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The President Says...

Not long ago, I was what is known as 'a retreat virgin'—I had never attended a quilting retreat of any kind! Well, needless to say, all that has changed. Since then, I've been to several overnight retreat centers in the area and I must say, we have many, many to choose from, not to mention our fabulous Guild Retreat in February. But sometimes, being that far away from home for several days is not an option and that's why I really like the Day Retreats. I just



returned yesterday from ours that is held at the Dallas Games Marathon at Parker and Alma. I get so much accomplished at these Day Retreats. It is great to be able to go and quilt with no distractions and see what everyone else is working on. I also like that you can leave everything there overnight so you can pick right up the next day, but you get to sleep in your own bed. There's usually plenty of room to lay out blocks and get lots of friendly feedback and encouragement. It's also a good way to try out the whole retreat thing if you're a retreat virgin and see how much fun it is! I'd like to say a big thank you to Donna Petrick for arranging and facilitating these day retreats. Be sure to watch the newsletter for the next one and give it a try!

Pam

Guild Retreat February 2017 —Julie Brooks

Well Ladies—You did it!!!! We are confirmed for 100 people next February!!! Sandy, Donna and I are so excited and have a ton of things planned for everyone! The massage therapists are booked! 2 full days of chair and table massages so everyone is covered!

Scissor man will be there to sharpen your scissors, rotary blades, knives, etc.

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PRESIDENT	PAM WINGATE
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	& THE WEDNESDAY GIRLS
SHOW'N TELL	Open
SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS	PAT WIANT
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TREASURER	Carol Long
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QUILT PLANO 2016-ROSE DAVIS



Quilting Plano Kick-off Meeting Thursday, May 12th

Wow! I can't believe we are preparing for our May Meeting— Quilt Plano 2016 Kick-off! This is your opportunity to sign up for

Show areas and time slots. Volunteer opportunities start with pre-show slots on Tuesday, August 9^{th} continuing through the Show – August 12^{th} and 13^{th} .

As you sign-up you will be given a chance (ticket) that will be drawn each Guild meeting through July. The more areas you sign-up to help – the more chances you will have to win a prize!!!

Show T-shirts will continue to be on sale along with Show Day lunch tickets (\$7.00 per day).

Not only will you have the opportunity to signup to help, you will be the first to preview a few of the demos planned for this year's Show. Kena Leszcynski is heading up the Demo Committee and she along with her team will be providing the program including:

- Woven Fabric—Tumbling Block Technique: Presented by Monica Henderwerk
- Cyanotype Painting with the Sun: Presented by Rose-Claire Fletcher
- Quilt Construction using Fusible Grid Interfacing: Presented by Pam Wingate

<u>Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales:</u> There are a lot of tickets yet to be sold. This is the easiest way for each member to participate in the financial success of our Show. We really need your help to sell as many tickets as you can. If you would be willing to take the quilt to other Guild meetings, please let me know so I can get the quilt to you.

Don't forget that we will be having a Special Exhibit displaying our 2015 Guild Challenge— *"Do-It-Yourself Round Robin Challenge".* You still have time to finish your quilt. You need to turn in your Special Exhibits Entry Form (found on our website) at our June 9th Guild Meeting. You do not need a photo—but a final size is a must. Your final, quilted and bound quilt, will be turned in on August 9th at the Plano Centre.

We are well on the road to a wonderful "Quilt Plano 2016", but to make it successful—your help is greatly needed.

Hope to see you all at the May Meeting!

QUILTS FOR SAMARITAN INN-PAM WALSH

Thanks to the participation of 47 of our Guild members, in April we delivered 92 quilts for the children who live at Samaritan Inn. In conjunction with the quilt guilds of McKinney and Allen, a



total of 200 quilts were delivered. The quilts will be matched for gender and age and delivered to each child when his or her family enters the Samaritan Inn program.

The first 45 quilts were delivered to the children currently living at Samaritan Inn last week. This note was received from the Assistant Director of Programs at the agency:

"So the quilts were a definite hit!! I've heard nothing but good things. One of our mothers was particularly touched since she calls her infant 'her little monkey' and his quilt had monkeys and giraffes all over it! Huge success on the first distribution! Thanks again for your efforts, love and care – it is not unnoticed and it is so very much appreciated."

Thanks to Happiness Is... Quilting for donating the prize for the winning guild, and for hosting the delivery.

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I am now taking a waitlist for those that want to join in the fun. Sandy keeps telling me I will up the number, but I think 100 if perfect for us and that is a lot of snacks for Sandy to bake!!!!

Please start saving up for Trash to Treasures, the Bones table, LCR and Karen is even going to do strip and precut swaps!!! If you are like me and do a lot of scrappy quilts this will give you a good mix for your stash.

We should be able to knock out 15 community service quilts with this many (yes, I have already started cutting!!!)

I am just thrilled with the response and hope to make this a memorable and exciting experience for you and your friends

PRESIDENTIAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARDS— JULIE SCHAEFER & DONNA PETRICK

April is the month we hand out the Presidential Volunteer Service Awards. For out new members, a little history—President Reagan started this award to recognize the volunteers of America. We found out about the program six years ago and also use it to recognize the volunteer work done for the guild.

This is another reason you should log in your volunteer hours on our web site. Julie Schaefer pulls her files from this report and coordinates applying for the pins and certificates. This works on the calendar year, not the guild fiscal year.

Congratulations to all who received pins. Our guild needs your volunteer spirit.

The awards are:

- Bronze pin for over 100 hours
- Silver pin for over 250 hours
- Gold pin for over 500 hours
- Lifetime pin for over 4000 hours

PVSA Awards for 2015

Bronze Awards

Bronze Awards					
Aurora Chancy	108	hr	lleana Salzer	113.5	hr
LaDawn Dailey	117.25	hr	Rose Davis	118	hr
Linda Neal	21.5	hr	Kate Premeaux	122.5	hr
Sue Rentz	123.5	hr	Pam Wingate	161	hr
Deborah Skorepa	172	hr	Barbara Collins	193.25	hr
Karen Christoffer	224	hr			
Silver Awards					
Pat Fowler	259.5	hr	Marty Crouch	264.75	5 hr
Carol Long	280	hr	Sharon Schenke	280	hr
Margaret Schafer	288	hr	June Austin	295	hr
Julie Schaefer	306.75	5 hr	Aggie Meszaros	432	hr
Gold Awards					
Sherry Worley	502.5	hr	Dolores Williams	544.5	hr

Donna Petrick Lynne Fritsche 502.5 hr Dol 559 hr Kay 717 hr Par

Dolores Williams544.5hrKaye Dunn630.5hrPam Walsh945.25hr

COMMON THREADS AD RATES

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

 Quarter Page:
 Business Card:

 1 month = \$25
 1 month = \$15

 3 months = \$60
 3 months = \$35

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

Upcoming Programs—Peggy Burrell, Dena Smith & Lisa Ownby

Our May meeting will be the Quilt Show Roll-out and Skill Builder Demos.



There will be two workshops in May. Our speaker from March and fellow guild member, Sharon Wilhelm will teach **Beginning Embroidery** (redwork) and





Which Witch's Boot (crayola/ embroidery) on May 13 and 14.

Our speaker for June is Grace Errea. A fiber artist, designer, guilter, and author,



Grace J. Errea, began quilting in 2000. Her art focuses on the depiction of inspiring scenes in a

value based contemporary-realistic manner. She feels very fortunate to have many of her first quilts

Workshops Fees: \$50/day for members \$60/day for non-members

Member Bonus!! Advance Registration and Multi-day Discounts

Prepayment of registrations <u>received 35 days</u> prior to the scheduled event, entitles <u>members</u> 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. <u>Members</u> can take two days of classes from a national teacher for \$85.00.

See the guild website at <u>www.qgplano.org</u> and go to the *Programs* page (on the *Activities* tab) 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. become exhibited in juried shows and be recognized for their innovation in technique and depiction of nature and people. Grace designs quilt patterns for *Hoffman of California Fabrics* in Mission Viejo, CA. Her patterns can be found in prestigious catalogs such as *Keepsake Quilting, Nancy's Notions, and Hancock of Paducah*. She is the author of the C&T book entitled: *Impressionist Appliqué and Exploring Value and Design to Create Artistic Quilts.*

She will give a lecture on **The Value of "Value"** at our meeting. There will be two workshops with Grace—**Cut Away Appliqué** workshop on June 10 and on June 11 and **Creative Threadwork— Drawing and Painting with Thread**. Visit her website <u>http://www.amazingquiltsbygrace.com</u> for a preview of the beautiful quilts she has created.

For July we have MJ Fielek with her **Bucket List Quilts** presentation at the meeting and also on July 14 (before the meeting) her Workshop on **Orphan Block and Leftovers Quilts**.



Supply lists may be printed from the website. Your cell phone number and email are particularly important so we can reach you in the event of any last minute changes.

Bring Completed Form to a Meeting, or mail to:

Dena Smith 1402 Marlboro Ln Richardson, TX 75082

Name:	
Address:	
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Phone:	
Email:	

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:

Instructor	Class	Day	Date

TEXAS ASSOCIATION QUILT GUILD— SHERRY WORLEY

We are excited to announce that we have a new Teacher's Page at <u>www.taqg.org</u>. The Teacher's page is a dropdown selection under the Resources tab. We started with a listing of only 4 teachers as a sample. This is a fully searchable page, if you would like to hire a speaker for your guild we hope this will become your go to page. Teachers, we need your listings! If you present Guild Programs or Workshops we would love to have you on our page. Please contact McKinney Rep, Dolores Williams at <u>guiltingpony@hotmail.com</u>.

You have heard a lot about Rally Day lately, but do you know what TAQG really does? The Texas Association of Quilt Guilds was formed to share information between guilds. We have meetings 6 times a year, the last Tuesday of the odd numbered months. We feature Special Interest meetings so Guilds can share information about how they operate and share solutions to issues that are important to running a Guild. In January of each year we have a meeting for Guild Presidents, Treasurers and Secretaries. In November of each vear we have a Speaker's Forum. At the Forum people who give Guild Lectures or Workshops are joined by Retreat Centers to present themselves for the consideration of Member Guild's Program Chairmen. It is a great place to see how a speaker interacts with a group. We encourage the Program Chairmen to bring their Guild Calendars and arrange programs on the spot. The other Special Interest meetings are chosen depending upon what the member guilds would like to have discussed. This year our meeting schedule includes Grants and Awards, Non Profit Status, and Recruiting Young Members. If you would like to learn more about these subjects we invite you to attend our meetings.

Rally Day is our only Fund Raiser, other than very nominal dues. We think we put on a good show and encourage you to attend and participate! Lunches, pins and Pre Rally Day Raffle tickets are still available. There are some spaces left in the Kimberly Einmo workshops. Please see Sherry Worley at the TAQG table at the guild meetings for more information.

Guild Activities— Donna Petrick

Annual Retreat

Wow! It's been a while since the annual retreat generated this much interest. New hotels, good food, fun retreat chairs, and wonderful friends make for a great combination. We are officially at 100 ladies attending the annual retreat next February. Thank you to all of you who attended this past February and spread the word. We will start a waiting list should others want to join in the fun. Someone is bound to need to drop out and will like to sell their spot if that happens.

I'll have the new payments posted on the web site by the time this newsletter is sent out. Be sure you check your balance. If you want to make payments throughout the year, please send to me with checks made out to Quilters Guild of Plano. My address is on the web site information for retreat.

Day Retreat

The next day retreat will be in conjunction with the June workshop. We will have Grace Errea talking about "The Value of Value" for the lecture, then her workshops will be at the Dallas Game Marathon building on Friday and Saturday. More information on the day retreat part later.

2015 Border Challenge

I hope all who participated are finishing up their challenge. I know I'm behind...still on the appliqué portion. But I plan to finish soon to have it ready to show at the quilt show as well as have for Linda's possible book project.





Community Service— LaDawn Dalley

This month is one of two collections during the year for the PISD student age parent program. This is a great program that allows young mothers, (and fathers) to stay in school while also learning parenting skills and child development. At the end of the year, a graduation celebration is held where the parents can use points they've earned throughout the year to "buy" baby supplies. If you would like to donate something, whether a baby quilt, diapers, clothing, or whatever, please bring it to the May meeting.

As always, keep the quilts coming! I want to be able to make a delivery or two this month!



FACEBOOK PAGES—KENA LESZCYNSKI

In an effort to connect our guild members a bit more and connect with quilters who may not yet belong to our guild we would like to have everyone check out the Quilters Guild of Plano Facebook page. The intent of this page is to share guild information and a few tips and tricks along the way as well. <u>www.Facebook.com/QuiltersGuildofPlano</u>

With Quilt Plano 2016 coming up just around the corner we also created a Facebook Page for the quilt show. We will begin sharing sneak peeks for the mini quilt auction, demonstrations, vendors, etc. Please be sure and look at our show page to get access to information. This will also be a quick and easy way for you to share information about the show with your Facebook friends . www.Facebook.com/Quiltplano

Please share both pages with your Facebook Friends to give them access for up to date information on the Guild and the Show.

Get to the Fun Faster!

Have you tried **laser cut fabrics** yet? We love them and know you will too! In addition to providing a fun and fast method for appliqué, laser cutting also offers precision for the toughest piecing challenges! Visit our website for more: **shop.thesewingfools.com**

COMMON THREADS

Quilting Tips & Tuts #7 – Biz Bucket Tip Heirloom Stain Removal Recipe

This is the seventh of our Quilting Tips & Tuts! It has also been posted on the Plano Quilters Guild Website under 'How To' on the Resources Tab for easy referral.

This stain removal tip comes from Martha Pullen's (Sew Beautiful Magazine) newsletters. She specializes in heirloom sewing and this formula can be used not only on old clothing but quilts as well! I've successfully used it to revive a feedsack quilt top that was picked up at an estate sale. A word of caution—the Biz bucket should only be used on things which are in good to very good condition. It is not recommended to get stains out of a very fragile family treasure or antique quilt. Instead, simply wash the garment and use it stained. Or, the family treasure might be copied into a new one and the antique one framed in a shadow box.

Here's the recipe:



- HOT WATER enough to fill a big, clear plastic tub or 'bucket'. I used the spare bedroom bathtub for a quilt.
- Equal parts of (about a cup of each)
 - BIZ
 - the blue DAWN LIQUID DISH DETERGENT

This formula is very slimy so wear gloves or use a wooden spoon to mix it.

Place the garments or quilt into the tub of hot water and let it sit for a couple *days* (you read that right – it can take days or even a week). If the stains are still there, you may need to repeat the process but usually one treatment does the trick! Then drain the tub and rinse well–this may take awhile, too, and do not wring! Use towels to soak up the excess water. Fabrics, especially pieced quilts, are very heavy when wet and need to be handled carefully. It is crucial to support the garment well as it dries, as the weight of the wet fabric may cause it to tear. Use more towels to support and lift the garments or quilt out of the tub. Garments can be air dried on a garment rack and a quilt can be dried outside on a sheet spread on the grass out of direct sunlight and not under a tree.



The feedsack quilt top I used this on turned out so much brighter and the white squares were white again and it smelled so fresh and clean! And it quilted up beautifully. So before you get rid of anything that is unattractive because it has a stain – try the Biz Bucket!

NEW MEMBERS & MAY BIRTHDAYS MARY SHANNON

There were 75 members, 3 guests and 1 new member in attendance at the April meeting.

April guests: Alma Cone, Yvonne Archer, Carolyn Skei

New Member: Valerie Newton

Door Prizes: Lut DeMuelder

Happiness Is Quilting—McKinney Quilt Asylum—McKinney Quilt Country—Lewisville Bernina of Plano-Plano Stitched With Love—McKinney Quilt Ideas—Sharon Wilhelm Guild members

"Thank you" to all the shops that so generously provide the wonderful door prizes to the Guild.

Name Tags: Reminder, starting at the May Guild meeting, door prizes tickets will only be given to those who are wearing a nametag.

There will be a sign-in sheet to keep track of attendance.

Hospitality: Martha Jones—Any new (or old) members who would like more information on the Guild activities see Martha at the membership table. She has information available and will explain the various committee activities at the meetings.

New/Renewing April Members

Renee Baron Allison C. Bayer Cynthia Caldwell Liz Edwards Julie Yee Marcia Harwood Leslie Leathers Valerie Newton

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May Birthdays

Carolyn Henson Joan Cooper	02/05 04/05	Cindy Kingston Tracy Spruell	15/05 16/05
Janet Plotkin	04/05	Joanne Hancock	18/05
Barbara Snyder	04/05	Valerie Pearson	19/05
Sue Rentz	07/05	Lori Hutyra	24/05
Becky Woods	12/05	Nancy Worst	26/05

MARCH CASH FLOW **COMPARISON—CAROL LONG**

Bank Balance	\$	93,516.44
INFLOWS		
Administrative: Bank Int	erest	5.44
Media: Newsletter Ads		50.00
Membership: Membersh	nip Dues	60.00
Programs: Day Retreat		350.00
Programs: Workshop		670.00
Quilt Show: Registration	ı	32.00
Quilt Show: Vendor Boo	oth	1,253.00
Retreat Fees		<u>1,006.52</u>
TOTAL INFLOWS	<u>\$</u>	3,426.96
OUTFLOWS		
Community Service: Ya	rn Expense	22.80
Programs: Speaker Lec	ture	675.00
Programs: Speaker Trav	vel	7.43
Quilt Show: Printing		801.52
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	\$	1,506.75
Bank Balance 03/31/16	<u>\$</u>	95,436.65
Bank Balances	02/29/16	3/31/16
Operating Account	29,333.46	31,248.23
Money Market Account	<u>64,182.98</u>	64,188.42
\$	93,516.44 \$	\$ 95,436.65



COMMON THREADS

Quilters Guild of Plano





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MARCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES-PAM CARROLL

President Pam Wingate called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Those present were Pam Wingate, LaDawn Dalley, Mary Shannon, Dena Smith, Donna Petrick, Lynne Fritsche, Rose Davis, Pam Carroll, Carol Long, Sherry Worley, Peggy Burrell and Tina Connolly.

The minutes and treasurer's report were approved without changes.

Treasurer: A one-hundred dollar increase to the Quilt Show budget was approved for the area of appraisals.

<u>Membership</u>: Mary Shannon asked for discussion regarding ways to make new members and visitors feel welcome.

<u>Programs</u>: Dena Smith reported that she is working on lining up speakers for 2017. February will be the Barn Quilt lady.

<u>**Community Service**</u>: LaDawn Dalley reported that Aurora Chancy will continue the Christmas stocking project.

Education: Kena Lesczynski was not present. Pam Wingate said she has a guest author for the newsletter article this month who will discuss Strip Piecing methods.

<u>**Guild Activities**</u>: Donna Petrick talked about the 2017 retreat and said it is capped at one hundred attendees. We now have over 90. She said we have a Day Retreat on April 22^{nd.} It is for three days and costs \$35.

<u>Media</u>: Lynne Fritsche said she had nothing new to report.

Quilt Show: Rose Davis said the plans for the quilt show are progressing well. The next committee meeting is next Tuesday.

TAQG: Sherry Worley reported she will be the lead TAQG contact from QGP, and Pat Wiant will now be second.

Other business: No other business was brought forward.

The president adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

APRIL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES—MARTY CROUCH

Guild President Pam Wingate called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. Pam asked if there were any changes to the minutes of the March meeting or the Treasurer's report. Since there were no changes, the minutes were approved as written and the Treasurer's report was approved as published.

Pam challenged members to get involved in guild activities by volunteering to work at the Quilt Show. She advised members that they will be able to sign up at the May meeting. Pam also asked for volunteers for 2 specific opportunities:

- Secretary—There is a need for a backup Secretary for the remainder of the year. The volunteer would also be nominated for the board position for 2016-2017.
- Junior Quilters—Pam requested assistance in working with the Junior Quilters beginning now and assuming the Committee Chairmanship for the group after the end of this year.

Pam advised members that activities of other guilds will be listed on our Facebook page.

Community Service—Aggie Meszaros announced that 67 cuddle quilts were delivered this month. Julie Brooks thanked members for participating in the leaders and enders project. The 4th Saturday community service group that meets at The Old Craft Store in Carrollton used the leaders and enders to complete 7 twin size quilt tops. Aurora Chancy shared that our goal is to complete 1,000 Christmas stockings for Soldier's Angels. She is collecting Christmas fabric. Kits will be distributed in July.

Quilt Show—Rose Davis reminded us that each member is responsible for selling (or purchasing) a packet of 24 raffle tickets because the raffle is a major source of show income. Rose also reminded us that members must volunteer at least 4 hours to receive free admission to the guilt show. Rose requested that members take posters, postcards and bookmarks to distribute or display wherever they have opportunity. The May general meeting is the official kick-off for the 2016 show. Jeanne Smith asked members to plan to display workshop projects and Round Robin guilts at the guilt show as part of Special Exhibits. She reminded members that Special Exhibits are not judged. Donna Petrick reminded members that Kemberly Wilshire was taking orders for show T-shirts.

Retreats—Julie Brooks advised members that

there are only 5 spots remaining for the February 2016 retreat. Members who are interested in attending should contact her to sign up for the retreat. Donna Petrick informed members that payments for the retreat fees should be submitted to her. Donna also reminded members that a Day Retreat will be held on April 22-24 at the Dallas Games Marathon in Plano. At the Day Retreat, mini-quilt patterns will be available and attendees can cut out Christmas stockings.

Samaritan Inn Challenge—Pam Walsh stated that she delivered the quilts for the Samaritan Inn challenge, and reported the results of the challenge between the McKinney, Allen and Plano guilds. The McKinney and Plano guilds completed 92 quilts each, the Allen guild completed 16. In proportion to membership size, Plano finished third in the challenge between guilds. Pam conducted a drawing for customized bags to reward members who participated in the challenge. Winners of the drawing were Pat Wiant, Sharon Schenke, and Kaye Dunn.

TAQG—Donna Petrick announced that there is still room in the Kimberly Einmo workshops that will be held July 7-8 or July 11-12. Rally Day will be July 9. Lunch tickets and raffle tickets are available for sale. Attendance at Rally Day is free for guild members. General admission is \$5.

<u>Membership</u>—Mary Shannon recognized three guests in attendance and awarded 11 door prizes.

Service Awards—Julie Schaefer and Donna Petrick presented the President's Volunteer Service Awards for 2015. Bronze awards were presented to members with 100-249 service hours. Silver awards were presented to members with 250-500 hours service. Gold awards were presented to members with greater than 500 service hours.

Show and Tell—Mini-quilts, birthday quilts and other completed projects were displayed to inspire us. The door prize for donating a mini-quilt this month was won by Pam Walsh.

Pam Wingate recognized the Homespun Quilters Guild from Waco and asked members to support them by purchasing raffle tickets.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Peggy Burrell announced future workshops and introduced the speaker, Gay Young.