

# ***Bits and Pieces***

## ***Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Newsletter***



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**Anne Perry, Editor    Michaelae Jackson, Co-Editor**

### **BBQG President's Letter – June, 2013**

“It may even help heal my broken heart” Geneva Mitchell

In January of this year, we received a thank you note from Geneva Mitchell, whose husband had recently died. Mr. Mitchell received one of our care quilts while he was a Hospice patient and Geneva, who is a quilter herself, wanted us to know how much they appreciated the quilt and the work that went into it.

I want to encourage each of you to get involved in our Care Quilt project. We'll be having a Care Quilt workday on June 11 at the Brazos Center and if you've never been to one, this is your chance. I promise you that you'll return home feeling good about the work you've contributed & that you'll learn something new about quilting.

***Sherrill Johnson***  
President, BBQG

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### **Board Meeting Notice**

The June BBQG Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 3, 2013 at Hobby Lobby in their classroom at 6:00 PM. All BBQG members are invited to attend.

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### **2013 BBQG Scholarship Winners Announced**

The 2013 recipients of the Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild's \$1000 scholarships are Chanler Havel and Paul Spelce. Both attend A&M Consolidated High School.

Sarah will be attending Lone Star College through the summer and transfer to Sam Houston State University in the fall where she plans to study fashion marketing.

Chanler has completed several quilts with guidance from her grandmother. Paul will be attending University of North Texas in the fall. He is undecided about his area of study, however it may be visual arts.

Paul has competed at the state level in Skills USA events in photography, cinematography and audio/video.

Congratulations and all the best to both of these fine students.

***Becky Holloway***  
Scholarship Committee Chair

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## 2013 BBQG Programs and Workshops

There will be a **care quilt workday on June 11 from 9-5 in Assembly 1**. The evening meeting will be a "getting to know you" potluck at 7. Bee leaders will be asked to speak about their bee and tell what its members are doing.

On July 9 there will be a **Bluebonnet Store workday from 9-5 in Assembly 4**. We will go back to our regular meeting room that evening for the presentation from **Georgann Winkle**. The workshop on Wednesday, July 10, will be a mid-range level – not too easy, but not too advanced. **There are still slots available; contact me.**

Judy Seward will present a machine quilting lecture and workshop in **August**.

**October** - Bonnie Hunter - scrap quilts; and  
**November** - Lenore Crawford - art quilts.

**Susan Kelly**  
First VP - Programs

Anne Perry wishes to extend her apology to Sharon Braunagel; she presented the "Amish Shadow" quilt at the March meeting. The quilt photo was published with the wrong member name in the April issue.



Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild

## Buzz from the Bees

**Quilt 'n Peace Bee** has welcomed five new members since the beginning of 2013, bringing our total membership to 15 and average attendance to 12 quilters. Last month, one of our international members moved to Florida and we made Friendship Star blocks for her when we wished her farewell. We are working on a purple and green quilt for an Alzheimer's (their colors) fund-raiser later this year. The block pattern we chose was demonstrated at the Winter Retreat by Cindy Stitt.

Our typical 5th Tuesday field trip was actually Thursday, May 2. We visited the Quilt Museum in Lagrange and the fabric and yarn shop next door and returned by and shopped in Giddings on the way back to College Station.

**Busy Bees** have been working on individual projects while still working on the 2014 Donation quilt. One of our members went to the Paducah Quilt Show and another went on a retreat in Colorado!

The **Happy Scrappers** continue to work on individual projects. We are also working on getting a basket or two ready for the quilt show.

The **Thumblebees** did a fabric dyeing workshop in May.

The **Joyful Quilters** would like to remind everyone they meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at First Baptist Church, College Station at 6:30 PM. They would love to have new members - they work on their own projects and enjoy the fellowship and learning from one another.

**Kathy Ashley**  
Bee Keeper

## Minutes for BBQG Meeting Tuesday, May 14, 2013

**Location:** Brazos Center

Before the introduction of the evening's speaker, guild member Sally Coble shared information about Applique  
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Away on Galveston Bay. Dates are February 23-27, 2014 at the Tremont House, Galveston, Texas. Ann Bay shared her projects from the 2013 conference. More information is available at [www.appliqueawayongalvestonbay.com](http://www.appliqueawayongalvestonbay.com)

**Introduction of the Evening's Program** – Susan Kelly  
Our scheduled speaker, Georgann Winkle, was unable to attend and has been rescheduled to the July meeting. Suzanne Labry from the Austin area gave an inspiring presentation on "A History of Quilting in Texas." She is the author of the book "Texas Quilts, Texas Women."

### Start of Business Meeting:

#### Treasurer's Report:

Charlotte Simpson gave the Treasurer's report of account activity for the past month. Current total assets are \$27,052.72 (\$14,313.54 in checking and \$12,739.18 in savings).

Sherrill announced that our previous year's audit has been completed by Amy Restivo at a cost of \$1,000.

**Minutes:** April minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter.

#### 2nd VP - Membership – Debbie Ginn

There were 70 members and 3 visitors present. If any new members did not receive a packet, please see Debbie.

#### Door Prizes – Marty Fuller

This month's door prizes were donated by Lone Star Quiltworks, Country Living Quilts and Sue Ryan. Winners were Maggie McGuire, Sally Coble, Nancy Searcy and Pat Patterson.

#### Sunshine & Shadows – Lynn Thurston

Sherrill told us that Lynn appreciates the cards & well wishes. She sent out two sympathy cards this past month. Sherrill also told us that Nini is doing well, but had a bad experience after her last chemo and had to be hospitalized due to an infection. She also thanked everyone for the cards and well wishes sent her way.

#### Block of the Month – Linda Winder

18 blocks were received (plus one coming late) and were won by Jayne Goetz. Since she was last month's winner, she asked that another winner be selected. Pat Patterson was the lucky winner. Next month's block is Jerusalem Cross.

#### Committee Reports:

##### Arts Council - - Mary Ann Durbin

Sherrill announced that the guild will be participating in Art Steps at First Friday on June 7. The donation quilt will be shown.

##### Habitat for Humanity - - Nancy Searcy

Nancy has been to 3 dedications since the last meeting. 20 Habitat homes are being built this year and more wall hangings will be needed for the dedications.

##### Newsletter - - Anne Perry

Please submit items for the newsletter by the 20th of each month.

##### Website - - Chris Deppe

When you send information to Anne for the newsletter, please send it to Chris also for the website.

##### Quilt Education - - Carol Willson

Carol thanked all the volunteers who helped with the A&M Consolidated quilt project last month. Pictures are on the website.

The University Art Galleries is hosting an exhibition from Studio Arts Quilts Associates from May 28 through August 18. Greg Phillipy has asked if we would like to host a children's workshop or other event during this time.

##### Summer Retreat - - Rowena Reed

Final payment was due tonight and packets were picked up. She had one correction to the directions. If coming from Bastrop, the retreat center is on the left. If using the alternate route, it is on the right.

##### Scholarships - - Becky Holloway

The recipients of the two \$1000 BBQG scholarships this year are Chanler Alese Havel & Paul Joseph Spelce. They are both A&M Consolidated High School seniors

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this year. The guild will have a representative at Senior Salute on May 22, 2013 to present the necessary paperwork, certificate & quilt to each of them.

### Quilt Show - - Debbie Schulz

Betty reported that everything is on schedule. Quilt categories, rules and a worksheet are on the website. Quilt registration will take place on-line between July 1 and August 13. Steve Silber will come to the August meeting to help anyone who cannot register themselves. An entry form must be completed for every quilt even if it is for display only. There is a \$5 entry fee for members and \$15 fee for non-members. The hanging sleeve must be no more than 94" from the floor. There is no entry fee for challenge quilts and no sleeve is needed. We are waiting to hear from Jane Crouse about an early delivery date for quilts.

We will not have a consignment store this year since it was not a real money maker last time. The Bluebonnet Store and raffle baskets will be given some extra space since they are good money makers. Also more space for the education table. Debbie Brooks still has booth space available. Postcards were passed out advertising the show and featuring the donation quilt.

Kim Debona showed a raffle basket that she had made containing Cajun food items. She encouraged all bees and individuals to consider donating a basket. Just about any container and theme can be used and, since all items are donated, all proceeds go to the guild. Debbie Brooks wraps and decorates the baskets. Donors should also provide \$5 per basket to pay for the wrapping supplies and ribbons. Please provide a receptacle for tickets along with the basket. Deadline for getting baskets to Kim will be announced.

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meeting room that evening for the presentation from Georgann Winkle.

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### OLD BUSINESS

We received a thank you note from the Texas Quilt Museum in LaGrange for our \$35 donation.

### NEW BUSINESS

We will be participating in the Brazos Heritage Society's "Independence Day in Heritage Park" celebration on July 4th. We'll be showing the donation quilt. If you'd like to sit with the quilt during the festivities, they start at 9:30 a.m. and end around noon.

The Lindale Community Theater located in Lindale, TX (East TX) will be presenting the musical, "Quilters", on July 12,13, 14-19, 2013. Friday & Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m. & Sunday matinees at 2:00 p.m. Tickets for adults are \$15, 12 & under are \$8. For more information, you can go to their web site @ [www.lindalecommunitytheater.org](http://www.lindalecommunitytheater.org).

Angela McCorkle, Extension Program Specialist, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is looking for 2 people to judge the 4-H Quilt Challenge quilts on May 24th. There are only 14 quilts. It is a voluntary position; no payment is made. She can be reached at 845-1150 if you are interested in helping.

Meeting adjourned with commencement of Show and Tell.

Respectfully reported by

**Betty Bugh,**  
Secretary

## Committees and Chairs:

### 2013 Officers:

President – Sherrill Johnson  
President Elect – Norma Reel  
1st VP Programs -- Susan Kelly  
1st VP Programs-elect – Ann Bay  
2nd VP Membership--Debbie Ginn  
2nd VP Membership-elect – Brenda Brown  
Secretary -- Betty Bugh  
Secretary Elect – Maggie McGuire  
Treasurer -- Charlotte Simpson  
Treasurer Elect -- Pat Patterson

Arts Council - Mary Anne Durbin  
Beekeeper - Kathy Ashley  
Brazos Center Window - Debbie Brooks  
Block of the Month - Linda Winder  
Care Quilts - Luci Smith  
Challenge Quilts - Nadine Stuth  
Christmas Party - Vacant  
Dallas Bus Trip - Sue Sprott  
Door Prizes - Marty Fuller  
Habitat for Humanity - Nancy Searcy  
Library - Sue Idol  
Newsletter - Anne Perry  
Quilt Education - Carol Willson  
Quilt Show - Co-Chairs: Debbie Schulz and  
Betty Bugh  
Raffle Quilt - Luci Smith (replacement needed  
in March)  
Scholarships - Becky Holloway  
Soldier Squares - Marian Dierschke  
Sunshine & Shadows - Lynn Thurston  
Summer Retreat - Rowena Reed  
Website - Chris Deppe  
Winter Retreat - Connie Silber



Above is the Block of the Month Quilt for this year.

## AMISH-STYLE QUILT

You are encouraged to make a block-of-the-month for the BBQG and a block for yourself. At the end of this year you will have 12 Amish-style blocks to make your own Amish-style Sampler Quilt. Amish-style quilts are made of solid color fabrics. Amish-style quilts typically feature two or three dominant colors. An inner border is added to frame the quilt; a second border (twice as wide as the first) is added. Additional borders may be added as desired. A color already in the central design of the quilt is used in at least one border. Light colors and white are rarely used in Amish-style quilts.

Kona Cotton is a good choice for Amish-style quilts.

Mitering is rare in Amish-style quilts, as is bias binding.

### BLOCK OF THE MONTH: JERUSALEM CROSS

#### Cut:

2 – 5 ¼" black squares

4 – 4 ½" black squares

8 – 2 ½" medium purple squares

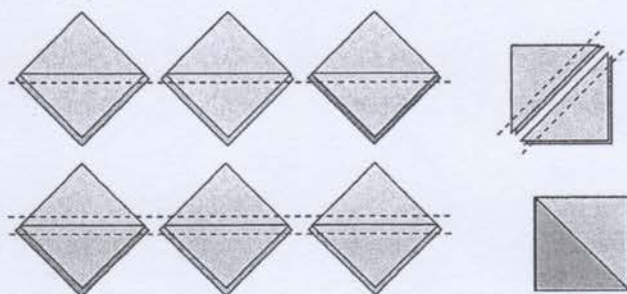
1 – 4 ½" medium purple square

2 - 5 ¼" medium purple squares

Sew: *Stitch a scant ¼" seam*

Using the 5 ¼" squares, make four half-square triangles.

Layer a black square and a purple square (right sides together). Use a pencil and ruler to draw a diagonal line on the purple square. Stitch a scant ¼" on each side of the drawn line (see illustration below). Rotary cut each pair of squares apart on the drawn line. Open, trim to 4½", press toward black.



Draw a diagonal line on each of the purple 2 ½" squares. Place a purple square on the top left corner of each black 4½" square. (You can decide which is the left corner!) Stitch along the marked line on the purple squares. Trim seam to ¼". Press toward purple. Repeat for the right corner of the black square. Trim. Press toward purple. The four little blocks should look like a little house!

Lay out the block as a nine-patch block as shown in the picture above.

Sew rows together. Press toward purple half-square triangle on top and bottom rows. Press toward purple center block in the middle row. Assemble block by stitching rows together. Press toward center. The block should measure 12 ½" square.

## 2013 BRAZOS BLUEBONNET QUILT SHOW - *ENTRY CATEGORIES*

### QUILTING MAY BE BY HAND, BY MACHINE OR BOTH

1. **THEME QUILT** – The theme quilt category for 2013 is “Texas quilts.” You don’t have to be a Texan to appreciate the majesty of the Lone Star State. The quilts of Texas are as varied as the landscape of our great state. Quilts in this category may have a Texas motif, have Texas in the name or be so recognizably Texas that they need no explanation, such as a Lone Star quilt. All techniques are allowed and entries may be hand or machine pieced. Quilts may be any size.
2. **TRADITIONAL PIECED:** Quilts that are pieced based on traditional style, patterns or settings. Traditional pieced quilt entries are limited to four (4) entries per person. The category will be divided before judging in order to equalize judging categories. The division will be made by size.
3. **APPLIQUE:** Quilts that are 50% or more appliquéd.
4. **MIXED TECHNIQUE:** Balanced mixture of piecing and appliquéd.
5. **INNOVATIVE & ART:** Quilts that take from traditional and expand the setting, design, color and construction techniques to create non-traditional work. The term “non-traditional” includes adaptation of traditional and contemporary designs both original and non-original.
6. **SCRAP:** Quilts made with at least 50 different fabrics not including fabric backs or the back of the quilt. Includes all techniques.
7. **REPRODUCTION:** Quilts designed to replicate a specific vintage era. (30’s, Civil War, etc.) or vintage style (Crazy Quilt, Baltimore Album, etc.)
8. **FIRST QUILT:** First quilt ever completed.
9. **MINIATURE:** Length plus width must be no more than 48”, maximum block size 4”. The quilt is scaled down (miniaturized) and bound; includes all techniques.
10. **OTHER TECHNIQUES:** This category may include any quilt that does not obviously fit into another category. Examples: crazy, painted, embroidered and photo quilts.
11. **YOUTH:** a quilt that is constructed by a young person under the age of 18.
12. **BLOCK OF THE MONTH/KIT QUILTS:** Category includes any quilt constructed from pre-cut or pre-selected fabrics. *Entries not eligible for BEST OF SHOW.*
13. **GROUP:** quilts created by 3 or more people.
14. **WEARABLE:** Garment entries with recognizable quilting techniques used.
15. **NON-JUDGED DISPLAY**
16. **2013 CHALLENGE QUILT ENTRIES:** All challenge entries must complete the entry process and submit the forms by August 13, 2013.
17. **GO-TEXAN-**Entries must comply with Go-Texan rules.

## 2013 BRAZOS BLUEBONNET QUILT GUILD SHOW

### ENTRY RULES AND INSTRUCTIONS

**Entry Deadline:** Your entry forms must be received by August 13, 2013. No entry forms will be accepted after August 13, 2013. On-line entry will be used as in past years. One entry per entered quilt will be required. The worksheet assists you in having the information collected for the on-line entry. A digital picture of your entry is required when your registration is submitted.

**Registration Assistance:** If you have difficulty registering on-line, assistance will be available at the August guild meeting. **Bring a completed worksheet and an identifiable color photograph for each entry.** On the back of each photograph write the exact width and length of the quilt, your name, address and phone number.

There is a \$15.00 per quilt fee for non-Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Member entries. There is a \$5.00 per quilt fee for Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Members.

There is a limit of two (2) quilts per category per person except in the traditional pieced quilt category. The traditional pieced quilt category is limited to four (4) entries per person because this category is so large. The traditional pieced quilt category will be divided before judging in order to equalize the judging. The division will be made by size.

**You may indicate a category on each entry form.** The final decision regarding the category will be made by the entry committee. Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild reserves the right to refuse any entry that it deems inappropriate or that does not meet requirements.

Other than Go-Texan, each quilt may be entered in only one category. Go-Texan entries must comply with Go-Texan rules.

All entries must be **clean and in excellent condition.** *No exceptions.* No **substitution** of the original entry will be allowed. All entries must be displayed for the duration of the show. All entries must have been **completed within the last three (3) years.**

No unfinished or unquilted tops will be accepted in any category. However, the photo to identify the quilt may be of the unfinished quilt.

Each entry must have a cloth label sewn to the back of the quilt or the inside of the garment stating your name, address and telephone number.

Each entry must have a four (4) inch double casing sleeve stitched to the reverse side of the entry. To prevent quilts lying on the floor, quilts longer than 94 inches should have sleeves attached 94 inches from the bottom of the quilt. Other than garments, no entry will be accepted without a sleeve.

**Each entry must be in a clean fabric bag/pillowcase.** The entrants name must be legibly written and visible on the outside of the bag. One item per bag. **No exceptions.**

**Delivery:** All entries to be turned in at intake table on Thursday September 26, 7:30am – 9am. *No entries to be accepted after 9am.* EARLY DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS, TO BE ANNOUNCED!

When you bring your quilt, you will be given an identification card for your entry which you will need to present when you pick up your entry at the end of the show.

All entries must be picked up at the Brazos Center between 6:30-8:00pm on Saturday, September 28, 2013.

**DISCLAIMER:** The Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild will take every precaution to protect all entries in the show. However the Guild is not liable for any damage or loss.



## BRAZOS BLUEBONNET QUILT SHOW 2013 - *WORKSHEET*

Quilt entry will be on-line again and will be **open on July 1, 2013**.

These questions prepare you for on-line entry, *all information is necessary* to complete your entry, - Steve Silber will provide assistance with on-line entry at the August meeting of the BBQG.

**All entries due by August 13, 2013.** No late entries will be accepted. No exceptions!

Entry fees are: **\$5.00** for each quilt for BBQG members; **\$15.00** charge per quilt for non-BBQG members. Entry Fees should accompany the entry form for each quilt. If you are unable to use the on-line entry please call **Debbie Schulz, 324-3181** or **Betty Bugh 690-2736** and a paper entry form will be sent to you.

ATTACH PHOTO HERE

Name of quilt maker \_\_\_\_\_

Quilted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_

(cell) \_\_\_\_\_

(work) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Size: Length \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_

Predominant color: \_\_\_\_\_

Was this quilt made from a kit?    yes            no

Was this quilt an adaptation of a pattern or book?    yes            no

If yes, please indicate source \_\_\_\_\_

Was the design original?    yes            no

Is the quilt hand or machine quilted? \_\_\_\_\_

Who quilted the quilt? \_\_\_\_\_

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Go-Texan?    yes \_\_\_\_\_    No \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Statement: (Describe your entry and or inspiration for this quilt. This will appear on the quilt information card at the show. Use the back of this form if additional space is needed)

I agree to honor the rules of the show and to accept the decision of the judges as final. I understand that BBQG will take every precaution to safeguard the quilts during the show, but BBQG is not responsible for loss or damage.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

If unable to complete online registration, send completed form with picture to:

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*No entries will be accepted after August 13, 2013 - No exceptions.*