



# TCQG News

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## "From The President's Stash

February is upon us! Of course, Valentine's Day is a big focus of this month. Everywhere you look there are hearts & Cupids reminding us of love. So, I ask you, what part of quilting do you love the most? Do you love applique? Piecing? Quilting & long-arming? Binding? I love that there is such a wide variety of steps and processes in quilting, so that, depending on my mood, I can choose what I want to work on. No patience for handwork today? Get out the machine! Machine in the shop? There's always binding.

Or planning your next project!

Learning new techniques is another thing I love. Check out Char's article on our February speaker, Dianne Neidigk. The Scrappy Applique technique she teaches makes for some beautiful quilts! Maybe we'll all learn something new to love about quilting!

Becky Burkett

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 {tricityguild@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

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.

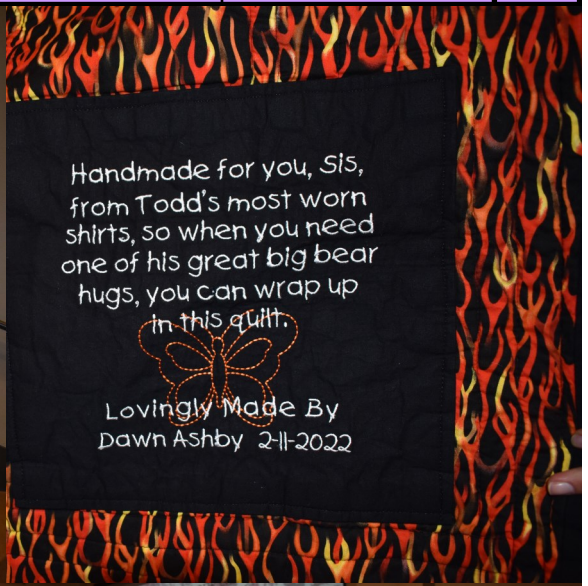
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**Meetings**  
Fairfield Baptist Church  
27240 Highway 290  
Cypress, Texas  
On 290 westbound  
between  
Mueschke and Mason Road.  
1st Tuesday of the month,  
7pm-9pm  
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## **FEBRUARY SPEAKER 2023 HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM GINNY ECKLEY TO DIANNE NEIDIGK....**

### **BIO FOR DIANNE NEIDIGK**

Dianne Neidigk is a third-generation quilter. She is a speaker, author and loves teaching others. She loves learning new things and trying new quilting ideas. She loves all things crafty, and her sewing room is her favorite place. She lives on a country property near Houston, Texas with her husband, family, dogs, chickens, deer, foxes and other wildlife. Dianne loves to travel and has visited 49 of our 50 states as well as a number of other countries. Her favorite place to travel is to the next new place she has never seen. She is a certified teacher for Shannon Brinkley's Scrappy Applique and Shannon's Color Confidence for Quilters.



### **LECTURE ON FEBRUARY 7, 2023 AT FAIRFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH.**

Scrappy Applique is a unique, fun, and fast applique technique. Absolute beginners as well as seasoned quilters will be inspired. Beginners love it because it is approachable, simple, and doesn't require much precision, and experienced quilters enjoy it because it is a very different/unique process with lots of creative possibilities. Learn how to use your fabric collection (scraps) and turn them into gorgeous quilts. Dianne will share this creative method and her trunk show quilts will inspire you with lots of ideas for quilts and other fun projects.



**WORKSHOP AT BOBBINS AND THREADS QUILT STORE,  
10130 GRANT RD, HOUSTON (249 AND GRANT) FEBRU-  
ARY 8<sup>TH</sup> FROM 10 A.M. TO 4ISH.**

You will need to select your project for the workshop from lots of patterns by going on the web. Pick one you love. Print it and bring it to class with your supplies. **A supply list will be provided once you have signed up and paid for the class.**

Copy and paste this link in your web browser to select your pattern.  
<https://shannon-brinkley.mykajabi.com/a/2147519672/wqEo4wza>

CONTACT PROGRAM CHAIR, CHAR PETERSON,  
206 909-1510 OR EMAIL [TOLEP8N@COMCAST.NET](mailto:TOLEP8N@COMCAST.NET) TO SIGN UP.



# Coming in March...

MARCH SPEAKER/LECTURE MARCH 7, 2023 AT FAIRFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH 7 P.M.

Karen E Overton is known for her humor, gift of gab (quilt related of course) and her style of teaching – giving each student the individual attention, instruction and encouragement needed in a relaxed enjoyable learning atmosphere. From beginners to advanced quilters, Karen’s personal goal is to inspire & guide her students in their quilting journey.

Growing up around quilts, it was only natural for Karen to discover quilt making. After making her first “rotary cut” quilt in the late 1990’s, Karen turned around and taught a class of beginner quilters with her newfound passion. That experience led to offering classes in area churches, quilt shops, quilt guilds, including quilting cruises. Always aspiring to learn, then

sharing what she learned, Karen’s desire quickly translated to her first love,

that of teaching. Karen’s skill and expertise with a long arm have been recognized by many professionals within the quilting industry, resulting in her work being included in the following publications: Lone Stars III: A Legacy of Texas Quilts, 1986 – 2011 by Karoline Patterson Bresenhan & Nancy O’Bryant Puentes; Magnificent Spiral Mandala Quilts by RaNae Merrill; and Deb Tucker’s book Hunter’s Star Hidden Treasures. Her customer quilts have won numerous ribbons, and she has several published in books as well as pattern covers. Two of her customers (with their quilts) have been guests on The Quilt Show with Alex Anderson & Ricky Tims. She has also been published in magazines, appeared as an instructor on Quilt It! The Long arm Quilting Show, as well as a guest on Pat Sloan’s Podcast. Karen likes to say that her claim to fame is knowing famous people! In 2017 Karen became an Island Batik Ambassador and a Certified Instructor with Deb Tucker’s Studio 180 Design. Combining her love of batiks with Deb’s tools, Karen designed and published over 20 quilt patterns under The Quilt Rambler branding before “retiring” from pattern design to return to her first love of teaching.



Currently, Karen can be found traveling "locally" around Texas, sharing her quilting journey through massive trunk shows, sharing humorous stories of her quilting journey while "Introducing Studio 180 Design's Tools and Techniques" to her audience. Additionally, Karen is available for technique workshops using the Studio 180 Design tools. Follow Karen as The Quilt Rambler on her blog and across social media.



## Karen E Overton

Studio 180 Design Certified Instructor  
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WORKSHOP MARCH 8TH AT THE QUILTY SHOP, 1006 W MAIN ST, TOMBALL. PLEASE CONTACT CHAR PETERSON, PROGRAM CHAIRMAN, 206 909-1510 OR EMAIL [TOLEP8N@COMCAST.NET](mailto:TOLEP8N@COMCAST.NET) TO SIGN UP.



## Geese Over Galveston Bay Flying Geese Workshop

Karen E Overton, Studio 180 Design Certified Instructor  
[TheQuiltRambler@gmail.com](mailto:TheQuiltRambler@gmail.com)

This workshop will have you falling in love with flying geese units made simple using Deb Tucker's Fast Flying Geese method of making four units at a time with the Wing Clipper I tool.

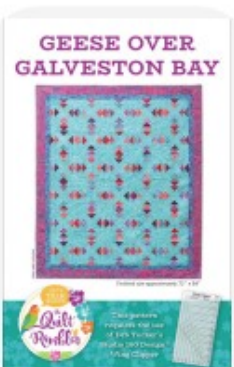
\*added bonus Deb's new "no nudge" method will be taught\*



No need to commit to a full quilt project, this technique workshop requires only a few fat quarters and background fabrics precut and ready to sew!

### General Supplies Required for Workshop

**Geese Over Galveston Bay** Pattern provided by The Quilt Rambler  
**Wing Clipper I®** and **Quilter's Magic Wand®** Tools by Studio 180 Design  
*available at your local quilt shop or [Studio180Design.net](http://Studio180Design.net)*  
**General Sewing Supplies**, including rotary cutter/mat, notions, and pen/pencil for taking notes



### Precut Fabric Prior to Workshop

#### From Fat Quarters

(5) 5 3/4" x 5 3/4" squares, different fabrics

#### From Background Fabric

(20) 3 1/4" x 3 1/4" squares

Please bring additional fat quarters and background fabric to use in class as needed

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## Happy February Birthdays

Alice Busch 2/15  
Bobbi Miller 2/4  
Cindy Moore 2/16  
Jeanne Brown 2/16  
Julie Vaughn 2/4  
Lynn Loyd 2/13  
Margie Williams 2/4  
Mary Laskowski 2/14  
Michelle Byeseda 2/13  
Mindy Boyd 2/8  
Sara Irwin 2/18  
Sophia Reyna 2/18  
Sue Walker 2/15  
Terry Spadt 2/22





February is here, and our 2024 quilt show seems closer than ever. Visit the guild website at [tricountyquiltguild.org](http://tricountyquiltguild.org) to stay abreast of everything you need to know about the upcoming show.

Have you started or completed a quilt that you hope to enter in the show? On the website, you will find quilt show categories and rules, photos of our beautiful raffle quilt, and information on

what you can do to help make our show spectacular.

Immediate volunteer opportunities include:

- showcasing the raffle quilt at a local guild meeting
- buying and selling raffle tickets
- preparing a quilt (or two, or three!) to enter in the show
- donating items for Tin Can Raffle, Boutique, and/or Quilters' Treasure Aisle
- attending a Boutique Workshop
- recommending a possible vendor or sponsor

All guild members are invited to contribute to the show in numerous ways. Think about how you can assist and watch for additional volunteer opportunities throughout the year.

Let's go all in for Quilts in Bloom! Reach out to a Show Chair for more information or visit the website for additional details and contact information.

Show Chairs,  
Janice Toler  
Shari Stone  
Stephanie Moss



## Boutique Workshop Update

### Zippers Rule at February Boutique Workshop

The Boutique Workshop for February will be held on Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. Our project this month will be easy zipper bags. Norma Johnson will be leading the workshop, and she promises that these are truly easy. If you have been wanting to learn how to make these fun and useful items, here is your chance! Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Bring your machine and usual sewing supplies. Include your zipper foot and two or three colors of thread with matching bobbins. Kits will be provided and will include everything else you will need to make a lovely zipper bag to be sold at our 2024 quilt show.

The workshop will be held from 10:00am-3:00pm at Bobbins & Threads located at 10130 Grant Road, Houston, 77070.

Please RSVP to Connie Suarez at [consuelogsuarez@yahoo.com](mailto:consuelogsuarez@yahoo.com) if you plan to attend. Hope to see you!







Don't forget, turn in [Heart-Blocks-Pattern.pdf \(cluckclucksew.com\)](https://cluckclucksew.com/Heart-Blocks-Pattern.pdf) in February.

If you have any older blocks or unsewn block kits for Block of the Month, please bring them to the next meeting.

Let's make 2023 a Happy, Scrappy New Year!





## TCQG Displaying Quilts at Texas Oncology!

Educating the public on the current art of quilting is a part of our mission. Quilts are displayed at Texas Oncology facility in Sugar Land. It certainly brightens up the office and the clients and staff were so excited to see them!

I just wanted to extend our staff and especially our patient's gratitude for allowing us to showcase you guilds spectacular work. Please share with everyone our gratitude. Not a great picture but it's a weird angle right there in the hall. Happy Holiday and looking forward to working with you in the new year!!

Vince (Albert) O'Connor  
 Chief Radiation Therapist  
 Texas Oncology Sugar Land  
 1350 First Colony Blvd.  
 Sugar Land, TX 77479



This quilt was made by Donna Vandiver and won first place in the Embroidery category at the Piecemakers Quilt Show in Hempstead in November.

Quilts are on display for approximately 3 months at a time. Contact Becky Burkett for more information.



## 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 the Queen Bee Chair to let her know, and go from there!

Charla Reese  
Queen Bee



**BEE Czars:** Meets the 3rd Monday from 5PM-8PM at The Quilty Shop. 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.

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



**Day Strippers:** 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 to be put on a waiting list. New members have been moving in through the list!

Bee Keeper: Judy Klevorn [Jkklevorn@gmail.com](mailto:Jkklevorn@gmail.com)



**Quilty Pleasures** Meets on the first and fourth Tuesdays of each month at The Quilty Shop. (We hope to change to second and fourth Tuesdays soon.) We mostly work on individual projects with an occasional group project. Our Bee is currently closed to new members but contact either of the CoBee Keepers to be added to a waiting list.

Bee Keepers: Deb Durr and Anita Arendall.



**Quilter's Dozen:** Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at The Quilty Shop from 10-2:30. We have great times together! This bee is currently full, but happy to add you to our waiting list.

Bee Keeper: Charmaine Fritchey [cfritchey@gmail.com](mailto:cfritchey@gmail.com)



**We Bee Quilters:** We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at The Quilty Shop from 10 to 1:30 p.m. 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, ex-changes. Anyone who would like to join is welcome. Give the Bee Keeper a call to be added to the list. Come have fun with us.

Bee Keeper: Char Peterson [Tolep8n@comcast.net](mailto:Tolep8n@comcast.net). 206 909-1510.



**Cypress Crossing Christian Church**  
**15751 Cypress Rosehill Rd, Cypress, TX 77429**  
**9:30 am to 2:00 pm**  
**Sharon Castillo – 713.828.0861**

## CHARITY BEE END OF YEAR 2022 PROJECT REPORT

The members of Charity Bee wish to share with you how all your donations of fabric, batting and funds were utilized during the year. We could not have accomplished any of our projects or fulfilled Tri-County Quilt Guild's mission without your help and we thank you for that. **Thank You!!!**

### Quilts

Kenmar	3		
BeAnAngel	82 and 5 Wheelchair Quilts		
Nora's House	203		
Two Lives Changed	111 Quilts	Total—	404

### HUGS

Two Lives Changed	57	Total—	57
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### Bags

BeAnAngel	0		
Helping Hands	200	Total—	200

### Pillowcases

BeAnAngel	33		
Boys & Girls	100		
Teen Life	0		
Kenmar	200	Total—	333

### Christmas Stockings

Boys & Girls	19		
Helping Hands	500		
Kenmar	3	Total—	522



## **Cypress Crossing Christian Church**

**15751 Cypress Rosehill Rd, Cypress, TX 77429**

**9:30 am to 2:00 pm**

**Sharon Castillo – 713.828.0861**

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

- **We are in desperate need of Flannel for the HUGS we donate.**
- **Blending fabric for BOM (white, white-on-white, beige, etc.)**
- **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)**

**We welcome all quilting related donations. If you want to meet at The Quilty Shop in Tomball to hand over your donations, please call Mary Willyerd at 284-770-3981 or to meet at Cypress Crossing Christian Church on Cypress-Rosehill, please call Sharon Castillo at 713-828-0861. For more information, contact beekeeper [Sharon Castillo](#).**





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## 2023 Highland Lakes Quilt Festival

FEBRUARY 3 & 4, 2023

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401 E JACKSON ST

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9 AM - 4 PM



**41<sup>st</sup> Annual  
Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show**

**"Under the Sea"**

February 10 – 11, 2023  
9am – 4pm



**South Padre Island  
Convention Centre**

7355 Padre Blvd.  
South Padre Island, TX

FEB 24, 2023 AT 9:00 AM – FEB 25, 2023 AT 4:00 PM CST

## Calhoun County Texas Quilt Show

Bauer Community Center



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La Grange Community Center (KC Hall)  
190 S Brown Street, La Grange, TX  
February 24, 2023 - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm  
February 25, 2023 - 10:00 am to 4:00 pm



## West Houston Quilter's Guild

# “Flights of Fancy” Biennial Quilt Show

Richard E. Berry Educational Support Center  
8877 Barker Cypress Rd., Cypress, Texas 77433

**Friday, March 3, 2023, 10:00 am-4:00 pm**  
**Saturday, March 4, 2023, 10:00 am-4:00 pm**



Trade Show

## International Quilt Festival

🕒 02 - 05 Nov 2023 [Add To Calendar](#)

📍 [George R. Brown Convention Center, Houston, USA](#) [Get Directions](#)



## **Dallas Quilt Show**

**Fri-Sun**

Dallas Market Hall

**March 10-12**

2200 N Stemmons Frwy

Dallas, TX 75207

<https://www.quiltersguildofdallas.org/dallas-quilt-show/>

## **Quilters Guild of East Texas**

**Fri-Sat**

### **Annual Guild Quilt Show**

**Mar 24-25**

First Christian Church

4202 S Broadway Ave

Tyler, TX 75701

<https://www.qgetx.org/Quilt-Show-Information>

## **Livingston Piecemakers Quilt Guild 2023 Show**

**Fri-Sat**

1017 US-59 Loop N, Livingston, TX

**Apr 21-22**

<https://lpqgtexas.org/quilt-show>

## **Gun Barrel Quilters Guild**

**Fri-Sat**

### **2023 Quilt Show “Sunshine on the Water”**

**Apr 28-29**

The CR Legacy Event Center

2205 W. Main (Hwy 334)

Gun Barrel City, TX

<https://www.gunbarrelquiltersguild.org/2023-quilt-show.html>





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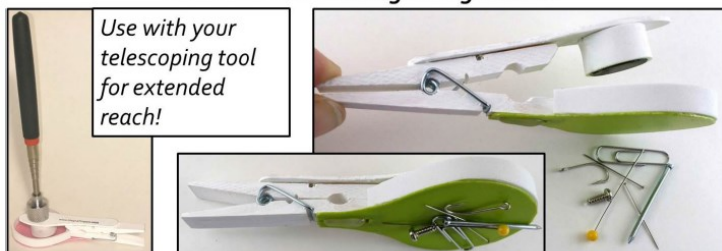
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