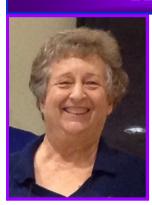
Quilters Guild



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The President Says ...



June 2015

It's raining again! Please make it stop. I wait all winter for warm weather and now there is nothing but rain and cool/cold weather.

Since I am a fair-weather gardener and a badweather guilter. I have gotten a lot of sewing done. How about you?

One thing we can all do on these badweather days is help do some work for Community Service. Our guild has two

community service work days where we have kits to make guilt tops. We also bring kits to the guild meeting so more guilt tops are made. Right now we have over 200 quilt tops in storage that need quilting! Community Service packages the quilt top with backing, batting, binding and a Plano Quilters label. You can just guilt it and return it and someone else will bind it. But, WE NEED QUILTERS! This is the perfect way to practice guilting on your home machine. Most guilts are not big and work well on your home machine. And what can be better for trying out new techniques. Then you could use the perfected techniques on your own guilts.

Don't know how to guilt on your home machine? Take the class in July and learn from our own Sherry Worley. You will be practicing on Community Service quilts so the work you do will go to a child when they most need something to comfort them.

Last month we only had 7 quilts to hand to charities. So please, stop by the Community Service table and pick up bundles that need quilting.

Dolores Williams



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QUILT PLANO 2015 MEAL TICKETS-PAM WALSH



Meal Tickets are available for Fridav and Saturday during the Show. As most of us know, the Plano Centre does not allow ANY outside food or Quilt Plano 2015 🍝 beverages to be brought into the Centre. So, if you will be

working and enjoying the show, you can avoid the lines at the Concession Stand and avoid the August heat, by purchasing a meal ticket for lunch. The meals will be served in the Hospitality Room for volunteers and vendors. Last year was the first year we used this arrangement, and it worked well and was affordable.

Choices available each day are:

A Garden Salad with Grilled Chicken and Vinaigrette Dressing, or A Turkey Wrap served with Chips.

The meals are \$7 each and must be purchased in advance. (Plano Centre agreed to maintain the cost of meals at \$7 this year, even though some of their concession stand prices have increased.) Tickets will be available for sale at the June and July guild meetings, or you can contact Pam Walsh at pam.walsh92@gmail.com, no later than July 24th.

The Guild will be providing drinks and cookies



Do IT YOURSELF ROUND ROBIN Mystery Quilt—Linda Neal

At the May guild meeting I revealed the 3rd border in the Do-It-Yourself Round Robin challenge. The 3rd border is a paper pieced border. Any technique can be used that involves basting or sewing your fabric to a piece of paper to make your border.

The first type is a traditional paper pieced border. Some examples are a braid, flying geese or a ribbon border. Or, you may choose to make individual paper pieced blocks and sew them together. Examples are: log cabin block, court house step blocks, or a motif block that coordinates with your theme. (basket, pumpkin, tree, star, etc)

If you like hand work, you can choose to do English paper piecing in any shape. Hexagons, elongated hexagons, clam shell etc. You can also use Thangles or triangles on a roll to make your border. Just remember, ANY technique can be used that involves paper. Don't forget- you can paper piece the entire border, just the corners, or any amount.

The entire list of instructions for the challenge is listed on the guild website if you haven't started yet- it's not to late to join in!

Several guild members brought their projects to show off at the meeting. I LOVE seeing everyone's work! Please bring your project to guild each month to show off and inspire others! I would also love to take photos of everyone's work in progress.

Happy Sewing, Linda Neal



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.

WEB SITE CHANGES-Dolores Williams

Hi, all,

Brian Plotkin is the designer of our new website. He has made some changes to the site, mostly in how the calendar comes up when you click on the date.

There is also a text message change. We can add the person's carrier to help with text messages. Please review the changes.

The following changes have been implemented:

- 1) Calendar format has changed for
 - 0 Report Volunteer Hours
 - 0 Report Hours in Bulk
 - 0 Edit Hours
 - 0 View Volunteer Hours
- 2) Text messaging has been added
 - 0 Update Membership Record to add mobile carrier
 - 0 Send Text Message has been added

If you notice any problems, please report them to the webmaster.

COMMON THREADS

OBITUARY FOR RUTH SHRINER— DONNA PETRICK

Sadly, I must tell you that Ruth passed away today, May 13, 2015. However, there is a sense of relief for her. This has been a very distressing year for her with continual health issues, particularly the last three months. Her recent stroke caused even more problems. We have had many end-oflife discussions and I can tell



you with certainty that Ruth, Natalie and I want you to not mourn her passing but to be thankful for her full life and press happily on with your own. John & Natali

Ruth Marie Shriner of Richardson, Texas, age 73, passed away on May 13, 2015. Ruth was born in Brush, Colorado, August 14, 1941. She graduated from Brush High School in 1959.

Ruth was married to John Shriner on June 6, 1964, they celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2014.

Ruth loved her short career as a stewardess for Western Airlines which, due to rules at the time, she had to give up when she married John. She was an active Air Force wife and mother during John's time in the Air Force. They lived in Alabama and California and she had to take care of one-year-old Natalie while John was in Southeast Asia for a year.

After 1969 she and John lived most of the time in Richardson, Texas. She was active in crafts, tennis and quilting. She was a member of multiple quilting groups which she greatly enjoyed.

QUILT PLANO 2015 VOLUNTEERS-PAM WALSH



Thanks to everyone who signed up at our May meeting to volunteer during Show Week. We had many positions filled, we still NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS. It is NOT necessary to be a member of the Quilt Guild of Plano to volunteer. Non-

members who work at least two hours are also eligible for free admission on Friday or Saturday.

Volunteers are still needed during the week of the Show in these areas:

- Hanging quilts on Wednesday spotters who don't have to climb ladders are also needed
- 2. 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
- 5. Staff/Safety great jobs for husbands, sons and friends on Friday and Saturday
- 6. Quilt Angels walking around jobs on Friday and Saturday
- 7. Taking down quilts on Saturday after the show

Signup sheets will be available again at the June and July meetings. Or you can contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Carol Long, at <u>csmwlong@gmail.com</u> to find a position and time that works for you.

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.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS—SHERRY WORLEY AND KAYE DUNN



Maria Denise Hall from Flower Mound will be our speaker on June 11th. Maria is a talented, award winning long arm quilter. Her presentation <u>Bringing Out</u> <u>the Best in Your Quilt – A</u> <u>Longarm Perspective</u> 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. The following quote is from her bio. "In 2010, her favorite hobby replaced her annoying job. She educated herself anew and became an award-winning professional long arm 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." There is still time to sign up for M.J.'s Bindings class. Last year the Quilt Show Judges were very impressed with the bindings on the quilts they judged. This is your chance to learn several techniques to improve your finished quilt. One of the techniques is also perfect for use on your Community Service quilts as it is done entirely on the machine. The class is on June 13th and complete info is available on the Guild website.

Sherry Worley will be teaching an introduction to Domestic Machine Quilting class on Thursday, July 9th. Community Service pre-basted quilts are provided for you to work on in class. The hours spent in class will count toward Community Service hours when you finish your quilt and turn it in to the Guild. The cost of this class is \$25.00. More information is available on the Guild website.

Join us in July for the very popular Quilt Show Demo Sampler.

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 <u>received 35 days</u> 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 <u>www.qgplano.org</u> 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

QUILT PLANO 2015 SPECIAL EXHIBITS—SHARON SCHENKE

This year Special Exhibits will include projects from our guild workshop classes and displays from the Art Quilters Group and also the Lucy Boston Hexi group. These will be such nice additions to our judged quilts.

Thank you to everyone who has already verbally committed to displaying your finished projects from the guild workshops.Please complete the Special Exhibit form for Guild Workshop Projects. You may get a form at the June 11th guild meeting or print it from our website. Go to "Quilt Plano 2015" and then select "Special Exhibits". For the entry form, the link is in blue letters, "Special Exhibits".

Bring the completed form to the June 11th meeting or at the latest the July 9th meeting and give it to Sharon Schenke. Only one form is needed even if you have multiple projects. For the quilt show, deliver your projects to Plano Centre on August 11th, the same day and time as our judged quilts. If you prefer, you may give your project to Sharon Schenke at the July meeting.

If you want to share your project but haven't let Sharon know yet, you can still do it. It is not too late! You have until July 9th to decide for sure. That is our deadline, so we can plan the layout. Remember, these are examples of what we have learned this past year and they are not judged.

If you have any questions, contact Sharon at <u>gschenke@verizon.net</u>.

BEEKEEPER—KATHY HOOK



This is a self portrait of a quilter who has had a spring fever and has not quilted for weeks.

COMMUNITY SERVICE— LADAWN DALLEY

Because of some beautiful quilts turned in this past month, I will be able to make a delivery to The Turning Point rape crisis center, and the Children's Advocacy Center this month. I have lots of kits ready to be quilted! The "kits" are a quilt top, backing, and batting all rolled up. If you take one, you will need to sandwich the layers together, baste, and then quilt in any way you want. If there was binding included with the kit, you can choose to complete the quilt, or just return the quilt and binding to me. Someone else can then take it and add the binding. If you just like making tops and leaving the rest to someone else, I have lots of those kits too!

Don't forget to keep working on those Christmas Stockings! We will be delivering them to Soldiers Angels again this year, and they have assured me that the veterans always love receiving them. It really brightens their Christmas season. I have also been told the Stockings will stay in our local area, (meaning the DFW area).

I am looking for someone to take the position of Stocking Project chair. If no one steps forward, we will be letting this program go. It is not a hard job, but it does take time. It entails cutting the stockings using the die cutter and bagging them in kits. (My kids always loved helping with that!) Then you bring the kits to distribute on guild nights, and collect any that have been completed. You would also collect any donations for stuffing the stockings. Then in late November or early December, you deliver the stockings, or they are picked up, however you and the Soldiers Angels liaison decide to work it.

I was chairperson for the stocking project for 5 or 6 years, and I found it a wonderful way to introduce my kids and others to sewing and service to others. Last year, it was done by a small group. I would hate for us to lose this program. If you are interested or want more details, give me a call: 469-243-4615. I would love to talk to you!

Membership News—Donna Petrick & Kemberly wilshire

When pulling the birthday list from the web site this month, I was again reminded that we are missing birthdates on 4 people. Please go onto the web site and update your information. It would also be great if everyone would add a picture of themselves. This is a good way for us to put names and faces together at the meetings. You can add your picture yourself. Just go to your page in the membership roster and click on the update information tab. The next screen says to upload your picture so it needs to be on your computer so you can find the picture. Then complete the instructions and save.

We now have enough members signed up for the Mitchell RV park retreat in January to insure that we can have the time together. But it would be fun to add more people. This is a good time to get to know other members and to get inspiration for future projects. Please send in a deposit to get your name on the list.

Are you entering your guild hours on the web site? The 2015 year bars are here. It doesn't take long to do 30 hours of work for the guild. So it you have already earned your year bar, please check with me at the meetings. I bring the bars and the rest of the pins with me to meetings.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Debble Jeners25/00Pat Young26/06Maria Eakin27/06Wanda Lerma27/06	Kathy Scott Connie Keel June Austin Mary Lou Smith Marvel Link Mindy Myint Lynnette Maytubby Dolores Williams Marsha Meeks Donna Strongin Lindy Bezdek Marie Flanders Val Hubbard	01/06 03/06 04/06 09/06 10/06 14/06 19/06 21/06 21/06 22/06 22/06 22/06 24/06
Debbie Jeffers25/06Pat Young26/06Maria Eakin27/06	Marie Flanders	22/06
	Debbie Jeffers Pat Young Maria Eakin	26/06 27/06

QUILT PLANO 2015 REGISTRATION— Lynne Fritsche

Don't forget to get your entry forms filled out to enter your quilts in Quilt Plano 2015! The guild meeting on June 11 is the deadline, but you can beat the rush by mailing them to me at the address on the form. I know it takes a little doing to get the form filled out – measuring the quilt, looking up the pattern source, taking a photo – but it's not really all that painful. If the photo part is a problem, just bring the quilts to the guild meeting and I will have my camera there for photos.

The members and guests who come to our show really want to see lots of quilts—simple, complicated, traditional, artsy, modern, new and different, classic, first efforts, and masterworks. You've worked hard on those quilts, so fill out the forms and let the local quilting community enjoy seeing your work. Just do it!



MAY BOARD MEETING MINUTES-MARTY CROUCH

Dolores Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Dolores announced that the Nominating Committee had met and was working. Due to a conflict with the Quilt Show committee, the June board meeting will be held on June 8 instead of June 1.

Items discussed:

Education – Pam Wingate announced that the Junior Quilting class was on target. Dolores Williams asked Pam to attend the May 26 TAQG meeting as education is a secondary topic.

Membership - Donna Petrick reported that we have 203 members. She reported that payments for the February retreat are available on the website. Attendees who pay a deposit of \$50 by the May guild meeting will be entered into a drawing for a gift certificate. Cost of the retreat is \$275/double or \$425/single cabin. The July 20-22 day retreat has approximately 22 paid reservations. Donna reported that she had donated fabric and completed a guilt to honor the guild's 30th anniversary. Pam Walsh made a motion that the guild pay the cost of \$202.31 to have it quilted. MJ Fielek seconded the motion. The motion passed. Kay Dunn suggested that the new member gift include instructions for the website and recording hours. Additional suggestions were to include information on TAQG and Rally Day.

<u>Programs</u> – Kaye Dunn provided an update on upcoming programs. She reported that the machine appliqué class offered in July will be canceled due to low enrollment. In lieu of the class, Kaye suggested that the guild offer the room to those who wish to work on stockings or community service projects. The board concurred.

<u>Community Service</u> – LaDawn reported that she had not been able to contact Soldier's Angels and that she would look for another agency to donate the current inventory of Christmas stockings. The demonstration of Christmas stockings will be presented in July. We will complete the current inventory, but we will not cut more stockings unless there is interest in the project.

<u>Guild Activities</u> – Linda Neal will announce the instructions for the third border of the round robin quilt at the May and June meetings. Linda reported that she had received complaints that members could not hear announcements or the program due to table talk during the guild meetings. Dolores agreed to make an announcement at the guild meeting to discourage chatter.

<u>Media</u> – Lynne Fritsche created a Word file for printing letterhead to use temporarily until the new logo is created. MJ Fielek will ask Kemberly Wilshire for a digitized version of the logo to be updated by John Worley.

Quilt Show - - Pam Walsh announced that the program for the May meeting would provide an overview of what it takes to put the show together. Sign up sheets will be available for volunteers. There is a delay in providing T-shirts due to a printing error. The mayor is unable to attend, so a councilman will serve as his delegate to choose the Mayor's Award. Pam asked for suggestions on encouraging members to buy or sell raffle tickets. It was suggested that the tickets that have not been picked up be available at the membership table and organized by member name.

<u>TAQG</u> – Pat Wiant announced that the TAQG meeting will be on May 26.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Those in attendance:

Dolores Williams, Pam Wingate, 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



MINI QUILT AUCTION —TINA CONNOLLY

Remember to keep working on those mini quilts for the Quilt Plano 2015 silent auction. Each mini that you turn in earns you a chance at a prize in the drawing at the guild meeting. We have some really great minis already, but we need about 30 more. The silent auction is a major fund-raiser at the show, and our guests appreciate having a variety of styles and techniques to choose from. So take a little time to make a little quilt that someone is sure to love.

APRIL CASH FLOW Comparison—Carol Long

Bank Balance

76,014.02

INFLOWS

Administrative: Bank Interest	1.98
Membership: Membership Dues	90.00
Programs: Workshop Income	1,415.00
Quilt Show Admissions	48.00
Quilt Show Program Ad Income	250.00
Quilt Show: Raffle Ticket Sales	135.00
Quilt Show: Registration Fees	32.00
Quilt Show: Sponsorship Income	1,500.00
Quilt Show: Vendor Booth Income	1,326.00
Retreat Fees Collected	0.00
TOTAL INFLOWS	4,797.98

OUTFLOWS

Administrative: Bank Fees		45.00
Administrative: Show Equipment		242.98
Com. Service: Service Quilt Supplies		s 214.00
Programs: Day Retreat		650.00
Programs: Meeting Facilities Rent		100.00
Programs: Speaker Lecture		240.00
Programs: Speaker Lodging		559.35
Programs: Speaker Meals & Per Diem 86.30		
Programs: Speaker Travel Expense 277.4		277.40
Programs: Workshop Teacher Fees 1		1,200.00
Quilt Show: Registration Expense		176.09
Quilt Show: Volunteer Expense		402.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS		4,193.12
Bank Balance 4/30/15		<u>76,618.88</u>
Bank Balances	<u>03/31/15</u>	04/30/15
Operating Account	51,878.01	52,475.89
Money Market Account	<u>24,136.01</u>	24,142.99
	76,014.02	76,618.88

COMMON THREADS AD RATES

 $\frac{\text{Half Page:}}{1 \text{ month} = \$40}$ 3 months = \$90 $\frac{\text{Quarter Page:}}{1 \text{ month} = \$25}$ 3 months = \$60

Business Card: 1 month = \$153 months = \$35

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

MAY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES-MARTY CROUCH

Guild President Dolores Williams called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm and recognized members of the Chisholm Trail 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.

Donna Petrick announced that Ruth Shriner passed away on May 13 and eulogized Ruth by reading her obituary. In honor of Ruth's long membership, some of her quilts will be displayed at the show.

Dolores announced that the board had received complaints that members could not hear speakers. She asked members take conversations out of the meeting room and to keep phones on mute. Dolores encouraged members who have not picked up raffle to tickets to do so. She reminded members that the raffle is a major source of funds for the show. If members object to the raffle, they may make a donation in lieu of purchasing tickets.

<u>Service Awards</u> - Julie Schaefer presented the President's Volunteer Service Awards for 2014. Bronze awards for 100-249 service hours were presented to 15 members. Silver awards for 250-500 hours were presented to 6 members. Gold awards for greater than 500 service hours were presented to Pam Walsh, June Austin, Sherry Worley, Donna Petrick, Kaye Dunn, Dolores Williams and Lynne Fritsche.

<u>Retreats</u> – Donna Petrick announced that anyone who paid a deposit of \$50 by tonight for the February retreat will be entered into a drawing for a gift certificate. Cost of the retreat is \$275/double or \$425/single cabin. There are still a few openings for the July 20-22 day retreat. Cost is \$35 payable to Donna.

<u>Programs</u> - Kaye Dunn announced speakers for the coming months. The May workshop will be presented by Mendie Cannon on Brazilian embroidery. MJ Fielek will teach bindings in June. Workshops on machine quilting will be held on Thursday, July 9 at the Plano Centre.

<u>Community Service</u> – LaDawn Dalley announced that the Sit and Sew day for community service held at the Olde Craft Shop in Carrollton had been changed for May only and to check the website for the revised date. La Dawn announced that Soldiers' Angels in San Antonio are interested in receiving Christmas stockings. She requested volunteers to quilt the tops made by community service.

<u>TAQG</u> – Pat Wiant announced that Rally Day will be July 11 with appliqué workshops presented by Kathy Dunigan. Rally Day is free with the guild membership card. Lunch tickets are available for \$10. Workshop enrollment forms, lunch tickets, raffle tickets and pins are available from Pat. Pat requested donations of mini quilts for Rally Day.

<u>Guild Activities</u> – Linda Neal recognized members who displayed their round robin quilts and provided instructions for the third border of the DIY round robin quilt. The third border should include any process where the border is pieced on paper, such as paper pieced, foundation pieced, English paper pieced or Thangles.

<u>Mini-quilts</u> – The donated mini-quilts were displayed. Tina Connolly awarded the door prize to Barbara Collins.

<u>Membership</u> – Donna Petrick recognized the 60 members in attendance. Seven door prizes were awarded.

<u>Birthday Quilts</u> – Sherry Worley displayed a birthday quilt that was donated. Finished quilts of any size large enough to cover a person (including babies) should be given to Sherry. All members who donate a birthday quilt will be entered into a drawing at the end of the year. The quilts are immediately given to Community Service.

<u>Show and Tell</u> – Karen Bethel, Debbie Skorepa, MJ Fielek, Debbie Jeffers, Emily Armstrong and Ileana Salzar inspired us with their completed quilts.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. The program was presented by Donna Petrick, "All About the Show."