



COMMON THREADS

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Newsletter of the Quilters Guild of Plano

Wasn't Bob Purcell wonderful? I learned several things about threads and went right to his booth at the Dallas show and purchased a lot of products.

I also thoroughly enjoyed all the Blocks of the Month. Connie Litfin did a great job instructing and challenging us. Congratulations to everyone who finished their quilts. They all certainly looked different.

For those of you that picked up a jeans block to embellish, I hope you are having fun working on it. Remember they are due back at the May meeting.

At the April meeting we will have the name badge contest. So be sure to bring your badges for that. And remember the whole idea of having the contest is so that everyone will have a name badge and will wear it to every meeting.

The members who attended retreat know what a fabulous job was done on the Mojo doll contest. I hope those who participated will bring their dolls to the meeting to share with everyone.

In this newsletter we have printed the list of candidates for the official year 2011-2012. As we go to press, we are still waiting for someone to volunteer for membership. Membership is a very rewarding job, as you are the first to greet and or met those that come to the meeting. Although we need one person to be the VP, this job can be taken on by a small group. So please think about it. We need some of the new members to get involved as you will be the leaders of our guild in the future.

Happy Quilting.
Sheri Smith, President

Minutes from February 2011 - Donna Lobeleon, Secretary

March 2011 -Meeting minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Sheri Smith at 7:00. She reminded everyone to turn off their cell phones.

Old Business:

The Minutes to the January meeting and treasurer's report were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

Sheri asked for two volunteers to audit the guild books. Pam Walsh and Bev Almaraz volunteered.

New Business:

The Next board meeting will be April 11, 2011 at Tino's restaurant. The business meeting will start at 7:00 pm; arrive at 6:00 if you would like dinner.

Sheri Smith explained that all the available denim squares for the Heritage Farms recycling project have been distributed.

Sheri announced that the meeting agenda is being changed because of time constraints. Beginning this month show and tell will be presented after the program.

Donna Petrick said the name badge contest has been extended until next month; She also talked about future programs and workshops.

Committee Reports:

The completed Block of the Month quilts and tops were displayed. Members voted in two categories; their favorite quilt and the quilt they would most like to take home.

Aggie Meszaros, TAQG, announced that 2011 rally day will be in July and asked the guild to donate mini quilts for the silent auction.

Germain turned four mini quilts in this month. Rhonda has donated a total of five mini quilts.

The dates for retreat 2012 are February 16 through 19. A payment plan is available. The first payment is due in April.

There were 73 members and 13 guests in attendance. Fourteen door prizes were provided by the following:

Fabric Fanatics	Happiness is ... Quilting
Jenny Bug's	Quilt Country
Quilter's Connection	The Old Craft Store
The Quilt Asylum	Suzy's Quilt Shop

Donna Petrick introduced Bob Purcell at 7:28 pm

Name Badge Challenge—Donna Petrick

In April, we are going to have our name badge contest, come heck or high water. Being iced out in February has just started a chain of events that have not been fun. In March, we were very crowded for time with all the activities we had. So now April is it. Please bring you completed name badge. I'll have a table set up in the main lecture area. A number will b assigned to the name badge and it will be displayed. Members can vote on their favorites and we will give 3 places for member's choice. I will have several other categories for awards too. We have gotten a very nice gift certificate from Jenny Bug's as well as donations from members and me. See you April 14th.

Sawtooth Sampler Block of the Month Finals—Connie Litfin

We had 13 quilts/tops at the March meeting. There was an amazing variety of settings and colors. It was hard to choose and the votes were close. The winners were: 1st: Lynne Fritsche; 2nd: R. Rhonda Kuntz; 3rd: Rebecca Clayton; 4th: Becky Woods and Viewers Choice was awarded to Tina Connolly.

Thank you to all who participated. I appreciate the enthusiasm of all and enjoyed doing the Block of the Month.

Program Ramblings—Donna Petrick

The March program was really great. I'm so happy that so many of you could attend the meeting. Bob Purcell shared a great deal of information on thread and needles. This information is also on our web site for anyone who didn't get a printout.

In April, Jane Parker will be talking about the Cotton Theory of Quilting on Thursday evening and leading a workshop on reversible placemat on Saturday. Everything will be included in the kit. All you need to bring is your sewing machine and standard sewing kit. Nothing to prepare ahead of time. I got to meet Jane at the Dallas Quilt Celebration and am really looking forward to seeing her program.

In May we have Brenda Jeschke doing a program on Why I Made This Quilt. Her Friday workshop will be on ribbon embroidery. We had a lot of interest in ribbon embroidery on our skills night, so I hope to see several of you in the workshop. I've also noticed that Superior Threads has ribbon in several sizes in case you want to continue. I know I have several designs I want to complete.

Community Service - Julie Schaefer

>>>>>PLEASE HAND IN ANY HOBBS BATTING BAR CODES YOU HAVE<<<<<<

Thursday evening at the regular meeting so many things were going on. I felt rushed the whole evening and I had arrived at 6:00. After setting up a table for Community Service and stockings there were other things I needed to do. I had filled out a form for the next two workshops and put it in an envelope for Donna Petrick. Where's Donna? She later tells me I forgot to include payment. Sound familiar? Then I wanted to sign up for a TAQG class as well as pick out a lunch and buy a pin as well as some raffle tickets for the sewing machine. So it was off to Aggie. I had a check ready for Janet Plotkin for my payment toward 2012 Retreat. In the meantime I'm collecting quilts that have been pieced, quilted, and/or bound. I'm sure I appeared very ungrateful and I'm sorry for that and I gushingly now give you a "Thanks" and a big ol' smakeroo. You have all been extremely helpful; there were 15 finished quilts handed in. Super! Those will be divided up and delivered along with others to either the Children's Advocacy Center or Turning Point/Rape Crisis Center this coming week.

I hope those of you that took a kit for a cuddle understood from my verbal explanation how to do one. I had one-half a table full of quilts to be bound and all but one were taken; a few of the quilts to be quilted were also taken, and I didn't have to beg or anything. Y'all are great. Thanks to those of you that handed in Christmas stockings, fabric and/or ribbon. If you think of it when at the dentist ask for some sample tooth bushes etc. to put in the stockings. I have to get an implant next week; wonder if they will have them. I sold the dentist's secretary some raffle tickets. How are you doing on selling yours? Once I show the picture people want a ticket because it is so beautiful. Tina, you and your group get a bow.

Don't forget that the Community Service Sew Day is the second Tuesday of every month at Plano Sewing Center. Bring your sewing machine, scissors, and thread. We always have kits to do that Karen Christoffer has set up for us. Time is 10:00 to 4:00 and you can come and go at your pleasure. The Sewing Center is on the southeast corner of Custer and Spring Creek. If you aren't on Karen's reminding email list please let her know that you will be coming by emailing her at Karen.christoffer@tx.rr.com Just some inside info: Rickey (owner of Plano Sewing Center) is giving QGP a sewing machine for the 2011 Quilt Show. He also supplies the machines we use in the Children's Education area for the show. Isn't he wonderful?

Don't forget to put your service hours in the black 3-ring binder. If you forget or don't see me, email them to me at juliescha@sbcglobal.net

Upcoming Programs and Workshops—Donna Petrick

Thursday, April 14, 2011 Jane Parker presents “The Cotton Theory of Quilting”
 Friday, April 15, 2011 Workshop – Reversible Placemat - Kit Fee for Class
 Saturday, April 16, 2011 No Workshop

Thursday, May 12, 2011 Brenda Jeschke Trunk Show “Why I Made This Quilt”
 Friday, May 13, 2011 Workshop – Silk Ribbon Embroidery - Kit Fee for Class
 Saturday, May 14, 2011 No Workshop

Thursday, June 9, 2011 Lisa Erlandson = What judges are Looking for in show Quilts
 Friday, June 10, 2011 Quilt Appraisals, \$40 for each quilt
 Saturday, June 11, 2011 No Workshop

Thursday, September 8, 2011 Two Visions—One Soul: Teresa Sherling and Barb McCraw present
 their visions and future in quilting
 Friday, September 9, 2011 Folded Flowers Workshop
 Saturday, September 10, 2011 No Workshop



Learn to make several appliquéd, 3-dimensional flowers from fabric and ribbon, while completing a lovely bouquet.

Workshops are \$40/day for members \$45/day for non- members
 Anyone may receive a \$5 discount for each class if payment is received prior to 35 days before the workshop. Workshop hours are 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Name: _____	Workshop(s) Requested
Address: _____	
City & Zip: _____	_____
Phone: _____	_____
Email: _____	_____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive the supply list via USPS. Supply list 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 bring completed form to a meeting, or mail to :

Donna Petrick
 3816 Dutton Dr
 Plano, TX 75023

Board Meeting, March 2011—Donna Lobelson

Guild President Sheri Smith called the meeting to order at Tino's Restaurant at 7:00 pm

- Sheri discussed open board and committee positions.
- Julie Schaefer reported on the President's Volunteer Service Award program. She has filled out all of the forms and is waiting for a response.
- Kimberly Wilshire reported on the quilt show and the variety of volunteer opportunities; and how these will allow free admission to the show. She also reported that members may be admitted for the reduced fee of \$3.00.
- Donna Petrick discussed the full agenda for the March meeting and that the speaker, Bob Purcell, would need a full hour. It was decided to delay the name badge contest until April. (It could not be held in February as scheduled because the meeting was cancelled due to bad weather.)
- It was also decided that in the interest of time, beginning this month we will have show and tell after the speaker.
- Meeting adjourned 8:00 pm.

Attendance:

Emily Armstrong	Rose-Clair Fletcher
Donna Lobelson	Donna Petrick
Julie Schaefer	Margaret Schafer
Sheri Smith	Shirley Weaver
Kemberly Wilshire	

April Birthdays

Donna Petrick04/02
 Charolette Loncar.....04/03
 Connie Ryan04/04
 Terri Mendelow.....04/06
 Julie Brooks04/07
 Sam Lamoreaux04/08
 Tina Connolly04/09
 Cathy Castellanos..... 04/11
 Cheri Meineke-Johnson..... 04/11
 Carolyn Bond 04/15
 Julie Yee 04/15
 Teresa Sederburg 04/16
 Beverly Geise 04/17
 Rose-Clair Fletcher 04/18
 Sandra Goecke 04/19
 Alice Wilhoit04/22
 Norma Coleman.....04/28
 Deborah Skorepa.....04/29
 Pat Fowler.....04/29

New Members- March

Orrick, Linda

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 Frisco, TX 75034
 home: 214-469-2143
 cell: 719-650-3433
 orrick@orrickweb.com

Member #: 691
 Spouse: Larry
 Birthday: 09/22
 Joined: 2011

Tosetto, Mary

4021 Kite Meadow
 Plano, TX 75074
 cell: 214-498-1638
 marygtosetto@hotmail.com

Member #: 692
 Spouse: Carl
 Birthday: 08/08
 Joined: 2011

Member Updates

Corrected phone and email address:

Martens, Sally
 cell: 214-893-9185
 sj.martens@verizon.net

New address and home phone:

Skorepa, Deborah
 7401 N. Alma, #2114
 Plano, TX 75025
 home: 972-527-3089



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 Carrollton, TX 75007

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Reflections on Retreat, Looking Forward to Next Year—Tina Connolly

There is just something about the large guild retreat that is exciting! I'm not sure exactly what it is. We all sew at home by ourselves. Some of us go with our Bees to retreat places and sew. But there is something different when you come together in a large group where everyone doesn't know each other. It is exciting to see what others are doing. One lady, who comes, does wonderful things with Loralie fabric. She is very organized about it too. Some just sew and sew and turn out wonderful blocks one after the other and all are different. Others bring their stash of blocks already made or appliquéd and set them and turn them into tops right there at retreat, one after the other. One lady, a new member, brought her son's wedding quilt which was LARGE and basted it on the carpeted ballroom floor. At least one gal was machine quilting her quilt for the Dallas Quilt Celebration.

Our Very Shiny Retreat Fairy provided optional extras too. Everyone got a door prize. Happiness Is Quilting brought everything we needed and lots of stuff we just bought for fun. We each made 2 pillow cases for Community Service. We each also made 2 nine patches for the guild. A bunch of us did the wonderful mystery quilt this year. Mine looks weird but I know just the person to give it to. The Mojo Doll contest was great too. The intricate work of doll making was actually amazing and eye opening when the makers were revealed. One lady made a whole world for her doll. And then there was the line dancing. The quilters were so "good" that the Chi Omega fraternity gathered their girls around midnight and came in for a lesson. Our teacher graciously taught them several times as different kids would show up. I wish you could have seen the girls in their party dresses and 5 inch heels and the guys dancing with the quilters. It was a hoot for sure! I overheard one young man say, "That lady over there looks just like my Grandma; this is just wrong."

But, for me, the best part of retreat is making new friends and seeing old ones who have moved away. At a meal, I met a lady and her non quilting daughter who have moved here from New Jersey. I got to hear all about how happy they are that they finally made it to very friendly Texas! Also, I learned about New Jersey and the one highway and the Mob. I also met a lady from Belgium and I loved finding out about her. Of course, our president is from California and she has lots of funny stories to tell too. I love to see the lady every year who drives six hours to be at retreat with her old friends. Another flies in from Arizona to be with her friends and make the retreat more special with her talents. I met a couple of new quilters who needed help, one with mitering borders and the other with tension problems. I was able to help them and I'm sure others helping others happened around the room. Some quilters are quiet, some quilters are noisy and I hear that some are even whiny. We have different lives and backgrounds but we are all united by our art. The never ending supply of cookies isn't so bad either.

Upcoming Events - Mickie Warrington

Store Closing March 31st

Stitchin Memories, 903 E Lemmon Dr, Ste 106, Emory, TX 75440 * 903-473-5102

40% off fabric, 35% off notions, books, and patterns

April 8-9, 2011—Waco Quilt Show

HOT Fair Grounds, Extrao Exhibit Bldg, 4601 Bosque Blvd, Waco, TX

April 15—16, 2011, Quilt Round-Up, "Texas Style"

Humble Civic Center, 8233 Will Clayton Parkway, Humble, Texas.

Friday: 10:00am—5:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am—4:00pm

Tickets: \$8 (Seniors \$6), free for 12 and under

May 21—22, 2011, North Texas Patchwork Express

\$129.95 per person, includes transportation, lodging, and meals. Contact participating quilt shops for details—Stitchin' Heaven, Suzy's Quilt Shop, The Quilt Asylum, Pass Time Fabrics, Blue Ribbon Quilt Shoppe, Cabbage Rose Quilting, Quilt Among Friends, and Common Threads.

Fall 2011, Grand Opening of Texas Quilt Museum

The Texas Quilt Museum opens in the Fall of 2011 in LaGrange, Texas. See details at http://www.texasquiltmuseum.org/Texas_Quilt_Museum/LANDING___QUILT_MUSEUM_2.html

COMMON THREADS AD RATES

Business card:	Half Page:
1 month = \$15	1 month = \$40
3 months = \$35	3 months = \$90

Quarter Page:	Please make ads in "jpg" files and email to Mickie Warrington at media@
1 month = \$25	
3 months = \$60	

Treasurer's Report - Shirley Weaver

Cash Flow—February 1-28, 2011

Category Description	Balance
INFLOWS	
Administrative Income	
Interest Income	11.72
Guild Activities Income	
Raffle Quilt	80.00
Programs Income	
Workshop Fees	40.00
Quilt Show Income	
Vendor Fee Revenue	375.00
TOTAL INFLOWS	<u>506.72</u>
OUTFLOWS	
Guild Activities Expenses	
Raffle Quilt Expense	47.52
Quilt Show Expenses	
Promotional Expenses	
Advertising and Publicity	170.13
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	<u>217.65</u>
OVERALL TOTAL	<u>289.07</u>
Overall Net Worth	<u>59,107.04</u>

It's a Boy!

Teresa Knode finally "dominoed" as we use to say. William Charles Knode was born Sunday March 20, 2011 at 7:22pm. He weighed in at 8lbs 4oz and measures 20.75 inches. Mom and baby were both discharged Tuesday and are home now. Visitors are welcome with advance warning. Older siblings are in love with Liam, so no teasing about taking him with you

Guild Officers 2010-2011

President	Sheri Smith
VP-Membership	Crisann Skinner Maria Eakin
VP-Programs	Donna Petrick
VP-Community Service	Julie Schaefer
VP-Guild Activities	Tina Connolly
VP Media	Rose-Clair Fletcher
Secretary	Donna Lobelson
Treasurer	Shirley Weaver
Librarian	Emily Armstrong
Quilt Show 2011	Kemberly Wilshire

Committee Chairs

Assistant - Membership	
Assistants - Programs	Sherry Worley Donna Lobelson
Assistant - Treasurer	Madelyn Beachboard
Assistant - Librarian	Becky Woods Debbie Skorepa
Block of Month	Connie Litfin
Directory	Rebecca Clayton
Door Prizes	Maria Eakin
Education	Margaret Schafer
Fat Quarter Lotto	Open
Historian	Mindy Myint
Hospitality	Open
Inventory Control	Lut DeMeulder
Newsletter Editor	Mickie Warrington
Nine Patch	Janice Bentley
Publicity	Rose-Clair Fletcher
Retreat 2010	Janet Plotkin and ADOS group
Service Quilts	Karen Christoffer
Show 'n Tell	Karen Hawkins
Small Groups	Cathy LaManna
Stocking Project	LaDawn Dalley
TAQG	Aggie Meszaros
Web E-mail	Rebecca Clayton
Web Master	Beverly Geise

Quilt Show 2011—Kemberly Wilshire, Quilt Show Chair

Hello Quilters:

As we are all preparing our beautiful works of art that we will be putting in our very own Quilt Show in August, I want you to be mindful of the fact that just because you are members, does not give you free access into the show. This is a fund raiser for us. Yet, there are 4 ways to get in the show for FREE and one way to get a discount on the entry price. I do believe these options are very fair and do not require you to work only at the show time. I realize that timing can be difficult to many that work or have other obligations during the day.

So, I have listed out the ways below for you to be a BIG contributor and earn ONE DAY FREE ENTRY!

- Volunteer to work 4 hours during the show (August 10th—August 13th)
- Work 4 hours selling raffle quilt tickets prior to the show at scheduled locations
- Donate 2 or more Mini Quilts for the Mini Auction
- \$100 or more individual ticket sales for the Raffle Quilt (does not include the scheduled locations)

We will track these hours for you when you sign up to participate and support our show. Then the day you come to the show, the day pass will be waiting for you in the Hospitality Room and all you have to do is sign for it.



The cost for members is \$3 when presenting your membership card.

*** ***Do Not Forget***—Preview Night (Thursday Night) - All members and families are admitted free of charge!

*** Day Pass tickets will be at ***Hospitality*** for you to pick up!

I encourage each and every one of you to look for a way to get involved, not only with the show but with our wonderful guild. It takes a big group to make this run well. It takes you giving just a little. If each of us gives a little - there is not a lot for a few to do.

Thank you in advance for all you do to make our guild WONDERFUL!

See you there,

Kemberly Wilshire
Quilt Show Chair 2011

Membership - Crisann Skinner and Maria Eakin

We sure learned alot about good quality thread from Dr. Bob last month, how about you? We went home to check out the fuzz factor on the thread in our cabinets - oooh, scary! Now we understand why there is so much lint in our machines! Understanding what you have to work with makes all the difference. It is the same with understanding what goes on in our guild. The better you understand the different committees that comprise the guild, the better you as a member will be able to get the most out of your experience with us. That is why we would like to invite all our new guild members to the New Member Tea on April 10th. It will give new members a chance to meet some of the board members and learn what goes on in our guild. Invitations were mailed out to all new members with the details. Please RSVP by Tuesday, April 5th, by emailing Crisann Skinner atscot-skinner@tx.rr.com. We hope you make plans to attend.

TAQG News — Aggie Meszaros,TAQG Representatove

RALLY DAY 2011 JULY 7, 8, 9, 2011

Thursday and Friday Classes by Terry Clothier Thompson, Lawrence KS.

- Thursday July 7, 2011 will be an" Appliqué by the Yard " there are 6 free patterns to choose from.
- Friday July 8, 2011, there will be a" Civil War Women and Their Quilts "and there are 4 free patterns to choose from.

Each class is \$45.00 and will be held at Mimosa Lane Baptist Church, 1233 North Belt Line Road, Mesquite, TX. I will have sign up sheets at each of our Guild meetings.

Saturday, Rally Day, Terry Clothier Thompson will talk to us from 9:00 AM 3:00 PM. There will be Lectures, Door Prizes, Goody Bags, Raffle Quilts, Raffle Baskets, and a Mini Quilt Auction. I also need for you to make Mini Quilts for Rally Days.

Lunch is \$7.25 and is coming from Applebee's, Chicken salad, Cobb Salad, Chicken Fajita Roll-up, and Ham/Turkey Club. I will be selling tickets at each of Guild meetings. We also have Pins and they are \$5.00.

QUILT ACROSS TEXAS

From September 1, 2011 to September 30, 2011 there will be a Texas Statewide Quilt Shop Hop. 89 Fabulous Quilt Shops will be participating for more information go to www.QuiltAcrossTexas.com/ info@quiltacrosstexas.com 800-841-3901. Sounds like a lot of fun.

Waco Quilt Show, April 8&9, 2011 Waco, TX.

Gun Barrel Quilt Show, April 8&9, 2011 Gun Barrel TX.

Nominations for QGP Executive Board 2011-2012

The following have been nominated for the 2011-2012 Executive Board:

President	Sheri Smith
VP-membership	Open
VP-Programs	Donna Lobelson
VP-Community Service	Terri Mendelow
VP-Guild Activities	Crisann Skinner/Maria Eakins
VP-Media	Tina Connolly
Secretary	Julie Schaefer
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Quilt Plano 2011	Kemberly Wilshire

As you notice, there is a position which does not have a nominee, we are still looking for a person who will do membership. Please consider volunteering to serve in this position.

The committee chairs will be announced at the April meeting, but there are several openings----- assistant Treasurer, Bee Keeper, Block of the Month, Directory, Door Prizes and TAQG representative. If you can serve in any of the positions, please contact Helen Wilems at 214-387-0337.

TAQG Meeting Schedule for 2011 - Angie Meszaros

March 29, 2011— 2011 Garden Ridge Church, Lewisville, TX
Newsletters and Websites

May 31, 2011— Lewisville, TX
Quilt Shows and Publicity

July 26, 2011— Lewisville, TX
Community Service

Sept. 27, 2011—Arlington, TX.
Retreats and Ideas

Nov. 29, 2011—Lewisville, TX
RORUM, Programs, Speakers & Retreats

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Quilters Guild of Plano *Presents*

Jane Parker presenting
"The Cotton Theory of Quilting"
April 14, 2011

Parkway Hills Baptist Church
2700 North Dallas Tollway
Corner of Chapel Hill
On the east side of the Tollway

SOCIAL TIME - 6:30 pm ~ MEETING TIME - 7:00 pm
(Only board members will be admitted before 6:30pm)