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## January 2020 Newsletter

### Quilters Guild of Plano, Inc.

Our next meeting: **January 9th, 2020**

**Lecture by Annette Plog**

Social time begins at 6:15 p.m.

General meeting begins at 6:45 p.m.

With speaker immediately following meeting.

Hunters Glen Baptist Church

4001 Custer Road, Plano

South Side of Church

## To bring to the next meeting...

- Name badge
- Lovepacs donation items
- Community service completed items

## Programs

By Jeanne Smith

Are you ready for 2020? It is a new year and a new decade – perfect for all the wonderful events coming our way! The first new item is the ability for members (non-members will be included soon) to sign up for Workshops through the guild website. Follow these steps:

1. Go to **qgplano.org** and **sign in**.
2. Choose **Membership** (*due to members only at this time*).
3. Choose **QGPStore**.
4. Find your **Workshop/s** and add to **Cart**.
5. Choose **Shopping Cart** and fill in the blanks.

Now, how easy is that? A lot like Amazon!

## January

Guild Meeting – **Thursday, January 9, 2020**

## **Annette Plog – Lecture based on *True Blue Quilts* book**

Annette has a passion for antique quilts and her favorite ones are blue and white, thus the creation of her book *True Blue Quilts* which features reproduction quilts honoring 19th century designs.

**Friday Workshop: January 10, 2020**

### **Dot, Dot, Dash (pattern in *True Blue Quilts* book)**

We will learn to machine piece curved blocks. The templates are located in the *True Blue Quilts* book. You can choose to make the book project, a smaller table runner or an all scrappy quilt.

## **February**

**Guild Meeting – February 13, 2020**

### **Paula Nadelstern – Lecture: The Kaleidoscope as Design Inspiration**

**Non-members:** There is a \$5 Fee for this National Speaker

Kaleidoscope, the very word promises surprise and magic. Exploding with visual excitement, a kaleidoscopic design organizes an abundance of light and color, form and motion into a complex and coherent image. Paula's goal is to harmoniously integrate the idea of a kaleidoscope with the techniques and materials of quilt making.

**Friday Workshop: February 14, 2020**

### **Simple Symmetry**

Simple Symmetry is based on a simple fact: one single fabric is responsible for all of the elaborate patterns in one quilt. You will learn how to use one single

template and one symmetrical (albeit intricately printed) fabric to achieve a complex quilt filled with dramatic impact.

**Saturday Workshop: February 15, 2020**

### **Sixty Thirty: A Kaleidoscope Class**

In this class, everyone will draft perfect angles and then sew dissimilar angles together. This product and process class is extremely fun and creative!

## **Community Service**

**By Dolores Williams and Valerie Salter**

### **Community Service Quilting Challenge**

We are restarting the Community Service Quilting Challenge. The contest starts in January, 2020, and will run through October, 2020. The drawing for fantastic prizes will be at the November Meeting.

The way this contest works is you will have your name submitted for every Community Service Quilt you quilt. It can be done on a long-arm machine or your home machine. Just be sure to add your name when you turn in the quilts. Turn-in will be at the Community Service table at each meeting.

You get one entry per quilt you quilted.

Good Luck!

### **Birthday Quilt Challenge Continues**

Congratulations to the winners for the 2019 Birthday Quilt Challenge: Valerie Salter, Donna Wall, and Judy Johnson. Last year we had 17 Birthday quilts turned in. Let's see if we can double that number in 2020.

We will start a new challenge for 2020 at the January meeting. The rule is that you turn in a completed quilt to Community Service. It doesn't have to be your birthday month. Any month during the year is fine. The only stipulation is that you made the quilt and it is completed. A second party may quilt the quilt.

When you turn in your quilt, you can choose which Charity it goes to. You will fill out the form with your name, email, and phone number and the name of the charity. The contest runs for the calendar year. All quilts turned in by the start of the December business meeting will be eligible for prizes.

## Community Service

Part of my job as VP of Community Service is to take all the quilts home that are turned in at the Guild Meeting. I get to see our donations as I sort them out. Every month there seems to be more and more coming in. December's meeting had a small member turnout, but we still had 23 finished quilts turned in. We also had 12 pillowcases and 2 tops.

It is so great that our membership is so supportive of the Community Service project – when the quilts are finished they go to children and families in need to bring them some form of comfort. It lets them know that they have not been forgotten.

## Letter from the President

**By Linda Neal**

Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed the guild Christmas party. It was great seeing everyone's holiday quilts and gifts. Thank you to all of the GQP board members who provided the food for the party. It was nice to have time to visit with each other and meet new members.

We have lots of great speakers and activities scheduled for this year. Now that we have all recovered from the holidays, it's time to get busy! Community Service and Guild Activities are rolling out their guild challenges. All of the guild workshops are listed on the guild website. Workshops can now be signed up and paid for online. It's so easy!

Until the next guild meeting, stay warm and keep on stitching! It won't be long until entries are due for Quilt Plano 2020.

### **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**

Happy 2020 Quilting Friends! We had so much fun at our Holiday gathering in December and such a fun show & tell! Which made me wonder how everyone is doing on those workshop projects you made in 2019? Even if they are not quilted and bound, please bring them for show and tell. Need a goal for 2020?

Finish those projects and enter them into the Special Exhibits category for our 2020 quilt show!

Also, it is time for a Guilt Activity. We are going to have a Pillow Exchange. On our website, go to the **Activities** tab, then click on **Challenge**. There, I will have pictures and instructions for the pillow project.

We will exchange the pillows at our March guild meeting. I hope everyone will participate.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Have fun and see you soon.

## **CLASSIFIED: For Sale**

2015 26" INNOVA with 12-foot frame, Autopilot, Large Ruler Plate, Bobbin winder and Thread Break Sensor. Price \$27,900 (Includes Autopilot training). This is a certified preowned INNOVA. Can be seen at Ready Set Quilt, 1609 West Hebron Parkway Suite 118, Carrollton Texas. Phone 469-381-7177

## **Quilt Plano 2020**

**By Donna Petrick**

### **Show Chair Information**

The show committee didn't meet during the month of December. Committee members are working on their own areas. The visible work begins after the first of the year. We will post the entries information by February 1st. There are some minor changes in the information so be sure to read it when posted to the website.

The next show meeting will be January 20, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the Sunrise Senior Living Center.

## In the Know about the Show

Show activities are happening. We are working behind the scenes getting ready for entries. The Registration/Entries Chair reviews the current entry information with the Show Chair and Judging Chairs to determine any changes that need to happen. There are minor changes this year so be prepared to read the documents when they are posted on the website. The forms are being prepared now and will be posted by February 1st, 2020. Other duties of the Registration/Entries chair include keeping the database for entries that then feed other documents for the show—judging, programs, layout, etc.

The Registration/Entries Chair is in charge of take-in and give-back of the quilts, producing the winners list, creating the winner's information for award payment, as well as other documents needed for the show. Tisha Harms is this year's Registration Chair. She is a new member to the guild and has jumped right in to volunteer her time and talents. Be sure to take time to meet her.

## Volunteer Hours Information

The board members have discussed how to recover volunteer hours for the calendar year 2019 so that people can still receive the recognition for time they donate to the guild. For 2019, we have decided to accept the honor system and let all of you tell us the hours you worked, and we would accept them as is.

Please email your 2019 hour information to Julie Schaefer as soon as possible. Hours must be received no later than January 31st, 2020. No exceptions.  
juliescha@sbcglobal.net

We will have a reporting system in place for 2020 hours in the near future.

So what makes up your volunteer hours?

Anything you do for the guild counts. In the past we recorded hours under Board (general activities), Community Service, Education, and Show. Travel time to events, like selling raffle tickets at a shop, is included in the time you report. For 2019 you do not have to break down the hours unless you happen to already have them recorded. Just the bulk hours will be acceptable.

Annual service bars are given for doing 30 hours of volunteer time for the guild. The Presidential Service Awards are given for 100 to 249 hours (Bronze pin), 250 to 499 hours (Silver pin), 500 hours and above (Gold pin). The lifetime award has been given for 4000 hours and above. For some reason the government has been working on a change for the lifetime and have not yet released the requirements.

The guild cannot function without all the time freely given by the members. We are all grateful for your time and energy. These pins are tokens of our appreciation.

## Membership

**By Sue Rentz and Connie Elliott**

There were 53 members present (5 walked in after the total had been generated). There were two visitors: Tray Williams and Gwen Erlinger.

We continue to take member renewal fees.

The following quilt stores made donations for the door prizes:

- Sew Let's Quilt It
- Stitched With Love
- Mineola Needle Works
- Encore Quilt and Sew Retreat Center
- Urban Spools
- Best of Bernina (Sew Dallas)
- Stitchin' Heaven
- Rocking Bobbin

## Month Birthdays

- Sherrie Tootle 1/2
- Barbara Rylander 1/4
- Sharla Brockway 1/6
- Joe Ellen Ticknor 1/6
- Tina Steenburg 1/7
- Shirley Weaver 1/9
- Pat Wykoff 1/12
- Diane Worley 1/13
- Debra "Debby" Fleming 1/14
- Carol Bourland 1/15
- Stephanie Parrish 1/15
- Patti Fulwiler 1/16
- Maudie Auvershine 1/17
- Ginny Cherry 1/17
- Debra DeSeure 1/19
- Connie Elliott 1/20
- Jennifer Sheckells 1/20

- Susie Ager 1/25
- Peggy Cord 1/26
- Kathy Dyas 1/26
- Joe Levy 1/26
- Terry Reese 1/26
- Debbie Saul 1/26
- Alma Cone 1/28
- Roxanne Garrett 1/29
- Judy Beskow 1/30

## Stocking and Pet Beds Report

By Martha O'Grady

### Stocking

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. Erin came up in time for Christmas day and Nathan and Kelly came up a few days later, as they spent Christmas with her family.

Don and I bought a new shelf unit for the stocking fabric. 78 inches tall, 60 inches wide, and 24 inches deep. I love it. All the fabric that y'all have so generously donated is now organized on four big shelves. The top shelf has fabric for the stocking bodies, and on the other shelves, I have each color group stacked neatly where I can find it. I also have a place for all the other stuff that I use: Ziplocs, ribbon, paper, my iron and cover for the island in my kitchen, and so on. It is now very easy to find what I need for each step. And it looks so much better!

Also, I made new instructions. I wanted the print to be larger, and, at the time, my computer was not working. I decided that it was a good time to start

over. Unfortunately, I left out the part about making the cuff. So, I must apologize for that blunder. Oops.

## Shelter Pet Beds

I took lots of pet beds to various shelters in the area for this month. The calendar year has a total in the hundreds! Y'all do an outstanding job of making these. I wish you could go with me to receive the gratitude and thanks that the shelters gush over my trunk-full of "pillows". Don's comment was, "you know something? Some of these are so pretty; I'd kind of like to keep them." But no, we do not need any more pillows.

## Tech Corner

**By Caroline Gagnon-Hartman**

## Note to New Members

If you are a new member to the guild, you should have received two emails:

- One from WordPress containing your username and password.
- One from MailChimp requesting that you confirm your subscription to our newsletter and emails.

These automated emails are sometimes sent directly to your Junk/Spam folder or other folders such as a Promotions. Please check these folders and add [email@qgplano.org](mailto:email@qgplano.org) to your safe list. Don't worry, we don't send emails very often!

If you are having issues logging in to the website, please email Caroline at [email@qgplano.org](mailto:email@qgplano.org).

## Workshops Online

We're are starting the new year with a new way to register and pay for workshops! Most of the 2020 workshops are available for purchase online. Simply log in to [qgplano.org](http://qgplano.org) and hover over **Membership** on the menu bar. Click **QGP Store** to see each workshop.

At this time, only members can register and pay for workshops online. Non-members will need to download [this form](#) and mail their payment.

## Month Meeting Photos

Access our monthly 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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