



**Tri-County Quilt Guild
General Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2025**

The August general meeting of the Tri-County Quilt Guild was held on August 5, 2025 at Fairfield Baptist Church in Cypress, TX. Guild President Elaine Bullard called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. She welcomed all and announced that our guest speaker would be presenting during the first hour of the meeting and the business part of the meeting would take place during the second hour.

August Speaker

Nathan introduced our speaker, Scott Flanagan of. Scott is a designer of a quilt patterns and fabric collections through his company, 4th & Main. His quilt pattern designs emphasize the “Power of Pre-Cuts” and that was the title of his presentation. He loves pre-cuts partly because they are made from collections; the fabric designer has already curated the collection so you always know that the fabrics will look great together. He explained all of the different pre-cuts and the best use for each. His favorite pre-cut is the Jelly Roll. Scott gave us tips for buying Jelly Rolls and for designing quilts with Jelly Rolls.

Scott’s slogan is “Quilting is My Voice”.

General Meeting

Elaine called the meeting to order again at 8:07. She called members up to model the up-cycled denim jackets that have been completed to-date and will be sold by our Boutique at the quilt show in February.

About 120 members participated in the YLI Thread Company survey. Even though we did not meet the required number of survey participants to earn the \$200 gift certificate, they graciously sent us the certificates. Elaine said that the board will determine how to distribute certificates to individual Guild members.

The visiting guild was from the Golden Triangle Quilt Guild. Elaine gave everyone a 10 minute break to support the visiting guild and shop with Scott Flanagan.

Reports

Nathan Brown, Senior Programs Chair –

- Spots are still open for the workshop with Dee Bushrod of Pixel Quilts (September 3 at Quilty Shop) (\$30 kit fee).
- A few spots are still open for the November class in which we will be on making quilted sneakers. The worksheet and pre-class instructions are also available. (November 5 at Quilty Shop). Sign up early to give yourselves time to order the sneaker bases and quilt the fabric for the tops.

Mindy Boyd & Eileen Reed, Charity Bee & Treasure Aisle – Mindy informed us that at their next meeting the Charity Bee will be sewing tote bags for quilts. The bags are made from feed sacks and they are very durable. Eileen informed us that they are in need of Wheelchair quilts and she reminded us that there were pillowcase kits and bag kits available to be picked up. Charity Bee meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at Cypress Crossing Church at 10am – 1pm.

Sharon Buffington, Raffle Quilt Co-Chair – Our raffle quilt will be shown at the IQF and the Montgomery Quilt Walk and volunteers are needed for about 24 hours of “white glove” work and selling raffle tickets for our raffle quilt. Sharon has set up Sign-up Genius site for easy volunteering. Sharon handed out slips of paper with instructions on how to volunteer through Sign-up Genius. Last, Sharon informed us that the Montgomery Quilt Walk is also calling for quilts to display and arrangements may be made for local pickup.

Rebecca Garcia, BOM Chair and Newsletter Chair – The August Block of the Month is the Vinca Block. The pattern is based on the free tutorial by Julie of The Crafty Quilter. Becca showed us her display with the simple instructions using strip sets. Some kits were available in the lobby. Becca asked that if members use their own fabrics to make the block, please use dark green corners to help them combine the various blocks. She also reminded us that the pattern is in the newsletter.

Madison Horinek, VP Administration – The next board meeting will be at Gianna’s Italian Kitchen in Tomball next Tuesday at 5:30 pm. 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.

Stephanie Moss, Nominating Committee – Stephanie is working with Rhonda Van Alstine and Madison Horinek to fill two open spots on the board for the 2025 – 2026 year. The open spots to be filled are the VP Administration and Junior Program Chair positions. Please let any of the committee members know if you are interested in volunteering. The new board members will be introduced and voted on at the Holiday Bash in December.

Becky Burkett, Quilt Show Co-Chair – Becky reminded that the 2026 Quilt Show is coming fast (7 months). She also reminded us that you must be a member by October 1, 2025 to enter a quilt in the show. You can start renewing memberships for the 2025/2026 now. They will start accepting Quilt Show entries in September 2025 and the deadline for making an entry is October 31. New this year – each entry should include the pattern name and designer if a published pattern is used and each entry should include the quilting designer and pattern if a pantograph is used. Last, you cannot enter a quilt in the upcoming TCQG Quilt Show if it has been entered in a past TCQG Quilt Show, even if it has been changed since the first showing.

The next Quilt Show planning meeting will be on Thursday, August 14, at 10am at Harris County BBQ near FM 1960 and Hwy 290. Please come ask questions and volunteer.

Bev Volker & Mary Ellen Adkison, Tin Can Raffle Chairs – The September general meeting will be the last time that you can donate items for the Tin Can Raffle. Bev and Mary Ellen mentioned a few baskets that they are still hoping to complete:

- “Missouri Star Quilts” Basket
- Beginner Quilter needs/tools Basket
- Hawaiian Basket
- Tea Party Basket
- Downton Abbey Basket

Elaine Bullard, Boutique Co-Chair – The Boutique Committee needs about 3 yards of silver ironing board fabric.

Jaine Jewell, Membership Chair – We had a final 302 members join for the 2024/2025 year. As of the meeting, we had 50 members that have joined for the 2025/2026 year. There were 94 members present at the meeting. Janie welcomed 2 visitors and 2 new members – Toni Anderson and Peggy Groppel. We recorded 1,687 volunteer hours since our last general meeting.

Show & Tell

Beautiful quilts and projects that were mostly “school-themed” were shown by Cindy Auble, Jeanne Brown, Buina Collins, Jan Heine, Jaine Jewell, Lori Kraus, Tricia Macsek, Kinley McNeill, Holly McNeill, Kayleigh Mossop, Karen Potter, Katia Scopinich, Cecilia Teff, Janice Toler, Connie Trout and Bridgette Woods.

Closing

Prior to closing the meeting, Elaine Bullard reminded that Lynn Loyd recently stepped down from the Registered Agent position on the Guild Board. Elaine asked for a vote from members to agree to install Lynn as a new Director for our Guild. The vote was unanimous in favor.

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