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From The President's Stash

I hope everyone got to go to the International Quilt Festival this year. Everyone has her/his own favorites, I'm sure, but the quilts all had beautiful workmanship. The Best-of-Show winner was a miniature that I couldn't get close enough to appreciate, but once I saw photos of the quilting on the back, I was blown away!

By the time you read this, Thanksgiving should just about be done, and right around that corner is the Guild's Holiday Bash on December 3rd. Remember to bring either an appetizer or a dessert and come prepared to have fun! Look for Lisa Hart's update in this newsletter to get all the information you need. Remember, we elect new officers at the Bash, and we will reveal the next Raffle Quilt! Lots of things happening!

This will be my last "President's Stash". I have enjoyed my time as the President of this organization. I'd like to thank all of you for your help during my term of office to keep everything running smoothly.

Becky Burkett - President

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.
1st Tuesday of the month,
7pm-9pm
tricountyguild@gmail.com



Membership will have a table set up for anyone wanting to renew, join, or pick up their membership cards at the Christmas Bash. Hope to see you there!



Happy Birthday to These Members!

Thomazine Alexander
Betsy Andjelich
Janice Brubaker
Sheila Evans
Denise Hardcastle

Debbie Hunter
Joynell Jones
Lynn Kimzey
Jackie Lindsay
Carol Maloney

Barbara Pavlas
Mariaha Pedder
Lucy Supler
Janice Toler
Joni Weir

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, Membership Chair



Welcome New Members!

Diane Bleck Mallory Cross Diana Faires
Whitney Schneider Karen Sherrill Stephanie Wilson



Annual Meeting Notice

2025 Officer Nominations

Tri-County Quilt Guild will hold our Annual Meeting at Fairfield Baptist Church on December 3, 2024. We will be electing officers for 2025 and celebrating the season with our Holiday Bash. Come celebrate with food, fun, and friendship. Cast your ballot and meet your newly elected officers. The election committee proposes the following slate of nominees for our 2025 officers. Any changes before the Annual Meeting will be announced.

President
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Senior Program Chair
Junior Program Chair

Elaine Bullard
Madison Horinek
Donna Vandiver
Robin Galvin
Donna Granat
Jaine Jewell
Nathan Brown
Regina Eardley

Thank you,

Tri-County Quilt Guild Election Committee 2024
Donna Granat, Elaine Bullard, and Bobbi Miller





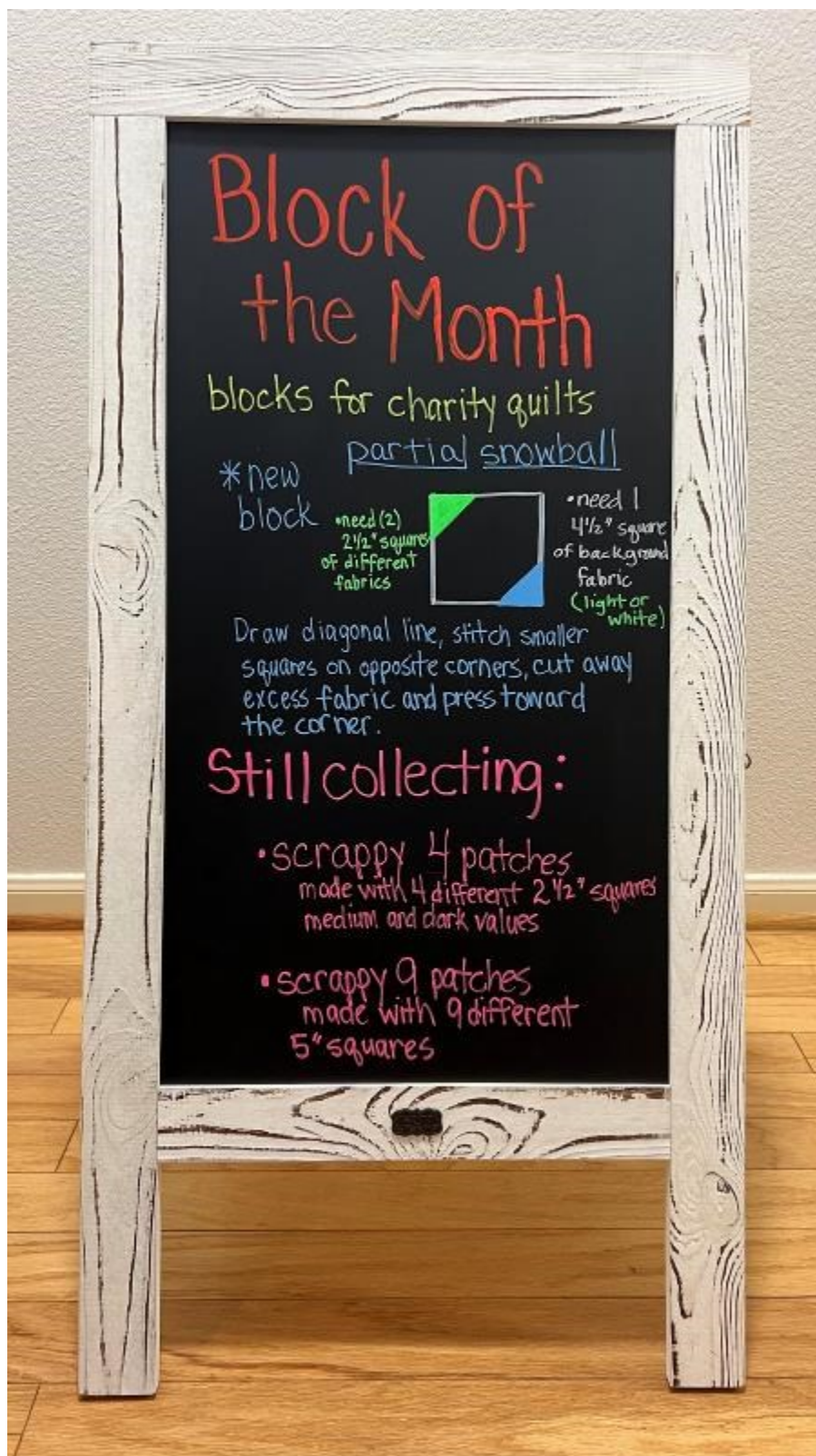
Texas Oncology Quilt

Without a meeting in November, there was no Show and Tell to share. Here's something else to share with all of you! Thank you to Nancy Youens for lending her beautiful hand applique quilt currently displayed at Texas Oncology – Sugar Land. The staff has expressed how much they love seeing this quilt and all the quilts we've displayed in their offices.





Block of the Month





Upcoming Events for TCQG

December 3, 2024 – Holiday Bash

January 7, 2025

Lecture with Denise Spies

January 8, 2025 Workshop:

Thread Painting 101 (The Quilty Shop \$35)

Suggested Supplies:

- A Panel to Thread Paint....Large Florals are fun and easy to get started on.
- Good quality threads in various colors and thread weight. Aurifil is my thread of choice.
- Medium weight stabilizer which will stay on your piece, so no wash away.
- Sewing machine that you can drop the feed dogs on. If you have a machine with a Stitch Regulator that's perfect, but not required as long as your feed dogs can be dropped. A New Needle in your machine.
- 50wt 12wt to start with.
- And Your Creative Juices and Imagination!!!



February 4, 2025

Lecture with Annie McHugs

February 5, 2025 Workshop:

Picture Window Reverse Applique Large Dresden Plate Quilt (Bobbins and Threads \$35)

A wonderful class for everyone who wants to learn to use the Picture Window Reverse Applique Method! A 22" picture window Dresden plate will be completed. Participants will bring supplies (fabric for blades, fabrics to fussy cut, and a background).

March 4, 2025

Lecture with Dianna Martinez

March 5, 2025 Workshop:

Stack and Whack, NOT a One Block Wonder (The Quilty Shop \$35)



TCQG Holiday Bash

The Holiday Bash is coming up on **Tuesday, December 3rd**. Instead of our regular meeting spot in the sanctuary, the Holiday Bash takes place on the second floor of the Education Building at the church. That's the two story building next to the sanctuary. There are both stairs and an elevator, and once you are upstairs, just head to the big room in the back.



We are continuing with the tradition of bringing an appetizer or dessert to share. You don't need to bring 100 servings, just a plate or platter of something. If you end up in a time pinch, don't let bringing something deter you from attending; we always have plenty of food. If you have dietary restrictions and need to bring something special for yourself, that is perfectly fine also. Just come out for the fellowship and fun.





TCQG Holiday Bash

We will be having the annual meeting for the guild and some fun activities also:

Fat quarter BINGO will happen again with a few improvements. I'm going to be checking for the duplicate cards prior to the event. We will have two categories this year, which will be played separately. The first category will be batiks, like last year. I know that The Quilty Shop still has their batiks on sale, so check with them if you need to stock up. Bobbins and Threads has sold out of their batik inventory. The second category will be an open category for any cotton quilting fabric so any color and print will work. Please select high quality fabrics for playing BINGO. The fabrics will be turned in upon arrival at the event, and you will receive the cards to hold onto until the time to play BINGO. There will be a maximum of 4 BINGO cards per person, per game. The limit is due to space on the tables and will also make it easy for everyone to watch her/his cards adequately. The fabrics for each category will be divided into multiple prize groupings, to be distributed to multiple winners.



***If you would like to help with the setup of the Holiday Bash or have items to donate as door prizes, please reach out by email:
TCQGBOM@gmail.com***



Dressing up is encouraged! Wear your favorite holiday outfit hat or even ugly Christmas sweater. Let's end the year with a fun and memorable time. There is no need to RSVP for this event, but if you have any questions, please send me a message at the email address listed above.



Theme - Celebration 20

2025 is our guild's 20th anniversary; let's celebrate!



Reveal of the Opportunity Quilt

Don't miss the quilt reveal at the Holiday Bash! Along with the reveal, we will be explaining the process of making the quilt and recognizing the members who worked on it.

2026 Quilt Show Open Positions - Looking forward to a great anniversary show, and we still need you. Following are the open positions:

Show Co-Chair – the duties are managing Ribbons, Silent Auction, Volunteers, Schoolhouse, and Features Quilter as well as providing input to the other Show Chairs on show related opportunities/issues.

Opportunity Quilt Co-Chair – sad to say that Susan Pavliska had to step down for health reasons. Sharon Buffington needs a co-chair to help her schedule and manage getting our beautiful quilt out to locations and selling tickets.

Quilt Hanging – managing presentation of the quilts at the show and managing the volunteers hanging the quilts.

Silent Auction – managing the Silent Auction area at the show and managing the volunteers working in that area.

You can call Becky Burkett (281-923-4786) or Donna Vandiver (901-289-0454) to get more information or to volunteer.

Gift Boutique – watch for emails announcing upcoming workshops. The December workshop has been moved to December 11th from 10 AM to Noon because of the holidays. Boutique usually meets the third Wednesday of the month.

Tin Can Raffle – if you have any donations, please give them to Bev Volker or Mary Ellen Adkison. If you can't find them, you can leave them in the door prize area at the meetings, and they will be given to Bev or Mary Ellen.

Treasure Isle - if you have any donations, please give them to Sharon Castillo.



BOUTIQUE NEWS

The Boutique Committee is responsible for making gift items to sell at the Boutique Gift Shop booth during our Guild Quilt Show. Like elves behind the scenes, we are currently at work preparing for the 2026 Quilt Show. We gather together for specific project workshops on the third Wednesday of each month at Bobbins and Threads Quilt Store. All members are invited to join our merry making team of volunteers. This year several of our creative and very generous members and bees have been creating and donating beautiful items that appeal to quilters, travelers, cooks, and children.

In December, if you would like to join us for a short workshop session, we will be cutting 2 ½ inch strips of fabric in preparation for a fun binding project.

A LOOK AHEAD:

January – collapsible travel thread catchers – taught by Elaine Bullard

February – the cutest pie pincushions ever – Donna Vandiver

March – the famous Show and Tell bags led by Debbie Dodge

REQUEST FOR DONATIONS AND PARTICIPATION

1. 2-1/2” x WOF fabric strips or WOF remnants we can cut into strips (These may be dropped off at the Holiday Bash)
2. Denim jackets to be up cycled.
- 3 Members to quilt fabric for show & tell bags
4. Wood poles for handles for show & tell bags.

Libby will be in the lobby at our Guild meetings to receive donations and finished projects. You may also check with her for any kits that are available.

- Diana Moore and Elaine Bullard



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Challenge Quilt Categories – Create a quilt inspired by the following themes. It can be from a purchased pattern or an original design.

- **Let's Party** – quilts with a party theme (Whatever party means to you)
- **How's the Weather?** – We've had some crazy weather, have fun with it.

New Quilt Category – Youth (under 18 years of age)

2026 Quilt Show Rules for Entering Quilts

We have had some questions about entering quilts. Although all the rules will not be addressed here, we will attempt to state and clarify some of the rules as we get questions. Please feel free to ask the Quilt Show Chairs questions if you have them.

Is there a timeframe for completing an eligible quilt? The answer is **yes**. The quilt or related entry must have been completed **AFTER** February 27, 2024 except category “display only quilts.” This means that if you take the last stitch **AFTER** February 27, 2024, you are good. In interpreting “the last stitch” it does not include embellishing, modifying, adding a sleeve, or adding additional quilting to a quilt completed prior to February 27, 2024.

Can a member enter a quilt for a non-member? The answer is **no**. Rules state that “Entrant must be a member in good standing (dues paid) of TCQG by October 31, 2025.”



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, charla361@yahoo.com



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 dpdurr1@yahoo.com 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, Stacy Chandler, 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, Stacy Chandler stacey1622003@yahoo.com



Quirky Quilters: This bee is for those quilters who want to push the boundaries of traditional quilting by exploring textile art. This may include, but not limited to, collage, fabric painting, mixed media, free motion quilting, slow stitching, raw edge applique, pixelated blocks, foundation paper piecing, and thread painting. The purpose is to share ideas and techniques, encourage creativity, and seek feedback in a safe environment. We will work on our own projects, possibly invite guest speakers, and learn from one another. If this sounds like fun, give this bee a try. Quirky Quilters meets at The Quilty Shop on the third Thursday of each month from 5-9pm. This bee is currently full. To be put on the wait list, contact Regina Eardley, Beekeeper, at Regina.Eardley@gmail.com.



Charity Bee: Meets at Cypress Crossing Christian Church on the 4th Wednesday of each Month from 9:30-2:00. 15751 Cypress Rosehill Rd, Cypress, TX 77429. **Charity Bee needs new members and volunteers. We are growing and we need help in getting our project needs fulfilled. The activities we perform are not difficult; just very busy. We will help you learn everything you need to know.** Any questions, please call Sharon Castillo (713)828-0861.



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TexasQuiltMuseum.org



QUILT CONTEST



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TWO CLASSIFICATIONS TO ENTER:

- Adult
- Youth (21 and under)

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITY:

Award-winning quilts may be selected to travel and be displayed at the Texas Quilt Museum and the International Quilt Festival – Houston. (Travel would be from Mar. - Nov. 2025, at the quilter's discretion.)

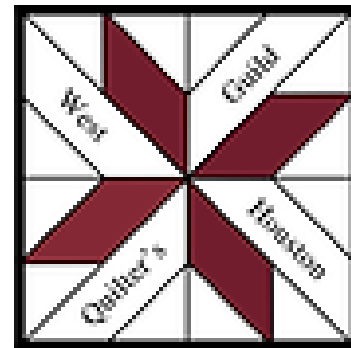
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