

Quilters Guild of Plano, Inc.

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The President Says ...

“NOW IS THE TIME FOR ALL QUILTERS TO COME TO THE AID OF THEIR GUILD.”

I realize this statement is a little misquoted, but it is very pertinent to our guild. This year we have a large number of board positions changing on our board. We need guild members to step up and become more involved in the guild. The President position is one to be filled. It is a very easy position—basically run the guild and board meetings. There are a number of decisions that must be made every month. Most decisions are based on reports from the appropriate board member, so it is very easy to decide. The President is the contact person for the outside world, but there really is not that much to do. So, who wants the job? Please contact me or the nominating committee if you have questions or to sign up.



Other open positions are Secretary, VP Programs, and VP Membership. These positions are great ones to share with another person. They all include a fair amount of work and it is best to share with a friend so you won't be overwhelmed by the work. Contact the present board member to find out what the duties will be and then contact the nominating committee to sign up.

As stated at the beginning—we need you to step up and help.

Dolores Williams



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GUILD OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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PRESIDENT	DOLORES WILLIAMS
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QUILT SHOW 2014	PAM WALSH

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SHOW'N TELL	KATHY HOOK
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SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS	PAT WIANT
TAQG	PAT WIANT
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QUILT PLANO 2015—PAM WALSH



HELP WANTED VOLUNTEERS FOR QUILT SHOW

Last year, we logged some 1,500 volunteer hours the week of the quilt show. 50% of the total hours worked that week were performed by 21 individuals, 4 of whom are not even guild members. Only 50% of our members worked at all.

Our show was successful, but we could have used more volunteers. There were visitors who couldn't find a quilt angel to see the back of a quilt, and vendors who could not get comfort breaks as needed. Plus some of our members ended up staying much later than planned, because there was no one to relieve them at the end of their shifts.

It takes over 4,200 hours over the course of a year to make the show successful. The Quilt Show is how we fund our speakers' budget and operations for the coming year.

Almost half of our members did not participate in supporting the show last year, either by working the show itself or behind the scenes before-hand.

Please, please, please volunteer. We begin signing up volunteers at the May Guild meeting. If you will be out of town during the show, please consider helping in another way, by making a mini for the auction or helping with publicity or raffle ticket sales.

Volunteers are needed during the week of the Show:

- Quilt turn-in on Tuesday morning
- Hanging quilts on Wednesday—spotters who don't have to climb ladders are also needed
- Scribing for judges Wednesday afternoon and Thursday
- Assisting vendors beginning Wednesday through Saturday
- Hospitality—sit-down jobs beginning on Wednesday through Saturday
- Admissions, Membership, Children's Activities, Mini Auction and Raffle Tickets—sit-down jobs on Friday and Saturday

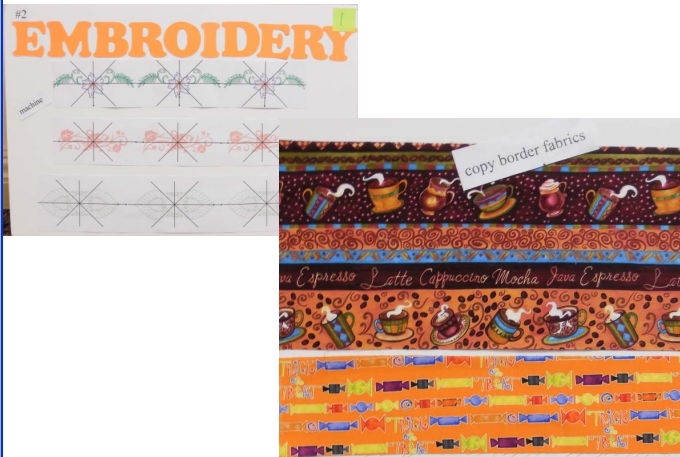
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DO IT YOURSELF ROUND ROBIN MYSTERY QUILT—LINDA NEAL

The second border to be added to your block is an embroidered border. This can be done by machine embroidery, hand embroidery, decorative stitches on your machine, or any technique to add stitching to your border. Remember, the embroidery can be the entire border or just the corners. It's up to you. If you want to review the instructions/ideas for the 2nd border—please look at the guild website.

Several guild members brought their projects to guild to show off their work and inspire others. Everyone is doing a great job! It is fun to watch members add the different borders. Everyone's project looks completely different. Keep bringing your project to guild so we can all watch them grow.

At the May meeting I will reveal the 3rd border. Until then, happy quilting.



BIRTHDAY QUILT CHALLENGE— SHERRY WORLEY

If you would like to participate in the Birthday Quilt Challenge for 2015, the rules are simple. Just make a quilt and turn it in to Sherry Worley in the month of your birth. The quilt may be any size any technique, as long as it is a **finished** quilt. Sherry will document your donation and pass your quilt on to Community Service. A prize drawing will be held at the end of the year.

SPECIAL WORKSHOP BY MJ FIELEK— SHERRY WORLEY

MJ Fielek, member and Past President of the Quilters Guild of Plano, is offering a workshop on Saturday, June 13, 2015. The subject is "Bindings". She will teach plain and stuffed bindings, 2 color and bias bindings, bindings with a flange and how to bind minis. MJ will provide quilted material but you will need the following supplies; 2 colors of fabric – each at least ¼ yard of WOF (width of fabric) not fat quarters, basic sewing supplies, sewing machine in good working order, rotary cutter, mat and ruler, and marking pen. The cost is \$30.00 for guild members and \$40.00 for non-members, no discounts will apply. To sign up for this class, use the standard class form, write in the amount paid and mail as usual.

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Staff/Safety—great jobs for husbands, sons and friends on Friday and Saturday
Quilt Angels—walking around jobs on Friday and Saturday
Taking down quilts on Saturday after the show
Quilt give-back on Saturday after the show.

Everyone who volunteers for 2 hours on a show activity earns free admission to the show. Members not working must pay full admission price. Every member who volunteers for at least 4 hours earns the special show charm.



Quilt Plano 2015 SAVE THE DATE!

Friday-Saturday
August 14-15th, 2015
Plano Centre



BEEKEEPER—KATHY HOOK



To Bee or Not to Bee

Quilting has become a popular medium for artists of all ages, sexes, experiences and skills. The fabrics that are available are diverse and beautiful. Like many people I have more fabric and tools than I can ever use, even if I live to be 100 and I am still quilting. Our guild has an opportunity to pass our skills on to other people in the community. One way is through our small groups. I have invited a couple of people to the Small Stuff bee, even though they are not quilters, yet. They voiced an interest in learning and if they are excited about the process, they will join the Guild. I am not a great quilter but I am an experienced teacher. We can share our process and passion as we open our bees to new people. Quilting is like being on a swim team. It is an individual and a team sport. Bees provide an opportunity to encourage new people to join the team. Happy Quilting.

P.S. Check out the activities pages that Lynne has brought up to date.



Shryn Design

TAQG RALLY DAY

—PAT WIA NT, TAQG REP.

TAQG RALLY DAY— SATURDAY, JULY 11, 2015

One of the great things about Rally Day is that it is FREE. All you need is your Quilters Guild of Plano membership card. This is one of the advantages of our guild being a member of TAQG (Texas Association of Quilt Guilds). The speaker this year is Kathy Dunigan and she will speak at the morning and afternoon sessions. If you would like to eat lunch at Rally Day, the cost is \$10. I have the forms and you can get one at our meeting next month. It is fun to sit and have lunch with friends on site instead of trying to find a place nearby to eat.

There is still room in both workshops if you are interested. Kathy is teaching her appliqué methods for “Baltimore Hanging Basket” on Thursday and Friday, July 9 and 10, at the same location where Rally Day is being held. On Monday and Tuesday, July 13 and 14 she will be teaching her appliqué methods for “Addie’s Delight”. Both classes are from 9 am-4 pm and the cost is \$100 for each two day class, plus a \$25 kit fee if you want to purchase a kit. I will have the registration forms at the May meeting or you can call me at 972-964-6750 if you would like one earlier.

Remember that TAQG also has a Mini-Quilt auction and we would really appreciate it if you could donate a mini-quilt. Three have been donated so far. You can give the mini-quilt to me at the May meeting.

I will also have the Pre-Rally Day Basket tickets at our next guild meeting. They are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The basket is full of wonderful quilting items-----even a sewing machine!

**Rally Day is held at the
Mimosa Lane Baptist Church,
1233 N Beltline Rd., Mesquite, TX 75149**



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS—SHERRY WORLEY AND KAYE DUNN

Join us in May for the excitement of the Quilt Show roll out meeting! This is your chance to get involved. You can support the guild by finding the right job for you. Remember that our Quilt Show is the main fund raiser for the guild. If you like the speakers and classes that we offer you need to participate.

A wonderful workshop is offered on May 16th. Mendie Cannon of Bestitched will be teaching a Brazilian Embroidery Class. You may remember Mendie from last year's Quilt Show where she was a popular vendor. There is a \$45.00 kit fee for this class. The kit will include everything you need other than scissors, an 8" hoop or stretcher bars, extra lighting and magnification if you need it. This is a special opportunity to learn a beautiful form of embroidery using several different types of threads and some amazing stitches.



Maria Denise Hall from Flower Mound will be our speaker on June 11th. Maria is a talented, award winning long arm quilter. Her presentation Bringing Out the Best in Your Quilt—A Longarm Perspective will help you get the most out of your relationship with

your longarm quilter. Maria will keep you entertained while giving you tips toward a better quilt.

Maria Hall spent her youth on the lakes of Minnesota and her college years on the Chesapeake. She graduated from the US Naval Academy with a BS in History and minors in Russian and French. After 5 more years of travelling the globe in the US Navy, she began her corporate career in distribution center management. Along the road she earned her Master's Degree in Management and became a corporate trainer. She also learned to quilt.

In 2010, her favorite hobby replaced her annoying job. She educated herself anew and became an award-winning professional longarm quilter, quilt maker, guild speaker, and professional quilt appraiser. In her short time in this exciting new career she has quilted over 700 quilts and performed hundreds of appraisals for local quilt lovers.

When she's not obsessed with collecting fabric, she raises two female teenagers, herds 4 cats and keeps her adult child husband out of trouble to the best of her ability. She is a member of Mensa and serves as program director for the Lewisville Quilt Guild.

Workshops Fees: \$40/day for members,
\$50/day for non-members

Hours: 8:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.
doors open at 8:00 for setup

Location: Parkway Hills Baptist Church
2700 Dallas Parkway, Plano, Texas 75093

Member Bonus!!

Advance Registration and Multi-day Discounts

Prepayment of registrations received 35 days prior to the scheduled event, entitles members to take a \$5.00 discount with each prepaid workshop. If you take both days offered by the instructor you may take an additional \$5.00 discount. Members can take two days of classes from a national teacher for \$65.00. See the guild website at www.qqplano.org and go to the *Upcoming Events* page for more information. Fees are refundable only in the event the speaker cancels her appearance. Questions may be directed to the

workshop coordinator. Refer to our website for current email.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City and Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

“Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive the supply lists via USPS.” Supply lists may be printed from the website. Your telephone number and email are particularly important so we can reach you in the event of any last minute changes.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

Bring Completed Form to a Meeting, or mail to

Kaye Dunn
4833 N. Meadow Ridge Circle
McKinney, TX 75070

MAY GUILD MEETING PROGRAM— PAM WALSH



QUILT PLANO 2015 SHOW ROLLOUT

Our May General Guild Meeting will be “all about the Show”. The Show Committee will talk about all the activities that go on during the week of show.

The Show may open on Friday morning, August 14th, but all the action is in full swing starting Tuesday morning the 11th.

Our newer members can learn details about the different volunteer jobs—when and what. Our show committee will be sitting in the side room before and after the meeting with sign-up sheets for the various jobs. They will be able to answer any specific questions that you might have.

Some of the more “popular” job positions go fast, so if you have something specific that you really like to do, sign up early. And please sign up often. The success of the show depends on YOU as a volunteer.

We will have special drawings for those signing up to work the week of the show. We will also distribute show t-shirts that were pre-ordered.

DAY RETREATS—DONNA PETRICK

Moving the April workshops to the Dallas Gamers Marathon building was a really well received action. This allowed us to also have a day retreat at the same time. While it was very short notice, we had a group take advantage of the extra sewing time. Aurora and Lynne have posted some pictures on Facebook and the web site so that you can see the facilities. Please look it over and see if you can join us for the next day retreat.

The next day retreat will be July 20th (Monday), 21st (Tuesday) and 22nd (Wednesday). You can arrive at 9:00 am and stay until 9:30 pm each day. We need at least 26 people to participate in order to break even on building cost. Location is 900 Parker Rd, Ste 530. It is on the southeast corner of Parker and Alma. Turn in at Shipley's Donuts and drive straight back.

There were not any weekend dates left for this year to accommodate the working members of the guild. I have picked a date if 2016 for a weekend retreat so hopefully they can participate then.

In July, you will have a six foot table to yourself. Irons and ironing boards will be provided. I do need a couple of people to bring large cutting mats. We will have risers to lift the cutting tables. Kitchen facilities are available if you want to bring your lunch. There are numerous restaurants close by if you want to eat out.

This will be a great time to finish up your entries for the show. Plan to join us. Let me know if you want your name on the list.

WEBSITE—LYNNE FRITSCHÉ

The old website has now been officially replaced with the new site: www.ggplano.org. Go explore and check out the various pages with info about programs, community service, and all the other activities of the guild. There are also lots of photos in the Gallery. If you have any corrections or suggestions, let me know by emailing the Webmaster from the contacts list on the home page. I can't promise to please everybody, but I promise to listen!

MINI QUILTS—TINA CONNOLLY

Don't forget to turn in your Mini Quilts



MEMBERSHIP NEWS—DONNA PETRICK & KEMBERLY WILSHIRE

We had one new member join us at our April meeting. Dena's information is listed below. Please try to meet her at the next meeting and help her join in the fun.

New Member:

Dena Smith DOB: 9/23
1402 Marlboro Ln., Richardson, TX 75082
972-699-1902 Spouse: Scott
Email: dm2smith@yahoo.com

We hopefully have a replacement team to take the place of Kemberly and myself as we step down from membership this year. I'll let the nominating committee tell who. This position is a great way to meet the members of the guild and learn names with faces. Please make an attempt to help out. We will again need several people to help with hospitality—which is simply showing the new members and/or visitors around the activities and explaining what we are doing.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Meg Belanger	05/01	Cindy Kingston	05/15
Barbara Webb	05/04	Tracy Spruell	05/16
Janet Plotkin	05/04	Gloria Fox	05/17
Sue Rentz	05/07	Joanne Hancock	05/18
Becky Woods	05/12	Valerie Pearson	05/19
Kay Burnett	05/13	Lori Hutyra	05/24

QUILT PLANO REGISTRATION— LYNNE FRITSCHE

It's getting closer! Deadline for turning in your quilt show entry forms is June 11 at the guild meeting. Remember that only the quilt top has to be finished by that time. It does not have to be quilted and bound for you to turn in your entry form. I will have a camera at the May and June meetings, so if the entry form is ready, I can do the photo for you.

Quilt Plano is intended as a showcase for the quilters in our guild. Of course, we also will accept entries from non-members (for a fee), but we want all our members to show what they have made. You never know what design or color selection will be the perfect inspiration for another quilter. If it's finished, put it in the show!

COMMUNITY SERVICE—LADAWN DALLEY

170 stockings were turned in at this month's meeting! Some were from before we were using a die-cutter to cut them! That means that there are still around 1000 stockings out there. Please return them as soon as possible, finished or not—we will be happy to get them back!

Did the sign-out sheet scare everyone off? Only 4 quilts to quilt and three cuddle quilt kits were taken. And only 6 finished quilts were turned in, two of which were birthday quilts.



APRIL BOARD MEETING MINUTES—MARTY CROUCH

Dolores Williams called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm. The minutes of the March 2 meeting were approved as written. The treasurer's report will be filed for review. Dolores announced that Suzy Boyle had volunteered for the Nominating Committee. The remainder of the committee will be appointed in April to allow sufficient time to recommend the board positions that would be open in 2016. Dolores reported that the raffle quilt had been appraised at \$2575 and entered into the Arlington show.

Items discussed:

Membership—Donna Petrick reported that the Dallas Gamers Building at Parker and Alma was available for \$150 per day Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and \$225 per day Friday, Saturday and Sunday, or \$600 if we book all three days. There are two rooms available, so we could hold workshops and day retreats at the same time. We currently pay approximately \$175 to hold workshops at the church, and instructors have had difficulty presenting workshops during the allotted time. After discussion, Donna made a motion that we rent the building on a trial basis Friday through Sunday April 10-12 (for workshops and day retreaters) and Monday through Wednesday July 20-22 (for day retreaters). Cost of the building is to be paid by attendees, with the guild being responsible for any shortfall during the trial period. The cost for a 3 day retreat is \$35. Those who attend workshops will receive a discounted rate to stay after the workshop and continue sewing. With one workshop, the cost is \$25; with two workshops, the cost is \$12. Workshop fees are separate. Pat Wiant seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Programs—Sherry Worley reported that there are two openings remaining for national speakers during 2016 and costs are increasing. She advised that we should increase the cost of workshops to \$50 for members and \$60 for nonmembers at the beginning of the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Sherry also advised that she would investigate and may propose the purchase of a wireless microphone.

Community Service—LaDawn reported that she had created a sign out sheet for kits and quilts to track when projects are returned. She will provide an anonymous basket for members to return incomplete projects. Pat Wiant reported that the Nifty Needlers requested support or abolishment of the Christmas stocking project. The board concurred. A demonstration of Christmas stockings will be presented in July and we may have room to complete stockings if scheduled workshops do not fill.

Guild Activities—Linda Neal will repeat the instructions for the second embroidered border of the round robin quilt at the April meeting.

Media—Lynne Fritsche announced that the old web site had been eliminated and visitors will be forwarded to our new web site.

Quilt Show—Pam Walsh reported supplies had been purchased from the Dallas guild and almost everything had been moved to the new storage facility. Pam made a motion that we purchase two heavy duty utility carts at \$134.99 each to use during quilt show set up. Kaye Dunn seconded the motion. The motion passed. Pam also reported that all workers (including husbands) will be wearing white gloves to set up and take down quilts at the show to ensure that all quilts are cared for properly.

TAQG—Pat Wiant asked the board members to encourage sign ups and the purchase of raffle tickets for Rally Day.

Secretary—Marty Crouch requested that board members advise committee members to introduce themselves when they make announcements at guild meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Those in attendance:

Dolores Williams, Donna Petrick, Kaye Dunn, Sherry Worley, LaDawn Dalley, Linda Neal, Lynne Fritsche, MJ Fielek, Pam Walsh, Marty Crouch, Pat Wiant, Tina Connolly, Carol Long, Pat Fowler

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2016 GUILD RETREAT— JULIE BROOKS



FINAL CHANCE to be eligible.....If you submit a \$50 deposit for the 2016 Guild Retreat by May 14th, and attend the retreat, your name will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 gift certificate. The 2016 Guild Retreat is scheduled for

Thursday—Sunday, February 18–21, 2016 at Mitchell Resort & Park. Cost is \$275 for double occupancy and \$425 for single.

A retreat page has been added to our new Guild Website, www.qgplano.org. Follow the links from the main menu: [Activities—Retreat](#). And you can click on a link to a [Gallery](#) of pictures showing the cabins, sewing room, grounds, plus more.

To hold your spot, you can mail your deposit check to Julie Brooks, 8300 Indian Palms Trail, McKinney, TX 75070, or turn in your check to Donna Petrick.

MARCH CASH FLOW COMPARISON—CAROL LONG

Bank Balance 76,197.11

INFLOWS

Administrative: Bank Interest	1.99
Media: Newsletter Ads	15.00
Membership: Membership Dues	150.00
Programs: Workshop Income	735.00
Quilt Show: Raffle Ticket Sales	125.00
Quilt Show: Registration Fees	18.00
Quilt Show: Vendor Booth Income	3,919.50
Retreat Fees Collected	<u>15.00</u>

TOTAL INFLOWS 4,979.49

OUTFLOWS

Administrative: Show Equipment	750.00
Administrative: Storage Unit	2,053.87
Com. Service: Service Quilt Supplies	25.50
Education Exp.: Education Supplies	75.48
Media Exp.: Web Site Expenses	17.49
Programs: Meeting Facilities Rent	50.00
Programs: Speaker Lecture	150.00
Programs: Speaker Meals & Per Diem	7.39
Programs: Supplies & Equipment	5.40
Quilt Show: Printing Expense	1,093.09
Quilt Show: Raffle Quilt Expense	55.00
Quilt Show: Show Products Expense	300.00
Quilt Show: Storage & Transport	<u>579.36</u>

TOTAL OUTFLOWS 5,162.58

Bank Balance 3/31/15 76,014.02

Bank Balances	<u>02/28/15</u>	<u>03/31/15</u>
Operating Account	52,063.09	51,878.01
Money Market Account	<u>24,134.02</u>	<u>24,136.01</u>
	76,197.11	76,014.02

COMMON THREADS AD RATES

<u>Half Page:</u>	<u>Quarter Page:</u>	<u>Business Card:</u>
1 month = \$40	1 month = \$25	1 month = \$15
3 months = \$90	3 months = \$60	3 months = \$35

Please make ads in "jpg" files and email to Lynne Fritsche at media@qgplano.org.

APRIL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES—MARTY CROUCH

Guild President Dolores Williams called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm and recognized members of the McKinney Guild who were displaying their raffle quilt. The minutes of the March meeting were approved as written. The treasurer's report will be filed for review.

Dolores appointed the following members to the Nominating Committee: Suzy Boyle, MJ Fielek, Debra Douglas, Julie Schaefer, Tina Connolly, Barbara Collins (alternate), and Monica Hendewerk (alternate).

Dolores announced that the July meeting will be held at Plano Centre since the church is not available.

Dolores recognized Linda Neal by awarding her the Lone Star Award for her leadership in Guild Activities.

Guild Activities—Members who completed the first or second round displayed their quilts. Linda Neal repeated instructions and showed samples for the second border of the DIY round robin quilt. The second border should include hand or machine embroidery or decorative stitches. Full instructions are available on the website.

Community Service—LaDawn Dalley announced that she had delivered quilts to several of our sponsored agencies and that she had created a sign out sheet for kits and quilts to track projects as they are returned. An anonymous basket was made available for members to return incomplete projects. LaDawn reminded members that there are now two Sit and Sew days for community service, including a new group that meets on the fourth Saturday of each month at the Olde Craft Shop in Carrollton.

Education—Pam Wingate announced that information on local beginning quilting classes had been compiled for any members who were interested. She reminded members to pick up raffle tickets for guild raffle quilt.

TAQG—Pat Wiant announced that Rally Day will be July 11 with appliqué workshops presented by Kathy Dunigan. Workshop enrollment forms, lunch tickets, raffle tickets and pins are available from Pat. Pat requested donations of mini quilts for Rally Day.

Programs—Kaye Dunn announced speakers for the coming months and that the April classes had been moved to the Dallas Gamers building at the southeast corner of Alma and Parker. The building will open at 8 am with the class time extended to 8:30 am—4:30 pm. The May workshop will be presented by Mendie Cannon on Brazilian embroidery. MJ Fielek will teach bindings in June. Workshops on machine quilting and 3 methods of machine appliqué will be held on Thursday, July 9 at the Plano Centre.

Membership—Donna Petrick recognized the 2 visitors and 60 members in attendance. Thirteen door prizes were awarded from members and the following:

Threads That Bind	The Olde Craft Store
Quilt Country	Sew Let's Quilt It
McKinney Quilt Guild	Michelle Watts

Donna reported that the Dallas Gamers Building at Parker and Alma was being rented on a trial basis Friday through Sunday April 10-12 (for workshops and day retreaters) and Monday through Wednesday July 20-22 (for day retreaters). The cost for day retreaters on Saturday and Sunday, April 10-11, 10 am—4:30 pm is \$20. In April only, workshop attendees may stay for extended hours without additional charge. The cost for Monday through Wednesday July 20-22 from 8 am—9:30 pm will be \$35.

Quilt Show—Pam Walsh and Tina Connolly displayed mini-quilts donated this month. Mary Bishop won the door prize for donating a mini-quilt. Pam reminded members that orders could be placed for show t-shirts by contacting Kemberly Wilshire and that t-shirts would be delivered at the May meeting. She requested that any member who would like to demonstrate at the quilt show contact Pam Wingate or Margaret Schafer.

Guild Retreat—Pam Walsh announced that the guild retreat would be held Thursday – Sunday, February 18 -21 at Mitchell RV park. The price is \$275 double occupancy. The \$50 deposit can be made now.

Show and Tell—Tina Connolly displayed a quilt she made from a Michelle Watts pattern. Ileana Salazar impressed us with four completed quilts.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. The guest speaker was Michelle Watts.