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July 2026 Newsletter

July 16, 2026

President's Message

It was a GREAT 4th of July. Loved all the celebrations. Hope everyone's festivities were full of fun & games. I always like to honor our men & women who serve our country.

We are getting close to our Open House & would like to have more input as to what you all want included in the event.

We discussed some important topics at the board meeting. Can't wait to fill you in.

See you ALL at the July meeting. It's on the 23rd at 9:30 if you forgot. lol

Suzie Jones

July Hostesses and Door Prize Donors

SANDRA MAY
MARY JO POOLE
RACHAEL GOTCHER
PAT POWELL

BIRTHDAYS

July:

- 07 - Ailean Lot
- 13 - Billie Stehling
- 19 - Dorothy Sullins
- 20 - Karen Leach
- 23 - Rachael Gotcher
- 29 - Samantha Amador
- 29 - Anna Harrison

August:

- 02 - Yvonne Bonorden
- 02 - Teri Scheibelhut
- 02 - Dale Orr
- 09 - Julie Mercer
- 20 - Mary Jo Poole
- 21 - Alice Payne
- 21 - Pat Johnson
- 31 - Barbara Dietzel

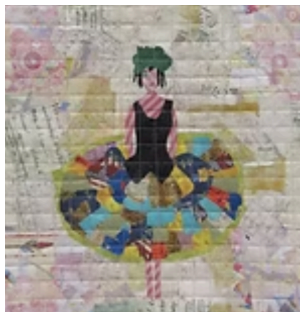


PROGRAMS

July: Collage Quilting taught by Donna Zbranek

Dates: Thursday, July 23, 12 pm - 3:30 pm and Friday, July 24, 9 am - 3 pm

Supplies: Your favorite collage pattern (or choose from Donna's collection)



- Sharp pointy scissors
- Fabric scraps for background
- Fabric scraps of different prints to cut out
- Steam-A-Seam 2 (1 pack will get you started)
- Iron
- Ironing mat
- Pressing sheet
- A good marking pen or pencil
- Most importantly - your imagination and a happy heart!

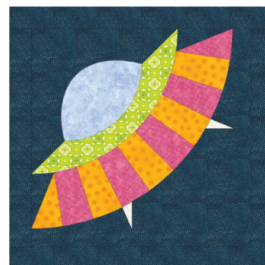
Donna will bring Pattern Ease to trace your pattern on. She has a whole bolt. You won't need a sewing machine until you finish your project, so she hopes to see everyone in class!

August: UFO Project Day / Bronte Bee Projects

Dates: Thursday, August 27, 12 pm - 3 pm

Friday, August 28, 9 am - 3 pm (if desired)

Bring a UFO, new project, community service project, or Bronte Bee project to work on. Enjoy the day sewing with friends!



September: Open House

Dates: Thursday, September 24, 2 pm - 7 pm

Friday, September 25, 11 am - 2 pm

Location: Christ the Victor Lutheran Church

We will set up for the Open House on Thursday morning. Anticipated demonstration stations will include machine quilting, hand quilting, English paper piecing, cross stitch, embroidery, sashiko, and machine embroidery. There will also be a Community Service project area and Sampler Store. Quilts will be displayed over the pews in the church sanctuary. The challenge quilts will also be on display.



A sign-up sheet to help in the Sampler Store and greeters for the Sanctuary will be available at the July meeting.

December: Christmas Party

Date: Thursday, December 3, 11 am

Location: Sky Restaurant

Plans are also underway for the Christmas party which will be held at the Sky Restaurant on Thursday, December 3rd at 11am.

Cost of the meal is \$25 with four entrée choices available. Each member will need to pay in advance for their own meal. A sign-up sheet for the Christmas party will be available at the July guild meeting.

June: Youth Rag Quilting

During our June 2026 workshop, we taught youth quilters how to make a rag quilt. We had one completed quilt and a few more partial completions!



4H Collage Class

Dates: Monday - Tuesday, July 20 - 21,
9 am - 4 pm (lunch provided)

Location: Victoria County 4-H Activity Center
(259 Bachelor Drive)

So far, there are 11 students signed up for the 4H Collage Class on July 20-21 in the 4H building next to the Master Gardeners building at the airport. There's a limit of 15 students so if you want your kids / grandkids to join, you need to get in touch with Tori at 361-575-4781. There is a nominal fee.

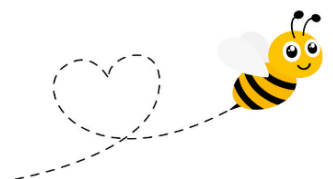
The following members have volunteered to help:
Kathy Sheeran, Yvonne Bonorden, Brenda Atwell,
Jo Ellen Comstock, Sue Jones, Janice Diebel,
Carolyn Bradshaw, Kay Tindall, Becky Green

If you would like to help, please contact me.
If I inadvertently left you off my list and you told me to put you down, I apologize. I get a little scatterbrained occasionally. I can use all the help I can get!

Donna Zbranek

Next Bronte Bee: August 18th

Next Bronte Bee will be August 18th. I'm planning on some items to make for the sewing room, and I have ideas for miscellaneous items. Please see the sampler store items list if you need inspiration. We will need sewing machines and all the essentials to go with them. I will also have some more Christmas star ball ornaments to make (no sewing). I'll have kits to take home or make at the Bee. Thanks for helping out! I appreciate your help.



Donna Zbranek

Member's Challenge

Happily we will have a Member's Challenge at our Open House in September.

- **Theme:** Summertime with Scraps! So easy. Use your own fabric to create whatever you believe represents Texas summers using whatever technique you like.
- **Size:** 18" x 24". Same as past years.
- **Voting:** Will take place at the Open House on September 24th and 25th with voting ending at 1:30 on the 25th. Visitors will receive a voting slip at entrance. We trust members to submit only one voting slip. Winners will be announced at 2:30 on the 25th.
- **Awards:** Ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place with 1st place also receiving a \$50 cash award.
- **Turn-in date:** To be announced once plans for Open House are finalized.

Pat Johnson and Kathy Sheeran

Current Bank Exhibit

"Celebration"

Pieced and quilted by Marcia Neely



Opportunity Quilt

Suzie Jones and I went to My Fabric Friends and Two Chicks to set up our opportunity quilt on their shop hop days. We sold \$155 in raffle tickets at My Fabric Friends on July 10th. We sold \$25 at Two Chicks on July 11th... the weather on Saturday was very bad, so it was disappointing but couldn't be helped.

On the bright side, Connie at My Fabric Friends has us set up on the [Hugs website to sell tickets](#). So far she has sold \$40 of tickets! That's just so cool of her to do this! She will write a check for the monthly total for us. Please stop by her shop and give her a big hug for doing this. She is not charging the guild processing fees and she is happy to help!

I plan to talk to Karen at Quilters Patch about a good time to set up at her shop. The drawing will be held on September 25th during our Open House. We have only the month of August left to sell tickets so if you need more tickets to sell to friends and family, please talk to me. I have plenty of tickets left. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

Donna Zbranek

Meals On Wheels Fundraiser Quilt

We will be donating a quilt to Meals on Wheels South Texas for their Mahjong-themed fundraiser to help local seniors stay nourished, connected, and independent.

The fundraiser takes place on October 17. Marisol Johnson will pick up the quilt at our monthly meeting in September.



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MAHJONG for Meals



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Date: Saturday, October 17, 2026

Mimosa & Mahjong Brunch: 10 am - 1 pm

Margaritas & Mahjong: 3 pm - 6 pm

Location: Mitchell Event Center
(206 E Commercial St, Victoria, TX 77901)

Website: bit.ly/2026mowstxfundraiser

Remembering Eddy Faust

Eddy Faust, a lifetime member of our Quilt Guild, passed away on Thursday, July 9th. In accordance with her wishes, there will be no services or memorial.

We all walk many paths during our life. Sometimes we meet people that become lifelong friends. Most of the time we just walk. Once in a while, we meet someone that makes us happy with every interaction, because that person exudes friendship and kindness. Eddy was one of those people to me, and I always smiled when I saw her. She was a woman of consummate elegance interacting with others. I only knew her from our guild, but I will truly miss her and always remember her grabbing my arm to say hello.

Kay Tindall



Suggested Items for Sampler Store

Sewing:

- Needle flower
- Cord wrap
- Pin cushions
- Sewing Tool pouch
- Thread catcher
- Design boards
- Sm ironing boards
- Project bags
- Pocket basket
- Iron caddy

Kitchen:

- Apron
- Tea towels
- Bowl covers
- Bowl cozies
- 8.5" folded no binding potholder
- Lunch bags
- Hot pads
- Potholder holders
- Hot pads

Decorations:

- Tree ornaments
- Thanksgiving decorations
- Easter Decorations

Baby thru 10 yr olds:

- Sensory baby block
- Bibs, binky clips, burp rags
- Diaper bag
- Sleeping mat
- Changing mat
- Nursing cover

Miscellaneous:

- Bible/journal totes w/pencil bag
- Itty bitty boxy bags w/wristlet
- Pencil keepers (elastic)

- Mug pen holders
- Vinyl makeup bags
- Placemat purses
- Tissue box cover
- Draw string bags

- Shopping bags
- Cross body purses
- Easy wallet
- Pillow case sets
- Mini trash can for car
- Shoe bag

Anything else that you think of will be gladly included in the store. Please be sure to price your items and turn in to me. I appreciate all of you for participating and taking the time to make items for the store.

Ways & Means chair
Donna Zbranek

Upcoming Quilt Shows in Texas

July 17 - 18

- ["Texas Thimble Trail"](#) (Huntsville, TX)
- ["Welcome to Our Porch"](#) (Ennis, TX)

July 24 - 25

- ["Texas, Our Texas"](#) QuiltFest (New Braunfels, TX)
- [Bonham Quilt Hop & Fiber Arts Show](#) (Bonham, TX)

July 30 - Aug 1

- [Original Sewing and Quilt Expo](#) (Irving, TX)

Aug 14 - 15

- [Quilt Plano 2026](#) (Plano, TX)

Aug 21 - 22

- [Wise County Quilt Show](#) (Decatur, TX)

Aug 21 - 23

- [Capital of Texas QuiltFest](#) (Austin, TX)

Find additional Quilt Shows at this website: <https://quiltguilds.com/quilt-shows-in-texas>

Quilt Guild of Greater Victoria General Meeting Minutes

Christ The Victor Lutheran Church

Members Present: 28

June 25, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 9:33 am by President Sue Jones. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Kathy Sheeran and seconded by Marcia Neely to approve the May minutes with no changes. The motion passed.

The Treasurer's report is available for review.

Carolyn Bradshaw's quilt is on display at the IBC bank, and Marcia Neely volunteered to display a quilt in July.

Committees:

Education – Tips were given by Sue Jones to place Alien tape (available from Amazon) on the bottom of your sewing machine foot pedal to keep it from slipping. JoEllen Comstock shared a tip to put binding on an empty thread cone and place it on a thread stand. This prevents twisting of the binding.

Ways and Means – Donna Zbranek shared a report on Bronte Bee. Attendance has not been good, but work can be done from home. Many more items are needed. All members need to work on making items to sell at our open house and at the John Wesley craft sale.

Open House – we will be making gift bags for new members. Kay Tindall will assemble the bags.

Community Service – Marisol Johnson has asked for a donation quilt for Meals on Wheels. They want to raffle it for their fundraiser being done by Mahjong for Meals. It was decided by a show of hands that we would contribute a quilt.

There will be a collage class for 4H students on July 20th and 21st from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm at the 4H building. Volunteers are needed.

Sue Jones has paper pieced block patterns available. Let her know which one(s) you want if interested.

Challenge Quilt – Summer in Texas. Size is 18' x 24", due September 24th .

Next month's workshop is Collage Quilting. There is a list for sign ups.

Hospitality – Teri Scheibelhut asked members to please pray for Eddy Faust who is currently on hospice at her home.

Next month's hostesses and door prize donors are: Sandra May, Mary Jo Poole, Rachel Gotcher, and Pat Powell.

Sue Jones brought fat quarters and members played a "fat quarter" game.

Show and tell was presented and door prizes were awarded.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 am.

Respectfully submitted by
Carolyn Bradshaw, Secretary

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