

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

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

**Meeting:** March 21, 2019  
7:00 p.m.

**Speaker:** Jodi Barrows  
from

Square in a Square

**Workshop:** March 23,  
9:00 a.m.

North Side Baptist,  
Fellowship Hall

Welcome new members  
Donna Bracke  
Brooks Miller  
Jenetta Whitenight  
Bob Williams

- Bring retreat deposit
- Wear Name Tag
- Bring for Center of Hope
- Bring Show and Tell



Welcome Spring - bring it on! This is the time for bees and buzzing, which brings me to what's been buzzing around the Guild.



First, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who is contributing to the Comfort Quilt program. I was amazed at the stacks of quilts that were left on the table last month. The need in the community keeps going, so I am thankful we can help bring a smile through the gift of a quilt. Another thanks goes out to members who are contributing to the Habitat for Humanity quilts. Joyce Coney announced that the house has been started and one of the two quilts is finished. Also, we have two members, Rex Shrauner and Anita Ruthenburg, who are planning a community quilting class for beginners. So, thanks to them for extending the educational mission of the Guild to the community.

On another front, several members have been busy planning out the Auction day that will take place on September 21st. Mark your calendar and watch for forthcoming information on what will be needed to make the fundraiser a success. All contributions, no matter how small, will be welcomed. Nancy and Lynn, our co-chairs, will make requests during the coming months as details unfold.

Finally, we have buzzing going on about the Initial Challenge using paint chips for inspiration. If you have not checked out the website lately, the categories for prizes have been posted below the complete list of guidelines. Anyone who has left over chips can bring them to this month's meeting and place them on the "free table" for others to use.

Speaking of "free table," we were asked by the Church staff to NOT place anything on the pool tables. They are expensive and balanced for use of the game. We will have tables set up along the west wall of the room for items members can share or take. Let's be mindful of these rules as we are guests and grateful for the privilege to have such a nice meeting place. So thanks for your cooperation.

In the meantime, take a visit to the website to find workshop details, the updated membership roster, and timely information on the Bulletin Board.

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General Meeting  
February 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.

Pam Luke welcomed new members and tonight's guest. She also recognized last month's new members.

January 2019 General Meeting minutes were approved at the Executive Board meeting held February 7, 2019.

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

Auction: Will be held on Saturday, September 21. It is moving from the normal Thursday afternoon/evening to Saturday. It is still to be decided if we will have the general meeting on Thursday, September 19.

The President discussed that we still need a Publicity Chair.

**Correspondence** - The following correspondence was received and read to the membership:

None

**Program Report –**

Nancy Martin announced that Alice Shrader's workshop, *Folded Flowers*, will be held at Couts UMC and begin at 10:00 a.m. Supply list is on the website.

The workshop for March, *Square-in-a-Square*, does require a special ruler. We are working with the presenter to see if there may be some available for use during the workshop before purchase. Reference the website for updates.

**Raffle Quilt -**

Rex Shrauner has received all but 4 blocks. He showed one-half of the completed top. The top will be finished tomorrow as there are only six seams that remain.

**Retreat –**

No Report from Susie Kirkland.

**Newsletter –**

Becky Klein gave no report.

Pam Luke requested articles for the newsletter. Send to QGPCnewsletter.com.

**Habitat for Humanity –**

Joyce Coney stated that there had not been much activity recently due to difficulty raising money. They are starting another house in April/May. To be built for a mother and daughter. The quilts for both are in work.

**Comfort Quilts** – 23 quilts were provided in January. Still need baby and wheelchair quilts. April is the Sew-in at Couts UMC. Bring your supplies and come to sew! The event begins at 2:00.

Judy has blocks that need to be put together, quilted and bound for some wheelchair quilts.

**Membership Report -**

Ann Honea reported that we had 62 members present, 1 guest and 4 new members. Jeanie Garvin won the drawing for members, Lorelei ? for guests and Gail Cherry for Name Tags.

## **Sunshine and Shadows Report –**

Jean McBride reported the following:

### Shadows:

- Joyce Thompson's husband passed away
- Alline Winstead will be having knee replacement soon
- Becky Klein's parents have been in and out of the hospital.
- Anna Addington recently had cornea surgery.

### Sunshines:

- Weatherford Now featured Anita Rutherford
- Hoopa featured Lynn Main
- Myra Hall had hip replacement – should be home this weekend
- Sue Haupt has been ill but is now better.
- Ann Honea had a new grandbaby boy in August.

## **Show and Tell –**

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

## **Auction –**

Lynn Main and Nancy Gengler - Lynn challenged all to turn in a Quilt for the auction. Smaller quilts sell for around \$50. Table runners, placemats, all sizes of quilts. This is the way we raise the money for speakers and programs.

One request – pin a piece of paper that has your name and what you want to name the quilt. Question - Will we have a country store? Answer - We will have a "Take it for \$10" table (Myra Hall is leading). You can drop off quilts for the auction at Lynn's house in May.

Nancy also encouraged all to contribute.

## **Special Program –**

Ann Honea introduced our first challenge - The Paint Chip Challenge. Take the initials of your *legal* name. Find paint chips named beginning with your initials. Make a quilt no larger than 24" square. All about creativity and color. Embellishments encouraged. Complete by the sew-in on April 18. Bring the inspiration paint chips with you. Instructions are in the newsletter and on the website.

## **Program –**

Lynn Main introduced Alice Shrader, whose program is titled "Adding Texture to Quilts".

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.



## March Birthdays

March 2

Joanna Swonger

March 10

Jenetta Whitenight

March 12

Dixie Ehrhorn

March 15

Rex Shrauner

March 21

Pat Elam

March 30

Brooks Ann Miller



Happy  
St. Patrick's Day!

## INITIAL CHALLENGE

I hope everyone is working on their Paint Chip Challenge! Please participate in making a small quilt to be displayed at our Comfort Quilt Sew In in April. There will be prizes!

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

Special Projects

## INITIAL CHALLENGE NEWS & AWARDS

Anita Ruthenburg

The awards for the paint chip initial Challenge have been decided. They are also posted on the website under the Challenges tab.

### PRIZE CATEGORIES

- **Most Creative**
- **Best Match of Fabric to Paint Chips**
- **Best Use of Embellishments**
- **Member's Choice**

### President's Choice

Since our Sew-In will be held at Coutts Methodist Church, we will hold our regular business meeting there as well. It will be short and sweet after a long day of sewing, but we want members to come and see the challenge quilts and participate in the voting. We have a few fine details to work out and we will keep you updated. But for now, you should have plenty of time to create something small for the challenge. Good luck and have fun!

### PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE!

**If you make your quilt with fabric of only the three colors in your paint chips, you will be eligible for the President's Challenge Award! The winning quilt will be selected by the President and awarded a cash prize!**



## Comfort Quilts

This month I will give you all a report on how we are doing with the Comfort Quilt Program.

For the months of January and February, the wonderful ladies of the guild have turned in 58 quilts. I had 4 quilts left over from last year and one of them was a great quilt, double size, that I gave to the auction. There were two that were large throws that went to Freedom House and one wheelchair quilt that was added to those quilts that were distributed to the various nursing homes.

Besides gathering all of the quilts from you all, the best thing is distributing them to Grace House and the nursing homes. This time, when I went to Grace House with the baby quilts they had not gotten any quilts since November. They were very happy to get the ones this month because I had 20 baby quilts and blankets to give to them. While I was there, I noticed that they were going to have a party. They told me that it was a baby shower for 6 mothers to be. The room was decorated and the food looked wonderful. I was told that when a new mother to be comes in she gets her pick of the quilts that we provide for them and they are so delighted and thankful. So, you see, the work that you do is so much appreciated.

I also delivered 38 quilts to several of the nursing homes here in town and again they were so appreciated by the ladies who received them. They will be distributed to the residents to use for wheelchair and lap quilts.

Now for the sew-in. It will be on April 18<sup>th</sup> and in a new location. It will be held at Couts Methodist church on Elm St. If you look at last months newsletter there are instructions on how to get there and which door to go in. Next month, I will have instructions in the newsletter. We will provide the batting, an ironing station, a cutting station, tables, etc. You need to bring your project, sewing machine, and sewing supplies. There will also be food and water. If you need a different drink, I ask that you provide your own. There will be more information on the sew in at the guild meeting.

Again, thank you so much for your contributions to the Comfort Quilt program.

Judy Fitzgerald



## Quilt Auction Country Store

If you have heard a rumor that we are having a country store at the quilt auction this year, it isn't just a rumor, it's true. We are planning to have a smaller scaled-down version of what we do at the quilt show. We will have only a couple of hours to sell things, rather than two days, so we need to keep it small. The idea is just to add another element of interest to the auction. And, who doesn't like to shop wherever they go!

Think smaller items that will sell for less than \$10, such as ornaments, coasters, wallets, little zipper bags, notebook covers, dishcloths, pot holders, etc. Try to come up with some new ideas. Since we want to keep it small, just a few will do. As usual, these must be handcrafted items.

Turn your items into Mary Williams any time before August 31. I will be reminding you as the year progresses, but I just wanted to get this on your radar so when you see that cute little thing you wanted to try making, you will have a reason to do so! Thank you once again for your participation.



## Annual Quilt Retreat

The retreat is coming up. This year's retreat will be held July 11-14, 2019 at Sunset Retreat in Sunset, TX.

A \$100 deposit is due at the March 21, 2019 guild meeting. The rest of the payment is due on or before May 31, 2019. A packet for the retreat will be given out at the June guild meeting.

Total for retreat is \$262.50.

\$100 Deposit  
\$162.50 due on or before 31 May

The guild has to pay the retreat center at least 30 days in advance so there will be no last minute sign ups.

If you have any questions please contact Susie Kirkland, 3490 Kirkland Ln., Weatherford, TX 76085

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Retreat Registration Form

Sunset Retreat

July 11 to 14, 2019

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact name & phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Room Assignments:** Please list who you would like to room with. Room assignments will be made before you get there. The rooms available are:

2 Rooms with 4 Beds ADA

7 Rooms with 5 Beds

1 Room with 3 Beds

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**Special dietary needs:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The cost of the Retreat is \$262.50**

100.00 Down Payment

\$162.50 Balance due on or before May 31

We must have your full payment at this time as the Guild must make full payment to Sunset Retreat 30 days in advance of our arrival.

A packet with directions and other information will be given at the June 20 Guild meeting.

**Please note: Your signature constitutes your agreement to indemnify and hold harmless both the Quilter's Guild of Parker County and Sunset Retreat from any injury, accident, loss or damages of any kind occurring during this Retreat.**

Please sign and return to Susie either by mail or at the Guild meetings.

Signature Acknowledgement: \_\_\_\_\_

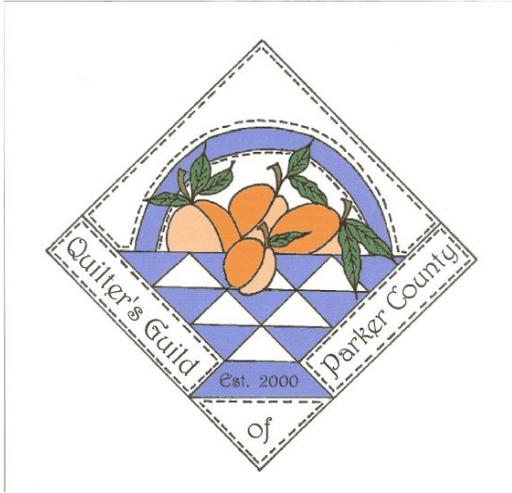
Thank You

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The Quilters Guild of Parker County is a 501c3 non-profit organization. The Guild Meets on the third Thursday of each month. At the North Side Baptist Church., 910 North Main St. Weatherford, TX 76086. The public is invited to attend two meetings gratis prior to being asked to join. The Executive Board Meeting is the first Thursday of the month In the Room 118 at the North Side Baptist Church beginning at 6 PM. Members are welcome to attend. Membership is open to anyone interested in quilts or quilting.

**Meeting March 21, 2019**

**Fellowship 6:30 pm**  
**Meeting 7:00 pm**

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