



Tri-County Quilt Guild General Meeting Minutes May 7, 2024

The May general meeting of The Tri-County Quilt Guild was held on May 7, 2024, at Fairfield Baptist Church in Cypress, TX. Guild President Becky Burkett called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm and welcomed all. She summarized the mission of the guild, which is to promote the art of quilting through instruction and encouragement of our members, education of the public, and support of our community through charitable donations.

Becky reminded members that International Quilt Festival in Houston has opened registration for the 2024 Judged Show. Deadline for entry is May 30. For categories and details, go to quilts.com. Becky assured members that our quilts are worthy of entering.

Becky announced that Jo Dick will join her and Donna Vandiver as 2026 Quilt Show Co-Chairs. She reminded members that their help is needed to make the show a success. The theme will be unveiled soon.

Boutique - Donna Vandiver

Donna announced that Boutique will become more of a group effort with a supervisory chair position and a rotating group of project instructors. Donna will lead the first three of the monthly Boutique workshops and asked that others consider volunteering. The projects include a curling/flat iron travel case in May, a travel iron case in June, and a thread catcher in July. May 24th will be the first Boutique workshop at Bobbins & Threads.

West Houston Quilt Guild – Nita Beard

Nita described the donation quilt she brought and encouraged our members to purchase a ticket during the break. The quilt *Spring Morn* is made of donated Aunt Grace fabrics and was made entirely by WHQG members.

Vice-President for Administration – Elaine Bullard

Elaine still has guild T-shirts that need to be picked up and would also like to sell an extra T-shirt if anyone is interested. The board meeting will be next Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at the Pecos Grill in Tomball. All are welcome to attend. Please RSVP if coming. The Montgomery Quilt Walk has opened volunteer sign up on their Facebook page. Elaine requested tips and techniques for the newsletter.

Membership Chair – Bobbi Miller

Only 46 members signed in, but a total of 81 are in attendance. Bobbi asked that members sign in during the break and get credit for their volunteer hours. Total membership is 294. The total number of volunteer hours reported is 677. Bobbi introduced 4 visitors and 2 new members. She also asked members to check the roster to make sure their contact information is correct.

Program Chair – Nathan Brown

Tonight's speaker is Ann Moore who will be talking about her quilting journey, free motion quilting, and Westalee rulers. She will be teaching corded binding in the May 8, 2024, workshop at The Quilty Shop.

The June speaker and workshop leader will be Anne Marcellis. Anne's workshop will be a one block wonder quilt on June 5, 2024, at Bobbins and Threads.

Open sew days will be June 14th and July 19th at the Samuel Mathews Park in Tomball. There will be a \$5 fee to hold a spot.

On August 7th, 2024, Minay Sirois will hold a workshop at The Quilty Shop titled *Out of My Blooming Mind*. She will be teaching a sampler with techniques using Blooming Templates.

David Taylor will be joining us in September. The location of the workshop is to be determined.

Becky encouraged members to check out David Taylor's work if they are not familiar with it. We are sharing travel costs to host him with the Woodlands guild. Becky reminded everyone that there will be no general meeting in July. Lee Ann McGuinn has arranged a meet and greet at Bobbins & Threads for July 23, 2024, from 10am-12pm. She asked members to attend and get to know each other.

Property Manager - Karl Burkett

Karl warned guild members not to fall for scams asking for your information or money. Criminals are using social media data and AI technology to manipulate victims. He asked members not to trust requests for money even if it seems like a relative or friend making the request.

Show & Tell – Elaine Bullard

The following members shared their quilts with the guild: Cindy Auble, Jeanne Brown, Marie Engelhart, Connie Grudzinski, Jan Heine, Marty Lockard, Trish Lopes, Patty Mooney, Diana Moore, Katia Scopinich, Tara Webb, Kimberly Wilcox

May Speaker – Ann Moore

On a sad note, Becky Burkett notified the guild that Char Peterson was resigning as Program Chair due to ill health.

Nathan Brown introduced our May speaker, Ann Moore.

Ann Moore is a free motion quilting and Westalee ruler instructor from Huntsville, TX. She led us through her quilting journey with her beautiful quilts. Her award winning quilt *Artisan Garden* is the inspiration for the workshop she will teach on corded binding. Some tips from Ann to take our quilts up a notch included adding a binding treatment and buying better crystals for embellishing. She recommended the local shop *1960 Beads*.

Door Prizes – Becky Burkett

Becky drew three winning numbers, and Donna Vandiver presented the door prizes.

Becky adjourned the April meeting at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Granat
Secretary