Art For Heart's Sake

In a town known for arts and crafts, this St. Francisville gallery is devoted to its namesake.

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The cooperative is considering having the child's quilt decorated with carousel horses. Brooks asked to pay for the materials, especially after the quilt sold for $45. Brooks would not accept it.

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That would allow them to gradually learn the skills and earn money and possibly develop a cottage industry. It is difficult for many of the people in this area who are unemployed to find work.

"We knew that we were going to have to take what we're learning and learn it to somebody else," Brooks said. "I kissed her and said, 'Thank you.'"