



#### Welcome to



#### Our March 13<sup>th</sup> Speaker! Maggie Ball Innovative Quilts, Traditional Roots

Maggie comes to us from the Pacific Northwest, Bainbridge Island, to be specific. After receiving degrees in Biology and Geography from the University of Exeter in England, she found herself in Fayetteville, Arkansas, where she discovered quilting. Maggie has written a book about Bargello quilts, and has numerous published quilt patterns. She will be talking to us about Innovative Quilts, Traditional Roots, which is a review of her years of quilting. Remember on March 14 – Maggie Ball Workshop – The Bears Come Out at Night This is a crib quilt that features Sawtooth Stars and Bear's Paws.

All Guild meetings are held at the Bob Duncan Center, 2800 S. Center St., Arlington, TX 76014. Meetings begin at 6:30pm with checkin and networking time. The guild business meeting begins at 7:00, with the speaker following. Meetings are free for members of the Guild; there is a \$5 charge for visitors.

Workshops are on the Wednesday following the guild meetings and begin at 9:00am. Workshops are held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3809 Curt Drive, Arlington, TX 76016.

Registration for workshops is available online at QGOA.org, or at Guild meetings.

#### 2018 QGOA Executive Board



#### **Sunshine and Shadow**

Extra...extra...read all about it! Newsy Suzy is on the Sunshine and Shadow job this year and wants to be Nosey about our members. Please contact Susan FitzGerald with any good, bad, happy or sad happenings!

Sunshine and Shadow as of 2/25/2018

We wish Mary Lopes a fond farewell on her move to Indiana.

- Kathey Youngblood was hospitalized with compilations from strep throat. She rallied back and was well enough to attend the day retreat.
- Carol Majka's husband passed away on Jan 25th.
- Kayleen Farrington's Sister-in-law, Dahlia, passed away from cancer on Jan 30th in Calallen, TX.
- Judy Liston's daughter started chemo treatment, after a surgery, to help prevent cancer.
- Ruth Ann Uzzle is recovering from a leg surgery and was well enough to attend the day retreat.
- Rhonda Scott is recovering from legissues.
- Karen Suggs was hospitalized with compilations from the flu and pneumonia.
- Barbara Garner broke her wrist.
- Ching-Ling Herbert landed after the earthquake in Tiawan. All is well with her and her family.
- Billie Brecheen is recovering from sinus surgery.

#### In Case of Inclement Weather

In general, we will do what the University of Texas of Arlington does. If they cancel evening classes, we will cancel guild and board meetings.

#### **Brown Bag It!!**

Let's hope those winter blues have been washed away and you are ready for a little spring cleaning! As you reorganize your lovely quilting studio, consider donating unwanted items to the "brown bag initiative".

Each year the guild collects new and gently used items to be "auctioned" off at the December meeting: a UFO, thread, fat quarter, kit, candle, I think I've seen a little bit of everything in our previous brown bags! It's a great fundraiser and a good time for all! Instead of waiting until the end of the year, bring your donation to any meeting and place it in the special "brown bag" area. Thanks so much for your generosity.

#### **DEMO DAY!**

No, not like Chip and Joanna, but our own special demonstrations for fun quilting!

Demo day will be in August this year and we are looking for volunteers that would like to provide a 10-15-minute demonstration of a quilt related activity. To sign up, check in with Debbie Hood, Phyllis Borton, or Kim Olmedo (your program team).



# 2018 Ronald McDonald House Quilts Challenge



"I hope you all are working on your Ronald McDonald Quilt Challenge!"

The deadline for your completed Ronald McDonald quilts is quickly approaching! They are due at the April guild meeting. We cannot wait to see the beautiful and creative quilts that you all are making!! Please attach an entry form to your quilts when you are turning them in.

Randa Dillon

#### Ronald McDonald Challenge Entry Form

Submit an entry form for each quilt entered.

Ronald McDonald Challenge quilts at due no later than the April Guild meeting.

Each entry must have an entry form attached.

You may label your quilt if you would like.

Do not attach hanging sleeve.

**Entrant** 

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	Challenge Fabric Entry	Non-Challenge Fabric Entry		
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Quilt Dimensio	ns: width	length		

Quilters entering a challenge fabric quilt and turned in at the April guild will receive a \$5 gift card from Quilt Among Friends.

#### **Donation Quilt Volunteer Opportunities**

"We've had a wonderful jump start to raffle ticket sales this year!" Veronica Mowery

Special thanks to Debra Hood, Elizabeth Cooper, Janice Mowery, Gayle Krengal and Cynthia Berend for volunteering and setting up and selling raffle tickets last month!

Also, much thanks to Janice Mowery: Janice donated pin cushions to be given out as an incentive for non-guild members to purchase \$5 worth of raffle tickets and she donated a collection of guilt books to be given to the donation guilt volunteer of the month.

Please check your calendars and if you don't have prior commitments, please volunteer your time.

The following is the list of March and April guild meetings that I need volunteers for:

March 12 - Common Threads Quilt Guild: Gainesville, TX

March 15 - Allen Quilter's Guild

March 17 - Rowlett Quilters Guild

March 20 - Fort Worth Quilt Guild - Maria Freitag can use a second volunteer.

March 27 - Frisco Quilt Guild

April 17 - Denton Quilt Guild

April 19 – Irving Quilt Guild

April 23 - Creative Quilters Guild of Ellis County;

Waxahachie, TX

I need volunteers for different sections of time for this large event! Please consider choosing a time period!

April 14 & 15 - Quilt Country (during Patchwork Express); Lewisville, TX

Please sign up at

http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090D44A9A7 2EA4FF2-2018 or call/text me at 817-296-9806. or email me at veronica\_mowery@yahoo.com, or catch me during our monthly meetings.



**QGOA 2018 Donation Quilt** "Webs of Color" 86" x 96" Created by the Sew N' Sews Stitch Group Designed and pieced by Annis Clapp **Quilted by Veronica Mowery** 

### QGOA Publicity

A big nod of appreciation to all of you who have taken Donation Quilt bookmarks and postcards to other quilt shops!

Thank you, for all your time and efforts! Kayleen Farrington

## QGOA Guild Booth is Calling On All Crafty Members!

The Guild Booth is looking for cute and unique donations of homemade items to sell during this year's quilt show.

What could I make and donate you ask? Some ideas include: Pin cushions, needle catchers, all kinds of different bags, name badge holders, items for kids, tooth fairy pillows, bibs, mug rugs, potholders, thread catchers, check book covers, eye glass holders, pillow cases, runners, iron cases, luggage tags, slippers, casserole carrying cases, aprons...the list is endless! What about you talented crafters who make jewelry, scissor fobs, button crafts, crocheted and knitted items? Please consider donating your handmade items too!

## REMEMBER, please, PLEASE, donate your items to Susan FitzGerald.

Don't forget, QGOA is a Non-Profit 501(c)3 organization. We have donation receipts upon request.





#### Classes are available at the Original Sewing and Quilt Expo and North Texas Quilt Festival!

Do you enjoy learning more about the craft of sewing and quilting? Want to know more about the sewing machine you love? Thinking of getting a new sewing machine and want to learn the options?

There are classes that will teach you and help answer many of those questions at the Expo this June!

The North Texas Quilt Festival is June 7 through June 9, but before that beautiful show opens there are garment instruction classes available starting Monday, June 4th! Classes are available during the Expo starting Thursday, June 7 on a variety of sewing machines, long arm machines and sergers! Check the class schedule for the Bernina Studio, HandiQuilter Longarm Studio, Juki Serger Studio, Husqvarna Viking Studio, Brother Studio, Janome Studio, and Pfaff Studio!

Many classes available for garment instruction, fabric dying techniques, hand embroidery and beading embellishment, notions, threads, and battings, make and take bags, cases, pouches, and totes. Some half day classes and many one-hour lectures!

Quilting classes available for improving your binding techniques, use of UFO's, learn about making table runners, wallhangings, small quilts and minis, use of templates for quilting designs, free motion quilting fillers, and even a block party exchange!

For more information for the online listings: http://www.sewingexpo.com/Events/Arlington,T X/ClassDescriptions.aspx

#### Crafty Ideas for the QGOA Booth

Let's have a Patriotic Pincushion Challenge! Make and donate a cute patriotic pincushion and win a prize! Here's some ideas on this site:

https://sentimentalquilter.blogspot.com/20 16/07/happy-fourth-of-july.html

Thank you to Carolyn Bowden for donating walnut shells for pincushions! If you need any for the challenge, I'll share.

Check out these sites for other crafty donation ideas!!

#### Thread catcher -

http://fabrictherapy.blogspot.com/2015/02/ a-tutorial-sweetest-little-thread.html

#### Soup bowl cozy -

https://happyhourstitches.com/2016/12/19/ soup-bowl-cozy-pattern/Tutorial:

#### Coffee mug organizer wrap -

http://sewing.craftgossip.com/tutorialcoffee-mug-organizer-wrap/2015/07/24/

#### Coffee can organizer -

http://www.patternpile.com/sewingpatterns/desk-or-sewing-table-organizerpattern/

#### Pot holders -

https://www.allfreesewing.com/Dining-and-Kitchen/10-Kitchen-Projects-How-to-Make-**Potholders** 

#### Patriotic pillows -

https://awonderfulthought.com/diy-

patriotic-

pillows/?utm\_medium=social&utm\_source =pinterest&utm\_campaign=tailwind\_tribes &utm\_content=tribes

#### Bandana bowl covers -

http://www.sadieseasongoods.com/vintage -bandana-bowl-covers/

#### Teen bracelets -

http://www.homecraftsbyali.com/2017/07/e asy-tween-diy-bracelet-patriotic.html



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#### **UFO CHALLENGE**

How are you coming along with this year's **UFO** Challenge? Have you decided what you would like to try and finish each month? Are you willing to commit (in writing) to completing those chosen objects?

Please fill out a form and return the bottom half to Kara Overman. A finish can be a completed quilt top, or one that's guilted, bound, and labeled. Bring your completed UFO to a meeting and be sure I get it checked off. For each finish that is checked off in the month you listed, you will earn a fat quarter! The prizes will be delivered at the October or November meeting.

If you have any questions just ask! I look forward to seeing a lot of UFO's turned into beautiful finished quilts this year!

Kara Overman



Dear Ones: First off thanks to all of you that have made generous contributions to the children of Project Linus. These kids range from zero to eighteen. They receive a blanket or quilt or afghan to comfort them in their recovery/treatments. Linus received quilts, crochet fleece, afghans, blocks, notions, yarn (pipsqueak), embroidery thread, batting, fabric, flannel, quilt tops and backs, and that is all I remember at this moment. So, a huge thank you to all who participated. These donations are checked and distributed to the appropriate locations in the appropriate quantities.

Special thanks to Jolene Mershon, Kayleen Farrington, Cynthia Berend, Cindy Bergman, Robbie Colley, Darnell Dark (of blessed memory), Randa Dillon, Patricia Eckstrom, Janice Farris, Susan FitzGerald, Happy Johns, Judy Liston, Mary Lopes, Peggy McCormick, Janice Mowery, Carol Ramsey, Rose Redding, Ella Rushing, Debra Ware, Jan Toborsky, Rosine Barnett, and anonymous. If I have omitted your name, please forgive me. Attaching your name to your donations helps me get it right.

Lots of changes are happening this year!
Our location to meet and make our quilts is now going to be Westminster Presbyterian
Church, located 7001 Trail Lake Drive, Ft.
Worth, TX 76133. We will meet from 9:30 – 3 ish, please do not arrive before 9:30. After meeting twice a month for the past few years we are changing to ONCE A MONTH ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH BEGINNING ON MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>.

The hospitals request quilts and blankets sizes: 40 x44 for the smaller kiddos 57 x 44 for larger kids

If you are looking for a new pattern, please check online at <a href="www.projectlinus.org/patterns">www.projectlinus.org/patterns</a>. There are many patterns there for sewing, crochet, knitting. <a href="www.quiltmaker.com/projectlinus/patterns">www.quiltmaker.com/projectlinus/patterns</a> for a darling idea. Quiltmaker magazine designs a new pattern each year that is special for Project Linus. The magazine is a faithful supporter of Project Linus. Both sites have lots to see. Remember the work we do for the quild and our

community enriches us and the generations to come.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Cooper

#### SafeHaven

## Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Our first couple of months of 2018 have been great!! In January you donated 195 items and \$65. In February I had a goal of 100 pairs of socks...and 205 pairs were collected (I received 25 more at the retreat)!!! We received an additional 71 items in February and \$10. Thank you ALL for your continued generosity!

#### March is underwear month!

We will be collecting women's and children's underwear. (*All sizes*)

Immediate needs include baby bottles and sippy cups

Thank You, Cynthia Berend

#### **Volunteer Hours**

The tracking of Volunteer Hours is a means to tally total hours spent in community service by our members. The tracking of Volunteer Hours is used to justify our 501©3 IRS status as a non-profit organization.

What counts for Volunteer Hours? Just about anything that promotes quilting! Our guild has several avenues to use quilting within the community where we members can participate. Here are just a few:

Military Quilt Project, Linus Project, Ronald McDonald, Breast Cancer Awareness, Quilts for victims of disasters

## Other areas that can be logged in as Volunteer Hours:

Time served in service to the guild and guild activities

Teach friends and neighbors to quilt without monetary compensation

Making quilts for charity donations

We don't report our hours for recognition of what we do but to help our guild and our community. Just know that whatever you do for others is appreciated and we just want to celebrate our efforts together.

So, remember, please remember to report your hours each month at our guild meetings.

Thank You, Sheila Parry

Total February 2018 Volunteer Hours: 710.5

#### **Military Quilt Project (MQP)**

#### On your mark, get set, sew! Memorial Day Block-A-Thon

Thank you to all who took home block kits or other material. I will have block kits available again in March. Take home a few or make up some of your own (how about Friendship Stars in red white and blue 12" finished).

For every block turned in by the May meeting your name will go in a drawing for a prize or prizes.

If you are a finisher, completed tops or quilts are also accepted. Need fabric? I have fabric! I will bring an assortment each month or give me a call. As before there will tops in need of quilting, and quilts in need

of binding if that is your calling.

Thanks for your participation!

Cindy Bergman

#### **Guild Away Retreats**

We are happy to announce we are offering *TWO* away retreats to our guild members this year! Please visit our table at the guild meeting to sign up for one or both fun retreats!

Cactus Rose Hideaway Stephenville, TX Sunday, April 22 – Wednesday, April 25 20 plus occupancy

The great introductory price given by Annis is \$195 for the 3-night Retreat! Included in this price is a continental breakfast, dinner the first night and then full lunch and dinners with continental breakfast Monday and Tuesday. Check-in is no earlier than 10:00 am Sunday and a flexible noon checkout on Wednesday. Checkout the website for more details. www.cactusrosehideway.com

Also keep on your radar:

Greenbrier Retreat in Eustace, TX Thursday, August 2nd – Sunday, August 5th \*Cost \$318 (\*2017 price)

We hope to see you at the next guild meeting - we will be at the signup table wearing our snow caps and scarves if this weather continues!

Judy O'Polka & Sherry Livingston



#### **Cancer Care Services**

Time is flying by! How is everyone doing with the miniature quilts? We need these quilts for the show! The "Pink" challenge quilts are due at the April Guild meeting. They will be judged at the May meeting. Please make sure that you go online and fill out the appropriate forms for submission to the show. Only the "Pink" challenge quilts are due at the April meeting. All other miniature quilts are due on the date assigned by the NTQF.

I have outlined below the criteria for each of the miniature quilts.

One is called the "Pink Challenge" and this quilt must not exceed 24" on any one side. 75% of the quilt must be PINK. No block may be larger than 3" square. There must be a total of 9 blocks and can be either hand or machine quilted. The other miniature quilt challenge does not have to be pink. However, it too, must not exceed 24" on any one side. No block may be larger than 4" square. These miniature quilts must also have 9 blocks, unless it is a whole cloth or medallion style quilt and can be hand or machine quilted.

These miniature quilts will be sold at our show in June 2018. I challenge every member to make at least "1" miniature quilt.

I look forward to seeing all your amazing creations!

Nancy Shortino

## **Show and Tell!**

Presented by	Name of Quilt	Quilter	Description
Randa Dillon	Texas Two Step	Randa Dillon	This a pattern by Pat Speth "Texas Two Step" Most of the 5 inch squares are from a guild exchange several years ago. I added the brick borders to make it fit a queen sized bed. This qilt attendeed many retreats!
Elaine Grasher	Adoption Baby quilt	Elaine Grasher	Flannel top & fleece backing
Sharon Ligon	Psychedelica	Susan Corbett	An unfinished mystery quilt from several years ago. Added colorful border and stunning quilting. Voila!
Bob Ressl	Kalidascope	Bob Ressl	1st Kalidasope quilt. Summer quilt (no batting). Two tops both sides. Stripes and flowers. Kaffe Fassett, mostly all done on domestic machine
Penny Kipatrick	Zelda's Dream	Penny Kilpatrick	Fussy cut squares – pattern "evolved"- made for granddaugher
Janice Mowery	Garden Glory	Veronica Mowery	Janice attended Donna Lynn Thomas's "Garden Glory" workshop on March 12, 2012. I finished the quilting last week! :D
Veronica Mowery	Hancock BOM	Veronica Mowery	I started out learing to piece on this Hancock BoM back in 2013. I was determinded to complete all the blocks with the original fabric so I had to piece certain pieces together from Janice's scraps. I didn't have enough of the original fabric for the sashing & border, so I chose my own. I took a flower from the floral printed border and designed a quilt pattern that I randomly placed on the quilt.
Veronica Mowery	Cloud Nine	Veronica Mowery	This is a Cloud Nine pattern by Villa Rosa Designs. Janice Mowery picked up a kit from Oh Sew Cool when they were going out of business. I sarted this at October's day retreat. I quilted the Baptiste Fan design.

## Get Involved! Join a Stitch Group! Guild members are cordially invited to join a sewing group for fellowship and stitching. We have plenty of space for new members in our groups!

#### \*\*Sew-N-Sews\*\*

Meets @ Trinity United Methodist Church 1200 W Green Oaks Room A208 **1st Monday** of the month unless it is a Holiday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring your lunch and \$3 per person per meeting as a donation to the church

Contact: Randa Dillon or Carolyn Bowden

#### \*\*Jane and Friends\*\*

Meets @ Quilt Among Friends 2238 Michigan Ave. Suite A

2nd Monday of the Month 10:00-3:00

Contact: Sherry Livingston

\*\*Sew Touching-Alzheimer's Fidget Quilts\*\*

Meets @ Peggy's Quilt Studio

3rd Tuesday of the Month 10:00am-2:00pm

Bring your lunch!

Contact: Linda McPherson or Billie Brecheen

#### \*\*Etcetera Art Quilt Group\*\*

Meets @ Sew Fabricated

1st Thursday of the Month 7 p.m. to 8:30

p.m. Contact: Denny Cornett

\*\*Friendship Stitchers\*\*

Meets the **1st & 3rd Thursdays** 10:00 a.m. at First Christian Church Contact: Helga

Smith

#### \*\*The Piecemakers\*\*

Meets @ Bob Duncan Community Center **2nd & 4th Thursdays** 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Contact: Nancy Shortino-817-466-1279

## **QGOA** Meetings and Workshops

January 9	Melissa Eubanks	Trunk Show
February 13	Carol Morrissey	Lecture
March 13	Maggie Ball	Innovative Quilts, Traditional Roots
March 14	Maggie Ball	Workshop: The Bears Come Out at Nigh
April 10	David Taylor	Artistry Through Applique
April 11	David Taylor	Workshop: Pictorial Hand Applique
May 8	Member Potluck	Ronald McDonald Recognition
June 12	Cynthia Regone	Scrap Quilts
June 13	Cynthia Regone	Scrappy Quilts
July 10	Gyleen Fitzgerald	Make Mine with Scraps
July 11	Gyleen Fitzgerald	Workshop: Trash to Treasure Pineapple
August 14	Multiple Presenters	Demo Stations
Sept 11	Jolene Mershon	Lecture Trunk Show
October 9	Becky Goldsmith	A Practical Approach to Color
October 10	Becky Goldmith	Workshop: Hexie Garden Wool Applique
November 13	Jane Sassaman	Under the Influence
November 14	Jane Sassaman	Workshop: Simple Silhouettes
December 11	Members Potluck	Christmas Program

#### **Membership Dues January 1-December 31**

Guild Members 18-65 are \$30
Junior Members 12-17 are \$15
Senior Members 65-85 are \$25
Super Senior Members 85+ are FREE
Visitors are charged a fee of \$5 per meeting.

#### **QGOA Newsletter Ad Rates**

SIZE **1MO 3MO** 1 YR **1/8 PAGE** \$7.50 \$22 \$85 1/4 PAGE \$15 \$40 \$150 **1/2 PAGE** \$30 \$75 \$270 1/2 PAGE (BACK) \$40 \$105 \$378 FULL PAGE \$60 \$150 \$540

All ads must be print ready and fit the size requirement. Ads must be received by the 15th of the month prior to the desired publication month.

Email preferred. Email ad to: freitagmaria@yahoo.com

Make payments to: QGOA

Mail payments to: Maria Freitag 5506 Ceran Dr. Arlington, TX 76016

#### **Guild Refreshments**

Jan = C, T

Feb = H, V

Mar = M

Apr = S

May = Potluck (Board Desserts)

June = A, D, Z, E

Jul = G, L, O

Aug = B

Sep = F, I, J, K

Oct = N, P, R

Nov = U, W, X, Y

**Dec= Potluck (Board Desserts)** 

Snacks are provided by those whose last name begins with that letter for that month.

#### **UFO CHALLENGE**

List the project you will be finishing each month (e.g. quilt top or finished quilt) in both the top and the bottom halves of the sheet. Return the bottom half to Kara Overman.

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# You need to fill out a **Show & Tell** form in order for your quilt to be listed in the newsletter. PLEASE PRINT legibly please.

	Show and Tell	
Date:	Presented by:	
Name of Quilt:		
Maker of Quilt:		
Quilter (if different):		_
Description:		_