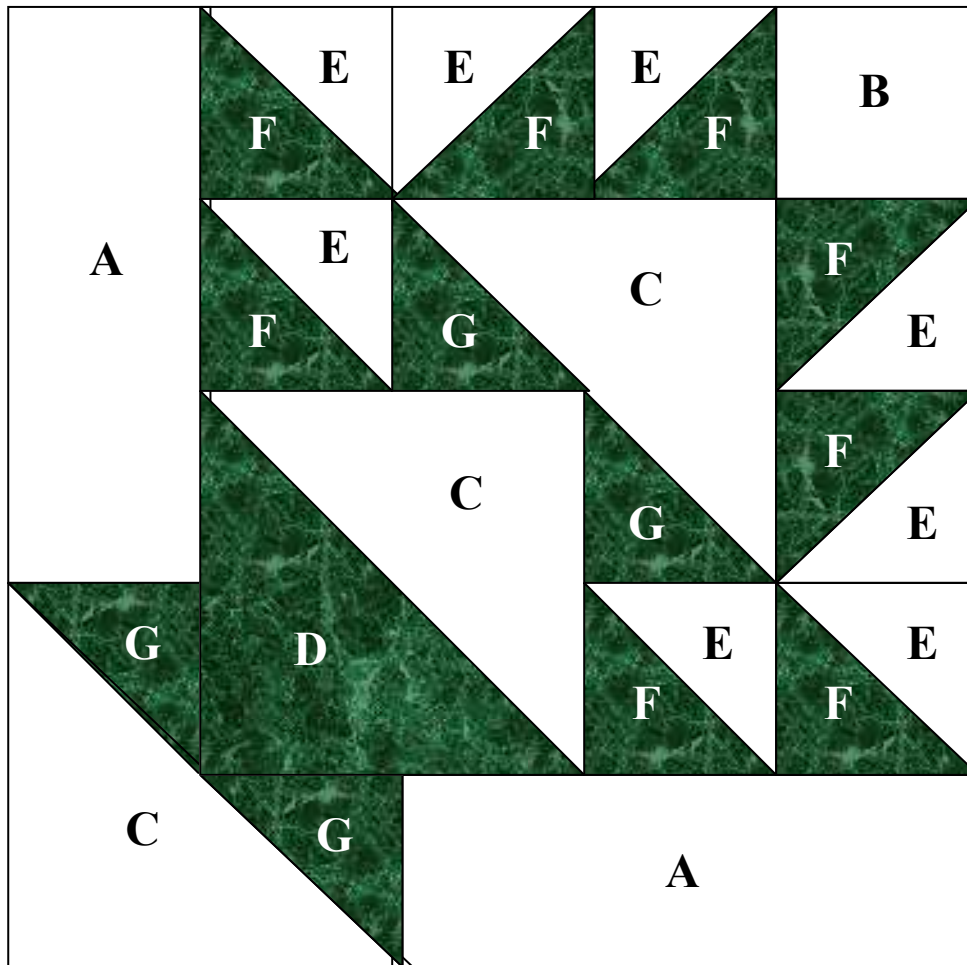
A—cut 2 rectangles 2 1/2" X 6 1/2"

B—cut 1 square 2 1/2" X 2 1/2"

C—cut 2 squares 4 7/8" - cut in half on diagonal

E—cut 4 squares 2 7/8" X 2 7/8"

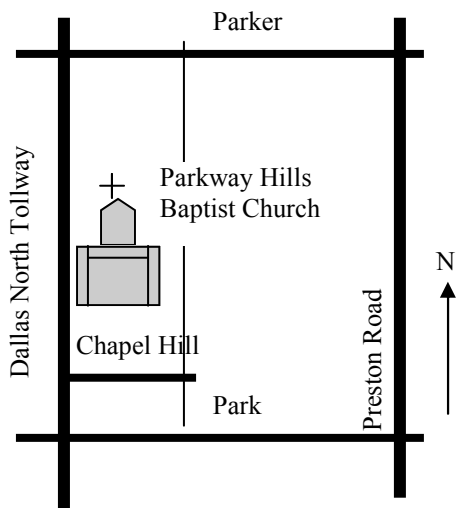
To make E/F half-square triangles: layer E + F squares, right sides together. On back of lighter square, draw a diagonal line. Stitch a scant 1/4" on both sides of drawn line. Cut in half on drawn line. This will yield 2 half-square triangles (or you may use triangle paper or any other technique to yield 8 total half-square triangles that are 2" finished). Follow the diagram below to assemble the block.



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**Memo to Self:**

- \_\_\_ Pay guild dues
- \_\_\_ Bring in library book/s
- \_\_\_ Make block of the month
- \_\_\_ Bring fat quarters (Kid, summer, any)
- \_\_\_ Make mini quilt
- \_\_\_ Buy and sell raffle tickets
- \_\_\_ Call Teresa Knode, education, to help
- \_\_\_ Attend meeting - bring a friend to join
- \_\_\_ Get community service kit to quilt



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**MEETING TIME - 7:00 pm**  
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