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PRESIDENT'S LETTER: Rebecca Trevino

I want to wish all of you the happiest of holidays. The coming few weeks include the celebrations of gratitude and faith. I know that I am blessed and feel that you are too. As a group, our guild is known for its generosity and its concern and caring for others in need. As an individual, I am so proud of all of you and it touches my heart that we continue to give so much at the same time as we are ourselves receiving the gifts of friendship and inspiration.

If you attended the last few meetings, you know how much enjoyment we received from our speakers and their presentations. Both Joe the Quilter and Mary Massey expressed that they enjoyed being with us. Both these programs focused on quilting, but from completely different perspectives. That's what we hope to continue to offer in our program selections; because quilting is not one thing, it's many things and inspiration can come from an unexpected source.

As a personal revelation, I was more than a little terrified of taking on the position of guild president; but I'm okay now! I want to do a good job for you and I don't want to embarrass myself with an unintended mis-step. Being a member of our quilt guild is one of the happy pieces of my day-to-day life now.

Please let me know if you have a question about anything guild related. I may not know the answer, but I can help you find it!

Per usual, I sign off: Peace, Love & Fabric Rebecca M. Trevino

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Board

November General

Meeting Minutes

Calendar of Events

Date	Meeting / Event	Time	Location and Notes
December 5	Board Meeting	3-5 PM	Hickory Inn BBQ 3334 FM1092 in Missouri City
December 5	Evening Meeting	6:45-8:30PM	Holiday Party First United Methodist Church of Missouri City 3900 Lexington Blvd, Missouri City, TX 77459
December 15	Quilts of Valor Sew-In	10 AM- 2:30PM	3rd Saturday of the month because of the holidays First United Methodist Church of Missouri City 3900 Lexington Blvd Missouri City, TX 77459 Music Rooms A&B
December 20	Day/Business Meeting	10 AM-12 PM	Holiday Party First United Methodist Church of Missouri City 3900 Lexington Blvd, Missouri City, TX 77459
January 1 , 2019			Happy New Year!!!!! Welcome to 2019!!!!
January 2			No Meeting
	Board Meeting	3-5 PM	Hickory Inn BBQ 3334 FM1092 in Missouri City
January 17	Day/Business Meeting / Community Service Work Day	10 AM-4 PM	Community Service Workday First United Methodist Church of Missouri City 3900 Lexington Blvd Missouri City, TX 77459
January 18		8 AM— 7PM	Bus Trip to the Heart of Texas One Stop Shop Hop
January 26	Quilts of Valor Sew-In	10 AM- 2:30PM	First United Methodist Church of Missouri City 3900 Lexington Blvd Missouri City, TX 77459 Music Rooms A&B
February 6	Board Meeting	3-5 PM	Hickory Inn BBQ 3334 FM1092 in Missouri City
February 6	Evening Meeting	6:45-8:30PM	First United Methodist Church of Missouri City 3900 Lexington Blvd, Missouri City, TX 77459
February 21	Day/Business Meeting	10 AM-12 PM	Suzi Parron, http://barnquiltinfo.com Barn Quilts & American Quilt Trail Movement First United Methodist Church of Missouri City

Programs by Joan Bell

Our programs for December and January will focus on Party Fun and Service. Look for December party information from Lisa Patterson and January Service information from Sakeenah Mubashshir.

Workshops by Darleen Patin

There will be no workshop in December. We will enjoy each other's company at the parties. However, we will have sign-up lists at each December party for the coming bus trip to Waco and for Suzi Perron's workshop in February.

<u>January 17 immediately</u> after the morning meeting we will hold a community service sew-in until 4:00 pm. Kits will be provided. Bring your sewing machine and usual tools. We will have irons, ironing boards, and cutting boards. You can do the activity of your choice—piecing, ironing, or sewing bindings (machine). We should be able to get lots of work and quilts done.

<u>January 18</u> will be our bus trip to the Waco Shop Hop. We will meet at the church at 8:00 and we will have one secondary pick-up point (to be determined) on Hwy. 99. We are expected to return at approximately 7:00 PM. The price of \$50 includes transportation, entrance ticket, and snacks/drinks on the bus. You will be responsible for your lunch. We have only 10 spaces left.

<u>February 21</u> will be the "Barn Quilt Painting" workshop by Suzi Perron. At this workshop, we will produce a 2 x2 foot painting of a quilt block on wood. It is produced just like the barn paintings seen in rural areas of America---just not as big as the real barn paintings. Prepared-ready-to-paint wood, paints, and brushes will be provided. Suzi has patterns ready to use. Every student will leave class with their own barn painting to decorate any room. Cost is \$50.

Financials by Diane Hickey

Month	Income	Expense	Total Balance
August	\$ 7, 591.00	\$7,056.86	\$38,368.27
September	\$27,845.00	\$9,502.06	\$56,711.21
October	\$1,215.31	\$3,627.58	\$54,298.94

We have a new Kroger account number it is El381. Please remember to register or reregister for the new year at Kroger.

I will be in the Activity room at least 15 minutes before and after each meeting to conduct business. Please attach all paperwork together so it will not get lost.

Thank you for all your help.

Membership by Cathy Price

Happy Holidays!!!

We now have a membership of 121. Our new 2018-2019 membership Directories are in. Be sure to pick up your copy at the next meeting. I am planning to print quarterly addendums for those who want a complete membership list. The next release will be in the January-February timeframe. Please remember, the Guild directory may not be used for any form of solicitation. We respect our members and their contact information is private.

December Birthdays include:

Joyce Jackson	December 3	Donna Woods	December 25
Carol Gerken	December 9	Angela Duffy	December 26
Lisa Patterson	December 10	Linda G Payonk	December 30
Darleen Patin	December 14	JoAnn Stewart	December 30
Kay Paul	December 14		

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meetings on December 5th and December 20th. Be prepared to party!!!

Special Request by Mary Ashcraft

I have a personal request to make. My nephew recently lost his home to the wild fire in Paradise CA. He works for a non-profit organization that assists mentally challenged adults. This organization provided housing and day care for 60 adults. They were able to relocate all their clients without injury but they have lost everything to the wildfire. I would like to send some quilts to my nephew to distribute to his clients. If you have any quilts, twin or lap size, without a "home," please consider donating one to this organization. I will pick up all donations at both the December meetings and ship them to my nephew for distribution. Thank you in advance for your generosity and thoughtfulness.

Mary Ashcraft.

Community Service by Sakeenah Mubashshir

Greeting Guild Members...

The key to success is hard work and determination.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE... JANUARY 17, 2019, COMMUNITY SERVICE WORKDAY

Following the regular Guild Business Meeting, we will have a Community Service Workday to make quilts, blankets, pillowcases, etc. for donations to the Charities the Guild supports. The following list will give you an idea of the variety of jobs that will be available:

Sewing pre-cut kits, making backings for quilt tops, cutting batting and layering quilts, free motion or straight line quilting, making kits for quilt tops and/or pillow-cases, and making blankets

As you can see there's plenty of work for everyone. Please come out and enjoy the camaraderie of friends working together. Lunch will be served.

Special thanks goes out to the following members for help with quilting, sewing, crocheting, etc. over the past month:

Barbara Baxter Cathy Price Lisa Patterson Judy Wolter
Barbara Foote Carol Ann Barley Beth Duffy Cheryl Lee

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 by Barbara Baxter

Our next sew-in is scheduled for 10 AM December 15th at the church. Come join us for a day of fun and fellowship.

We will be making several QOV awards at out December holiday luncheon.

I would like to thank the following for their donations to Quilts of Valor:

Barbara Young Shirley Grover Nina Christmas Joan Bell Gwen Goldsberry Grace Clarke Sandi Winston Carol Kettlewell Kay Paul

Special Project for First United Methodist Church

December special project:

Rebecca has asked me to tell you about an activity at First United Methodist Church that our guild could help with. Women from the church sew and make kits of dresses to be taken on mission trips around the world. The organization we are supporting is called **Dress A Girl Around the World**. Here is information about the organization:

Dress a Girl Around the World is a Campaign under Hope 4 Women International (a 501 (c) 3 organization) bringing dignity to women around the world since 2006. Hope 4 Women International is a nondenominational independent Christian organization. Visit our website to learn more at Hope 4 Women International. We dream of a world in which every girl has at least one new dress. We want girls to know that they are worthy of respect, and that they are loved by God.

The guild could help by donating:

- 1. buttons 1/2 to 1 inch to be placed on pockets
- 2. ribbons or sturdy lace to decorate the dresses (it takes about 2 yards per dress)
- 3. fabric for pillow case style dresses, binding and pockets (we make the dresses the width of fabric
- & dresses are between 19 to 41 inches in length)
- 4. Elastic 1/2 inch width it takes about 14-18 inches per dress)

Questions can be answered by Joan Bell

First United Methodist Church Food Drive



HOLIDAY FOOD ITEMS:

Canned Soup (great need)

Pie filling 20-21 oz - all types

Chicken and/or Turkey Gravy - prefer jars

Canned Pumpkin 29 oz (great need)

Canned Yams – 29oz & 40oz (great need)

Cake Mix

Frosting

Betty Crocker and/or Jiffy Boxed Pie Crust (non-refrigerated)

Mashed Potatoes - 13.75oz-26.7oz

Canned Milk

Chicken Broth (prefer cartons)

The above items are our current greatest need to serve our clients.

The oversized cans (at Sam's/Costco) are too large for our purpose;

Please donate the smaller 14.5 and/or 29 oz sizes

We gladly accept and appreciate ALL food donations!!







Activities by Lisa Patterson

Round Robin

I hope everyone that wants to participate in the Round robin activities has been able to make arrangements with their groups to have their initial meeting and set their date for their first exchange. If you haven't been placed in a group and want to participate, please contact me by <u>e-mail:mardanmom@gmail.com</u> or by phone 281-904-0925

Holiday Parties

Our Christmas Parties are coming up next month; Susie Doe and I have been planning some FUN, FUN, FUN for both the evening party and day party. We will be doing our usual pot-luck and share a meal together. The "activities" that we have planned for them are top secret but you will love them, we promise! We are planning 2 parties, so you can expect them to be different that's the only hint you'll get from me!!

As for the "food" here's our "suggested" list of what to bring ... as both parties are different, we will have a different breakdown of food groups ... just to keep it interesting!

EVENING:

Appetizer or Salad: H-N Main Dish: A-G Side dish: S-Z Dessert: O-R

DAY:

Appetizer or Salad: S-Z Main Dish: O-R Side Dish: H-N Dessert: A-G

Library by Barbara Young

The guild library has many great books for your use. All free! Look at our library page through the guild website.

For those of you that are participating in the Round Robins or anyone interested, a good source for border patterns is www.quilterscache.com

Click on: Where do you want to go today?

Go to Quilt Blocks Galore- Free Quilt Block Patterns on the drop down

Close to the bottom of the page is a button Quilt Borders. Lots of choices with easy instructions!

Current Bees by Sherri Stringfield

BEGINNER BEE RSVP BEE
Every Monday and Wednesday
11:00-3:00
bring lunch
Liz Narcisse
832 343 6523

Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com

Sharps Town Community Cntr 6600 Harbor Town Dr. Houston, TX 77036 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 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

PECAN GROVE QUILTERS Every Wednesday 10:00-2:00 bring lunch Judy Wolter 270 498 3633 imwolter@yahoo.com

Joy Lutheran Church 717 FM 359 Richmond, TX 77406 **FOXY QUILTERS**

Social Bee - table space available for machine sewing, cutting or handwork
Typically, the 3rd Friday of each month 6:30pm –9:30pm
Call Pattie Fox
832 216-2575
pafox7@gmail.com

At Pattie's house – 5803 La Crema, Missouri City, TX 77459 (near Sienna Springs Road and Sienna Ranch Road) Beverages provided- simple snacks appreciated. BAYLAND QUILT TOPPERS
Every Friday, except 3rd Friday
9:00-1:00
Nancie Roach
713 771 6762
c. 832 483 8544
nancie.roach@gmail.com

Bayland Park Center 6400 Bissonnet Houston, TX 77074

MATERIAL GIRLS CLOTH DOLL CLUB 3rd Saturday Nancie Roach 713 771 6762 c.732 483 8544 nancie.roach@gmail.com

Quilt Works 9431 Jones Road Houston, TX 77065 BEE BALLERINAS — **RSVP BEE** Every Monday

4:00-9:00 bring snacks Kathy Perry 281 928 4666

kperry4390@yahoo.com

1231 Deerbrook Drive (Stonebridge sec of Greatwood) Sugarland, TX 77479

Bee Highlight - Pecan Grove Quilters

Welcome to the Pecan Grove Quilters! Our bee has been meeting for over 20 years. Previously it was known as the Pitts Road Piecer's. Over the years we've moved around a few times, but we've finally settled into Joy Lutheran Church which is located on FM 359. We meet every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Most of us usually bring hand work to do while we sit, talk and visit. Several of us find that it's a great time to work on charity scarves, blankets and hats. Feel free to bring a sewing machine if you'd like. There's plenty of tables, chairs and outlets, and the room is big and well lit.

The church has a full kitchen with a microwave, just in case you'd like to heat a lunch that you've brought. Some of the members leave early, some stay late. Just prepare yourself to laugh, have a good time, and meet new friends.

Pecan Grove Quilters

Meeting Place: Joy Lutheran Church
Address: 717 FM 359

Richmond, Texas 77406

Day: Wednesday

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

2018-2019 Officers

President: Rebecca Trevino

President-Elect: Debbie Garner

VP Membership: Cathy Price VP Programs: Joan Bell

Programs Elect: Gracie Clark

Workshops: Judy Wolter/Darlene Patin

Workshops Elect: Barbara Young Secretary: Diama Cortez Treasurer: Diane Hickey

Rep at large/ Kay Paul

Parliamentarian:

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Editor/Advertising: Mark J. Towle

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Bee Coordinator: Sherri Stringfield

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Quilt Show: Barbara Wall Hospitality: Sally Staner

Webmaster: Gwen Goldsberry Library: Barbara Young

Community Service: Sakeenah Mubashshir

Bo's Place: Rookaya Goolam

Meg Raatz

Becky Beckenbaugh Jennifer Pavolini

Fort Bend Women's Shelter: Sakeenah Mubashshir

Lone Star Santa:

Pauline Manes

Project Linus:

Linda Payonk

Quilts for Kids:

Barbara Young

Barbara Baxter

VA Hagnital/

Cryon Coldshor

VA Hospital/ Gwen Goldsberry

VA Initiatives:

Find us on Facebook at <u>Prairie Quilter (Link)</u>

The Monarch is published monthly by the Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild of Texas. It is distributed, via e-mail, free to members. We are always looking for news items, articles, and suggestions. Inclusion subject to space availability.

Articles *must* be received by the Monday following the Thursday morning meeting

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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**.

Articles and information for the January newsletter are due by December 24.

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Exhibits

January 2019

Heart of Texas One Stop Shop Hop - Everything's Rosy

https://www.facebook.com/hotshophop/

http://heartoftexashop.com/2019-shop-hop

January 18— 10-5

January 18— 10-4

Waco Convention Center - Chisholm Hall

100 Washington St

Waco, Texas 76710

If you have information on upcoming Quilt Shows or Exhibits, please submit the information by the newsletter deadline.

Thanks to our 2018 Quilt Showcase Sponsors

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Congratulations Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild

on the 10^{th} Anniversary. You have given to the community in many ways and shared the joy of quilting with so many quilters. I am happy to be a member and sponsor of the 5^{th} Quilt Show. Best Wishes for a wonderful show.

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Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild Minutes of the October 3, 2018 Board Meeting (Approved November 14, 2018)

The meeting was called to order by Rebecca Trevino, President at 2:59 pm at the Hickory Inn BBQ location on FM1092 in Missouri City.

Board Members in attendance: Rebecca Trevino, Cathy Price, Diane Hickey, Kay Paul, Darlene Patin, Diama Cortez, Grace Clarke, Barbara Young, Joan Bell, Debbie Garner and Judy Wolter. A quorum was present. Committee Members in attendance: Pauline Manes, Sakeenah Mubashshir and Mark Towle.

The Minutes of the September 5, 2018 Board meeting were approved as emailed. The Treasurer's Report for August 2018 and September 2018 were approved.

Announcements:

Rebecca Trevino stated that we need to research the storage space on needs and cost. Cathy Price said that we need to measure and see what we have in the unit we occupy. Judy Wolter asked if they would lower the price since we've occupied that space for some time. Cathy Price said we need a location that is close and safe. Rebecca Trevino said that there are small changes needed on the Standing Rules and asked who was on the committee before. Mark Towle mentioned the By Laws were updated last year. Rebecca said we need a committee, Cathy Price and Kay Paul volunteered as well as Rebecca Trevino. Cathy stated that the newest copy of the Standing Rules will be in the new membership directory.

Discussion Points:

Vacancies in Committee Chairs:

The following Committee Chairs that have openings are: the Donation Quilt Presentation coordinator, the Hospitality Committee, Bo's Place and a Shop Hop Coordinator. Rebecca Trevino mentioned that she would ask for volunteers at the October 3 member meeting. Barbara Foote volunteered for Hospitality Coordinator at the evening member meeting.

President reports:

Rebecca Trevino stated that for our next board meeting on November 7th is the same day as Preview Night at the International Quilt Festival so we need to move the board meeting to November 14th. Debbie Garner made a motion to change the board meeting to Nov. 14th and Cathy Price second the motion. Hickory Inn BBQ has November 14 available so we are scheduled.

Rebecca asked if those who wanted to speak at the member meetings to let her know because it will save time by calling on those with no report. All agreed.

Board/Committee Reports:

President-elect: Debbie Garner stated that she will ask at tonight's member meeting for ideas for a donation quilt for 2020 so we can get a head start. Barbara Young had a quilt kit she donated.

Debbie noted that Lisa Patterson told Debbie that she is responsible for all church donations.

Membership: Cathy Price stated that we have 115 members. Debbie Garner stated that it would be a good idea at the day meetings to invite the new members to lunch. Rebecca Trevino usually says who would like to go to lunch after the day meetings if they are not attending the workshop.

Program Chair: Joan Bell. No report.

Budget Committee:

The budget committee met to review the budget. Debbie Garner made a motion to approve the budget and Joan Bell seconded. All approved with the corrections.

Audit Committee: Mark Towle reported that the committee needs one board member. Debbie Garner and Pauline Manes volunteered and added Suzie.

Program Chair-elect: Grace Clarke suggested that we could use Microsoft Cloud for documents on board member's notebooks explaining their duties. Grace stated that the credit card reader allows you to add a comment. She would need to ask Diane Hickey to check with the bank if we have that feature.

Mark Towle mentioned the bank may charge fees and we may have to add those fees to the credit card. Debbie Garner made a motion for Diane H. to check with the bank and Grace second the motion. Grace said she will help with the research. Grace said that we need to recruit new members by using social media and

she can use Facebook to post items of our guild by using the Prairie Quilter. Rebecca Trevino reported that we need to continue giving new members a packet with all information when they sign up.

Workshop Co-Chair: Judy Wolter reported that there are 15 people who have signed up for the October 18 for Joe Cunningham's workshop the maximum total is 20. Judy stated that she is working on the Hop Shop and has been communicating with Western Coach Bus on pricing and she also called Waco about advance tickets and pricing. The bus max limit is 56 people. Grace Clarke has volunteered to drive and follow the bus in case there is an emergency. Judy said we will have a second pickup point at I10 area and she will have more details at the next board meeting.

Workshop Chair-elects: Barbara Young reported The Houston Quilt Coalition met and their topics were to be the 501 (c) 3 IRS reporting and coordination of meetings from all local Guild. They did not cover the 501 item, but they talk about all Guilds using Sign-Up Genius. Rebecca Trevino asked Barbara if she would research more on Sign-Up Genius.

Treasurer: Diane Hickey reviewed the treasurer report and Pauline Manes finalize totals from Quilt Show. Pauline passed out the report for all to review and discuss. Pauline also noted the venue cost is a high percentage of the quilt show expense and should be reviewed. Kay Paul made a motion to approve the report and Darlene Patin second.

Representative-at-Large: Kay Paul said she would call all the birthday names and those that are present would be eligible for the birthday gift. Debbie Garner suggested if the door prizes could be place in the lobby or bench near the sign in table. Kay said that was a great idea so members would not have to walk to the front to place their tickets.

Donation Quilt: Rebecca asked who schedules donation quilts to display. Barbara Young stated that they are scheduled on Sign-Up Genius. Cathy Price asked how many spaces are allowed to show quilts, ours and others. Barbara Young said only one guild quilt can be schedule at one location.

Debbie Garner stated that she will ask at tonight's member meeting for ideas for a donation quilt for 2020 so we can get a head start. Barbara Young had a quilt kit she donated.

Community Service: Sakeenah Mubashshir stated that we need to communicate to the storage unit that the president, president elect and workshop co-chair has change and their names need to be added to the lease. Sakeenah said she will email the lock combination to the names to be added. Diane Hickley made a motion to make the name changes and Kay Paul seconded.

Editor: Mark Towle stated that the deadline for the newsletter is October 22 and to please send them to his email mjtowle@pobox.com. Mark also said that we need to watch large documents and there should be a link on the website. Mark noted that for Programs there should be items for current month and next month. Pauline Manes stated that she would check with Gwen Goldsberry on advertisers and sponsors. Mark stated that the by-laws needs to be reviewed in odd years and should be at spring time and a membership needs a committee by February so it can be published in May with board approval. Mark also mentioned that maybe we should only have a day meeting, Rebecca Trevino will ask member at the evening member meeting tonight.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Diama Cortez, Secretary Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild

Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild Minutes of the November 15, 2018 General Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Rebecca Trevino, President at 10 am at the First United Methodist Church (FUMCMC) of Missouri City.

The minutes for the October 18th, 2018 meeting were approved as published in the newsletter. The Financial report for August and September 2018 were approved as published in the newsletter.

Announcements from President:

Rebecca Trevino presented the fan blocks that members had made for Mark Towle our past president. Mark thanked the members for their hard work and once done he will bring to show.

Rebecca stated that Debbie Rambin will be handling the Donation Quilt. Rebecca reported that the Audit committee completed their audit and reported to the Board members on November 14th. What was discovered is that documents were missing when submitting payments for member's reimbursement. Please make sure all paperwork is submitted with payment request.

Board and Committee Chairs Reports:

<u>President-elect:</u> Debbie Garner_requesting ideas for our Donation Quilt for 2020, if anyone has a quilt top or kit to donate let her know. Debbie will give the scarfs that were donated to the church. The church is having a food drive, please bring can goods to day or evening December meetings. Also, the Fort Bend shelter is collecting socks and toiletries, please bring donation items to December meetings.

<u>VP Programs</u>: Joan Bell stated that for December Lisa Patterson is working on the Christmas party for both meetings, check the newsletter for details. In January we will have a Community Service discussion and workday. Joan mentioned in February there will be a demo on barn quilts plus she is also working on a party for February, more details to follow. Joan also stated that there is a charity with FUMCMC called "Dress a Girl", to make pillow case dresses for International girls and young ladies, buttons and lace help decorate the dress, more details to follow.

Membership: Cathy Price reported as of today we have 121 members and the Membership Directory are available now, make sure you pick one up.

<u>Treasurer:</u> Diane Hickey reported that starting today she will be in the activities room to handle any business before and after the meeting.

<u>Workshop Co-Chair</u>: Darlene Patin stated that today Mary Massey will have a workshop on a new piecing method. Judy Wolter reported about the bus trip on January 18 to the Waco Shop Hop. There are around 10 spots available, the price is \$50 which includes the bus ride, ticket to shop hop plus snacks and drinks. <u>Librarian</u>: Barbara Young asked if you would like to check out any books to let her know and she brought some books in for all to view.

<u>Program Chair-elect</u>: Grace Clarke reported that she has been posting on Facebook on behalf of the guild and there are 1,300 followers. Grace is posting tutorials to share and she asked to let her know if anyone wants her to post anything to share. She also stated that Facebook has a feature to collect donation money for a cause. Grace submitted a birthday donation request for Quilts of Valor and the money goes to the guild for the Quilts of Valor. She will send to Mark Towle for the newsletter on how to post a donation request on Facebook

<u>Editor</u>: Mark Towle reported that the deadline for newsletter items is due on Monday November 19th. <u>Guild Bees:</u> Judy Wolter reported on the Pecan Grove Quilters, they meet every Wednesday from 10am-2pm at Joy Lutheran Church on FM359, you can bring any projects to work on plus your lunch. Let Judy know if you have any questions or would like to join them.

Barbara Baxter reported that Quilts of Valor bee will meet this Saturday November 17th in the church music room, let her know if you have any questions or want to join them.

<u>Retreats</u>: Carol Kettlewell reported that the spring retreat will be April 7-11 at Jordan Ranch and the price is \$300.

<u>Community Service</u>: Sakeenah Musbashir reported that on January 17 she will have a free charity workshop with lunch, details will be in the newsletter.

Gwen Goldsberry reported that Friday before Veteran's Day, they delivered quilts to veterans. Please turn in any knit caps and bags to fill with candy and socks for Christmas to give to VA's/homeless.

Mary Ashcraft made a request as a member for those needing help in Paradise, CA. due to the fires. Her nephew lives there and works for a non-profit organization to help, they need to rebuild and families need help. Mary asked if anyone has any quilts they would like to donate.

<u>Activities Coordinator</u>: Lisa Patterson reported that her and Susie Doe are working on 2 Christmas parties for the evening and day meetings, all members need to bring a dish to share, check the newsletter to determine by your initial what dish to bring. Lisa stated to come and be prepared to have fun! <u>Show and Share</u>: Carol Kettlewell introduced the members that shared the quilts and projects.

After Mary Massey's trunk show, Rebecca Trevino adjourned the meeting at 11:57am.

Respectfully submitted, Diama Cortez, Secretary Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild