



# The Patch Dispatch

Quilt Guild of Greater Houston

November 2023

*President's Pen*  
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It's **Festival** time!!!! Best time of the year! What a great way to start November! Woohoo!! Many of us look forward to these few days all year. We have been planning by making our shopping lists, saving money all year, registering for classes, and reconnecting with "Festival friends"! For all of us quilters, it's all just so much fun. I love walking through the displays of phenomenal quilts which are so inspiring, sometimes mind-boggling, but always absolutely marvelous. The diversity always amazes me. We are so lucky to live here and be able to attend every year. I haven't ever missed Festival once I found out about it, somewhere in the mid '90s.

Three weeks later it's **Thanksgiving**! We are celebrating family, feasting, and counting our many blessings. Here's hoping everyone has a wonderful holiday full of fun and lovely times together.

Our **Quilt of Valor** ceremony on Tuesday night was wonderful. Listening to the men and women tell their stories was amazing. So much bravery and sacrifice for all of us. The Friday morning program with Ann Moore, highlighting her journey through learning how to machine quilt was delightful, showing us that we can all do it ourselves.

**Workshop** chair, **Linda Stokes**, revealed clues as we attempted to solve the mystery quilt pattern. We began in September and finished in October. Everyone completed their quilt top during class. We had fun assembling each step, and then, *voila'*, the top was complete. We're hoping to have several quilted by the November meetings. The November workshop this year is a "Do Your Own Thing". You are invited to bring something to work on or finish. No fees but please sign up for a head-count.

**Speakers in November** are Teresa Duryea-Wong, presenting Native American Quilt Stories and Allie McCathren who will show us her version of Fabric Painting with Scraps. Both are In-Person and Zoom. Hope to see you there!

November marks **elections** for QGGH. *Thank you* to those who were on the nominating committee and to the many members who said they would take an office. We have one of the best guilds in the country, and I think one of the oldest. It is such a joy to be involved with the people who make up our guild. Thanks to each of you for participating, helping to continue our legacy. We will have another fabulous year!

Speaking of **volunteer opportunities** and wonderful members, the Learn to Quilt booth, Opportunity Quilt ticket sales, and the "white glove" duties, kept our members very busy at Festival. Thank you for being there to represent our guild. We were also at Frontier Days at the George Ranch Historical Park. It's great fun sharing our quilting knowledge with others.

Have a great time at Festival and the Thanksgiving season. Enjoy it all!

Thankful and enjoying the ride,  
*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](mailto: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.

### **Opportunity Quilt**

We are in need of volunteers to help take our beautiful Opportunity Quilt to shows/other guild meetings throughout the year in order to sell raffle tickets for it. If you have interest and ability to help in this way, please, contact **Audrey Lynn** ([opportunityquilt@qgghouston.org](mailto:opportunityquilt@qgghouston.org)).



## *Presidents Challenge*

*Sharon Kralj*  
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Something new! That turned out to be a myriad of topics. I’m so glad so many of you embraced the challenge this year. Our one deadline – or **goal line** – as I preferred to call it, is December 12<sup>th</sup>.

The reveal is at the Holiday Party. Time to wrap it up. Show what you’ve tried and share your adventure.

Looking forward to seeing what everyone discovered or experimented with.



*Bees' Buzz List*

*Anna Gay  
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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](mailto:bees@qgghouston.org)

*Community Service*

*Shirley Hunter  
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**Frontier Days at the George Ranch**

**October 20—21**

QGGH volunteers participated in the recent Frontier Days held at George Ranch Historical Park. The Frontier Days Festival celebrates 150 years of Texas history. Hands on activities, battle re-enactments, live entertainment, first person costumed interpreters, historic home tours, games, cowboys and more are all part of the 2 day event. Friday's schedule is designed for school children and their chaperones, while the activities on Saturday are open to the public.

QGGH volunteers were located at the 1860 house to showcase the beautiful quilt made by our members and on display there. They were able to share their



love and knowledge of quilting history with attendees while at the same time working on their various personal projects. A selection of additional QGGH quilts was also displayed in the 1860 house.



The guild's beautiful Texas-themed Opportunity quilt was display and raffle tickets sold by our members. Thanks to the many QGGH volunteers who participated.



## Treasurer's Report

Teresa Andersen  
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### Account Balances as of 10/15/2023

Checking \$10,366

Savings \$74,545

Total. \$84,911

The Budget v Actuals as of 9/31/23 are posted on the website.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Teresa Andersen at [treasurer@qgghouston.org](mailto:treasurer@qgghouston.org)

## From the Members

It is with sorrow that **Karla, Nasreen, & Kathie** announce the ending of the Kendall Bee. It might even be the first Bee to ever end since the early days of QGGH!

Between Harvey & Covid, Kendall Bee members have moved away, relocated, or have developed health issues. This was ultimately planned for, when Kendall Bee monies were moved to the QGGH treasurer several years ago.

We thank everyone for the wonderful times we have had. Hopefully, we can stay in touch via email or text.

Thanks to QGGH!

### Sewing/Embroidery machine For Sale New. Never used Bernette Swiss Design Model b79



List: \$2199  
Selling: \$1500

Jerry King  
Phone: 281-723-3138

Please call for more information.  
I've never used the machine.



*Programs and Meetings* *Karen Benson  
Alice Clark*



**Friday meeting, November 17th, 10 am**  
**Allie McCathren “Fabric Painting with Scraps”**  
 Location: **ZOOM and In-Person**



Allie is an artist with a background in marine biology. It can be difficult to figure out how to use scraps efficiently, especially if they don’t seem to “work” together. Allie will guide us through her process of organization and usage of scraps and show us some of her scrappy creations.

[exhaustedoctopus.com](http://exhaustedoctopus.com)

**Tuesday meeting, November 21st, 7 pm**  
**Teresa Duryea Wong —**  
**“Sewing and Survival: Native American Quilts from 1880-2022”**

Location: **ZOOM and In-Person**

Learn how the transference from sewing buffalo hides and other natural materials to quilting took place and see the beautiful quilts made during this period.



**Sharon’s Tip of the Month—**

It’s a two-fer!

- It’s holiday season. We get really, really busy for two full months. Take some time to look at your family’s priorities and schedules, make some lists, create a timeline, and make a plan. Delegate or share some of the “jobs” that go into having a wonderful holiday season.
- Before starting all of the cooking and baking, clean out the refrigerator, freezer, and pantry. Replace staples and out-of-date items. Toss things that are no longer the right color (I had some very blue raspberries the other day!). Perhaps write a date on containers when you open them.

## Quilts of Valor Presentation



The veterans and a currently active servicewoman who received a Quilt of Valor from The Quilt Guild of Greater Houston had a myriad of assignments as they served our country: from being in charge of the communications systems in case of nuclear war during the Cold War, to serving as an embassy guard and later Air Flight Marshall, to keeping the logistics for orderly supply systems in place and making sure the military had what it needed. They served during the Cold War, the Vietnam War, and in the Middle East and Afghanistan. To all we give our thanks for the



time they spent away from their families, for being in harm's way, for all they performed for our country.

Our recipients were:

- Edward Riley Pounders - Nominated by **Kathy Kennedy**
- Kyle Geoff Harrivel - Nominated by his aunt **Carol Hanley Garcia**
- John P. Weimert - Nominated by **Janet Becker**
- John Arthur Klasen - Nominated by **Janet Becker**
- Robert "Mike" Segers - Nominated by **Susan Boyd**
- William B. Wright II - Nominated by **Janet Becker**
- Sargeant 1st Class Guillermina Darino - Nominated by her daughter, **Emerald (Emmy) Romo**



We also donated several quilts and presentation pillowcases to the local Quilts of Valor chapter which will be awarded to veterans on their list.

Thank you to all who participated in piecing, quilting, and binding the quilts that were awarded.

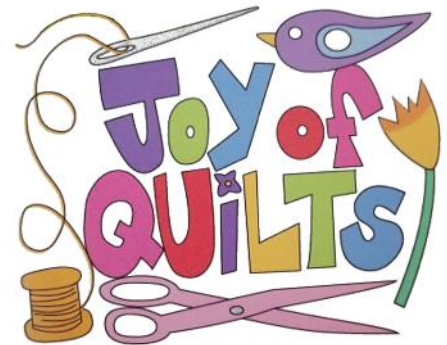


*Quilts of Valor Presentation*



## Joy of Quilts

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Slowly, slowly the Joy of Quilts 2025 is starting to take form. I have spent the past month contacting guild members who chaired various show committees at our 2023 show. I had high hopes that they would repeat their positions and join the 2025 show team. And guess what? Many have agreed to do so! Our upcoming show will definitely benefit from their experience. I am asking the various chairs to build their own teams. Should you be asked to help, please respond positively!

**Carol Garcia** will be running the coffee can raffle – think about donating items or even a whole filled basket to her! Of course the items should be like new.

**Mary Van Speybroeck** will be running the online auction. Please contact her if you plan on donating a quilt for the auction.

We need a theme for our show and our guild challenge Plans are to present the guild membership with three theme ideas at the November meeting and to have the membership vote. The theme will not only be reflected in the decorations of the exhibit hall but will also be the theme of our membership only challenge category.

**Judging chair Lois Cleveland** has released the categories and descriptions. Check them out on the next page!

We hope this year to go paper free and have all entry submissions online. More on that to come !!

To make our show a huge success it will take all of us working together. Any questions or suggestions please contact me at [joyofquilts@qgghouston.org](mailto:joyofquilts@qgghouston.org)

Meanwhile keep sewing! Keep creating! And be Happy.

### President's Blocks

Sharon's request is for butterfly blocks. The butterflies can be any shape, size, color, style, and you can even use metallics if you want. You can also use any method: applique, embroidery, broderie perse, pieced, etc. The blocks should finish at 3" or 6" (yours should be 3.5" or 6.5").

Sharon's goal is for you to have fun making the butterfly and maybe try something new!

The background should be a pastel solid or texture. She would like you to sign your name along the edge of wing but **not on the butterfly** unless it fills the entire block.

Please return to **Karen Benson** or **Linda Stokes**. We will give the blocks to Sharon at the December meeting.



## Quilt Categories

### 2025 Joy of Quilts

#### **100 First in a Show**

This category is for your first quilt ever entered into a show of any kind. The entry may be of any construction technique, any size, have any finishing method, and all work must be done by the entrant. If entering this category, you may not enter quilts in any other category.

#### **200 Pieced 1 Person - Large**

Any pieced quilt constructed, pieced, quilted, etc. by only 1 person to finish the project. The sum of all sides equals 280" or more.

#### **300 Pieced 1 Person - Small**

Pieced 1 Person: Any pieced quilt constructed, pieced, quilted, etc. by only 1 person to finish the project. The sum of all sides is less than 280".

#### **400 Pieced 2 or more People - Large**

Any pieced quilt constructed, pieced, quilted, etc. by 2 or more people to finish the project. The sum of all sides equals 280" or more.

#### **500 Pieced 2 or more People - Small**

Pieced 2 or more People: Any pieced quilt constructed, pieced, quilted, etc. by 2 or more people in order to finish the project. The sum of all sides is less than 280".

#### **600 Pieced Wall Hanging - Large:**

Any pieced wall hanging where the sum of all sides is greater than 192" but less than 240".

#### **700 Pieced Wall Hanging - Small**

Any pieced wall hanging, table runner, or topper where the sum of all sides does not exceed 192".

#### **800 Applique**

Quilts in this category are constructed by attaching pieces of fabric with thread to a background by either hand and/or machine. There are no size restrictions in this category.

#### **900 Mixed Technique - Large**

Any quilt that displays a balance of two or more specific quilting techniques (ie: pieced, appliqué, etc). At least one side must be 72" or larger.

#### **1000 Mixed Technique - Small**

Any quilt that displays a balance of two or more specific quilting techniques (ie: pieced, appliqué, etc). The longest side must be less than 72".

## *Joy of Quilts*

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### **1100 Group Quilt**

Any quilt, any size completed by more than two people.

### **1200 Miniature**

Any quilt that has been proportionately reduced in scale, no side longer than 18" and has no individual pieced/appliquéd block with any side larger than 4" excluding the quilt border(s).

### **1300 Art Quilt Original Design**

Any quilt using any technique or combination of techniques or materials in a non-traditional manner. No side may be smaller than 12". The entry is not limited to the number of participants to its finish nor is quilting a requirement, but it must be an original design.

### **1400 Art Quilt from a Pattern**

Any quilt using any technique or combination of techniques or materials in a non-traditional manner. No side may be smaller than 12". The entry is not limited to the number of participants to its finish nor is quilting a requirement. This category would represent works created from either a pattern and/or another artist's product.

### **1500 Dimensional Work**

Including but not limited to: Dolls, 3D work, wearable's, bags, etc. The participant must provide dress forms etc. if necessary to properly display Dimensional Work.

### **1600 Youth**

Quilt made by a person 17 yrs. of age or younger at the time of submission to the 2025 QGGH Quilt Show. Entry may also be quilted by a second party. This category is open to friends, relatives, etc. assuming the maker meets the age requirement. (Please be reminded that non guild members can enter quilts in any category, including this one. Please encourage your grandchildren, teenagers, nieces and nephews or young neighbors to enter!)

### **1700 Embellished**

Any quilt any size that displays surface embellished in any manner other than appliqué. This category may include but is not limited to: Crazy Quilts, Hand Embroidery, Redwork, Beading, Fabric Collages, and/or Thread Painting.

### **1800 Machine Embroidery**

No size limitations, any construction technique where machine embroidery is integral to one or more of the following: decoration, construction and/or quilting.

### **1900 Modern**

A quilt that relies on current bold, graphic fabrics and their unusual placement in the creative process. Typical characteristics that may be present: high contrast and graphic areas of solid color; improvisational piecing, minimalism and expansive use of negative space; asymmetry; exaggerated scale and cropping and/or interpretative use of classic quilt designs.

*Joy of Quilts*

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**2000 Juvenile Themed Quilts**

Quilts specifically intended for young, juvenile person; baby quilt, crib quilt, etc.

**2100 Quilts from Kits – 1 person**

Any size quilt made using a kit which provided pattern and fabric packaged by the vendor for sale as one unit. Block of the month quilts would also fall under this category. If a quilt is made from a kit it must be entered in this category.

**2200 Quilts from Kits – 2 or more people**

Any size quilt made using a kit which provided pattern and fabric packaged by the vendor for sale as one unit. Block of the month quilts would also fall under this category. If a quilt is made from a kit it must be entered in this category.

**2300 Whole Cloth**

A whole cloth quilt is made from one large piece of fabric as its top layer. No patchwork or appliqué is used in the quilt design. Embellishment relies on quilting motifs, and quilting stitches which are usually intricate and closely spaced. There are no size limitations in this category.

**2400 2025 QGGH Member Challenge**

Your entry must reflect your interpretation of the theme for the 2025 show. This theme, along with more details of the Challenge will be available shortly. Entrants must be current Guild members. This category is not eligible for Ribbon Consideration by the Certified Judge(s) and may be judged by a “Guest Panel” instead.

**2500 Non-Judged**

Quilts entered in this category are for display only, by choice of the entrant or recommendation of the Curator. Entries may be limited due to venue space constraints. All decisions of the Curator are final. Please note this category is not eligible for Ribbon Consideration by the Certified Judge(s).



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*Workshops* *Linda Stokes*  
*workshops@ggghouston.org*



**Bobbie Tompkins**

The Mystery at the recent workshop has been solved! Eighteen people signed up, and those that were able to come both days made a quilt top, whether a 40 x 40 or a 60 x 60, it got made. The pattern is called The Scenic Route by Coronado Quilt Co. ([www.coronadoquiltco.com](http://www.coronadoquiltco.com)), it's a free pattern, but you will need to ask for it if you want one.

My last official workshop will be on November 15th and it's also a free one. It's a work day for you to finish up your holiday projects or that project you started at Quilt Festival. But, I still have one free workshop for you. Anonymous donors have donated funds to pay for 2 members to take a free workshop (\$40 value) of their choice. They will be special door prizes handed out at the Holiday Party on December 12. How can you be one of the 2 members? Easy. Send an e-mail to Linda Stokes at [workshops@ggghouston.org](mailto:workshops@ggghouston.org) saying you would like to enter for the Workshop Door Prize. **Only e-mail entries will be accepted** and I must receive the e-mail by noon on December 12. All entries will be acknowledged, so you know I got it. One entry per member. We have some exciting lecturers/instructors in 2024 - Esterita Austin, Lea McCombs, TSC Designs, Jane Sassaman, Sujatha Shaw, Jan Mathews and others, so you'll have lots to choose from in 2024.



**Linda Conner**



**Mary Wells**



**Ellie McMaster**



**Pam Tedeschi**



**Sharon Kralj and Linda Stokes**



**Diane Ragan**

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Teresa Darr



Diana Fredricks



Julie Blanchard

*Upcoming Workshops* *Linda Stokes*  
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**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, quilting friends, no pressure, and perhaps some goodies to snack on while working on your project.

**No Fee – Sign up by sending an email to [workshops@QGGHouston.org](mailto:workshops@QGGHouston.org)**

## Upcoming Workshops

Linda Stokes & Diana Fredricks  
workshops@qgghouston.org

Wednesday/Thursday, January 17-18, 2024 9 am—3 pm

### *Esterita Austin “Fabulous Fabric Art Portraits”* **\*\*Two-day workshop\*\***

*Location:* TBD



The focus in this class is on creating dramatic, expressionistic portraiture. Rembrandt, La Tour, Caravaggio, all incorporated the technique of using a single, directional light source to create depth and drama in their imagery. Using traditional compositional elements further enhanced by textile paints you will create an expressive portrait juxtaposing light and dark as your tools of intrigue while working on your project.



## Retreats

Charlotte Betts  
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### QGGH Winter Retreat

**Dates:** Thursday - Sunday, February 8 - 11, 2024

**Location:** Camp Lone Star, La Grange, Texas

**Cost:** Members -\$240 for 3 nights; \$215 for 2 nights

**Non-Members - \$275 for 3 nights; \$250 for 2 nights**

It is time to sign up for our winter retreat. Registration will begin November 1st. Please remember that 2024 membership dues of \$35 must be paid prior to the retreat to qualify for the member rates. The membership chairperson will be collecting dues at our December holiday party.

Retreats are a great way to meet members, and we always have a great time. This retreat is scheduled for Super Bowl weekend so that we can take advantage of the great sales at the quilt shops near La Grange.

The class offered at this retreat is Easy Quilt Painting with Powder Pigments taught by **Bret Adams**. Bret will provide a 13 inch quilted design of your choice on a black fabric background. You will learn how to work with pigment powders and textile medium to create a painted piece suitable for a wall-hanging. **Bret** will provide all supplies needed at no cost to the participants. Bret will have samples of the designs to choose from beginning at our November meetings. This should be a great introduction to this art form. The class is suitable for all.

If you want more information about our retreats or have any questions, please contact me. We hope that you will join us.

Retreats

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Winter Retreat



QUILT GUILD OF GREATER HOUSTON
Thur., Feb. 8, 2024 - Feb. 11, 2024 • Camp Lone Star – La Grange, Texas

REGISTRATION

Name
Mailing Address
City, State, Zip
E-mail Address
Home Phone Work Phone
Cell Phone
Roommate Request
Room # Preference Same as last retreat?
Please indicate if you are able to sleep in a room with bunk beds.
Special dietary needs or requests
EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name Relationship
Phone: (cell-home-work) Alternate phone:

PAYMENT INFORMATION

COST: Member: \$240 (3 nights) Member: \$215 (2 nights)
Non-Member: \$275 (3 nights) Non-Member: \$250 (2 nights)
Deposit: \$25.00 is due at registration (full payment is welcome), non-refundable if you must cancel after January 25, 2024.
Balance: Due prior to January 19, 2024 Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis.
Reminder: Pay dues to Membership Chairperson at meeting, online or by mail.
\*\*\*\*\*ALL ROOMS ARE DOUBLE OCCUPANCY AS PER CAMP LONE STAR.\*\*\*\*\*
CLASS: YOU SHOULD HAVE A GOOD WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR MACHINE BEFORE COMING TO RETREAT. THIS WOULD ALSO BE THE TIME FOR A QUICK CLEANING AND OILING.
EASY QUILT PAINTING WITH POWDER PIGMENTS WITH BRETT ADAMS
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Mail completed form with your deposit or full payment (made payable to QGGH) to:
Charlotte Betts, 1675 Leesway Rd., Richmond, TX 77406
email: charlottebetts@yahoo.com Home Phone 281-342-6078 Cell Phone 713-408-6076
No money will be collected at the retreat – Payment must be received in full 1/19, 2024.

For QGGH USE ONLY: Cash Check # Amt Date Rec'd
Cash Check # Amt Date Rec'd
Zelle Credit Amt Date Rec'd

## Grants

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Did you know our wonderful quilt guild can help you expand your quilting skills and knowledge? Twice a year we can award \$500 to a guild member to defray the costs of a class, a workshop, a new machine or supplies you may need for a special project.

All you have to do is fill out the grant application form that is on our web site ([www.QGGHouston.org/forms](http://www.QGGHouston.org/forms)) and submit it to me by the deadlines, the first of March and the first of September. There is also a file at that site that explains in detail the grant procedure. As the grant chair I will review the applications and present them to the guild board who after thoughtful consideration will award the grant money, or part of it, to a worthy applicant (or applicants.) All we ask of you is to turn in your receipts and to share your new skills and knowledge with the guild.

Here are some suggestions for you to think about. These are classes I have personally experienced but all you have to do is a google search for online quilt classes or 5 day or three day quilt workshops for ideas and suggestions. And if you have taken an online course or a multi day workshop, and loved it let me know and I will gladly mention it in next month's newsletter.

Maybe you want to explore the charms of wool embellished quilts - check out [www.suespargo.com](http://www.suespargo.com) Sue Spargo is currently accepting orders for two blocks of the month – one for beginners and one for those that want more of a challenge.

Interested in trying your hand at modern quilting? Maria Shell offers numerous online classes.

Maybe you want a 5 day in person workshop – check out Empty Spools <https://www.emptyspoolsseminar.com> or Madeline Island School of the Arts <https://www.madelineartschool.com>

Just a beginner? This site offers some great classes on line to enhance your skills <https://www.skillshare.com>

And the delightful Philippa Naylor will walk you month by month thru all the quilting basics <https://www.quiltersquestiontime.com>

Any questions – send me a message at [grants@qgghouston.org](mailto:grants@qgghouston.org) The next deadline for applications is several months away, so you have time to think about how you could use the grant money.

Morning Mist Quilt Studio  
Katy, Texas

Longarm Quilting ♦ Memory Keepsakes

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## 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 November Meetings are on there too!

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 "Newsletter Advertising" and finish with "2023 Speakers and Workshops"

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 Newsletter Advertising tab.

On this page is a form to complete if you have an advertisement and below the form are the different ways you may advertise in our newsletter.

Next is the "Current Newsletter" and "Special Edition". These will take you to the current newsletter and the special edition about our 2023 Quilt Show.

We reached the end and it is a table of our speakers and workshops for 2023. We are on the last little bit and I will be posting 2024 soon!

I hope you have enjoyed this tutorial on our website. I sure do enjoy working on our website and helping others navigate IT.



### Ellen Phillips Quilting

Ellen Happe Phillips

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## Comforters' Corner

Janet Becker  
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Wasn't the Quilt of Valor meeting wonderful? Thank all of you who provided QOV quilts that were presented to veterans and military personnel by Montgomery Lone Stars Quilt of Valor on Tuesday evening. And another thank you for the "extra" quilts that were made and given to Montgomery Lone Stars for future presentations.

I delivered some cute Halloween quilts to Texas Children's Hospital this week. Kids always love our quilts, but they are especially fun for holidays. If you have some Christmas fabric or patterns, consider completing a child size Christmas quilt. I already have a couple of Hanukkah quilts ready for gifting.

I am putting a plug in for the Comforter Bee. It meets after the Friday morning meeting in a room provided by Faith Lutheran church across the parking lot from Brith Shalom Congregation. BOL (Bring your own lunch) and general sewing supplies, including your sewing machine. After the last guild's morning meeting, by 2 pm, the 12 members present had had lunch, shared their show and tell, and sewed together four (4) quilt tops. It was a whirlwind of activity which included a lot of laughter. If you have questions about this bee, please contact **Marsha Hennigan** or **Sheila Glover**.

Thank all of you for what you do for Comforters. It really is amazing how our "stitching" can effect someone's life! Always for the good!

Quilts completed:	332
Pillowcases:	73
Receiving blankets:	7
Volunteer hours:	5,026

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**2023 MEMBERSHIP**

LIFETIME - 9

NEW - 30

REGULAR - 200

TOTAL - 239

## November Birthdays!

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 SUSAN BOLES  
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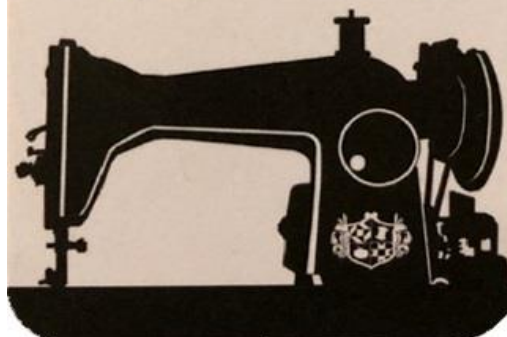
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<p><b>October Evening Meeting Attendance</b>  <b>In-Person: 92</b>  <b>via Zoom: 20</b></p>	<p><b>October Morning Meeting Attendance</b>  <b>In-Person: 63</b>  <b>via Zoom: 38</b></p>
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The report for September Community Service Hours has been combined with the report for October. If you have hours [2023. Hours may also be recorded at the Rep-at-Large Table at in-person meetings.](#)

**Community Service Hours  
for September 2023: 343**

Thanks to those who reported hours for September!

- TERESA ANDERSEN
- CHRISTIE ANDREWS
- KAREN BENSON
- CHARLOTTE BETTS
- SUSAN BOYD
- ALICE CLARK
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- MARY VAN SPEYBROECK



**Community Service Hours  
for October 2023: 444**

Thanks to those who reported hours for October!

- TERESA ANDERSEN
- CHRISTIE ANDREWS
- KAREN BENSON
- CHARLOTTE BETTS
- SUSAN BOYD
- ALICE CLARK
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- ♦ *Presentation of President’s Gift*
- ♦ *2024 Board & Committee Chairs*
- ♦ *Door Prizes*



**Purchase Tickets at Meetings or Online!**

*Show and Tell* *Mary Van Speybroeck*  
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**Cindy Dewstow**



**Bubbles**

Made this month for our niece.



**Charity quilt top**

Made this month. I finally finished it!

**Susan Boyd**



**Barbara Cline**



**Swing Jacket**

Made September-October 2023 for myself. Tomato tomahto by Kimberly Knight for Ruby Star Society fabric line. I will be wearing at court festival. Indigo Junction pattern.

**Meg Raatz**



**Scaredy Cat**

Made in 2023 for daughter Maddie. I started this Laura Heine applique wall hanging with a group of bee friends. I love doing these and have lost track of how many I've done.



Table runners made for friends and myself (the pumpkins)

*Show and Tell* *Mary Van Speybroeck*  
*showandtell@qgghouston.org*

**Gerry Bosworth**



**Halloween Potholder**  
Just finished. Made for son and family. Leftover block from table runner.

**Halloween Table Runner**  
Just finished for my granddaughter. My exploration of something new... Paper piercing. Don't have it down yet but I'm getting a bit faster.

**Elizabeth Fisher**



**Blue-throated Macaw**  
Made in September 2023 for Bird Endowment. These portraits of a blue-throated macaw were made for a fundraising auction for Bird Endowment. There are only about 420 to 480 blue-throated macaws in the wild and the Endowment works on having good habitat and nest boxes for the birds. The nest boxes have fledged 128 blue-throated macaws which is about a third of the population. Thanks to **Kathy Kennedy** for her guidance on this project.

**Rhonda Onwere**



**Carolina Brownies**  
Made from August 1st to August 31st, 2023, for my collection. This is the 9th in my series of Carolina chain quilts. This one features browns and rust colors and is perfect for fall season. Approximately 90 inches by 90 inches. I had a great time making the pieced back.



# Show and Tell

Mary Van Speybroeck  
 showandtell@qgghouston.org

**Teresa Andersen**



Made in 2023. Started at a retreat by cutting out all the pieces -- there were a lot! I use scraps and fabrics already on hand. It is from a pattern in a Tula Pink book. **Maryellen Robinson** quilted.

**Diana Fredricks**



Finished top on October 16 2023 for great grand #3. Borrowed animals from Art East Quilting Company's "Wonderful Woodland" quilt pattern.

**Kathy Keim**



**Lattice in Purple**

Made in August 2023 for our great niece Emma. 3-yard quilt pattern. Love the fabrics and Emma likes the purple. Harder than I thought! Jo's Studio quilted



**Maren's quilt**

Made in July 2023 for great niece Maren. 3-yard quilt pattern. Fabric I already had. Jo's Studio quilted.

*Show and Tell*

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**Bret Adams**



**Undulations Reflected**

Made in September 2023. A bargello variation adapted from Jan Hassard's Undulations pattern.

**Sharon Kralj**



Maker is Sonia Baker. Made in 1974. Made for Mrs. Chuck Graham. Hand pieced and quilted Dresden Plate. Huge variety of fabrics. Lots of aging.

**Evelyn Shea**



**Bon Voyage Bag**

Made August 2023 for a birthday gift for a friend. Started in a class at Quilters Emporium and finished about two weeks later. I liked the idea so much I plan to make five more as gifts, and maybe even one for me!



**Maddie's Tatty Teddy Quilt**

Made in April 2023. Will be complete by mid November 2023. Made for grandson Matthew born in June in New Zealand. My daughter wanted a gray and yellow quilt with a tatty teddy theme for her baby. I couldn't find tatty teddy fabric other than a jersey knit so I found embroidery patterns and did those instead. My husband picked the order for the teddies on the quilt and collaborated on the design as I tried different ideas. I am in the process of learning to use my Janome M17 to quilt it but will probably default to walking foot stitch in the ditch due to time constraints before I deliver the quilt in November.

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Two groundbreaking exhibits of quilts will be on display at the Texas Quilt Museum from August 31-December 23, 2023.

First, we'll pay tribute to the wildly popular series of books by James Herriot as well as the recent smash PBS series with the animal-themed juried show **"All Creatures Great and Small."** James Herriot was the pen name for the real-life British country veterinary surgeon James Wight (1916-1995). He wrote a series of best-selling books about his experiences in the field, as well as short stories for adults and children. They've been adapted into several TV shows and films, including the most recent All Creature Great and Small series that began in 2020 and runs on PBS in the United States.



**Red Panda (34" x 44")** by Laurie Mutalpassi

The Museum put out a call for quilts inspired by the theme in this juried show, with 59 works chosen. "These quilts run the gamut of animals portrayed and loved," says Vicki Mangum, Museum Curator. "You will enjoy the many cats and dogs, as well the infamous Texas Horny Toad Lizard. Look for swans, butterflies, and even a mouse. There are also quilts on endangered species that will raise your awareness to their plight."



**Isn't Playing Better Than Quilting? (33" x 32")** by Susan P. Stevenson

## Antique Quilts from the Koval Collection

Mary and Joe Koval are longtime quilt collectors, dealers, and experts. The Museum is also fortunate to house the permanent Koval Antique Textile Collection.



**Alphabet Quilt (72" x 76")**  
 c. 1870, artist unknown

Now comes this showcase of 15 works which include some of their best antique quilts gathered over the decades. They were chosen by the Kovals themselves.

"When viewing these quilts, I am reminded of what attracted me to quilts in the first place—the sheer beauty of workmanship and fabric selections," Museum Curator Vicki Mangum offers.

"The two go hand-in-hand with this antique collection. Museum visitors will definitely enjoy seeing what Mary and Joe Koval have kept in their private collection after years of selling antique quilts!"



**Mennonite Carpenter's Square (76" x 76")**  
 c. 1890, artist unknown

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*Karen Benson  
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OCTOBER 2023	October 17, 2023 Quilts of Valor <b>IN-PERSON/ZOOM</b>	October 18, 2023 Mystery Workshop Part 2 <b>IN-PERSON</b>	October 20, 2023 Ann Moore Trunk Show "I Do It Myself" <b>IN-PERSON/ZOOM</b>	
NOVEMBER 2023	November 21, 2023 Teresa Duryea-Wong "Native American Quilt Stories" <b>IN-PERSON/ZOOM</b>	November 15, 2023 Workday Finish Up Holiday Projects <b>IN-PERSON</b>	November 17, 2023 Allie McCathren "Fabric Painting with Scraps" <b>IN-PERSON/ZOOM</b>	
DECEMBER 2023	December 12, 2023 Holiday Party <b>IN-PERSON</b>	No Workshop	No Meeting	
JANUARY 2024		January 17-18, 2024 Esterita Austin "Fabric Art Portraits" <b>IN-PERSON</b>		
FEBRUARY 2024		February 21-22, 2024 Lea McComas Portrait Quilts (people or pets) <b>IN-PERSON</b>		
MARCH 2024		March 20, 2024 Ann Moore Westalee Ruler Quilting <b>IN-PERSON</b>		

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## *Upcoming Events*

### Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 7, 2023 7 pm

ZOOM

### Friday Morning Meeting

November 17, 2023 10 am

Allie McCathren

"Fabric Painting with Scraps"

IN PERSON/ZOOM

### Tuesday Night Meeting

November 21, 2023 7 pm

Teresa Duryea-Wong

"Native American Quilt Stories"

IN PERSON/ZOOM