



LOOSE THREADS

Newsletter of the Quilter's Guild of Parker County

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Dates to Remember

- Jan 18—Guild Meeting—Linda Neal “How to Create an Award Winning Quilt”
- Jan 19—Workshop - “Cookie Cutter Bouquet” beginning applique
- Feb 15—Guild Meeting—Ledine Watson—Trunk Show
- Feb 16 Workshop—Perfect Piecing
- March 21 –Guild Meeting — Carole Lyles Shaw (Zoom) - “What is a Modern Quilt? The Myths and the Magic!”
- April 18 -Guild Meeting—Comfort Quilt Sew-In
- May 16—Guild Meeting —Kim Oleson, “Modern Batiks of Java and Bali”
- May 17—Workshop “Raw-Edge Reverse Applique”

President's Column

It's January, 2024. The start of a new year, new quilting adventures, new workshops, new meetings. For me (and I'm sure many of you who spent your lives in the education field), New Year's seemed a little misplaced. For almost 60 years, my new year started in August with the end of the year in June. July was a free month. Sure the date changed in January, but the kids were still the same as well as the teachers and later the parents. But now those days are over and getting to start again in January seems like a real treat.

Your guild board has been working hard to make 2024 a special quilting year. Programs and workshops have been planned with a wide range of topics, from applique to piecing, batiks and using a walking foot. We hope there is something that will pique your interest. We have our April sew-in on the books as well as the August schoolhouse. We're planning a weekend retreat as well as looking for opportunities to have one day sew-ins certain months. And of course in September, we will be having a quilt show to let all of us marvel at the amazing work we do with fabric, thread, batting and machines.

A huge shoutout to Mary Williams for her planning of our program calendar. She worked hard to obtain speakers on a wide range of quilting topics. Brenda Landureth is currently working on 2025. To Kathleen Poznick for the monthly newsletter and Dee Bradford for maintaining the Facebook page. Sheryl Levy for keeping up with Sunshine and Shadows and Joanne Goodman for managing our show and tell. For Frances Randall, the beekeeper and Anita Ruthenberg for arranging our retreat. Judy McDonald keeps up with the money and Karen Pickford with the minutes. But the biggest round of applause goes to Nancy Gengler for her leadership last year.

But with all those people on board, we still have room for you. We need a new membership chair, a quilt show committee, meeting greeters. We would like to start some new bees so members can get to know each other better. If you can help, let one of us know. Don't think someone else is doing something. We need all of you to pitch in to make this a successful year. We're lucky. We're a healthy growing guild in a rapidly growing area. Let's keep welcoming new members and recognizing familiar faces, too. We're the Quilters Guild of Parker County. Each and everyone of us.

Lynn Main

QGPC General Meeting

December 14, 2023

President Nancy Gengler called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Karen Pickford gave the instructions for the first game, which was to take place during the dinner portion of the evening. Helen Jones gave the blessing and orchestrated the beginning of the meal.

Business Meeting

Nancy Gengler announced the recipients of our donations this year. Meals on Wheels received \$1000 and Freedom House and Grace each received \$750. She also announced that QGPC has donated more than 300 quilts to a wide variety of recipients.

Installation of New Officers:

Past president, Rex Shrauner, installed the new officers and presented them with a sewing notion to represent their particular role. As Treasurer, Judy McDonald was given scissors in order to trim the budget. Secretary Karen Pickford was given a packet of needles to stitch together the minutes from the meetings, VP Programs Brenda Landureth was given a bobbin to indicate the role she plays in holding the group together, and President Lynn Main was given a ruler, for obvious reasons!

Lynn then gave an inspirational talk to encourage involvement in the guild and asked everyone to consider ways that they can help the guild.

Show & Tell:

Joanne Goodman led the Show & Tell portion of the meeting with a focus on holiday quilts. The photos will be posted on the guild's Facebook page.

Game and Fabric Give-Away:

Karen Pickford then led the final game - a Bingo game in which members present were asked to find different people to meet each of the criteria on the game sheet. Five winners of gift bags of fabric were selected from those who had filled all of the squares with different names.

Nancy announced that we had received an enormous donation of fabrics and that the Board

had decided to distribute them in gift bags to members present. Each person was given a bag. Extra fabric was placed on a table for members to select or trade.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Membership News—Kathleen Poznick

We have 147 members!

Membership Renewals have begun! \$25 a year

is a great deal for all

wonderful programs and workshop we have!

Forms are available on our website or at the Membership desk. Even if you are exempt because of age, please fill out a new form so we can make sure our information is up-to-date.



Sunshine & Shadows

- ◆ When Nancy Gengler and John married many years ago, as an added blessing, Nancy became a grandmother to Mackenzie. Now....she and her husband are the proud parents of Skye who was born on January 3rd. She is a small bundle of beautiful joy at 5 lbs, 7 oz. and 18 inches long. We love being great grandparents for the first time.
- ◆ Sheryl Levy's grandson, Carter, got his robotics team to adapt toys for disabled children for free over mid-winter break. They made the news!

<https://www.fox4news.com/video/1390784>

- ◆ Eula Mae Phillips passed away on Dec 23 rd. Eula, 97, was an active Guild member. She made many quilts every year. She inspired so many of us and always had a friendly smile. Eula joined us for the holiday party.





Bluebonnet Bee—Blue Bonnet Bee meets every Thursday at 10:00 AM at the Weatherford Senior Center, 1225 Holland

Lake Drive, Weatherford. Open to all members and non-members. Come bring a handwork project and have a friendly chat!

Needlework Bee— Jan 1-3pm Weatherford Public Library. Open to the public, with no dues. Any handwork can be done! For more information contact Pam Luke @ pgluke@gmail.com



Quilter's Acronyms

BDNQ—Bad Day, Not Quilting

BOM—Block of the Month

DQ—Dragon Quilt (A quilt that dragged many places before its finished)

DSM—Domestic Sewing Machine

FART—Fabric Acquisition Road Trip

FOB—Fear of Binding



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Thank you to the Quilters Guild of Parker County for your donation of breathtaking quilts! We love being able to gift children a beautiful quilt when they come to the center. Thank you for your support of the children of Parker County!



Looking Forward!

JANUARY: Linda Neal–In-Person Program & Workshop

January 18th Program: “How to Create an Award-Winning Quilt”

January 19th Workshop: “Cookie Cutter Bouquet”

Time: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Location: Lakeshore Baptist Church, 200 S. Lakeshore Dr., Hudson Oaks



Use your favorite cookie cutters as patterns to make your own applique project! Linda will bring some cutters too. This full day workshop explores the freezer paper/starch method of hand applique that Linda uses in her award-winning quilts. Whether you have never done it or have lots of experience, Linda’s class will be informative and fun! (Supply list on the website.)

The parchment paper and freezer paper will be provided.

FEBRUARY: Ledine Watson–In-Person Program & Workshop

February 15th Program: “Lecture and Trunk Show by Ledine Watson”

February 16th Workshop: “Perfect Piecing”

Time: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Location: Lakeshore Baptist Church, 200 S. Lakeshore Dr., Hudson Oaks

There are 25 signed up, but a few more can be accommodated so don’t hesitate!

Learn how to precision-piece. In February an email will be sent regarding preparations for the workshop. Attendees will need to prepare and cut fabric prior to the workshop. **Heads up!!** Workshop attendees will need to grab 1 ¼ yard for a modern two-tone 48” X 48” throw **or** 11 fat quarters for a scrappy fat quarter version. For the background fabric you will need 1 3/8 yards and another half yard for binding.



MARCH: Carole Lyles Shaw–Zoom Program No Workshop

March 21st Program: “What Is a Modern Quilt? The Myths and The Magic!”

This lecture and trunk show introduces quilters of all backgrounds to the modern quilt movement. Intimidated by modern quilts or just confused or curious about this emerging trend in quilting? Carole dispels some of the myths and misunderstandings so you can understand and appreciate this new style of creative quilt expression! There will be lots of time for questions and answers.



March 22: There will NOT be a workshop for this month. Is anyone interested in attending a sew-in day? Please contact Brenda Landureth at (940)329-3845 soon so it can be arranged by the Board.

Comfort Quilts—December

By Lynn Main

December was quite a month for comfort quilts. Lots of deliveries were made to our partners. CASA was thrilled to have a quilt for each of its children for their Christmas party. They especially loved getting the older boy's quilts and ones for girls in unusual color schemes. Most of their clients have outgrown the pink and purple stage. Black and white are big hits. Some of our assisted living facilities use the quilts as part of a gift selection event. Residents go shopping with our quilts as one of the possible 'purchases'. Apparently there can be some gentle arguments over who gets which one, but all are gratefully received and put to good use.

For the past two years I've tried to give you some simple ideas for using up your stash in making comfort quilts. This year I'm going to change this up a little. I'm not sure how many new quilts I'll be making, but I have lots of suggestions for you to look up ideas that you can use to make simple quilts. But before the year gets too far, I'd like to recommend you check into the 2024 Declutter Challenge on YOUTUBE. Karen Brown of Just Get It Done Quilts has presented this challenge for the past few years and gives lots of ideas for dealing with all your stuff. I'm not going to be able to keep up with her daily schedule but she leaves the videos up for several months so I can return to them to refresh my memory. And I'm going to do my best to use up what is already taking up too much space in my house. So scrappy quilts here I come. My favorite blocks are log cabins or pine-apples. I see lots of these in my future. Just cutting up strips. I did the pictured one with my pastel leftovers. I'm finishing up the binding on the bright one. Got to get rid of some scraps. I'm sure many of you do, too.



Quilter's Guild of Parker County 2024 Membership Form

MY INFORMATION

Name _____

Mailing & Street Address _____

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Birthday Month _____ Day _____

MEMBERSHIP & NEWSLETTER CHOICES

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The newsletter is published on our website (quiltersguildofparkercounty.org). Providing the Guild with your email address acknowledges that you will be placed on the Guild's email notification list for various communications, including the newsletter.

If you do not have an email address or cannot get to the website, please check here: _____.

Committee Participation:

I would like to help on a committee: _____yes _____no

Our email is ggpc2000@gmail.com if you would like to send us an email with your interests.

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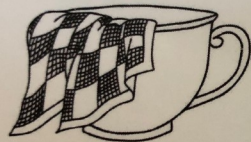
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Jan 18, 2024

Begins at 6:45pm

Lakeshore Baptist Church

200 S. Lakeshore Dr.

Hudson Oaks, TX 76087

The Quilters Guild of Parker County is a 501c3 non-profit organization. The Guild meets on the third Thursday of each month beginning at 6:45 PM at the Lakeshore Baptist Church, 200 S. Lakeshore Drive in Hudson Oaks, TX.

The public is invited to attend two meetings gratis prior to being asked to join. Membership is open to anyone interested in quilts or quilting. The Executive Board meeting is the first Thursday of the month at 6PM. Members are welcome to attend via Zoom.

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