



THE PATCHWORK GAZETTE

Livingston Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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Sondra Sterling, Editor

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Greetings fellow Guild Members,

It was so good to see our attendance growing. Let's invite new prospects.

Thank you Karen for the history of your favorite quilt blocks. Thanks to all who presented. Looking forward to the months to come.

Remember, we can use a volunteer for our donation quilt scheduler. Thank you Karen and Kay for having our quilt displayed.

May the rest of your June be filled with some time to sew. Stay as cool as you can. This summer Texas heat!

Keep sewing,
Jammie

1st VP/Programs—Karen Godfrey

I always MARVEL at the knowledge and willingness of our members. I deeply appreciate Karen Lee, Jeanie Noble, Kay Hardy, Barbara Persinger, Connie Timm and Lisa Jefferies for such an outstanding job presenting at our meeting. Our "Inspirations from the Past" presentation was both interesting and informative.

Reminder that our July meeting will be "Tips, Tricks and Repurposing for Quilters". I would love for each of you to bring at least one idea to share with the Guild.

The August meeting will be listening to a short video on The Quilters of Gees Bend. Then on our fifth Monday, we will work together to create a quilt inspired by the Quilters of Gees Bend.

Are you working on your apron for our September Challenge?



LPQG Minutes June 14, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President **Jammie Ackey** at 9:32am. **Vickie Myers** gave the invocation. The minutes of the May meeting, as printed in the newsletter were approved after a motion by **Karen Godfrey** and a second by **LyLa Wenneker**. The April Treasurer's Report as printed in the May newsletter was approved after a motion by **Brenda Hopson** and second by **Norma Christensen**.

Karen Godfrey, 1st VP/Programs, gave a rundown of future programs. In July the program will be "Tips, Tricks & Repurposing" where each member present will (hopefully) have a tip which others can use. Karen mentioned that the foam toe separators for pedicures could also be used as a bobbin holder. August brings us "Gee's Bend" based on the book The Quilts of Gee's Bend. The 5th Monday, August 30, will be a workshop on a block in the Gee's Bend style as shown on the Missouri Star video. Each attendee will need to bring bright scraps and their sewing equipment. More information will follow. The September program will be a speaker to talk about aprons. This goes along with our September Challenge — make an apron with at least 2 quilted items included.

Karen G. introduced the program "Inspirations From the Past" presented by various members of our Guild. **Karen Lee** showed a quilt from Evelyn Burns book Underground Railroad Sampler, made by her daughter **Shely Lee** — a complete non-quilter until she asked her mother to help her get started. She finished a complete sampler quilt. Each block for the Underground Railroad quilts, which were hung on gates, clotheslines, or garden fences, had a specific meaning. Karen's block—Basket block—was first made in the 1850s and meant "provisions here" and the supplies for the refugees were often carried in laundry baskets.

Jeanie Noble showed the Log Cabin block, which originated in the 1860s—around Civil War era. It was thought to represent President Lincoln's childhood home, which was a log cabin. In the Underground RR the block with a black center square meant it was a "safe house". Traditional log cabins normally have a red center to represent the hearth of home, while yellow centers indicate a "light through the window". Although the block was from the 1860s in our country, a block from 1830 was found in England. Similar patterns were found in Pharaohs' tombs in Egypt.

Kay Hardy spoke about Snails' Trail, and showed several samples. According to Barbara Brackman, author of Encyclopedia of Pieced Quilt Patterns, the pattern was published by the Ladies Art Company, a mail order quilt pattern catalog, in 1928. It was called Snails' Trail or Monkey Wrench in 1920s, and Indiana Puzzle by the "Quilters' Newsletter" in 1976. We have seen it woven in fabric, where it is called Houndstooth pattern.

Connie Timm showed Tumbling Block which was discovered as early as Greek and Roman days, appearing as tile floors. As a quilt pattern it was shown in Godey's Lady's Book and called "cube work" in 1851. In Underground RR, the meaning was "Agent in area, pack up and be ready to go". Quilts through the years have been made in silks and satins as well as cotton. Connie began collecting fabrics in about 2000 and used English Paper Piecing to make all of the cubes, which took about 2 years. The top was put away and finished just a few years ago.

Lisa Jeffries—showed her One Block Wonder quilt, she is now working on her 4th of that pattern. Maxine Rosenthal wrote her first book on the subject in 2006. The quilts are made from identical hexagons, cut from identical fabric, 6 layers at a time. They are assembled almost like kaleidoscopes, and often arranged so that shades of the colors flow from light to dark throughout the quilt. Lisa says that “ugly fabrics work well” because they can be turned into interesting quilts. Her advice is to make the fabric very stiff before starting, since they are cut on the bias. She is now working on a quilt using (6) panels for her hexies. She says Donna Jordan of Jordan Fabrics has a good video on how to do the process.

Karen Godfrey— presented the Shoo Fly block. The name is said to represent a hole in the home through which a fly could enter. It is sometimes called Churn Dash, Monkey Wrench, or Hole in the Barn. In the Underground RR, the Shoo Fly block identified someone who could offer assistance to runaway slaves. This person might be a former slave, a white ally or someone still enslaved themselves.

Treasurer’s Report—Donna Garland— May had an opening balance of \$11,215.45 and ending balance of \$11,528.43. Details of expenditures and income are in this newsletter.

2nd VP/Membership—Gail Kestler — 41 members present, 3 guests. 647 volunteer hours and 17 members attended Bees.

Buy, Sell, Trade Table — Mary Parrish & Rose Miller — fabrics for sale along with logo items. Free books on CDs.

Community Service—Meg Rybicki — lap quilts were very much appreciated. She gave a “Bless You” Award to **Norma Christensen** (awarded every 3 months).

Education—Karen Godfrey — has 3 new books with some fabrics and patterns. Also has yardage donated by Storybook Quilts in Lufkin available for backing for small quilts.

Hospitality—Vickie Myers — thanked those who brought refreshments and those who helped set up tables

Librarian—LyLa Wenneker — lots of magazines available for 25cents each

FAITH and Troop Support—Joyce Ann Trojan — she discovered a quilt shop in Bryan, Lone Star Quiltworks and highly recommends it. She will be in a Walk to raise money for Alzheimers on Oct. 2 at the Ellen Trout Zoo in Lufkin. **FAITH**—ROTC are sorting and packing boxes, still accepting donations and would appreciate any \$\$ toward postage costs.

50/50—Norma Christensen won

June birthday—Madi McMurry sole celebrant

Sunshine and Shadows needs new volunteer—**Karen Lee** took the position. **JC Gafford**, no change, lungs not clear—hopefully moving to another facility as he is still in VA Hospital in Houston.

Stash Builder—Kathy Hilton— won by **Patty D., Connie T., and Kay H.**

Publicity—Kay Hardy—City of Livingston invited the Guild to the July 3 In the Park celebration

Donation Quilt—still needs scheduler, **Karen G.** taking it 6/26 and it will be taken to Park on 7/3. **Patty D.** has tickets—each person should take/buy an envelope of 30 tickets/\$25.

FQoM— Norma Christensen—there were 17 fat quarters awarded with 2 IOUs, only 5 eligible. **Karen Lee** won.

BoM— Debbie Cox — won by **Naomi Creech**. **Mary Ann Wilson** and **Karen Lee** each won \$25 gift certificates from Jean's Fabrics for finishing their quilt within 6 months.

Jammie will check with Stagecoach Retreat, north of Coldspring, for information about having a one day sewing retreat possibly on a Thursday. She will report next month.

Door Prizes were won by **Sondra S., Donna G., Naomi C., Pauline S.** and **Patty D**

Meeting adjourned 11:20am following motion by Karen Godfrey and second by Donna G.

Show and Tell followed.

Respectfully submitted by Sondra Sterling

LPQG Board Meeting

The Board Meeting came to order at 11:55am. In attendance were **Jammie Ackley, Karen Godfrey, Donna Garland, Patty Drewitt, Kay Hardy, Sondra Sterling, Meg Rybicki, Gail Kestler** and **Mary Parrish**.

Jammie is going to meet with Donna to discuss the Quilt Show and find what has been already completed, what needs to be done, the feasibility of Jammie spear-heading the Committees to have a show.

Due to time constraints, a 2-3 minute limit will be set on committee reports. Committee chairs will need to stay on topic.

Questions have arisen regarding our budget for the 2021-2022 year. Yes, we have funds to have speakers come in to our meetings, provided we can find those willing and their prices are reasonable. Jammie will address this at the July meeting.

Block of the Month patterns will be printed in black and white to help stick to our budgeted amount for printing costs.

Patty Drewitt made motion, Karen Godfrey seconded motion to adjourn. Adjourned at 12:11pm.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR June 2021 Gail Kestler – 2nd VP Membership

There were 41 members present, 647 volunteer hours claimed and 17 who attended bees in the previous month. There were 3 guests who became new members. **Cindy Harrison, Diana Nash,** and **Carol McIntyre** are our new members.

Door prizes were won by **Patty Drewitt, Donna Garland, Pauline Spurlock, Naomi Creech & Sondra Sterling**.

5 members renewed their dues for 2021-2022. 2021-2022 Memberships were due in April, 2021.

COMMUNITY SERVICE — MEG RYBICKI

We collected 35 items this month. There was a good variety of pillowcases, walker bags, utility bags, bibs and lap blankets for the nursing facilities. Rose has returned with two Cabbage Patch dolls for dementia residents as well as baby items for Grace Pregnancy Outreach. The Bless You award this quarter goes to Norma Christenson for her super efforts! Thank you to everyone who contributed; our recipients are always very grateful.
Meg Rybicki

Special Projects/ Troop Support — Joyce Trojan

A Naval ROTC group has undertaken the sorting of items and packing for F.A.I.T.H. Donations are still being accepted. If you would like to make a donation toward the postage costs, perhaps as a memorial for someone, stop by Livingston Physical Therapy and do so.

As we move into summer, we will be needing gum, tuna packs, chap stick, non-chocolate and non-sticky candy (no jolly ranchers please) and sunflower seeds.



Hospitality

Vickie Myers has volunteered to make coffee before each meeting. If you would like to bring refreshments — **DO SO! Another volunteer would be welcome.**

Thanks you Vickie!

Fat Quarter of the Month

Norma Christensen



Karen Lee was the winner of 17 June patriotic fat quarters. **July will be cream muslin from Jean's.**

Fat Quarter of the Month Winners

JAN 2021-LyLa Wenneker	JULY 2020— Sharon Jeans
FEB 2021— Susie Perry	AUG 2020— Bitsy Barr
MAR 2021 — Mary Parrish	SEPT 2020— Lyla Wenneker
APR 2020 -Norma Christensen	OCT 2020— Sharon Schubert
MAY 2020— Cathy Tullos	NOV 2020— Sondra Sterling
JUN 2020— Norma Christensen	DEC 2020— Debbie Baca

2021 Fat Quarters

Jan: White Muslin (Jean's)
 Feb: Hearts or red prints
 March: Polka dots
 April: Batik
 May: Pastel
 June: Patriotic; red/white/blue
July: Cream muslin (Jean's)
 Aug: Grunge (any color)
 Sept: Vintage, Civil War
 Oct: Fall
 Nov: Stripes (any color)
 Dec: Winter Holiday

Our program was “Inspirations From the Past”, presented by various members of our Guild. Each presented a favorite block and gave a brief history of the block, showing samples.



Shely Lee’s rendition of Eleanor Burns Underground Railroad Sampler



Karen Lee’s Basket block

Jeanie N. Log Cabin quilt “Sunshine and Shadows”



Log Cabin variation by Barb P.



Sylvia S. and Patty D. Show other versions made with Log Cabin blocks





Mary Ann Wilson's Log Cabin



Kay gave history of Snails' Trail, also known as Monkey Wrench and Indiana Puzzle



Kay shows flower from snails trail and cat tails as snails trail



"Shakespeare In the Park" which won 2nd place award for piecing at 2012 Guild Show



Barb P. made her first quilt around 1980 with stars appliqueed and then randomly chosen border strips



Connie T. told about "Tumbling Blocks". She used English paper piecing for this cube work





Lisa J. brought 3 "One Block Wonder" quilts, including one with additional random cubes added

Lisa shows cube made by Sharon at Jammie's class



Karen G. showed samples of "Shoo Fly" blocks, also known as "Churn Dash" or "Monkey Wrench"



Madi Mc. was sole birthday for June



Door prizes were won by **Donna G, Sondra, Naomi** and **Pauline**



Claudine and **Norma** show the mini quilts made for Education



Stash Builders were won by **Patty, Kay,** and **Connie** (guest appearance by Allie



Karen L. and **Debbie C.** also showed quilts for Education



Debbie C. shows "My Trellis"



Sharon S and **Barb P** show Education quilts



Sandra C brought “Black and White”



Sandra C called this one “Done!”



Connie made this internet mystery quilt as a graduation gift for her granddaughter



Rose is back! She brought “Billy” and “Milly”. For those who don’t know — Rose takes donated dolls, cleans them up, dresses them and makes a coverlet. She then donates them to nursing homes.



Karen Lee turned her BOMs into a completed quilt within the allowed 6 months. She was presented with a \$25 gift certificate to Jean's Fabric Corner



Mary Ann Wilson turned her December BOMs into this charming snowman quilt. She also was awarded a \$25 gift certificate.



Susie Perry has made this Quilt of Valor for CWO W-4 Brian Bare, US Army Retired, who was a Pilot Instructor

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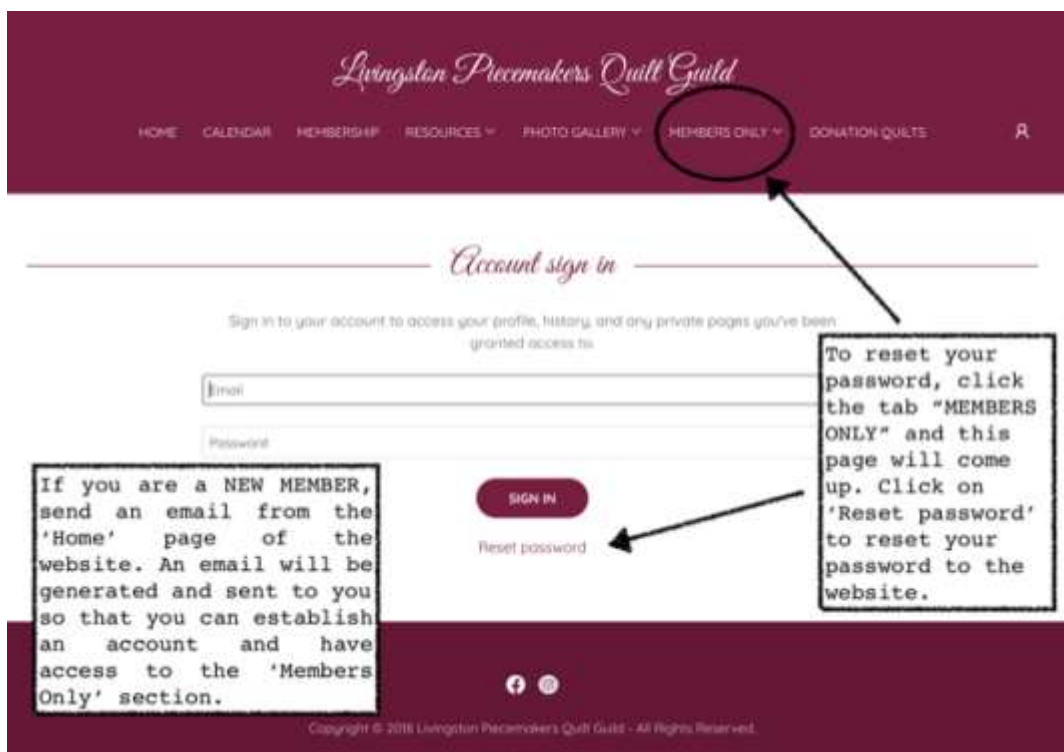
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JUNE 2021 BLOCK OF THE MONTH Debbie Cox, BOM Chairperson

Eighteen members turned in twenty-two 'Broken Sugar Bowl' BOM blocks at the June meeting. Two members have IOU's. The winner of this month's drawing was Naomi Creech!!

Karen Lee, winner of the March 2021 BOMS, brought her 'Tea Rose' quilt to Show & Tell and received a \$25 gift certificate to Jean's Corner Fabric Shop for completion of her quilt within six months!

Mary Ann Wilson, winner of the December 2020 BOMs, brought her completed 'Pinwheel' quilt and received a \$25 gift certificate to Jean's Corner Fabric Shop.

Thank you to all the ladies who contributed to the Block of the Month and especially to those who are submitting more than one block! Those extra blocks will really help the lucky winner make a good size quilt!

The June/ due in July 2021 Block of the Month is the '**Scrappy Pinwheel Toss**'. This is a fun block to make and I hope you enjoy making it! Fabric includes Jeans White Muslin and assorted prints of monochromatic harmony = several shades of a single color. Hopefully you can use your stash.

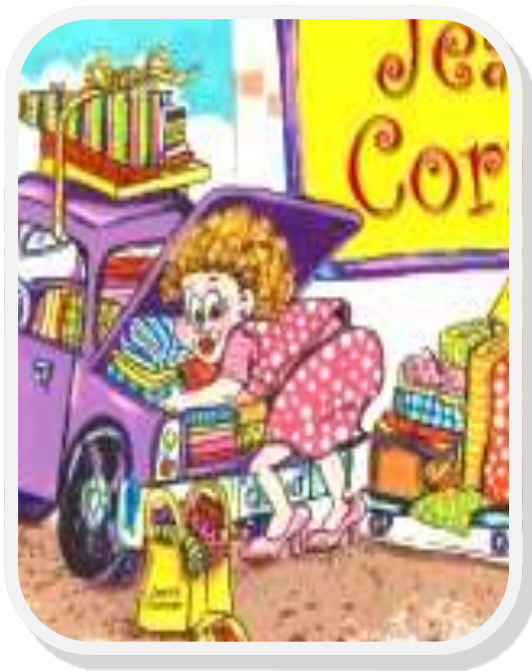
All members are encouraged to participate in the monthly BOM and help the lucky winner obtain a nice collection of blocks to complete a quilt. Members can participate without being in the drawing by bringing blocks. Just indicate on the sign-in sheet by a 'yes' or 'no' to be included in the drawing!



Naomi C with some of the 22 blocks she won

If you complete your quilt within 6 months, you will win a gift certificate for \$25 to Jean's Corner.

Remember —
if you win BOM or Fat Quarter of Month, you are committed to participate for one year.



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