



# Cotton Patch Quilt Guild Newsletter

May 2008

Greenville, Texas

Linda Franklin, Editor

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

So many quilts, so little time. I just got home from Quilter's Escape in Eureka, California. I spent 4 wonderful days in a class with Sharon Schamber learning machine appliqué, "piecelique", and corded bindings. The weather was wonderful and the redwood trees were amazing. (great food too!) It was inspirational and relaxing at the same time. Just when you think you have seen every type of machine appliqué or piecing method, Sharon Schamber has come up with another completely different way of doing it. Quilter's have the most amazing ability to problem solve that I have ever seen. Perhaps we need to elect a quilter to the white house.....

The raffle quilt season is in full swing. Tickets for the 2008 quilt, A Christmas Fanfare, are now being sold. Please remember to pick your packet of tickets up at the next meeting. The picture they have included in it makes ticket selling easy. What a bargain for \$1! Most people will be happy to buy a ticket if you just ask. Family gatherings, work, quilt classes, and retreats are all places that have worked well for me. The 2009 quilt is getting started. The fabric packets and information will be available at the next meeting. Thanks to all of you who have accepted the challenge to make a bird house block. I have several patterns (pieced or appliqué) available if you need them. I can't wait to see what everyone's block looks like. (including mine)

Well, enough rambling for today. Time to get back to the important things in life--sewing and retreats. The more quilts I see, the more I want to make. So many quilts, so little time!

Happy Quilting,  
Linda Neal

## PROGRAM FOR MAY MEETING

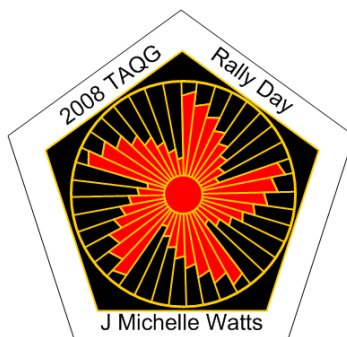
### "IF QUILTS COULD TALK"

Jacque Hensell from Forestburg, Texas, will be doing a trunk show of over 30 quilts and sharing the stories associated with them along with many quilting tips. She will start off her presentation with the story of her first quilt which was made using a cardboard template. Some of the stories will include the "cat pee quilt", "dog hair quilt", "X-daughter-in-law quilt" and many more. She will conclude this presentation with the quilt that changed her life. What a wonderful way to end the day with gorgeous quilts and fascinating stories, so come and join us for a great evening and bring a friend.

- LaVonne McCaw

## Bring to the Meeting

- Money to buy TAQG Rally Day lunch tickets, pin, and basket raffle tickets.
- Library books to return
- Donation Quilt ticket sales
- Photos for the TAQG Power Point Display
- Down payment for Pearly Gate Quilt Retreat
- Personal data form for directory



This is the 2008 TAQG Rally Day pin. It features the pattern that will be taught at the Rally Day class by J Michelle Watts.

## APRIL 2008 MINUTES

Submitted by Anita Gaudreau

LaVonne McCaw, vice president, opened the meeting by welcoming members and guests. The food committee was commended for their delicious food. Maejean Nixon moved the April minutes be approved and it was seconded by Pat Jonz. The motion carried.

Carolyn Wright asked new members to get their information to her as soon as possible so she can finish the Membership Directory. She also announced we currently have seventy-nine members. Winners in the Terrell Quilt show were announced. They include Connie Cawthon, Lisa Coker, JoAnn Cross, Betty Day and Jeanie Herron. Also, members sold raffle tickets amounting to \$224.00 at the show.

Debra Hager spoke to members about the November 6, 7 and 8<sup>th</sup> retreat to be held at the Pearly Gates retreat in Mt. Vernon. Members interested in attending should contact her soon. LaVonne told the guild that volunteers are needed to sell raffle tickets at the Mesquite, Sulphur Springs and Dallas quilt shows. Interested members should contact Betty Day or Mary Welch. Jackie Brown announced that the committee working on the 2009 raffle quilt will meet Tuesday at Quilt Mercantile.

TAQG representative, Jane Asberry, reminded the members to buy their lunch tickets for Rally Day on July 12. She also had Rally Day pins for sale. The guild is responsible for the Mini-quilt auction and the raffle quilt area. Volunteers are needed. She announced the pattern our guild is contributing to the goody bags has arrived and is very cute.

Members spent Thursday cutting donation quilts and Sherry Worley said sixteen quilts were cut. She also announced the Commerce Library had received eleven books from the guild. That donation completed the goal to donate to every library in Hunt County. Sherry asked members to approve the plan for the McKinney guild to quilt the tops our guild had pieced for Fisher House. Due to an oversight the McKinney guild hadn't had the opportunity to contribute and this would allow them to do so. Members were in agreement to let them do the quilting.

JoAnn Cross, Katherine McCaw, Kay Colcleasure, and Sherry Worley did a wonderful job teaching and demonstrating their skills for members.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Submitted by Pam Schuman

March Ending Balance	4,978.69
Apr 2008	
Checks	
1767 Cathy Wierzbiski –Pattern	-25.00
Deposits	
Membership	192.00
April Ending Balance	5,145.69

## May Birthdays

Linda Franklin	5/11	Debbie Uphoff	5/20
Pat Jonz	5/11	B. Wood	5/15
Donna Moon	5/15	Carolyn Wright	5/20
Georgia Morgan	5/18		

Hope your birthday was one to remember!

## TAQG NEWS

*Jane Asberry*

Don't forget to mark July 12 on your calendar for Rally Day!

We are one of the host guilds so I need more volunteers to help that morning. We have NO, ZERO, ZILCH, NADA pictures from our guild for the power point presentation!!! Please bring pictures to guild Thursday night so we can get that taken care of.

We still need "minis" for the auction, which can be any kind of fiber art. There are still a few seats available in the class. You will make at least two 16" blocks and learn to use the 9 degree wedge ruler.

If you haven't gotten your lunch tickets, please try to bring money to do that at guild. The raffle basket is sounding wonderful--small sewing machine, books, notions, fabric, all kinds of goodies--get your chances for this Thursday night.

## BOARD MEETING REMINDER

Next Executive Board meeting will be  
**June 26, 5:15 PM**  
Kavanaugh's little dining room.

## May Refreshments

Kathy Vestal (Captain)

Mandy Weaver, Carol Adams, Jan Ainsworth, Joan Biggs, Anna Borrer, Rene' Boudreau, Cathy Brandstetter, Connie Cawthon, Susan Childers, Lisa Coker, Kay Colcleasure, JoAnn Cross, Betty Day

## June Refreshments

Allen Day (Captain)

Vicki Dees, Monica Denny, Anita Motley-Gaudreau, Debbie George, Gladys Guthrie, Debra Hager, Margie Hendrix, Jeanie Herring, Linda Hevron, Pamela Hodapp, Belva Isham, Virginia Johnson

Bring finger food or dessert. Please advise your captain if you cannot attend the meeting, and swap with someone else.

## Cotton Blossoms

by Madeline Sullivan

The Cotton Blossoms met May 5, 2008. Our project is making a quilt for the Harvest of Plenty benefit for the Presbyterian Church of Commerce. We had talked about it in the April Newsletter. We had put all the beautiful autumn colored squares together and sewed them to make a finished top. We were pleased with the results. Next time we will put on the borders and put it together so Lindsey can quilt it.

There were several Show and Tells. One was Margie's Ronald McDonald challenge quilt. It was grrreat!!!!

One of the most exciting things for all of the Cotton Blossoms was that Lindsey has a new home. She has moved in and had a yard sale last Saturday. The house is not far from the Presbyterian Church and close for all of us to go buy some material or thread or notions, and most of all she has a professional scissors and rotary blade sharpener. Hooray for Lindsey and her new home!

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

by Sherry Worley

Seventeen quilts were delivered to A Woman's Heart Pregnancy Resource Center. We now begin collecting for our next donation! Many great kits are available at the Community Service table.

Community Service will have a Garage Sale at the June Guild meeting on June 26<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate items please bring them to the meeting with suggested prices already attached. We greatly appreciate your support! Some items have already been donated and include books, magazines, sewing notions, and fabrics.

I have received approval from the McKinney Guild Board of Directors to make the Fisher House Quilts a joint project. Sue Tennill, a very talented long-arm quilter from McKinney, has already volunteered to quilt our two twin quilts. She is also donating two of her own twin quilts. I spoke with Doris from the Mesquite and Garland Guilds recently. She tells me that they need all of the twin size quilts that they can get. If anyone would like to make another twin (any pattern) fabrics and batting will be made available through Community Service. Fisher House is still slated for completion in September/October. We still have time!

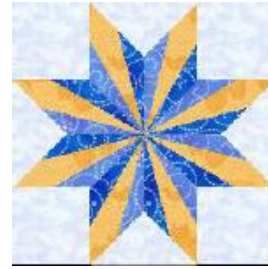
## Cotton Strippers

*Kay Colcleasure*

We had 22 members and one guest (Kathy Vestal's daughter Teresa) at our May meeting. We had a great meal followed by a lively Sunshine and Shadows. We didn't have many "show and tells", but what we had were great. I gave the first set of instructions for the new mystery quilt and then I gave a demo on how to make Mary's Triangles/Shaded Four Patch, since this is the first step in our mystery quilt.

### Food Committee for June:

Lisa Coker (chairman), Jeanie Herring, Kathy Vestal, LeeAnn Miller, Carolyn Jo Wear, Carolyn Burt, Virginia Johnson, Huey Nobles, Katharine McCaw, Jane Martyn, and Donna Moon.



## *Sunshine and Shadows*

*Madeline Sullivan, Reporter*

We are saddened by the news that Carolyn Burt lost her nephew earlier this month. He lived in the Tyler area. Prayers go out for Carolyn and her family from all of the CPQG family.

## COTTON BELLES

by Sherry Worley

The Cotton Belles met on May 5<sup>th</sup> at Harvest Bible Church. A donation of \$81.00 was taken up for FISH. Included in this total was money for two cookbooks. Show and Tell included Kayes Rhett's Dick and Jane (for soon to be new grandson Rhett), Gathered Flowers (sample for her class at Oklahoma Quilter's Pow-Wow), and a Scrappy Quilt for the Kiamichi Quilt Guild. LaNell also showed us her Egg Money Quilt, freshly back from being quilted. Everyone then worked on their own projects.

Our next meeting will be at the home of Sue Miller on June 2nd. Our program will be about making a neck wallet. If you are interested in making a neck wallet bring fabrics cut to these sizes – main body 4 ½" X 18", back pocket 4 ½" x 11", front pocket 4 ½" x 7", one piece for binding 2 ¼" (or 2 ½") by width of fabric. Plastic for name pocket will be provided along with cord and beads. If you need further information on location or project, please call Sherry at 972-816-5507. Please also bring your own project.

## Bulletin Board

**TIPS:** From Fons and Porter TV show

Folding fabric: If you buy 2 or more yards, here's a tip for folding the fabric. Roll it around your 6" x 24" ruler like a bolt cardboard. When done slip the ruler out and you have a neatly folded fabric.

### Organize:

- For blocks with cut out pieces, e.g. appliqué, place pieces as you cut them out in a plastic page protector with the pattern. This will keep your project together, block by block.
- Use binder clips to hang a small ruler without a hole, on a peg board. Also hang stencils and templates.
- Use button baggies to store your same color thread spool with the bobbin. No more searching to match them and a neat use for those little bags that extra buttons come in.

Sewing: Feed fabric under the presser foot with a wooden skewer or a cuticle stick. Better than your finger!

Recycle greeting cards into paper templates, especially useful for hexagons. Be sure to punch a hole in the center for easy removal of hexagon template.

# QUILT SHOWS IN TEXAS

**June 7 – 8 (corrected date)**, “It’s Great in 2008”, Abilene Quilters’ Guild, Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Abilene. Classes (Tom Russell), vendors, snack bar, demonstrations. Hours: Sat 10-6, Sun 12–5. Admission \$5. For more info: [www.abilenequiltguild.org](http://www.abilenequiltguild.org) or call 325-695-5585 or 325-673-9440.

**June 13 - 14**, Nacogdoches Quilters Guild, “Blueberry Festival of Quilts”, Fredonia Hill Baptist Church, 1711 South St, Nacogdoches

**June 13 – 14**, “Irving Blooms at Lindero Ranch”, Irving Quilt Guild, Inc., Lindero Ranch, 101 North Rogers Road, Irving. June 13, 10 AM – 7 PM, June 14, 10 AM – 5 PM. For more info: 972-986-7890.

**June 27 - 29**, DeLeon Quilt Show, 125 S Texas St, DeLeon

**July 25 - 27**, “Threads from our Past”, Civic Center, 380 S Seguin Street, New Braunfels

**August 7 - 9**, “Deep in the Heart of Texas”, Festival of Machine Quilters, Professional Long arm Quilters Guild, The Plano Centre, 2000 E Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, TX.  
More details at [www.plaqq.org](http://www.plaqq.org) (Our Lisa Coker is one of the teachers. This is a judged show for all types of machine quilters with cash prizes.)

**Sept 19 - 21**, Crossroads to Texas Quilt Guild, “Shades of Texas Quilt Show”, Killeen Conference & Civic Center, 3601 S W S Young Drive, Killeen

**Sept 26 - 28**, “A Legacy of Quilts”, Austin Area Quilt Guild, New Crockett Center, 10601 N. Lamar, Austin

**Oct 30 - Nov 2**, International Quilt Festival, George R Brown Convention Center, Houston

## \*\*\*\*\* DONATION QUILT \*\*\*\*\*

Sell your Donation Quilt tickets. They will almost sell themselves. See Connie Cawthon or Mary Welch for tickets. Please volunteer to sell at shows. It’s fun to hear the ooh’s and aah’s.

## \*\*\*\*\* TAQG RALLY DAY \*\*\*\*\*

When: Saturday, July 12

Where: Mimosa Lane Baptist Church, Mesquite (same as last year)

Program: speaker J. Michelle Watts ([www.jmichellewatts.com](http://www.jmichellewatts.com)), mini auction, goody bags, door prizes, basket raffle

Class: There will be a class on Friday, July 11, taught by Ms Watts using the 9 degree wedge ruler.

Lunches catered by Applebee’s - \$7, pre-ordered only.

We are a host guild. Volunteers are needed to help that day. Please see Jane Asberry for lunch tickets and volunteering.

## \*\*\*\*\* QUILT RETREAT \*\*\*\*\*

Quilt retreat at Pearly Gates, just 1 hr away near Mt Vernon and Winnsboro, on Nov 6-8, 9, \$78 - 92, depending on length of stay and number of meals. See Debra Hager for details and reservations.

## RECIPE REQUEST

### **Broccoli Salad**

*Pam Hodapp*

1 large bunch broccoli florets  
8 slices bacon (cooked and crumbled)  
1/2 red onion (chopped)  
1/2 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese  
1/2 cup golden raisins

Dressing:

1 cup mayonnaise  
1/4 cup sugar  
2 Tbsp. apple cider vinegar

When serving a group, I double the recipe

June Newsletter deadline will be **June 15**, the Sunday after 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday.



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### SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Sara Moe	Spinning Pinwheel	Sat, May 24	10 – 4	\$50
Carol Morrissey	Paper Piecing	Sat, June 7	10 – 4	\$50
Julie Craig	Crazy Patchwork	Mon, June 9 or Wed, June 11	1 – 5	\$25 + \$25 kit
Cynthia England	Picture Piecing	Wed, August 13	10 – 4	\$75 + pattern
Harriet Hargrave	Machine Quilting	Fri and Sat Aug 22 & 23	9 – 4 each day	\$150
Meg Hawkey	Hand Embroidery	Wed, Oct 29 or Thu, Oct 30	10 – 4	\$50

**PLEASE** register early for these events! Doing so guarantees you have a spot and ensures that the teacher will travel to our shop.

For more detailed event information, visit our web site and click on the "Current Newsletter" tab on the left of the screen, then select >> "May – Aug 2008 Newsletter".



## DOOR PRIZE DONORS

These are some of the nicest people and shops:

- Quilt Asylum – McKinney** 1 prize
- Quilt Country – Lewisville** 1 prize
- Quilter's Quest** 2 prizes
- Jackie Brown** 2 prizes
- Jeanie Herring** 1 prize
- Quilters' Guild of Arlington** 1 prize

Thank you for making our April Meeting that much more fun with your generosity!

### RECIPE REQUEST for FIBER RICH MUFFINS

*Gladys Trammell*

Recipe is found on the back of the Hodgson Mill Multi Grain Hot Cereal. Gladys used baby carrots and 9 or 10 made a cup. One medium apple equaled a cup.

These were not only healthy but also tasty muffins.



## From the Librarian

Virginia Johnson

### NEW BOOKS ARE IN!

**Quilting Book: How To Make An Amish Quilt, Elm Creek Quilts & More Quilt Projects.** These quilting projects were inspired by the Elm Creek novels, Jennifer Chiaverini, author.

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Due to popular demand, more copies of Jennifer Chiaverini's novels have been added to our library, as well as Beverly Lewis's novels, that weave quilting and Amish life into stories many of us have read and loved and exchanged with each other before deciding to donate them to our library for the enjoyment of others.

### Advertising Rates

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Pictured are Sherry Worley of the Cotton Patch Quilt Guild delivering 17 baby quilts to Mary Wesson. Mary is a Client Advocate Volunteer at A Woman's Heart Pregnancy Resource Center.

You may view photos or the newsletter at the guild website:

[www.cottonpatchquilt.com](http://www.cottonpatchquilt.com)

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