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CONFETTI LANDSCAPES



Faye Barlow opened the meeting with a thought for the day and led the group in prayer.

Shirley Wiltshire (Scrap Lady) demonstrated the technique for confetti landscapes which she learned from, Noriko Endo. Noriko wrote the book *Confetti Naturescapes: Quilting Impressionist Landscapes* in which tiny bits of fabric are layered onto a backing and batting, covered with tulle and machine stitched down.

Shirley had a slide show of photos, many from the class she took with Noriko Endo in Houston. She advised us to narrow down our

ideas. This is not a technique which allows for much detail. Little bits of fabric are chopped with a rotary cutter into tiny, tiny pieces. The fabrics used do not have to be cotton. You can add satin, ribbons, metallics, yarns, anything that will add interest to the finished piece. After sprinkling layers of "confetti" over the surface in a free and artistic manner, gently cover with black tulle (not netting) and stitch down using a dark (smoke) invisible thread. Shirley loves the fact that there are no seams or points to match. It is a very freeing approach to making a wallhanging. It will be very interesting to see students' results from Shirley's workshop at the next guild meeting.

This was the month for our Treasure Hunt. Members brought items and fabrics they no longer needed and many of us took home new treasures.

There were two tables set up with donated items specifically. The proceeds from these tables went to Children's Quilts.

Due to Betty Moore's ill health, David and Wanda Wallace are opening the room for Children's Quilts meetings and Mary Nell Magee is closing it on normal meeting days.

Donna Crager invited anyone interested in helping with boutique items to her home in State Line to make mesh totes. She will be serving lunch. She reminded us that we all need to be making items for the boutique.

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Snippets from Ellen Cox: Ellen suggested making SCRAPPY binding using all the small leftover pieces of fabric from your quilt. Sew fabrics together, and cut into strips based on your preferred binding width. Wind your binding onto an empty toilet paper roll or an empty ribbon spool. Put this away for use when the quilting process is finished. If you insert a long ribbon through the roll or tube, you can tie it around your neck to keep it from tangling when stitching onto the quilt. (See photo below.)

Ellen also showed us a June Tailor Binding Express tool which allows you to press binding without burning your fingers. It had slots for 2", 2 1/4" and 2 1/2" bindings.



Ellen Cox with June Tailor Binding Express tool and binding on roll around her neck.

A nominating committee was chosen to begin the process of electing new Pine Belt Quilters officers. Members of the committee are Betty Allen, Debbie Davis, Linda Flanders and Barbara Peters. The Board recommends a change in our bylaws, to be voted on at our September 9 meeting.

Article VI, Officers, reads as follows:

“Section 1, Number, Term, Qualifications. The Officers shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Membership Director. The same person may hold any two (2) or more offices simultaneously. The guild shall also have chairpersons for such various committees as may be determined to be necessary from time to time. Officers will serve a term of two years. To qualify as officers, nominees must have been a member in good standing for three years.”

The Board recommends deleting the last sentence, “To qualify as officers, nominees must have been a member in good standing for three years.”

Betty and Joe Bingham received 47 pillows, 47 mother’s scent pads and three preemie blankets. They showed us the little (about 4” square) pads that mothers share with their preemies to help with bonding.

Fifteen walker totes and six catheter bag covers were received this month and twelve catheter bag covers were received last month.

Martha Ginn updated the group about the 2016 quilt show plans and changes made by the committee. Due to too few quilts in categories, a few categories have been combined. There has been a change in the registration fees, but there is also a discount available for early entries. You can find all of this information online at the Pine Belt Quilters Web site, www.pinebeltquilters.com. The information is under the Quilt Show tab. The committee is continuing to work on plans for the show. If you would like to help with plans and decisions at this early stage, please contact Martha Ginn or Susie Jackson. It really is fun and a great learning experience.

Martha announced the Visit Hattiesburg Challenge \$250 purchase award theme: “Curious George visits de Grummond.” Kristen Brock from VisitHattiesburg said:

The de Grummond Children’s Literature collection located on USM’s campus is a hidden tourism gem and the sole repository of the original papers, manuscripts and illustrations of H. A. and Margret Rey, the creators of Curious George, among many other original pieces of children’s literature—the largest collection in the world. In 2016 Curious George will celebrate 75 years, the de Grummond Collection will mark 50 years. We feel that this monumental year for both makes “Curious George visits de Grummond” an appropriate quilt theme.

We have permission to depict the de Grummond collection. We are making inquiries regarding Curious George copyright matters and will have more information available later.

Magnolia Quilters of Orange Grove has asked Pine Belt Quilters to submit entries to their 2nd Biennial Quilt Show which will be held on October 23-24. This is a non-judged show. The entry fee for non-members is \$3.00 and is limited to two entries per person. Entries are accepted

on a first-come-first-served basis. Registration forms must be received by September 23. A message went out to PBQ members who receive their newsletters by email. Think about entering a quilt.

Several of us went to a Magnolia Quilters of Orange Grove meeting a few months ago and had a great time. They are a very welcoming group. This is only their second show, and it is the first open to non-members. It would be a opportunity to promote good will between our guilds.

Another quilt show reminder: the Greater Jackson Quilt Celebration will be held September 11-12-13 at the Mississippi Craft Center. It's too late to enter, but not too late to make plans to attend. It is a good show, another good road trip.

The September 9 program is a Cheri Lefler Trunk Show presented by Donna Burges. The September 23 workshop is "Cheri Lefler's Appliqué Technique" taught by Donna Burges.



Confetti quilt by Shirley Wiltshire (front)



Tree - Ithaca Falls by Jackie Watkins



Trees at Ithaca Falls by Jackie Watkins



Members shopping at the Treasure Hunt



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SEPTEMBER REMINDERS

Helen Thornton
Lois Womack
Donna Smith
Carolyn Watts
Mary Henderson

September Birthdays:

Debbie Demarks
Rosalie Schoell
Donna Burges
Sarah D. McCormick
Ella Lucas

Barbara Mathis
Teresa Lee
Aquilla King
Margie Hancock

People with birthdays in September please remember to bring a small gift (quilt related) to be used as a door prize. It should be wrapped or bagged.

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September’s fat quarter lottery is fall colors.

The next Children’s Quilts meetings are on September 8 and October 6.