



TCQG News

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From The President's Stash

Can you believe it's almost back to school time? You know what excites me when it's back to school time? It's time to stock up on Elmer's Washable Glue! Get plenty while it's cheap! I love using Elmer's for matching up intersections and holding a binding down for hand stitching among other quilting uses. I was putting some in small bottles with fine tips on them, but I've started adding a little water to my regular bottle of Elmer's Washable Glue that I put a fine tip on. Now the glue comes out of that fine tip easily and I don't have to refill those little bottles anymore. Do you use Elmer's Washable Glue?

You know what else excites me? Working with all of the awesome members of TCQG. There are so many members that keep bringing new ideas to the Board of Directors. It's invigorating to work with such dedicated members. You'll see some news presented in a new way in this issue of the newsletter. Mainly because I'm learning something new from one of you. Keep reading to see what I'm talking about!

And TCQG members are such fun! Do you realize how much fun we have together? Silly question! Of course, you know how much fun we have. That's why you keep coming to our meetings, workshops and other events! And speaking of other events, we just had an awesome Disappearing Flying Geese workshop conducted by member Jackie Hillman that was so popular she is willing to teach it again in November so more of you can learn her methods. It's amazing what she has thought to create with Flying Geese blocks that she teaches you how to slice up! Reach out to Regina Eardley to sign up.

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Meetings begin promptly at 7p.m, 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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August BOM Golden Peaks



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



For other events coming up, we have an Open Sew Day for members on August 20, 2026 that will be at Cypress Creek Lakes Community Center. Thank you, Kayleigh Mossop for the idea and for arranging it. And don't forget Paula Menard has a bus trip planned for us on Wednesday, September 25, 2026. And then we have our last Meet and Greet of this year scheduled on September 19, 2026 at Bobbins and Threads. As we all hoped for, Paula has secured a bus to take us to the international Quilt Festival on November 12, 2026. She will have more information on these events for you at the August 4, 2026 meeting.

Happy Sewing,

Elaine Bullard





Tri-County Quilt Guild's membership year runs from October 1st - September 30th.

We are closing out our 2025-2026 membership year with over 300 members!

Early birds will be able to renew for the upcoming year as soon as September 1st.

Details coming soon.

Jaine Jewell Membership 25-26



Happy Birthday to These Members!

Debbie Spoelker - 2nd	Susan Croft - 11th	Anna Hoffman - 22nd
Mary Coldwell - 4th	Kathryn Archer - 11th	Patricia Swift - 24th
Rebecca Elkins - 5th	Mary Montgomery - 14th	Jackie Hillman - 25th
Nathan Brown - 6th	Karyn Dogay - 15th	Claudia Wormuth - 25th
Teresa Wavra - 7th	Lane Devereux - 17th	Diana Marcotte - 25th
Darby Albers - 8th	Pattie Newman - 17th	Susan Siegel - 28th
Barbara Garcia - 8th	Regene Allen - 18th	Margaret DiCarlo - 28th
Connie Cephus - 9th	Karen Cook - 20th	Diana Moore - 31st
Carolyn Watkins - 11th	Mary Willyerd - 21st	

welcome

Welcome to our newest members!

Marynell Burnett
Angel Fithen
Brenda Hicks
Carol Steele



We all have a
Story

Let us share yours!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

WE WANT TO FEATURE YOU!

TCQG has so many talented members!
We invite you to “shine” in our new newsletter feature,
Member Spotlight.

TELL US ABOUT:

- ♥ a recent award or exhibition
- ♥ an exciting charity project
- ♥ an extraordinary quilting excursion
- ♥ a newsworthy quilting milestone

Your story may *inspire* someone else to start their next beautiful chapter.

Ready to share?

Email us for more information:
✉ steffie.stuff@yahoo.com

We can't wait to celebrate **YOU!**

TOGETHER, WE MAKE A BEAUTIFUL COMMUNITY.





JUNE 2026

Sew & Tell

















August Block of the Month - Golden Peaks

Adapted from a block by Julie Cefalu of The Crafty Quilter

What you'll need:

Background Fabric (BG)

(2) 5" squares
(4) 4 1/2" squares
(1) 3 3/8" square

Fabric A

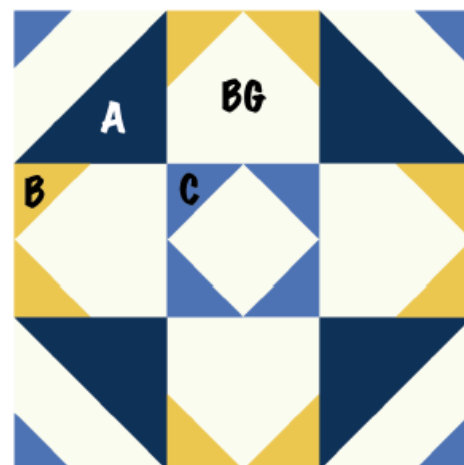
(2) 5" squares

Fabric B

(8) 2 1/2" squares

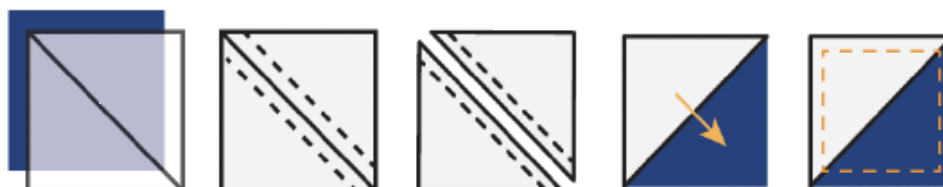
Fabric C

(2) 3 1/4" squares, cut in half on the diagonal
(4) 2" squares

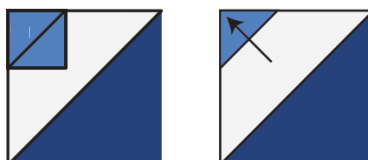


Steps:

1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each 5" **BG** square.
2. Place a marked **BG** square RST with an **A** square. Stitch 1/4" away on each side of the marked line.
3. Cut apart on the marked line and press towards the darker side. Trim to 4 1/2".



4. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each **C** square. Place RST on the white corner of HST unit from above. Stitch **on** the line.



5. Trim seam allowance and press to the corner. Repeat to create 4 corner units.

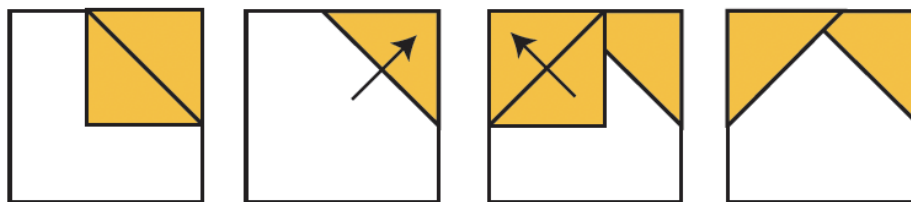


Steps, cont.:

6. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each **B** square.

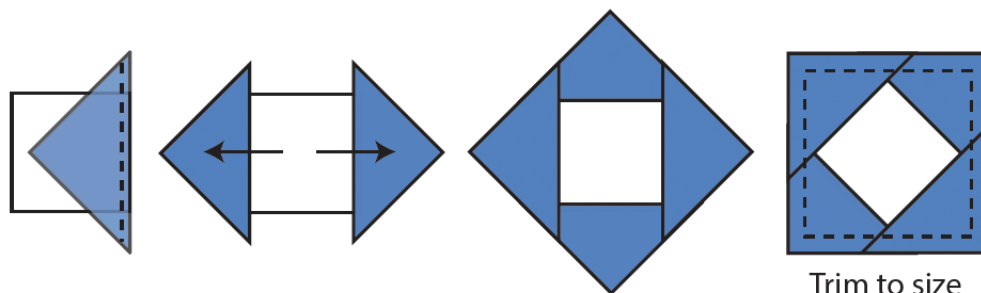
7. Place one marked **B** square RST on one corner of a 4 1/2" **BG** square. Stitch on the line. Trim seam allowance and press towards the corner. Repeat on the adjacent corner.

8. Repeat to make 4 units.



9. Sew a **C** triangle to each side of the 3 3/8" BG square.

10. Press seams toward the triangles. Trim to a 4 1/2" square.



11. Stitch the block together as a 9-patch. Press in the direction of the arrows to avoid bulk. The final block should measure 12 1/2".





Upcoming Lectures and Workshops

August 5, Glenda Wilder will be teaching her Nouvelle Noel pattern at The Quilty Shop, 1006 Main St, Tomball, Tx from 10-3.

To register for class, please email Regina.Eardley@gmail.com; an invoice will be sent for \$35.00.

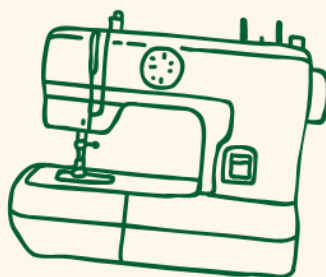


Elaine Bullard's quilt is now hanging in Texas Oncology - Sugar Land. The staff and patients love seeing our work hanging at the facility.

If you have a quilt you'd be willing to lend for display, contact Becky Burkett.



Tri-County Meet & Greet



Saturday, September 19th

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Want to meet other guild members?

Thinking about joining the guild?

What is a quilt guild?



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10130 Grant Rd
Houston, TX



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our Facebook
group!



tricityquiltguild.org



Meetings the 1st Tuesday of the month
7-9pm
at Fairfield Baptist Church



Tri-County Quilt Guild

♥

OPEN

Sew Day!

SEW ♥ QUILT ♥ CREATE ♥ CONNECT

 **DATE:** August 20, 2026

 **TIME:** 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

 **LOCATION:** Cypress Creek Lakes
Community Center
10080 Cypress Creek Bend Dr.
Cypress, TX 77433

 **Sign Up will start**
August 4, 2026
at the general meeting

♥ Kayleigh Mossop will have more information **August 4.** ♥

Bring your project and supplies!

♥

TCQG MEMBERS ONLY



**TRI-COUNTY
QUILT GUILD
BUS TRIP**

SEPTEMBER 25, 2026

-  **WE'RE GOING TO A QUILT SHOP!**
-  • **A CHRISTMAS SHOP!**  
- **AND LUNCH, OF COURSE!** 

Paula Menard will have more
information and sign-up available
at the August 4, 2026 meeting.





2028 Quilt Show News

We Still Need Your Help!

We are still looking for co-chairs for our Raffle Quilt travel team and Schoolhouse committee. Please consider joining our team and help make our quilt show a huge success.



Committee Chairs

The following individuals are currently serving on the 2028 Quilt Show committees. If you are interested in helping or would like to serve as a co-chair, please contact any of the individuals listed below.

- Quilt Show Chairs – Denise Hardcastle, Patty Mooney and Karen Potter
- Boutique — Donna Granat, Laurie Loasby, and Whitney Schneider
- Judges — Shari Stone, Debbie Spoelker, and Vicki Tate
- Quilt Hanging — Jackie Hillman and Karl Burkett
- Quilt Intake — Lee Ann McGuinn and Donna Vandiver
- Raffle Quilt — Sharon Buffington and 1 Open position
- Ribbons — Belinda Wheeler and Vicki Tate
- Schoolhouse — Tricia Limon and 2 Open positions
- Silent Auction — Elaine Bullard and Diana Moore
- Tin Can Raffle — Virginia (Jenny) Hyman and Robin Galvin
- Treasure Aisle — Libby Nelson, Mary Willyerd, and Kathleen Green
- Vendors — Rhonda VanAlstine and Faydra Gonzalez
- Volunteers — Connie Cephus
- Website — Janice Toler



Quilt Show Website

Updates about the 2028 Quilt Show will be posted on the Tri-County Quilt Guild website (www.tricountyquiltguild.org). New information will be added as plans develop so members can stay informed. The site will currently include the show rules and categories, committee descriptions, instructions for making a quilt sleeve, vendor information and other helpful resources.

Questions?

We would be happy to answer your questions and talk with you as plans come together. Please reach out to me or either of my co-chairs if you would like more information or would like to get involved.

2028 Quilt Show Chairs

Denise Hardcastle - (713) 301-1426

Patty Mooney – (281) 380-5970

Karen Potter – (832) 499-6338



Boutique Makers Needed

Please join us August 19th and each third Wednesday of the month at Bobbins & Threads (10130 Grant Rd.), from 10am-2pm. On August the 19th we will be making Closet Safes designed by our own Shelly Wiggins. Hide your valuables on a hanger in your closet. Genius!



The sample Closet Safe above was stitched by Laurie Loasby. Don't be intimidated by the zipper. Some kits will have the zipper pre-stitched, but we can also teach to install one yourself. Bring a sewing machine and normal sewing supplies. We'll supply the fabric, zippers and instructions.

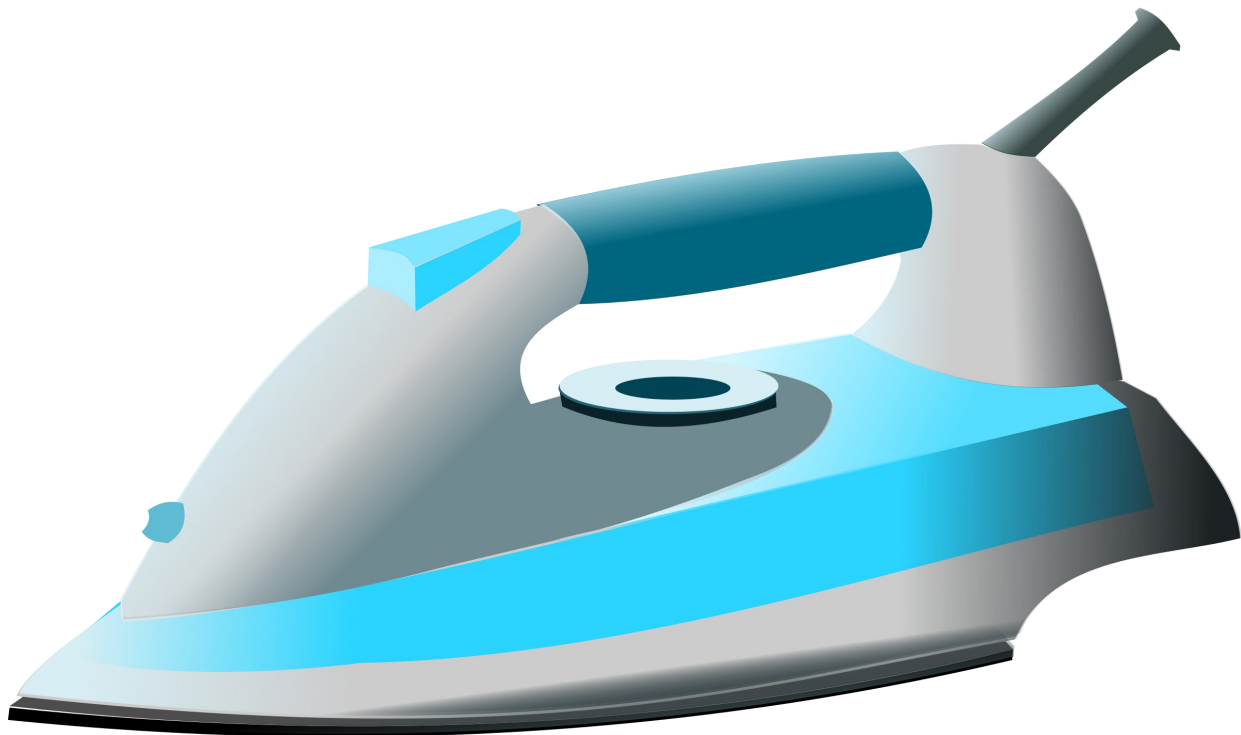
In September, Boutique Makers will be making Ice Cream Cozies. Come help us create these beautiful handmade items to sell at the 2028 Quilt Show 'Color My World.' Don't forget to support our local quilt shops who generously donate space for us to sew together. Feel free to call or text Donna, (281) 507-2477, if you have questions.

See you there,
Donna Granat, Whitney Schneider & Laurie Loasby
Boutique Co-Chairs



4 Tips for August

1. Press seams toward the small triangles to reduce bulk
2. Use steam carefully to avoid stretching the fabric
3. Press, don't iron — lift and lower the iron instead of sliding it
4. Allow the fabric to cool before moving it





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 bee, please call to be put on a waiting list.

Bee Keepers: Ann Keilers 832-515-1081 or Marian Page 281-797-3014.



Day Strippers: Day Strippers 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 accepting new members!** 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 9:30-1:00. 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 contact Natalie Pryor natcpryor@gmail.com



Boys and Girls Country has requested 50 Trick or Treat Bags for the upcoming Halloween season.

Charity Bee has reserved the classroom at

**The Quilty Shop at 1003 W
Main St, Tomball, TX
on Thursday, August 13th.**

We will have access to the classroom from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. If you would like to participate, please contact Natalie Pryor to sign up to help us make some cute bags. Please bring your sewing machine, your foot pedal and power cord, spools of thread in Halloween colors, and normal sewing supplies.

Natalie Pryor

Email: natcpryor@gmail.com



Threaded Lines Quilt Shop is putting together a Charity Quilt and here is the information if you'd like to participate

Community Sewing Project - Piece of My Heart

From the beginning of July to the end of August, we hope you'll join us to create a community quilt based on the Piece of My Heart quilt block, which will be auctioned off at the beginning of December in our Sample Sale. All proceeds will go to the American Heart Association.

To participate in the Community Quilt:

1. Download the FREE Piece of My Heart quilt block. It will automatically apply the discount once you check out. Get it here: [Piece of My Heart Quilt Block](#).
 2. Choose your background colors. We are sorting the blocks into 3 categories based on the background: whites/creams, greys, and blacks.
 3. Choose 3 coordinating colors for the main design (here's your chance to get creative!).
 4. Sew and have fun! Put your heart into it!
 5. Upload a photo of your block to one of the following places:
 - The Sewing Room Facebook group
 - In the comments of the Mischief Monday post on the Threaded Lines Facebook Page.
 - email it to socialmedia@threadedlines.com
 6. Send the block to us to use in the community quilt! Ship it to 21372 Shannon Circle, Unit C, Montgomery, TX 77316, or if you're nearby, drop it off to us.
- All blocks will be due **August 26th**, but we'll start accepting blocks as soon as you want to make them!



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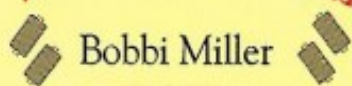
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