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## July 2019 Newsletter

### Quilters Guild of Plano, Inc.

Our next meeting:

**Pam Holland:**

**The Fabric of Life**

Thursday, July 11th at 6:45

Hunters Glen Baptist Church

4001 Custer Road, Plano

South Side of Church

### To bring to the July 11th Meeting

- For Membership: Name Badge
- For Community Service: Pillowcases, cuddles, quilts, tops.
- Lovepacs items.
- Quilt Plano Items: Mini-Quilts and the Intent to Volunteer.

**Remember:** You can sign up now for any workshop scheduled this year at any time. Don't wait, and maybe miss out.

## Programs

By Jeanne Smith

July

One of Australia's best, Pam Holland, will attend our July guild meeting for a presentation titled The Fabric of Life.

After a career as a photographer, and fashion designer Pam has been working in the quilting industry for over 30 years. She travels 10 months of the year to far flung places teaching the art of quilting. Her experiences in teaching and travel have been the inspiration for most of her quilts and has given her the reputation of shaping something new from the already established. Drawing, writing, and filming while she travels form the basic plans that she uses to create quilts when she's home in the studio. Pam says, "I see myself as a journalist in fabric."

Come join us to hear Pam "share the art fabric creation in India and Guatemala."

**There will be no guild workshops this month** — but join Pam Holland for her presentation and the workshops she will be providing for TAQG.

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## August

**Guild Meeting: August 8, 2019**

**Quilt Show Preview Night**

Plano Event Center

2000 East Spring Creek Parkway

Plano, TX 75074

## September

**Guild Meeting: September 12, 2019**

**Bethanne Nemesh – Walk a Creative Path**

Bethanne's journey as an art quilter from her beginnings making traditional quilts, then branching out into pattern manipulation, to her current pictographic silk art quilts is explored with a slide presentation and with a trunk show of available quilts. (Bethanne will bring all the show quilts that are currently home at the time of the lecture, which will vary). Bethanne will explore how her silk quilts come to be, from initial sketches, paintings, photography to final creation and finish details. Additionally, Bethanne discusses how any quilter can learn to recognize inspiration and document and organize it to facilitate quilt design through sharing her own techniques and sketchbooks.

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### **Friday Workshop: September 13, 2019**

#### **Quilted Texture from A to Zen**

Traditional free motion background fillers are a wonderful starting point, but what happens when you let yourself be influenced by natural patterns, everyday objects, macro photography, and the art of Zendoodling? Be inspired by Bethanne's fresh take on backgrounds, with inspiration from every letter of the alphabet, perfect for filling those big open spaces of more modern quilts! Hands on classes are suitable for experienced free-motion domestic quilters.

### **Saturday Workshop: September 14, 2019**

#### **The Devil is in the Details**

Sometimes the difference between a show quilt and an AWARD-WINNING show quilt is in the details. On the judging floor, one point is often all that separates a contestant from a winner. Bethanne will share the unique finish

details in her quilts which have been proven winners in shows across the country. Students will make a sample that features beaded bias applique, beaded piping, swag piping, beaded knife edge binding as well as an introduction to the use of Derwent Inktense pencils. Take your quilting to the next level with masterpiece details!

Kit Fee: \$25.00 Includes pre-quilted square, all beads, piping, ink, and activators for the project.

## Community Service

**By Linda Neal and Kaye Dunn**

### **It Takes a Guild**

And what a guild we have! It seems that all we need to do is make a need known and our members step up. At the last count 91 basted quilts were quilted. And at the last guild meeting all the available basted quilts were taken home to be quilted. You are amazing! I know there are some of you who are still reluctant to try quilting on your domestic machines but if you will be willing to use your walking foot and do just one each month we could be completely caught up on the backlog by the beginning of the new year (October).

Did I just hear a challenge?

### **Items Needed**

- Vegetables – 15 oz cans
- Fruit – 15 oz cans
- Chunky Soup – 15 oz cans
- Chef Boyardee -15 oz cans
- Meat – (tuna, chicken, Vienna sausages ) – 5 oz cans

- Peanut butter
- Grape jelly

## Membership

**By Carole Glover & Sue Rentz**

June's meeting was in the big room. We were still asking for volunteers to sign up for jobs to help at the Quilt show in August.

We had 102 members present, 9 visitors, and 3 new members join at the meeting. Several guests asked about the organization and we feel they will join soon.

We would like to welcome our visitors, Trae Flesher, Sue Hurth, Elizabeth Waltrip, Ragi Marino, Judy Walters, Diana Ball, Kathy Goldman, Carolyn Walsh and Elsie Arnell. It was nice to meet all our visitors, and we invited them to come back to another meeting.

Please help welcome our new members, Sharla Brockway, Kathryn Bernstein and Robin Toliven Reed. Please look for them at our next meeting and show them how the Guild welcomes new members.

May Door Prizes were donated by Best of Bernina Plano, The Old Craft Store, Boxcar Quilts, Plano Quilt Guild, and Fabric Fanatics. The Guild appreciates all their donations. As you are shopping in their stores, please remember to thank them for their donations.

We had the New Member's Retreat on June 8th. It was at the Best Little Retreat Center from 9AM to 9PM. It was a lot of fun. We had 15 new members and 8 board members sign up. The new members are; Glenna Brabant, Shirley St. Clair, Nancie Rogers, LuGay Chiang, Valerie Murray, Elizabeth Arellano, Leanna Williams, Pasty Padgett, Rhonda Diercks, Sharon Wilhelm, Kim Imel,

Annlee Smith, Gloria Beach, Mary Binder, Beverly Webb. The board members who attended were Rose Davis, Sue Rentz, Jeanne Vogel, Jeanne Fletcher, Janet Carver, Linda Neal, Julie Schafer and Carole Glover.

Hope to see everyone at the July meeting.

## July Birthdays

- Margaret Schafer — 7/3
- Aggie Meszaros — 7/4
- Harriet Wetherell — 7/5
- Diana Florence — 7/6
- Cassie Conway — 7/7
- Valerie Murray — 7/7
- Sandy Hinckley — 7/8
- Nan Jordan — 7/8
- Carol Long — 7/9
- Allison C Bayer — 7/11
- Sherry Worley — 7/11
- Sharon Wilhelm — 7/13
- Joan Nodwell — 7/14
- Marilyn Dickson — 7/15
- Germaine Reconnu — 7/18
- Concetta Boscardin — 7/20
- Leanne Wise — 7/23
- Mary Binder — 7/23
- Sally Brown — 7/24
- Bri Loftis — 7/26
- Linda Overbeck — 7/26
- Martha Diehl — 7/29

- Debra Douglas — 7/31

## Quilt Plano 2019

**By Donna Petrick**

### **Let's Volunteer**

It's almost time for the show. Always an exciting time. This is the time that the guild needs you the most. Without our volunteers, we would not be able to provide this wonderful show to the community. Our most pressing openings for volunteers are **admissions, quilt angels, and staff security**. For four hours of volunteering, you get into the show for free!

**Admissions** – Few more openings for Friday, lots of openings for Saturday. You will have a sit-down job, sell tickets to people coming into the show, make change, and handle credit card sales (available for the first time).

**Quilt Angels** – One of the most fun jobs because you get to see the quilts up close and personal. It is a walking job. You will have white gloves and can show the backs of quilts to the public when they want to see them. You watch that people do not have food and drink in the area, talk to them about the quilts and answer questions if possible.

**Staff Security** – You will wear a bright vest and carry a walkie-talkie. Your main job is to show that we are watching people and assisting the vendors and patrons if they have questions or need assistance from the on-duty police. You do not confront any patron. You would notify the police if there is any problem. We like to have husbands fill in these positions if you can volunteer them.

There are other openings and we need you. At the July meeting, we will have the show committee available to discuss their openings. Caroline and Lori

will have computers to help you sign up. You can also sign up [online](#)! Please volunteer and help make this another successful show.

## Minis for Quilt Plano 2019

**By Kaye Dunn**

### **Minis Final Countdown**

Quilt Plano 2019 is almost here – only one more month. I hope you are putting the finishing touches on your minis for the auction and will be turning them in at the Guild meeting. Have you visited the web site to look at all the fabulous choices? For the most successful auction, we still need about 15 more. I can hardly wait to see what you have created.

## Letter from the President

**By Rose Davis**

There is so much going on right now, I hope you are all as excited as I am about all that is happening at our Guild. Can you believe that we are just a month away from Quilt Plano 2019.

We do need your help. We still have a good number of volunteer positions that need to be filled for this year's show. If all our members put in at least 4 hours, I know that we will have a great Show. And it is so easy this year to sign-up – go to [qgplano.org](http://qgplano.org), click on Quilt Show, Show Volunteers, you can see both the description of all the positions as well as the area to sign-up for open slots. If you would prefer to have someone else sign you up, simply come to our July meeting – we will have multiple stations with people ready to sign you up. Just remember that the show can't be done without the full Guild participating.

As President, it is awesome seeing how willingly our members give their time and energy to not only the show preparations, but to our community service and all areas of our Guild. Without all your help, we would not be the growing and energetic Guild that we are today. For all you new members, please get involved – it is the best way to meet other members – and it is so rewarding!

I look forward to seeing you all on July 11th.

## Stocking and Pet Beds Report

By Martha O'Grady

### Stocking

We gathered 148 stockings. I corrected 30. All that needed fixing had an issue with the cuff or the ribbon.

So, with that afternoon's work in mind, let's go over the directions.

1. Pin the folded ribbon onto the **inside top** back seam, raw edges up. Stitch that down. Remove the pin
2. Pin the seam of the cuff to the back seam of the stocking. Stitch all the way around. Remove the pin.
3. Here comes the magic! Turn the cuff from the inside to the outside. Don't forget to say, "TADAH". Also, say a little prayer for the safety and health of the soldier/vet.
4. Write something nice on the index card. Suggestions include, "Happy Holidays," "Merry Christmas," "Thank you for your service to our country," "What did the elf have when he dropped a tiny little hammer on his tiny little toe? A Hoppin' Holler day." The list goes on. Also, if you want to use nicer cards, or stationery, that would be good, too.

Also, I did not get as many baggies and instructions back this time. If you think they are getting to be unusable, feel free to toss them. Otherwise, return them as I can fill and resend.

Exciting news! We got an award from Soldiers Angels! "Texas Donor of the Year" – YAY and good work guys

## Shelter Pet Beds

I took 44 beds to Sache and Wylie this month. Y'all turned in a very nice assortment of sizes. This is what shelters need, since animals come in all sizes.

I especially like how one lady does hers. She specifically makes the cat carrier beds, puts them into a reusable grocery bag handles tied. Very portable. Excellent!

While I was at Wylie, the animal control officer told me about a poor dog with severe hip dysplasia. Could I maybe make one extra soft for him? An hour later, I took a custom sized, nice soft bed for the poor big guy. This work is both humbling and gratifying.

I had a few ladies apologize for bringing beds to me. Sorry if I have been unclear. I explained that they were doing exactly what I want. You make 'em; I take 'em.

## Texas Association of Quilt Guilds

**By Jeanne Fletcher**

Things to remember to bring:

1. Your entry ticket with the stub filled out and your Plano Guild membership card.
2. Money to buy TAQG raffle tickets, pins, thread
3. Your checkbook or credit card to win that Silent Auction item that catches your eye
4. Some address labels and dollar bills to buy a chance to win one of the Guild Raffle Quilts that will be displayed in the hall

Set your GPS for 1233 N Beltline Rd, Mesquite, 75149 as the name of the church has changed to Inspiration Church.

But most important be prepared to have a wonderful day, learn what motivations and techniques Pam Holland used to create her amazing quilts.

See you all there on **July 13th at 9am!!!**

## **Nominations for 2019-2020**

**By Jeanne Vogel**

This year's nominating committee is Jeanne Vogel heading up along with Carol Long, Terri Mendelow, and alternate Kaye Dunn.

The open Board Positions for October 2019 – September 2020 are:

- **President:** Rose Davis has served 2 years. The nominee for president is Linda Neal. Linda has been the Co-VP of Community Service the past 2 years; quilting for 15 years.
- **VP of Media:** Dena Smith has served 2 years. The nominee for this position is Caroline Gagnon-Hartman. Caroline has set up our new website and has a background in writing; quilting for 4 years.
- **VP of Finance:** Carol Long has served 2 years. The nominee is Chanda Smith who has been the Treasurer for the past 2 years, has a work

background in banking and the financial industry.

- Co-VP of Membership: Carol Glover has served 1 year with Sue Rentz. Sue will serve another year, Carol is stepping down and the nominee for this position is Connie Elliott. She has been quilting and having her own business for 5 years.
- Co-VP of Community Service: Linda Neal and Kaye Dunn have served 2 years. Nominees are Donna Petrick and Dolores Williams who have both served the guild as past presidents.
- Co-VP of Education: Kathy Scott will continue for another year. Nominee for Co-VP is Joan Hammett.

These will be voted on at the September meeting, taking office in October.

Thank you to all that helped and gave suggestions for these positions.

## Guild Activities

There is a new opening on the board: Vice-President of Guild Activities! For more details on this exciting opportunity, read the [Guild Positions and Duties](#) document and contact [Jeanne Vogel](#).

## June Meeting Photos

Access our Meeting Photos in our Gallery at: [June 2019 Guild Meeting – MJ Kinman](#)

## General Meeting Minutes

Click to read the [June General Meeting Minutes](#).

## Board Meeting Minutes

[Board Meeting Minutes](#) can only be accessed by guild members. Please [login](#) to your account.

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