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Meetings:

June 2nd- Business
June 3rd - Night 6:45pm
June 18- Shop Hop (No Mtg)

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Future Programs!

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER Mary Goodman

WHO'S YOUR BFF?

WHAT?? You don't have someone who will stand with you, holding hands with you, while chanting, "We're Best Friends Forever! We're Best Friends Forever!" Really? Because if that's the case, then you've come to the right place.

Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild is exactly the right place to find your very own BFF. You can find her serving on a committee, sitting near her at a retreat, participating in a charity sew-in, working on the quilt show, volunteering to sit at the Fall Festival, sewing at a Quilts of Valor sew-in, participating in a workshop..... I think you're getting the drift. Volunteering to serve and participate is the key to finding lasting and wonderful friendships.

I am lucky. I have lots of BFFs! I have met them riding in a van to a quilt shop, slogging through the budget process, sewing on the donation quilt, in tears at a difficult board meeting, sorting through guild issues at La Madeline over lunch, riding to The Painted Pony for a Guild Coalition Meeting, swapping stories in the hot tub at retreat, someone saying "Yes, I'm behind you all the way." And that's just a few of the places that you, too, can meet the most spectacular friends of your life.

What Rebecca Trevino said at the last meeting was so true. "If you are looking for friends, you have come to the right place. We are your people. Nobody loves fabric like we do." She always makes me smile. And that's because she is one of my BFFs. And I wouldn't know her if I hadn't said yes, I'll volunteer.

Ready For The Shop Hop?

Guild Shop Hop June 18! We are shopping at 4 quilt shops this year. We will be leaving from the church parking lot at 8:30 am. Our first stop will be Pinwheels and Posies, then on to Sew Contempo (now All Brands) and Fabric Fanatics. Fabric Fanatics is also our lunch stop, there are lots of restaurants within walking distance or feel free to bring your lunch. After lunch we are headed to Painted Pony and then back to the church by 5:00 pm. We'll have lots of fun with games and prizes along the way, so be sure and get your name on the list. Notify Barbara Young if you plan on going with us. E-mail is bsyoung@sbcglobal.net, phone 832-528-2779, or sign up at a guild meeting. The cost is \$35.00 for a fun day with your friends. Be sure and bring your name tag for discounts at the shops.

Newbie Corner:

I found a blog that may help to new quilters and experienced quilters too.
www.mccallsquilting.com.
There is a blog with "Tuesday Tutorials". There are free quilt patterns and a wealth of information. Check it out!

Community Service By Candy Horsley

WE DID IT!!! 253 QUILTS!!!

Pat yourself on the back, our goal of 250 quilts has been met! This doesn't include the dozens of blankets, pillows, pillowcases and dog beds that have also been donated by CPQG members since September 1. You are awesome!!!

Two quick announcements:

HOBBS UPCs needed

Next sewing day is Wednesday, July 1, 10 – 3, at Quilt Your Own

Thanks to the following who contributed during the month of May.

Pam Biswas	Quilt Your Own	Patricia Wilson
Barbara Baxter	Judy Kohn	Gayle Scholer
Sydney Stilling	Barbara Elliott	Ann Saulino
Carol Ann Barley	Beth Duffy	Pauline Manes
Lisa Patterson	Elizabeth Barrow	Mary Lou Cooper
Helen Wilems	Elaine Huffer	Joan Bell
Kathy Keene	Deborah Smalling	Dorothy Kelly
Barbara Hill	Janie Schexnayder	Shirley Grover
Mary Cox	Laura Lovelady	

Block Of Thanks To Our Wonderful President!

Mary Goodman will soon complete her term as President and has asked that each member make one of these blocks as a goodbye gift. Mary wants her blocks to represent each one of you! So here are the directions:

You will need:

ONE $3\frac{1}{2}$ inch square of white (or white on white or light beige or unbleached muslin or pastel solid so when you write on it, you can read it) fabric.

TWO $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch squares of a solid or print in your favorite quilt fabric, any color you'd like that's different from the white.

1. Draw a line, corner to corner on the **WRONG** side of your $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch squares.
2. Position a $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch square in the upper left corner of the white square, right sides together.
3. Sew along the drawn line.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 with the other $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch square in the lower right hand corner.
5. Press the small squares away from the center to form triangles at opposite corners.
6. Trim excess fabric from the seam allowance so that only $\frac{1}{4}$ inch remains.
7. Iron a piece of freezer paper, shiny side down, onto the back of the block to make signing easier.



8. Then, using a black permanent Pigma Pen, sign your name across the white diagonal piece on the front of your block. Feel free to write any message you like, but make sure your name is on there!
9. Bring your completed block by the July 16 guild meeting.

Quilt Show News By Barbara Wall

Quilt Show News

It may not take a village to put on a quilt show, but it does take an entire guild!

The show planning team met again, and the ideas are coming fast and furiously. How about a judged quilt category just for newbie quilters, or group ticket discounts for residents of assisted and independent living facilities? We'll need someone to head up the second one. Any takers?

In September, we will hold the first meeting with the whole committee, so we really need to bring our coordinators on board. Many thanks to everyone who has already agreed to head up an area, but lots more are needed. Here's a quick look at where the team needs leaders.

Susie Doe, 619does@sbcglobal.net Quilt check in & out, judging, labelling and descriptions.

Allison Etzler, quiltgirl56@yahoo.com Show vendors.

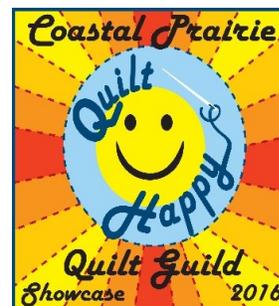
Pam Biswas, pam_biswas@yahoo.com Quilt hanging, show volunteers and decorations.

Lisa Patterson, mardanmom@gmail.com Charity sewing, raffle baskets, mini quilt and online auctions. *Lisa is in immediate need for someone to take over the online auction.*

Mary Goodman, marygoodman11@gmail.com Ticket sales, door prizes, program, advertising and publicity.

If you're willing to chair any of these areas, please don't wait to be asked. Volunteer! In most cases, there are notes from the last show, to help guide you along. And, if you chaired something for the 2014 show, please consider taking on that job again.

And don't forget to start on those quilts to enter. Pick out your designs and *Quilt Happy!*



Programs By Barbara Young

Cynthia Williford will present her program "My Embellished World" on **June 3**.

"I love to help others see the potential relationships between fabric, design, and surface embellishment. My classes are very hands on. I love for students to learn by doing. I teach locally here in Houston, Texas, and nationally at guilds and workshops. My quilt, "Une Belle Amitié," was juried in to the IQA World Of Beauty quilt show in 2012."



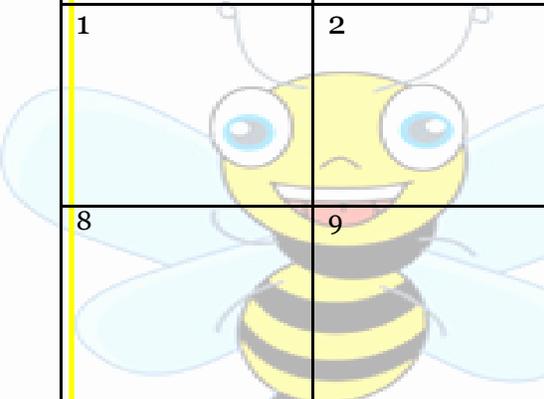
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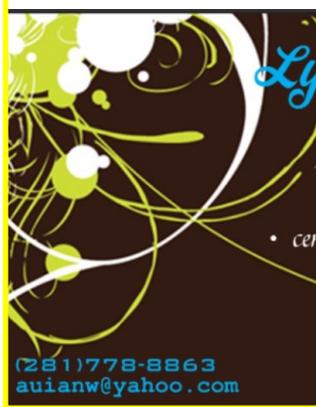
Bees!!! By Lisa Patterson

News from the Hive ... Quilt Bees ...

The hive is buzzing, and there is activity all around! We are so excited to have such a variety of bee opportunities for our members. Please consult the calendar below for our bee days/times for June. Remember, for the RSVP bees (in green), all you need to do is contact the queen bee and let her know you want to come on a particular date. ... If you want additional information about a bee, or want to chat, please contact me either by phone 281-904-0925 or by e-mail: mardanmom@gmail.com. I'm more than happy to get you connected!! Also, if you want to offer a bee, please let me know as well!!

May BEES at a glance (Queen Bee & contact listed): **Green = RSVP Bees** **Blue = Sign Up Bees**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2	3 Helper/Social (10-3) Liz Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com	4	5	6
8	9	10 Helper/Social (10-3) Liz Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com	11 Social/Scrap (7PM) Pauline 713-569-9274	12 Beginners (10-3) Liz Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com	13 Great Bee, Social Bee (1-4) bneleigh@gmail.com
15 Social/Hand Piecing (10am) Carol jcbello9@att.net	16	17 Helper/Social (10-3) Liz Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com	18	19 Social (6:30) Pattie pafox7@gmail.com	20
22	23 Paper Piecing (12:30 PM) Lisa mardanmom@gmail.com	24 Helper/Social (10-3) Liz Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com	25 Social/Scrap (7PM) Pauline 713-569-9274 Bag Ladies (10am) Julie juliedayton@sbcglobal.net	26 Beginners (10-3) Liz Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com	27
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Workshops By Barbara Baxter

No workshop in June.

July 16 th workshop—Angela McCorkle will be presenting a workshop for a quick and easy block pattern with many variations.

Quilts of Valor By Barbara Baxter

On May 23 rd five quilt tops were turned in to me and a sixth one was completed during the sew-in. Eighteen ladies came to sew and have some fun. As usual lunch was delicious. Our next sew-in is June 20th at the Quilters Cottage.

Many thanks to the following for their donations:

Carol Kettlewell	Barbara Young	Mary Lou Cooper	Susie Doe
Carol Bell	Elizabeth Barrow	Deborah Bryson	Pauline Manes
Pat Wilson	Mary Goodwin	Rebecca Trevino	Micky Wong
Kay Paul	Barbara Elloitt	Liz Narcisse	Shirley Grover
Helen Wilems	Stephanie Hoogerwerf	Joan Bell	Dorothy Kelly
Allison Etzler	Donna Pyle	Trish Lopes	Lisa Patterson



.. quilt of valor ..

Barbara Penning

Activities By Julie Dayton

I have a fun activity planned for the summer months. We'll be making 2 matching scarves – one to keep and one to trade! I will have the pattern available on the website and at the meetings. Four fabrics are needed to make 2 scarves – 3 fat quarters and 1/2 yard of focus fabric. You can choose any combination of colors and prints. Have fun with your fabric choices! We will swap scarves at the August meetings.

I made 2 sets of 2 scarves --one for me, one to trade, and two for the bazaar. You might consider doing the same thing. The photo shows one scarf from each set I made.

Let me know if you have any questions. I look forward to seeing many beautiful scarves in August! 281.575.7726 or juliedayton@sbcglobal.net



Did You Know By Barbara Wall

What a bargain you're getting for your \$25/year guild dues?

I joined CPQG after having only been quilting seriously for a few years, so really didn't understand why other members got so excited about some of the guest speakers we had at the meetings. But, when I started recognizing the names and faces of those same speakers in quilting magazines, on internet sites and quilting programs, it became apparent that our guild was hosting some of the best and brightest artisans in the quilting world! It took becoming a member of the board for me to really understand the value of guild membership.

As you can imagine, it's not cheap to bring in top quality presenters. In addition to the fees for programs and workshops, most speakers include not only their transportation, meals and hotel expenses, but also such things as travel insurance for the items they bring for trunk shows. When possible, we try to coordinate our schedule with other guilds so some of these expenses can be shared, but even then, costs may run into many hundreds of dollars per presenter.

Obviously, dues can't cover all of this, necessitating other sources of income, mainly the quilt show and donation quilt. So if (and I KNOW) you are enjoying guild workshops and/or meeting programs, please consider volunteering to take our donation quilt to another guild and find a job you'd like to do for the 2016 quilt show. Besides having a great time, you'll be helping your guild continue to host the quality of quilting talent we all enjoy!

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Minutes From The May 21, 2015 Meeting

Meeting called to order by Mary Goodman @ 10:03 am
Minutes from last month's meeting were approved as posted.
Treasurer's report from the last month was approved as posted.

Retreat: Mary announced 22 quilters attended the spring retreat, at the Jordan Ranch. Sally Staner will now be taking over as retreat coordinator.

New Name Tag Policy: Mary announce that beginning with the September meetings, all members will be responsible for their own name tags. After that time, members must have their name tag to be included in the door prize drawing. For now, the name tags should be those issued by CPQG.

Election Committee: Mary stated that a 3-member committee needs to be elected, by the membership, to carry out the August board elections. Usually, this takes place at the June business meeting, however, since the shop hop is in lieu of that meeting, it's being done this month. Mary explained the duties of the committee, and asked for volunteers. It was noted that members running for office are eligible to serve on this committee. Susan Jett, Debbie Garner and Joan Bell volunteered. Kay Paul made a motion to accept these members as the election committee, Lisa Patterson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
Nominating Committee: Mary announced that Pauline Maines has resigned from the committee in order to run for an office, and Sally Staner has volunteered to take her place. Motion to accept Sally as a member of the Nominating Committee was made by Barbara Hill, seconded by Debbie Garner and passed unanimously. .

QOV: The next sew-in will be held Saturday, May 24, 10am-3pm at Quilters Cottage.

Workshops: Barbara Baxter announced that Veronica Cox will present a workshop on fusible applique, this afternoon, and there are spots available for more attendees. There will be no June workshop, due to shop hop. Angela McCorkle will present in July.

New Member Orientation: Mary announced that this was held on May 14, however, the turnout was low due to bad weather. She thanked the new members and board members who attended.

Activities: Julie Dayton announced that there will be a summer activity, with details to follow.

Quilt Show: Julie announced that the planning team met earlier in the week, and plans for the 2016 show are moving forward. She also thanked team members for their participation, and encouraged members to start making quilts to enter into the show.

Programs: Barbara Young stated that the shop hop will be held June 18, with the bus leaving from the church parking lot at 8:30 am. Will visit Pinwheels and Posies, Sew Contempo, Fabric Fanatics and Painted Pony, returning to the church at approximately 5:00 pm. Anyone wishing to go may sign up at the break. On June 3 Cynthia Williford will present "My Embellished World", and on July 1, Denise Bartosh will speak on "Why Have Your Quilts Appraised?".

Charity Quilts: Candy Horsley announced that there will be a charity sew-in at Quilt Your Own on Wed. July 1 from 10 am to 3 pm. She also announced that the goal of 250 quilts donated has already been met with over 3 months remaining in the guild year. 253 quilts have been distributed to designated charities with more on the way. Carol Kettlewell will be accepting quilts in Candy's place at the June evening meeting.

President's Gift Block: Barb Wall encouraged members to make a block for Mary Goodman's end of term gift, and showed an example of the block Mary has chosen.

Nominating Committee: Rebecca Trevino stated that candidates are needed for 4 board positions, with 7 spots already filled. The vacancies are President-Elect, Programs-Elect, Workshops-Elect and either Membership or Treasurer, as Pauline Maines has offered to take either of those offices. Pauline and Barb W. encouraged members to consider running for a board office.

Membership: Rebecca Trevino introduced visitors and new members and announced that the guild has 203 members.

Door prizes were awarded and Show & Share held.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am. Program presented by Veronica Cox.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Wall

Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild

Minutes of the April 7, 2015 Board Meeting

(approved at May 5, 2015 Board Meeting)

The meeting was called to order by Mary Goodman, President, at 1:31 p.m. at the Keegan's Woods Community Building.

Board Members in attendance: Mary Goodman, Barbara Wall, Rebecca Trevino, Barbara Young, Susie Doe, Katherine Onstott, Martha Baldwin, and Trena Stephens. A quorum was present. Committee

members in attendance: Julie Dayton, Lisa Patterson and Cheryl Jacobs.

The Minutes of the March 3, 2015 Board Meeting were approved as presented.

Due to illness the Treasurer was unable to provide a Treasurer's Report for the meeting. Therefore the approval of the March 2015 Treasurer's Report was postponed to next meeting due to a question about \$270 amount categorized as "Workshop Expenses-Other" and the April 2015 report will be expected at the next board meeting.

Announcements by Mary Goodman –

Quilt Showcase 2016 – Second Committee Meeting Held

The Quilt Show Committee's proposal for "Quilt Happy" as the theme for the 2016 show was accepted. In addition the logo was accepted as well. Trena Stephens moved to approve the \$100 expense to develop the logo; the motion passed unanimously. Pam Biswas has signed the contracts with the Stafford Center and Phoenix Pipe & Drape. The committee expects to have a budget prepared for presentation at the June board meeting.

Bylaws Changes – Voting will take place at the April general meeting on the proposed changes to the Bylaws.

Nominating Committee – Rebecca Trevino has volunteered to be the board representative on the committee. The membership will vote on a full committee at the April general meeting.

Orientation Night – Barbara Wall will contact the church to see if we can reserve a space for an Orientation Night get-together either on May 14 or May 21.

OLD BUSINESS

New Check-In Process/Nametags -- Trena Stephens reported that the new numbered sign-in sheet for check-in and door prizes is working well, though a way to differentiate the visitor sheet from the member sheet is needed. The guild will be asking members to begin taking responsibility for bringing their own nametags to the meeting.

The Bee Hive – All bees (except one that's just starting in April) have now met, and one bee is going to wait until later to start (possibly in the fall). There are a couple of bees that have been filled to capacity; positive comments have been received from the Queen Bees. This month's newsletter will carry a simple calendar showing meeting dates. This format will save space in the newsletter. Lisa will continue to encourage bee participation. An 'information board' is being prepared for meetings to advertise the bees to the membership.

On-Line Membership Directory – The addition on an on-line membership directory was discussed. The main concern was how to make a password system safe without making it too difficult for members to remember or going to the time-consuming process of assigning each member their own password. It was decided not to add this feature at the present time.

BOARD REPORTS

President-Elect -- Barbara Wall Nothing to report.

VP-Programs – Barbara Young

Becky Goldsmith will speak on "A Practical Approach to Color" at the April night meeting on the 8th. On April 16th Patricia Gates will present a program on her "Mylar Embroidery" technique. On May 6th Diane Kleinhaus of Boulder Creek Designs will speak.

Plans for the Shop Hop on June 18 include visiting Pinwheels & Posies (Dickinson), Sew Contempo and Fabrics, Etc. (Webster), and Painted Pony (La Porte). Plenty of restaurants are available

for lunch in Webster and the Painted Pony has agreed to let us use their break room for an afternoon snack. Barbara indicated that Horizon Bus Lines is no longer operating in Houston. She presented several alternatives; the board agreed that we should go with Empire Executive Coaches (the fee for a 50-seat bus would be approximately \$1080 including driver tip). It was agreed that members will be charged \$35 to participate in this year's Shop Hop.

Membership – Rebecca Trevino

Membership currently stands at around 200.

Secretary – Susie Doe

Susie announced that she will be on vacation soon. Barbara Wall agreed to stand in as Secretary for the May 21 general meeting and the June 2 board meeting.

Treasurer -- Linda Towle (absent)

Workshop Chairman – Barbara Baxter (absent)

Mary Goodman reported that the Becky Goldsmith workshop (“Chirp-Appiqué”) on April 8 will be held at St. Theresa Church in Sugar Land. On April 16th Patricia Gates will hold a workshop on her machine embroidery techniques.

Editor/Advertising – Jennifer Pazicni (absent) Nothing to report.

Representative-at-Large – Trena Stephens Nothing to report.

Program Chair-Elect – Katherine Onstott

Workshop Chair-Elect – Martha Baldwin

Katherine reported on several suggestions for programs for 2015-16 (see attached report). She and Martha Baldwin expect to have a full schedule ready for presentation at the next board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Quilts of Valor -- Barbara Baxter (absent)

It was reported by Mary Goodman that the next Quilts of Valor Sew-In is scheduled for this coming Friday at Quilter's Cottage from 10 am – 3 pm.

Activities – Julie Dayton

Julie announced the ‘Flip Flop’ Block exchange is ending this month. 23 members participated.

Fall Festival – Sally Staner & Linda Payonk (absent) No report.

Bee Keeper – Lisa Patterson Report listed under ‘Old Business’ above.

Community Service Report – Candy Horsley (absent)

Mary reported for Candy that during this fiscal year we have donated 209 quilts, 187 blankets, and 10 pillows, 10 pillowcases, and 22 dog beds.

The next charity Sew-In at Quilt Your Own is scheduled for Monday, April 13 from 10-4. Rebecca Trevino will be sending out notices to the membership by e-mail.

Elizabeth Barrow is asking for help with the Linus Project in preparing kits and fleece blankets.

Donation Quilt -- Cheryl Jacobs

\$267 was collected at the March Shop Hop at Quilter's Cottage. \$89 was brought in from Lake Jackson. Pauline Manes will take the quilt to La Grange this week.

Guild Guides / Hospitality – Rita Evans / Allison Etzler (absent) No reports.

Librarian -- Linda Towle (absent) No report.

Web Administrator – Pauline Manes (absent) No report.

Parliamentarian – Trena Stephens No report.

Retreats – Sandi Pedersen (absent)

The next retreat will be held at Jordan Ranch on April 27-30 for a fee of \$250. Participants may choose to arrive a day early on the 26th afternoon for an additional fee of \$25.

Sally Staner has agreed to take over the Retreat Committee chairmanship when Sandi steps down after the Spring Retreat.

Show and Share -- Carol Kettlewell (absent) No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Matching Grant – Member Dana Comer applied for a matching grant from her company for completing 20 hours of volunteer service. Her application was approved and the guild will receive a \$500 grant from the company.

Prairie Quilter – Our Facebook page coordinator (known on-line as Prairie Quilter), Sherrie Eaton, has moved from the area. Therefore we are in need of a new Prairie Quilter.

There being no other business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 3:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susie Doe, Secretary, CPQG

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Vice President Membership: Rebecca Trevino
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Project Linus: Elizabeth Barrow
Quilts for Kids: Barbara Young
Quilts of Valor: Barbara Baxter
Donation Quilt: Cheryl Jacobs
Fall Bazaar: Dorothy Kelly
Guild Guide: Rita Evans
Hospitality: Allison Etzler
Librarian: Linda Towle
Online Auction: Lisa Patterson
Parliamentarian: Trena Stephens
Quilt Show: Julie Dayton & Mark Towle
Retreat: Sally Stanner
Show & Share: Carol Kettlewell
Web Admin: Pauline Manes

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