

**Loose Threads
Quilter's Guild of
Parker County**

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**North Side Baptist Church
910 N. Main St.
Weatherford, TX 77086
April 2019**

Comfort Quilt Sew-In

April 18, 2019 at

Couts Methodist Church

**802 North Elm,
Weatherford**

Sew-in starts at 2:00 PM. Will continue until dinner time.

Meeting begins at 7:00 PM at Couts Church.

- Bring Paint Chip Challenge Quilts.
- Bring projects to sew on for Comfort Quilts.
- Bring sewing supplies, sewing machine, thread, long extension cord.
- Wear name tag.
- Bring what you like to drink water Provided.
- Bring deposit for retreat in July.

Welcome new members:

Sharon Handy

George Whitenight

Found a pair of reading glasses in a small black pouch. See Pam if you've lost them.

President's Message

I hope this edition of our monthly newsletter finds you happy and stitching along. Last month was an amazing program with high attendance. It's fascinating to see how many blocks can be made from a square-in-a-square! This month is our annual Sew-in where members gather to make comfort quilts for the Comfort Quilt program. Judy Fitzgerald, has been working on arrangements for the setup at Couts Methodist Church. Please find all of the pertinent details inside this newsletter.

We will also have our regular Guild meeting with the social gathering beginning at the regular time. This will also be the big reveal for the Initial Challenge paint chip quilts! Members who are participating should have their quilts to the meeting prior to 6:46 PM so Anita can get it numbered and in place for display. Member voting will begin at 6:45 PM promptly and end at 7:00 PM. Anita will announce the winners after Show and Tell of the Comfort Quilts. I am so excited to see all of the creativity inspired by paint chip colors!

As I write this letter, I am finishing up my Initial Challenge Quilt. I know - I still have a few weeks left to finish - but as sure as I mentioned in an earlier note that sometimes a quilt will tell you when it's done - this one keeps tell me to add more stuff! I tried a machine quilting technique called McTavishing. It was developed by long-arm quilter, Karen McTavish. I was really nervous about messing up the quilt after I had done a lot of work. Sometimes, you just have to take the plunge and go for it. I'm very pleased with the outcome and I'm happy I learned something new. After all, that's what a challenge is about. I can't wait to hear some of your stories and thoughts about the challenge. There is still time left for anyone who wants to participate. The guidelines are posted on the website.

Piece - until we meet again!

Pam

Quilters Guild of Parker County
General Meeting
March 21, 2019

Social time began at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Guild President Pam Luke.

Announcements -

Pam stated that we are not to put anything on the pool tables per church policy.

Pam welcomed new members and tonight's guests.

The February 2019 Executive Board and General Guild Meeting minutes were approved at the Executive Board meeting held March 7, 2019.

The February 2019 Treasurer's Report was approved at the Executive Board meeting held March 7, 2019.

Donna Motley lost her guild membership card last meeting and would appreciate it back if anyone has located.

Shirley Reagan conducted an audit of the Guild finances. The audit report is included at the end of these minutes.

General meeting for April will be held at Couets UMC.

Correspondence -

The following correspondence was received and read to the membership:

- Website requests:
- A request for someone willing to make a T-shirt quilt.
- A lady from Iowa who has a Weatherford-themed quilt. Dated 1962, with name of Verda Riddle, second . Eula's daughter is married into the Riddle family.

Program Report –

Nancy Martin announced that Jodi Barrow's workshop, *Square in a Square*, will be held at Northside Baptist Church and begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday. 19 are registered. Supply list is on the website.

May's 2-day workshop will be at Couets UMC. 12 are currently registered.

Raffle Quilt -

Rex Shrauner completed piecing the quilt with the help of Mary and Bob Williams, has quilted it, and is preparing to bind it.

Retreat –

Susie Kirkland reported that July 11-14 are the dates for the Guild Retreat. Attendees are requested to bring 3 fat quarters, as they'll be used to play a game. Myra Hall is going to teach something at the retreat. Deposit of \$100 is due at time of reservation; the entire cost of \$262.50 is needed by May 31.

Newsletter –

Becky Klein gave no report.

Habitat for Humanity –

Joyce Coney gave no report.

Comfort Quilts –

Judy Fitzgerald reported that she has delivered 68 quilts! Grace House received a number of them. She stressed that the people who receive these quilts are extremely appreciative.

Sew-In is April 14, starting at 2:00 at Couets UMC. Bring sewing machine, tools and an electrical extension cord. Batting will be set up in a room off the main room. There will be 4 people to a table, with Sew-easy tables or small tables ok. Cutting and ironing stations will be set up, and dinner will be provided.

Minutes Continued:

Special Projects -

Anita Ruthenberg - Bring the mini quilt for the initial/paint chip challenge to the Sew-In. You can put in multiple entries! She emphasized that you can use 3 different paint chips - it is 3 color challenge, not a 3 fabric challenge. You can use multiple fabrics with the 3 colors in it.

She then described the challenge for the visitors.

Anita also announced the *Beginning Quilters class for the public*. She asked that people invite those they know to the class.

Publicity -

Kay Burleson introduced herself. The Guild has facebook, newspaper and magazine articles, as well as the bookmarks that Paula Hunt designed. The April version of Hoopla will include an article on Susan Mason, new member from Montana. The May issue is in work. Kay is also working to generate a Weatherford Now article on Comfort Quilts. The Facebook page has 200 regular followers, with 212 posts last month. 9:00 p.m. is the most common usage time. Be sure to post on the site!

Auction -

Nancy Gengler reminded us that the auction is in September. Myra Hall spoke on the Take-it-for-\$10 table and the raffle. Please donate good, usable items which will be put in collections to be sold for \$10. For the raffle, yardage or fat quarters are best, rulers, used sewing machines, kits, completed blocks - almost anything is wonderful. We made close to \$1000 last time. Collection of items is in June and July. Lynn Main and Myra Hall are receiving items.

Membership Report -

Ann Honea reported that we had 82 members present, 6 guests and 2 new members. Pat Elam won the drawing for members, Lana Bass for guests, and Kay Burleson for Name Tags.

Sunshine and Shadows Report –

Jean McBride reported that she had received no reports for the month. Members reported the following:

Shadows:

- Our condolences to Debbie Dover, who lost her mother.
- Katherine Poznick needs prayers for her daughter who is having open heart surgery.

Sunshines:

- Kay Burleson's granddaughter made the Bluebellies!
- Becky Klein's parents stayed out of the hospital!
- Myra Hall had a hip replaced, and has had 4 weeks without any help!
- Debbie Dover's mother passed during a beautiful sunrise. She was a quilt lover, but not a quilt maker. Debbie said she loved to come to guild where the membership is so focused on helping others.

Show and Tell –

A large number of beautiful quilts were shown, including many provided for Comfort Quilts.

Program -

Rex Shrauner introduced Jodi Barrows, whose program is titled "Square in a Square Quilting".

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Rex Shrauner, Secretary.

COMFORT QUILTS

Last month comfort quilts received 26 quilts from all of you. They are getting prettier and prettier each month. There are some really great patterns and beautiful fabric. I thank you all so very much.

This month our guild meeting is the Comfort Quilt Sew In. It is going to be held at the Couets Methodist Church on Elm St. It's across the street from Northside Baptist. On the northside of the church, which is a one way street is the parking. The entrance to the church, where we will be going in, is across the street from the Learning Center.

I will be providing the ironing boards, irons, batting (2) rolls, cutting board, and table for the cutting station. I will also be providing sandwiches, chips, cookies, and water. What you need to bring is your sewing machine, sewing tools, (thread, rotary cutter, pins, etc), your comfort quilt project(s), & your long electrical cord. There are 9 plugs so we should be just fine.

The Sew In starts at 2:00pm and since the school has classes arriving at 2:00 would be best. We will also be having the judging of the Paint Chip Challenge and a show and tell of some of the quilts that you all have made that day.

Hope to see you there, it should be a fun day.

Judy Fitzgerald



2019 Auction Update

Save the Date: Saturday, Sept. 21st from Noon to 4:00 p.m.

Location: North Side Baptist Church, Weatherford

Time is flying! We are less than six months away from our Guild's fund-raising auction! Here are several ways for each of us to contribute:

Quilts

- Any size is OK – including baby quilts and table runners
- New quilts are great.... but “antique” quilts in good condition are also appreciated
- Designs can be simple or complex

Take it for \$10 and Raffle Items

- Quilting Tools
- Fat Quarters
- Books
- Sewing Machines
- Other Quilting Related Items

Country Store

- Handcrafted items that will sell for less than \$10 .

Examples: Ornaments, Coasters, Zipper Bags, Pot Holders

Use your imagination and come up with a unique item which you think will sell

Just a few will do!

We've had some items turned in and have heard from others they plan to contribute. Everyone is encouraged to participate and help make the 2019 Guild Auction a success.

Thanks for Your Support!



INITIAL CHALLENGE

Hurry and finish your small quilt to be displayed at our Comfort Quilt Sew In in April. There will be prizes! I hope everyone can participate!

Rules:

1. Go to Lowes, Home Depot or wherever and select 3 paint chips or color samples that the names correspond with your initials. For example; I am ALR, so I might find paint color samples Aqua, Lemon and Red. It must be the name of the color that begins with your initial. You must use your legal name! No skirting the rules with nicknames!
2. Figure out a way to use these colors in a small quilt. You must use each color in a recognizable amount. Prints must be predominately the chip color. You may add additional fabrics.
4. Think out of the box! Unusual fabrics, techniques or embellishments are strongly encouraged! Quilt may be pieced, fused, glued, woven or anything you can think of to get 3 layers to be a legal quilt.
5. Your quilt may not exceed 24" X 24" although it may be any size smaller. No side may exceed 24".
6. Label the back with your name.
7. Bring your FINISHED quilt to Comfort Quilt Sew-In in April. You must have the paint chips you used to create the quilt as they will be attached to the quilt when it is displayed.
8. Have fun! This is a challenge to help us improve our creative skills!
9. Multiple entries are OK!

Anita Ruthenberg

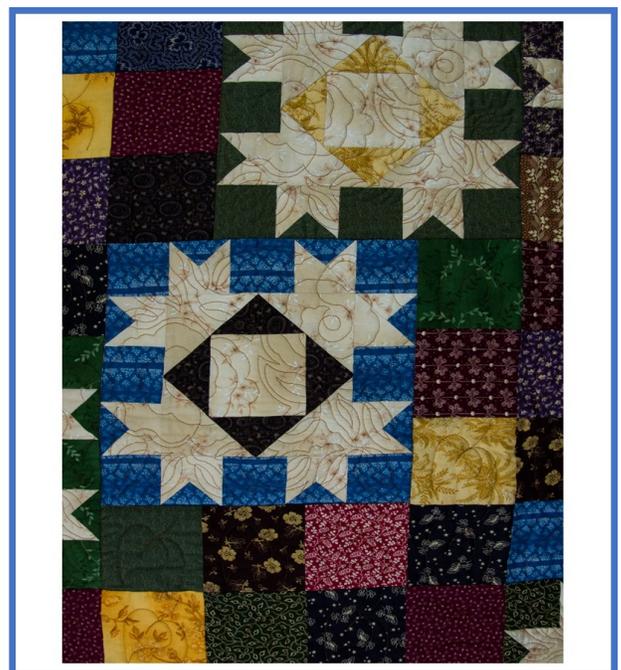
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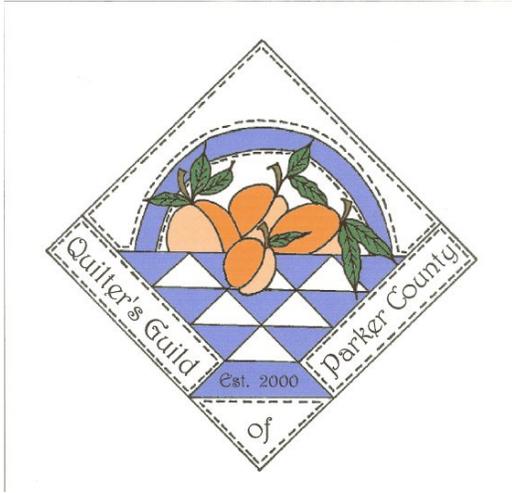
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Meeting April 18, 2019

Couts Church at 2:00 p,m, sew-in .

Couts Church 7:00 p.m. short meeting

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