



**Tri-County Quilt Guild  
General Meeting Minutes  
May 6, 2025**

The May general meeting of the Tri-County Quilt Guild was held on May 6, 2025 at Fairfield Baptist Church in Cypress, TX. Guild President Elaine Bullard called the meeting to order at 6:59 pm. She welcomed all and summarized the mission of the guild, which is to preserve and encourage the art of quilting. The Guild also provides instruction for our members, education for the public, and a gathering place for people with quilting as a common interest.

Elaine called members up who were wearing sewing or quilting themed shirts and totes for "Projects on Parade". Many cute and creative shirts were modeled. Next month, Handmade tote bags will be displayed in the "Projects on Parade"

Elaine explained that the scheduled presentation by Garri Kay, the Piece Corps, Show Assistant and Volunteer Coordinator for the IQF has been rescheduled for the June general meeting.

Elaine reminded the membership that we would be voting on a recommended By-Laws change that was presented and discussed at the April General Meeting. Currently, the By-Laws Article XI states that when a By-Laws change is proposed, the membership must be notified of the proposed change and the up-coming vote at least 30 days prior to the voting date. The notice must be made in an announcement at a general meeting, via an email or in a website posting. The club normally makes these notices by all three methods, so the By-Laws Committee recommended that the requirement in the By-Laws be revised to make all three methods of notification required rather than only one method as currently required. Elaine asked for a motion to make the By-Laws revision. Lynn Lucas made that motion and it was seconded by Jenny Hilton. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

Elaine then asked Lynn Loyd to join her on the stage. Lynn has been the Registered Agent for Tri-County Quilt Guild for 15 years. She received applause and flowers in recognition of her many years of excellent service to the Guild. Elaine that Lynn will be resigning from her position due to health issues. Elaine introduced Karen Cook, the board of directors' nomination to succeed Lynn as the next Registered Agent. A motion was made by Rhonda Van Alstine to elect Karen to the position of Registered Agent. The motion was seconded by Lynn Loyd. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote. Karen Cook was then installed as the new Registered Agent for the Guild by Elaine Bullard. Lynn has promised to mentor Karen as needed.

## **Reports**

**Rebecca Garcia, BOM Chair and Newsletter Chair** – Rebecca showed everyone a quilt top that she pieced from some of the BOM blocks that she received from members in March. She planned to give the quilt top to the Charity Bee to complete. The BOM to submit in June is the “Anvil” block and all kits have already been signed out. If you would like to make some blocks from your own fabric please use a creamy neutral background and warm colors for the pieces. Instructions are in the newsletter. Rebecca also reminded members to let her know if there is something more that should be in the newsletter.

**Madison Horinek, VP Administration** – The next board meeting will be at Pecos Grill at 28900 Tomball Pkwy in Tomball next Tuesday at 5:30pm. An email will be sent with more details. Everyone is invited to come find out what the board is doing and how to become more involved.

Also, we are going digital with our filing system. An email was sent to the Board with the information on the new system and it will be discussed more at the next board meeting.

**Jaine Jewell, Membership Chair** - As of the meeting, we had 295 members. There were 68 members present at the meeting on this rainy night. Janie welcomed 3 visitors – Cindy, Amy & Jen and 2 new members – Rose Ruth and Rosetta Anderson. We recorded 1,076.5 volunteer hours this month.

**Lee Ann McGuinn, Meet & Greet** – Two Meet & Greets have been scheduled for 2025:

- Wednesday, 7/23/25 - Bobbins & Threads @ 11am – 1pm
- Saturday, 9/20/25 – Quilty Shop @ 11am – 1pm

**Becky Burkett, Quilt Show Co-Chair** – Becky announced that Charmaine Fritchey has volunteered to be the Silent Auction Chair for the Quilt show. The next Quilt Show planning meeting will be on Thursday, May 8 at 10am at Harris County BBQ near FM 1960 and Hwy 290. Please come ask questions and volunteer.

**Stephanie Moss, School House Chair** – Stephanie was looking for ideas for classes that are about 20 minutes long to be taught during the quilt show. Bridgette Woods and Kristi Grove will be helping her with the School House.

**Connie Cephus, Raffle Quilt Co-Chair** – Raffle tickets are available for members to “purchase-to-sell”. Quilt Show post cards with the “Lemoyne Trails” raffle quilt picture are also available. The next quilt showing will be at shop-hop in June.

**Bev Volker, Tin Can Raffle Chairs** - They still need large baskets and containers and large wired ribbon. Also need batik fabric, “Downton Abbey” fabric, a teapot with cups and tea making items. They need Missouri Star themed items. Last, they need still need monetary donations.

**Diana Moore, Boutique Co-Chair** – This month, the committee will be creating “Show-n-Tell” bags on May 21 at Bobbins & Threads. Shelley Wiggins will teach members how to make travel iron bags that open up to reveal an ironing pad at the June workshop. The committee meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at Bobbins & Threads at 10am – 2pm. Please sign-up for the next workshop.

In July, Elaine Bullard will teach the committee how to make “Origami” bags. In the future, the committee will make ironing board tray tables, aprons and project bags. Look in the newsletter to find out what you need to bring for each of the workshops. Diana thanked everyone for the help being done already.

**Donna Granat, Treasurer** – Donna gave the quarterly financial report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025. The bank balance is \$75,458 (\$14,891 in our checking account, \$45,262 in our savings account and \$15,305 in 3 CD’s total). Income during the first quarter was \$6,907 and expenses were \$6,534 yielding net income of \$374. Back up information is available upon request.

**Eileen Reed, Charity Bee** – Charity Bee & Treasure Aisle receive lots of fabric. There are lots of tasks to process fabric and turn it into quilts. Each person only needs to do the task that she/she likes. Charity Bee donates almost 400 quilts to partner charities each year. There’s a lot of work being done to process fabric (wash, cut, iron and, bag) for Treasure Aisle. There are still 30 packing boxes of fabric in the warehouse that need to be taken home and washed and ironed as part of the processing. They are meeting at Cypress Crossing Christian Church on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month from 10 – 2. Please come and get a box or come help at the meetings.

No more flannel donations are needed.

**Nathan Brown, Senior Programs Chair** –

- 5 spots are still open for the workshop tomorrow (Bobbins & Threads @ 9:30am) with Lisa Erlandson of LE quilts –The workshop will be a vintage sampler quilt from the Kansas City Star.
- 10 spots are still open for the workshop with Kim Ellison of Quilt-aholics Anonymous (June 4 at Bobbins & Threads). Her workshop will be on Hawaiian applique. (\$45 kit fee)
- Scott Flanagan’s class is full for the “Falling Stars” quilt (August 25 at Bobbins & Threads). (\$50 class charge). There is no supply list yet.
- 15 spots are still open for the workshop with Dee Bushrod of Pixel Quilts (September 3 at Quilty Shop) (\$30 kit fee).
- Nathan has gone through all of the names on the waiting list for the Anna Maria Horner workshop and placed them in the class, so he is taking additional names for the waiting list.
- The last workshop is not open yet. The class will be on making quilted sneakers. That class will be opened up in June.
- Nathan needs volunteers to help monitor the monthly workshops

Elaine Bullard reminded members that when he/she works on a quilt for the Guild and donates fabric to the Guild, please make sure that it's clean when it is returned to or donated to the Guild. Wash the fabric and at the very least run a lint roller over a quilt to remove any pet hair.

Elaine Bullard asked Kim and Laura with the Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild to come forward and tell us about their "Land that I Love" raffle quilt. Also, on Saturday, May 17, their club will have a free quilt display at Enchanted Forest south of Richmond, TX. The Guild's actual Quilt Show will be next year in July.

Elaine Bullard encouraged members to post their quilts or something interesting relating with quilts on our facebook page. She also mentioned a documentary of interest that will be on Netflix starting May 16 called "The Quilters". She also informed us of several interesting exhibits currently being displayed at the Fine Arts Museum.

### **Show & Tell**

Beautiful quilts and projects mostly honoring our Mothers were shown by Madison Horinek, Marie Englehart, Becky Burkett, Claudia Wormuth, Karla Colle, Rosetta Anderson, Rose Ruth, Lisa Hart, Marty Lockard, Connie Grudzinski, Lane Devereux, Shelly Wiggins, Jeanne Brown, Kimberly Wilcox, Jerri Anne Churchill (& Dianna) and Shari Stone.

Madison encouraged members to bring Patriotic themed quilts for Show & Tell next month.

### **May Speaker**

Nathan Brown introduced our speaker Lisa Erlandson with LE Quilts to talk about "The Anatomy of a Quilt Appraisal". She is a compulsive quilt collector whose habits have led to several areas of expertise. She is a certified quilt appraiser, judge and teacher.

An Appraisal is an expert estimate of the value of something. It is not a critique, judgement or expression of like or dislike. You can't appraise sentiment.

There are 3 types of value:

- Insurance replacement value
- Fair market value – the price at which a quilt would change hands
- Donation value

Things that Lisa considers when she does an appraisal are quilt condition, availability, design, workmanship, provenance and age or historical significance.

## **Closing**

Elaine Bullard and Lee Ann McGuinn drew three winning numbers for three raffle items previously on display in the lobby. Rebecca drew one winning number from the BOM donors.

Elaine adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin C. Galvin  
Secretary