

# BAC NEWS

Newsletter for the Performing and Visual Arts in Central Texas



## Arts of Christmas

By Deb Phinney

Get into the Christmas spirit at the Bosque Arts Center on December 3 and 4. Friday will be a special evening as we recognize Jane Scott for her many years of service to the Bosque Arts Center. We'll start the evening with a special reception beginning at 4 p.m. honoring Jane. Please join the Open House and other members of the BAC as we provide hot spiced cider, cookies and appetizers.

Saturday will provide a day of touring the BAC with some special surprises for the younger generation. We'll have club activities in the Atrium and Tablesapes will be available for viewing. Beautiful quilts will be on view as a part of our contribution to the Norwegian Country Christmas Tour.

Don't miss the opportunity to wish Jane well and kick off the holidays at the BAC.

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## Save the Date: Big Event 40th Anniversary

Save the date for the 40th Annual Big Event (Ruby Anniversary)  
April 1st and 2nd

Friday Night (4/1): Casino Night

Saturday (4/2): Texas Chic 40th Anniversary Dinner and Entertainment

## January Membership Tailgate

By Deb Phinney

On Monday, January 10, join us for our BAC Membership Tailgate party. Join your friends here at the BAC for all your favorite tailgating food and BYOB. A TV will be set up in the Atrium showing the NCAA football championship game being held that night. If you're looking for some fans or just a fun evening on a Monday night to watch the game, come over at 6:00 p.m., we'll be BBQing on the patio. So bring your lawn chairs for outside or hang out in the Atrium. Bring a non-member friend and if they sign up for a BAC membership that night, we'll have a special offer for them. See you at the tailgate!!

## Texas A&M Singing Cadets

By Deb Phinney

A special treat is in store for Thursday, January 13 at 7 p.m. The Texas A&M Singing Cadets will be performing on stage in Frazier Performance Hall. If you missed them the last time they were here, you don't want to miss them again. Their high energy performance will have your toes tapping or your eyes watering.

Tickets will go on sale first of December. What a great holiday gift idea.....tickets to this entertaining concert. We will be housing the cadets overnight, so if you are willing and have space to provide accommodations, please give Punky Penberthy a call at 254-675-3387.

## Bingo

By Leanne Donner



BAC Holiday Bingo games continue on Tuesday, December 14, at 6:30 p.m. The night will feature \$1,000 in prizes, with a \$500 Prize sponsored by Rountree Towers. Join us to see who our Christmas Mystery caller will be.

## Rosemaling Workshop

By Deb Phinney

The Norwegian Rosemaling Workshop with Peg Piltingsrud is now filled for December 1 and 2



sessions. There is a waiting list for interested parties in case of cancellations. Peg has indicated if

interest remains high, she may come back some time in the spring and conduct another workshop for us.

## Bosque Chorale's 'Handel's Messiah'

Selected choruses from Handel's *Messiah* will resound in the Frazier Performance Hall at the Bosque Arts Center on December 9th at 7:30. David Anavitarte will direct the 40-person chorus along with the Bosque Chamber Strings and Dr. Cameron Hofmann on piano.

The performance is being presented in memory of a founder of the chorus, Steve Watson, and the first director Joy Williamson. This was a favorite production of Steve and Joy.



Handel's Messiah Rehearsals

All tickets are \$20.00 general admission. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.bosqueartscenter.org](http://www.bosqueartscenter.org) or by calling the Bosque Arts Center at 254-675-3724.

# Gingerbread Workshop

By Deb Phinney

It's that time of year when visions of Gingerbread Houses dance in your head. Sunday, December 12 from 2 - 4 p.m. Kit and Tym Myers will be here along with their angels to lead the



Gingerbread Workshop. Kit has indicated in the past that there is something magical about the BAC and that's why even though they are now semi-retired they continue to come to Clifton and the BAC.

This year participants will have their choice of a gingerbread structure along with all the pieces and parts necessary to decorate: icing, candy, cookies and more. Anyone from 5 to 95 years of age is welcome to sign up for the cost of \$35 per structure to attend. Reservations are required to make sure we have enough structures on hand. Please call 254-675-3724 or make your reservation online at [bosqueartscenter.org](http://bosqueartscenter.org). The only thing you need to bring is imagination!



## Culinary Club

By Virginia Richards

Need a last minute gift for the holidays? The Culinary Club BAC Cookbooks are available in the gift shop. Wonderful recipes from people you know! The Culinary Club does not meet in December, but mark your calendar for January 20 at 5:30 when we will learn about the "in's and out's" of food publishing from an experienced food writer, Sidney Carlisle.

## Save the Date: 10th Annual Scholarship Variety Show

Save the Date for the BAC 10th annual Scholarship Variety Show on February 4 and 5.

Tickets go on sale January 3

## DONATIONS

### GENERAL BAC

#### In Memory of

*RW Baker* by Will Harrison

*Bill Beck* by Linda Bracken

*Neal McDowell* by Aubrey & Virginia Richards

#### In Honor of

*Bingo* by Leanne Donner

*Bosque Chorale* by Steve & Virginia Heinley

*Bosque Chorale* by Donna Jarman

#### Texas Troubadour

Frank & Deborah Albright

Eddie & Clemen Garcia

Steve & Gloria Patrick

## Troubadour Recap

By Linda Pfeiffer

Our Texas Troubadour Songwriter Contest was held November 6th with great performances by our finalists and later in the evening by Marty Haggard, who did a tribute concert to his father, Merle Haggard. Marty Haggard did a great job of judging for us and also spent time with the contestants providing some feedback and encouragement on songwriting. A special thank you to our underwriters and sponsors for their contributions to this program.



Sadie Self & Marty Haggard

Our winners from the contest were Kellie McGuire for Song of the Year and Sadie Self who took the People's Choice Award as well as the Troubadour

of the Year Award. Congratulations to both our winners and many thanks to the folks who attended the contest and concert.



## Tablescapes

By Deb Phinney

Tablescapes viewing continues throughout December up through Saturday, December 11. Admission is \$5 per person. If you are coming



during the Norwegian Country Christmas Tour and have purchased a ticket for the Home Tours, your Home Tour ticket provides free admission to this event on Saturday, Dec. 4 only.

This year's tables are unique and provide everything from a minimalistic approach to the totally outlandish. Celebrating family gatherings, parties, holidays and everything in between will be on display. Viewing is available beginning at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Special hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on November 20, and November 26-27 (Thanksgiving weekend). Come visit the most unique viewing experience in town this holiday season!

## Meet Sandra Duwe-Hoskisson

The BAC is pleased to introduce Sandra Duwe-Hoskisson as our afternoon receptionist.

Sandra has spent a lot of time traveling in the United States, but has moved from Colorado to Clifton to spend time with her family. Though she misses the mountains and the hens she raised, she says "there is a lot of beauty



Sandra Duwe-Hoskisson

in Clifton, Texas to keep me happy." She also now has an adorable pug. Sandra has "always enjoyed art museums and spent a lot of time in Denver at several different art studios." She is a "craft person" who finds joy in quilting, tatting, card making, crochet, and needle work. "Not everyone can say they love their jobs and can't wait to be at work," but Sandra says that "this is my 'dream' job and I smile every day as I enter the doors to the BAC."

## Art Club

By Lillian Lemke Jacoway

At the November BCAC monthly meeting, Cherie Rogers led the art club members to create Zen tangles in the Joan Spieler room. Colorful Zen tangle images lend themselves to many projects, including Christmas cards and ornaments. Black ink and colored pencils



Cherie Rogers

can make lovely items. The process of



Zen tangle

the Zen tangle is said to be relaxing and engrossing, lending itself to a type of meditation. It is so "ZEN". :-)

Remember the annual Christmas party! The meat will be provided by the Art Club. Each attendee is to bring a covered dish and two wrapped gifts. The first gift should be a white elephant (your ugly last year's Christmas ..... ?), a "joke" item. Chinese Christmas will be played with each gift.

The second gift needs to have a purchase limit of \$10. Art supplies are popular, but not required. Every year this is a popular, funny, and friendly time – not to mention the good food! Wishing each and everyone of you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

For info and questions email:  
ldart@yahoo.com

## Wedding Oak Winery Dinner

We still have seats remaining for the dinner and wine-tasting with Wedding Oak Winery on Friday, January 21. Enjoy a multiple course dinner at the BAC prepared by a professional chef. Each course will be paired with a wine specially selected from Wedding Oak Winery.



Representatives from the winery including the wine maker will be present to describe the selections and answer questions. Call the BAC at 254.675.3724 to make your reservations at \$100 per person.

## Quilt Guild

By Linda Pfeiffer

The quilt guild is looking forward to the Arts of Christmas on December 3rd and 4th. We will have a fundraiser quilt on display in the lobby available for purchase as well as a kids corner where Norwegian flags kits will be free for the kids to put together. We'll also have a booth with other items for sale. We will celebrate Christmas with a party at the home of Cheryl Lundberg for our meeting this year. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month. Please join us or call the office at 254 675-3724 for information or questions.

## Member Kaye Callaway

Member Kaye Callaway's amazing story is featured in the fall issue of *Baylor Line Magazine*. Editor-in-Chief Jonathan Platt details Curtis and Kaye's journey from her fall in Big Bend to her miraculous recovery and beyond. Kaye dropped a few copies by the BAC for anyone interested.



## Art Council

By Virginia Richards

The Art Council wishes the members and staff of the Bosque Arts Center a safe and wonderful holiday. After the holidays, Art Patrons can expect invitations to an Art Talk with dinner on February 19. Martin Grelle will be our presenter.

## ATRIUM GALLERY

JO BECK



Jo Beck has been drawing and painting ever since she can remember. Throughout elementary and high school she pursued her art interest aided by encouraging teachers. This may be the reason she ended up as a teacher herself and taught art for two years before she met her husband Bill. As a military wife and mother she moved many times and always found her niche in the artistic communities wherever they lived.

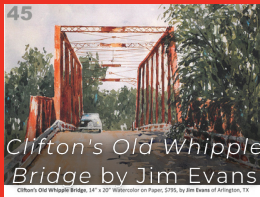
About 20 years ago she began painting on slate and then transitioned to the tiles she is best known for in this area today.

You may see Beck's works at the Atrium gallery 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and during BAC events held at other times. Be sure to swing by during the month of December and enjoy viewing Beck's art exhibit.

## IN MEMORIAM

We sadly extend our condolences to the families of Jim Evans, Penny Blue, Calvin Goerdel and Neal McDowell.

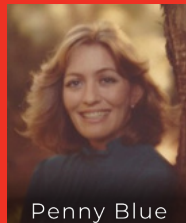
### Jim Evans



Jim Evans was a regular in the Bosque Art Classic, winning the Art Patrons Purchase Award in 2005 for his watercolor *Afternoon in Venice*. Jim shared his talent generously, contributing artwork often to the Big Event. He was a long-time member of the Arts Center with his wife, Catherine.

### Penny Blue

Born in Clifton, Penny Blue returned to her hometown after living in the Carolinas and Florida. She was a BAC member. A gentle and caring spirit, she was active with Meals on Wheels and Clifton Food Bank.



Penny Blue

### Calvin Goerdel



Calvin Goerdel

In October we also said goodbye to Rev. Calvin Goerdel. Cal and wife Donna were longtime members of the BAC and also patrons of TBT and BCMA. A retired minister, Cal served as interim pastor for Faith Lutheran in Meridian and Our Saviors in Norse.

He was very active in the community, perhaps making his largest mark on Bosque County as CEO of Lutheran Sunset Ministries.

### Neal McDowell

Neal McDowell has been a long-time member and supporter of all things BAC. He and wife Linda have for years been active Art Patrons, TBT patrons, and members of BCMA. Neal sang in the Bosque Choral and has served the BAC as a board member multiple times, as well as serving on the Art Council. Neal was quick to greet with a big smile and hug, always focusing on the positive and looking for ways to make the BAC a better place. We will miss his presence.



Neal & Linda McDowell

## Book Club

By Judith Baker

The BAC Book Club's next meeting will be on January 26th (no meetings in November or December). Our selections for January 26th include *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles (the bestselling author of *A Gentleman in Moscow*), plus



Alexander McCall Smith's latest *The Joy and Light Bus Company* (an easy fun read that is due to be released in mid-November). Please feel free to join us!

## Mardi Gras Event

By Lorana Rush

On February 12th, the Tin Building Theatre will be presenting a very special Mardi Gras Event, unlike anything we've ever done, that will be sure to start the season off right. Break out your best and most extravagant green, purple and gold attire, and make plans to attend and enjoy the sights, sounds, and tastes of NOLA. Laissez les bons temps rouler!! More details to come...watch for more announcements and tickets to go on sale in January.





## Last Month Memories

### Troubadour Songwriter Classic



### Ladies Luncheon



### Ann Patton Reception



### Young Frankenstein



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## DECEMBER EVENTS

Dec 1 & 2	9am - 4pm	Rosemaling Workshop
Dec 3	4pm	Jane's Reception
Dec 3	7pm-9pm	Arts of Christmas
Dec 4	9am-5pm	Arts of Christmas
Dec 7	10 am	Art Club (Christmas Party)
Dec 7	7 pm	Quilt Guild (Christmas Party at Lundberg home)
Dec 9	7:30 pm	Bosque Chorale's 'Handel's Messiah'
Dec 11	7 pm	Art Patron Dinner
Dec 12	2 pm	Gingerbread Workshop
Dec 14	6:30 pm	Bingo
Dec 23-24	-	BAC closed for Christmas
Dec 30-31	-	BAC closed for New Year

## EARLY JANUARY EVENTS

Jan 4	10 am	Art Club
Jan 4	7 pm	Quilt Guild
Jan 10	6 pm	Membership Tailgate
Jan 13	7 pm	Texas A&M Singing Cadets
Jan 18	2 pm	Photography Guild

## WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday	Yoga: 12:10 pm
Tuesday	Karate: 4:40 pm, Guitar: by appointment, Chorale: 7 pm
Wednesday	Yoga: 12:10 pm
Thursday	Karate: 4:40 pm
Friday	Yoga: 12:10 pm

Piano lessons by appointment

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