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"From The President's Stash

Meteorologists keep telling us that this heat won't last forever, but I'm having my doubts. The calendar is telling us it's time for Back-to-School, though it still seems too hot for that! But as the calendar turns to September, we have a number of business items coming up.

First, please try to make it to the September meeting on the 5th. We need to vote on a new member of the board of directors and some amendments to the bylaws.

Next, the nominations committee is gearing up to fill the officer vacancies we have for this next year. Please see the descriptions of the open positions in this newsletter and consider serving. If you have any further questions about any of the positions, please ask one of the current officers. The guild only functions well if everyone contributes.

Final reminders, there is no meeting in November because of the International Quilt Festival. **AND ONLY 6 MONTHS TILL OUR SHOW!**

Becky Burkett
President

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Welcome New Members!! Kat Mack

Victoria Queen Leslie Weaver

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. Bobbi Miller

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.



Meetings

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









Your Guild Needs You!

Please consider running for the following positions that will be vacant January 2024.

Secretary

Primary duties:

- Provide minutes of each monthly Guild and Board meeting to the Executive Board and Standing Chairs and shall maintain a file of these minutes
- Provide minutes of each monthly Guild meeting to the Web Administrator for posting on the Guild's website
- Maintain the Guild's ballots for a period of one year after each annual election
- Participate in the Revision Committee on Bylaws, Guild Policies, Duties of Elected Officers, and Responsibilities of Standing Chairs on an as-needed basis

Program Chair

- Arrange for speakers/instructors for the Guild meetings and workshops
- Execute a written contract for each speaker
- Execute a written contract with quilt shop owners for workshop venues
- Prepare appropriate paperwork/check request for speaker expenses
- Provide the quilt shop owners with information regarding upcoming speakers
- Maintain a list of speakers and workshops for Guild records
- Oversee all transportation, housing, and care of speakers
- Ensure the building is set up for the speaker's needs
- Attend the workshop or designate another attendee to facilitate the speaker's needs
- Promote the workshops at Guild meetings and through social media

Newsletter Ads Manager

- Promote sales of newsletter advertisements to members, local vendors and quilt show vendors
- Coordinate with advertisers to create camera-ready art in jpg format for inclusion in the newsletter
- Bill for these ads according to the Guild's fee schedule
- Bill on an annual basis for renewing ads
- Keep accurate records of payments received and forward all funds received to the Treasurer
- Coordinate with Newsletter Editor to remove ads that are not being renewed.

Additional information on these positions may be found under the *Duties of Members of the Executive Board and Executive Committee* document on the Tri-County Quilt Guild Website



September Speaker is Winnie Fleming

LECTURE AND WORKSHOP

September 6 and 7th. Due to popular demand, Winnie Fleming has agreed to teach the same workshop on 2 different days giving the opportunity for 40 people to take the class on BORDERS GALORE. There is homework required prior to class, but you can see by the photo, this is a spectacular piece. The workshop covers 2 pieced borders to make a wall hanging. Later, you can enlarge your piece as you see fit. The workshop fee is \$35, and you will be attending only one of the days. The workshop will both be at BOBBINS AND THREADS on 249 and Grant Rd.

WORKSHOP IS FULL

Payment must be made prior to receiving the supply list.

Coming up...

October 4th. Vasudha Govinder, a modern quilter will be teaching WINDING RIVER.



Happy Birthday!

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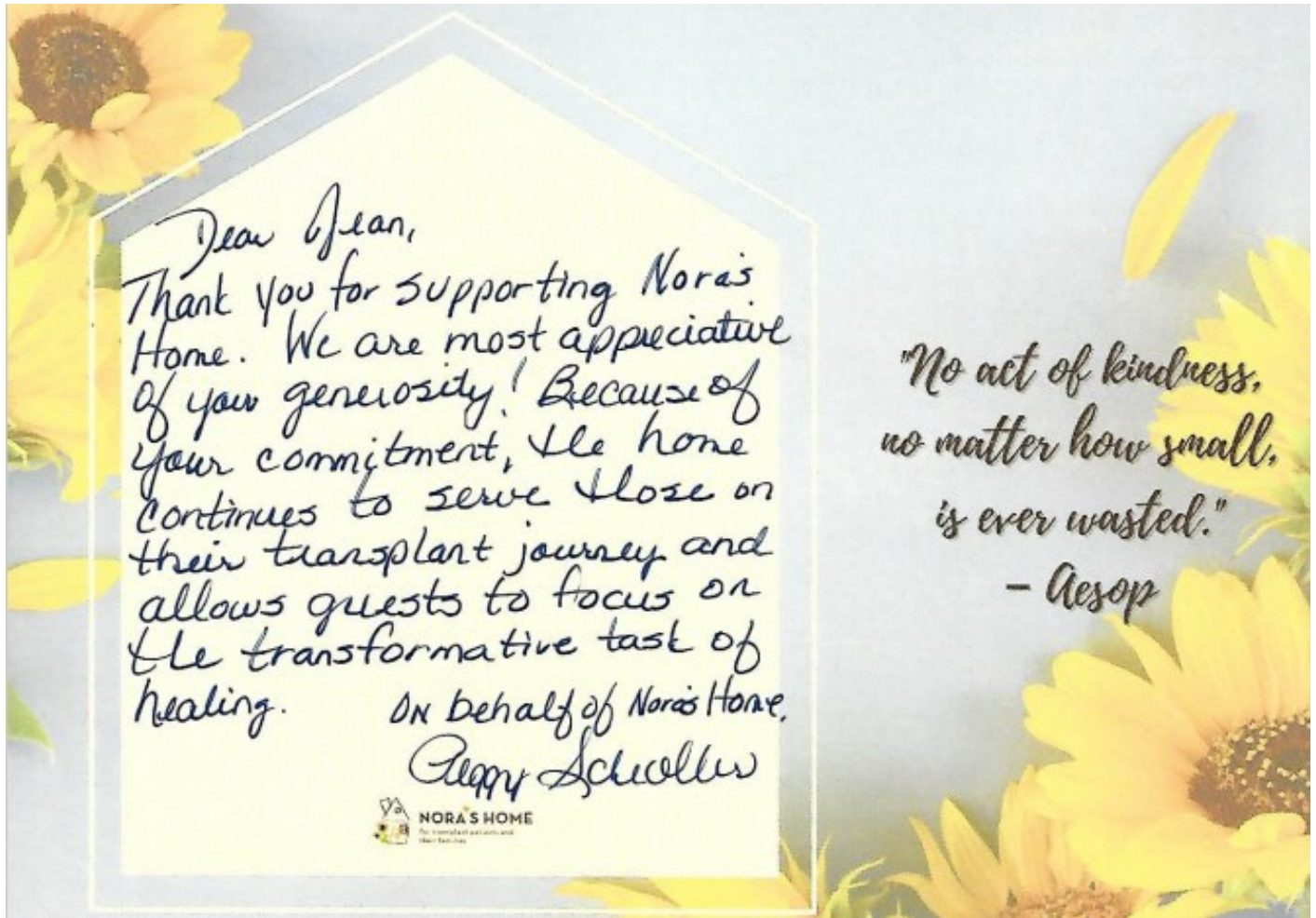
Carolyn Watkins

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Kimberly Wilbanks

Lena Williams

Denise Zopfi





Can you believe that we are just 6 months away from our 2024 Quilt Show? As summer comes to an end and the busy holiday season looms before us, it is time to check all those important quilt show items off our “To Do” lists. Does your list look anything like ours?

The coming months promise to be busy ones as we work together toward March 1st and our spectacular show. We are so appreciative of all the Show tasks that our members have completed over the past 18 months, and we are excited about all that is yet to come.

Counting on YOU!
Let's get it done and make this another great show!

Show Chairs,
Janice Toler
Shari Stone
Stephanie Moss



Quilts in Bloom

March 1-2, 2024

- Pay membership dues
- Attend quilt show info meeting
- Finish Show quilt(s)
- Purchase and/or sell raffle tickets
- Donate to Tin Can Raffle
- Donate to Quilters' Treasure Aisle
- Submit quilt entry forms
- Apply a label & hanging sleeve to each quilt
- Sign up to volunteer
- Tell friends and family about the Show





Quilt Show Info Meeting

Thursday, Sept 14, 2023

6-7:00pm

Fairfield Baptist Church Education Building, Room 218

We will have samples on hand when talking about quilt sleeves and labels. We will have copies of the rules and categories. *If you are a new quilter or just new to our guild's show, PLEASE come as we will answer questions on how to enter your quilt(s) in the show (website entry, pictures needed, timing, etc.).*

PLEASE bring your questions on anything to do with the show!!

How do I enter a quilt?

How many quilts may I enter?

Which category should my quilt be in?

When does my quilt need to be completely finished?

When is my quilt judged and when do I get the results?

When do I pick my quilt up and what is the process?

How do I volunteer for the show?

Hope To See You There!!



September Boutique Workshop

The September Boutique workshop will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, September 19th. It will be held at Bobbins & Threads Quilting & Crafts located at 10130 Grant Road, Houston, Texas 77070. We start at 10:00 and finish about 3:00.

Our project for September will be the large Show and Tell bags. A number of our members kindly took bundles of fabric and batting to quilt for us as this project requires a yard and a half of quilted fabric. It is a large project!

Since we are dealing with quilted fabric, you might want a walking foot or even feed foot. We will zigzag some raw edges inside the bag and apply bias binding along the top edge before turning it over and stitching it down. You will need your usual sewing supplies.

If you are one of the kind quilters who took bundles to quilt for us, please return them no later than the September guild meeting on September 5th. We have received most of the quilt bundles at this point, but a few are still out there. We need to do some prep before the workshop.





All of us on the Boutique Committee wish to thank those who quilted the fabrics for us. Thank you very much for all your time and effort. You are making this project possible.

If you are new to our guild, you might want to know what the Boutique is. The Boutique Committee is responsible for leading workshops where we make gift items to sell at the Boutique Gift Shop booth during our guild quilt shows. The committee members try to select projects which we think can be completed in a single workshop.

Workshops are held on the third Tuesday of the month and all members are welcome. We also accept donations of projects from our very generous bees and individual members. If the workshop date is open on your busy calendar, sign up and join us. You might learn something new or have fun meeting other members.

We have one last item:

If any of our members have finished or unfinished projects at home from prior Boutique workshops, please find them and bring them back as soon as possible. Even if you have not had time to complete them, please return them to us so they can be accounted for, completed, and tagged. Thank you for helping us.

The Boutique Committee





September 2023 BOM Star Block—Quilter's Choice

Due to time constraints this month, we are doing something a bit different. We will be making star blocks, but you get to choose the design. Our color scheme will be open for two different options—blue and white or blue and tan. We are trying to collect blocks that will be suitable for making charity bee quilts for men, so please keep that in mind when selecting your fabrics. The only other request for this month is that you make blocks that will finish at 12". You may select any star pattern from sources that you may have at home and I'll share an online source below. You may choose to do traditional piecing or paper piecing, whichever you prefer. Give the block a good press and trim to 12 1/2" square.

One great source for online patterns is The Quilter's Cache. See details below for navigation tips.

The Quilter's Cache - Marcia Hohn's free quilt patterns! (quilterscache.com)
Once on The Quilter's Cache site, click on the drop down menu for the following:

Quilt Blocks Galore Free Quilt Block Patterns

You will see alphabetized list options on the left side of the page and blocks by size on the right side of the page.

I will be distributing block patterns and kits at the September guild meeting for anyone that is interested. Sew your star blocks during the month of September and turn them in at the October guild meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact me by email at TCQGBOM@gmail.com

Thank you! Lisa Hart — BOM Chairperson



Tips and Techniques

Cleaning Your Design Wall

Last month I wrote about different types of design walls. But, what do you do when your flannel design wall is covered with bits of thread? I found my blocks don't stick very well on my flannel design wall when it gets dirty. (I'm showing a flannel covered design board as the example.)

At the International Quilt Festival, I bought a special scrubber that slips over my four finger tips. I think it was \$5. One side has soft foam with the company name. The side you use has a "scrubby" texture. It's supposed to be different than a regular kitchen scrubber pad, but is it?



Inquiring minds wanted to know, so I bought several different types of scrubber pads at the grocery store and tried them out. The short answer to the question is — The design wall scrubber I bought at the IQF does work and the regular kitchen scrubbers don't work at all or not very well.

Then I read about silicone kitchen scrubbers that will clean your design wall. I didn't find the one that I saw in the article. It looked like it might be a little thicker than what I did buy and it had a place to slip a finger through to help hold it on your hand. I'll keep looking for that one, but I did buy a package of six silicone scrubbers on Amazon for \$6.



How do they work? — Great! The \$1 silicone scrubber works as well as the \$5 purchased one! And since I have 6, maybe I'll be able to find one when I need one!

(Here's the purchased scrubber, a clean silicone scrubber and one I used.)

The purchased design wall scrubber doesn't have a problem releasing thread bits, but the silicone scrubber does; so I wrapped blue painter's tape around my hand and dabbed at the scrubber to get the thread bits off. I hope I've given you an idea that will help you clean your design wall.

Happy quilting,

Elaine Bullard



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 4th Saturday of the month at The Quilty Shop. We choose projects as a group or work on our UFO's. We plan 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



Quilty Pleasures Meets on the second and fourth Monday from 1:30-4:30 at The Quilty Shop. . 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 10-1:30. 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



Grateful Threads: Formerly We Bee Quilters. We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at the Quilty Shop in Tomball from 10 a.m. To 1:30 p.m. We are a fun group of ladies who meet to sew whatever you are working on or a long lost "ufo", hand work, etc. Come to share tips and tricks and socialize. Come when you can. Contact bee keeper, Char Peterson to be included in our group. An email is sent out prior to the bee to remind you to rsvp. No experience is needed...just come and have a great sewing day in a beautiful quilting shop.

Bee Keeper: Char Peterson Tolep8n@comcast.net. 206 909-1510.



Hi Tri County Quilt Guild,

We are excited to extend an invitation to the Tri County Quilt Guild to participate in the 14th annual Knights of Columbus Benefit Quilt Show in Hempstead on Saturday, November 11th, 2023. The mission of our Quilt Show is to raise funds for local charitable cases focusing on youth with major medical conditions. To date, the shows have made over \$170,000.00, disbursed to over 120 cases in our community. There is a live auction, raffles, vendors, door prizes and country fried steak dinner. Please make plans to attend or participate in the show!

Please see the attached entry form and flyer.

Thank you! Lea Ann Franklin

The Knights of Columbus Quilt Show is a benefit for local charitable needs, supported by the Waller County Piecemakers Quilt Guild in Hempstead, Texas, the Hockley Quilters from the Community Center in Hockley, Texas, and the Sew Devine Quilters in Pine Island,



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At danleaann@gmail.com or 281-733-5787



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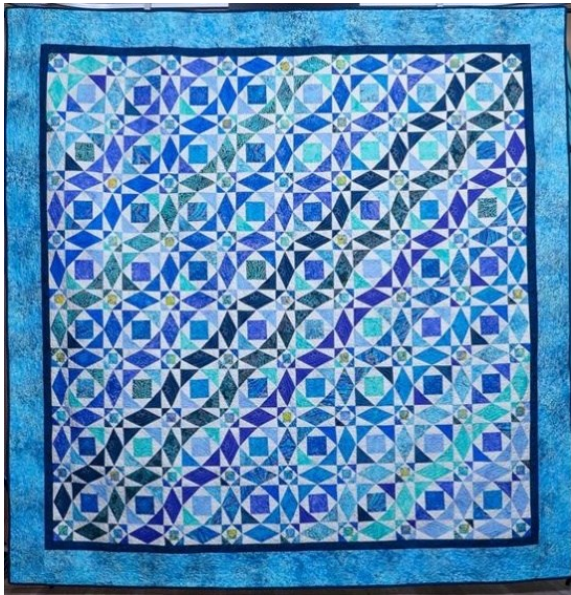




It's A Quilt Show!!!

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild

9/22 & 9/23



The Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild proudly invites all lovers of art, creativity, and history, to its upcoming Quilt Show, “Weathering the Storms Together”. Two hundred judged quilts will be available for your viewing pleasure along with opportunities to purchase raffle tickets for a dynamic queen size storm at sea quilt. The quilt show will also have numerous vendors who offer new and exciting textile products, a boutique with handmade finished items that make great gifts, and silent auction of finished quality quilts. The show is a family fun event, with a hunt and seek activity for youth and opportunities to learn about the history of quilting. Food trucks will be available on site and parking is free.

Dates Friday September 22, 2023, 10am to 5pm Saturday

September 23rd 10am to 4pm

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103 W Hwy 21, Caldwell, TX

Sat 9-4:00

<https://www.facebook.com/events/743177410611370/743177413944703/>

Happy Stitchers Quilt Show

Fri – Sat 9/15 – 9/16

American Legion Post 2716

1502 US 77, Giddings, TX 78942

<https://www.quiltinghub.com/Events/EventID/1192754>

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild

Fri 9/22 – Sat 9/23

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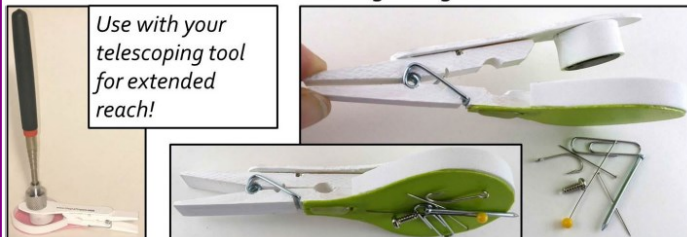
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