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From The President's Stash

What's the saying? "April showers bring May flowers"? I hope everyone has enjoyed both the rain we've had and the nicer weather, too. Karl's been busy in the yard and garden, though I know we've been the talk of the neighborhood because he's putting in a native plant/pollinator garden in the front. We've gotten some lovely letters from our HOA, but they are bearing with us for the time being.

Sometimes, the beautiful weather of springtime in Houston beckons us out of our sewing rooms and away from quilting. Our brains do need a break now and again. Get out and enjoy all the color of the wildflowers, fresh air (well, maybe not so fresh in Houston), and enjoy doing something different! You may find inspiration for that new project in your sewing room!

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the May meeting. Ann Moore's presentation will be about corded bindings. Looking at the summer, we do have a free-sew day set up for June 14th at Sam Matthews Park (1728 Hufsmith Road, Tomball) in the community center. More details to follow!

Becky Burkett

President

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Welcome New Members!!

Kathy Alexander Mary Lou Castillo Roxanne Granat
Patty Mooney Summer Wood Debbie Zaharis

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. 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
tricityguild@gmail.com



May 7, 2024 Lecture - Ann Moore

"Ann Moore Quilting" out of Huntsville, Tx, will give her lecture on her quilting journey with her quilts from the time she began to present.

Ann, a free motion quilting instructor, fell in love with the Westalee Rulers when she discovered them at the Houston International Festival. Teaching quilting with rulers was a natural progression, and students find that ruler work is much easier and rewarding. She incorporates ruler work and free motion quilting into her quilts and classes, if requested. At the Houston Festival in 2023, her Artisan Garden received a Livestock Show and Rodeo Blue Ribbon award. This quilt was originally designed as a teaching tool using the quilt-as-you-go method, and she knew the quilt needed more. She added corded binding and bicone crystal beads of various sizes to embellish the quilt.

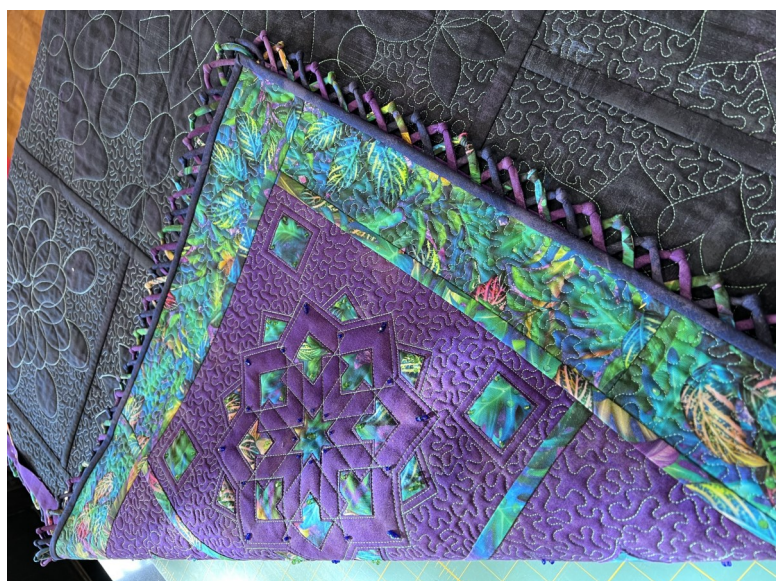




May 8, 2024 Workshop:

The workshop on May 8th will be making a small sample square and teaching you the cording technique on it, plus some ruler work with templates if time.

Class fee is \$35. Contact Char Peterson, Program Chairman at 206-909-1510 or email tolep8n@comcast to sign up and make payment arrangements. Once payment has been received, the supply list will be provided. The class will be at The Quilty Shop in Tomball from 10 am to 4ish. Limited class size. TCQG members have priority in signing up.





June Speaker

Our June speaker is Anne Marcellis who features lots of vibrant colors and movement in quilts. Her unique designs and patterns are written with the novice in mind with lots of details and diagrams. She has been published in many quilting and Shop Hop magazines and has taught all over the United States. She loves thinking "outside the box." Her HIDDEN STARS pattern



will be our workshop. This pattern is a One Block Wonder. Anne is coming to us from Tennessee.

There is **no meeting** in July.



Happy Birthday!

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Donna Rowe

Mary Jane Sterbanz

Shari Stone

Laurene Tessmer

Rhonda Vanalstine

Heidi Voigt

Christina Ward

Summer Wood

Debbie Zaharis



Tips & Techniques

Best Practices in Fabric Storage

May 2024

These tips come from Suzy Quilts.

1. **Prevent Light Damage.** This is the most serious threat to your fabric. It's OK to store your fabric on a shelf, but be sure to minimize the amount of light in your sewing room. Close the blinds/curtains as much as possible and turn the lights off when you're not sewing.
2. **Monitor Temperature and Humidity.** If you sew in a room where you're comfortable, then you shouldn't have to worry too much about temperature and humidity. If your workspace is an uninsulated attic or basement, take extra precautions to prevent mold and mildew. You may want a good dehumidifier for your basement to keep mold and mildew at bay. Attics can be hot and dry, which will cause your fabric to become brittle.
3. **Use Safe Storage Materials.** It's an old wives tale that a cedar chest is good for keeping moths and other fabric-eating insects away. According to a textile preservationist, cedar chests are capable of doing damage to your fabric and they don't keep moths away. If you want to store your fabric in an old dresser or cabinet, coat any wood that will touch your fabric with two layers of polyurethane varnish and wrap your fabric in unbuffered acid-free tissue. Even with these two tips, there's still a risk. Your best bet is to store fabric in a polypropylene tub. And it does need to be polypropylene. On the bottom of the tub there will be a "5" in the center of the recycling symbol and the letters "PP" underneath.
4. **Quilting fabric is made to be used!** If you're concerned about best practices for fabric storage, then use your fabric! Cut it up and make quilts for you and your loved ones to enjoy. These tips are great for preservation of special fabric, but use your fabric to make lovely quilts!

How do you store your fabric? I'm very lucky that I have a closet that was designed to keep school books so I have plenty of shelves that are protected from light. Yardage is folded and stacked by color and fat quarters are folded and stacked in clear containers.

I just looked and found out that my containers are NOT polypropylene so I'd better close this "Tips & Techniques" article and go pull some fabric to make another quilt!

Happy sewing!

Elaine Bullard



**Cypress Crossing Christian Church
1575 I Cypress Rosehill Rd, Cypress, TX 77429
9:30 am to 2:00 pm
Sharon Castillo – 713.828.0861**

Charity Bee Needs Volunteers

Charity Bee is growing and needs volunteers.

Christmas Stockings—we need help with cutting the stockings using our AccuQuilt cutter. It's not hard to use, and we estimate 600 stockings will be needed each year.

We need more sewers for putting together bags, sewing backing seams and assembling stockings.

There are other minor projects needing help, and we address them when we can; so, if you are willing to join us, you will stay busy and have fun.

**Any questions, please call
Sharon Castillo (713)828-0861.**



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 4th Thursdays at The Quilty Shop from 10-4:30. We have great times together! This bee has openings.

Bee Keeper: Charmaine Fritchey cfritchey@gmail.com



Grateful Threads: Formerly "We Be Quilters". We have changed our meeting time to the THIRD THURSDAY -once a month- at the Quilty Shop in Tomball from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. Now a full day!! We are a "sassy" group of Quilters who meet to sew whatever you are working on, a long lost "UFO", hand work, etc. Come to share tips, get ideas, and socialize. Come when you can, no experience necessary. Contact Bee Keeper, Char Peterson, to be included in our great group. An email is sent out prior to the Bee to remind you to RSVP. Come and have a great sewing day with us in a beautiful quilting shop. Bee Keeper, Char Peterson, tolep8n@comcast.net or call 206 909 1510



Event Name: Rock Around The Block
 Dates/Times: Friday May 3, 2024 from 10am to 4pm
 Saturday May 4, 2024 from 10am to 3pm
 Venue: Fort Bend County Fair Grounds
 4310 Highway 36 S, Rosenberg, Texas 77471
 Website: www.cpqgtx.org

Facebook: [Event - Save The Date!](#)

There will be *Quilts – Vendors - Door Prizes - Food for Purchase - Raffle Baskets - Quilts for Sale* and a **Quilts of Valor Ceremony** on the Saturday.

Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild of Texas 2024 Quilt Showcase

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 May 4th,
 2024
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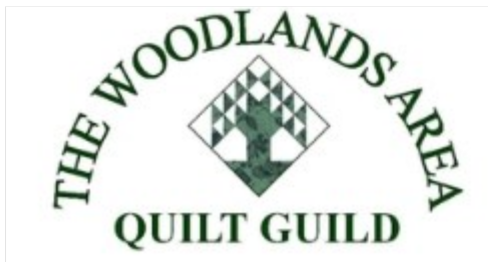
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For more information, please visit our website at www.cpqgtx.org



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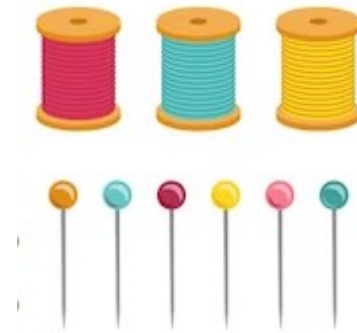
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