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Meeting Info

9:30 am Social & Check-In 10:00 am Meeting

Map and location on last page of newsletter

Refreshments

January: HIK February: OPQR March: NTUV

March: N April: C May: L G June: S July: B

August: A D J
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October: W X Y Z
November: M
December:

Luncheon

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER August 2022

Hello everyone! If you missed last months meeting, it was the award ceremony for the Cuddle Quilt Challenge. We had over 30 Cuddle quilts to vote on. I was glad to see that so many members participated in the challenge. All the quilts were outstanding. We would probably have had more quilts represented but the weather definitely was not co-operating, with monsoon like rain. This month will be a treat as we will have a Zoom meeting with the one and only Eleanor Burns. I don't know about you, but through watching her show, I learned the fundamentals of quilting, and I never looked back. Until we meet again...

Sherry Gary President





August Birthdays

2 – Donna Kilgore
22 – Sheila Lowry, Kathy Vintges
11 —Connie Miller
25 – Carol Brown
14 —Bev Montgomery
26 – Jeanne Bartels
16—Debbie Robertson
27 – Ceil Nolley
19—Pat Fontenot

QUILTERS GUILD OF EAST TEXAS

The Quilters Guild of East Texas met at First Christian Church on Thursday, July 14, 2022.

Cuddle quilt presentation began upon arrival. The quilts were viewed and the first round of voting was held before the meeting was called to order. The winners of the cuddle quilt challenge are Lucinda Emmons, Carolyn Franklin and Cindy Newland. 31 quilts will be donated to Child Advocacy Center, 1st Baptist Family Assistance Ministry and Refuge of Light.

The Business meeting of the Guild was called to order at 10:15 a.m.

Sherry Gary, President, welcomed all members and guests.

The June General Meeting minutes were approved as distributed in the newsletter.

Treasurer – Cecilia Brannon - The Financial report was posted in the lobby. Any questions should be addressed to Cecilia.

Nominating Committee - Jackie Ruffing presented will present the new slate of officers:

President - Sherry Gary

1ST Vice President - Corey Starkey

2nd Vice President - Robin Kinley

Mitzi Pearson will assist Robin.

Secretary - Frieda Pickett

Treasurer - Sheryl Moore

There were no nominations from the floor.

The nominating committee is Jackie Ruffing, Susan Branscum, Sue Olsson, Jan Copas, Freida Pickett and Susan Merrill, advisor.

1st Vice President – Corey Starkey – Hive demos are as follows - Propeller Steam punk demo this month presented by Sue Olsson. August will be a demo on Cathedral Windows presented by Rose Wilson. September demo will be the Pineapple Block presented by Marcie Alberts. October, November and December there will be no hive meeting.

2nd Vice President – Cathy Woodson - July is the Cuddle Quilt Panel Challenge. Lisa Martin will have the workshop on Friday teaching wool applique. Kit fee to be paid to Lisa. August will be a Zoom presentation with Eleanor Burns. The workshop on Friday will be on Sashiko presented by Tana Doss. September's program will be from Trish Stewart and there will be a workshop on Friday making a collage. October is our White Elephant Sale. November's program will be Nancy Roelfsema with a half day workshop on Thursday and a full day workshop on Friday. December will be our annual Christmas luncheon.

Membership – 60 members were present. Sherry Gary announced dues had been increased to \$40 effective for the September 2022-October 2023 year. There is a new membership form

Reception – Becky Chambers – We had one visitor, Amy Johnson. Door prizes were donated by Crafts & Quilting, Etc., Options and Joyful Threads.

Special Event Coordinator – Pat Graham – The Houston bus trip will be November 3, 2023. The price of the trip is \$75 with sign up beginning in August. Call if you need a table for the White Elephant sale.

Social Media – Jackie Ruffing – Quilt show pictures have been added to the website. Thanks to Rhonda Chapman for taking the pictures.

Newsletter – Lucinda Cox – Please have all your articles to her by the 20th.

Quilt Show – Cecilia Brannon – The cost of Tyler Rose Convention was presented. The cost of the new "Harvey Hall" is \$7,000 per day for the entire hall and \$3,900 for the main hall. We will hold the quilt show at 1st Christian Church.

BeeKeeper - Karen Walters - So Joyful is doing well. Bizzy Bees is accepting new members

Sunshine and Shadows – **Karen Walters** – Cheryl Fillion has a new pacemaker. Jan Janes completed her cancer treatments. Sheryl Moore had a heart ablation. Lucille Arrant had COVID and is doing well. Becky Prior is moving to the metro plex in August. Her quilt, Harlequin is a semifinalist at AQS.

Deal or Dud – wrap quilting binding around a straw then place the straw on the thread spindle before sewing.

Challenge Blocks – Susan Kellam had the drawing for the final set of 2022 challenge blocks. The blocks were won by Rhonda Chapman.

Show and tell was held.

The program was presented by Suzanne DeCarlo, Texas State Coordinator, for Quilts of Valor, Dianna Simms for Child Advocacy Center, Vickie Osbourne of 1st Baptist Church Family Assistance Center Ministry and Sherlyn Jones on behalf of Robin Robertson from Refuge of Light.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Branscum, Secretary

Programs & Workshops

Thanks to Lisa Martin we had a great wool applique workshop in July. We appreciate her creating such a cute design for us to use. We learned important basics about the preparation of and stitching techniques for wool applique.

August- Eleanor Burns

Join *Eleanor Burns* and Florence LaGanke Harris, posthumously inducted into Quilters Hall of Fame this July! Eleanor has been inspired for years by Florence, a writer back in the 1930's of *hundreds of quilt patterns that appeared in newspaper columns*. Eleanor's favorite is the Nancy Page column, a *fictional weekly quilt club that met each Tuesday* in Nancy's home. Enjoy the old-time stories, several antique quilts from Nancy's group, as well as numerous quilts Eleanor made with her own group. *Dress up for the occasion in your favorite 30's hat*, oh, and yes, a smile!

Workshop- Sashiko Introduction to Sashiko by the Tana Doss.

Learn this ancient Japanese art of stitching beautiful patterns with heavy thread to add a design element to quilts, clothing and household items. Learn how to mark your fabric or use a preprinted pattern. Workshop is from 9 am to 2 pm. Class is \$20. Supply list at QGETX.org.

September- Trish Stuart

In September *Trish Stuart* will be talking to us about pushing boundaries by making simple changes or additions to inspire and energize our work. She will talk to us about her design work making collages, painting, and thread painting. We will have an inspiring showing of her quilts using different techniques.

Workshop- Grow a hummingbird Garden

The workshop is a *collage* in which participants will create a sky and streaming stems, flowers will be fussy cut, fused and stitched down. Next will be cutting out the hummingbird and learning how to layer to get the depth and movement. The hummingbird will then be stitched to the sky area. *Your kit will include all the materials* needed for the project such as top fabrics, batting, backing, fusible web and pattern instructions. The kit fee is \$38. The class fee is \$45 as Trish is a nationally known speaker. The supply list is at QGETX.org Programs.

October- White Elephant Sale

Due to popular request, we will have the White Elephant Sale **both before and after** the Guild meeting so that everyone has *more time to shop*! Contact Pat Graham to request a table. 903-941-2907

<u>To sign up for class, call Janene Auld 817-454-0501 or email at LJRanch19@gmail.com; for questions, call Cathy</u> Woodson 903-570-8706

Class information-

Classes are normally held on the Friday 9 am to 4 pm, following our Guild meeting on Thursday. You may want to arrive a little early to get your work area set up.

The classes meet in the Christian Life Center (CLC) building which is behind the church building we have our Guild meetings in. We use Room 5. You may bring your lunch or get take-out locally during our lunch break. Please see the supply list on QGETX.org for your specific class.

Cathy Woodson, 2nd Vice-President Programs

QUILT SHOW 2023 March 24-25, 2023 BITS TO BEAUTIFUL

Planning and groundwork for the 2023 Quilt Show are under way! Again, we will hold the show in the Christian Life Center of 1st Christian Church, March 21-25, 2023.

"BITS TO BEAUTIFUL" is our theme. Another word for bits is scraps. Scrap quilts are my very favorite quilt type but quilts of every style will make the show a delight for the eyes to behold.

I encourage everyone to use these hot days to work on quilts and projects while staying cool in the air conditioning.

There will not be a Block Challenge this year. Instead, we will have a stuffed "flat or not so flat" animal challenge. The animals will be judged and ribbons will be awarded for creativity!! The animals will be donated to Children's Advocacy Center of Smith County.

One of the really gratifying parts of chairing the 2023 show is the way that you step forward and volunteer for a chairman job. If you are looking to chair a particular area, please contact me. While there is no salary in chairing a position, the benefits are generous: involvement in a worthwhile endeavor, opportunity to meet new friends and deepen friendships, satisfaction in a job well done, enhancement of administrative skills, opportunity to try something you've always wanted to do, smiles, laughter and appreciation.

If you have questions or wish to volunteer, I can be reached at celiabrannon@yahoo.com or 903.521.6569.

Thanks, Cecilia Brannon











Membership News

New Membership Year!

Our guild's new membership year is coming up, so please get ready to renew your membership. Our year officially begins October 1st, but starting at the August guild meeting we will be taking your renewals. The new price is \$40 per year, which includes \$10 of quilt raffle tickets, and we have a NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM, which you will find in the newsletter, on the website, or at the guild meetings. Please fill out the form and either bring it, along with your payment, to the Membership Table at guild meetings or mail it in to the address on the form.

We have wonderful plans for the upcoming year including great programs, parties, trips, and workshops. I hope you all will renew and attend our excellent functions. See you at the Membership Table!

Sincerely, Lisa Martin Membership Chair

Cuddle Quilts

Dear Sew Friends,

Thank you for making the Cuddle Quilt Challenge a success. All the excitement regarding the challenge has been fun! We took in 32 quilts as a result. The quilts were amazing and it was like a mini quilt show. All the quilts were winners to me and it was hard to choose just one. I know whoever receives those quilts will be blessed by your generosity. I want to congratulate our 3 top winners of the challenge who took home the prizes, Lucinda Emmons, Carolyn Franklin, and Cindy Newland. I heard from several guild members how much they enjoyed the program. All the speakers were extremely moving. The work they do in their organizations is extremely important. It really breaks your heart when you hear the stories of those, we serve by giving our quilts. There will always be a need for our quilts. I would also like to thank the guild members for their generosity of their resources and talents because without you there would not be a Cuddle Quilts.

The Next Cuddle Quilt Bee is August 16th. We meet at First Baptist Church in Tyler, 301 W. Ferguson Street. You would enter through Door #4, go down the hall, and take the elevator to the 4th floor. Come join the fun in the craft room! Bring your sewing machine, and regular sewing notions. We have cutting mats, rulers, irons and ironing board.

If you have any questions regarding Cuddle Quilts, please do not hesitate to contact me. My cell number is 903-245-5164. Call or text, your choice. I will be glad to answer your questions if I can regarding Cuddle Quilts.

Thank you for your continued support of Cuddle Quilts. Let's keep sewing!!!

Maresa Campbell







1st—Lucinda Emmons

2nd - Carolyn Franklin

3rd-Cindy Newland







Bee News

Sew Joyful Bee spent a day quilting for Cuddle Quilts. They had thirty quilt tops in need of quilting. Check with Maresa or Lisa if you are willing to help with quilting. This Bee meets twice a month and is open to all Guild members.

Bizzy Bees usually meets for two hours each week except the week of Guild meeting. They recently had a workday making a quilt for Hospice. This is an open group and would welcome guild members to join them. They usually bring handwork they are working on and sometimes go to lunch afterwards. They also plan other activities as a group such as attending a quilt show. If you are interested in visiting or joining this group, the information for the Bee is below.

Sew Happy Quilters Bee has planned their charity quilt they will give at the Guild Christmas luncheon. Robin Kinley designed the quilt block and each member is making two blocks. Betty Atchley is piecing the top.

Open Bees -

Bizzy Bees – Meets at Colonial Baptist Church, every Thursday except Guild week, at 9:00 am.

Cuddle Quilt Bee – Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, First Baptist Church, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm.

GLOB – Meets the 1st Thursday each month, First Baptist Church Downtown Tyler, 9:30 am–12:00.

Piecemakers – Meets the 3rd Thursday each month at 10:00 am, Hideaway Marina.

Wooly Ewes – Is currently not meeting, may start up in July.

Sew Joyful – Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at Pollard Methodist Church, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Beekeeper, Karen Walters

July Workshop Update



The July workshop was great. Lisa Martin shared her expertise and tips for wool appliqué. We had a great time. 

The QGET Quilts of Valor group restart meeting will be held Monday, September 12, 10:00 a.m. at home of Pat Graham. Any patriotic fabric, blocks, tops or quilts will be appreciated.

A Quilt of Valor (QOV) is a quality, handmade quilt that is machine or hand quilted. It is awarded to a Service Member or Veteran who has been touched by war. The Quilt says unequivocally, "Thank you for your service and sacrifice in serving our nation."

To use the term Quilt of Valor, Quilts of Valor or QOV, the quilt must be a specific size, must have a label with required information, it must be awarded (it is not a gift) and it must be recorded.

What Does a Quilt of Valor Mean?

This quilt brings you a three-part message from our hearts.

- 1. We thank you for your service
- 2. Our quilters know that freedom is not free.
- 3. This quilt is meant to offer comfort to you.

A Quilt of Valor is not a charity quilt. A Quilt of Valor is not a blanket. Our quilts are awarded, not just handed out like a magazine or a video. This Quilt of Valor unequivocally says thank you for your service and sacrifice in serving our nation.

If you are a quilter, you know a quilt consists of three layers held together by it quilting stitches. We like to think of the layers in this way:

- 1. A top of the quilt with its many colors, shapes, and fabrics, represents the communities and the many individuals we are
- 2. The batting, the filler, is the center of the quilt, its warmth. It represents our hope that this quilt will bring warmth, comfort, peace, and healing to the individual who receives it.
- 3. The backing is the strength that supports the other layers. It represents the strength of the recipient, the support of his or her family, our communities and our nation.
- 4. Each stitch that holds the layers together represents love, gratitude, and sometimes the tears of the maker.
- 5. Each Quilt of Valor is formed by loving hands that join bits of fabric together one piece at a time.

Quilt Requirements

- A Quilt of Valor does not have to be red, white and blue, but patriotic colors are very popular with recipients. Panels can provide a great focal point and bring in other colors. Think creatively with the recipient in mind.
- Recommended size: 60" x 80"; minimum: 55" x 65"; maximum: 72" x 90".
- The Quilt consists of a top, batting, and backing. It must be machine or hand quilted. A tied quilt is not acceptable for a Quilt of Valor.
- Use quality, adult-appropriate, 100% cotton, quilt-weight fabrics. Avoid juvenile prints and branch-specific fabric unless the recipient is known.
- Patterns and blocks can be of any design suitable for a patriotic theme.
- Use quality, 100% cotton; backings provided to Longarm Volunteers must be 8" wider in width and 8" longer in length. Wide commercial backings sold at quilt and fabric stores are acceptable. Square up, press and fold backing neatly before providing to quilter.
- Use quality, low loft batting such as cotton, cotton blends, polyester or polyester blends.
- Double fold, also known as French fold, is recommended for durability. Hand stitch or neatly machine stitch binding, mitering all corners.
- The label must state quilt is a Quilt of Valor in order to be awarded as a Quilt of Valor and recorded as such.
- Wash quilt once completed so it is soft and so that any potential fabric dye bleeding issues are resolved. Use cold water, mild detergent and unscented products. A color catcher will capture fabric dyes in washer.
- A thank you note, card or letter to the recipient may be included. A journal with information about how the quilt was made, maker's thoughts, etc. may be included.

Hive News

Hello quilters!

Keep up the good job! Your smiles and hellos to our new and not so new members make for a joyful and happier Quilt Guild.

The <u>July Hive</u> meeting was delightful. Sue Olson showed us her Steampunk Quilt and shared tips and sample fabrics suitable for this pattern. The pattern with templates is by Jen Kingwell. Sue also gave away gifts, beautiful hand-made embellished needle keepers and good hand sewing needles.







For the <u>August Hive</u> meeting Rose Wilson will demonstrate Cathedral Windows. She has also provided the following list of material just in case you want to try your hand on Cathedral Window:

4 eight inch squares for background muslin or any solid color

4 two and one fourth inch window fabrics, strong contrast to the background Matching thread and needle

Small pins such as applique pins

12 inch Ruler

Marking pen like Friction

The <u>September Hive</u> meeting will feature Paper Pieced Pineapple quilt block. Our very own member and shop owner Marcie Albers will demonstrate how to Paper Piece Pineapple block using Sew Emma Pineapple Paper Piecing booklet available to purchase from different Quilt Shops in town.

Material list is listed on the pattern booklet and will depend upon the size you plan to use, 6 inch or 12 inch block.



We have 50 finished Pillowcases with drawstrings ready to deliver to Children's Advocacy Center. Thank you ladies for your support, it means a lot to the kids. Please keep the pillowcases coming and see y'all at the August Hive meeting.

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Corey Starkey
1st Vice president



Upcoming Events



FALL EVENTS

We are going to the

Houston International Quilt Show November 3, 2022.

48 passenger Bus is scheduled We will need at least 40 to pay for the bus.

At the August Guild meeting I will begin taking reservations for the Houston Bus Trip. Bring your \$75.00 check or cash to guarantee you a seat on the bus.

Cost is \$75.00 per person which includes your ticket to

the show. Reservations (which includes your ticket into the show) will begin at the August 11th Guild meeting.

We will have a Waiting list for your friend who is not a member of the Guild. After the September 8th Guild meeting if the bus is not full, we will begin contacting the waiting list. Their cost will be \$80.00.

Exhibits this year include The Graffiti Cherrywood Challenge; Quilts de Legende, French made reproductions of traditional quilts; beautiful, beaded garments; quilts from the Frank Klein collection: as well as wonderful antique quilts. And the Festival Judged Show.

October 13th Guild Meeting

Our October meeting will host the White Elephant Sale. Any member of the Guild who has sewing related items they would like to sell may contact me, Pat Graham to reserve a table.

Setup will be 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 13th. You may sell your items before the business meeting and after in the foyer of First Christian. Sale will end by 12 Noon.



QGET CHRISTMAS PARTY - December 8th, 2022.

Season of Service & Giving

A couple of Opportunities for each member or Bee to make a donation item For Children's Advocancy Center



- 1. lap quilt for boy or girl age 2 to 18
 - 2. A hugable pillow (small carry around, heart, flower, etc.)
 - 3. Stuffed Animal
- 4. Pillow Case/bag w/draw strings (Corey Starkey made pattern on our website) We will have a parade of items for show and tell.

Next: each member make a nice Christmas ornament (or purchase if you run out of time)

For a fun story game. Each member will wind up with an ornament. However, if you don't want to keep

your ornament you may donate to Children's Advocancy Center.

A parade of these items and who made them will end our party.

We will have a potluck meal, a photo backdrop for pictures with your Bee or best friend.

And more games and prizes.



Pat Graham Event Coordinator



ADS





www.etsy.com/shop/HeartfullyCheryl HeartfullyCheryl.blogspot.com









Board Members

President Sherry Gary email link

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2nd VP Cathy Woodson email link

Secretary Susan Branscum email link

Treasurer Cecilia Brannon email link

Quilt Show 2023 Cecilia Brannon email link

Check out our Amazing Website

www.qgetx.org

Lots of information Supply Lists Quilt Show Information Newsletter Online

Newsletter Information

Deadline for September Newsletter:

August 20, 2022

Ad Rates

1/8 page \$5 per month (Guild Member)

\$10 per month (non-Guild Member)

1/4 page \$25 per month 1/2 page \$50 per month

ADS WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED UNTIL PAYMENT HAS BEEN REMITTED. Thanks!

Submit information for the next month's newsletter to:

Lucinda Cox

Email link

Submit information for the website to:

Jackie Ruffing

qgetxtyler@yahoo.com

Join our new Facebook Page: Quilters Guild of East Texas!

<u>Link</u>



~Quilters on the Go~ Quilt Shows, Exhibits, & Shop



Texas Quilt Shows

Website with Quilt Shows:

Texas Quilt Show Directory (quiltinghub.com)

Plano Show: August 12-13, Plano Event Center

Austin Show: September 2-4, Palmer Event Center

Houston: November 3-6, Geroge R Brown Conv Center

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Notes from the Stash

If you UNSUBSCRIBE to our guild's emails (CONSTANT CONTACT), "we" cannot re-subscribe you! YOU must contact Lucinda Cox or Celia Brannon so that we can send you a link to RE-SUBSCRIBE!

Refreshments, Show & Tell Program Quilt Holders & Folders, Door Greeters

January H, I, K February O, P, Q, R March N, T, U, V April C May L, G June S July В August A, D, J September E, F October W, X, Y, Z November M December Luncheon

Location for Quilters' Guild of East Texas

1st Christian Church of Tyler Corner of South Broadway and Loop 323 for **Quilters' Guild of East Texas**.

> First Christian Church 4202 South Broadway

