



The Quilting Bee

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

I've been waiting all year to say that!

December is shaping up to be a wonderful month at the guild. We will have an in person (and ZOOM) meeting with our very own, Debbie Panton and Kim Olmedo, sharing a dual trunk show! Both of these ladies are exceptional quilters. I'm really looking forward to seeing their quilts!

We will also have a MEGA Donation Table (I know it used to be free, but this past year we asked for donations to replace the brown bag income). So ... MEGA Donation Table! Come at 6pm to drop off your goodies (anything you have gleaned from your cleaning during the pandemic!! Old, new, borrowed, blue!) Shopping begins at 6:30-7. We will break for the program, and then shopping for 30 minutes after the program. Donation buckets will be set out on the tables.

Although I'm sad we couldn't have our normal pot luck dinner, I am looking forward to better days! We have planned out 2021 with wonderful speakers and several workshop, so hang in there!

See you December 8!

Debbie Hood

What's on the QGOA.ORG website?

Home Page - the Guild Quilt Along

- Home Page and Membership Page - 2021 Membership Registration. Pay online or print a form.
- Quilt Festival Page - 2021 Quilt Festival dates and info
- Community Page - info about the monthly Saturday ZOOM meeting
- Library Page (on the list at the bottom of any page) - list of books in the Guild Library
- Donation Quilt Page - purchase Donation Quilt Tickets online
- IMPORTANT!! On the Donation Quilt Page - poll to decide 2021 charity recipient for Donation Quilt. Please vote!!**
- Support button at top of Home Page - ways to support QGOA when you shop
- QGOA's monthly newsletter "The Quilting Bee" is available under the News tab.

*Our December 2020 meeting will feature a trunk show of two of our members!
Kim Olmedo and Debbie Panton !*



Kim started quilting 30 years ago when she decided to make a quilt for her first niece; and, has since, made quilts for all her nieces and nephews, as well as for many other friends and family

members. Mostly self taught, Kim particularly enjoys playing with color and fabric selection. She recently led a small group through a year-long color challenge project, taught color theory classes in a local quilt shop and won top awards in our own quilt shows.

Kim uses her sense of color and fabric selection to create stunningly, beautiful creations!



Debbie Panton is a quilt designer who likes to travel through time and space. Her quilts are either based on a story in history or have historical stories of their own. During Debbie's 31-year career as an Art and Art History teacher, in her lectures, she



would often illustrate a historical event with a quilt. She combines reproduction fabrics with antique quilt blocks and her knowledge of historical period colors and design. Debbie is the person that you would not like to take to a movie about Louisa May Alcott's book, Little Women unless you could ignore her "Tsk, tsk, tsk. That fabric was not used for another forty years." Once asked by her grandson if she enjoyed the Teen Titan movie that they had just viewed, her reply was "I didn't get most of the DC Comic jokes, but it was an interesting use of the colors pink, turquoise and black".

In Debbie's program for the QGOA, she will tell the stories of her original quilts in her presentation: An American Quilted Journey Through Time: From Abigail Adams to the Women's Right to Vote Movement.

Our 30 beautiful 2020 challenge quilts were delivered to the Ronald McDonald House of Dallas last month!!!

Much thanks goes out to the 12 members who purchased 2021 challenge fabric packets at last month's meeting!!!

Congratulations goes out to Sharon Lignon and Gayle, Elizabeth Cooper for winning the drawing for backing fabric!!!



There are 12 packets left. Members who purchase packets at the December meeting will be put into a drawing and two members will win batting. I will be prepared as early as the December meeting to collect the finished quilts. Please refer to the website for the 2021 guidelines and the 2021 entry form. Thanks, Veronica Mowery





**January 2021
Speaker
Leo Ransom!**

Leo took Home Ec in high school, found himself to be a natural with a sewing machine, and learned to piece quilts. In college, he couldn't afford fabric, so he didn't quilt again until 1998, when he made a quilt to auction at his family reunion. He started watching episodes of Simply Quilts with Alex Anderson to learn more, but became bored with traditional quilting. He attended a guild workshop that taught portraiture quilting, took a couple more classes, and the rest is history. He is now a Master Art Quilter and teaches at quilt shops around the Metroplex and surrounding areas. His lecture will include a trunk show of some of his award-winning portraiture quilts.

You might have seen his work in our 2019 Festival of Quilts!



Leo Ransom "Silhouette" Workshop

**Register for Silhouette Workshop with
Leo Ransom**

**January 13, 2021 @ Traders Village RV
Recreation Building**

Think this workshop is too hard? You choose one of Leo's patterns from 30+ patterns of people, animals and flora, see example below. You bring 1-2 light and 1-2 dark fat quarters, plus a few supplies and you are on your way! Amazing! Think of the possibilities! And, we get to check out our new workshop location. Plenty of space for social distancing, etc.



Coming in February!

Terry Mosher is a Master Quilter and winner of many awards.



QGOA's 2020 Donation Quilt



**"Friends in My Garden"
83" X 91"**

**Calling all Members!
How can you help us sell our
2020 Donation Quilt Tickets?
Post our information on
Your Social Media Sites!**

Give your friends and family the opportunity to purchase tickets and possibly win our beautiful quilt!

It's easy, just go to the qgoa.org website! Follow the link on the home, membership or donation quilt pages. Pay by credit card and we'll fill out the ticket stub and make sure they are in the drawing. We will incur shipping cost for any out-of-town winner!

Guild members are asked to please purchase \$20 of tickets.

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. The drawing will be held at our December 8th meeting.

Make sure your ticket stubs are in the drawing! Please help us spread the word!

Thank you, Amy Steinert & Susan FitzGerald

2021 Donation Quilt Charities

Please help the Guild choose the 2021 Donation Quilt charity recipient! Go to www.qgoa.org, under Donation Quilt, you will find 4 charity options to vote on. Select one and click to Vote! Amy & Susan will also take votes at the December meeting. Thanks to Joyce Clark for creating the website vote!

#1 Open Arms Health Clinic

Our mission is to provide free, quality, compassionate healthcare to individuals and families of North Texas dealing with chronic and non-emergency acute illnesses, who have barriers to accessing healthcare, by promoting wellness and providing physical, emotional, and spiritual care in a loving, nurturing environment. The faith-based nonprofit clinic is staffed by volunteer professionals and 100% funded by grants and donations.

#2 SafeHaven

Our mission is to end domestic violence through safety, support, prevention and social change. Established through the 2006 merger of The Women's Shelter and Women's Haven, SafeHaven's shelters have served domestic violence victims in Fort Worth, Arlington and the surrounding areas for almost four decades. As the oldest and largest Tarrant County organization providing services at no cost to domestic violence victims and their children, SafeHaven helps women rebuild their lives and move from fear to freedom.

#3 Mission Arlington®/Mission Metroplex®

A faith-based organization which utilizes hundreds of volunteers and a multitude of services to assist people with their physical, intellectual, emotional, and spiritual needs. Our current ministries for Children and Youth, Healthcare, Spiritual Help and Crisis Intervention work together to help every family and each person who comes our way.

#4 Arlington Urban Ministries

A faith-based organization, provides emergency assistance for utilities, rent and food for those in crisis in the Arlington community. AUM will empower clients by providing support, education and resources to improve their long-term financial stability.

Dear Ones, here we are almost at the end of this memorable year with great hopes for the coming year. The directors of this chapter of project Linus had a drive through/drop off since we are not able to meet regularly. It was a super day with lots of donations. And our directors had some things put together for the blanketers to take home and construct.

So far this month a big thanks goes to Judy Liston, Randa Dillon, Jane Owens, Veronica Mowery, Pat Hall, Pat Owens, Charlotte Humphrey, Kayleen Farrington, Robbie Colley, Dottie Hughes, Janice Mowery, Ruth Callahan, Nancy Spell, Denny Cornett, Bobbie Hawkins, Phyllis Borton, Judy o'Polka, Rose Kauhane, Lana, Montie, Cynthia Berend, Ella Rushing, Gloria Speakman, Friendship Stitchers, and anyone I may have not mentioned. Please forgive.

FYI: at the drive/thru drop off Project Linus received from our quilters (from the guild and from AWC), The collectors were awed with the amount. Everyone has been spending their time wisely. There was a sweet afghan, batting, teddy bears, fleece blankets with lovely edging, bags of fabrics and bags of scraps, and get ready....97 completed quilts, and thirty odd sewn tops ready to sandwich and quilt. Incredible!!! Already received a note with some show and tell admiring the quilters skill and creativity.

Please check past newsletters for measurements and websites with new patterns, or contact me. Remember the work we do for our guild and our community enriches us and generations to come. Sincere thanks, Your Linus rep. Elizabeth Cooper

We received the following email from the Linus Project group

“We haven't been able to have 'Show and Tell' for a long time now. So here's an attempt at a digital one. The Arlington Quilt Guild made a bunch of 'string' quilts for us in the last few months and Liz brought them to our drive-by the other day. There were about 30 of them and every one is different. It's kinda hard to tell from the little pictures -- but they are also very scrappy. Each one seems like it has hundreds of pieces in it. They're all machine quilted -- and most of them have bindings that were put on by hand. Works of art almost. Anyway -- they're beautiful -- and pretty cool -- so I thought you'd like to see some of them. Mary Ann”



2020 Military Quilt Project Time to show off those Quilts !

Thank you to all who donated quilts for our Military personnel this year. I collected 15 quilts at the November meeting and had all ready received 4. There was a member, sorry I did not get your name, who showed 3 quilts made by students at school that were to be presented to veterans at their school program. Yea! we made our goal of 22, in recognition of the 22 Veterans who lose their battle to suicide each day.

This may be a long winter. Lucky for us quilters we have so many opportunities to use our gift for others. If you want to start a quilt for next year pick something you love, or repeat this one. It was fun and easy and there were many ways to arrange it. I have fabric that was donated to the Military Quilt Project. Lots of branch specific pieces some great scrap for string quilts. If you need some for a donation quilt give me a call.

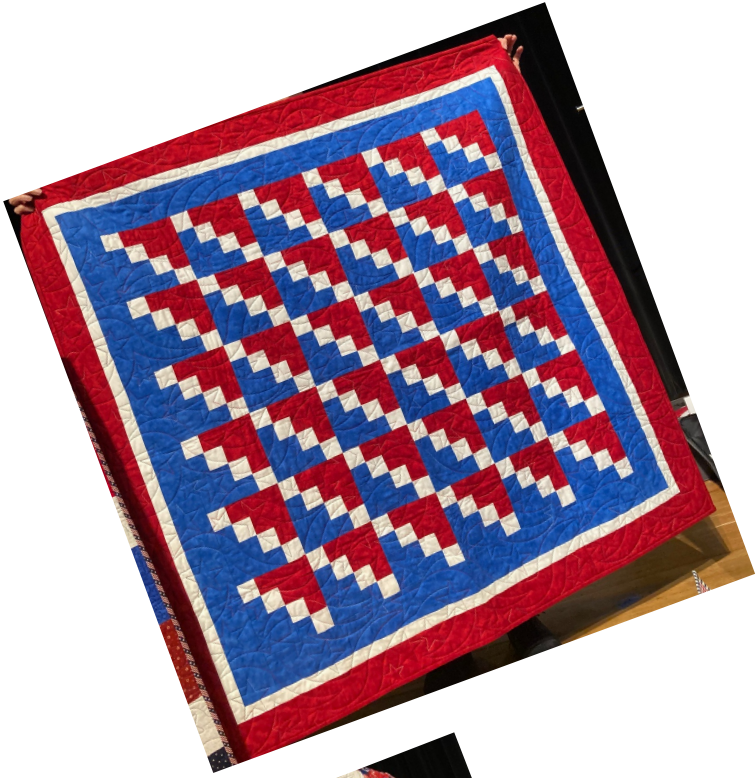
Size Requirement 55 x 65 to 72 x 90,
ideal size 55 x 65

If you have made a top and are unable to quilt it, we have a few wonderful longarm quilters that will help with a few. Many hands make light work.

Thank you everyone!!
Cindy Bergman



2020 Military Quilt Project



Show and Tell

Please remember to fill out a Show & Tell form so we can recognize you and your quilt in the newsletter. PLEASE PRINT legibly.

Presented by	Name of Quilt	Quilter	Description
Cindy Bergman	I've Got Time		Seems other things kept coming up and I would set this aside thinking "I've got time"
Dottie Hughes	Christmas Tree	Monica Derr (daughter)	Machine Applique from a kit
Dottie Hughes	Athletic Theme	Monica Derr (daughter)	Hand Embroidered, started in 2012
Dottie Hughes	Jingles BOM	Monica Derr (daughter)	Took a class in 2016 at Quilt Among Friends. Entered in 2020 State Fair and got 2nd place in 2 person quilts!!
Charlotte Humphrey	Walk About Pattern		Walk About pattern done in Christmas fabric.
Charlotte Humphrey	Scrappy		Very scrappy Drunkard's Path type quilt. Has been an ongoing project for several years.
Debra Ware	Less Ugly by the Cut	Phyllis Borton	Bonnie Hunter says "if the fabric is still ugly...you have't cut it small enough yet!" Quilt is made with 2"x 3.5" blocks
Sheila Parry	Baby Yoda		This is a quilt for a friend's daughter who loves Baby Yoda. The pattern is a 3 yard quilt from fabric Café with an extra border. It was super easy to make!
Veronica Mowery			This is a Dizzy Lizzy pattern my Abbey Lane quilts. This was one of the quilts Janice started me with back in 2013.
Randa Dillon	Twist & Shout		This is a Pat Speth Nickell quilt pattern. The spinners are made from 5 in. squares we traded in the guild 8-10 years ago. A retreat project.
Randa Dillon	Walk About the Flower Garden		Walk About quilt pattern. This was a retreat project.

October 2020 QGOA VOLUNTEER HOURS

It's no surprise that many of our members have been using their quarantine time to benefit others. Many of those who were able to attend the in person meeting reported their hours devoted to making Linus and/or RMD quilts, making items for the guild booth and donating time for SafeHaven, totaling nearly 2500 hours. There are a number of names I didn't see on the log sheets, so we know there are many more unreported hours as well. If you've kept track of your free time spent on activities for the guild or to benefit one of the several charitable groups we support, you can send an email to me at irishrose102003@yahoo.com identifying # of hours and activities. We record these hours to support our tax standing as a non-profit. Thanks to the following members for their reported time: Maria Freitag, Joyce Clark, Lisa Shoemaker, Debbie Hood, Jane Owens, Judy Liston, Randa Dillon, Charlotte Humphrey, Cynthia Berend, Kayleen Farrington, Debra Ware, Elizabeth Cooper, Sharon Ligon, Lea Bailey, Christine Weiss.

Know that what you do for others is greatly appreciated and makes our community a better place. *Christine Weiss*

Celebrating YOU in December!!

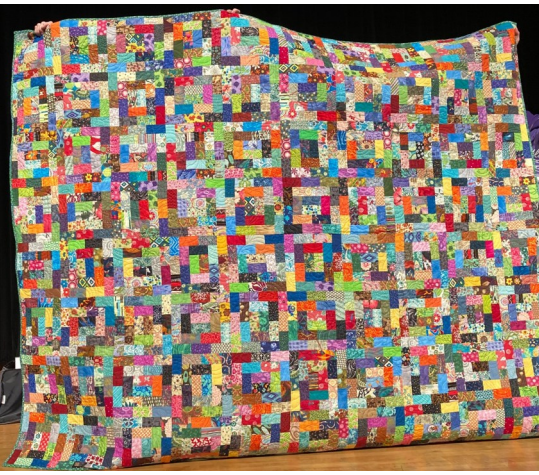
We will be including (if you told us yours) birthdays in our newsletters. Don't worry, they will not have specific dates as I would like to keep your personal information out in the web to a minimum!
Just a birth month along with the names for that month will be published.

Cindy Bergman
Debbie Boice
Barbara Cain
Linda Corbin
Kayleen Farrington
Katie Favara
Tina A. Griffith
Rose Kauhane
Gayle Krengel
Vicki Mannell

Frances G. Martinez
Jolene Mershon
Kim Olmedo
Kay Olson
James Shimek
Lisa Shoemaker
Madeline Griffit
Linda Heiskell
Debby Rake

**Second Saturday sew along (virtual)
each month from 9am-3pm. Look for
the ZOOM link the day before the
second Saturday.**

Show n' Tell





It is coming...

NORTH TEXAS QUILT FESTIVAL

August 19-21, 2021

Irving Convention Center

Theme: *Sing your Song in Fabric*

We need you to enter your quilts! We have had some extra at home time lately so hopefully you have had time to work on some entries.

Quilts of all styles and sizes (Less that 90 inches though) are needed. There is even a theme category.

We also need miniatures for the mini auction. Linda McPherson has done a fabulous job with this for a few years and she is doing it again. Yea!!!

Kathy Hester and Lea Bailey are collecting items for the guild booth. We have had great results the last two years and look forward to 2021. Here is a big thank you to Kathy and Lea.

If you have questions just contact me. My contact info is in the directory.

Randa Dillon and Christine Weiss

Your NTQF committee representatives

Check out the Original Sewing and Quilt Expo website at

www.sewingexpo.com. You will see Covid-19 protocols, online classes they are currently offering and you can even shop the vendors.

Randa Dillon and Christine Weiss

Your NTQF committee representatives

Quilt Guild Booth for 2021

As you're making gifts for Christmas, why not make one or two or three extra for the Quilt Guild's booth? Plans are to have a booth to sell homemade items to raise funds for our budget at next summer's quilt show. Your contributions are greatly needed and appreciated. ***We are collecting items NOW (so they won't be in your way) and will be doing so at each of our general meetings.*** These items can be tax deductible. If you've finished one of the items you took a kit for this past spring or summer, we'll gladly accept those items as well. Contact Kathy Hester (817-994-8718) or Lea Bailey (817-845-3744) if you have questions. Here's just a few of the items recently turned in.



2021 Ronald McDonald House (RMH) Quilts Challenge



2021 Guidelines are the same as 2020.

In 2021 there are two types of Ronald McDonald House Quilts Challenges:

Ronald McDonald House Challenge Fabric Quilt Guidelines

- ♥ This challenge fabric is donated by Quilt Among Friends. Please take opportunities to thank them for their sponsorship.
- ♥ Packet containing the challenge fabric is \$5. The quilt maker who uses this fabric and turns the quilt in before or at the June 2021 guild meeting will receive a \$5 gift card from Quilt Among Friends.
- ♥ Quilts must use a recognizable amount of the challenge fabric in the quilt.
- ♥ Maker may use any other coordinating fabrics.
- ♥ The quilt must be washable and have no buttons or similar items attached that could be accidentally swallowed by young children.
- ♥ Finished quilts must be at least 50 inches on each side.

******Quilts must have an entry form and turned in before or at the June 2021 guild meeting.** Labels are optional. You do not need to add a sleeve.

Entries will be displayed at the October guild meeting and members will vote on them for ribbons.

Ronald McDonald House (non-challenge fabric) Quilt Guidelines

- ♥ To be donated to Ronald McDonald House any fabric may be used.
- ♥ The quilt must be washable and have no buttons or similar items attached that could be accidentally swallowed by young children.
- ♥ Finished quilts must be at least 50 inches on each side.

******Quilts must have an entry form and turned in before or at the June 2021 guild meeting.** Labels are optional. You do not need to add a sleeve.

Entries will be displayed at the guild meeting and members will vote on them for ribbons.

Packets are available at the general meetings beginning in November 2020.

For more information regarding RMH Ft Worth: <http://www.ftworthrmh.org>.

Ronald McDonald House . . . providing a “home-away- from-home” for families with seriously ill children who travel to Fort Worth for pediatric medical care.