



Cotton Patch Quilt Guild Newsletter

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Greenville, Texas

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Carol Dodd, Editor

President's Letter

LaVonne McCaw

I hope everyone had a wonderful Valentine's Day!

We have a busy year ahead and I think it's going to be an awesome time. Don't forget to pay your dues and get your picture taken so you will be in our directory. Make sure you attend as many meetings as possible so you are not left out of all the fun!

Terrell is having their Quilt show this year Saturday, April 16, 2011. You can Google Terrell Quilt Show to obtain entry forms and information.

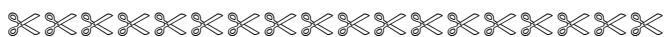
If anyone is interested in doing a quilt cruise you will need to go to Stitch-n-Heaven and check out their upcoming cruises for the rest of 2011 and 2012. Linda Neal, Pam Shuman and I just came back from one of their Caribbean cruises and we had a blast. It was an experience, and one that I would recommend to all.

Please make sure that you read your newsletter so you will be apprised of all the retreats that are coming up, updates on the quilt show and any other happenings throughout the year with the guild.

If you need to be on the agenda for February, please email me before the meeting so that I can get you on the list instead of waiting till the last minute. Letting me know ahead of time will aid us in moving the meeting along at a quick pace.

The Executive Board will meet at 5:15 p.m. before the March 24th Guild Meeting.

Enjoy the sun and see everyone on the 24th!



DEADLINE

**Information for the next Newsletter
will be due
March 14**

**Please get your submissions in on time
because I will be out of town**

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Treasurer's Report

Debbie George

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Balance as of Jan. 1, 2011	5,468.95
Deposits/Credits	\$ -
Checks/debits	\$ 253.14
Checks	
Jane Asberry	\$ 126.74
Postmaster	\$ 60.00
Virginia Johnson	\$ 66.40
	\$
Balance as of Jan. 31, 2011	5,215.81

Sunshine & Shadows

Madeline Sullivan

January 29, 2011, Margie Hendrix was admitted to the hospital in Tyler. She was in intensive care for three days with a brain bleed. The only result was her right hand would not function properly. Margie is home and working on that right hand with stiff therapy putty. Mid-March, she will return to Tyler to have an MRI to be sure it has cleared. Let us keep Margie and her family in our prayers.

Monday, February 7, 2011, Terri Tyree's mother passed away at 8:00 p.m. A brief funeral service was held Thursday, February 10, 2011, at 1:00 at the Lake Whitney Baptist Church. All the Guild Member's hearts are saddened for Terri and her family.

Sherry Worley's father found out he has cancer. Keep Sherry and her family in our daily prayers.

You may view photos and newsletters at the guild's website: www.cottonpatchquilt.com
Login: Texas Password: Star
Note capital letters – case sensitive.

January 27, 2011 Minutes

Kelly Greiner

LaVonne called the meeting to order and introduced four guests. She thanked Pam Schumann and her food committee for a wonderful meal and announced that the February food captain is Janice Whitt.

December minutes were approved as read.

Box Tops for the month will be given to Greenville Christian School.

Annual dues of \$24.00 are now due.

Ken and Evelyn Haire came to the meeting to thank the Guild membership for the 2010 Raffle Quilt that she won in December. They had their picture made with the quilt.

Committee Reports-

Jane Asberry announced that a garage sale benefitting Community Service will be held at the Feb. meeting. She also showed the Raffle Quilt for Community Service. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. They will be sold until the Guild 2011 Raffle Quilt is ready and members begin selling tickets for it.

Jane also reported that no members will be attending the upcoming area TAQG meeting. She reminded the membership that mini quilts are needed for Rally Day, July 9th, as well as something to put in the "Goody Bags." Any ideas for the bags should be emailed to Jane.

New Business-

Rena' Hale answered questions from the floor concerning the 2011 proposed budget. Debra Hager made a motion that the budget be accepted, and Trudy McNish seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Joy Gregory accepted the position as chairman for the 2012 Raffle Quilt.

Old Business-

LaVonne appointed a finance committee to research the 501(c) 3 designation. Debra Hager made the motion that the committee report at the Feb. meeting the committee's findings. Trudy seconded the motion; which passed unanimously.

Kathy Dickens reported on the upcoming Quilt Show and asked all committee chairs to be at the Feb. meeting for a picture.

Debra Hager had several items to discuss:

- ◆ If anyone has a suggestion for a future program, please email Debra
- ◆ The "Ugly Fat Quarter" challenge begins at the Feb. meeting and due at Sept. meeting. Bring your

ugliest fat quarter to the next meeting to participate.

◆ The UFO challenge form is in the newsletter. Fill out the form and return to the Feb. meeting.

◆ A UFO swap with 3 categories - small, medium, large projects - was suggested.

◆ For members to wear at the Oct. Quilt Show, the membership voted to buy purple aprons for \$8.00 each. After their delivery, members purchase and then embellish his/her own.

◆ In an effort for the monthly food committees to enjoy the programs and not be in the kitchen cleaning up after the meal, they will now be served first so they can clean while the others eat. This will allow everyone to enjoy the programs.

◆ Those who are signed up for the upcoming Purly Gates retreat, pay Debra \$130 at the Feb. meeting.

Installation of Officers-

The officers for 2011 were presented and installed by Mandy Weaver:

President - LaVonne McCaw

Vice-President - Debra Hager

Secretary - Kelly Greiner

Treasurer- Debbie George

Membership- Kathy Dickens

Librarian- Virginia Johnson

Newsletter- Carol Dodd

Parliamentarian - Katharine McCaw

Committee Chairs for 2011 were announced:

TAQG - Jane Asberry

Birthday Drawings and Door Prizes - Janice Evans

Sunshine and Shadows - Madeline Sullivan

Raffle Quilt 2011 - Debra Hager

Historian - Priscilla Moore

The meeting adjourned following the Birthday Drawing/Door Prizes and Show and Tell.

QUILT MERCANTILE TO BE HONORED

Quilt Mercantile, a quilt shop in Celeste, TX, has been chosen as one of the 11 featured shops across the United States for the Spring 2011 issue of *Quilt Sampler*® magazine, published by Better Homes and Gardens. The issue should appear on shelves near the end of April.

Advertising Rates

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Ads are printed if space is available. Ad text and payment must be received before the monthly deadline. Send to editor: Carol Dodd, 1708 Bonham St., Commerce, TX 75428, email: cpqgnews@gmail.com

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

Debra Hager

Carla Scott, award winning quilt artist and author of *Quilted Frog*, will present an informative presentation explaining the various quilt techniques used in her whimsical and colorful quilts.

"Outline Applique" is a special feature from the *Quilted Frog's* very own fusible applique technique that allows quilters to make detailed, appliqued quilts, "easy as cutting out paper dolls."

Suitable for quilters of all levels, this program is certain to inspire us to become more creative.

Please bring your own designs for "Show and Tell" to share with Carla and our guests!



LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Virginia Johnson

The new books were checked out before I could put them on the shelves!! Please remember to return them **THIS month, February.**

Speaking about returning books, ACCORDING TO THE BYLAWS, all books are checked out for a **ONE MONTH PERIOD.** Some people have been neglecting or abusing this rule. It is a courtesy to others to "go by the rules".

I recently purchased *Gone to TEXAS - Quilts* from a pioneer woman's journal, by Betsy Chutchian. I found it interesting to read that the author's Great-Great Grandparents purchased land near Plano, TX (for \$.50 an acre). The journals record how many garments and quilts were sewn in a year, plus socks and stockings knitted from wool they sheared from their sheep, plus yards of cloth woven, and so on. It does not make me yearn for "the good old days". After I read this book I regarded myself as lazy. I can just go to Quilt Mercantile and buy whatever I need. This book will be available for checkout February 24, 2011.



Terrell Heritage Jubilee Quilt Show

April 16, 2011

Herman Furlough Middle School Cafeteria

1351 Colquitt Road, Terrell, Texas

A Judged Show!!

Cash Prizes!!

For more information:

Terrell Chamber of Commerce, Convention & Visitors Bureau

Post Office Box 97, Terrell, Texas 75160

T: 972-563-5703 / F: 972-563-2363

raylan@terrelltexas.com / www.terrelltexas.com

February 24 Refreshments

Janice Whitt, Captain

Beth Winn	Jane Asberry
B Wood	Joan Biggs
Sherry Worley	Sara Bobbitt
Carolyn Wright	Dorothy Boettcher
Kaye Adams	Gail Bohmfalk
Jan Ainsworth	Anna Borrer
Betty Allen	

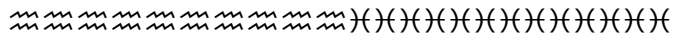
March 24 Refreshments

Cathy Brandstetter, Captain

Jackie Brown	Susan Childers
Lanell Bundick	Jackie Clark
Carolyn Burt	Lynn Cogswell
Ruth Butcher	Lisa Coker
Pat Cate	Kay Colcleasure
Connie Cawthon	Rachel Cramer
	Jo Ann Cross

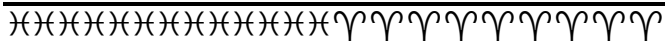
*Please advise your captain if you cannot attend the meeting and **swap** with someone else.*

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



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Barbara Ratcliff—Feb 5	Debra Warmke—Feb 15
Jane Asberry—Feb 6	Lydia Lewis—Feb 21
Anna Borrer—Feb 6	Maxine Leverett—Feb 24
Beverly Lowe—Feb 8	Jackie Brown—Feb 27
Linda Neal—Feb 11	



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Sue Miller--Mar 1	Madeline Sullivan--Mar 15
Belva Roberts--Mar 1	Mandy Weaver--Mar 17
Debbie Emard--Mar 8	Katharine McCaw--Mar 18
Rachel Cramer—Mar 11	Beth Mills—Mar 19
Wanda Roy--Mar 14	Trudy McNish—Mar 29

THINGS TO BRING TO THE MEETING:

- Checkbook** for dues, t-shirts, Purley Gates Retreat, Community Service scrap sale.
- Ugly FQs
- List of UFOs
- Old cell phones

STITCHIN MEMORIES CLOSING

We all hate it when we hear that a quilt store is closing, but...

Stitchin Memories is closing its doors on **March 31st.**

Everything must go!
40% OFF

Good selection of Fabrics, Books, Patterns and Notions.

Stitchin Memories
 903 E. Lennon Dr. Ste. 106
 Emory, Tx. 75440
 903-473-5102
 Hours: Tues-Fri. - 10a.m.-5p.m.
 Sat. 10a.m.-5p.m.

UGLY FAT QUARTER CHALLENGE

Mandy Weaver is the Chairman of the Contest. This challenge and fundraiser was a spectacular success for The 2005 Harvest of Quilts Show. Once again we would like to invite you to challenge your amazing skills to transform ugly to priceless! Your quilt will be donated to the CPQG. During The 2011 Harvest of Quilts Show, the Ugly Fat Quarter Challenge Miniature Quilts will be the art for our silent auction.

The rules are simple!
 Bring the ugliest fat quarter of quilt quality, 100 % cotton to the February Guild Meeting.

- From an ugly brown bag, each ugly participant will draw a UFQ.
- Complete a beautiful, finished, miniature quilt.
- Finished miniature quilt perimeters must be *100 inches or less.

*(Length + width) X 2= less than 100 inches .Bring for Show and Tell on, or before September Guild Meeting.

CPQG - TWENTY WONDERFUL YEARS!

Debra Hager

Once upon a time in 1990, Hunt County Museum's President, Katharine McCaw approached me, Debra Hager, at my craft booth during the Hunt County Fair. After she had introduced herself and admired my quilts for sale, Katharine ask if I would be interested in teaching quilt classes at the museum. Only two years earlier, I had completed my teaching certificate. However, my husband, Brad and I had chosen for me to be a stay at home mom, to our three beautiful children, B.K., 12, Michael Silas, 2 1/2, and our daughter, Taylor Michele, 6 months old. Teaching quilting? I was so excited, I jumped at the opportunity. Within a month, in the old boardroom, on Moulton Street, I met the nicest group of ladies at our first class, "How to Make a Quilt". Wriggling in their seats, chattering with excitement, and anxious to learn the art, I could not hide the fact that I was just as excited to be there as they were!!! As we embarked on our adventure, little did we know that our lives with these strangers were about to change forever!

In the meantime, I also collected antique quilts, tops, and fabric, old and new. One day at a garage sale near Campbell, I met a nice lady named Mildred Young. I purchased everything she had that was quilt related. As we struck up a friendly conversation, I mentioned our classes at the museum and she spoke of her Home Extension Group. She invited me to give a program to her group. We shared a dream to have a quilt club. Mildred referred to it as a guild. We decided to approach our friends with a proposal to combine ourselves into a guild.

During our second round of classes, "Roses", before I could make an announcement about Mildred and my plan, Kathy Vestal, Jane Martyn and Connie Cawthon raised their hands, to ask a question I thought. Rather, they said, "We want to continue being together as quilters!"

I was delighted to tell them of Mrs. Young and her group. Through the quilter's grapevine, information was released, and our organization came together.

In February 1991, again, in the old boardroom, 22 quilters met. My mother, Ruth Bacon, even drove in from east Texas to attend. Mildred Young proposed the name Cotton Patch Quilt Guild, and I nominated her to be our first president. On both accounts, the vote was unanimous. I was elected Vice-president. Our circles were to have cotton related names, as well. Thus, bloomed the Cotton Blossoms, Cotton Belles and Cotton Strippers, (thank you, Sarah Bobbitt!). There was another group called the Loose Threads, but I guess they fell off and got lost somewhere along the way.

During hundreds of meetings, we have shared our quilts, our stories, our triumphs, and our losses. We brought our moms, our sisters, our aunts, our friends, our husbands, our grandchildren, our great-grandchildren, and strangers we met along the way.

One of my favorite memories was when my Taylor Michele, at the age of 12, shared her first quilt, a king sized "Stack and Whack". (She must have had a good teacher.)

Many members have gone on to become quilt designers, teachers, award winners, published artists, shop owners, long-arm quilters, fabric collectors, UFO collectors, amazing charity fundraisers and angels.

Being a part of the Cotton Patch Quilt Guild has been life changing for me. Not only are you my friends, you are my family. Thank you for everything you do for your community, the art form, and most of all, each other.

Our most sincere gratitude goes to The Hunt County Museum, now known as American Cotton/Audie Murphy Museum, and Kavanaugh United Methodist Church for providing our guild with a gathering place.

Kavanaugh's involvement in our community, through its ministry, membership, charity, generosity, organization and participation, deserves awesome praise that could never match its contribution.

Most importantly, thank you, Katharine McCaw, for your confidence, support and venues.

**Happy 20th Anniversary, CPQG!
...the legacy continues.
Here's to twenty more!!**

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Sherry Worley

We are looking forward to a great scrap sale this month! If you have items to donate please bring them to the meeting as early as possible. We prefer that you have the items already priced. Remember to bring a tote bag!

Bring your old cell phones for the recycling drive.

Work day in the large dining room before the meeting! Please bring your cutting equipment. We will be putting together kits and preparing for the Scrap Sale.

Please help us with the Community Service Raffle Quilt. Tickets will be available at the meeting. Buy some, sell some!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

If you have not yet renewed your membership, please do so by the February meeting in order to be included in the directory and continue receiving the newsletter.

Cotton Strippers Purley Gates Retreat

Debra Hager

We still have a few openings for quilters at our Spring retreat, March 17-20.

The facility is spacious and accommodating, with spectacular scenery. Nestled in The Piney Woods of East Texas, The Purley Gates is the perfect place for quilters!

You may arrive March 16th, after 5:00 P.M.

Sewing room, cabin or bunk for three nights, and a daily meal are provided, and the cost is about \$130.

Bring fat quarters and 2 1/2 inch strips of fabric for games, and if you wish, door prizes to share.

Everyone needs to provide an old quilt or floor covering to go under your ironing board to protect carpet from dropped irons.

Please pay in full by February Guild Meeting. This is a non-profit retreat.

For more info contact Debra Hager (903-450-6004) or email: 4cpqgnews@verizon

Note from the editor: No Circle reports were submitted this month, and there's no room for them anyway!

ROWENTA IRON FOUND

Jeanie Herring

Did you leave something on the roof of your car? Jeanie Herring found a ROWENTA IRON on the road just before the first speed bump as she was leaving the January Cleek Retreat on Saturday night. If it is yours, please contact Jeanie Herring at (903) 776-2123, or jeanieherring@rocketmail.com

January Door Prize Donors

Quilt Asylum-1
Quilt Mercantile-1
Anonymous-2

Thank you very much!

We are fortunate to have generous friends supplying our door prizes. Be sure to send thank you notes to them for adding to the fun of our meetings.

RECIPE BY REQUEST

Gladys Trammel

BEST BRAN MUFFINS

½ c Rolled oats	1 c all-purpose flour
1 c whole wheat flour	½ c all-bran cereal
½ t salt	1t baking powder
1 t baking soda	1 egg, beaten
¼ c vegetable oil	½ c molasses
¾ c buttermilk	1 8 oz. can crushed pineapple, undrained
½ c chopped walnuts	

In a mixing bowl, combine all dry ingredients. Make a well in the center. Combine the rest of the ingredients, except the walnuts. Mix together until dry ingredients are moistened. Sit in nuts.

Coat 18 muffin cups with nonstick spray; fill 2/3 full with batter. Bake at 400 F for 12 minutes or until golden brown.

Yield: 18 .

Nutritional info, one muffin: 151 calories, 6 gm total fat, 16 mg cholesterol, 221 mg sodium, 22 gm carbohydrate, 4 gm protein.

I get more than 18 muffins from a recipe. I've had my muffin pans since I first married, so they are old and must not be as large as newer pans. I usually increase molasses to ¾ cup.

UFO CHALLENGE

Instructions to participate in UFO Challenge:

- For each **Un**Finished **O**bject you would like to challenge yourself to complete this year, list a specific task regarding the quilt UFO that you would like to accomplish.
- Return this form to Debra Hager at the February Guild meeting.
- Bring a beautiful fat quarter for each UFO you listed.
- When task is complete, bring finished quilt item to a guild meeting. You be rewarded by selecting a beautiful fat quarter from the UFO Stash.

Any remaining fat quarters will be awarded to the participant/s who completed the most UFO's.

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More? Add sheets as necessary!