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October 2021 Newsletter

Quilters Guild of Plano, Inc.

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Letter from the President

By Donna Petrick

Hi All – I can only hope the end of 2021 and 2022 are going to be better than the past two years have been. Linda led us through a very trying time. She made sure we kept the guild active—at least as much as COVID-19 would allow. Thankfully we found Zoom. Thank you, Linda for the leadership you provided. We certainly needed a nurse to lead us through this.

I have an accounting background... I don't know if that means we need the financial knowledge at this time. But we definitely need the quilt show to be successful. It will be almost time for the quilt show when we get this newsletter. I'm hopeful that it will go well. Please come to the show and volunteer for the open positions we have available.

I feel like I've lost my quilting community since we have been isolated so long. I'm ready for us to come back together as a guild. As we start the new year and try to regain that community, it's time to appraise where we are and where we want the guild to go. We have wonderful programs planned, thanks to the out-going program VP's. We have done a great job with community service—getting quilts and other items out to groups who need them. We haven't been able to do much on the education front or guild activities. With any luck we will not have to isolate again and can start having in-person meetings. Hunter's Glen Baptist church is open and will welcome us back. It's time to get back in touch with our quilting friends and give back to our community as we have done in past years.

I look forward to being with all of you in the near future and to see what wonderful things this guild can continue to do.

Stay healthy and keep sewing.

Programs

By Tisha Harms

October

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November

Zoom Guild Meeting – Thursday, November 11, 2021

Kathy Doughty: Lecture & Slide Presentation – Organic Design

Join Kathy Doughty via Zoom from Australia for a slide show conversation about the making of an appliqué artist. Kathy started as a self-taught quilter frustrated by appliqué failures and became a competent enthusiast. She has gathered lots of methods for making appliqué easy and she happily will share

the secrets to taking control of our creative process with appliqué and an open mind to possibilities.

Quilt Plano

October 8 & 9, 2021

By Donna Petrick

When we decided to move the quilt show to October which is in the new fiscal year, I asked the 2021 board to stay in their position an extra month. It would be very hard to make the transition at the same time we produced our quilt show. Thank you to all the board members for staying in place and also helping the new board members into their positions.

Right now, we are ready for the quilt show. I can only hope that our clients do show up and that so many of you will come forward to fill our open positions at the quilt show. The show committee has worked very hard this year to again produce the quilt show with the high quality that we have done in the past.

Thank you to all of you who have entered quilts, made mini quilts, made the beautiful raffle quilt and have worked toward making the quilt show a success.

Community Service

By Linda Neal

Community service is going to go dormant this month due to the quilt show. We need “all hands on deck” to help with the show. Please volunteer!

After the quilt show I am planning to make some changes to Community Service. First, we need to move the Community Service fabric back to Plano.

It has been in Dolores Williams' metal barn in Princeton for several years and it has been great. (Thanks Dolores!) But, all good things must come to an end. We will be moving the guild's fabric to a large temperature controlled storage unit in Plano. Community Service will share the unit with the Quilt Show inventory. We plan to make the fabric easily accessible and have a cutting table set up. All of the fabric is already organized, labeled and stored in clear bins. Several board members will have a key to the storage unit so that they could meet a guild member there to give them access to the guild fabric for Community service quilts or a Quilt of Valor quilts they are making. Stay tuned for more information on this topic.

We will not be having a Community Service pick-up/drop of day this month (usually the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Plano Sewing Center) due to the quilt show. If you have items that you want to turn in before the November drop off day, please bring them to the quilt show and turn them in to me. I will be at the Plano Center most of the week.

Lastly, my Wednesday Girls small group has been handling the guild's Community Service for several years now. We have enjoyed it, but like all good things it must also come to an end. We would like to pass Community Service on to another person or small group next year. It is a big job for 1 person, but with a small group it is very manageable and rewarding. The recipients of our quilts are so thankful and you can see what a difference we make in our community. If you are interested, please contact me and I can give you more information. It's a great way to meet your fellow guild members and help the guild serve the residents of Plano.

Quilts of Valor

By Carolyn Cosgriff

(Ret) Lt Fuller chose this quilt among the several wonderful choices. If the maker of this quilt would please contact me, the family would love to know who made the quilt. As you can see, this was one very happy 90-year old retired air force pilot.

Many thanks to all who have made such great quilts. But, we can't quit yet! Texas has received about 50 more requests in the last month than have been fulfilled, approaching 700 in total. A bolt of backing fabric was generously funded by a recent Quilt of Valor recipient—we have blue backing fabric.

The Quilt of Valor work day is Friday, November 5 at the Best Little Retreat Center. Bring your unfinished projects, contribute to the partially completed tops, or help with the Lady Liberty Mystery Quilt. Bring your machine. There is a link to sign up at:

<https://bestlittleretreatcenterintexas.com>. Contact me if you have questions—Carolyn, Cosgriff.CE@Gmail.com.

2021 Annual Retreat

By Carol Long

Thank you so much to the 86 ladies and one gentleman, who participated in the Annual Retreat at the Hilton Garden Inn August 19 through August 22, 2021. We donated over 1,200 items and \$735.00 in cash to Denison Helping Hands. For those who donated to this cause, their name went into a drawing for a new Baby Lock sewing machine that was donated by Plano Sewing Center. The winner of the machine was Jeanne Fletcher.

A great time was had by all.... I'm not sure a great deal of sewing got done, but there was a lot of catching up and visiting going on.

If you would like to attend the 2022 Retreat, please contact Carol Long for the form and payment instructions. Our next Retreat will be at the Hilton

Garden Inn in Denison and will be from September 8 through September 11, 2022.

Thank you so much for all the kind words to myself and Dorothy, as hosts of the retreat. We look forward to next year with ya'll!

News from the Zoom Bees

Worker Bees – Sharon McGinnis

Calling all virtual quilters. Come enjoy being with other quilters from the comfort of your home. We will share tips and tricks, answer questions about your project, have show and tell and encourage each other. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Next meeting is October 19.

If interested please contact me at sharon.mcginnis@verizon.net so I can send you the Zoom invite.

Featherweight Fellowship Groups – Jeanne Vogel

Singer Featherweight sewing machines make happy owners as we sit and sew. We share tips for caring for the machine, our best notions, and have several members experienced with problem-solving both machine and quilting problems. If you work, join us on a Saturday! When we share a lot of tips and tricks we follow the meeting with an email to those attending. Those who have not previously notified me, please email pickincotton26@verizon.net to get the invitation to join the Zoom meeting.

- **Chicks with Feathers—3rd Saturdays @ 1-3pm — (Formerly meeting at Sunrise of Plano)**

- **Fourth Friday Featherweight Friends**—4th Fridays @ 1-3pm — (Formerly meeting at Best Little Retreat Center in Texas) — Will start to meet all day at the Retreat Center and/or Zoom from 1-3pm

Pieceful Organization – Sarah Krauss & Jeanne Vogel (Now we will meet twice a month!)

If you are feeling “abode overload,” we will: relieve clutter, stress, struggle and feelings of being overwhelmed. We are Zooming on the **3rd and the 4th Wednesday’s from 1:30-3:30 pm** using the inspiration from a workshop we attended. Organization will change your clutter and chaos to start the day fresh with your stuff organized. Less chaos leads to more productive quilt making. **Please contact pickincotton26@verizon.net** for an invitation.

Free Motion Quilting Bee (we actually sew during the meeting!) – Monica Hendewerk

Our meetings have been a huge success. It turns out that Zoom blocks out background noise, so we can sew and chat at the same time! Monica or one of the other members provide some designs to practice on a small sandwich which you can choose to use or not. The designs are sent out in advance and include step by step instructions, with both beginner and intermediate designs. A number of us generally “doodle” on paper first, and then sew. Some people do the designs that have been sent out, others do their own thing. We have beginner beginners all the way to advanced members of the group. We also share our samples and ask/answer questions. Meetings are on the **second Monday of the month, from 1 – 3 (or longer sometimes!)**. Please contact Monica so that she can send you the Zoom link if you are interested. **mhendewerk@gmail.com (713) 569-8798**

Hand Applique Small group – Linda Neal

We meet the first Monday of each month at 10:00 on Zoom. Our next meeting is October 4th. We work on our individual projects and offer encouragement with lots of hints and tricks. If you are interested in joining our hand applique Zoom group, please email Linda Neal (lindanealmck@hotmail.com) **for the link.**

English Paper Piecing Small Group – Linda Neal

We meet on the third Tuesday at 10:00 on Zoom. October 19th is our next meeting. Whether you are new to English Paper Piecing or a pro, we would love to have you join our group. Our group is informal and fun!! For a link, please email Linda Neal (lindanealmck@hotmail.com) **for the link.**

Hoop It Up Bee – Donna Petrick

The machine embroidery group meets the third Thursday each month on Zoom. We talk about problems or successes we might have had in using our machines as well as having show and tell. We are open to all levels of users. If you have an interest in machine embroidery, please join us.

Email me petrickdl@outlook.com so I can send you the Zoom invitation.

Guild Activities

By Michael Davison

It's time! The activity for October is to see each other, the quilts, the vendors, and to take part in all the excitement of QUILT PLANO 2021! Those who are participating in the Mystery project (posted in the past few newsletters) will reveal their creations at the November meeting!

Membership

By Mary Alice Caffarel

We had 82 members attend the September meeting via Zoom. Two visitors attended: Bonnie Landon and Fran O'Brien. Bonnie Ambrose and Penny Grego joined as new members this month. Welcome to all.

Door prizes were chosen from our "Wheel of Fortune" and awarded:

- Not Your Mama's Quilt Shop – Nan Jordan
- Stitched with Love – Terry Reisinger
- Quilt Country – Sharon Schenke
- Boxcar Quilts – Sherry Worley
- Sew Lets Quilt It – Joan Hammett
- Best Little Retreat Center – Mary Shannon

We appreciate the donation of door prizes from each of the above shops. Please thank them for their generosity whenever you shop with them.

Renewal Season is in full swing. As of Sept., 24, we have 156 members who have already registered for the 2021-2022 year. There are 113 additional members whose membership expires on Sept. 30, 2021. Please send your renewals in as soon as possible, or renew at the membership table during the Quilt show Oct 8th and 9th. I am sending out updated membership cards to the e-mail we have on file for each of you. If you have not received one by the end of October, please drop us an e-mail at membership@qgplano.org.

There are two ways to pay your dues, and you can pick the one that works best for you. Annual Dues are \$30 if paid by check, or \$31.20 if paid by credit card (the additional \$1.20 is the 4% credit card fee)

- By credit card: Login under membership, click the button labeled **Pay Your Dues**, and fill in necessary information to charge to a credit card. Please be aware that we are now charging a 4% fee for online renewals.

- By check: Under the membership heading on the website, click on **Membership**, then **Membership Information**. In the first paragraph on that page, click on **Membership Form**. Print the form that appears and mail it with your check for \$30 to the post office box indicated on the form.

October Birthdays

- 1 JoAnn Langloys
- 3 Pam Lane
- 6 J Michelle Watts
- 6 Rebecca Williams
- 7 Barbara Pena
- 11 Mistey Jones
- 14 Peggy Dull
- 14 Marge Krempl
- 16 Deborah Kay
- 17 Monica Hendewerk
- 17 Karen Rainville
- 18 Debbie Seher
- 22 Ruth Bernabo
- 27 Connie Hansen
- 28 Linda Castellano
- 28 Carolyn Duff
- 31 Sarah Ann Lee
- 31 Sandra Vinzant

Monthly Meeting Photos

Access our monthly meeting photos in our [Gallery](#).

General Meeting Minutes

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Board Meeting Minutes

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