

# SEW WHAT'S NEW

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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.

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## President's Report – Alice Kellogg

Thank you, Donna, for such an informative lecture on the importance of appraising and documenting our quilts to insure their worth. It is sad that without such a document, handmade quilts can be replaced with a \$20 bill since insurance companies consider quilts "Wal-Mart blankets".

I am pleased and happy to announce that Edmond Quilt Guild, Inc. is now an official 501 (c) (3). That means the government recognizes us as a not-for-profit organization and we can officially accept tax-deductible gifts. A special thanks to Pat Sherman, our Treasurer, for doing all the paperwork and filing with the IRS according to their schedules and rules. I also thank my husband, Bob Kellogg, for keeping us on track and wading through all the wordy government language to find exactly what we needed to do and when. This has been a large task. I am glad it is over, but also glad we did it.

We had a request for minutes and/or financial reports for the guild. Any and all of you are welcome to attend our board meetings. If that is not possible and you want to know what is discussed, please contact me. I will be glad to send you the minutes and financial reports. The membership meetings are not a good place to read minutes or discuss finances. In fact, we have not had enough finances to have a budget, but we will next year! Thanks to you, EQG is going strong.

Next month is the Brown Bag Challenge and I can't wait to see what you have done with your surprise fabrics. I peeked at a couple of your bags as they were handed out and I could see that this is going to be a very interesting contest. Bonnie wouldn't let me peek at the finished quilts. RATS!

It was announced that we will be having our last “Judy-organized” block lottery in December. I am looking forward to seeing all Christmas blocks and the winners will be able to be very creative in setting a quilt with three sizes of blocks. Of course, I plan to paper-piece mine!

Until next time, here's keeping you in stitches.



## Vice-President's Report – Judy Elliott

Donna Skvarla was our guest speaker for the October meeting. She discussed why it is important to have your quilts appraised, and not just the antique ones. Appraisals come in handy when unfortunate circumstances cause damage to or destroy one of our loved quilts. A good appraisal will reimburse for the replacement values and not just the “blanket” value. It would be difficult to replace a sentimental family heirloom, but she also talked about the loss of contemporary quilts. When you stop to think about the cost of the fabric, the cost for quilting it, and the amount of time and creative effort we put into a quilt, it just makes sense to have it valued properly. What would it cost to reproduce the quilt again if it was damaged or destroyed? The appraisal is the best way to document that!

Donna also walked us through the appraisal process and highlighted the types of things that appraisers consider. Those things included the more obvious, like historical significance the quilt may have. But is also included the rarity of the pattern or quilt, if it reflected any trends or fads in quilting history (such as kit quilts), if it contained any unusual fabrics, the condition of the binding, the overall visual appeal or WOW of the quilt. She explained that hand quilting does not automatically increase the value or does machine quilting detract from the value. It is the overall quality of the quilting that is the factor.

Donna's suggestion to our membership is that when giving a quilt as a gift, have it appraised beforehand and pass the appraisal certification along with the quilt gift. This may help the recipient better understand the significance of the gift and perhaps keep it off the garage floor! Thank you, Donna for an informative talk.

Our latest block lottery was another success despite getting off to a rough start with the computer problems. People were wonderfully creative with their house blocks by including pets and people, brick walls and thatched roofs! We had 32 blocks turned in and four winners received eight blocks apiece.

We will be having one last block lottery for the year. We turn in Christmas lottery blocks at the December meeting. You have free reign this time though, well mostly free reign. The blocks need to be in Christmas type fabrics (i.e. Christmas prints, colors, etc.) and can be 3”, 6”, or 9” finished (which translates to 3 ½ “, 6 ½” and 9 ½” unfinished), in any Christmas-y pattern that you fancy. This will allow for a lot of quilt block creativity. The different sizes will pose another fun challenge to folks for setting designs. Any questions, give me a holler.

Becky Lambert from “Becky's Stitch in Time” out of Chickasha was our vendor for the month. She said she had a lot of fun vending for the guild the last time she came and was more than happy to make a return appearance. Thank you to those guild members that made purchases from her. That helps to keep our vendors interested in coming back again.

Till then, see ya at the next meeting and happy quilting!



## Program Report – Joan Ballew

November 15<sup>th</sup> – Program will include the “Brown Bag” Challenge Quilt Show, with prizes awarded for Viewer’s Choice, and speakers from some of the agencies that receive our donation quilts.

December 20<sup>th</sup> – Holiday party...looking for suggestions and volunteers. give me a call 715-0602, or e-mail me [joanballen@cox.net](mailto:joanballen@cox.net)

January 17<sup>th</sup> – Sally Wincze will be discussing new embellishing techniques.

January 21<sup>st</sup> – Saturday workshop – Thread play lapel pin

February 21<sup>st</sup> – Elda Martens – “Rescued, Recycled, and Restored”

Quilt Show/Book Signing Event at Barnes and Noble, Memorial and N. May, OKC  
November 4<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm

Quilt Show/Book Signing Event at Christian Heritage Academy, 2800 S. Sunnyslane, Del  
November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2-4 pm

Book Signing at Earthglow Fall Harvest at Church of the Servant, 14343 N. MacArthur  
Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 9 am – 4 pm

Quilt Show/Power Point Program/Signing at OKC Winter Quilt Show, Cox Center  
January 12-14, 2006, 10 am-6 pm

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### Dates to Remember:

November 4-5	Kellyville Quilt Show
November 5-6	McAlester Quilt Show
November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting
November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Guild Meeting
November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Newsletter articles due



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

### ROSTER UPDATES/CHANGES

We have some changes for your roster. Please note the following:

#### New Members:

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### *November Birthday*

Janie Law	11/07	Kathy Couch	11/27
Keri Lane	11/11	Amy Arbuckle	11/27
Dea Fields	11/12	Marilyn Karper	11/27
Denise Easter	11/13	Ruth Johnson	11/27
Bonnie Bowman	11/15	Betsy Banks	11/29
Debra Lea	11/18	Geneva Scheer-White	11/30
Marsh Dean	11/22	Mary Smith	11/30
Janet Noever	11/22		

We have 165 current members, 71 were in attendance at the last meeting! A few rosters are still available.

*Happy Holidays*



## Loving Touch Committee – Bonnie Bowman

Only a few last minute deliveries are expected for our first ever "Brown Bag" Challenge. I couldn't be more excited about the fantastic quilts that I have received so far! Everyone has simply outdone themselves. The recipients of these quilts are going to be sure that someone out there really loves them! These quilts are going to be family "TREASURES"! I am still missing a few, so get in there and get those done and be in the contest! Unfortunately, I will not be able to accept any late quilts the night of the guild meeting. Our quilt show will all ready and will be awaiting the guild arrival the night of November 15. Ballots will be readied and all attendees will be given a chance to vote for their favorite as they arrive for the evening. If you are still struggling to get yours done by the deadline, just drop it by Sister's Quilt store by Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> and it will still be accepted. We have some terrific prizes awaiting the winners and contestants. Contributing vendors include Quiltworks of Oklahoma, Sister's Quilts, Prairie Quilt and Sooner Quilts. Their generous donations have made this event even more special to us. We are also looking forward to some special guests that represent three of our recipient agencies. They will be giving a brief talk about the good work they do in the community. Be sure to give them a warm welcome and let them know how special the work they do is to all of us.



## Atta Boys/Girls

Congratulations to all the EQG quilters that entered the State Fair and won ribbons. They are: Joyce Curtis, Brenda Esslinger, Alice Kellogg, Don Lusk, and Svenja Rowton. Good job!

Joan Ballew entered the challenge at Quilted Rainbows in Stratford, OK. She won second place and a very nice gift certificate, which she shared with our guild in the form of door prizes. Thanks Joan and congratulations on your win.

If you know of someone that deserves a "pat on the back" for a quilt or sewing related accomplishment, let us know so that we can brag. This could be you! We are proud of our members and want to know if their talents are recognized outside the guild.

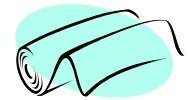


# Katrina Project Update

We have received strips of fabric from Bonnie Bowman, Joan Ballew, Janet Noever, Sharon Lancaster and Virginia Cline. We also have a couple of volunteers to do binding. If you'd like to help, cut strips of your favorite color  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ",  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " or  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " cut the same width strips across as many fabrics as you like. Length of strips does not matter. So that means you can cut up scraps, fat quarters, whatever. Take this opportunity to clean out your stash. Now, take those strips and sew them end to end. Yep, end to end, so you have a huge long strip of fabric,



then roll it up. Each roll should be the same color scheme and the same width. Make as many rolls as you want. Take your strips to any board member, or come to our sew ins at 6:00 o'clock p.m., on Monday nights at Rose State College. Rose State has donated the use of the sewing lab in the Social Sciences building for our use every Monday night through the week of Thanksgiving. We need people to cut, sew and press. Everyone is invited, bring your friends, we'll have a great time contributing to a very worthwhile purpose - helping those who have nothing, starting to rebuild.



We are making twin size quilts and using a flip and sew method, to quilt at the same time we piece. We have both a red one and a green one very near completion. We have some row quilt strips that are primarily blue and we'll start on a blue one next.

If you have large pieces of fabric that you'd like to donate for backing, they would be greatly appreciated. We will also take any orphan blocks you'd like to donate and incorporate them into our "stripy" quilts.

Our goal is to complete as many twin size quilts as we can between now and Thanksgiving. Hope to see you soon. Questions? Call Trish Pate - 206-0445

