



TAQG Roundup

A Newsletter from the Texas Association of Quilt Guilds

Letter from the President

Hi all!

As I sit here reflecting back on 2019, I see a lot of accomplishments within TAQG. We moved our meetings down to Mesquite. Now, to Sunnyvale. This was a move that only made sense, as it put everything we do in one place. Our officers did an awesome job in their positions and I look forward to working with them this coming year. Rally Day was a big success, thanks to Sherry Worley and her committee. Our speaker, Pam Holland, was an absolute joy! Didn't we all enjoy her Australian accent? The Speakers Forum was a big success, with some new faces to bring us programs and workshops.

What's ahead for TAQG in 2020? We have the annual meeting on January 25th out in Mineola. This is the meeting where we launch Rally Day. We also hold breakout sessions for the Presidents and Treasurers. We've also included Secretaries in the past, but have felt it really not necessary for them, so we've discontinued that one. We also have a session for training the Reps themselves, as we seem to have numerous new ones each year. Also this year, we will be choosing the special topics for the meetings each time we meet. I'm looking forward to the input from our visiting Guild Officers on this one. And, of course, there's the shopping trip to Stitchin' Heaven!

Rally Day 2020. As most of you know by now, our guest speaker this year is Marti Michell. She was our very first speaker for Rally Day and is rejoining us for our 20th Anniversary. She'll be doing 3 workshops for us prior to Rally Day. No workshops are scheduled for afterwards due to her being inducted into the Quilter's Hall of Fame. The Rally Day committee is already hard at work getting ready for this event.

That's all for now from the top of TAQG, except one thing.....have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Cindy Stowe
TAQG President

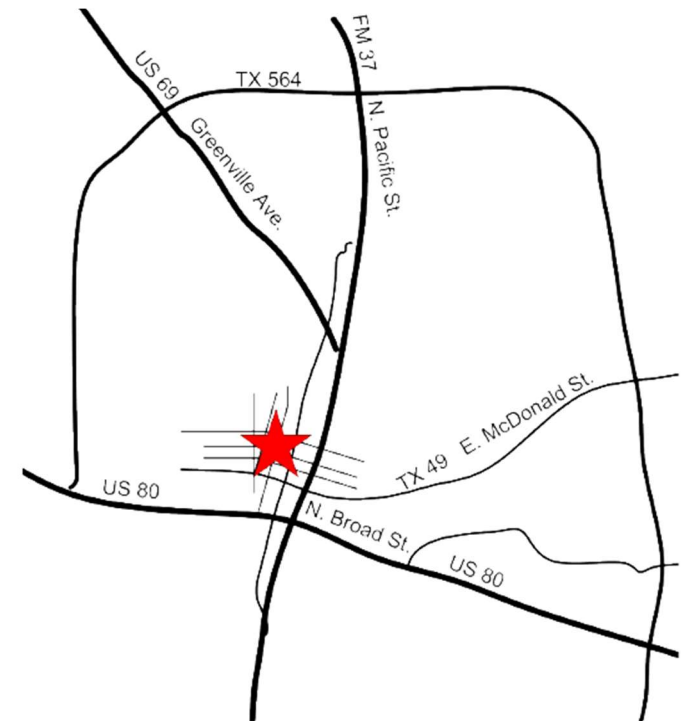
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JANUARY TAQG Meeting

TAQG will hold their January 2020 meeting at:

**Mineola League of the Arts
200 W. Blair Street, Mineola, TX**

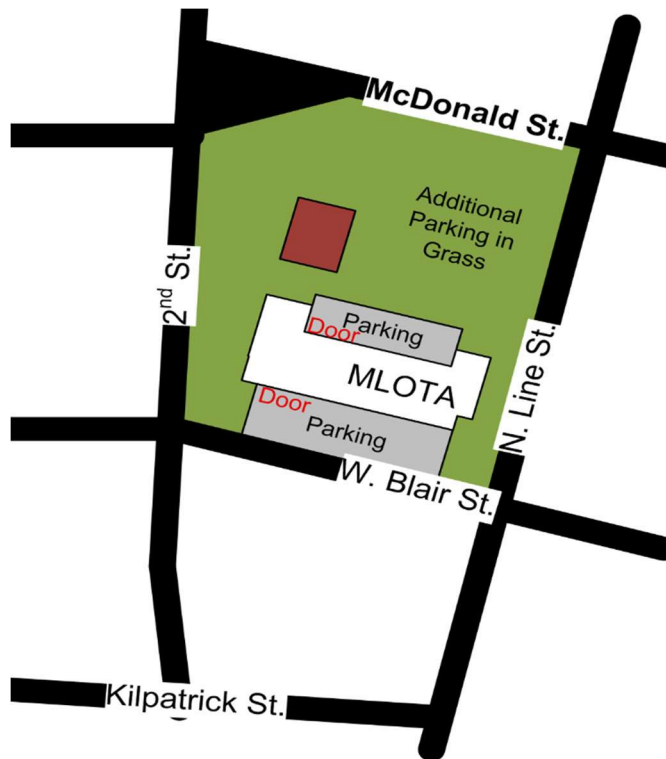
The meeting starts at 10:00 am on Saturday, January 25, 2020.



Find us on line at: www.taqq.org

Our Mission: To share information between guilds and preserve the art of quilting

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NOTE: At the January meeting, the topics will concern Presidents, Treasurers, Reps and Rally Day. **Be sure to invite your Presidents and Treasurers!**

REFRESHMENTS needed for the January meeting!

Many hands make light work!

We will need to feed approximately 75 people. Donations can be store-bought or homemade. Please contact Mary Nalley if you can help by texting 817.937.4356 or emailing mary.nalley001@gmail.com.

Thanks in advance for all your help!!!

Dear Texas Quilt Guilds,

The Texas Quilt Museum has opened a call for entries into a special exhibit that will be hung in the Museum in 2020. "Texas Grand Masters" will focus on the work of quilters age 75 and over. You can find information and the entry form on our homepage at www.texasquiltmuseum.org.

We are also open for entries into our bird-themed exhibit, "Flying High," and you'll find information there as well. Please pass along to your Guild members who might want to submit their work for consideration. Thank you!

Bob Ruggiero

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OUR 20th ANNIVERSARY - RALLY DAY 2020!



The *Quilters*
HALL OF FAME

Celebration
July 16-18 2020

featuring the induction of
Marti Michell

A popular teacher, Marti travels extensively, having now taught in 49 states and 26 countries. Look through your library of quilting books and you'll surely find one of Marti's books. At last count, nearly 1.75 million books authored by Marti have been sold. Likewise, you undoubtedly have fabric, patterns or tools that she has designed in your collected sewing materials. Furthermore, Marti's influence in the quilting industry is enormous. Marti is the recipient of two prestigious quilt industry "lifetime achievement" awards, The Silver Star (2004) and the Michael Kile Award (1991).

Rally Day 2020 Classes Preview!!!

Fat Quarter Log Cabin

A 1-day class for all experience levels

- Wednesday, July 8th
- Sunnyvale First Baptist Church, Sunnyvale
- Fee: \$79.⁰⁰ for TAQG Guild Members, \$100.⁰⁰ for others
- Supply List: On our website



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Interlocking Hexagons

A 1-day class for all experience levels

- Thursday, July 9th
- Sunnyvale First Baptist Church, Sunnyvale
- Fee: \$79.⁰⁰ for TAQG Guild Members, \$100.⁰⁰ for others
- Supply List: On our website



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Mariner's Compass

A 1-day class for all experience levels

- Friday, July 10th
- Sunnyvale First Baptist Church, Sunnyvale
- Fee: \$79.⁰⁰ for TAQG Guild Members, \$100.⁰⁰ for others
- Supply List: On our website



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Can Guests Find Your Meetings? or “Don’t Do What I Do – Do What I Say”!

by John Worley

The November TAQG meeting was our annual Speakers’ Forum, where Speakers describe the lectures and workshops that they offer. So, TAQG reps and Guild Program Committee members came. And the meetings were held at the new facility – that will be used for Rally Day 2020. We published the address and thought nothing else about it. (*Oops!*)



Above is shown the Sunnyvale First Baptist Church and I marked the doors (*as many as I could remember anyway*). Perhaps you can understand the problem faced by those

attending. Not only are they faced with which building, but also which door.

Many did as Sherry and I did: Get there early and sit around watching out for someone who looks like they might be a quilter, and follow them. (So, what *does* a quilter look like, anyway? No! Don’t answer that.)

So, guests go to your website, write down the address, and enter it in their GPS. The speaker does the same thing. But can they *really* find your meeting?

When I created the flyers for Rally Day 2014, I left “North” out of the address. That morning, we got several calls from people who planned to attend, but their GPS had chosen “South” by default. *Oops! My bad!*

If they are lucky enough to find the right group of buildings, they still need to find the right building and the right door. You don’t want guests to get frustrated and go back home.

Right? (*And you surely don’t want your speaker to do that!*)

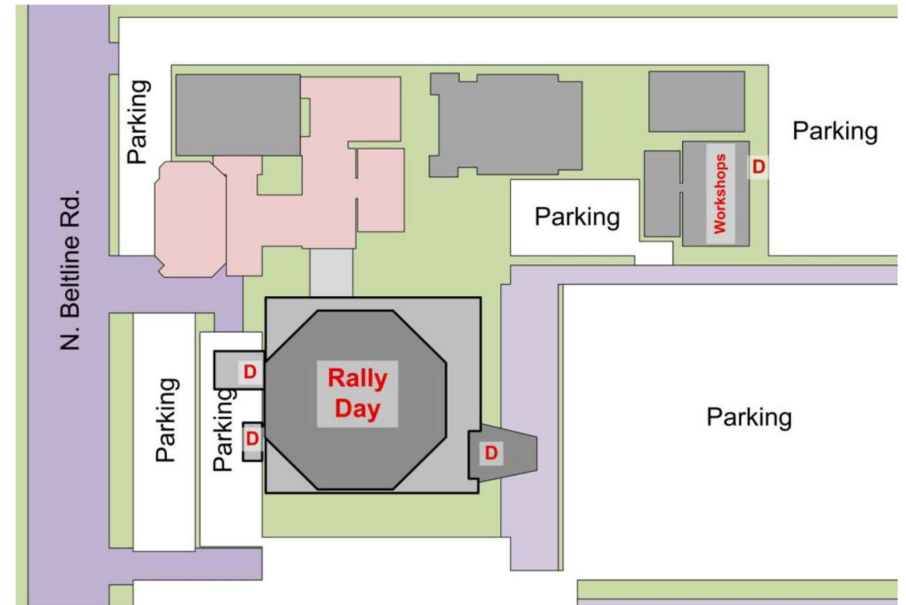
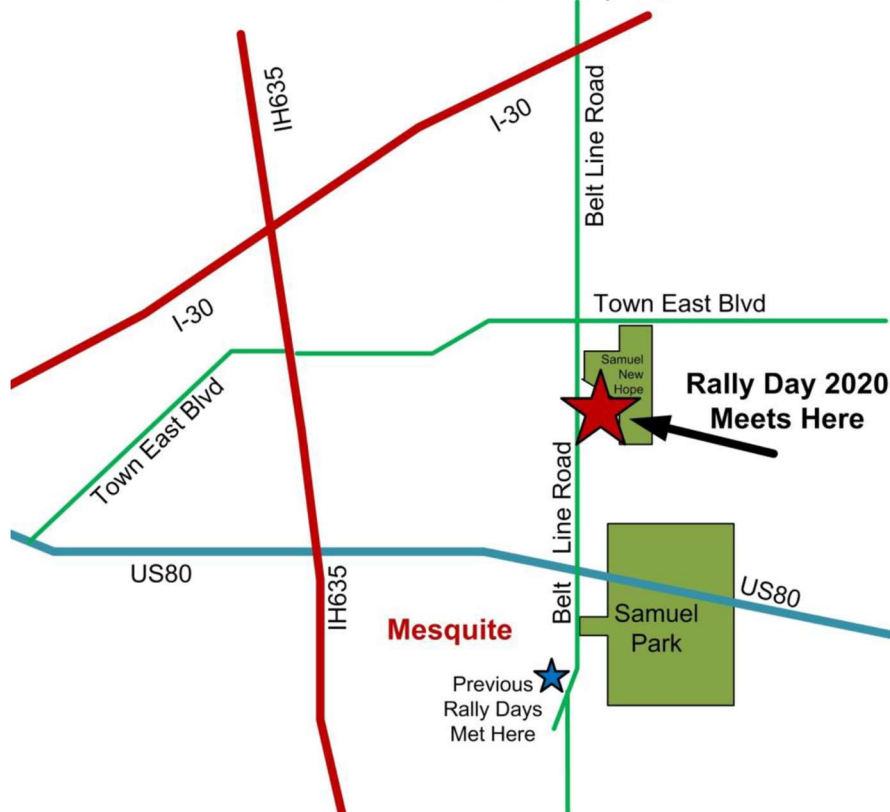
Create a map to your guild’s meeting place address *and* a map of the site. Don’t forget your guild’s workshop locations. They can be simple line drawings. Put them on your website, perhaps on any flyers, and be sure to include them in your speaker’s documents/contract.

See the Rally Day 2020 maps on the next page for example.

Rally Day 2020

Sunnyvale First Baptist Church

3018 N. Belt Line Road in Sunnyvale, TX



Note: This map is **NOT** finalized. In particular, the doors that people enter have **NOT** been determined. Please look for an accurate map in the Rally Day 2020 documents.

Quilts of Valor



Requirements for QOV are size 60 x 80, (average) can be red, white, & blue but not restricted to. Quilts are to be no smaller than 55 x 65 and no larger than 72 x 90. Sleeves are not necessary except on

representative quilt and they should be temporary sleeves that can be removed easily. Can have personal label with your info., leave space for recipient's name. Don't forget we do have lady veterans as well. They may like some "calming colors". Men hunt and fish and ride motorcycles. Panels can be used in the quilt. Can go to QOV website, www.qovf.org, for free block patterns and more info. Would like to have as many quilts as possible by March 2020 meeting but will accept up to Rally Day 2020. Each guild will need to provide 2 quilt stands, one for your Raffle Quilt and one for your Representative Quilt of Valor, if at all possible. If your guild has more than 2, we would appreciate them loaning them to us as some of the smaller guilds may only have 1 or 2. Representative quilts will be judged by the viewers and Viewer's Choice winner will receive a gift. The veterans that are to be presented with quilts will get to choose their quilt from the Representative Quilts of Valor on display.

Submitted by Bill Pugh, QOV Chair

The Quilts of Valor® Foundation needs help in Texas! It can be as simple as making a block for our National Block Drive or joining groups making and awarding quilts to our service members and veterans. Our website, www.QOVF.org, has the block drive and directions which can be printed. Many quilters are working to help with our mission.

Our **National Sew Day is February 1st**

and will be held across America. Please join us! You can sew blocks at home by yourself or with friends.

Many groups will hold Sew Days. Please contact me if you want more information at

suzanne.dicarlo@QOVF.org.



Submitted by Suzanne DiCarlo (a volunteer for Quilts of Valor® Foundation)

Information/Help Desk Coordinator
Mineola, TX (Central Time Zone)

www.QOVF.org

UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS & EVENTS

January 24-25, 2020 – Jefferson Regional Quilt Alliance

“Quilts on the Bayou”, <http://jeffersonquiltshow.com/>

February 22, 2020 – The Blue Triangle Quilt Show “20 in 20”,

Wendell Neal Memorial Family Life Center
9on the campus of Lilly Grove Baptist Church)
7034 Tierwester, Houston, TX 77021

Saturday 9 am to 5 pm, 150+ quilts

Admission \$10.00

Underground Railroad Exhibit, In Remembrance Exhibit,
Guild Member Challenge Quilts, Opportunity Quilt,
Demos, Vendors, Food Truck on site.

March 13-15, 2020 – Dallas Quilt Show,

<http://quiltersguildofdallas.org/quilters-guild-of-dallas-show>

March 27-28, 2020 – Quilters Guild of East Texas Quilt Show,

Dancing Stars, <http://www.qgetx.org/quilt-show.html>

April 24-25, 2020 – Gun Barrel Quilters Guild “Starstruck”,

The CR Legacy Event Center, 2205 W. Main (Hwy 334),
Gun Barrel City, TX

Friday 9 am -5 pm, Saturday 9 am-4 pm

Judged quilt show, Vendors, Country Store, Raffle Quilt

Questions: info@gunbarrelquiltersguild.org

May 8 – 9, 2020 – Red River Valley Quilt Guild presents

Eiffel in Love with Quilts

Love Civic Center, 2025 S. Collegiate Dr., Paris, TX

Friday 10 am to 5 pm, Saturday 10 am to 4 pm

www.parisquiltshow.com

August 7-8, 2020 – Crossroads to Texas Quilt Guild Show,

<http://cttquiltguild.org/>

August 7-8, 2020 – Plano Quilt Show,

<https://www.qgplano.org/quilt-show/plano-quilt-show/>

August 13-15, 2020 – Bear Creek Quilt Guild,

The fourth annual North Texas Quilt Festival will be held at
the Irving Convention Center. Free Parking!

October 29-November 1, 2020 – International Quilt Festival,

George R Brown Convention Center, Houston

Classes & Events begin October 26th

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- Laser light
- Stand alone bobbin winder, extra bobbins and needles
- Extra leaders, all manuals and red snapper clamps

Please call **Cindy Wallace 713.705.3174**



Bear Creek Quilt Guild

Is giving away to a good home the following hardware:

- Poles, rods, bases and sheets for hanging a quilt show
- Should have enough to hang approximately 200 quilts

Please contact either:

- Nancy Carr by text at 817.995.7991 or email at nmkrock@aol.com, or
- Kay Thomas by text at 214.228.8032 or email at catlady311@yahoo.com



poles/rods



bases

Deadline for 1st Quarter 2020 Newsletter is February 14th.

Corrections in this newsletter as well as articles for the upcoming newsletter should be directed to:

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