



The Patch Dispatch

Quilt Guild of Greater Houston

July 2023

President's Pen

Sharon Kralj
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Keep in Touch!

The QGGH Board likes to hear from our members!

Do not hesitate to check in for whatever reason. Let us know if there is anything we can help with.

Send us photos of your completed quilts, ask questions about any guild program or let us know if you hear of news we may want to follow up on. Post in our Facebook group. Follow us on Instagram. Email us at info@qgghouston.org!



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It's **July**. It's hot outside. I learned a new word: mooth, which means exhausted from the heat. I think that sums it all up after any amount of time spent outside these days. My son was here for a convention and he and his companions complained.....all I could say was that it just wasn't this hot 30-40 years ago when you lived here! So, members, please drink water and be careful out there! (This is NOT gardening weather.)

We had a lovely gathering at the **New Members Tea**. **Debi Mishael** graciously opened her home for us. Approximately 20 new members and 8-10 board and committee members attended. Lots of pretty quilts and projects were shared during our Show and Tell along with delicious food. Thanks to all who could come!

Our **Jung spzakers' topics** were so different but both so inspiring. I thought they both embraced "trying something new" and then really ran with the idea. **Debby Walters** took us down her ever-changing path and into ownership of a quilt-related business. **Mel Beach** was entertaining as she linked her free-motion quilting to reality television shows, giving them her own spin! Everyone got lots of inspiration from her Zoom workshop!

Coming this month, we have **Michelle Markey** presenting "Fabric Painting by Number" and **Dena Rosenberg** teaching us to look at fabrics differently. **Michelle's** workshop, "Bee with Flowers", looks great – and no supply list. Just come (but limit of 15 people). Sign up quickly. Check out details on our website.

It may be hot and it may be July but QGGH still has fun things to do.....inside. The **Summer Retreat** is Friday – Monday, July 7-10 in LaGrange. Shopping, quilt museum, and lots of friends to visit with. If you have never been, try it! You'll like it!! **Charity Quilt Day** is Saturday, July 29. Register and then grab those basic sewing supplies and spend a few hours doing work for others who appreciate our labors. Please consider attending all we have to offer when you can.

Stay cool! Act cool! Be cool!

Stitched back together,

Sharon Kralj



Volunteer Opportunities—Help Wanted



Throughout the year we have the opportunity to share our love of quilting with others in the community, highlight our talents and grow the number of people who appreciate our art. This section is dedicated to ensuring that you have the opportunity to use your talents and skills and provides an “at a glance” for convenience.



Quilters Needed for Comforters

If anyone is interested in quilting, Janet Becker needs quilters. We are a bit behind, having lots of tops with batting and backing ready for quilting. It's a great way to practice your free motion quilting as well! Contact **Janet Becker** (comforters@qgghouston.org) if you would like to help. If you will be at upcoming meetings, Janet will be glad to bring you a bundle.

Sunshine and Shadows

Our sympathies go to Dot Collins, long time member and friend of the Guild on the passing of her husband, Robert E. “Bob” Collins, Jr., 79, earlier this month. Dot and Bob had been married for fifty-eight years. His full obituary can be viewed [here](#).

New Member Tea

After a last minute reschedule, our New Member Tea was held on June 10, 2023 and was a huge success.

We had a wonderful afternoon at host **Debi Mishael's**. The new members learned all about the guild and the board members and committee chairs were able to meet the “newbies”. The Show and Tells were amazing. Our new members are fabulous quilters. Debi gave a tour of her studio above her garage. It is a “dream” studio!

If you see a new member at the meeting, please welcome them and thank them for joining.



From the Membership

2023 is shaping up to be quite a year for the very talented **Jackie Hillman**! Jackie will have a solo artist exhibit at the International Quilt Festival in November. The exhibit is titled *Many Ways to Carve a Goose* and will feature the use of her trademark “Disappearing Flying Geese” in 18 different quilts. How exciting to have such talent in our guild!

Presidents Challenge

Sharon Kralj
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Let's Try Something New! **Sharon's 2023 Challenge**



If you are new, please refer to the February and March *Patch Dispatch* for more information.

I set out a challenge in February for you to try as many different things as you wanted during 2023 and have something to share at the December holiday party. That is the only deadline, aka goal-line. We have no rules, no check-in dates, no “this must be included” items. Just try some new things.

Progress: My sewing room has been calling me. I've got a new top almost finished. It's definitely time to get back to this challenge. I wanted to explore using stripes but that has been holding me back because I couldn't find what I needed/wanted. Health issues have also been in the way!

I'm looking at my original list of ideas, at magazines, asking friends, and Pinterest. Inspiration is out there. Hope you are having fun exploring new things.

What have you experimented with? Are you excited with what you have tried?

Are the guild speakers' workshops giving ideas? Bring items to Show and Tell if you'd like!

We can't wait to see what you share in December!

Happy exploring!

Sharon's Tip of the Month— **Don't Procrastinate**

I can be the world's worst at putting off until tomorrow what I should be doing today. My new strategy is:

If I have something I **NEED** to do but **DON'T** want to, I do it first thing or as it comes up. Then that demon “procrastination” doesn't even have time to get involved! Hope this help you, too!

Happy “getting things done” on time!

Library News

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Books continue to be returned! Thank you to all the members who have searched through their piles and found our library books. Several pre-covid withdrawals remain on the loose, so we continue our pleas for return! No fines anytime, we are happy to have them back in circulation.

More thanks to both **Barbara Bodkin** and **Elisabeth Fisher** who generously donated gently used volumes from their personal libraries. If you are sorting through your shelves, please consider the QGGH Library as a recipient. Should we already have a copy, you may see it on the Treasure Table available to other members. The entire library catalogue is on the website under the "Forms" heading in the red bar along the top. It is a downloadable excel document you can sort in any way you like. If you find books you are interested in checking out, contact the librarian e-mail and we can bring it to the next meeting.

Workshops

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A class on Zoom has a lot going for it. Nothing to haul, you can sew in your jammies, and no commute in Houston's brutal summer weather. We learned a lot in Mel Beach's workshop Modern Free Motion Fillers and the day flew by.

The July workshops are no machine needed workshops:

Wednesday, July 19, all you have to do is come in and start working with the provided (and loaned) materials. Michelle Markey wants everyone to have fun and by loaning out her materials you don't have to invest in supplies. There are still a few spots available for this workshop.

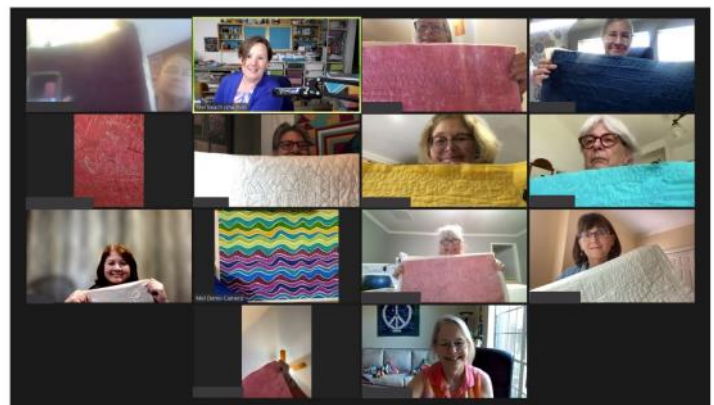
Saturday, July 22, Dena Rosenberg is bringing needle turned applique to us. This handwork class for a small project will familiarize you with the technique. Her kit has a peacock, but you can certainly bring another fabric that you want to showcase. I'm looking forward to putting this technique in my quilting repertoire, I might not make a whole quilt with it, but I can certainly make a pillow or small wallhanging by knowing how to do this.

We have 4 spots left for the Nova Montgomery Featherweight Maintenance workshop on Friday, August 18. If you have one of these trusty little machines, being able to maintain it yourself will ensure it continues to hum along for a long time.

The last paid workshop of the year will be held on September and October. It is a mystery class, the pattern was written by a Modern Quilter who graciously gave us permission to use her pattern. (The fee pays for printing the pattern for you to keep)

You can go to the website for more details or see me at the next meeting. Until then, happy sewing.

Modern Free Motion Fillers & FUN!



Quilt Guild of Greater Houston

Programs and Meetings *Karen Benson
Alice Clark*



Tuesday Meeting, July 18th, 10 am
**Michele Markey from Medina Domestic Arts Studio—
 “Fabric Painting by Number”**

Location: **In person/Zoom**

Michele has developed a niche – painting long arm and embroidery patterns (often redwork or lined designs). Michele will bring a bevy of textile artworks to show.



Friday Meeting, July 21st, 10 am
Dena Rosenberg—“Using Your Imagination With Fabrics”

Location: **In person/Zoom**

Dena will help us to look at fabric from a new perspective! From getting out of your fabric “box” to learning all about *broderie perse*, Dena will show you all the possibilities that a piece of fabric can become with just a bit of your own imagination.



Tuesday Meeting, August 15th, 7 pm
Nova Montgomery—“I grew up in a cotton field”

Location: **In person/Zoom**

This is a personal perspective on the fiber that comprises most of our quilts. Visit the cotton fields of South Texas from planting the seeds to the ginning process with Nova and her family. This presentation takes you from the seed to the cotton bale.



Friday Meeting, August 18th, 10 am
Marina Panzhinskaya—“Quilt Designs With Mixed Techniques”

Location: **In person/Zoom**

A local quilter, Marina will talk about her design methods, quilting techniques, and facets of her interesting life. She will display many of her quilts, including “City Cats” which was displayed at IQF in 2022.

Programs and Meetings *Karen Benson
Alice Clark*



Tuesday Meeting, September 19th, 7 pm
Timna Tarr—“Flying Colors Trunk Show”

Location: **ZOOM** only

Timna is known for making fun, colorful, award-winning quilts. Join her for a trunk show of her quilting journey. She talks about her design and color choices, as well as the personal stories behind the quilts. Timna’s nationally award-winning quilts are in private and corporate collections.

Treasurer’s Report *Teresa Andersen
treasurer@qgghouston.org*

Account Balances as of 6/15/2023

Checking \$ 28,894
 Savings \$ 73,768
 Total \$ 102,662

The Budget v Actuals as of 5/31/23 are posted on the website.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Teresa Andersen at treasurer@qgghouston.org

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Our Tuesday night meeting in October will be a presentation of quilts to veterans as part of the Quilts of Valor program. Information on nominating a veteran is below. If you would like to donate a quilt for this purpose or have questions, please contact Karen Benson (vpprograms@qgghouston.org).

Nomination for a Quilt of Valor®

Fill out this sheet with all of the information about your Veteran. You can also nominate a Veteran for a Quilt of Valor if you go online to www.qovf.org. Click on “Nominations and Awards” and select “Online Nominations.” Be sure to add “Montgomery Lone Stars” to the section asking which group that you are associated with. If you do nominate your veteran online, please notify Karen Benson. You can also return a printed copy and Karen will enter your veterans information.

RECIPIENT INFORMATION

Recipient Legal Name:

Recipient Address:

Recipient Email (If the recipient's email address is not available, enter your email address.)

Recipient Phone Number (If the recipient's phone number is not available, enter your phone number.)

Branch of the U.S. Armed Forces (check all that apply)*

- Army (including activated Army National Guard/Reservists)
- Marine Corps
- Navy
- Air Force (including activated Air Force National Guard/Reservists)
- Coast Guard
- Air Force Mortuary Affairs Office (AFMAO), Dover Mortuary; Merchant Marines (1941-1945)

Dates of Service (from year to year)*

Where did the service member or veteran serve? (Highlight as many as applicable)*

- World War II (1941-1946)

- Korean Conflict (1950-1955)
- Vietnam era (1961-1975)
- Persian Gulf War (1990-1991)
- Cold War (1947-1991)
- Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) (2001-2014)
- Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) (2002-2011)
- Operation New Dawn (OND) (2010-2011)
- Gulf War including Desert Shield and Desert Storm (ODS) (1990-present)

Other (comment required)

Duty Stations - Please provide information about duty stations (e.g., stateside, deployments, overseas duty) and locations of service (e.g., countries). Awards for service members currently deployed will be planned upon their return.* For example, France, Germany, Korea, Vietnam, Panama, Beirut, Granada, Bosnia, Iraq, Afghanistan, Africa, Somalia, the Middle East, anti-terrorism operations, and terrorism attacks against Armed Forces personnel, and other.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE NOMINATOR

· Nominator's Name

· Nominator's City, State

· Nominator's Email*

· Nominator's Phone*

Bees' Buzz List

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Please see Members only section (<https://qgghouston.org/members-only>) of Quilt Guild Greater Houston or contact Anna Gay by email at bees@qgghouston.org

From the IT Desk

Mary Van Speybroeck
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The website is up to date with the [2023 Speakers and Workshops](#), and the July Meetings.

If you aren't receiving the notifications for the newsletter, please check with Olivia to make sure you have paid your dues.

Continuing with "learning the website"; we will continue with the "Join QGGH" page.

If you are on a computer, there will be "tabs" across the top of the homepage. (Actually, any page you may be on will have the "tab banner".) Click on the Join QGGH tab.

Here is where you may complete the Membership Form. It is an online doc, so no downloading or printing required. This link is also on the homepage.

There are several ways to pay dues and all options are listed and described on the Join QGGH page.

- Credit Card – if you click on **Membership Dues**, you will be taken to Online Payments where you may use your credit card to pay your dues.
- Cash or check – In-person or mail to our PO Box. The address is listed here.

Zelle – some banks have Zelle and some do not. At the bottom of the Join QGGH page there is a file that has instructions on using Zelle.

I hope you are finding the website a useful tool to navigate all our guild has to offer!

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Comforters' Corner

*Janet Becker
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**JUNE DONATIONS
OR CONTRIBUTIONS**

- TERESA ANDERSEN
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- LOIS CLEVELAND
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- LAUREL CULL
- CINDY DEWSTOW
- MARSHA FRANTY
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- MARGARET LINCOLN
- CAROL MAIORANA
- MARTHA MATIUK
- ROY MURNANE
- SUSAN PENNY
- BARBARA SCHWIND

In the Houston summer heat, it may seem strange that I am delivering quilts, but we all know how hospitals, waiting rooms, and all kinds of facilities can be cold from our Houston air conditioners. And not just providing warmth, our quilts mainly provide comfort. Last week, I delivered to BEAR (BE A Resource for CPS kids). The donation site is in a warehouse with overhead fans blasting, but they were very pleased to receive our quilts. "BEAR is a nonprofit dedicated to restoring dignity and hope to abused and neglected children involved in Harris County Child Protective Services. BEAR provides basic necessities to the children in care, and support to the caseworkers of CPS." The BEAR Necessities program consists of two BEAR Rooms in the greater Houston area. Both rooms provide basic necessities year-round for at-risk and CPS-involved children. Last year, BEAR provided 38,596 children with a variety of resources through this program. You can go to BEAR's website to see a list of items accepted into the BEAR room if you are interested to contributing. They also have a back to school drive and a holiday BEARING gifts drive if you are interested in helping.

Again, thank you all for what you do for Comforters as we continue to help our community.

2023 Comforter Stats

Quilts completed:	190
Pillowcases:	32
Receiving blankets:	7
Volunteer hour:	2,918



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A logo featuring a large, colorful number '5' with the text 'Bucks a Yard.com' written in a cursive font to its right.

Upcoming Workshops

Linda Stokes
workshops@qgghouston.org

For workshop info or to sign up, Contact Linda Stokes at workshops@qgghouston.org
Workshop Fee Payment may be made with Zelle, credit card via the QGGH website
All remaining workshops are open for sale.

Wednesday, July 19th, 9 am—3 pm

Michele Markey “Bee with Flowers”

Location: Trini Mendenhall Community Center
1414 Wirt Rd, Houston, TX 77055



Many of you met Michele at the Joy of Quilts show and were wowed by her designs. She’s coming back to lead a workshop as an introduction to her fabric painting techniques. Here is the best part of this class: **you just show up!**

No machine, no supplies to buy (and have the age old “now what do I do with this stuff?”) Although you might want to bring a small lamp if you find the lighting at Trini Mendenhall to be dim. Michelle will provide the block and lend a coloring box full of her tools to use in class. You will learn several basic techniques on how to color on fabric as well as how to bling your block (if you so choose). When the class is done you will have a beautiful block to use in a quilt, pillow or on a bag!

\$40 includes kit and supplies to use in class sign up web or in person
Limited to 15 attendees

Saturday, July 22nd, 9 am—3 pm

Dena Rosenberg “Through the Looking Glass”

Location: Trini Mendenhall Community Center
1414 Wirt Rd, Houston, TX 77055



Dena will be lecturing at the Friday meeting and we are excited to have her present a technique workshop. An enchanting block features a beautiful white swan and peacock in the center of a paper cut. Papercuts are a fun way of enhancing a focal fabric. While making this beautiful block, students will learn how to create their own paper cuts when they come across fabric of their own that they wish to highlight. Needle turn appliqué will be the technique taught in this class.

Workshop \$40, Kit \$30 sign up on web or in person

Upcoming Workshops

Linda Stokes
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Friday, August 18th, 9 am—5 pm (7 hrs plus lunchtime)
*Speaker changed the date. If you already registered and can't attend,
notify Linda for fee return.*

Nova Montgomery
“Nova’s Singer Featherweight Maintenance Workshop”

NOTE DIFFERENT LOCATION:
Steve Raddack Community Center, 18650 Clay Rd, Houston 77084

We only have spaces for 11 attendees since we are sharing this workshop with the West Houston Quilter’s Guild.

In this workshop, participants will learn how to correctly disassemble, clean, and reassemble their beloved Featherweights. Yes, they will sew (and sew beautifully) when you are done!! There is MUCH more to maintenance than merely oiling the machine. This is a comprehensive workshop in which all aspects of routine mechanical maintenance are addressed including motor, and foot controller.

Nova approaches this workshop from the perspective of a Featherweight user who wants to preserve and protect their machine, but does not have an intricate knowledge of the mechanical workings of the machine. She guides her students through correct maintenance while educating them about their wonderful machines. Nova not only teaches her students the "What" and "How", but also the "Why" of each step of proper maintenance.

**Workshop Fee \$100 Only 11 attendees from QGGH allowed E-MAIL workshops@qgghouston.org
to sign up for this workshop – payment must be by check. Web purchase will not be enabled.**

Wednesday, September 20th, 9 am—3 pm

Mystery Quilt Class part 1

Location: Trini Mendenhall Community Center
1414 Wirt Rd, Houston, TX 77055

This is a modern quilt in two sizes 40 x 40 or 60 x 60 – you choose which you want to make. You’ll learn the “No Waste” flying geese method. You can use two colors only for a completely modern quilt or use your scraps as long as there is a strong contrast between light and dark.

Workshop \$15 sign up on web or in person

Upcoming Workshops

Linda Stokes
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Wednesday, October 18th, 9 am—3 pm

Mystery Quilt Class part 2

Location: Trini Mendenhall Community Center
1414 Wirt Rd, Houston, TX 77055

We'll finish up the Mystery Quilt and have it ready for quilting.

Wednesday, November 15th, 9 am—3 pm

Finish Up Holiday Projects

Location: Trini Mendenhall Community Center
1414 Wirt Rd, Houston, TX 77055

Do you need some time to just finish one or two of those holiday projects? Or to finish something you started at Quilt Festival before it becomes a long time UFO? This workshop is for you, quilty friends, no pressure, and perhaps some goodies to snack on while working on your project.

No Fee – sign up for a space

Charity Quilt Day

Janet Becker
(comforters@qgghouston.org)

WHEN: Saturday, July 29, 9am – 2:30 pm. You can come for an hour or stay the entire time.

WHERE: Trini Mendenhall Sosa Community Center at 1414 Wirt Road.

WHAT TO BRING:

- A plate or dish of food to share for potluck lunch (sandwiches, casserole, fruit, dessert, salad)
- A spill proof mug. Please bring your own beverages.
- Basic sewing equipment, thread, pins, scissors, rotary cutter, cutting mat, ruler, and possibly a cushion for your chair.
- Sewing machine, extension cord.



Kits will be provided. The pattern is "Oh My Stars" by Pat Sloan. Check it out online. It should be a fun quilt to make.

This is not a member only event. Bring a friend if you would like.

Please let me know if you plan to attend. Sign up sheets will be at the Comforter table at the meetings. You may also contact me by email at jmbquilts@comcast.net or call or text me at 281-974-8704.

Membership

Olivia Mireles
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2023 MEMBERSHIP

LIFETIME - 9
NEW - 23
REGULAR - 195
TOTAL - 227

Welcome new Members!

DARLYNN LEE
CAROL ALBERTS
CHRISTINA VAN HAL
MARY FEHR
STEPHANIE WRIGHT

Don't forget to renew your 2023 Membership!

Benefits of membership:

- Classes, Workshops and Retreats at Reduced Prices
- Charity Projects
- New Ideas, New Teachers, and New Tools
- Sharing your knowledge and learning from others
- Friends and shopping buddies who share your interests

July Birthdays!

BARBARA BODKIN
KATHY BOERGER
ELIZABETH BROUSSARD
LINDA CONNER
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SANDRA FARMER
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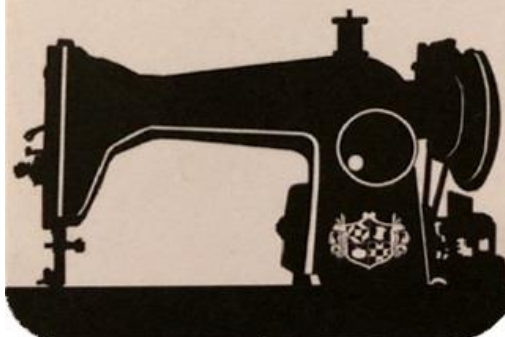
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Representative-at-Large

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June Evening Meeting Attendance via Zoom: 52	June Morning Meeting Attendance In-Person: 47 via Zoom: 29
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We have a reported total of 387 hours for June!

Thanks to those who reported *Community Service Hours* for June 2023.

Community Service Hours June 2023

TERESA ANDERSEN	ELIZABETH FISHER	AUDREY LYNN
CHRISTIE ANDREWS	SUZIE FOOTE	ELLIE MCMASTER
JANET BECKER	DIANA FREDRICKS	OLIVIA MIRELES
KAREN BENSON	ANNA GAY	DEBI MISHAEL
CHARLOTTE BETTS	MEG GULDNER	MARYELLEN ROBINSON
ALICE CLARK	DEB GUTTILLA	LINDA STOKES
LOIS CLEVELAND	LORRI HEFFNER	AMY THEALL
CINDY DEWSTOW	SHARON KRALJ	MARY VAN SPEYBROECK

Many people forget to report their volunteering and I want you to know you are appreciated! Thank you for your work supporting this quilt guild. Most of the people who are listed month after month are board members or committee chairs, so I have their names and track them down each month to get their hours. Don't get left off the list! Send you Volunteer Hours to repatlarge@qgghouston.org!

Reporting Community Service Hours

What is considered Community Service for the guild? Basically, time spent working on guild projects, administration, and quilting related volunteer activities in the name of QGGH are considered Community Service Hours. However, attending the Tuesday night and Friday morning meetings are not reportable. (*Please note: Community Service Hours exclude* time spent on Comforters/Charity Quilts. You should report your time spent on Comforters/Charity Quilts to **Janet Becker**.)

Examples of Community Service Hours to Report:

- Time and effort spent by Board Members, Committee Chairs & Members: Paying bills; attending board meetings; constructing the Newsletters; managing the guild's information; auditing our books; planning events, etc.
- Speaking to a group about quilting
- Teaching a group how to quilt
- Dropping QGGH Bookmarks at a quilt shop
- Working on the Opportunity Quilt
- Helping with events

If you have questions regarding volunteer hours, contact Maryellen Robinson at repatlarge@qgghouston.org.

Retreats

Charlotte Betts
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Summer Retreat! Fall Retreat Info!

It's almost time for our Summer Retreat. Everyone is looking forward to a few days of sewing, visiting, cooling off in the pool, and shopping. Currently, there are 35 retreaters signed up. The retreat is Friday, July 7th thru Monday, July 10th. Our host will be Camp Lone Star in La Grange. A retreat packet was sent by email June 25th.

Our fall retreat is scheduled for September 14-17, 2023. I will begin registration at our July meetings. **Cost: \$200 for 2 nights, \$225 for 3 nights** (includes 3/5 meals). The camp now requires that the guild pays a deposit three weeks in advance. We will be making a deposit of your check/cash in advance. Unfortunately, the camp fees have increased just like everything else. We must have at least 31 retreaters sign up if we want to reserve the entire Johnson Retreat Center.

I have not scheduled a class for the fall retreat at this time. If you have an idea for a class for us to offer or one that you are willing to teach, please contact me.

Meals will be Friday and Saturday, Brunch and Dinner, and Sunday, Brunch only. The camp supplies all linens.

What else will be going on? The museum will have a new exhibit for us to see. Area shops will be expecting us. If we have enough interest, we will try to have access to the swimming pool, too!

Mark your calendars!! Our winter retreat is February 8-11, 2024. Unfortunately, Camp Lone Star will be increasing our fee in 2024. I will have more information later.

Questions, comments, suggestions?

Charlotte Betts

Retreat Chair

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Fall Retreat



QUILT GUILD OF GREATER HOUSTON

Thur., Sept. 14 – Sun., Sept. 17, 2023
Camp Lone Star – La Grange, Texas

REGISTRATION

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Roommate Request _____

Room # Preference _____ Same as last retreat? Yes No

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Phone: (cell-home-work) _____ Alternate phone: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

COST: Member: \$225 (3 nights) Member: \$200 (2 nights)

Deposit: \$50.00 is due at registration (full payment is welcome). Checks will be deposited three weeks prior to retreat. Camp Lone Star requires a deposit three weeks prior to the retreat. You may also pay online through Zelle or credit card, via the QGGH website.

Balance: Due August 15, 2023

Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis.

CLASS: *You should have a good working knowledge of your machine before coming to retreat and this would also be the time for a quick cleaning and oiling.*

_____ **To Be Announced**

_____ **Do Your Own Thing!**

Mail completed form with your deposit or full payment (made payable to QGGH) to:

Charlotte Betts, 1675 Leesway Rd., Richmond, TX 77406

email: retreats@qgghouston.org Home Phone 281-342-6078 Cell Phone 713-408-6076

No money will be collected at the retreat – Payment must be received in full 8/15/2023

FOR QGGH USE ONLY: Cash Check # _____ Amt _____ Date Rec'd _____

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Show and Tell

Mary Van Speybroeck
 showandtell@ggghouston.org

Alice Clark



Midnight Garden

Made in 2023 for me. This Judy Niemeyer pattern was started in Oman in around 2010! Finally finished in 2023. Quilted last year by Ellen Happe Phillips.

Cindy Dewstow



Flags Everywhere

Made on Charity Sewing Day for Quilts of Valor. It will be going to a lucky veteran with our best wishes.

Barbara Schwind



Mario's Tie

Made April – June 2023 for Alexis. My friend was widowed in October and asked me to make a pillow for her daughter using one tie – the one he wore for her wedding. This is the result.



Mary Van Speybroeck

Afternoon Delight

Started in 2020 made for Bee Challenge. The Quilt Show BOM. Cotton Pickin' Bee decided to do this BOM as a bee challenge. Working on the quilt was more fun with a group doing the same. Gave us things to talk about. When we got to the little double nine patches, I think everyone was complaining! But we persevered. Several of my bee mates have finished. It was really a fun quilt to make and quilt. The quilting is custom. I echoed around the applique, continuous curves in the double nine patches, and echoed the arcs in the border. It will go on my bed in Houston. I will finally have a quilt that covers my whole bed.



Texas Two-Step

Started in 2003? Finished June 2023 Originally made for a brown couch, now for our house in Mississippi. I took a workshop with Debbie Bacon way back in 2003. I loved the fabric and the contrast. It was put aside like any other UFO, for a newer project. (probably not finished either) Put it on my 2023 UFO to finish list. I LOVE checking off items on a list.

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Marsha Hennigan



Buffalo

Made in June for Comforters. This is a panel from Janet Becker. I added the border, hoping to catch the colors and show off the bison.



Easiest Stars

Ever made this week. I made this for Comforters using 2 1/2" scraps – easiest star block ever.

Lynne Gervitz



Merry Christmas

Made in 2016. This is a 3 yard quilt made from a Fabric Café kit I purchased at the Waco Quilt Show in 2016. Quilted this year by Ellen Phillips.

Debi Mishael



Over and Under

Made in 2023. This is the Over and Under quilt pattern designed by Bonnie Sullivan. Several ladies in an online quilting group had the same pattern so we all decided to make it at the same time. I used a jellyroll of batiks to complete mine.

Rhonda Onwere



Sister Unity Blocks

Made 2019 – 2023. Online swap.



Mushy Way

Made 2021 – 2023. Online donation – memorial for sister.

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Texas Quilt Events



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Texan Themes and a Doll Debut at the Museum

For the first time in its history, the Texas Quilt Museum will present four exhibits on display simultaneously featuring a wide array of “Extra Texas” subjects, collections, and artists. Running from **May 11-August 26, 2023** will be *A Tribute to Mary Ann Vaca-Lambert*, *Western Quilts by Sarah Dryden*, *Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Blue Ribbon Winners*, and the doll exhibit *What a Doll!*

A Tribute to Mary Ann Vaca-Lambert features 21 pieces done by the late accomplished artist who first learned to sew at the age of six, but also expressed her creativity in drawing, printmaking, and pottery. She also directed arts programs to adults and children throughout the state. Though small in size, those who knew her say her smile “lit up a room” and that family and friends were the center of her life. The quilts here include gardens, flowers, abstracts, and self-portraits of Lambert herself.

Western Quilts by Sarah Dryden features six works inspired by and used in her Ph.D. thesis “Imagining the Home: The West and the Western.” The works here juxtapose the reality of living in the West from the 1920s-1960s with what was portrayed to the world via Hollywood’s popular Western and cowboy movies. They tell that story with media and creative formats outside of simply fabric, and the role of women is especially addressed. This body of work therefore seeks to question the populist perception and importance of the home in the “Wild West.”



Western Star (60" x 60") by Sarah Dryden. From the exhibit “Western Quilts by Sarah Dryden.”



Cowgirls Are Women (71" x 74") by Peggy Baldwin-Clayton with Lisa Patterson, My Quilting Fairy. From the exhibit “Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Blue Ribbon Winners 2023.”

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Blue Ribbon Winners

2023 has 28 works judged to be the best in numerous age and theme categories by the committee for the sizable annual event in Houston and were on display during it earlier this year. Every quilt that collected points that fell within a certain range of points was awarded a Blue Ribbon, and many of them are included here. The Museum will be working further with the HLSR on a collaborative Rodeo Quilt Contest for 2024.

Finally, *What a Doll!* showcases 86 of the multi-media artworks from some of the best artists working in the genre today. It’s curated by legendary doll artist, teacher, and enthusiast Elinor Peace Bailey.

“These are some of the most interesting and attractive dolls I’ve seen displayed together in a very long time,” Mangum says. “Dolls and dollmaking bring out the child in us, when our imagination was colorful, whimsical, and full of fantasy. You will definitely enjoy this exhibit of handmade dolls!”

Texas Quilt Events



The Party's Over....

After 45 years, the legendary quilt shop in the Hill Country, Creations (<https://creations-online.com/>), has been sold and will not continue to be operated as a retail business.

20% Discount thru July 28th

Everything with a price tag on it will be available at a 20% discount. That means you can purchase fabric, kits, bundles, notions, sale items and even some of our display props. We will take 20% off your total purchase. (Sorry, but we have no machines left.)

This discount amount will run thru the 28th of July.

We have over 60 quilts available for sale that were made at Creations. They are displayed throughout the store. Each is tagged with the cost to make and they are included in the 20% discount.

These are mostly throw sized and each is expertly pieced and quilted. The price of each reflects the size, and style of quilting. Come take a look!

Interested in a Bigger Bargain?

The final liquidation sale will be the 3rd weekend in August. It will be conducted by Fitch Estate Sales. It will be held at the shop and you will find all kinds of things. You will want to add your name to Rachel Fitch's email list so you won't miss it and you will be able to see exactly what's available. Visit her website:

www.fitchestatesales.com to sign up for her e-mails.

Call for Entries

Artist Opportunity

Creche Festival Houston's global call for entries of Christmas Nativity Art of any media. Grand prize \$1,000 plus two additional \$500 prizes awarded. Information to juried and judged exhibition: https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=11561 **Application deadline: October 13, 2023.**

The Big McKinney Fabric Sale July 5-14, 2023

The Heard-Craig Center for the Arts has received 17,000 fat quarters from the Mary Lou Smith collection. The fabric will be sold 50-70% off, from July 5-14, 2023 in the Heard-Craig Carriage House. In addition to fat quarters, there are quilt kits (at 50% off) as well as fabric yardage. Tickets for timed entry are being sold online for \$7 each. Go to heardcraig.org and look for information under EVENTS.

**HEARD-CRAIG
CENTER FOR THE ARTS
205 W Hunt Street
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2023 Speakers & Workshops *Karen Benson
Alice Clark
Linda Stokes*

QGGH	Tuesday Night Meetings 7:00 PM	Workshops	Friday Morning Meetings 10:00 AM	Special Event
JUNE 2023	June 20 2023 "Challenge Yourself" Mel Beach ZOOM ONLY	June 21, 2023 "Modern Free Motion Fillers and Fun" Mel Beach ZOOM ONLY	June 16, 2023 "Finding Focus" Templates Debby Walters IN-PERSON/ZOOM	June 3, 2023 New Member Tea 2-4 pm
JULY 2023	July 18, 2023 "Fabric Painting by Number" Michele Markey IN-PERSON/ZOOM	July 19, 2023 "Fabric Painting 101- Florals" Michele Markey IN-PERSON	July 21, 2023 "Using Your Imagination with Fabric" Dena Rosenberg IN-PERSON/ZOOM	July 22, 2023 "Through the Looking Glass" Dena Rosenberg IN-PERSON July 29, 2023 Charity Quilt Day IN-PERSON
AUGUST 2023	August 15, 2023 Nova Montgomery "I grew up on a cotton farm" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	Thursday, August 17, 2023 9 am—5 pm "Nova's Singer Feather- weight Maintenance" Steve Raddack Community Ctr 18650 Clay Rd, Houston TX 77084 IN-PERSON	August 18, 2023 Marina Panzhinskaya "Quilt Designs With Mixed Techniques" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	
SEPTEMBER 2023	September 19, 2023 Timna Tarr Trunk Show ZOOM ONLY	September 20, 2023 Mystery workshop Part 1 IN-PERSON	September 15, 2023 Emily Taylor Trunk Show ZOOM ONLY	
OCTOBER 2023	October 17, 2023 Quilts of Valor IN-PERSON/ZOOM	October 18, 2023 Mystery workshop Part 2 IN-PERSON	October 20, 2023 Ann Moore Trunk Show "My Journey Through the Years" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	
NOVEMBER 2023	November 21, 2023 Teresa Duryea-Wong "Native American Quilt Sto- ries" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	November 15, 2023 Workday Finish Up Holiday Projects IN-PERSON	November 17, 2023 Allie McCathren "Fabric Painting with Scraps" IN-PERSON/ZOOM	
DECEMBER 2023	December 12, 2023 Holiday Party IN-PERSON	No Workshop	No Meeting	

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Congregation Brith Shalom
4610 Bellaire Blvd,
Bellaire, TX*

Upcoming Events

Board Meeting
Tuesday July 11, 2023 7 pm

ZOOM

Tuesday Night Meeting
July 18, 2023 7 pm
"Fabric Painting by Number"

Michele Markey

IN PERSON/ZOOM

Friday Morning Meeting
June 21, 2023 10 am
"Using Your Imagination with Fabric"

Dena Rosenberg

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