

# TCQG News

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#### From The President's Stash

Happy Spring to Everyone,

I have planted four tomato plants in pots this year. Never have I had success with a garden since there is very little sunlight that reaches through the trees in my yard. I'm trying pots this time so I can move them to the few areas that do get sun. I look forward to having a tremendous harvest in a couple of months.

Don't forget that our 2022 quilt show is quickly approaching. There will be a "Covid" inspired category for the show. This is your quilted interpretation of your corona virus experience. Can't wait to see the entries.

If you are looking for a way to become more involved with the guild, consider joining one of the bees. Information about each bee is in this newsletter. There are also many ways to help out with our quilt show. If your time is limited, some of the positions require only an hour or two. You may also want to consider joining Charity Bee. It's a great way to meet other members and help the many groups we support. We'd love to have each of you join us. Our guild is stronger when we all participate.

We are still asking for donations for door prizes, charity bee, Quilter's Treasure Aisle, and Tin Can Raffle. Look through your fabric stash, quilting books and patterns, rulers, templates and any other quilting notions that you no longer need. We'd love to receive them. You can either contact the chairs for these positions or bring them by Cypress Crossing Christian Church on Cypress-Rosehill Road at Huffmeister Rd. the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Sincerely,

Janet Winkler

President

Welcome to all Members!! Many of you put in volunteer hours each month but cannot always make a guild meeting, just email me at the guild's email address {tricountyguild@gmail.com} and let me know your hours so I can include those in our monthly report. Also, please...when signing in for the guild meeting, give yourself two (2) hours credit for participation plus any volunteer hours you have accumulated. Becky Burkett

Welcome New Member!

Aimee Burns Amy Griffith Steven Jackson

Janie Soley Marilyn Thomas

Meetings begin promptly at 7pm, so we can adjourn on time. The front doors will be closed at 6:55, and the members will be asked to take their seats. This will allow the various committee heads & board members to get into the meeting on time. Come early so you have time to sign in, check out any raffles or upcoming workshops, visit the magazines, etc.

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May BOM

Meetings

Fairfield Baptist Church 27240 Highway 290 Cypress, Texas On 290 westbound between Mueschke and Mason Roads 1st Tuesday of the month, 7pm-9pm tricountyguild@gmail.com

# **April Show and Tell**

















# April Show and Tell













#### FROM THE VICE- PRESIDENT...

The May business meeting is May 4. As we are still meeting via Zoom I will continue to present Show 'n Tell PowerPoints. This means that I need your picture(s) submissions. Here are "The Rules" ...

Send your pics (with you in them, if possible) along with

A. a brief explanation and

B. names of quilter or collaborators if applicable. We want to give everyone credit, even if they aren't guild members.

Send to <a href="mailto:ceblsm@hotmail.com">ceblsm@hotmail.com</a> ONLY. DO NOT reply via any email notices.

Deadline for submission is Thursday, April 29, at HIGH NOON!!

That's all there is to it. I'm looking forward to your submissions and putting together another presentation that shows off your hard work so your fellow guild members can appreciate you!

Cynthia Blossom (the Blue Boa Lady)
VP-Administration
<a href="mailto:ceblsm@homail.com">ceblsm@homail.com</a>

We are very happy that so many of you have been joining us via Zoom for our monthly guild meetings. The guild has been paying Zoom for an add-on that allows us to have more than 100 people log in to our meetings. This means that our next meetings will be limited to the first 100 people who sign in. Our meetings are scheduled for 7:00 pm and we begin to admit members around 6:30 pm. We hope you join us as we have many amazing speakers planned for the coming year.

# Speakers and Workshops and Fun Stuff!



May 4—Carmen Geddes

" Make the Quilt you wish you had inherited"

## Tensisters Handicrafter



\_Carmen was raised in a big family of 17 kids- 10 girls and 7 boys. Her business name is Tensisters Handicraft. From an early age she was taught to quilt by her mother and sisters. She has had a children's clothing business in Seattle, was a freelance educator for Viking and Pfaff for 15 years, and is an award winning longarm quilter. She has taught at many quilt shows around

the country.

She was named HMQS Teacher of the Year 2013

Something she often says in class is, "If it looks HARD, but is actually really EASY then that is my style!" Her classes focus on quilting techniques—skill building and confidence building. She loves the traditional quilt patterns of days past, but loves new, easy techniques to make the process fun, faster, and successful. She has developed the Tensisters Piping Tool and the Tensisters Easy Piecing Grid with its companion book, "Ten Quilts for Ten Sisters".

Although her favorite work is to be in the classroom teaching quilting techniques, her real love is her family of five kids, their spouses, her ten beautiful grand kids, and

her husband of 36 years, Patrick. Her other hobbies are digging in the dirt; whether gardening, dutch-oven cooking, making rock pathways, or playing in the sand box.

Look for a Zoom Link in your email. You can log on as early as 6:30. The guild meeting begins at 7:00.

Sheila Kristynik



June 1st - Karen Combs



A native of Michigan, Karen Combs began quilting while still in high school. She has a degree in library science and has worked at many state, city and school libraries before finding her calling as a professional quilting instructor, writer and designer.

Her quilts are known for taking a traditional pattern and giving it her own unique "twist." Karen is intrigued with quilts of illusions and has been designing quilts with a 3-D look for several years.

Karen is the author 9 different books, some of the titles include Optical Illusions for Quilters (AQS), Combing Through Your Scraps (AQS), Floral Illusions (AQS), 3 Quilters Celebrate the 4 Seasons (AQS) & 3-D Fun with Pandora's Box, coauthored with Sharlene Jorgenson of Quilting from the Heartland, Celtic Pieced Illusions (AQS) and Lone Star Illusions.

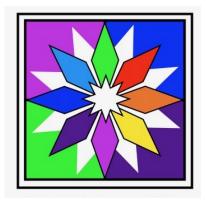
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Sheila Kristynik

Senior Program Chair 2021

# 2022 QUILT SHOW NEWS





# 2022 Kaleidoscope of Colors

We unveiled a 1-minute slideshow at the last guild meeting for everyone who was in attendance and then posted it to the Facebook group. If you haven't seen it yet, check it out! And if you aren't on Facebook but would like to see it, let Barbara or Debbie know and we can share a copy with you via email.

If you would like to help travel the quilt to area quilt shops, etc. please let Debbie Kelton know. She is actively looking for volunteers. It's a great way to enjoy a short road trip for a day as we start to become social once again.

If you have a multi-needle embroidery machine, please let Deb Durr know. She is heading up the ribbon making for our winners and with 200 to make, she can always use extra people to help with the process.

Our boutique group has been busy the past few months making items to sell at the show. They made several barn quilts in April which look fabulous! Thanks for all the hard work from everyone who participated.

Barbara Boone & Debbie Kelton



# Quilters' Treasure Aisle Donations

We are now accepting donations for the resale shop. Everything can be delivered to Cypress Crossing Christian Church on the fourth Wednesday of each month between 9:30 and 2:30.

Please be mindful that all donations <u>must be quilting/sewing/embroidery related</u>. Items <u>not</u> acceptable includes:

Interior Design patterns, samplers and fabric

Home improvement fabric

Knitting supplies including needles, yarn and patterns/books

**Magazines** 

Seamstress patterns and fabric

Clothing, bed sheets and pillowcases

Non-cotton fabric

Scrap fabric (Please contact Ginny Phillips at <a href="mailto:phillips.gail@sbcglobal.net">phillips.gail@sbcglobal.net</a>. She uses them for doggy beds)

Copied quilting patterns

Items will be considered based on condition:

Sewing machines

Sergers

Embroidery machines

All items sold at the Quilters' Treasure Aisle resale shop are expected to be in good condition and ready to be used upon purchase. Items acceptable includes:

Quilting fabric

Notions (needles, pins, thread, rulers, etc.)

Original quilting patterns

Sewing furniture

Storage bins

Stash fabric consisting of pre-cut squares, sashing and under fat quarter size Sewing/quilting/embroidery books

#### Modifications are in red

These are not all-inclusive lists. They will be modified as needed.

Please call Sharon Castillo at 713.828.0861 or email her at

sharonfcastillo@gmail.com.

### May BLOCK OF THE MONTH







## May 2021 BOM

# Tri County Quilt Guild Four Patch Variation

**Block Name** 

A square in a square on opposing corners of this 12" finished block adds a little twist to this simple four patch pattern. The method I chose to use for making a square in a square uses a little more fabric, but I find I get better blocks this way.

NOTE: All seams are sewn with a scant 1/4' seam allowance.

#### Cut:

Teal: 2-6-1/2" x 6-1/2" squares.

Print:  $2-6-1/2' \times 6-1/2''$  squares

Brown:  $8-3-1/2" \times 3-1/2"$  squares



#### Directions:

In a nutshell, we're going to "snowball" the corners of each teal square of fabric.

Draw a diagonal line from corner to opposite corner on the wrong side of the eight brown fabrics.

#### For one "Square in a Square" unit:

Place two brown squares in opposite corners of a teal square as shown in photo 1.

(qwNote the direction of the drawn line. )

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Sew along the drawn lines, fold the brown fabric to the corner and press.

If you've stitched correctly, the corners will match up actly





as shown in the picture on the right. (Ia)

You may leave all four layers of fabric in the corners or trim 1/4" seam allowance as desired.

2. Repeat this process for the opposite pair of corners and making sure all corners match up before trimming any selvages if desired.

(You can see on the right that I've chosen to trim away all selvages once I've assured myself that my corners all meet up.)



NOTE: Make sure that you've left 1/4" seam allowance beyond the points of the teal fabric before trimming selvages away.

## May BLOCK OF THE MONTH—

You now have one Square in a Square unit as shown on the right.

Repeat this process for the second Square in a Square unit.

Press your two finished Square in a Square units and trim each unit to 6-1/2" x 6=1/2".





Arrange the four 6-1/2" units as shown.

Sew the two units of row one together and press toward the print fabric.

Sew the two units of row two together and press toward the print fabric.

Each row should measure 6-1/2" x 12-1/2".

Sew row one to row two nesting the seams in the middle and press seam allowances as desired.



Give the finished block a good press and trim to 12-1/2" square.

If you choose to make extra blocks this month, feel free to make the Square in a Square units as you prefer.

If you would be so kind, please return the plastic bag your block kit came in so we can reuse it. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 918-808-2667 or elainebullard53@yahoo.com.

Thank you for participating in Block of the Month.

Elaine Bullard

2021 BOM Chairperson





# ANNOUNCING THE DEBUT OF THE QUILT FESTIVAL JUDGED SHOW FOR 2021!

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An aerial view of a portion the International Quilt Association Judged Show area on the show floor at the 2019 Festival. Photo by Tony Ruppe.

# **Quilt Shows**



The International Quilt Festival has taken up where the International Quilt Association left off and is excited to announce our debut Judged Show, premiering at our IN-PERSON 2021 event, October 28-31 (with Preview Night October 27) at our usual home of the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, Texas, USA!

Registration is open NOW and the deadline to enter is May 27 at 1 pm CST. Details, links, and all the info you need is below. Show off your best work to the entire world!

## Creative Quilters Guild of Ellis County

Quilt Show held at Sokol Hall, 2622 Texas Highway 34 East, Ennis, Texas 75119.

Quilt Show Dates: July 23 & 24, 2021

Time: 10:00-4:00- Friday and Saturday



# **Quilt Shows**





### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

12th ANNUAL BENEFIT

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# **Quilt Shows**



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Deadline for **Quilt Entry** in the Show is **Nov 8, 2021**Enter quilts at the website below, or contact
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#### FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SHOW:

Jack Gibbs, Knights of Columbus representative At jacklgibbs@gmail.com or 713-816-1923 or

**Sarah Yuhr,** Quilt Show chief executive At sarah@sewmuchcharm.com or **832.331.3630** 

#### **FACEBOOK:**



#### **WEBSITE:**

sites.google.com/view/kchempsteadquiltshow

SCAN TO VISIT







# Tri-County's Fabulous Bees



Remember: you must be a paid member to participate in our Bees.

Our Bees create a strong sense of a quilting community within the guild. Consider becoming a Beekeeper! Organize your bee, find a location, contact Queen Bee Charmaine Fritchey to let her know, and go from there! If your bee does something unique, contact Janice Toler so she can recognize your bee in the newsletter.

Charmaine Fritchey
Queen Bee



**BEE Czars:** Meets the 3rd Monday from 5PM-8PM at Quilters Crossing. We choose projects as a group or work on our UFO's. We usually go on two retreats a year. If you are interested in joining this be please call to be put on a waiting list.

Ann Keilers 832-515-1081 or Marian Page 281-797-3014.



#### Chicks With Feathers

**Sarah Yuhr-Beekeeper** (sarah\_hoffpauir@yahoo.com) These are quilters who love their Featherweight machines. They meet at Quilter's Crossing on the first Thursday of the month from 2-5. Contact Sarah if you are interested in this bee.



Day Strippers: Barbara Clark, BeeKeeper. bclark448@sbcglobal.net Daystrippers is the only bee that has been with TCQG since its beginning. It meets at Cypress Crossing Christian Church on the second Friday of each month from 10 - 2. They work on personal projects and occasionally go on retreats and to quilt shows together. There are currently no openings in this bee. However, you can contact beekeeper, Barbara Clark to be put on a waiting list. New members have been moving in through the list!



**Quilter's Dozen:** Charmaine Fritchey Beekeeper. cfritchey@gmail.com. Meets the 2nd Thursday at Quilters Crossing from 10-2:30. We have great times together! We have openings for 3 members.



We Bee Quilters: Nancy Terlikoski Co Beekeeper. Nancy\_terlikoski@sbcglobal.net. Sarah Ballard, Co beekeeper—mballard11@comcast.net Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at Quilters Crossing from 1-4 PM. This bee is a group of quilters who just want to enjoy spending time doing what we love with fellow quilters. We work on our own projects, group projects, exchanges. Anyone who would like to join us is welcome!

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# Charity Bee & Community Service Bees



Cypress Crossing Christian Church 15751 Cypress Rosehill Rd, Cypress, TX 77429 9:30 am to 2:30 pm Sharon Castillo - 713.828.0861

#### Ongoing needs for Charity Bee....

- Flannel for the HUGS we donate.
- Blending fabric for BOM (white, white-on-white, beige, etc.)
- New standard size for our baby quilts (minimum 36"x36" square to lap quilt size.)
- Men's quilts; both tops and finished quilts.
- All fabric must be returned from a quilt bundle (finished quilt and all scraps)
- A five inch square of backing fabric attached to a donated finished quilt.



May Birthdays, Special Events, Recognitions, Sympathies

Peggy	Clough	02	Sara	Hopkins	11	Shari	Stone	16
Jennifer	Cutler	02	Andrea	Lagard	12	Barbara	Hamala	18
			Cynthia	Auble	13	Kathleen	Pedder	27
Laurene	Tessmer	03	Pam	Barman	13	Camille	Havelka	28
Heidi	Voigt	04	Stacey	Chandler	13	Christina	Ward	29
Candace	LeGro	05	Mindy	Danforth	13	Dee	Davis	30
Jeannie	Eberle	06	Rhonda	Van Alstine	14	Kathy	Drescher	30
Sarah	Dodge	10	Donna	Granat	15	Barbara	Boone	31
Mary Jane	Sterbanz	10				Donna	McCormick	31

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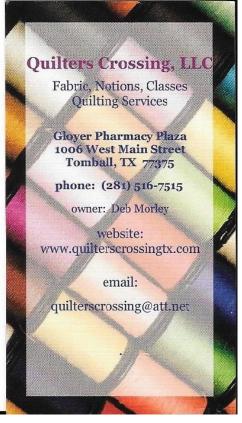


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