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From The President's Stash

My goodness! The holidays are here! Are you one of those who already has got your Christmas shopping done, or will you be finishing the binding on Christmas Eve? It's been a busy fall, and it's only going to get busier!

Reminders:

Enter your quilt into the quilt show! Don't wait until the last minute!

The QS chairs will be hosting opportunities for you to get help entering your quilt, if that's an issue. The deadline for entering is at the Holiday Bash on December 5th! Also, bring two (2) photos of your quilt for the show, 4x6 size recommended.

The Holiday Bash is on December 5th in the Education Building. Please bring an appetizer, salad, or dessert for sharing and be prepared to have fun!

Look for more information in this newsletter and in emails you will receive in the next couple of weeks.

Becky Burkett
President

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Welcome New Members!!

Susan Tillman Debbie Davis Constanza Fishel
Nakita Brooks Paula Menard

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







December Holiday Bash

The Holiday Bash is right around the corner! Join us for the fun and festivities on Tuesday, December 5th at our regular meeting time. We will be meeting in the Education Building on the second floor. You may bring an appetizer or dessert to share if you'd like. We generally have a good amount of food leftover, so don't worry about trying to feed 100 people.

We will play fat quarter bingo in the evening after we have eaten. If you would like to participate, please bring batik fat quarters. For each fat quarter that you turn in, you will receive a bingo card. There will be a maximum of 4 bingo cards per person, due to space on the tables and to make it easy for everyone to watch her/his cards adequately. The fat quarters don't need to be different because we will make multiple prize groupings from the batik fat quarters. Please bring good quality batik fabric.

Dressing up is encouraged! Wear your favorite holiday outfit, hat or even ugly Christmas sweater. Let's end the year with a fun, memorable time.

Please email me with any questions at TCQGBOM@gmail.com

Lisa Hart



Happy Birthday!

Betsy Andjelich

Mary Brownlee

Tiffany Engle

Sheila Evans

Catherine Green

Denise Hardcastle

Debbie Hunter

Joynell Jones

Mary Kimzey

Judy Klevorn

Carol Maloney

Mariaha Pedder

Char Peterson

Kathy Stoddard

Lucy Supler

Janice Toler

Carol Westbrook



Quilts in Bloom is happening March 1-2, 2024! The deadline for quilt show entry forms, including all fees and two high-resolution photographs, is fast approaching. We will be accepting quilt show entry forms, photos, and fees at the December 5th Holiday Bash. If you haven't already entered your quilt(s), or if you have fees or photos to turn in, December 5th is your day! Check the website at tricountyquiltguild.org for detailed information regarding show rules and categories. We invite every current Tri-County Quilt Guild member to submit a quilt for the show. Whether you are a newbie to quilting or a skilled veteran—we need your support!

Remember, quilts in progress that you plan to complete prior to the quilt show, must be entered by the submission deadline. Your photos should give us a clear idea of what your quilt will look like and contain distinguishing features that will help us identify the quilt as yours. Please note, photos of quilt patterns will not be accepted.

Your support will be needed at the show and during the weeks leading up to the show. **Denise Hardcastle** will lead our team of volunteers and will share a volunteer sign up soon. Start thinking about where you'd like to serve. It's a fun way to meet new friends and to support the guild.

During the merriment of the holidays, show chairs will be meeting, quilt tags and sleeves will be attached, and details will be finalized for our fabulous show. It's time to finish those quilts! Remember to include a quilt show post card or raffle ticket in holiday stockings or as part of a special gift. We are counting down the days until 2024 and our Quilts in Bloom show!

Show Chairs,

Janice Toler
Shari Stone
Stephanie Moss





Raffle Quilt

We want to thank all of the guild members who volunteered at the Montgomery Quilt Walk October 6 & 7 and at The International Quilt Festival November 2,3,4. These are two new events for us to be able to show our gorgeous quilt and sell raffle tickets. We couldn't have done it without our great members!



Our contest to win a \$50 gift card to The Quilty Shop is still going on through December 5. Before the party ends, we will announce the name of the member who purchased the most tickets between the guild meeting on October 3 and the end of the party on December 5.

You must purchase the tickets during these contest dates. Keep them, give them as Christmas gifts, re-sell them—it's your choice! Let's see who can win the \$50 gift card!

Elaine Bullard
Bev Volker



Boutique

There will not be a workshop in December due to the busy holiday season. The Boutique Team is steadily working to complete unfinished projects and will soon begin pricing and tagging the items to sell at the March 2024 show.

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 them off your hands. You are welcome to drop by Bobbins & Threads during Friday Free Sew to drop off your kit as Debby is usually present for Free Sew. You may also bring them to the December Holiday Bash.

Thanks again to everyone who has attended a workshop or donated Boutique items. In an upcoming newsletter, we will share some of the lovely items that will be for sale at the show.



Tin Can Raffle

The Tin Can Raffle team recently met at Bobbins and Threads to finish construction of a tuffet that will be



part of the 2024 Tin Can

Raffle. This is just one of many wonderful items that will be raffled off during the show.

tuffet

[tuhf-it] SHOW IPA 🔊 ☆

noun

1. a low stool; footstool.
2. *Dialect.* tuft.



The classroom looked and sounded like Santa's workshop! The day included stitching, stapling, hammering, gluing, pushing, poking, tugging, and lots of laughter! The group will meet for another "workshop" day and a second



basket party during the early part of next year. Watch for details and come out and join in the fun!





We will not issue a new block of the month for December. 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 color-wash 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 that 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



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 the 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.



Cypress Crossing Christian Church

15751 Cypress Rosehill Rd, Cypress, TX 77429

9:30 am to 2:00 pm

Sharon Castillo – 713.828.0861

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
- Noise making toys
- Hand size balls
- Hands size toys to shake
- Things to squeeze
- Easy activity books
- Small backpack
- Calming CDs
- Art supplies
- Poster board
- 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)
- *Puzzle Books
- *Decorative Socks
- *Magazines
- *Large Crayons
- *Stuffed Animals



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invites you to visit our upcoming exhibition of
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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 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.



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

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.

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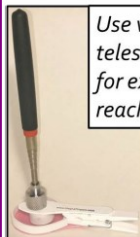
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