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Our Next Meeting Quilt Plano Kick Off

Thursday, May 11 6:45 pm **Hunters Glen Baptist Church** 4100 Custer Road See map on page 12



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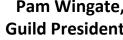


The President Says ...

Are you getting excited about Quilt Plano 2017 yet? This month is our kickoff for the show and if you're not exited yet, we hope that the demos at the May meeting will get you looking forward to it! You'll also be able to sign up for a volunteer shift at the meeting and for those of you that haven't heard me say this before, it is the best way to get involved and get to know other members of the guild – and it's fun! Yes, the show is a lot of work, too, but so rewarding. Plus, you'll receive one day free admission to the show! If you work setup - you'll have an opportunity to see the guilt entries before anyone else! So, come learn about all the shifts & times and if you're still unsure about how you'd like to volunteer, come talk to me at our guild meeting and we'll find the perfect spot for you! I promise, you won't regret

signing up to work and you'll make many memories & friends in the process.

Pam Wingate,





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Quilters Guild of Plano

Quilt Plano 2017

May Guild Meeting – May 11, 2017 Quilt Plano 2017 Kick-Off Meeting

Quilt Plano 2017 is Friday and Saturday, August 11th and 12th at the Plano Event Center (formerly known as Plano Centre). Our May Guild meeting will be the official kick-off of Show preparations. Starting at 6:15, you will all have an opportunity to sign-up to work during the show. After a short business meeting, members of the Show Committee will share with you an overview of what it takes to pull a Quilt Show together along with some helpful hints on the presentation of your entries.

Next you will have a sneak preview of a few of the demos that will be presented in the Quilt Plano 2017 Demo Room. We will have (3) different demos as well as a "Bones" Table.

Demo Presenters:

Jacque Wenzel Owner, Best of Bernina

Subject: Shortcut Binding Tool

Lori Hutyra Guild Member

Subject: Set-in Squares.

Sherry Worley Guild Member

Subject: Dyed Fabrics

"Bones" Table

If you have items in your sewing room that you want to trade, bring them to the May meeting and add them to the Bones Table. In exchange feel free to take something you might want. At the end of the evening anything left over will be donated to charity.

Looking forward to seeing you all on May 11th to help us Kick Off Quilt Plano 2017!!!!

Rose Davis, 2017 Show Chair

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TAQG News

submitted by Sherry Worley

Please stop by the TAQG table to pick up a Rally Day reminder flyer. We hope that you will choose to spend July 8 with Cynthia Leblanc Regone and the rest of us in Mesquite. You still have time to sign up for the classes on July 6th and 7th. You will be able to purchase lunch tickets, Pre Rally Day Raffle tickets, and Rally Day Pins until the end of June. We purchased Villa Rosa design cards to use for our donation for the Goodie Bags. Remember that the first 500 through the door receive a reusable goodie bag containing items donated by TAQG member guilds.

Rally Day 2017 Mimosa Lane Baptist Church



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Programs

Our May guild meeting will be the Quilt Show Rollout and Demos. It will be lots of fun. We have two workshops scheduled this month.

On Friday May 12th we will have a binding workshop with MJ Fielek.

MJ Fielek has been sewing since she was quite young. She taught sewing and tailoring at Eastfield College and "Sewing with Knits" at Richardson High School. Her love turned to quilting in 1979 when she drafted and made her first quilt. Over the years MJ has made hundreds of quilts. She entered and was accepted in the Houston IQA show and won 2nd place in the 2-person category. She has even traveled to Europe to the International Quilt Expo and taken classes from many European teachers. Her whole house is one big quilting studio!

MJ teaches beginners' classes, a tips and techniques class, binding, and advanced classes such as Double Wedding Ring, Feathered Star, and Lone Star. Her binding class has become the class to take. She teaches 2-color binding, binding with tuck, stuffed binding, and how to make perfect corners on all your quilts.

On Saturday May 13th we will have a dyeing workshop with Sherry Worley.

In her own words: "My business card says it all...Sherry Worley quiltmaker, hand dyer, craftsman. I have been making quilts for most of my life. I even still have some of the polyester double knit quilts I made in the 1970's. I prefer traditional patterns, but find myself drawn to bright multicolored fabrics.

Which brings us to hand dyed fabrics! I have been hand dyeing quilting cottons for about 20 years. There is something

very satisfying about creating color on white fabric. I also really enjoy the surprises of hand dyed fabric. You never know exactly what you are going to have at the end. I recently add ice dyeing to the techniques I use, and the results are truly exciting. Ice dyed patterns are unlike anything I have done before. The action of melting ice drawing dye powder into folded and pleated fabric creates soft edged floral form designs. If you are someone who sees pictures in clouds, you will love these fabrics. Each is truly a one of a kind piece of art."

Setup at 8:30am, workshop at 9:00am Workshops are \$35.00 per person.

Both workshops will be held at Best Little Retreat Center in Texas, 7989 Beltline Rd. #168 (at Coit), Dallas, TX 75248



(See map on page 12)

Coming up in June we will have Alice Kolb as speaker – "A Trunk Show with Emphasis on Wearables".

Quilting Tips & Tuts #9 – Quilt Sleeve

The last, but not least, step in displaying your quilt

by Pam Walsh

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

Adding a sleeve to your quilt for display, either in a Quilt Show or in your home, should be done with care to help ensure that your quilt hangs properly. By following these step-by-step instructions, your quilt sleeve will easily accommodate a hanging pole and your quilt will hang straighter and flatter.

1. Cut the sleeve 8 ½ inches times the exact width of your quilt. To hem the short ends, fold in ½'" then ½' again, press, and topstitch.

- 2. With <u>wrong</u> sides together, press the long sides of the sleeve so that they meet in the center.
- 3. Fold <u>right</u> sides together and stitch a ¼" seam on the long edge of the sleeve.
- 4. Turn the sleeve right-side out.
- 5. Re-press the fold lines. You can now see the "pouf" in the sleeve that will help your quilt hang straight.





- 6. Center the sleeve across the width on the back of your quilt. Using the top fold line, pin the sleeve in place ½" from the top of your quilt.
- 7. Blindstitch the top of the sleeve in place. (Do not take long basting-type stitches, or the sleeve may not hold once the quilt is hung.)
- 8. Using the opposite fold line, pin the bottom edge of the sleeve in place. Also pin the flat short ends of the sleeve to the quilt. Blindstich the remaining 3 edges to the quilt.

The back of sleeve will fit flat against the quilt. The rest of the sleeve will "pouf" out slightly.

For a "Show" quilt, I would normally use the backing fabric for my sleeve. These examples were done in muslin to make them photograph better.







(For miniature or small quilts ONLY -30" or less on each sidethe sleeve should be cut $4 \frac{1}{2}$ " times the width of the quilt.)

Guild Activities

by Janet Plotkin, VP - Guild Activities

Thank it and let it go!

My sewing room is on the move. It has spent 16 years in a downstairs front room, but as still adjusting empty nesters, with an aging Mom, who spends a few months a year with us, we decided to shake things up. Queue the day laborers, who moved everything sewing to an upstairs room and piled it in a great pyramid. Day laborers event #2 saw it shuffled across the playroom to another bedroom, this time I thought I would be smart and had them stack it in columns that I could approach from both sides. Dear son's friend made the comment that it looked like a "hoarderline disaster." Laughing behind the annoyed glare I ordered him "be gone from my sight!" Day laborer event #3 moved it all to the playroom where it was haphazardly stacked. Months pass, paint happens, and I am finally lovingly placing everything into its new home.

Except a lot of it is a lot less loved!

I packed up many boxes of no longer important to me items, thanked them for their service, and dragged them to the 8th Annual TOGA (NE TX Treadle On Gathering and Academy) rummage sale last weekend. Three of the items I brought were pulled out of the general area and placed in special request drawings. Items I no longer wanted were valued and desired by others. It felt good to both let them go and know they were going to someone who wanted them.

This segues nicely to the next Guild Activity. We will be hosting a "bones" table at the May meeting. Start now and see what you can thank for its service and bring to the May meeting to share. I will bring a wheeled cart for people to use to help cart donations in.

All items placed on the bones table are a donation, they will be free to the taker and any items not taken will be packed up and donated to one of the organizations the Guild supports, for the benefit of their community. I am heading back to my sewing room to see what else I can set free.

DAY RETREAT - MAY

The May Day Retreat at the Dallas Games Marathon center at Parker and Alma will begin on Friday, May 26, 2017 at 10am and end on Sunday, May 28, 2017 at 4pm. You can come before 10 on Friday but you will have to help set up tables and clean bathrooms. (He he he! Let's see how many volunteer for that!)

We will begin at 9am on Saturday and Sunday, and closing time Friday and Saturday will depend on the mood of the crowd. The cost for all this fun is \$35 per person for all three days. I am looking at the Dallas Games Calendar and the Guild calendar for future dates. I would love some feedback on whether you prefer weekend or weekday retreats. Weekends are a bit more expensive, but not prohibitively so.

POLKA DOT JOY

I want to thank everyone who participated in the One-Yard Rip Off and the Polka Dot Challenge. It was exciting to see so many participants, and the wonderful, whimsical, and creative manifestations of your talent. I love challenges, but then, for me, nothing gets done without a deadline. And I find it amazing that many different results can come from the same components. I plan to do another challenge before the end of the year, and have a couple of ideas rattling around, watch this space for more information.

STARFISH Charms

I passed out three more starfish charms at the April meeting, which represents three more guests brought by members to see what a vibrant, exciting, involved Guild we have. I want to encourage everyone with a Starfish charm to attach it to your name tag to show off your support of the Guild. You are gold star in my book!

Thank you for allowing me to serve you.

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Final Show Entries Due* at Our June Guild Meeting (June 8, 2017)

*Entry forms plus a photo of your finished quilt top. You will still have 2 more additional months to get your top quilted and bound!

The Art Quilters of Plano

submitted by Lori Hutyra

The Art Quilters of Plano held their monthly meeting on Saturday March 25. The group shared their completed projects from the "Constraints" Challenge. In this challenge, each participant drew a slip of paper printed with a constraint from a draw bag. Example constraints included color, time or shape limitations to incorporate into your project. Pictures of the

wonderful results are included. For our workshop this month Kim Imel demonstrated techniques using melted crayons. Please feel free to join our meetings held the 4th Saturday of every month at Fabric Fanatics 9:00am to 11:00am (exceptions noted below*). There are no membership requirements, simply an interest in Art quilting and a desire to learn. To see what activities lie ahead, see the **Small Groups** page on the Quilters Guild of Plano's website.

For information, contact Lori Hutyra (Ihutyra@yahoo.com) or any member of the Art Quilters of Plano.

Participants' Show and Tell from "Constraints" Challenge







Carrie Oransky

Janet Plotkin Mickie Warrington Constraint: Spend < 2 hrs Use only 1 shape Use 2 complimentary colors

Melted Crayon Workshop: Emily Armstrong Rose-Clair Fletcher







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Classifieds

The board has approved a new section for the Newsletter! A Classified section that is free to members and \$5 for non members will be available beginning with the June Newsletter. You may advertise any quilting or sewing related items in an ad of 50 words or less, text only. You must submit your ad monthly, and resubmit if you wish to run it again. Send your ads to Quiltytina@msn.com with Member Ad in the subject line. The ad must be submitted within one week after the guild meeting, or by the third Thursday of the month to be included.

I've spent most of my life making quilts. The rest I've just wasted



The New Plano Event Center

The Plano Centre renovation is almost complete. And the name will change to Plano Event Center. I understand that the finished center is really amazing. It should really highlight our Quilt Plano 2017 show in August.

Along with the name change, the logo and the website will also change. You can see details of the center at:

www.planoeventcenter.org.

The lighting has been improved in many of the rooms and the hallway.





Membership

What a fun and funny night for the 76 quilters at Thursday's Guild meeting in April!

Our Bee Keeper, Martha Diehl baked cookies for members arriving early to meet other members and see if a small group could be formed grouping members together by zip code. Donna Strongin, Hospitality used ice breakers on the tables to get to know all the members at your table.

We welcomed 67 members with 4 new members and 5 guests: Sheila Kelly, Alice Gore, Emily Hall, Rachel Dorman and Diana Axthelm.

New members joining the guild were: Julie Rushin and Linda Cordell from McKinney, and Chris Halicki from Richardson. Barbara Graves from Murphy is a returning member from years ago. New members joining by mail are Joan Nodwell from Garland, Concetta Boscardin from Grapevine, and Diane Robertson from Frisco.

Welcome to all!

As you can see our members travel from many surrounding towns including those that live in Plano, so we changed the process to have a pick your door prize drawing. Prizes were their choice of either a \$10 gift certificate from Quilt Country in Lewisville, The Old Craft Store in Carrollton, Not Your Mama's Quilt Store in Plano, or a mystery bag. 10 prizes were drawn.

Be sure to check out the new website where we have added 4 quilt shops to our Resource page with quick access to their websites. Two shops that were not listed are in Pantego, TX which is next to Arlington.

Wanted: A member to take over Lut DeMeulder's job of Door Prizes. She is not able to continue this position and would love

to have someone come forward to complete her year and continue for the 2017-2018 term. Please email us:

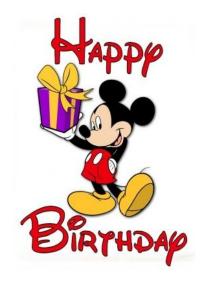
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Open Positions for: VP - Education Secretary Door Prizes

May Birthdays

Janet Plotkin	5/04
Barbara Snyder	5/04
Shelly Mathews	5/6
Susan Rentz	5/07
Tami Marlar	5/8
Becky Woods	5/12
Tracy Spruell	5/16
Louise Murphy	5/17
Laurie Tanas	5/17
Christine Dumanski	5/18
Joanne Hancock	5/18
Valerie Pearson	5/19
Lori Hutyra	5/24
Nancy Worst	5/26
Fonda Brinlee	5/28
Joanne Clements	5/28



Community Service

submitted by LaDawn Dalley

It was good to hear from Liz of the Turning Point at the meeting. Did the stats of sexual assault surprise you? We would all like to think our city is immune to those kinds of problems, but unfortunately, it is not; which is why we make quilts to give to those that are suffering!

And can I just say (again) how much I love delivering the quilts you have made and donated!

Over the past two months, I've delivered:

- 36 quilts to the Children's Advocacy Center,
- 14 to My Friend's House,
- 9 quilts & 7 afghans to The Turning Point Rape Crisis Center, and
- 9 receiving blankets, 4 crocheted blankets, and 14 baby hats to the Plano Children's Medical Clinic.

The graduation celebration for the PISD school-aged parent program is coming up. This year it is in May. I will be collecting baby and toddler quilts and supplies for them this month.

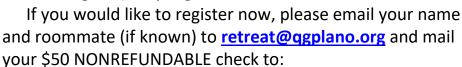
And did you hear that our Saturday Sew group had found a home? At least for now, we will be meeting at The Best Little Retreat Center in Texas, 7989 Beltline Road #168, Dallas. This month we will be meeting on May 27th, from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Hope to see you there!

Guild Retreat 2018

submitted by Pam Walsh

Guild retreat will be held from Thursday 2/22/18 through Sunday 2/25/2018 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Denison, Texas.

We already have over 90 people signed up with their \$50 nonrefundable deposit.
Registration will be capped at 105 until September 15th, in order to allow newly joining members to attend. Only guild members and members of their immediate families (mother, sister, daughter) may register until then.



Carol Long 716 Country Meadow Drive Murphy, TX 75094



Fun at the April Workshop

New Workshop Registration Form

Workshops Fees: \$35/day

Name:

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See the guild website at www.qgplano.org 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 Programs team via email to programs@qgplano.org.

Hours: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Set Up – 8:30 am

Location: The Best Little Quilt Retreat Center in Texas, 7989 Beltline Road #168, Dallas, TX 75248 (See map on page 12)

If an alternate location is being used for a particular workshop, it will be specified on the Programs page of the Guild website.

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

Upcoming Workshops

MJ Fielek

Location 7989 Beltline Road #168, Dallas, TX 75248 Friday, May 12 – Bindings

Sherry Worley

Location 7989 Beltline Road #168, Dallas, TX 75248 Saturday, May 13 – Dyeing Cotton Socks and Fabric

Alice Kolb

Location 7989 Beltline Road #168, Dallas, TX 75248 Friday, June 9 -- Stitch a Connection -- Sashiko Saturday – June 10 -- Tiny Treasures – a Small Art Piece

Check the website (www.qgplano.org) for more information

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Workshop Registration Form

Email

Address: City, Zip		Phone FAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED	
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General Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2017 Hunters Glen Baptist Church, Plano, TX

President Pam Wingate called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM. There being no corrections or additions to the **minutes** as distributed, they were approved. The **Treasurer**'s report was also approved as published. Pam then introduced Liz Ennis from *The Turning Point Rape Crisis Center* in Plano. This is a non-profit group that our guild supports through quilt donations.

Liz Ennis explained The Crisis Center operates a 24/7 Crisis Hot Line serving a critical need in our community. All services are free and include education, counseling and advocacy in the hospital and in court. Liz became overwhelmed when explaining how wonderful it is to wrap a quilt of protection and comfort around victims in the hospital or at their center.

V-P of Community Service, LaDawn Dalley reported on the number of quilts she delivered this past month. She also explained her selection of the larger quilts to be donated to the Crisis Center because of the need for them to be long enough to wrap around the shoulders and completely surround these victims. LaDawn reported next month she would be collecting items for the high school age parents and their children (from infants through 2yr old toddlers). Aggie Meszaros reported 56 cuddle quilts were delivered this month.

Donna Petrick reported the fabric store Rockin' Bobbin donated \$39.00 to QGP. As chair of the **Nominating Committee**, she asked for volunteers who would be willing to serve as officers for the upcoming year. Those serving on this committee are: Lynne Frische, Julie Schaefer, Dolores Williams, Sharon Schenke with Marty Crouch and Dena Smith as alternates. Positions needing to be filled are President, Secretary and Vice-presidents of Finance, Programs and Education.

Donna also reported the *Sit & Sew* group has a new home at *The Best Little Retreat Center in Texas*. They typically meet the 4th Sat of each month from 10-2. Donna also reported she will deliver donated **dog beds** but not stitch them. Please stuff them with fabric and batting scraps only, no thread. (Threads can cause serious health problems if swallowed by the pets.) Donna also said she has the **service bars** for 2016 and 2017 available.

Rose Davis, **Quilt Show Chair**, reported the need for volunteers (2 hours shifts) to sell raffle tickets for our guild at the Grand Opening of *The Best Little Retreat Center in Texas* on Saturday, 29 April from 9 to 9. At our May meeting we will kick-off our Quilt Plano 2017 with sign-up sheets, presales and special demo previews of the demos and Pam Walsh will share some judges' critiques and show how to apply a perfect sleeve.

Debbie Seher, Chair of **Nine-Patch** committee reported 67 nine-patches by Deborah Skorepa were turned in for distribution to members who are moving away.

Kaye Dunn, Delores Williams and Valerie Salter showed the **mini quilts** that have been turned in for the silent auction at our Show. Mary Jo Ferrill won the drawing.

TAQG president Sherry Worley reminded everyone that the birthday quilts may be turned into the guild on any month, and they can be any size. She is signing people up for the **Rally Day** workshops, selling raffle tickets, pins and meals. More information is in our newsletter.

Peggy Burrell, **V-P of Programs** introduced our workshop instructor for this Saturday. Monica Hendewerk will be teaching her tumbling block woven quilt square. In May, our workshops will be fabric dying by Sherry Worley and Bindings by M.J. <u>Fielek</u>. May is the annual Quilt Show Roll-Out.

Janet Plotkin, **V-P of Activities** reminded everyone who brought a guest to pick up their starfish pins. She announced that during our May meeting there will be a "Bones Table". This is the place and time to bring *your* unwanted quilting related items to exchange with *another's* unwanted items. Just put and take on the tables provided! All left over items will be donated to *Isabel's Community Outreach*.

V-P of Membership, Jeanne Vogel and Diane Florence announced 67 members and 4 new members with 5 guests. Door prizes were drawn and winners selected their gift certificate or grab bag.

Show and Tell had a beautiful array of work presented from mug rug size to large bed quilts.

With no **new business**, Pam called a 10 minute recess. Following the recess Janet Plotkin had all of the **Polka Dot Challenge** projects brought to the stage for display. A very interesting array of spotted projects!

The business session was closed and **Brenda Perry** brought a delightful program about her life as a quiltaholic. She shared many lovely quilts and confessed to the problems of UFO and fabric hoarding (like all of us). She gave all a laugh and a little inspiration to keep quilting, in spite of a cluttered house.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Green, Secretary

Board Minutes: Members can find the Minutes for the Board Meeting on the Web Site under Members/Documents/Board Meeting Minutes

Financials: The Monthly Financial Report can be found on the website under Members/Documents/Cash Flow

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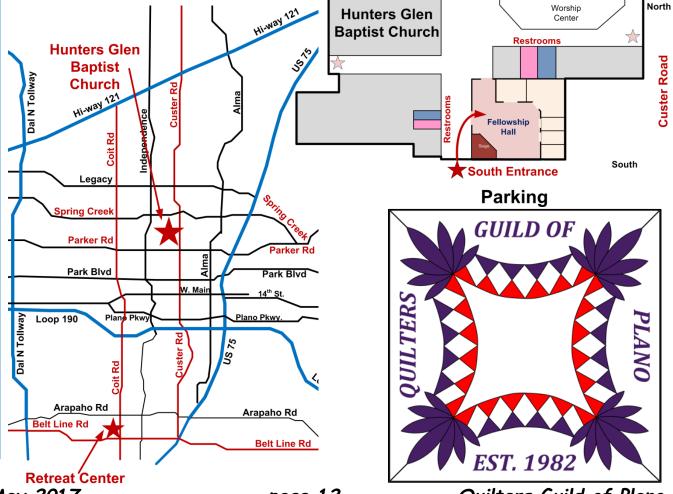
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Quilters Guild of Plano

The Quilters Guild of Plano exists to bring together people who share a love of quilts and quilting, preserve the heritage of quilting, promote the knowledge and understanding of all aspects of quilting, and provide opportunities for continuing education among those interested in the art of quilting. Together we learn from national and local quilt teachers and speakers, and share our work with each other and the community. All levels of quilters are encouraged to join us, including beginners. We are a 501 (c) 3 organization.

The Quilters Guild of Plano meets at **Hunters Glen Baptist Church, 4001 Custer Road**. The church is on the west side of Custer Road between Parker Road and Spring Creek Parkway. We park on the South end and enter through the South Entrance. The meetings are held in the Fellowship Hall, on the right as you enter. The Guild meets the second Thursday of Each month. Meetings start at 6:45 pm with a social time from 6:15pm to 6:45pm. Guests are always welcome at the meetings.



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