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From The President's Stash

Aren't we all enjoying this cooler weather?! I couldn't wait to make the first pot of chili for the season! Yum! And, of course, start a new quilt!

Reminder: NO MEETING in November!! It's time for the International Quilt Festival at the George R. Brown Convention Center, November I-4!!! Hope everyone has a chance to go see some amazing quilting and what's new in the world of quilting! Tri-County has an amazing opportunity this year to sell tickets for our opportunity quilt at the show. We'll be selling tickets on Thursday and Friday. Contact Elaine Bullard for more information about volunteering for this.

Hope to see you at the Festival!

Becky Burkett

President



Welcome New Members!! Bernice Holland

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.

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Meetings

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

Show and Tell



Show and Tell















Speakers and Workshops and Fun Stuff!



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 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 Chairs

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



Don't Forget!



No guild meeting in November!



December Holiday Bash

The Holiday Bash is right around the corner. We will be in the education building, just beyond the sanctuary for the December meeting on Tuesday, December 5th. We will be at the back of the building in the big room on the second floor. There will be people to help you find the location if you have never attended the Holiday Bash. If you would like to bring some food to share, we will be carrying on our new tradition of finger foods and desserts, instead of a full large meal. Foods that are easy to serve and eat will be great. One side of the room will have tables for the savory items, and the other side of the room will have tables for the sweets. If you would like to bring something that fits in with specific dietary restrictions, please make a small card that can be placed near the dish. A folded over note card will work great for this purpose. We will have plates, napkins, utensils and water.

Dressing up for the festive occasion is encouraged, but not required. In the past, we have done holiday hats, so that is always a good choice. You can come casual or fancy, whatever you are comfortable with. If you have a favorite ugly Christmas sweater, wear that, and we can have a show and tell parade up near the stage. Most of all, come out for a night of fun, food and friendship. We will have some games and activities. The details of our game will be coming soon to the Facebook page and will also be in the December newsletter.

We will need volunteers to help with setup and cleanup. I will be getting to the church at 5:00 that evening to begin setup. Volunteers can come anytime from 5:00 to 5:30 to help get everything ready in the meeting room. After the bash ends, we will need help getting everything back into its place so that we can exit the building in a timely manner. Many hands makes light work.

If you have any items that you would like to donate for a door prize for the Holiday Bash, please reach out by email.

Lisa Hart

QUICKHOUND@gmail.com

Speakers and Workshops and Fun Stuff!



TCQG Displaying Quilts at Texas Oncology!

My quilt "Live A Thankful Life".

What did you do during lock-down? This was my big project for the year. Maybe I had hoped it would help me be thankful for being healthy and prosperous during Covid lockdown... but really it made me thankful for thimbles and never doing nearly 500 wool pennies EVER AGAIN.. okay okay I was also thankful for the other things, too.

...Seriously... close to 500 pennies hand cut and hand stitched!

I bought the BOM kit from Primitive Gatherings and got started on it at the height of Covid lockdown. I mean it's not like we were doing much



anyway. There were many long nights in front of the TV cutting out wool piece after wool piece. Right about this time, I was wondering how much a wool dye cutter would cost... too much. So, hand cutting would have to do, followed by hand stitching all those same pieces.

Once all the hand stitching was done and fingertips were healed (WHOO!), it was time to move on to the quilting (my favorite part). My goal was to really highlight the character of each block. I think it was a success.

Seeing the finished quilt made the whole process totally worth it. The quilt has gone on to receive multiple awards and is now proudly hanging here for you to enjoy. I hope my journey inspires you to take on that daunting project of your own. Please stop by Double E Quilting and check out our other quilts in person; you won't regret it.

This quilt is provided by guild member Eva Ellison of Double E Quilting. Beautiful work! Thank you, Eva!





Happy Birthday!

Ida Anderson

Jody Boest

Cathy Brown

Brenda Carter

Buina Collins

Roseanna Daly

Janet Davidson

Eileen Egloff

Theda Flournoy

Cindy Gise

Candi Hays

Bernice Holland

Susan Kahlich

Sheila Kristynik

Virginia Phillips

Kathy Ranney

Trudelise Rathke

Diana Reed

Susan Smith

Valerie Wagner

Shirley Whitley

Shelly Wiggins

Janet Winkler



A second quilt show information meeting was held during daytime hours in late October. Once again, guild members had an opportunity to learn more about show categories and rules, and to ask questions about show entries. Information on the photographs that must be submitted with each entry and how to attach a hanging sleeve were also among the topics of discussion. Thanks to all members who were able to attend.

Now that your membership dues have been paid, it is time to enter your quilts in the show. The deadline for quilt entry forms including the fee and high-resolution photographs required for each entry is December 6, 2023. Detailed information regarding show rules and categories may be found on the guild website at tricountyquiltguild.org.

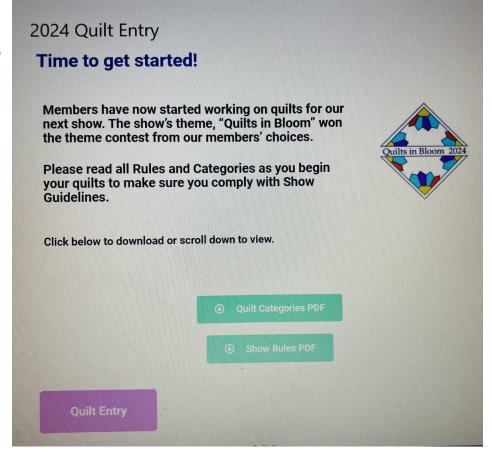
Once your quilts have been entered, begin thinking about where you would like to volunteer during the Show and on the days leading up to it. There will be many volunteer opportunities, and one is sure to be just

right for you. Please watch for more information in the weeks to come.

We look forward to working with each of you as we showcase our beautiful quilts in bloom!

Show Chairs,

Janice Toler Shari Stone Stephanie Moss



Raffle Quilt

Our opportunity quilt continues to awe onlookers as it travels from one venue to another. During October, the quilt was on display during the two days of the Montgomery Quilt Walk. Visitors from far and near purchased tickets and received



information about our upcoming show. The quilt also journeyed to Austin where it was appraised in preparation for its visit to International Quilt Festival, Houston! Be sure to look for the quilt during the quilt festival and encourage both old and new quilting friends to purchase tickets.

If you have not had a chance to obtain tickets for yourself, they will continue to be on sale at the Holiday Bash in December and during meetings leading up to our show.

Kudos to Raffle Quilt Chairs, Elaine Bullard and Bev Volker and their team of volunteers for making all of this happen.

Tin Can Raffle

Beautiful baskets are under construction, with a few more on the way! Tin Can Raffle Chair, Donna Vandiver and team have been busy creating fabulous baskets that are sure to delight both guild members and guests during our upcoming show. Please continue to contribute individual donations or work with your Bee or a group of friends to prepare a raffle basket. If you have an idea for a basket or need packing materials for one you have created, email Donna. She will be delighted to assist you. We will have another basket party early next year. Watch for details and join the fun!





Boutique Update

Boutique Workshops are usually not held during November and December due to all the demands on our time during these months. We understand. Instead, the Boutique Team will work to complete all unfinished projects. There will not be a workshop in November or December.

If you have any unfinished kits from prior workshops, please call or text Debby Dodge at 832-971-9459 so we can arrange to take those kits off your hands. You are welcome to drop by Bobbins & Threads during the Friday Free Sew to drop off your kit as Debby is usually present for Free Sew. Of course, you may bring them to the December Holiday Bash also.

Thank you for looking through your UFO's and arranging to return those kits or partially finished projects. And thank you very much for your participation in the workshops.

If you are new to our guild, you might want to know what we have been talking about. The Boutique Committee is responsible for making



gift items to sell at the Boutique Gift Shop booth during our guild quilt shows.

Workshops are typically held each 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.

Since we do not have a guild meeting in November, we will not issue a new block of the month. If you still have kits from past blocks, please take this opportunity to sew the block(s), or you may return the kits at the December 5th meeting. Please try to make it to the Holiday Bash on December 5th to turn in any blocks that you have ready so that we can begin construction on the quilts for Charity Bee starting in the new year.

We will still collect the color wash units on December 5th at the Holiday Bash, and that will be the night when the drawing will take place for the Bali Pop that I have provided as a prize. For every 10 of the 6.5 inch colorwash units that you make, one ticket with your name will be added to the drawing. You do not have to be present at the Holiday Bash to win, so those who have already turned in blocks are set. All blocks turned in on December 5th will have tickets added that night.

If you have any questions regarding block of the month, please send an email to TCQGBOM@gmail.com

Lisa Hart BOM Chairperson



Tips and Techniques Which Button to Press?

This tip comes from Ida Anderson. Ida says sometimes when she wants to start sewing, she'll accidently press the thread cutting button that is right above her start button. She added a small self adhesive cork dot to her start button. Now she can tell by touch if she's about to press the correct button without looking up.

Thanks for the tip, Ida!

Happy quilting, everyone! Elaine Bullard elainebullard53@yahoo.com

I'd love to hear your tip or technique!







Tri-County's Fabulous Bees



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



It's that time! Time to **renew your membership**. Reminder that all members of our TCQG affiliated bees need to be active members of the Tri County Guild.

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 the beekeeper to be put on a waiting list. New members have been moving in through the list!

Bee Keeper: Judy Klevorn lkklevorn@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.

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Kenmar Residential Services (formerly Bethesda Lutheran)

The residents at Kenmar Residential have sent their Christmas wish list: Lots to choose from!

- Construction paper, clip board, Markers
- Small puzzle
- Ball cap
- Activity books
- · Wall stickers for children

Reflective toys

*Puzzle Books

Noise making toys

*Decorative Socks

- Hand size balls
- Hands size toys to shake
- Things to squeeze
- Easy activity books
- Small backpack

Calming CDs *Magazines

Art supplies *Large Crayons

Poster board *Stuffed Animals

- Pillow cases
- Small toys
- Wall stickers for young adult males
- Wrestling posters
- Inexpensive purse or backpack for wheelchair, possible female wallet
- Simple puzzles
- Scripture books
- Gardening supplies
- Decorative cup
- Decorative pillow and pillowcase
- Easy puzzle books, decorative pencils and sharpener
- Sewing supplies and hats (cancer survivor)



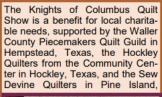


Hi Tri-County Quilt Guild,

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





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

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Our Fall/Winter Exhibits Feature a Juried Show and Antique Beauties!

LA GRANGE, TEXAS—August 28, 2023—Two groundbreaking exhibits of quilts will be on display at the Texas Quilt Museum from August 31-December 23, 2023.

First, we'll pay tribute to the wildly popular series of books by James Herriot as well as the recent smash PBS series with the animal-themed juried show "All Creatures Great and Small." And we'll also dip into the amazing archives of quilt collectors and dealers Mary and Joe Koval with "Antique Quilts from the Koval Collection."



Isn't Playing Better Than Quilting? (33" x 32") by Susan P. Stevenson

All Creatures Great and Small

James Herriot was the pen name for the real-life British country veterinary surgeon James Wight (1916-1995). He wrote a series of best-selling books about his experiences in the field, as well as short stories for adults and children. They've been adapted into several TV



Red Panda (34" x 44") by Laurie Mutalpassi

shows and films, including the most recent All Creature Great and Small series that began in 2020 and runs on PBS in the United States.

The Museum put out a call for quilts inspired by the theme in this juried show, with 59 works chosen. "These quilts run the gamut of animals portrayed and loved," says Vicki Mangum, Museum Curator. "You will enjoy the many cats and dogs, as well the infamous Texas Horny Toad Lizard. Look for swans, butterflies, and even a mouse. There are also quilts on endangered species that will raise your awareness to their plight."

(more)





Alphabet Quilt (72" x 76") c. 1870, artist unknown

Antique Quilts from the Koval Collection

Mary and Joe Koval are longtime quilt collectors, dealers, and experts. The Museum is also fortunate to house the permanent Koval Antique Textile Collection.

Now comes this showcase of 15 works which include some of their best antique quilts gathered over the decades. They were chosen by the Kovals themselves.

"When viewing these quilts, I am reminded of what attracted me to quilts in the first place—the sheer beauty of workmanship and fabric selections," Museum Curator Vicki

Mangum offers.

"The two go hand-in-hand with this antique collection. Museum visitors will definitely enjoy seeing what Mary and Joe Koval have kept in their private collection after years of selling antique quilts!"

Be sure to visit our online Museum store, offering a lot of unique quilt-related items, artwork by local craftspeople, jewelry, apparel, T-shirts, books, fabrics, and more! Go to www.TexasQuiltMuseumStore.com

The Texas Quilt Museum is located at 140 W. Colorado St., La Grange, Texas 78945. Hours are 10 am-4 pm Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. For more information, visit www.TexasQuiltMuseum.org.

Media inquiries: Please contact Bob Ruggiero at BobR@quilts.com





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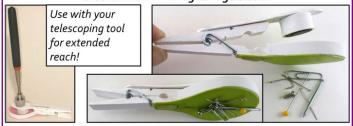
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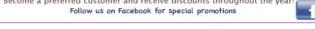
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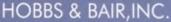
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