



Cotton Patch Quilt Guild Newsletter

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Carol Dodd, Editor

President's Letter

LaVonne McCaw

The ten year anniversary of 9/11 touched all our hearts as we paid homage to those who lost their lives in one of the most tragic events in America's history. Whether you attended a prayer service, a memorial or just spent time with those you love, it was a time when America came together again and remembered.

The next couple of months are going to be busy for the guild. In the September meeting we will be appointing a nominating committee. The committee should consist of three members and two alternates. Ideally, each Circle should be represented; however, in the past we have had to make exceptions due to unforeseen circumstances. The nominating committee prepares a slate of officers to be presented at the October meeting. So please be thinking whether or not you would like to serve on this committee.

If you have not volunteered for the quilt show, please do so at the guild meeting or contact Kathy Dickens. If you do not know where you want to volunteer you can always contact Kathy or one of the members of the show committee and they would be more than happy to find a place for you. The show is going to be a lot of hard work but when you enjoy what you are doing it is really not work at all.

We will be at Rally 'Round Greenville September 17th selling tickets and promoting our quilt show. Contact Debra Hager if you would like to volunteer. The Bois d'Arc Bash is September 24th and we need people to sign up to sell raffle tickets, please do so at the September meeting.

It may seem in the next couple of months that all we are doing is asking for volunteers, but your Guild really needs you to make our quilt show a success. So ladies, let's get together in fellowship, work, and have fun. If you want to get to know other members, what better way to do that than participate in the quilt show or in one of the events selling raffle tickets.

Thank you so much for giving of your time, your talents and most of all being a quilter.

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Debra Hager

Purple Apron Fashion Show

Bring your embellished purple apron, high heels and red lipstick for your walk in the runway spotlight!

Another highlight of the evening will be the 2011 Ugly Fat Quarter Miniature Quilt Challenge.

QUILT SHOW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

September is the last meeting before the Quilt Show. Our Quilt Show depends on your participation. Signup sheets will be available at the September meeting. Please sign up for two two-hour time slots if you possibly can. We need everyone to do her/his part. If you can't come to the meeting, get in touch with Debra Hager or Mary Lou Strohm.

September 22 Refreshments

Jane Asberry, Captain

Joan Biggs	LaNell Bundick
Sara Bobbitt	Carolyn Burt
Dorothy Boettcher	Ruth Butcher
Gail Bohmfalk	Connie Cawthon
Anna Borrer	Susan Childers
Cathy Brandstetter	Jackie Clark
Jackie Brown	

October 27 Refreshments

Lynn Cogswell, Captain

Kay Colcleasure	Monica Denny
JoAnn Cross	Kathy Dickens
Isabel Davis	Carol Dodd
Jane Davis	Janice Evans
Allen Day	Linda Franklin
Betty Day	Anita Gaudreau
Vickey Dees	

*Please advise your captain if you cannot attend the meeting and **swap** with someone else.*

Captains: Contact each person by the Monday before the guild meeting.

August 25, 2011 Minutes

Kelly Greiner

LaVonne McCaw called the meeting to order.

Guests were introduced

Jenny Tenney and her food committee were thanked for a delicious meal. Jane Asberry is captain for September.

July minutes were approved as printed.

Box Tops for Education go to the Phoenix School this month.

Stichin'Memories in Duncan, OK, forwarded information about its showcase of quilts on Sept. 17th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Sherry Worley asked members to stop by the Community Service table to find a project to complete.
- Jane Asberry thanked members of Cotton Strippers Circle for their help last month in cutting and assembling many Community Service kits. Jane also announced that the Sept. TAQG topic is on retreats. If you are interested in attending, see Jane.

OLD BUSINESS

- Jane Martyn announced that if you still want to enter a quilt in the show, please call her asap. For those who have entered, Jane stressed the importance of keeping the entry form so that the quilt can be claimed at the end of the show.
- Kathy Dickens announced we are less than 8 weeks away from the show. All committee members who need volunteers had sign-up sheets. She asked that every members commit to working 2-4 hours over the 4 day period. There is a lot to do and many choices of places to serve. These sheets will also be at the Sept. meeting.
- Debbie George reported that she received verification that all necessary forms for the 501(c)3 have been received by the IRS. Final confirmation for our non-profit status will be in the next several months.
- Trudy McNish reported she has recently returned from Alabama's Race for the Cure. She and several members had made a raffle

quilt in memory of Trudy's mother for the Commerce race and the one in Alabama.

The quilt raised \$125,000.00 and was won by Trudy's sister.

NEW BUSINESS

- CPQG will have a booth at the Rally Round Greenville – Sept. 17th and the Bois D Arc Bash – Sept. 24th. Volunteers are needed to man the booths where we will be selling tickets for the raffle quilt. Debra Hager noted that typically, events like these bring in the most money. Call LaVonne McCaw to help with time slots.
- Jane Martyn made a motion that the CPQG purchase a 10x10 tent for these Sept. events, with the money spent not to exceed \$200.00. Sherry Worley seconded. Motion passed. Debra Hager and Connie Cawthon will do the shopping.
- Debra Hager will be opening up the church for the monthly meetings for the next several months.
- Birthday drawings and door prizes were awarded.
- Debra Hager presented a wonderful program on what to do with solids and outdated fabrics. She showed the memberships how to embellish and dye using Kool-Aid. After her presentation, she had stations set up so the members could try the technique.
- Show and Tell was full of beautiful quilts.
- The September meeting will be the Apron Fashion show and the Ugly Fat Quarter challenge revealed.
- Meeting adjourned.

TAQG NEWS

Jane Asberry

The TAQG secondary meeting on September 27 is about retreats and retreat ideas. One person has signed up to go, but if someone else would like to go also, please let Jane know.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Sherry Worley

We now have an account for My Coke Rewards. It had to be set up as an individual account, but it is for the use of The Cotton Patch Quilt Guild. We have a point balance of 40 points and could already make a donation of points. Two of the organizations we can donate to are the USO and the American Cancer Society. There are other organizations and schools that we could also use our points. You may bring in bottle caps of Coke products or the ends of cardboard cartons, which are even better (worth more points). Qualifying products include soft drinks, Powerade, Dasani water, and Minute Maid Juice. Please go to the website :

www.mycokerewards.com for more information on qualifying products and where to find the codes.

You will need to bring the codes in and drop them off at the Community Service Table as Sherry is the only person with access to the account. Please feel free to let us know where you think the points should be donated.

We have some great new patterns kitted and ready to be picked up at the Community Service table. For those who are new to the Guild you may pick up a kit and finish any part of the kit before returning it to the CS table. You do not need to finish an entire quilt. You may choose just to make some blocks, a pillowcase, or a quilt top before returning the kit. Of course, we always hope that you will complete an entire quilt! There is no need to sign out a kit. Just pick one up and bring it back when you choose. Feel free to return a kit even if you decide not to work on it. The goal of the Community Service Committee is to make participation as easy as possible. If you have any suggestions please share them with Sherry Worley, Jane Asberry, or Kathy Vestal.

Please remember to record your Community Service hours in the notebook. We are working toward individual President's Volunteer Service Awards and you don't want to miss this award because you forgot to record your time. Check next month's Newsletter for more information on the program and to see how close you may be to an award!

**Information for the next Newsletter
will be due
October 16**

Cotton Blossoms

Carol Dodd

The Cotton Blossoms met on September 12. We had a Show-and-Tell, and then a Sit-and-Talk. Nancy showed the quilt she had made from JoAnn Cross's BOM blocks. Isabel showed her almost completed Ronald McDonald quilt, and Rena showed her BOM blocks.

Our next meeting will be October 3, when our finished Ronald McDonald quilts will be due so they can be shown at the Greenville show.

Cotton Strippers

Mandy Weaver

The Strippers meeting was a work day for putting sleeves on quilts.

The October meeting has been canceled due to the quilt show.

The November meeting has been canceled due to 2 different retreats going on that week.

The next scheduled meeting will be our December Christmas party. We will be having a fun party! More info to come.

Everyone showed their latest block in our brown bag exchange.

It was decided to exchange blocks in October and November at the regular Guild meeting.

Turn your container in to Kay at the meeting and she will assign your next one to you.

I had several more mini quilts turned in and they were all beautiful! Thanks so much! I will be taking the final quilts at the guild Sept. guild meeting.

Tonight we started a new mystery quilt by Kay. We all exchanged (144) 5-1/2" squares of fabric and got the sewing instructions. She handed out the next step in the fabric exchange. Bring your fabric to the October Guild meeting and we will swap there.

WHAT TO BRING TO GUILD ON SEPT. 22

- Name tag
- Your **PURPLE** Apron
- Raffle ticket money and stubs
- Show and tell
- Mini quilt
- Personal calendar and volunteer spirit so you can sign up for Quilt Show Duty