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Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild Of Texas

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER: Mark Towle

Meetings:

Feb 5 10-12n -Board

Meeting

Feb 7 Evening Meeting

6:45-8:30p

Feb 22– Day/

Business 10a-12p

Meetings held

First United Methodist

3900 Lexington Blvd,

Missouri City, TX

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CPQG Members,

Happy Valentine's Day!!!!

The countdown continues: 8 months to the quilt show. Have you started working on your show quilt? The deadline for entry forms for your quilts is July 19. I challenge everyone to enter a quilt in the show. We love to see your quilts.

The updated By-Laws are included in the newsletter. Please take some time to review the By-Law changes. We will be voting to approve them at the March business (day) meeting.

Thanks for all the support you provide our charities!

Have a Happy Valentine Day!!!

Mark



Programs by Gwen Goldsberry

2/07/2018 - Cynthia England - Getting the Most out of your Stash: Cynthia is an international fiber artist, pattern designer and author. She is known for the technique she developed called "Picture Piecing". One of her quilts, "Piece and Quiet" was distinguished as one of "The Twentieth Century's Best Quilts." She has received many awards for her work; including **three** Best of Cynthia England is a graduate of the Art Institute of Houston and has been creating quilts for more than thirty years.

Ex
perimentation with quilting techniques led her to develop her own unique style "Picture Piecing".

2/15/2018 - Barbra Bell - Volunteering Needs -

The Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center in Houston, Texas is a vital organization bringing greatly needed programs and services to thousands of Veterans. Volunteer contributions help supplement these services and make their hospital stay more enjoyable.

Volunteering - This is a great opportunity to join our team to "serve those who have served." Volunteers can perform a number of services; an individual's talents are closely matched with one of our many assignments

Workshops by Kay Paul

The February workshop is Saturday, Feb. 10-3, with Cynthia England. We will do her picture piecing of the state of Texas. the workshop is \$50.00 and the kit (you do need the kit) .is \$24.00..

March is Sheer Bliss with Leslie Jenison.. A very different technique with fused sheer pieces and hand stitching. Workshop is \$25.00 and kit is - later for price of kit.

Your workshop & program chairs are working on our schedule for September 2018-August 2019. If there is any topic or presenter you would like to see, please contact us with whatever details you have.

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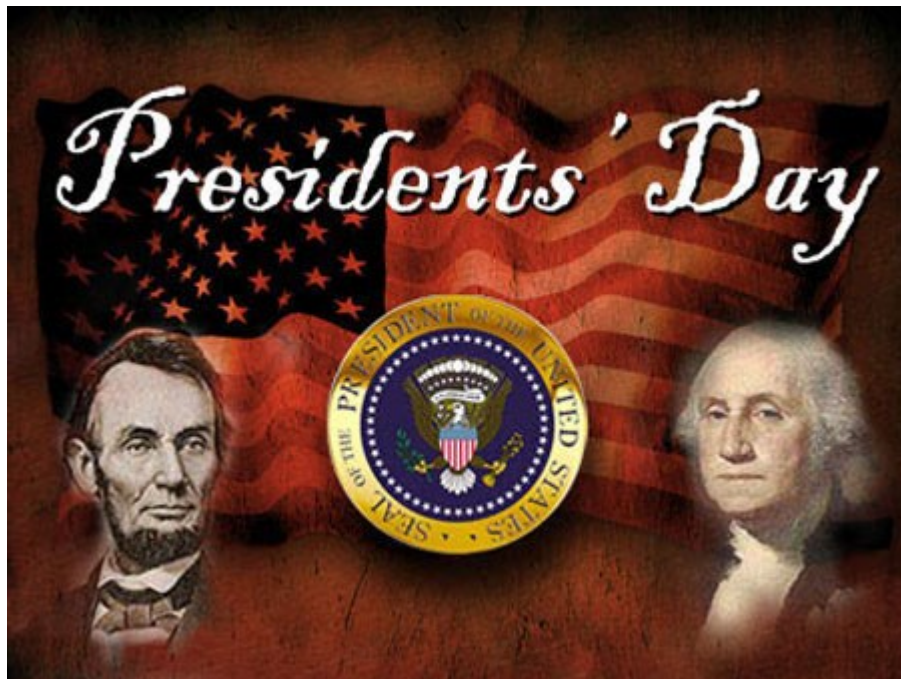
AN ANNOUNCEMENT...February 15, 2018 is designated Charity Sew -In Day. This takes the place of workshop time following the day guild meeting. The plan is to work from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm sewing quilt tops and backings, cutting batting, etc., etc.; in the Music Room at FUMC. Please note lunch will be served to show gratitude of your help... MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Thanks to the following for their donations to our community service projects.

Cathy Price	Barbara Baxter	Martha Baldwin
Judy Kohn	Susan Jett	Betty Stone

HOBBS UPC Labels

REMINDER, we continue to collect Hobbs UPC Labels. The UPC label provides a discount to the Guild when purchasing batting from the Manufacturer. If you are purchasing Hobbs Batting for your quilting, PLEASE recycle the bags by turning them in to Community Service at the Guild Meetings.



Quilts of Valor

The next Quilts of Valor sew-in is scheduled for February 24th from 10 AM until 2:30 PM. Mark your calendars and come join us for a day of good fellowship.

Many thanks to the following for their donations to QOV:

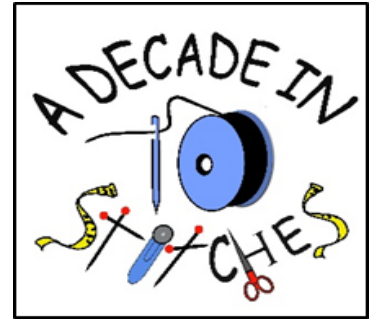
Barbara Wall Pam Biswas Pauline Manes
Wilma Al-Uqdah



QUILT SHOW NEWS by Barb Wall

QUILT SHOW: “A Decade in Stitches”

With less than 6 months until entry form turn-in, it's time to get sewing. If you can't decide on a category to enter, why not try doing a challenge quilt? Check out our 5 challenge categories and see if there's anything that piques your interest.



President's Challenge: “Wildflowers”- 1 person quilt no larger than 36” on the longest side, that features wildflowers. This is not limited to Texas wildflowers. Panels are excluded.

Make it Do – 1 person quilt no larger than 24” on the longest side. Everyone who participates gets the same 3 fabrics (fat quarters). All 3 fabrics must be used. You may add up to an additional 3 fabrics, however, the challenge fabrics must make up at least 60% of the final design, (not including the back).

Monochromatic- 1-2 person quilt of any size and style that is completely monochromatic, meaning it must contain only ONE color in any combination of tints or shades.

Diamond (10th anniversary)- 1-2 person quilt up to 65” on the longest side which incorporates “diamonds” in its design.

“Animal Quilt”- 1 person quilt no larger than 36” on the longest side that features an animal or animals. Panels are excluded.

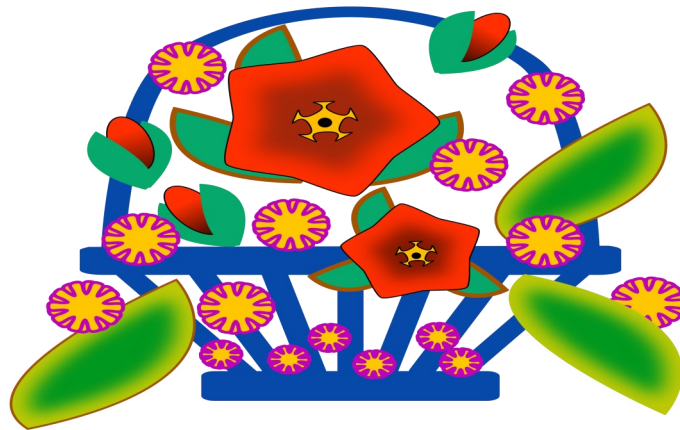
And, for you over achievers who've already got quilts made, the entry form is now available on the guild website, under the 2018 Quilt Show tab.

Basket Raffle

Hey Guild Members! The Basket Raffle committee has come up with a few “Guild” basket ideas. This would allow you participation without funding an entire basket by yourself...1. Gift Card Basket- any amount to anywhere...Target, Walmart, Kroger, Jo-Ann Fabric, Quilt Stores, Starbucks, to any store you prefer...2. A Basket of Blues and Whites/Beige- fat quarters and I think there are a couple of Blue and White quilt books out there ...3. Modern Quilt Basket-KONA solids only (fat quarters), and maybe a modern quilt book also. 4. Longarm Gift Card Basket- gift cards from longarmers (for example, a discount off the total price of quilting, no charge for the thread, no charge for the batting)... if any longarmer would like to participate in this please let us know. 5. Of course a donation of money would be accepted to purchase fill up basket items as well. **Please note all fabric has to be quilt shop quality fabric.**

All of you and our Bees have been wonderful in the past donating to the basket raffle. Guests are always so excited when they see them!!! We always have such an assortment! I will have a list of ideas for baskets if you need help for individual baskets. Thank you all for participating.

Peggy Johnson, Rita Evans, Allison Etzler



REPRESENTATIVE AT LARGE SHERRI STRINGFIELD

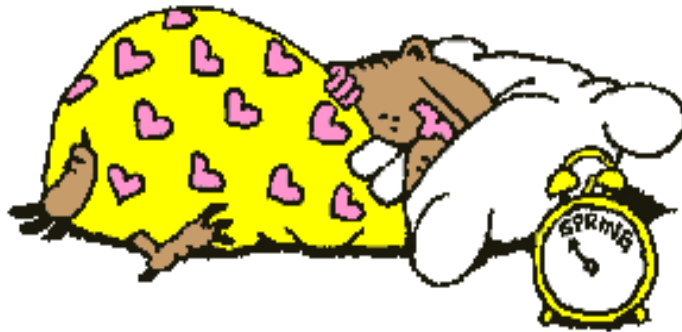
Well let's hope that spring is just around the corner... this has been a rough winter for us Texans so far!!

I want to remind everyone that the proposed by-law updates recommended and approved by the Board will be posted to the website for review and comment for the next two months. Please take 15 min to review them and let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Changes are shown in track changes and significant changes are summarized in the Change Log at the end of the document.

Also, thanks again for all your door prize donations! For February and March, I am hoping to get some more fat quarters and gadgets!

And remember, if you have any ideas for improving our guild, please contact me and I will do my best to represent you at the Board meeting.

Thanks, Sherri



6 MORE WEEKS OF WINTER

Current Bees

<p>BEGINNER BEE RSVP BEE Every Monday and Wednesday 11:00-3:00 bring lunch Liz Narcisse 832 343 6523 Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com</p> <p>Sharps Town Community Cntr 6600 Harbor Town Dr. Houston, TX 77036</p>	<p>ELECTRIC QUILT 2nd and 4th Wednesday 9:30-noon Nancie Roach 713 771 6762 c. 832 483 8544 nancie.roach@gmail.com Bayland Park Center 6400 Bissonnet Houston, TX 77074</p>	<p>SUGAR LAND BEE Every Tuesday 10:00-2:00 bring lunch Barbara Baxter 281 242 5403 twobs@comcast.net Keegan's Wood Community Cntr 9600 Keegan's Wood Drive Houston, TX 77083</p>
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 Quilts of Valor: Barbara Baxter
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Articles *must* be received by the Monday following the Thursday morning meeting for inclusion in the next month's newsletter. Send articles to cpqgtx@gmail.com

If you do not have e-mail capability, legibly written information will be accepted by the deadline.

According to the CPQG By-laws, if you need a printed copy of the newsletter, please notify the editor.

A fee applies to all printed copies of **The Monarch**.

Minutes of the January 18, 2018 General Meeting of the Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild

The meeting was called to order by Mark Towle, President, at 10:01 am. Mark welcomed members, guests, and visitors to the meeting.

The minutes for the December 21, 2017 business meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

The Treasurer's report for December was not published in the newsletter, and cannot be approved.

There were no new members today; there are 114 members presently. Three visitors were present and were welcomed by the group.

Announcements:

Mark Towle:

This year's By-Laws Review Committee report and recommended changes have been approved by the Board with minor updates. These proposed By-Laws will be published in the February and March newsletters for membership review and discussion. The changes will be voted on by the membership at the March 15, 2018 business meeting.

The proposed budget for the 2017-2018 year was presented for review. During the review and questions period, it was noted that the Quilt Show Budget is a separate budget. The Quilt show is listed only on this year's budget for expenses and revenue that are incurred this year. The Show budget spans a three year period (the year before the show, the year of the show, and the year after the show) and the detailed items are maintained in a separate ledger. The show budget has an item by item listing of all expenses and revenue and can be obtained from the Show committee if any members want to review this. The proposed annual Guild budget was approved by a vote of the membership present.

A volunteer to head up the 2018 Shop Hop in June is still needed. If no volunteers by the 31st of January, there will not be a Shop Hop this year.

Pauline Manes:

Anniversary commemorative items – Pauline reported that she has several shirts, bags and the separate embroidery logo in the activity room for everyone to look at. She has prepared a detailed listing sheet of the items with the expected cost, price breaks, and sizes available. Everyone should take a sheet and indicate which items and how many items they are interested in purchasing. The sheet has a place to sign at the bottom. Pauline will use these to determine which items are the most popular and will be purchased. When ready to order, sizes and money will be collected. Pauline was thanked for working on this.

Reports:

President-Elect: Rebecca Trevino

Absent

Programs: Gwen Goldsberry announced that the April presenter, Janie Alonzo has cancelled. A replacement presenter for the meeting and workshop on that day is being looked for. The presenter for the August 1st meeting, Cynthia Regone, has cancelled due to family illness. A replacement speaker for that meeting will also be looked at.

Workshops: Kay Paul announced that there are openings in the workshop today. She has three members who have paid, but cannot attend, so three substitutes are needed. See Kay. The workshop will be Redwork Embroidery featuring That String Thing. A supply kit is available that has everything needed for the workshop.

The February 10th workshop will be an all-day Saturday workshop (10 am – 3 pm) presented by Cynthia Englund on a picture piecing method to create a block of the State of Texas. The cost is \$50 for the workshop. The kit is \$25 dollars. The number of attendees is limited to twenty, so sign up soon.

The March workshop will be Leslie Jenison and a technique called Sheer Bliss using sheer fabric to create a block. Sign-up starts today.

Sherri also reported that the Quilt Show Program ad signup form will be available on the website by the end of the month. Everyone is encouraged to see if you can sell ads to businesses and/or restaurants that are interested in advertising.

Editor: Diane Aleman

Absent

Retreat: Sally Staner reported that signup for the April 21st – 26th retreat will begin next month. The retreat will be at Jordan Ranch again.

Also, Sally will be coordinating the small quilt sale at the 2018 Quilt show in September. She will be accepting the donations starting now.

2018 Quilt Show Committee: Barb Wall reported the Judging criterions were published in the newsletter. It is only six months until quilt turn-in starts. The entry form will be available on the website by the end of the month. The committee still needs a Decorations coordinator and help with the prize ribbons. The committee chairs will be meeting on the 22nd and then will be at the store room to inventory quilt show supplies. If you are interested in helping, contact Barb. Kay Paul will be coordinating the live auction. Kay is asking the Bees to let her know the details of the quilts they are planning to donate. Anyone else who would like to donate quilts for the auction or sale should coordinate through Kay or Sally. There are a max number of quilts for the auction, but no limit to the number or size for the sale. Bags, table runners, etc. can be in the sale. Pauline Manes husband has volunteered to the auctioneer.

Community Service: Sakeenah Mubashshir reminded everyone that February 15th is the Community service sew-in date. Tops will be made, backing cut, batting cut and fun will be had. She will provide lunch. Sakeenah noted that we are within 10 quilts of the 50 % mark for this year's goal.

Gwen has jelly rolls to be made into quilts for the November 11th 2018 veteran's day function at the VA.

Quilts of Valor: Barbara Baxter announced that the Quilt of Valor sew-in is on the 4th Saturday of each month, January 27th, this month from 10 – 3 pm.

2018 Donation Quilt: Katherine Onstott reported that she has the calendar for the raffle quilt display and ticket sales for this year's raffle Quilt, "a Walk in the Mountains". She needs volunteers to help display the quilt. Katherine will also be the coordinator for other Guilds to come to our meetings to show their raffle quilts. Refer anyone who has a quilt to display for their Guild to Katherine.

Librarian: Linda Towle announced that she is preparing a listing of the books with a publication date that is older than 15 years for the newsletter. If you are interested in making a donation for any of the books on the listing, let her know and she will get the book to the next meeting. She will also be bringing in books to the meetings.

Sherri Stringfield announced the January birthdays for the members present. Door prizes were awarded to the winners.

Show and Share was presented.

Rosie deLeon-McGrady presented "Redwork through the Years" and showed her Redwork Quilt and quilt tops collection.

The meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Price, Secretary Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild

**Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild
Minutes of the December 4, 2017 Board Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by Mark Towle, President at 10:07 am in Room 306 First United Methodist Church (FUMC).

Board Members in attendance: Mark Towle, Rebecca Trevino, Cathy Price, Nancie Roach, Kay Paul, Joan Bell, and Sherri Stringfield. A quorum was present. Committee Members in attendance: Barb Wall and Katherine Onstott.

The Minutes of the October 2, 2017 Board meeting were approved as presented.

The Minutes of the November 6, 2017 Board meeting were approved as presented.

The Treasurer's Report from October 2017 and November 2017 were presented. Questions about the income amounts were raised. Approval will be deferred until Mark can get clarification from Diane Hickey.

The January 3rd Board meeting will be at 3 pm at the Spring Creek BBQ at Dulles and Highway 6.

Discussion Points:

Audit Committee:

The report was reviewed by the group.

Sherri Stringfield made the motion to accept the report with a note that in section 3 "In September 2017, there were a series of direct disbursements to eBay" to indicate the correct date was September 2016. The motion was seconded by Nancie Roach. The Board approved the motion as noted.

Mark indicated that Pauline Manes had followed up on the outstanding checks in section 2. The 2017 checks noted from July were resolved and have been paid. Kay Paul made the motion to have the remaining outstanding checks voided to reconcile the books. Nancie Roach seconded the motion.

Mark will contact Diane Hickey with this information.

Budget for 2017-2018

The proposed budget was distributed for review. Change recommended were-

Lower the projected membership income to \$4500

Add a line item for the 10th Anniversary items for \$2000 in income and expense.

Add a line item for publicity under Advertising for \$400 as an expense.

Add the Quilt Show income and expense based on the separate Quilt Show budget.

Cathy Price motioned that the proposed budget with the amendments noted be accepted by the Board.

Sherri Stringfield seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.

Mark will make the amendments and publish the budget to the Treasurer.

Donation Quilt 2018

Katherine Onstott will coordinate the showing of the 2018 quilt. Sherri Stringfield made the motion to present advertising of the Quilt and the Guild at the upcoming Fort Bend Junk Hippie events in February 2018 and July 2018. This will cost \$150 per event, but should bring in additional ticket sales and possible new members. The motion was seconded by Joan Bell. After much discussion, the Board approved the budget for the sale. Volunteers to help man the booth will be requested in the upcoming Guild meetings.

The tickets for next year's Donation Quilt are at the printer's. The date for the drawing will be De-

December Holiday Events

There was a review of the number of tables needed for both events. Barb Wall will check the storage area to see what paper supplies are needed. Nancie Roach will be coordinating the activities at the meetings. Joan Bell will confirm that the room is opened at 6 pm for the evening meeting on December 6th.

Shop Hop Coordinator

This position remains unfilled. Rebecca Trevino made the motion that if no one has volunteered to fill this position by the 31st of January 2018, there will be no Shop Hop scheduled for 2018. Sherri Stringfield seconded the motion. The Board approved this motion. Volunteers will be solicited at the meetings in December and January.

Anniversary Items

Mark Towle discussed the luggage/keychain tags that are planned. Carol Kettlewell will be coordinating these. The sale price will be around \$10 and no minimum order number is required. The base cost will be the digitization of the logo (\$25) plus the tag cost. Nancie Roach made the motion to have the Guild fund the production of these. Cathy Price seconded the motion. The Board approved having tags made for sale.

Sherri Stringfield showed the shirt that is planned for purchase. Sherri Stringfield made a motion to be allowed to show the shirt to the Guild members at the December meetings with out the logo to see what others think. Joan Bell seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion. In the discussion, it was noted that the shirt is a pullover V-neck polyester shirt. The polyester is a "wicking" fabric. The color is a Dutch blue tone. Barb Wall expressed concern of the logo size and if it will show on this shirt. Barb and Sherri will get together to see what the logo looks like with the colors chosen. Other concerns about polyester vs. cotton, sleeve length, etc. were also noted. The Board approved the motion to show the shirt to the Guild for comments and to see how many are interested in this style.

Cathy Price made the motion that Sherri have one of the shirts with the logo in place for the Guild to see before any selling or collecting of funds is done. Nancie Roach seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion.

Rebecca Trevino made a motion to approve Sherri Stringfield to spend \$120 for purchase of various size sample shirts for the Guild to look at. Once the selection is approved, the sample shirts will be returned to the vendor and only shipping costs will be paid. The sample shirt charges will be rebated with the first order. Sherri Stringfield seconded the motion. The Board approved the sample shirt payment.

Board Reports

Due to time constraints, these were deferred.

Quilt Show 2018 – Barbara Wall

Barb Wall reported that the Quilt show committee meeting was held on December 2nd at the FB University Branch Library and about 15 members were present. She is concerned at this time by the lower number of Guild members and effects this may have on the number of quilts in the show and the number of volunteers available. The overview of the show budget was reviewed. Barb is hoping Guild members will support the show as well as they have been supporting our nine charities. We exceeded our charity goals this last year. We have a very giving group and the biennial Quilt Show supports all of our charitable actions.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Price, Secretary