

Bits and Pieces

Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild Newsletter

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President Pearls of Wisdom...

So I have been congratulating myself on getting the newsletters in early. Self congratulations are always a mistake. This month I forgot completely.

The most important thing for this month is please read the updates to the bylaws as we will be voting on the changes in June. Also, there are spaces available for the fall retreat.

How is your "Aw Cluck" challenge going? If you still need materials, please check with Marjean Neve. We will also have an update to what exactly she has planned for the event at the next meeting.

I am currently in Lindale and all three of my kids are here, assorted spouses and all four of my grandchildren. Just to keep things interesting it has been announced that grandbaby # 5 is on its way. Have a great Memorial Day.

So proud to be an American and a Grandma!

Maggie

BBQG Meeting Minutes – May 2018

The meeting was called to order by president Maggie McGuire at 7:00 p.m. on May 8th at the Brazos Center. There were 55 members in attendance, including one new member, and two visitors.

Minutes – A motion was made by Charles Gilreath and seconded by Peggy Leach to approve the April minutes as published in the newsletter. The minutes were approved.

Programs - The June 12th program will be "My Favorite Tools" presented by Bonnie Piernot. The annual care quilt workshop will be the following day at the American Legion beginning at 9am. Bring your lunch and sewing machine. All other materials will be provided.

Donation Quilt – Cards are now available with a photo of the donation quilt. All members are reminded that they are expected to sell at least \$20 in tickets. See Jo Ann Williams or Kitty Ard if you need tickets.

Old Business:

Storage Units – All items from both previous storage units have been moved to the new location. Maggie McGuire passed around a scrapbook with photos of all previous donation quilts. It was found during the recent move. Retreats – New Retreat Guidelines have been submitted by the retreat chairmen and approved by the Board. These guidelines will be posted on My Grove. The summer retreat currently has one spot open, and the fall retreat has eight. New Business: Quilt Show – Dates for the 2019 Quilt Show will be September 6-7. The show will be chaired jointly by Maggie McGuire and Charles Gilreath. Maggie asked for a volunteer to make ribbons for the show. Rhonda Kuboviak volunteered to coordinate. Michaele Jackson, Kitty Ard, Denise Mackan, Lynn McCartney, and Kathleen Auld all volunteered to help.

Nancy Searcy brought up the issue of reinstating monetary awards for the challenge quilt winners. This is something that was done in the past, and it encouraged participation.

Speaker – Debbie Maddy, author and pattern designer, showed us many of her gorgeous creations.







Show and Tell – Fourteen members participated in Show and Tell, sharing a variety of beautiful quilts. PIPPS – Projects in Progress Previously Started. Chair Kerry Dwyer drew the number "1", as the project from participating member's lists, to finish for show and tell at the June meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Ellen Hassold

Treasurer's Report

For the month of April 2018

Checking



Submitted by Rozan Coody





PIPPS Challenge

Only 14 PIPPS were displayed at the May meeting. The great weather must have kept everyone outside. Rowena Reid won for the month. Number 1 was drawn and you can bring that finished project to the June meeting. See you there!









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2018 Scholarship Winners

Jasmine Dillard and Chloe Hunt each received BBQG



scholarship and quilt.

Presented by Marty Fuller at Bryan Independent School District Annual Scholarship Celebration ceremonies.







BEE News

Happy Scrappers are working on a wide range of individual projects including cross stitch, applique, and doll clothes. However, a joint project by two of the members resulted in the guild's next donation quilt top. It is gorgeous!

Quilt 'n Peace Bee continues to make care quilts for the guild. We recently sent several care quilts to a children's cancer center in Corpus Christi. We will travel to Round Rock Children's home the end of May to present quilts we made for the graduating seniors there.



June Program What's In Your Toolkit? A look at Tools and Ideas to increase your efficiency and enjoyment of quilting Presented by Bonnie Piernot



By-Laws

Thank you to Denise Mackan and her committee for their work on updating the bylaws. Your board met on May 7, 2018 and approved the updates. This is your opportunity to read the updated version. At the June 12 meeting, we will be discussing any questions or concerns and having a final vote to accept/or not the update. There will be no copies available at the meeting. If you want a copy, please bring one. FYI, while the updated bylaws are taken from the old bylaws, some items were deleted and some items were moved around so they are not in a similar order. Any questions or concerns before the meeting should be addressed to Maggie or Denise.



Quilter's Hideaway Day Retreat

Country Living Quilts 936-396-2889

Rent for sewing with your friends (up to 28) 10 a.m. until 10 p.m.