



# Bits and Pieces

**Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Newsletter**

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## **20<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Retreat Reminder**

Winter retreat is just around the corner! Don't forget that if you have signed up to attend the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Retreat in La Grange February 9-12, 2017, **your final payment is due by the January 10, 2017 BBQG meeting – no exceptions!!!** The total cost of the retreat is \$250. The balance due in January is the total cost minus your \$50 deposit and any other interim payments you may have made. Also, please remember that you must have paid your 2017 BBQG membership dues before making your final retreat payment. If you have any questions, please call **Jeanne Joham** at 589-2191. Thanks for your cooperation!

## **Summer Retreat**

The 2017 summer retreat will be held Thursday-Sunday, June 23-26, at Magnolia Manor Retreat Center between Magnolia and Plantersville.

Registration will begin at 6:15 at the February guild meeting. Cost for the retreat is \$300. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is required at registration and 2017 guild dues must be paid. You can register for yourself and one other person.

We are limited to 24 participants.

For additional information contact a member of the retreat committee: **Rowena R, Deb D, Sue R, Peggy M**



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## Scenes from Christmas Party



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## Bee News

**Happy Scrappers** continue to work on individual projects. We will take a break during the holidays, but will be happy to get back together to stitch and socialize in the new year.

**Quilt 'n Peace Bee** met at Martha's Bloomers for our Christmas luncheon. Sixteen were present for a delightful lunch and shopping. We will not meet again until January 3, 2017.

A summary of our accomplishments during the year include:

- over 50 care quilts donated to BBQG or Books and a Blanket,
- 6 twin-bed sized quilts for Family Promise,
- 15 quilts shown at the St. Mary's Quilt Show in Plantersville,
- 7 Challenge Quilts for the BBQG Quilt Show.
- 4 fun-fabric-food fifth Tuesday shopping trips, had
- 2 classes on Twice Sliced Layer Cake and one session spent converting a pashmina into a vest.

Membership grew from 24 in January 2016 to 30 with attendance averaging nearly 11 (low attendance was 6 and 17 highest) for the 45 weeks that we met. Even though we sometimes fill two rooms at First Baptist Church, College Station, we are still open to new members. The only qualifications are laughter and love for quilting.

**The Busy Bees** had our Christmas Party this past week & we're all headed in different directions for the holidays. Some are busy finishing up Christmas projects, cooking, shopping & several will be traveling this holiday season. We'll get back together in January 2017 & enjoy a new year of quilting & fellowship!

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## Bee News cont.

**Quilts of Valor** is open to anyone who likes to sew. We meet at the American Legion each Monday from 10 until 3ish. Contact **Maggie McGuire** if you are interested.

Submitted by **Jane Riggs**, BeeKeeper



## See Your Quilt in the Museum

The Texas Quilt Museum is looking for Texas made quilts for two special exhibits in 2017.

### QUILTS FROM TEXAS GUILDS

Our brand new call for entry! This exhibit will feature quilts of any style, subject, or technique, from piecing and appliqué to embroidery, thread painting, photo transfer, and manipulated fabric. Submission is open to all active members of any quilt guild throughout state of Texas. Deadline for entries is May 1, 2017.

### WILD WEST: 21ST CENTURY QUILTS SALUTE THE AMERICAN FRONTIER

And you can enter work in the "Wild West" exhibit through March 1!

Quilt subjects can include cowboys, cowgirls, Native Americans, horses, cows, rodeos, ranches, railroads, Old West maps, mining, farms, square dances, country music, movies, and pretty much anything else! All techniques welcome!

Both exhibits will be juried by Museum co-founders Karey Bresenhan and Nancy O'Bryant Puentes. For information on current and upcoming calls for entry, visit the **ENTRIES** page at [Texasquiltmuseum.org](http://Texasquiltmuseum.org).

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Peggy Leach shows off her year long project.