

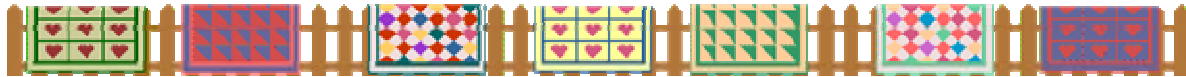
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The Edmond Quilt Guild meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Memorial Road Church of Christ, 2221 East Memorial Road, Edmond, Oklahoma. Dues are \$20 per year or \$26 per year if you need the newsletter mailed to you.

Mail your dues to P O Box 1843, Edmond, OK 73083



President's Report – Alice Kellogg

A big THANKS to Darcy Ashton for stepping up to the plate when we needed her. She is a very talented lady and I see nothing but bigger and better things coming her way with her pattern line and books.

April is going to be our biggest month ever at Edmond Quilt Guild. We have two national speakers coming to entertain and educate us.

At our own guild meeting will be Amy Stewart Winsor. We will be sharing her with Green Country Quilt Guild. I heard her speak at the International Quilt Festival in Houston and she is a very good speaker.

Then we will be sharing Michelle Watts with several local guilds. You may (and I encourage you) attend the Norman Area Quilters Guild meeting on April 18 to hear her speak. They meet at the McFarland Methodist Church, which is at University and Apache in Norman. I hope you picked up a flyer at that last guild meeting that lists all the workshops that she will be offering while she is in the area. Please call me or Joan to sign up for any of those workshops. We have reserved a room at the church to hold the Edmond workshop. It has plenty of space and should be a perfect place for class.

At the last meeting, I presented a book called *Heavenly Patchwork*, which is a collection of stories written by quilters about their quilts. The guild will have these books for sale and as guild members you will be able to purchase them at a discount price. We estimate \$10 and I hope we will have the books available at the next meeting. All profits from the sale of this book go to local charities. They are hard-back books and would make great Mother's Day gifts.

I hope you take advantage of what EQG has to offer you in the upcoming month. It is an exciting time for us and we want to share the experience with you. Until next time, here's keeping you in stitches..



Vice-President's Report – Judy Elliott

I want to tip my hat to Darcy Ashton for the great job she did at the March guild meeting. She was gracious enough to help the guild out when our scheduled speaker had to cancel for medical reasons. Thank you Darcy for jumping in and providing the program.

Darcy told us how she came about designing her patterns and printing her books. Her patterns are timeless in their designs yet striking when combined into quilts. She makes it seem easy to come up with all those different bunnies, cats, dogs, and now even frogs! 'She also shared some of her Hawaiian appliqué patterns with us. I'm sort of glad that Oklahoma Quiltworks didn't let her teach that first class. She may not have felt the push to design all her great patterns and we would all be missing out on her creativity. (Her husband also shared with me that she has even more wonderful quilts tucked away at home.) I'm not sure about the rest of you but I went home with "Gramma's Bunnies" tucked in my bag. I will be in the line when the frog pattern comes out!

I also wanted to say thank you to our vendor – Randa Parrish from Prairie Quilt in Hennessey, OK. Prairie Quilt is the sponsor of the Winter Quilt Show and is a great store to visit if you haven't already. Hennessey isn't that far and with the weather so great right now, it might be a fun trip to go check her store out.

A quick note on vendors during the guild meeting: Vendors are generally giving us their evenings after they have already spent the day working in their stores and several drive a distance to get to us. We would like to continue to have a variety of vendors at the guild meetings, but that depends on the guild members' help. Purchasing fat quarters, patterns, books, kits, and other items helps to support the vendors and lets them know we appreciate their time and effort to come to the guild meeting. I'm not saying that you have to spend a lot of money but if 40 people each purchase a fat quarter, that begins to add up! Thanks!!

The fourth block lottery went real well, but you all do so well with the lotteries. Several people complained that they didn't do the block and then wished they had after seeing all the variety in the blocks that were handed in for the contest. We had a total of 54 blocks turned in and four happy winners (Yes, Brenda finally won a lottery since Myrna was absent!)

Our next lottery will be in conjunction with our April speaker, Linda Morton. We will be doing appliqué – no groans or no rolling of the eyes!! This will be a really simple and should be fun. I will have samples for the April meeting with the block to be turned in at the May meeting. Til then, see ya at the next meeting and happy quilting!



Program Report – Joan Ballew

April 19th- (Tuesday) meeting – Amy Steward Winsor - “When You Can’t Precision Piece, and You Hate Math, What Do You Do?” This will be a fun and funny presentation.

You are encouraged to sign up for any of the following workshops in April, as Michelle’s visit is being sponsored jointly by several local quilting groups.

April 21st (Thursday) workshop - Michelle Watts – “Santa Cruz” Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m.

Other lectures and workshops planned in this area:

Monday, April 18th - Lecture/trunk show in Norman

Tuesday, April 19th – Workshop – “Cross Your Heart” – Norman

Wednesday, April 20th – Workshop – “Sante Fe Sampler” – Shawnee

Friday, April 22nd – Workshop – “Acoma” – Choctaw

Saturday, April 23rd – Workshop – Machine Quilting – Mid-Del

May 16th – Workshop - Applique Linda Morton will offer a workshop on appliqué at her house at 2825 Natchez Trail in Edmond, 844-0112 from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. Fee is \$10. Project will be a simple heart appliqué onto a background. Minimum: 3 students Maximum 10 students. Supply list will be available at the EQG sign-in desk.

May 17th – Workshop – Applique Linda is also offering a day class from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. At the same address as above. Fee is \$25 (Sounds like a lot, she is providing a basket block and lunch) Project: Needle turn appliqué. Minimum: 3 students and a maximum of 10 students.

May 17th (Tuesday) meeting – Terri Finnel – Paper Piecing

June meeting – Cindy Harp

Dates to Remember: Through April 9th – Fiberworks 2005

City Arts Center at the
State Fair Grounds
Free admission

April 8/9th Tomorrow’s Heirlooms
Bentonville, Arkansas

April 23 Hennessey Craft and Quilt Show
9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. free admission
209 South Main Street

April 29/30th

Pontotc County Quilt show
Agri-Plex in Ada, Ok
Includes vendors, hourly workshops
Door prizes.

Wowzer!

Membership Report – Trish Pate

For those of you who have not renewed, this will be your LAST newsletter. Renewals are still being accepted, so if you have not renewed yet, please do so right away, we don't want you to miss out on a single happening.

Renewals are continuing to rise and we have two new members this month!

The membership form can be accessed online at our website. Print it out, fill it out, and bring it to our April meeting along with your check for \$20 or \$26 if needing the newsletter mailed to you each month. If you prefer, you can drop it in the mail to our post office box. We look forward to another year of new adventures and fun in quilting. It just won't be the same without you!

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April 1	Carol Stearns
April 5	Rosemary Casey
April 6	Darla Davenport
April 10	Karen Hoskins
	Harmony Jenks
April 15	Reta Brown
	Tracy Swanson
April 17	Dawn Reitz
April 18	Alison Giordano
	Dixie Grosshaus
April 20	Lynda Talkington
April 27	Anita Hyman
April 30	Sharon Coon

**If we missed anyone accept our apologies and let us know.



Warm Fuzzy Committee Report

We have some sad news and some good news for the guild regarding the Warm Fuzzy Committee, which is currently in the process of reorganization.

The sad news is that Janet Noever, unfortunately, had to step down as chairman for personal reasons. She has done a wonderful job of getting us started and setting the tone for our volunteer work. She will remain involved, but not in a leadership capacity. Thank you Janet, for all you have done for the guild and this committee.

The good news is that Bonnie Bowman has agreed to chair the Warm Fuzzy Committee. While she is assuming the helm, there will be no committee workdays until June. However, we will take any kits you have finished or any quilts you have done. Just turn them into Alice, Judy, or Bonnie at the guild meetings.

We appreciate all members who have participated in the Warm Fuzzy committee work. There is a great need for baby and wheelchair quilts. They have been well-received and we will continue to help fill that need in our community. If you would like to volunteer to help Bonnie and have any ideas for the committee, give her a call at 216-0388.

*****ATTA GIRL**

We brag on the Women of Biblical Proportions often, but we can't help it. It turned into such a great exhibit and it is now getting national recognition again. In this month's *Quilting Arts Magazine* there is a large spread on the exhibit. Congratulations again to Ruth Harris, Marilu Benton, and Laura James for such a successful run.

This year's Fiberworks is the best so far. This is a juried art show and we congratulate the Edmond quilters that entered and were accepted. They are Brenda Esslinger and Alice Kellogg. Atta Girl, ladies! Fiberworks is located at the City Arts Center at the State Fairgrounds and runs until April 9. Free admission.

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Tulsa Excursion
Saturday, May 14th
\$30
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Fat Quarter prizes
for five lucky quilters

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