



# Jackson Quilters Newsletter

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## Meeting Dates

August 23rd  
September 27th      October 25th

## Time

9:00 am Coffee  
9:30 am Program/Business Mtg.

## Location

Briarwood Presbyterian Church  
620 Briarwood Drive  
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## Membership

Dues—\$15 (\$12, 65 and older)

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## President's Message

Happy heatwave everyone! Hope you've all been inside in the air conditioning cranking out quilts instead of outside swimming through the humidity. I've been trying to stick with doing things that don't make me break a sweat.

We're gearing up for the next Greater Jackson Quilt Celebration so you should be hearing more about that at the beginning of the year. Be thinking now about what committee you'd like to contribute to so you can give an enthusiastic "YES!" when we start contacting people. I know everyone will pitch in and make things run as smoothly as they did last time.

Polly has a great 'Summer Sampler' program lined up for us this month with demonstrations of several surface design techniques. Who knows, you may see an idea you want to use on your President's Challenge quilt! You ARE all working diligently on that, aren't you? You won't be graded on it and the most important rule is to have fun! I can't wait to see (and hear about) what you've come up with.

Whew, all this typing and thinking has worn me out. Or maybe it's just the heat.

Rhonda

Fat Quarter Winner

Is

Mary Trest

Black and White fabrics  
are her desire.

## Program

Is

Polly Duggan and Rhonda Blasingame  
A Summer Sample Embellishment for your quilt.

And an

Education Committee Report

From

Diane Jordan, Dianne Cameron and Sarah McCormick

## Minutes of July 26, 2010

Rhonda Blasingame called our meeting to order.

### Program

Alma Motley from Dream Beads was the program. Ms. Motley passed an information sheet which had a discount card attached to it. She showed items which had beads on them. All of the members were impressed with the jewelry that she had made. She advised that when you are doing a project that you consider size of beads, placing small beads on small objects and large beads on a large design. Nymo and Sono are the two types of beading thread. Do not use regular sewing thread as it will cut and you will lose your beads. You need to use a backstitch. Beading needles are #10, #11, #12. Or milliner needles. The Dream Beads shop is located in the Fondren area. Beading classes every Saturday from 10-12 am. Cost is \$10.00. Some classes can run from \$30.00 to \$50.00 depending upon the complexity of the project. Christmas classes will be coming up in September. Alma also gave a personal history of how she got started in her business. As quilters we understood her passion for her hobby.



### Announcements

Rhonda introduced our guests and visitors. We had a visitor from South Africa, but we were unable to get her name for the newsletter, so please accept our apologies.

We were sad to hear about the loss of the family members of Barbara Hutchinson and Gwen Harris. Rhonda passed around sympathy cards for members to sign. Rosemary Taylor announced that Carrie Carlson's husband is going to begin cancer treatments and brought a prayer quilt for members to tie a knot and say a prayer. Our heart goes out to these members and their families.

Lucy Large announced that Brandon Quilters was hosting a retreat at Wesley Pines in Gullman MS. The cost is \$70.00 which includes all of your meals. This would be from Friday until Sunday, September 10, 11 & 12. Please contact her for more information.

Please stop by and see the quilts that are hanging in the Agricultural Museum. They will be hanging until Oct. 15th, and will be replaced by Christmas quilts, so if you have one ready, please contact Joan Alliston regarding requirements.

## Treasurer's Report

The report for June is \$3757.45.

## Sit and Sew

Don't forget our Sit and Sew is on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Heritage room. Come and join us.

## Quilts of Valor



Diantha Stafford showed quilts that she is donating to Quilts of Valor.



Upper left and upper right quilts were made from fabric Diantha bought at Stitch N Frame. The quilt on the left is English Paper Piecing. The quilt on the left is from Diantha's Mystery class at MQA this summer.



This quilt was made by Sarah Ferguson who is a new quilter. Wow! What a beginning for a new quilter.



## Announcements: (cont.)

Lucy Large reported on the Beth Ferrier class and the importance of taking advantage of a national teacher whenever MQA sponsors one. There were 26 ladies who took the class. Polly Duggan and Diantha Stafford showed their work which they did in class.

Polly Duggan reported on helping Jackie Watkins work with a Girl Scout troop in making a project. She emphasized the importance of helping young girls how to sew. Rosemary Taylor also talked about how their church held a workshop and the wonderful participation they had from the young people and their parents. Keeping our craft alive is very important, so at every opportunity, please lend some hands.

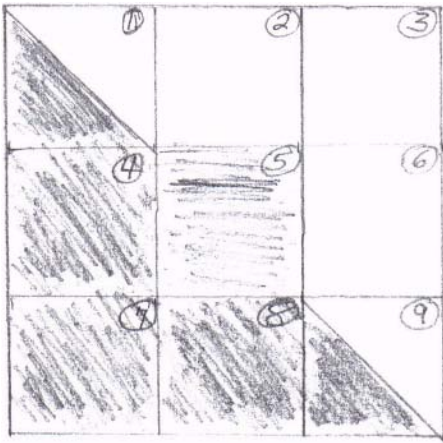
Rhonda Blasingame talked how to make an inexpensive light box. You will need to purchase a frosted file folder box from office depot, and insert an aquarium light in the side of the box.



Dorinda Evans announced she will be teaching a water color class on August 14th at the Craftsman's Center.

How many times have you really looked at your rotary cutter. Did you realize that there are grips for your finger built into your rotary cutter. Seeing is believing. Go Look at your cutter.





## SHADED NINE PATCH

This is a simple variation of the traditional nine patch block. It includes half-square triangle blocks as we have in the past, but in a different configuration. It includes dark and light fabrics, and can also use a medium value in the middle, if you wish. The final block appears to be half light and half dark and can be turned and arranged in many ways like a log cabin block.

Block construction:

1. Positions 1 and 9: half square triangle blocks
2. Positions 2, 3, and 6: light blocks
3. Positions 4, 7, and 8: dark blocks
4. Position 5: medium block.



Polly Duggan's Table Runner. Lower picture shows the block, if you are unable to see it in the runner.

### Hostess

The hostess for August are:

Dorinda Evans  
Sara Ferguson  
Judy Casper

### Door Prize



**If August was your birthday month or if your birthday is in November or December, please do not forget to bring a door prize gift. Last month we had 6 door prize gifts. Everyone enjoys receiving gifts.**

## Show and Tell

Photos taken by Lucy Large



Magic Tile quilt made by Dorinda Evans using bright colored fabrics.



Bargello quilt by Dorinda Evans



Magic Tile quilt made by Dorinda Evans using musical fabrics.



This quilt was made by Lexi Robinson for a new grandchild. She used crayons then heat set them in the fabrics. This was truly a stunning quilt.

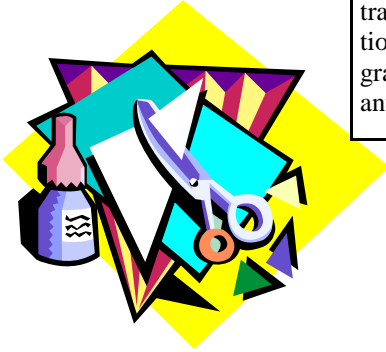


Vicki Williams has a granddaughter who loves to quilt. She picked out the pattern and fabric for this quilt. She then cut and assembled this top. Diane Jordan quilted this quilt.

## Local Events



Remember when we were getting our families ready for school. Quilters and students have a lot in common. We still want to learn, use scissors, paper and travel to destinations. After all, grandmas are just antique little girls.



- Sept. 18th—Quilting Heritage Days**  
Craftsman Center in Ridgeland MS.
- Oct. 8-10 —Pine Belt Quilt Show, Lake Terrace**  
Convention Center, Hattiesburg MS.
- Oct. 15th-16th MQA Fall Gathering**  
Philadelphia MS.
- Nov 4-7—International Quilt Festival**  
Houston TX
- Feb.?? —MQA Date and location TBA**



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