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Quilters Guild of East Texas



The Stitchin' Times Newsletter

May 2023

President's Corner

Hi! It's May already. I can't believe how fast this year is moving! It just seems like yesterday when we had our Christmas Luncheon. Last month, Ann Marie Horner was our guest speaker and we had a wonderful turn out to hear her talk and partake in her workshops. We also had quite a few new members in attendance. It was so good to see them. I have some great news, we have a chairman for the upcoming Quilt Show in March 2024. It's none other than ME! I am hoping that you will help with the show just like you did this year. On other news, if you have been leery of paper piecing, the May Hive may just be the ticket for you, and Deb Atchinson will be out guest speaker. Take care and see you all in May.

Sherry Gary

President



Find all kinds of Event, Guild, Program, and General Guild information at our website: www.qgetx.org. You can sign up for most events on-line, pay online or mail in your payment!

QGET Minutes

First Christian Church – April 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Sherry Gary at 10:00 AM. Guests, new members and returning members were welcomed.

Announcements – Members urged to depart by side door due to funeral being held at the church.

The Board has approved the 2023-24 guild dues to be \$40.00, same as this year. The new Community Projects Chair, Cyndi McNeill, was introduced. The 2025 Raffle quilt has been selected. It was made by Karen Davault, guild member. Name of quilt is Old Abe by Bonnie Blue Quilts. Members were urged to save Hobbs UPC batting codes and turn them in to Cyndi McNeill.

The minutes of the February General meeting were posted in the newsletter. Additions or corrections were queried. Hearing none, the minutes stand approved as printed in newsletter.

Treasurer Report – The Treasurer’s report is posted in the lobby. Any questions should be directed to Sheryl Moore, Treasurer.

Election of new Treasurer – The current Treasurer has had to resign this office. Deborah Monroe has agreed to serve out her term this year. Lucinda Cox

moved to elect Deborah as Treasurer, seconded by Cecilia Brannon. Motion carried.

1st Vice President – Cindy Newland –There will be no HIVE meetings in April, July and August as guild activities are planned during these months. In May a demonstration of paper piecing is planned. In June the topic is Yo Yos.

2nd Vice President – Mitzy Pearson- Anna Marie Horner will present a program titled Blueprint Quilting. The workshop today will begin at 1:30. There is one place open for the workshop tomorrow. In May Deb Atchison will be the speaker. In June, Sherilynn Mortensen will be the speaker. In July we will have the Quilt of Valor Picnic and no speaker. In August Catherine Cureton will provide a Trunk Show. No workshop is planned for August as there is a bus trip planned for the Plano Quilt Show. In September Annette Ploug will present a Trunk Show on building your stash.

Membership – Letha Sparks –Currently have 204 members.

The 2023 Quilt Show – Cecilia Brannon- We had 130 quilts entered, 62 entrants with 14 non members entering 25 quilts providing income of \$375. Every category had an entry. A total of 69 ribbons were awarded. We had 16 **vendors**. 51% of the guild membership or 90 members worked 2,252 hours. Members are to receive quilt show pins from MaryLou Douglas. Karen Smisek, a vendor, won the raffle quilt, Braced Bees. Karen is the owner of Home a La Mode. Credit card charges totaled \$8,579.72. Credit fees were \$250.45. This is 2.8% of the total earned. 915.5 people paid to enter the show - \$9,155. Country Store income - \$10,726. Silent Auction - \$4,059.72. Raffle tickets sold at the show produced \$1,294. Members purchased \$2,003.00 in tickets - \$3,297. Total income \$35,468.82. Total expenses \$10,412.66. Net income \$24,856.16.

Cecilia Brannon moved to hold a quilt show in March 2024. Lucinda Cox seconded motion. Motion carried. Sherry Gary will be chair of the 2024 Quilt Show. Profits from Quilt Show are used to cover expenses of monthly speakers, rent and printing. The importance of guild volunteers was stressed.

Social Media/Communications – Lucinda Cox – Information to be placed in the monthly newsletter needs to be submitted to Lucinda by the 20th of the month. A Nominating Committee has been appointed to select officers for the 2023-24 year. Lucinda Cox is Chair. Members are Susan Branscum, Maresa Campbell, Connie Miller and Kathy Vintges. Nominees will be presented in July, voted on in August and take office in October. The navigation of the guild website was explained to show members how to access information. Duties of each office can be found on the website and members were urged to examine the document and consider volunteering to be a candidate for the offices.

Community Projects – Cyndi McNeill- The number of quilts to be awarded for Quilts of Valor was announced. Cuddle Quilts took in 29 quilts in February and March. Twenty-three pillowcases were turned in. The number of volunteer hours identified for charity quilts is 2251 hours. There will be 2 sew in days to

make charity quilts on April 18 at the 1st Baptist Church and May 1st at the home of Pat Graham (Quilts of Valor). Angie Self was invited to describe a need for quilts in the Royal Family Kid Camp charity. This is a Summer Camp for 6 – 11-year-olds in the foster care system. Lap size quilt kits are available, and volunteers were urged to make a quilt or more by the guild meeting next month. There is also a need for male counselors to help the children.

Event Coordinator – Pat Graham – There are 3 spots left in the May 31 Shop Hop, cost is \$35.00. The August Plano Bus Trip is \$45.00 and registration for both events can be completed online. Pat asked for anyone making a QOV to turn it in to her by the June meeting.

Cuddle Quilts/Pillowcases – Lisa Martin- We received 9 cuddle quilts and 2 tops today. The guild will provide batting. We have many kits available for pillowcases. Five pillowcases turned in today. Need volunteers to make more.

Bee Keeper – Maresa Campbell – Open Bees were reported (Bee Creative, Bizzy Bees, GLOB, Piece Makers, Sew Joyful) and meeting information is included in the current Newsletter. The Community Service Group meets the 3rd Tuesday each month, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, 4th floor of the First Baptist Church. New members were encouraged to join a Bee. Maresa volunteered to assist anyone in finding a Bee of interest. If anyone is interested in starting a Bee, contact Maresa.

Sunshine and Shadows/Deals or Duds – Rhonda Chapman. Rose Wilson's sister recently had three bypass operations and is doing well. Jan Janes is struggling with Parkinson's Disease. She is not able to sew anymore and is selling her machine. She can talk on the phone and members were urged to contact her. Susan Branscum lost her mom on April 1st. Sue Welton, former guild member, is in Beaumont with daughter and is in hospice, not expected to live. The daughter asked that this information be provided to guild members. She has a Caring Bridge account where her status can be found. It is listed under Sue Welton. Members at large noted several family members are ill and need prayer, also prayer for travel safety for Jordan and Susan.

Deals: Rhonda showed Skater Tape, used on skateboards, as a transparent tape to place a small piece on the ruler to keep it from moving. Also the EJ embroidery guild has invited those interested in embroidery to contact Rhoda if interested in meeting with the group. Next meeting is at Papasita's on May 10 at 11AM.

Reception – Kathy Burns – 100 members attended today. New members were identified by name and welcomed. New members are identified by a dot on the green name badge. Three guests were introduced. Door prizes donated by anonymous, Joyful Threads and Options Quilt shop were awarded.

Mitzy Pearson introduced the speaker Anna Marie Horner from Tennessee who spoke on Blueprint Quilting. This is a technique she developed for designing quilt preparation.

Meeting closed at 11:50AM.

Respectfully submitted by Frieda Pickett, Secretary

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

May Program – Deb Atchison – Scrappy Applique – Deb is a certified quilting instructor using Shannon Brinkley’s Scrappy Applique process. She is an experienced educator and quilter who enjoys leading participants through the process of creating beautiful works of art with fabric! Teaching is Deb’s lifelong career and quilting is her passion. Deb is a Legit Kits Ambassador and Instructor and Project Coordinator for Quilt Beyond Borders.

Workshop Friday – 10:00-5:00 - Scrappy Applique – Scrappy Applique is a raw-edge applique technique created by Shannon Brinkley. This technique is fun and easy, giving quilters the freedom to play with fabric and color to create unique mosaic quilts. Workshop is \$45. Pattern purchase is required. Specialty stabilizer, fusible, thread kit is \$22.

Sign up at meeting or online: [HERE](#)



June Program- Sherilyn Mortensen – Artist, Pattern Designer, Quilt Instructor, Author Sherilyn will be presenting A Trunk Full of Curves and Sew Much More What could be better than a trunk full of Sea Sherilyn Sew and

Sew Kind of Wonderful designs, beautifully custom quilted by Sherilyn Mortensen.

Workshop Friday –10:00-5:00 –10:00-5:00 - Posh Santa Wall hanging – We will use the Quick Curve Mini ruler by Sew Kind of Wonderful to create this adorable quilt. Workshop is \$45. Pattern purchase is required.

Sign up at the meeting or online: [HERE](#)



July Program -Quilts of Valor Picnic

See Flyer below about our July meeting honoring Veterans. ([link](#) to printable page of the information below)

Workshop - 10:00am-5:00pm Free Sew Day!
Bring your project and sew. Let Mitzy Pearson or Rose Wilson know you plan to attend so we know how many to expect.



You are invited to
QGET program JULY 13, 2023 – 10:00 A.M.
We will be honoring 20 veterans with the awarding of a
Quilt of Valor.

These quilts have been made by our Guild members.

Our program will be wrapping 20 veterans who have been touched by war with a special Quilt of Valor. Suzanne DiCarlo, our Texas State Coordinator, will be here to present the veterans. The Quilt makers will be showing the special quilt made for each individual veteran and then assist in the wrapping. And you will hear a little about what each veteran has done.

We are planning a special program.

FYI the program will be about 2 hours and then lunch.

Tyler Hannan will open our program with Reveille on the trumpet. The Colors and Pledge of Allegiance will be presented and led by Marine Corp League #1381, Jacksonville, Texas. The Tyler Connection, a local barbershop quartet who are part of the East Texas Men in Harmony, will sing special patriotic songs.

Lunch will be a 4th of July type meal. Our veterans will have a time of sharing, if they so choose, during our meal. Special cakes, one for each branch of service, will be cut and served. Tables will be decorated with patriotic give-a-way centerpieces. You are invited to wear your red, white, and blue.

This will be a special time of celebrating America and Thanking our Veterans for their service to our country and keeping us free.

Our food is being donated by local businesses. And we want to have enough chairs and food for ALL.

WE NEED each GUILD MEMBER planning to attend lunch to RSVP.

PLEASE help us out and let us know if you want to attend lunch.

Pat Graham – pat@grahamfirm.net

To sign up for class, call Rose Wilson 903-530-6947; for questions, call Mitzy Pearson 469-387-6931.

Workshop General Class information-

Classes are normally held on the Friday 10 am to 4:30 pm, following our Guild meeting on Thursday. Please arrive a little early to get your work area set up. Class will start promptly at 10:00.

The classes meet in the Christian Life Center (CLC) building which is behind the church building where we have our Guild meetings. 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.

Mitzy Pearson, 2nd Vice-President Programs

Program Speakers Needed

If you are interested in presenting a program and/or workshop for our guild or for other area guilds, please contact Mitzy Pearson, 469-387-6931.

2023 Tyler Quilt Show

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Thanks for all you work and help.

Blessing, Cecilia Brannon

ATTENTION QUILT SHOW VOLUNTEERS

Thank you for all your help during the 2023 Quilt Show
Every member that volunteered earned a pin
See Marylou Douglas at the Guild meeting to pick up your Volunteer Pin

Hive Update

Hi all,

Here are the plans for the next few Hive meetings. The Hive meets after our Guild meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions.

May: Paper piecing demo

June: Yo Yo's are making a comeback big time!

Cindy Newland
1st Vice President

Community Service Update

Cuddle Quilts

Cuddle Quilts received 14 completed quilts during the guild meeting on 4/13/2023! The efforts of all who piece, quilt, and bind our donation quilts is much appreciated! A big thank you to those who picked up kits to make quilts for the campers attending the upcoming Royal Family Kids camp.

The next Community Services Sew Day will be on 5/16/2023 from 10-3. We meet at the First Baptist Church, 301 West Ferguson St., Tyler, TX. You are welcome to bring any guild community service project to work on.

Susan Kerr
903-991-0499

Quilts of Valor

See Programs area of Newsletter for more information on our July 13th Celebration.

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Pat Graham, Coordinator - 903.594.4450, pat@grahamfirm.net

See more information about all of our Community Service Projects [HERE](#).

Membership Update

In our April Newsletter I reported that 28 new members joined during the quilt show. We had one new member join a few days before the quilt show, and we've had one new member join online since the quilt show. So----- membership is now 204 strong! At the end of last fiscal year (Sept 30th), we had 175 members; we reached that benchmark on March 21, just prior to the quilt show. Please welcome these new members when you see them at the meetings or workshops and help to make them feel at home.

- Mendy Brittian, Arp
- 5 new members joined from Bullard, including: Robyn Capps, Amy Crawford, Kathy Swink, Sherrie Walkup, and Donna Wurtzel
- Judy Green, Corsicana
- Shari Wagner, Diana (joined March 21st)
- Kelly Kirk, Flint
- Kathy Mangum, Lindale
- Karin Hanson, Longview
- Anita Kieny, Murchison
- 16 new members are from Tyler, including: Jamie Bratcher, Kelsey Bratcher, Michelle Craig, Amy Fisher, Brenda Garrido, Pamela Gilbreath, Mary Gregg, Jean Inglet, Sandra Larsen, Lori Lewis, Rene McCarty, Cheryl Mehl, Gay Pruett, Mary Grace Raine, Barbara Simon, and Patricia Van Voorhees (joined just after the quilt show)
- Texanne Thomas, Van
- Bonnie Edwards, Whitehouse

WELCOME ALL!!!!

We are so happy to have all these new members.

Letha Sparks
Membership Chair

Event Update

Quilt Plano 2023 – Friday, August 11, 2023



We have secured Chuck's Travel 48 passenger bus to Plano August 11, 2023

You may signup online or at the Guild meeting.

Price: \$45.00 for Guild Members

We have a waiting list for non-members which will open
up after the June Guild meeting. \$50.00 for Non-Members

This pays for your bus ride and ticket into the show.

It is non-refundable.

We will pickup at the Hideaway exit on I-20

Pat Graham – 903 941.2907

pat@grahamfirm.net

Sign up at meeting or online [HERE](#)



Wednesday, May 31st, 2023

\$35.00 pays for the 15 passenger Van

Leave 1st Christian Church parking lot at 8:30 a.m.

Arrive back around 7:00 to 7:30 p.m.

And those who did not go on the Fall Shop Hop have first chance to sign up for this one.

Three spots left!

You may signup online and pay or at the May meeting.

Link [Here](#) to all shops on Shop Hop

Sign up at meeting or online [HERE](#)

Sunshine and Shadows

Send your Sunshine and Shadows Information to Rhonda Chapman. Please text her at 909.957.8836 or send email to her [here](#).

Bee Update

The following small groups/bees open to additional members:

Bee Creative

Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am
Home of Deb Monroe
Bee Host: Deb Monroe

Bizzy Bees

Meets every Thursday except Guild week at 9 am
Colonial Baptist Church
Work individually on UFO's
Bee Host: Sharon Moses/Ro Simmons

GLOB (Grand Ladies of Baltimore)

Meets the 1st Thursday of the month from 9:30 am- noon
First Baptist Church, Downtown Tyler
Bee Host: Marilyn Hardy

Piecemakers

Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 9:30 am
Hideaway Marina
Bee Host: Vicki Burt

Sew Joyful

Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 10am - 3pm
Pollard Methodist Church
This new bee was created to welcome all new and existing guild members who want to sew, quilt, crochet, knit, or do any other creative needle arts.
Bee Host: Lisa Martin

If you are interested in starting a new small group, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Maresa Campbell, Bee Keeper

May Birthdays

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|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| 4- Mary Jean | 20 - Janie Goodwin |
| 10 - Carolyn Franklin | 22 - Betty Atchely |
| 11 - Pat Graham | 26 - Anita Kieny, Tammy Tinsley |
| 14 - Gail White | 27 - Kelly Kirk |
| 19 - Susan Merrill | |

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All Executive Board Members and Chairs listed on website: [HERE](#)

Upcoming Quilt Shows

Chisholm Trail Quilt Guild

May5-6

5350 Bill Pickett Trail

Taylor, TX 76574

10am - 5pm

Tickets \$10.00

Wildflower Quilt Show

July 14-15

3303 North 3rd Street

Temple, TX 76501

9am - 4pm

Tickets \$8.00

Greater San Antonio Quilt Show

September 22 & 23

Alzafar Shrine Auditorium

901 N Loop 1604 W

San Antonio, Tx 78232

10 AM to 5 PM

Tickets \$12.00, 8 and under free

Texas Star Quilt Show

October 19-20

The Sr. Citizens Center

200 Groves St

Canton, TX

9-5 Friday/9-4 Sat Tickets \$5.00

**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	B
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



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