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October 2019 Newsletter

Quilters Guild of Plano, Inc.

Our next meeting:

Melinda Bula – Developing the Artist Within Through Quilts and Wearable

Arts

Thursday, October 10, at 6:45

Social time begins at 6:15 p.m. General meeting begins at 6:45 p.m. with the speaker immediately following the general meeting.

Hunters Glen Baptist Church

4001 Custer Road, Plano

South Side of Church

To bring to the next meeting...

- For Membership: Name Badge
- For Community Service: Pillowcases, cuddles, quilts, tops.
- Lovepacs items
- Donations for the PISD – School Age Parent Program. This is one of the programs our guild gives donations to. Accepted items are baby quilts, baby clothes, diapers, anything a new mom can use would be appreciated.
- Monetary contribution for Binky Patrol
- Pet Shelter Beds

Programs

By Jeanne Smith

Guild Meeting: October 10, 2019

Melinda Bula – *Developing the Artist Within Through Quilts and Wearable Art*

- **Non-members: *There is a \$5 fee for this national speaker***

Take a humorous look through the eyes of a quilt artist as she finds her way through the world of art, quilting and wearable arts. Melinda shows the evolution of her art with humor and lots of inspiration. Includes a PowerPoint presentation with on-site quilts.

Friday Workshop: October 11, 2019

Fabulous Fusible Flowers: Coneflower

Pattern Fee – \$15 (payable in class)

Make this fun and easy coneflower that even the beginner can master. Learn how Melinda creates these amazing fusible flowers that look like a painting without any paint.

Saturday Workshop: October 12, 2019

Renegade Thread Play Technique

Kit Fee – \$45 includes pattern (payable in class)

Technique class: learn how to finish your flowers with thread play

Guild Meeting: November 14, 2019

Edyta Sitar – Reasons for Quilts

- **Nonmembers: There is a \$5 fee for this national speaker**

Edyta's love for fabric began at a very young age – when she used her mother's drapes to create her first fabric project!

Fortunately, for all of us, Edyta's mother recognized her passion for fabric and thus began her journey with fabric and sewing. One of Edyta's biggest blessings is her marriage to husband, Michael. She not only fell in love – she

was introduced to a Sitar family tradition of quilting by her mother-in-law, Carol, and grandmother-in-law, Anna.

Quilting has enabled Edyta to express herself about the objects or occasions of her surroundings — her designs are her avenue to release passion! "My children and my husband are my greatest motivation. This is the Cinderella dream for me. Being able to do what I love and share this love with others is the greatest feeling and reward I could imagine!"

The combination of inspiration, a love for fabric, a keen eye for color, and her family teachings blended into the recipe for a talent in constructing amazing quilts, creating innovative quilting patterns for Laundry Basket Quilts, designing beautiful Traditional and Batik fabrics for Moda (10 years) and now for Andover (Present). She has published numerous books to date, been featured in many magazines, and her quilts have been honored in displays around the world.

As the founder and owner of her company, Laundry Basket Quilts (www.laundrybasketquilts.com), Edyta is proud to carry on her family tradition that fabrics and threads have seamlessly stitched together through the generations. Her true passion and quilter's spirit shine through her classes, workshops, and presentations. She travels all over the world sharing her experiences and connecting with quilters of all levels through the inspiring stories about the quilts she makes.

Friday Workshop: November 15, 2019

Fusible Appliqué: "Seasonal Silhouettes"

Kit Fee – \$40 (payable in class to guild) includes the required fabric kit

Prepare yourself for a total treat, laser cut Appliqué pieces will give you the head start on completing a beautiful wall hanging quilt with fusible appliqué

technique. With the right thread, needle, and Edyta's direction, you will be on the right path to a gorgeous quilt and ready for bigger projects!

Saturday Workshop: November 16, 2019

Triangle Exchange: "Tree Farm"

Kit Fee – \$40 (payable in class to guild) includes the required fabric kit

Enjoy a fabric exchange using half square triangles made from Laundry Basket Quilts Triangle Paper in this wonderful class. Learn how to use triangles in many different projects including one of my favorites, the "Tree Farm". Perfect for any level quilter.

2020 Guest Speakers

The following is a list of our 2020 Guest Speakers. The Lecture topics and Workshops will be posted on the guild website. Make plans to attend any or all!

- **January – Annette Plog**
- **February – Paula Nadelstern**
- **March – Lecture only TBA**
- **April – Maria Shell**
- **May – Quilt Show Roll Out**
- **June – Dawn Heese**
- **July – Lecture only TBA**
- **August – Quilt Show**
- **September – Leo Ransom**
- **October – Carmen Geddes**
- **November – Katie Pasquini Masopust**
- **December – Guild Meeting & Holiday Party**

Community Service

by Dolores Williams and Valerie Salter

Valerie Salter and I are very happy to be taking over Community Service. We are hoping to have an active and fun year.

The CS group meets monthly and makes kits for the quilts. The kits are sewn at our Community Sew Day, the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Plano Sewing Center, from 10 am to 2 pm. We would love to have you join us on our sewing days. Bring your machine and sewing supplies. We will furnish the kits. Contact Donna Petrick at petrickdl@outlook.com if you are able to attend.

We also have a sewing day on the 3rd Saturday at the Best Little Retreat Center in Texas from 10 am to 2 pm. Again bring sewing supplies and we will furnish the kits. Contact Kaye Dunn at scottnkaye@att.net if you are able to come and sew.

The kits produce tops. The rest of the process is done at the guild meetings. The CS group gets the quilts ready for quilting and gives them out at the meeting. The quilted quilts come back and are trimmed and go out again to have binding put on. Then the quilts are ready to be washed and given to our charities.

We also give pillowcases to the charities. The CS group makes the pillowcase kits and gives them to members at the meetings. The finished pillowcases are matched with a quilt when we get them ready for distribution.

There are a lot of steps to get the quilts ready for our charities and we can use help in whatever area you are comfortable doing. Please stop by the table and see us at the guild meeting and we can answer any questions you have.

Community Service Receives Donations

Our guild has received a number of donations lately through the CS group. Mostly we get fabric. We use the quilting fabric and disperse with the non-quilting fabric. Lately, we have received a couple of donations of complete sewing rooms – supplies, books, magazines and sewing machines. A large part of the supplies have gone toward door prizes – some were at the Quilt Show, others will be at the guild retreat. And we still have a lot of things to give away.

CS will be bringing books and supplies, patterns, fabrics, etc. to the meetings. They will be on a free table for you to take all you want. What is not taken will be disposed of, **so PLEASE take stuff.**

We also have three sewing machines that need new homes. Each machine is free to the first guild member that wants it. You just have to come to Princeton and pick it up.

1. A Brown Singer Sewing machine, Model 401A. It has the knee pedal for sewing. It is in a brown wooden case. There is no cord with it so I don't know if it runs. It does have a box with CAMS and bobbins with it.
2. A Black Singer. I could not find a model number. It is in a white case. There is one leg on the case that has cracked and will need repair. There is no cord with this machine.
3. A Portable Singer. Possible model number 4832 C. The number is on the side. It has a foot pedal and runs. It is white and in a white case.

Photos are below.

Interested? Call Dolores Williams at 972-832-1134 or email me at quiltingpony@hotmail.com.

Community Service Quilting Day

Community Service is getting a lot of quilt tops stockpiled again. We need them quilted! Please come to our Quilting Day.

When: November 5, 2019

Where: Best Little Retreat Center in Texas

Time: 9 am to 9 pm — Come when you can, stay as long as you can. We have the room all day.

Bring: Your sewing machine, thread and supplies. We will have the quilts basted and ready to go.

There will be door prizes and snacks.

Remember, you don't need to do free arm quilting. You can use your walking foot and do a great job.

Please let us know if you are coming:

Dolores Williams: quiltingpony@hotmail.com

Valerie Salter: salter125@hotmail.com

Letter from the President

By Linda Neal

I just returned from the Holly Girls Retreat in Northern Michigan. We sewed and took classes for 5 days. It was great! I am happy to report that fall is actually starting in that part of the country. Surely it will cool off in Texas soon, and maybe we will have some fall color too.

We have lots of new members joining our guild plus lots of past members coming back. We are really growing fast. That is great! But, with that being

said, it can be hard to meet everyone and learn everyone's name. And, as President, I want to get to know all of the members and their quilting story. It would be very helpful if everyone would wear their name tags and introduce themselves to the members around you at guild meetings. Remember: We are ALL ambassadors for the guild.

One of the best ways for new members to join in and connect with a guild is to get involved. Volunteer for anything that interests you. Find or start a small group. Volunteer for the show committee. As a growing guild, we have lots of jobs that need to be filled. Guild activities, VP Leigh Knox, will be hosting a newcomer day retreat/ice cream social at The Best Little Retreat Center in Texas on Sunday, October 6th. More information can be found in this newsletter under Guild Activities.

We have lots of great speakers and classes scheduled this year. A big thank you to our quilt show committee members that made the show successful. The profit from the quilt show allows us to schedule top national speakers.

I would like to thank all of the incoming board members who stepped up and agreed to serve this year and all of the outgoing board members who worked so hard this past year. It is my honor to serve as President and I will do my best to keep the guild running smoothly and efficiently. If you have any questions/suggestions please email me at: lindanealmck@hotmail.com

Happy Stitching.

2020 Raffle Quilt

By Linda Neal

Our guild raffle quilts for 2020, Fellowship in Scarlet and Little Red, are done and tickets are being printed. They will be given out at the November

meeting. The cost of the tickets will be 1 ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5. The winner of the drawing will win both quilts.

Information about the construction of the quilts as well as photos of the quilts can be found on the guild website under Activities at [Red and White Group Quilt](#). We had 80 members participate in creating the blocks and a small group, The Wednesday Girls, to sew them together. They were Quilted by Richard Larson and Pam Wingate.

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

Guild Activities

By Leigh Knox

Hi All. Woohooo! October is here so surely we will see at least one day of fall weather (fingers crossed). So for October we have a Day Retreat planned for Sunday, October 6. This is a newcomer retreat but of course I hope all of you, who can, will come by and sew for a while. This will also be an ice cream social, after all, you learn a lot about a person based on their favorite flavor of ice cream, right? To sign up, fill out [this form](#). The cost is only \$20 (that is a \$5 savings) and you can sew from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

I hope to see you there. If you have any questions feel free to email me at LAK76248@gmail.com.

Happy sewing.

Membership

By Sue Rentz and Connie Elliott

At September's meeting, we had 112 members present, with 4 new members added, and 10 visitors.

We would like to welcome our 10 visitors: Gayle Meador, Tommy and Suzie Harris, Jerry Vaughan, Barb Clark, Diana Ball, Marie Rees, Peggy O'Neal, Grace Culbertson and Susan Corbett.

Please help welcome our four new members: Susan Autry, Jennifer Sheckells, Diane Morris, and Christina Vilmar. Please look for these new members and show them how the Guild welcomes them.

September door prizes were donated by Sew Let's Quit It, Stitched with Love, Not Your Mama's Quilt Store, Mineola Needle Works, Happiness is Quilting, and Quilt Country.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the October meeting. Connie Elliot takes over in my place as Co-VP of Membership next month and I know you all will welcome her and make here feel welcome. A big thank you to Sue Rentz for being a great Co-VP with me and making it seem so easy.

Carole

Month Birthdays

Karen Finch 10/1

JoAnn Langloys 10/1

Pam Lane 10/3
Heather Ewald 10/4
Linda Burton 10/5
Rebecca Williams 10/6
J "Michelle" Watts 10/6
Jackie Galubenski 10/7
Judy Johnson 10/7
Barbara Pena 10/7
Mistey Jones 10/11
Caryn Pesek 10/13
Margaret (Peggy) Dull 10/14
Marge Krempf 10/14
Karen Rainville 10/17
Carroll Thune 10/17
Monica Hendewerk 10/17
Rachel Carithers 10/18
Debbie Seher 10/18
Ruth Bernabo 10/22
Kim Imel 10/24
Rebecca Ellis 10/25
Cheryl Morschauser 10/27
Linda Castellano 10/28
Tressa Nisankarao 10/29
Sarah Lee 10/31
Sandra Vinzant 10/31
Diana Collins 10/31

Quilt Plano 2020

By Donna Petrick

First off, "Thank You" for all the work and volunteer hours you put in for QP2019. We had a very successful show—beautiful quilts, wonderful vendors and great crowds. The financials for the show will be posted on Membership – Guild Documents – Financials. It's a lot of work to put on such a great show. Without the show, we would not be able to have such wonderful speakers for our programs. It is definitely worth the effort.

Just as we finish one show, we get started on the next. Contract is already signed with Plano Event Center. Our show will be August 7th and 8th in 2020. It's a week early but this is turning out to be a happy accident. That puts us a week before the sales tax-free weekend, a week before school starts in Plano, and a week before the Original Sewing/Quilting event in Irving.

I'm adding several new positions to the committee list this year. I'll write the job descriptions and get them posted to the documents page under quilt show shortly. The new positions are:

- Announcements/Show
- Logistics (moving the materials from the storage unit to the Plano Event Center and back)
- Preview Night Setup
- Publicity-Website
- Security/First Aid

We also have openings for:

- Artwork
- Hospitality
- Info Booth
- Program Ads
- Publicity-General

- Quilt Angels

If you are interested in leading or working on any of these committees, please contact me. Text 972-571-0083 or email to petrickdl@outlook.com. We would also like to have additional help with Demos and Children's Areas so that these ladies can rotate off to other jobs.

Looking forward to working with all of you for our next show.

What Are All Those Pins?

By Donna Petrick

It's been some time since any of us have talked about the different guild pins that we have to offer. I do have a display that I bring to most meetings as well as the pins themselves. Please see me at the next meeting to look them over.

Guild Pin – Designed by a former member/past president for our 25th anniversary quilt and is our current design. Cost is \$5.

Sewing Machine Pin – Designed to hold the annual bars and charms. Cost is \$5.

Annual Bars – Awarded for volunteering 30 hours annually of service to the guild. Service can be sewing community service items, selling raffle tickets at an event, working the quilt show or any other job that needs to be done for the guild. No charge.

Show Pins – A new pin is designed each year for our quilt show. We do have most of the past show pins available for those who collect. Current pin cost is \$5 and past year pins are \$1.

Show Charms – Awarded for working for the quilt show. No charge.

PVSA – Presidential Volunteer Service Awards – Started by President Reagan for honoring volunteers in America.

For 100 – 249 annual hours you receive a bronze pin.

For 250 – 499 annual hours you receive a silver pin.

For 500+ annual hours you receive a gold pin.

After accumulating 4000 hours you are awarded a lifetime pin. The pins and certificates are free to the recipient. The guild does pay for them.

Anniversary Pins – Awarded at 5-year intervals, beginning with 10 years membership. Years must be continuous. No charge.

Stocking and Pet Beds Report

By Martha O'Grady

Stockings

Thanks everyone for understanding that my life got in the way of our fun. Also for doing such a fabulous job of completing stockings early so that I could go forward with the long list of my own events over the last few months.

I delivered 1321 stockings to Soldiers Angels, along with a bag of stuffings and cards. We are not responsible for filling the stockings. This is strictly YOUR generosity. Thank you.

There is a small group that meets third Saturdays at Plano Sewing Center and they like to make stockings to give to Soldiers Angels. They are quite prolific and generous and the stockings are consistently well made. However, this last time, one of the ladies hand-cut and assembled 500, but instead of putting the

ribbon inside the stocking then the cuff and turning it for the "TA-DAH," she put both on the outside. The stocking came out with an extension instead of a cuff. Since we had already exceeded our goal of 1000 for Soldiers Angels, we thought why not use them for another charity. That way the ones for Soldiers Angels are consistent and we are not hurting one charity to bless another.

The charity is called Binky Patrol. They make quilts for underprivileged children. For these children whatever Binky Patrol gives them is probably their only Christmas. So, here, my dear Guild is where each of you can help. I am going to have a container to gather money to give along with the stockings. The hospitals like to have control of what children are given, so this is our best choice.

I thought of something we can try for next year. We all use a startie-stoppie. Usually, this is a scrap of fabric, or a pair of pieces for another quilt. Well, how about instead, it is a coaster. Precut 5 or 6 inch squares of fabric and batting. Make pre-assembled units; each turned 45 degrees in its stack. Zigzag the outside edge as startie-stoppie, with some sort of simple quilting in the middle. Yes, it really is that simple! Oh, and it is a good use for left over batting and fabric.

Shelter Pet Beds

I took 40 beds to various shelters in our area. At one, I saw the most beautiful black cat. If hubbie were not deathly allergic, he might have found a forever home with me.

Along with making beds, bed bags are a good thing to make, and share with fellow guilders. They can be any size.

Tech Corner

By Caroline Gagnon-Hartman

Jeanne Vogel has worked diligently to try and gather all member photos for the [directory](#)!

If you don't have your picture in the directory yet, follow these simple steps:

1. Login to the site.
2. Select **Update my Settings** from the menu.
3. Click on **Edit My Information**.
4. Scroll to the middle of the page until you see **Choose File**.
5. Choose a file from your computer and voilà!

If you cannot upload your photo, simply submit it to [Jeanne](#) and she will take care of you!

[FAQ: Why do we have photos in the directory?](#)

It makes it easier for members to identify each other at meetings, workshops, and volunteering events!

[Searching for a Member](#)

There are many ways to search for a member in our directory. The important thing is to select the correct search criteria.

For example, if I want to search for someone by last name:

1. Type the last name.
2. Select **Last Name** from the dropdown menu.
3. Click **Search**.

[September Meeting Photos](#)

Access our [September Meeting Photos](#) in our Gallery.

General Meeting Minutes

Click to read the [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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