



# Cotton Patch Quilt Guild Newsletter

## AUGUST 2009

Greenville, Texas

Linda Franklin, Editor

### President's Letter

It's a boy! My new grandson, Tobin Sky Amaloo, was born while I was attending our Cotton Stripper's monthly meeting. It was wonderful to get the news of his birth with my "quilting family" in the room. He weighed 8 lb 9 oz and was 21 inches long. My daughter, Katie, is doing well and so is baby Tobin.

I attended the Plano Quilt show this weekend and saw many of you there. Our guild's 2009 raffle quilt, "Home Tweet Home", won the 3rd place ribbon in the group quilt category. I was so proud of all of our members who submitted blocks and to Jackie Scarber who headed the committee and quilted the quilt. A big congratulations to the committee members who designed and made the quilt: Jackie Scarber, Jan Ainsworth, Joan Biggs, Virginia Johnson, Mary Lou Strohm, Kathy Vestal, Jackie Clark, Sara Bobbitt, Pat Jonz, Connie Cawthon, and myself. Thank you to all of the members who contributed their time and talent to making the individual blocks. We have so many talented members in our guild. It is great to be able to show our 2009 raffle quilt with a big white ribbon pinned to it.

We have many guild activities going on over the next few weeks. The community service challenge and UFO challenge will end at the August guild meeting so bring those quilts to guild. Debbie Maddy is coming for the August meeting and will have a workshop the next day. Hopefully those who registered have gotten the supply list and can pre-cut their fabrics. Contact LaVonne McCaw with any questions. Then in September Sharon Schamber will be doing our guild program. A big thank you to Lisa Coker for arranging for Sharon to come to our guild. Please feel free to invite outside quilting friends to Sharon Schamber's program, but make sure they are aware of the \$5 non-member fee we will be charging to help cover the cost. It should be a great program. Also, we have lots of fall retreats being planned. Come and spend some quality time with your fellow guild members doing what we love--quilting and eating!

Have a wonderful month of quilting! — Linda Neal

### **Community Service** **Quilt Challenge** **Show**

***will be held at the August guild meeting.***

**Bring your entries for display and prizes.**

### AUGUST Program

## *"No Diamonds, No Y-Seams"*

Our program speaker for August 27<sup>th</sup> will be **Debbie Maddy** from Graham, Texas. As a designer and teacher but always a quilter first, she will be giving us a lecture on "No Diamonds/No Y-Seams." She had two quilts juried into the 2004 "International Quilt Association" show at Quilt Festival in Houston, and another quilt accepted into the "Hoffman Challenge", an annual traveling exhibit sponsored by Hoffman California Fabric. In 2005 she showed her technique on an episode of "Simply Quilts" for HGTV.

Mark your calendar! I know you will not want to miss this month's featured program.

— LaVonne McCaw

### **\*\* SPECIAL \*\***

## **SEPTEMBER PROGRAM**

Take note! Our guest speaker for the September 24 guild meeting is Master Quilter **Sharon Schamber**, who will talk on "My Quilting Experience." Author, teacher, and originator of the piec-lique technique, she's been on HGTV's "Simply Quilts" and is well-respected in the professional quilting world.

There will be a \$5 fee for non-members.

## **CALLING ALL U.F.O. PROJECTS!!**

August is the final rendezvous for all remaining UFO projects.

The meeting place has been changed from Area 51 in Roswell, New Mexico to the Cotton Patch Quilt Guild's meeting in Greenville, Texas. The Federation concurred that all attendants would feel more comfortable among this location's membership.

Forward all questions to "Debra the Hager."

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS  
AT 5:00 P.M. BEFORE THE  
GUILD MEETING.**

## REFRESHMENTS COMMITTEE

### August 27

Katharine McCaw (Captain)

LaVonne McCaw	Trudy McNish
Becky Medlock	LeeAnn Miller
Sue Miller	Beth Mills
Donna Moon	Priscilla Moore
Phyllis Moynihan	Nancy Nall
Linda Neal	Maejean Nixon
Huey Nobles	Barbara Powell
Lynne Power	

### September 24

#### Light Refreshments and Desserts only

Belva Roberts (Captain)

Barbara Ratcliff	Sue Ross
Delinda Saye	Gwen Schroth
Shirley Shaw	Pam Shuman
Faye Smith	Marie Smith
Barbara Stephens	Frances Stinnett

Please advise your captain if you cannot attend the meeting and **swap** with someone else.

Captains: Contact each person by the Monday before the guild meeting.

"Refreshments" is responsible for clean up, too.

#### RECIPE BY REQUEST:

### GARBANZO SALAD

Shared by Carol Dodd (her comments in parentheses). The recipe is from a collection book called Southwest Sizzler that was self-published by Barbara C. Jones in Bonham, Texas.

2 --15 ounce cans garbanzo beans, rinsed and drained  
2 tomatoes, chopped and drained (I use halved grape tomatoes--a lot of them)  
1/2 cup snipped fresh parsley  
1/2 cup chopped celery  
3 green onions, thinly sliced with green part  
1 cup finely cubed Monterey Jack cheese (I use low fat Monterey Jack and Colby crumbles)

Dressing:

1/2 cup lemon juice  
1/3 cup olive oil  
1/2 tsp cumin  
1 tsp sugar  
1 tsp salt (I omit this)  
1/2 tsp freshly ground black pepper

Combine salad ingredients. Make dressing. Pour dressing over. Mix well. Refrigerate. (This salad is better after a day of togetherness in the fridge.)

Enjoy!



## August Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Betty Allen	8/6	Mary Alice MacDonald	8/6
Pat Cate	8/26	LaVonne McCaw	8/25
Jackie Clark	8/11	Delinda Saye	8/1
Lisa Coker	8/19	Marie Smith	8/4
Kathy Dickens	8/20		



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## QUILT SHOWS NEAR US

**SULPHUR SPRINGS: Sept 18 & 19**, 10 - 5 Fri, 9 - 3 Sat, "10<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show", Hopkins County Civic Center, High School Gym, 1200 Houston Street, \$2, Lone Star Heritage Quilt Guild, [www.sulphurspringstxquilts.com](http://www.sulphurspringstxquilts.com).

**HOUSTON: Oct 15-18**, 10 - 7 Oct 15-17, 11-5 Oct 18, International Quilt Festival, George R Brown Convention Center, Houston, [www.quilts.com](http://www.quilts.com).

## FOR SALE

**Treadle Singer Sewing Machine with cabinet  
Early 1940's, good working condition**

**\$35**

See it at McCullough Paint & Glass, Inc  
2404 Stonewall St, Greenville  
903-455-7452

## TAQG NEWS

Jane Asberry

There will be one secondary meeting at the September 29th TAQG meeting. The first hour will be devoted to membership and the second hour to social activities (circles, BOM, round robin, brown bag, etc.) Please think about your desire to be involved in any of these activities and represent our guild in the secondary meeting to get ideas about how other guilds handle these things!

We'll have a fun day!

## Treasurer's Report

Pam Shuman

**Balance on May 31, 2009** **4268.58**

### JUNE 2009

#### Checks

1833 B&T Studies, Programs	-268.20
1834 Linda Neal, Solid Rock	-27.70
1835 Linda Franklin, Newsletter	- 9.09
	<u>-304.99</u>

#### Deposits

Programs (workshop registration)	350.00
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**Balance as of June 30, 2009** **4313.59**

### JULY 2009

#### Checks

1779 Quilters Guild of Plano	-15.00
1836 Pebble Rehm, Programs	<u>-240.00</u>
	-255.00

#### Deposits

Programs (workshop registration)	60.00
Raffle Quilt	<u>80.00</u>
	140.00

**Balance as of July 31, 2009** **4198.59**



## July Door Prize Donors

Quilt Asylum- 1  
Quilt Mercantile – 2  
Suzy Quilt Shop – 3  
Stitchin' Heaven, Quitman – 2  
Quilt Connection – Dallas – 1  
Alford Inn – Van Alstyne - 2

**Thank you very much!**

## A Grandma Story

My granddaughter came to spend a few weeks with me, and I decided to teach her to sew. After I had gone through a lengthy explanation of how to thread the machine, she stepped back, put her hands on her hips, and said in disbelief, "You mean you can do all that, but you can't play my Game Boy?"  
~Author Unknown

## July 23, 2009 Minutes

Mandy Weaver, Secretary

President Linda Neal was out of town so Lavonne McCaw opened the night by welcoming members and introducing guests. She thanked Gladys Guthrie and the food committee for the meal. Next month's captain is Katharine McCaw.

June meeting minutes were approved by the members.

Sherry Worley announced the end of Community Service Quilt Challenge will be at the meeting in August. Quilt tops or finished quilts are accepted and prizes will be awarded. She showed a completed quilt top of the new dog pattern, and said they would be cutting more of this pattern for community service projects. The guild is donating 12 baby quilts to A Woman's Heart organization. She will be teaching a machine quilting class starting in September, the class will be free.

Jackie Brown announced that 2009 Raffle Quilt raised \$256.00 at the TAQG rally. See her to turn in any money or get more tickets. Rena Hale is the coordinator for the 2009 raffle quilt; see her if you have a location to take the quilt.

LaVonne McCaw announced a workshop by Debbie Maddy on August 28 from 9:00-4:00. The cost is \$20.00. Debbie will be teaching the Carpenter Star. See LaVonne to sign up for the class.

The Plano Guild Quilt Show is August 14-15. Sherry Worley has tickets for sale.

Connie Cawthon announced a new retreat for anyone who has never gone on a retreat before. You get first chance to sign up. It is at the Cleek Retreat Center on September 3-6. The total cost is \$40.00, with a \$10.00 deposit due when you sign up. See her or Jane Martyn to sign up. The maximum number of people that can go is 30 and it will be opened up to all members at a later date.

Debbie Uphoff, Membership Chair, announced that anyone who needs a name tag or directory see her.

The program was "Pebble Rehm: Appliqué Today, a Reflection of Yesterday." She gave out the recipe for cleaning stained old quilts. Equal parts of 20 Mule Team Borax, Snowy or Dreft and Clorox 2 powder. Mix well and put in a lukewarm water filled bathtub. Let quilt soak for several days. Drain tub, water will be almost black. Fill tub with water again to rinse. Repeat until quilt is clean. Do not wring out quilt, wash in washer or dry in a dryer.

A birthday drawing was held and door prizes were awarded followed by show and tell.

Next month the program will be Debbie Maddy presenting her no Y- seams technique.

*"Failure is only the opportunity to begin again more intelligently."* – Henry Ford

# Cotton Strippers

Jane Martyn

The strippers met Thursday and it was a rowdy crowd. The refreshments were delicious. Connie Cawthon is still taking reservations for Cleek Retreat to be held September 3-6. We need 20 to go so if you are able, please give her a call. Sue Childers asked if anyone is interested in getting together a treadle or hand crank sewing group. Please contact her if you are interested. Debra Hager is making plans for Pearly Gate for November 5-8.

Refreshments for September include Mandy Weaver, Joan Biggs, Jackie Brown, Mary Lou Strohm, Barbara Ratcliff, Katharine McCaw, Debbie George, Lydia Lewis, Carolyn Burt and Anita Gaudreaux.

Don't forget to bring your bricks. We will exchange these until December. See Jane Martyn if you need instructions for putting them together.

# Sunshine & Shadows

Madeline Sullivan

Trudy McNish's mother is very ill in Alabama and Trudy has gone to be with her.

Kathy Vestal's daughter, Theresa, will be getting married on October 09.

Mary Lou Strohm's daughter, Karen, is recovering nicely from her surgery.

Linda Neal is a new grandmother. She received the news at Strippers! Grandson's name is Tobin Sky Amaloo.

Donna Moon's sister, Mary Ann, who lives in Longview, was seriously ill. Donna is happy to report that Mary Ann is doing so much better.



# COTTON BLOSSOMS

Madeline Sullivan

August 3 the Cotton Blossoms had their usual bimonthly meeting. They continued with their Christmas Ornament project. It is little tiny paper piecing and is very hard to do, but lovely when finished. Margie Hendrix was the teacher.

The Patriot Paws quilt is ready to be bound. Nancy Amburgey offered to bind it.

Helen Rowe has always kept our scrapbook. She always kept it up-to-date and did each page so fetchingly. She has finished two big books and has asked to be relieved of her obligation. Everyone was sorry to lose her expertise, but know that is to her personal interest to be relieved of this duty. Hats off to Helen for her faithfulness! We all love her very much.

Our next meeting was on August 17. JoAnn Cross taught us how to make a special baby quilt. JoAnn is a fine teacher and it was fun.

If anyone wants to join us, we meet at the First Presbyterian Church, 1216 Monroe Street, Commerce, Texas.

## Advertising Rates for Newsletter

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You may view photos and newsletter at the guild's website:

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

Login: Texas Password: Star

Note capital letters – case sensitive.

# QUILT RETREATS

## Cleek Retreat - September 3 - 6

Cost = \$45 due at August guild meeting. Information handouts will be available at the meeting.

Must have a minimum of 20 with a maximum of 30. Contact Connie Cawthon if you are interested. Email Connie at [connie\\_cawthon@tamu-commerce.edu](mailto:connie_cawthon@tamu-commerce.edu) or call 903-274-7790. Join us for four days of fun over the Labor Day weekend. Note: if we don't have 20 paid by guild meeting, the retreat will be canceled.



## Purley Gates – November 5 - 8

Please send your \$40 deposit to hold your reservation for the Fall Retreat. A few openings are available.

Again, you may bring your "sewing related" garage sale items. Have your fat quarters ready for games.

For more info: 903-883-4230 or 903-450-6004

Please make all checks payable to: Debra Hager

Her address is 1241 FM 1564 East, Quinlan, TX 75474



## Eufaula Retreat - November 12-15

\$20 deposit to hold your spot

Contact Jane Martyn at 903-454-7357 if you are interested.

## Magic Formula

*Pebble Rehm shared this cleaning method for getting the yellow out of old quilts and several asked that it be reprinted.*

Mix equal parts of 20 Mule Team Borax, powder Clorox 2, and Dreft or Snowy. Dissolve in a lukewarm water filled bathtub. Let quilt soak for several days, hand slushing it in the tub. Drain tub; water will be almost black. Refill tub with water to rinse. Repeat until quilt is clean. Let the quilt drain in the tub. Do not wring out quilt, nor lift it when it is soaking wet, nor wash in washer nor dry in a dryer. Always air dry it.

Might have to do this twice.

# CPQG Winners in the Plano Quilt Show

Our **Raffle Quilt 2009** was awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Group Quilts category. It was quilted by Jackie Scarber.

**Janice Whitt** won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Two Person Large Quilts category for her "On Point" quilt, quilted by Jackie Scarber.

**Jackie Scarber** was the quilter for other winners as well, two honorable mentions and one 1<sup>st</sup> place, for a total of 5 ribbons.

Former member and July guest speaker, Pebble Rehm, won a 1<sup>st</sup> place for her "Tribute to Pat Campbell". Popular teacher and guest speaker at several of our meetings, Alice Wilhoit, won a 1<sup>st</sup> place and an honorable mention.

Congratulations!

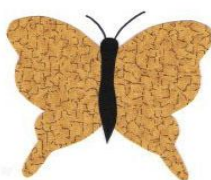
**September newsletter deadline**  
**Sunday, September 13**  
the second Sunday of September

## DIRECTORY UPDATES

*Debbie Uphoff*

Our 100<sup>th</sup> member!

**Chasity Shuman**, 4101 Telephone Rd, Moore, OK 73160, (405) 794-3294, birthday 6/15, Cotton Stripper's.



## SCRAP QUILT IDEAS

When the Hawaiians were first shown how to make a quilt by the missionaries, they asked why cut large pieces of fabric into small pieces just to sew them back together? We can answer that--because we're crazy. Actually it is because the pieced quilt is more interesting than a single sheet of fabric (sorry, whole cloth quilt lovers).

If you are ready to take your saved remnants from projects and put them together to make that pretty scrap quilt, here are two ideas from HGTV's "Simply Quilts".

First keep in mind these scrap quilt rules: 1. The smaller the fabric unit the less important the print and the more important the tone of color. Combine your small pieces by tone not color. 2. A small square unit will give a different overall design than a large unit even if put together the same.

TIP: If a fabric is medium in tone (neither dark nor light), try using the reverse side, it becomes light.

### **Traditional:**

1. Make two kinds of 9-patch blocks.

**Block A** should have 6 darks and 3 lights. Arrange as follows: Row 1: Dk, Dk, Dk

Row 2: Dk, Dk, Lt

Row 3: Dk, Lt, Lt.

**Block B** should have 3 darks, and 6 lights. Arrange as follows: Row 1: Lt, Lt, Lt

Row 2: Lt, Lt, Dk

Row 3: Lt, Dk, Dk

It will take 4 of each Block A and B to make the next block units. (Make at least 12 or 20 of each block A and B.)

2. Combine 4 block A's to make a 4-patch block unit, and 4 block B's to make a different 4-patch unit. Combine them in two ways in a random color pattern. Block D – lights pointing to the center of the block. Block E – with darks in

the center of the block.

3. Join the large 4-patch units (Blocks D and E) alternately.

Row 1: E, D, E

Row 2: D, E, D

Row 3: E, D, E

Or you can set them on point.

4. Add border.

### **Modern:**

1. Create a scrappy background with square patches, all with same tone of fabric. This can be a medallion style quilt or one patch block quilt.

2. Design an appliqué pattern that will go on top of the background.

3. Strip piece (sew) scraps together to make blocks large enough to cut out your appliqué forms. Pay attention to color, e.g. greens for leaves, yellows for centers of flowers, etc. Press seams open.

4. Mark the lightest fusible web you can find with your appliqué pattern. Cut out with a small margin around the drawn line. Iron on to the wrong side of the strip pieced blocks, over the seams. Cut out appliqué shape exactly on the drawn line. (Follow marking and pressing instructions that come with the fusible.)

TIP: a) You can use the seams as part of your appliqué pattern, e.g. center line of a leaf b) You can rejoin the loose strip pieces after the shapes are cut out and make more strip pieced blocks for more cutting.

3. Fuse the shapes to the background you made in step 1. You can cover edges with blanket stitch or machine appliqué. Embellish with embroidery, buttons, beads, if desired.

5. Add border using your strip pieced scraps.