



Next Meeting: Tuesday September 18, 2007 at 9:30 A.M at the Presbyterian Church, 4 Church Road, Bedford.

Bring coffee mug, FIT quilts, fat quarters for raffle, Show-and-Tell, library books, tools for September project..

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday October 17 at 8:45 A.M. at the church (approve Policies and Procedures).

September Newsletter Deadline: Please send articles, photos, etc. no later than Sunday **September 30.**

Fat-Quarter Fabric for September:
Halloween



Hospitality for September:
Nancy Peach and Barb Haselton.

Barb Haselton.

Membership application is on last page.

BFQG on the Web:
<http://www.bfqg.org>

To send a note to Guild members, email it to:
BFQG@yahoo.com.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

PAM MIKKOLA

I feel somewhat like Edith Ann in her big rocking chair looking for wisdom and words of inspiration for all of us. As summer ends and chilly evenings begin, my thoughts turn lovingly to my passion, QUILTING. We had a great turn out to our abbreviated summer meetings. We accomplished two Quilts of Valor Quilts as a group. At least one of these quilts will be displayed at Bedford Old Town Days September 15th at Reilly Field. Our purpose at this venue is to promote our guild and make the community aware of our community service as well as to encourage membership. We still need volunteers.

Debbie and her program committee have been busy planning some wonderful programs for this year. Diane will lead a quilt challenge. It is a great way to get your creative juices flowing. If you have any ideas for

programs, please talk to Debbie and her group.

Your board has been working on our Policies and Procedures. After the board approves them, they will be emailed/mailed to Guild members - for a vote and acceptance at the November meeting.

Please plan to renew your membership at the September meeting. Sign up sheets for committees will be available at the registration table. It is important to the work of your guild to have active committee participation.

I look forward to a wonderful year with lots of show and tell to stimulate our creativity. If you have any questions regarding the guild, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Blessings,
Pam

MISSING FIT FABRIC?

Guild members have taken most of the fabric that P&B gave us for making charity quilts—but some of the pieces haven't shown up in ANY FIT quilt, as far as I know.

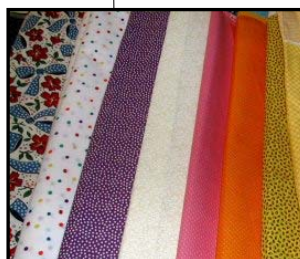
If you took some but never got around to using it, please return it to the Guild. If it somehow wound up in your stash, please

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Bedford Old Town Days: Saturday, September 15, starting at 11:00 AM, at Reilly Field in Bedford.

Quilt show boutique bee: October 1 (the 1st Monday in October) from 1:00 to 4:00 at the Bedford library.



HOSPITALITY

HOLLY BOSINGER

Our call for volunteers to bring the refreshments resulted in signups for the rest of 2007 and January of 2008 (those who volunteered for December are being moved to January, since December is our Holiday Pot Luck). If you find you cannot do the month you signed up for, please be sure to notify Holly or Pam as soon as possible so that someone else can step in.

September - Nancy Peach and Barb Haselton

October - Jane Sedrick and Jeanne Braen

November - Sue Ann Walker and Karen Kopp

January - Evelyn Bonnin and Sharon Neveux

MEMBERSHIP

BARB HASELTON

15 members attended the August meeting.

We raised \$12 in the Fat Quarter Raffle.

Please renew your membership right away. A list of 2007-2008 members will be distributed at the November meeting.

SUNSHINE

DOTTIE WILLIAMS

Wishes for a speedy recovery were sent to: Bev Dickey who is home recovering from back surgery, and Faye Shedd, who is also home nursing an inflamed leg.

Whenever you hear of someone who needs a little SUNSHINE, please let me know.

Thanks....

PROGRAMS

DEBORAH KOZCELA

Welcome back! For our **September** meeting we encourage you to share what you did on your summer vacation. Show us the quilts you made over the summer, share your thoughts on a Quilt Show or Quilt Shop. Did you make a particularly fabulous purchase? We'd love to hear about it.

We will also have a technique workshop: **appliqué circles**. Connie Morin will show us how to make perfect circles. Please bring the following supplies: **pencil, scissors, thread and needle**. The circles made will be given to the Raffle Quilt committee to be used in the appliqué border design.

In **October**, Peggy Anne of Peggy Anne's in Concord, NH will be teaching a workshop. During this workshop we will use tropical flower patterns and painting on fabric. Our designs can then be quilted for pillows, incorporated into quilts or whatever you choose to use them for. A \$20.00 fee will cover the cost of the kit, which includes "ready for dying (or painting)" fabric, a pattern, and the use of Peggy Ann's paints. Full details will be given at the September meeting. **You will need to sign up at the September meeting** so that Peggy Anne has ample time to gather all the materials we will need.

In **November**, Jane Sedrick, Guild Secretary, will teach a crazy quilt workshop. Jane will have a sample at the September meeting. This workshop should show us another option for all those great stitches we have on our sewing machines.

In **December**, we will hold the Holiday Pot Luck. I would like to form a holiday committee to help plan the program. Please consider joining this committee so that we can make this a memorable meeting.

QUILTS OF VALOR

At the July and August meetings, many of us worked on 2 QOV tops. Both tops are now pieced, and Diane will quilt the first one for display at Old Town Days. The second top is shown below.



At one of our summer meetings.

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FAT-QUARTER RAFFLE

CONNIE MORIN

There were 14 fat quarters brought in for the August raffle, which added \$12.00 to our treasury.

The fat quarter themes for the rest of the year are listed below (these are always open to change if someone has a suggestion or we have a specific need, so check your current newsletter each month):

- Sept - Halloween
- Oct - Thanksgiving
- Nov - Christmas
- Dec - Winter Wonderland

A “fat quarter” is made from a half yard of fabric: cut it down the middle, parallel to the selvage. Dimensions are about 18 inches by 22 inches.

You receive one free raffle ticket for each fat quarter contributed. Please bring new, quality cotton quilt fabric; it’s OK to wash it first (but not required).

You may purchase additional raffle tickets for \$.50 each or 3 for \$1.

LIBRARY—NEW ARRIVALS

KAREN KOPP

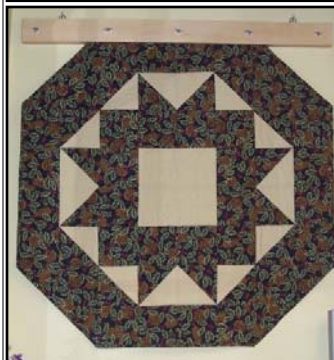
Come check out our library's latest arrivals! We have: *The Thimbleberries Book of Quilts* by Lynette Jensen, donated by Kathleen Beach; *Quilts For Babies* by Cheryl Fall and *Wildflowers* by Little Quilts, plus a few new magazines.

Please limit your selection to 2 items per month and return the items to me at the next meeting.

I'd be happy to take suggestions for the types of books you'd like to see in our library. As always, donations are welcome but, please, no periodicals dated before the year 2000.



At left: Projects for Quilter’s Delight Weekend in Tilton/Franklin — November 9 –11.



At right: one of the 4 Crayon Quilts—to be displayed at Old Town Days.



RAFFLE QUILT UPDATE

CONNIE MORIN

FANTASTIC!! The pieced blocks for the Raffle Quilt have been completed and sewn together and it looks just fantastic (attached picture is not that great, but that is the fault of the photographer, not the quilt). The appliqué committee will begin working on the border in September so we are right on target to have it all done in time to get it to our long-arm quilter as scheduled.

A thousand thanks to everyone who worked on the pieced blocks. They are so beautiful and we have such a wonderful variety! We even have a bunch of extra blocks which we will put to good use.



Some suggestions have been to make pillow shams to go with our raffle quilt, to use them on the bibs of aprons for the Quilt Show Boutique or to use them to make small quilts for the Quilt Show small quilt auction. If you have any other thoughts on how to use these, please let one of the committee members know.

Many thanks also to everyone who turned in their extra scraps of material with their blocks. Many of these will be turned into circles for the appliqué border as part of our program activity at the September meeting. Using these in the appliqué border will contribute greatly to a sense of continuity in our scrappy quilt.

And, of course thanks to the committee members who donated time and space to do the layout and all the Guild members who helped sew the blocks into rows and rows into a completed top at the August meeting.

LITTLE QUILT AUCTION

PAM MIKKOLA

Please continue to work on your Little Quilts for the Quilt Show. A registration form is included on the next page for documentation. As discussed previously, the quilts need to be no larger than 36" x 36". They need not be square but must fall within those measurements. They can be pieced, appliquéd, machine or hand quilted or a combination of the above. A discussion will take place to decide what to do with the funds raised from this auction. Thanks in advance for your participation. See page 4 of the December 2006 issue of Strips and Pieces for more information. If you have questions, please call Pam.

Missing FIT fabric (Continued from page 1)

return it or replace with similar quality goods. If you have a quilt in progress, please return any yardage you do not need to complete it. If, If, If... - you get the idea..

Another whole group of fabrics that seems to have gone missing is some flannels donated about a year ago. Most of it had disappeared by the end of the day, but I haven't seen many flannel FIT quilts come back.

Please always remember—this fabric is to be used ONLY FOR FIT QUILTS.

If necessary, we'll resort to a "check-out" procedure, with restrictions. But what a hassle that would be!

One more thing—it would be helpful if you take only the amount of yardage you need. Either cut it, or snip it and tear it.

Thanks,
Kathleen Beach



Show and Tell



BEDFORD FRIENDSHIP QUILT GUILD
LITTLE QUILT AUCTION FORM

Name of Maker _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Numbers _____ Cell _____

Description of Little Quilt _____

Type of Construction: Pieced _____ Appliqued _____ Other _____

By Hand _____ By Machine _____

Quilting

By Hand _____ By Machine _____

Pattern Name _____

Quilt Name _____

When Made _____ Where Made _____

Predominate Colors _____

Quilt Story – History – Interesting Information about the quilt _____

Measurements:

Width _____ Length _____

The information about the quilt will be included in a booklet. Each quilt will have a number corresponding to the number on the booklet. The booklet number will be the bidding number as well. Please use the other side of this form if you have additional information you wish to give about the quilt. The undersigned understands that this quilt will be donated to the BFQG and included in their Little Quilt Auction.

Signature _____ Date _____

Date _____

Membership Application
BEDFORD FRIENDSHIP QUILT GUILD

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

E-MAIL _____ PHONE _____

BIRTHDAY _____ (Month and Day)

LEVEL OF QUILTING EXPERIENCE _____

PROGRAM IDEAS _____

Newsletter delivery: Internet _____ US Mail _____ (add \$5.00 to dues)

Membership Dues: \$20-members age 6 to 62

\$15-members age 62 and over CASH _____ or CHECK # _____

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