



# The Quilting Bee

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## President's Message

Well, here we are in 2021! I don't quite know what to say! Let's hope it's a good one!

Even though 2020 offered us a lot of challenges, we are still strong with dedicated board members and guild members. Thanks to all of you who have stepped up at one time or another to help out.

We had a wonderful meeting in December. Kim and Debbie presented excellent programs! We had the MEGA donation table which made almost \$700! We ZOOMED and we met in person. We gave the 2020 quilt away to Vicki Best and we revealed the 2021 quilt! It was all good!

The Guild starts out 2021 with a great speaker and workshop opportunity with Leo Ransom. It's not too late to sign up. FYI - no sewing machine required!

Don't forget to mail in your dues or post them online at the website. (Only paid members will receive directories, emails, and Zoom links.)

I hope to see all of you soon!

It's been too long!

Happy New Year!

Debbie Hood



**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.



### 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](mailto: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*

**Sunshine and Shadow** reports that Carolyn Troupe has a broken elbow. No further information was given!

Kathy Longstreet had surgery on December 17. We wish a speedy recovery to Carolyn and Kathy.

Shelly Uggen's husband, Willis Uggen passed away Sunday, 12-20-2020. A private family only grave side ceremony will be held at the Dallas-Ft. Worth National Cemetery.

They will have a Celebration of Life party to honor his life after the threat of the Covid-19 has passed.

### Hear ye! Hear ye!

A big thank you to all members who have made a President's Block for Tammy Reidy!

For all those who still need to turn in blocks, please see Elizabeth Cooper or Debbie Hood at the January meeting.

### ***President's Block***

Debbie Hood has chosen a block for her 2021 President's Block. It's called "Tiny Houses".

Replay: Create a tiny house quilt block with Jenny and Misty from Missouri Star. Streamed on YouTube 2/26/19. This is a great demo.

<https://youtu.be/G1vn043LV50>

***Please use Christmas fabric to make your house block.*** Dimension are listed below:

***Block is 6" x 4.5" unfinished***

Sides – 2" x 3"

Top – 1.5" x 4.5"

Door – 1.5" x 3"

Roof – 2.5" x 4.5" (corners for snowballing 2.5" x 2.5")

This is such a fun pattern. During this long winter's break, let's all start making some tiny houses.

Happy New Year,  
Kayleen Farrington  
President's Block

## 2021 Donation Quilt

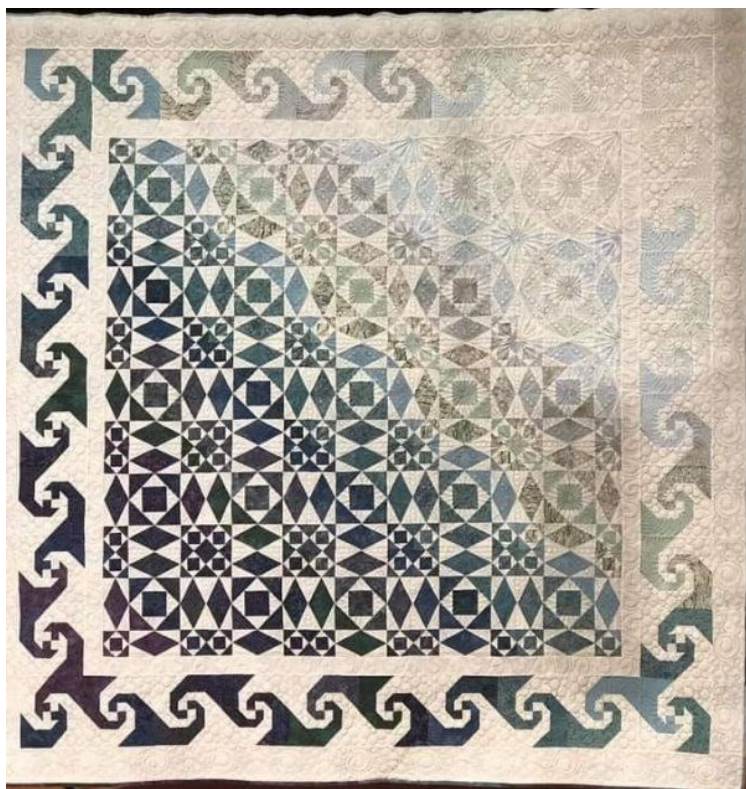
Each year QGOA has a quilt made by members of the Guild. The Guild sells tickets for a chance to win this quilt, with funds raised benefiting QGOA and a local charity. Tickets are now on sale for \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. You can purchase tickets via mail by sending a check to QGOA at PO Box 13232, Arlington, TX 76094, or online at the link below. We guarantee stubs will be filled out and added to the drawing. The drawing will be held December 14, 2021, you need not be present to win. We will incur shipping cost for an out-of-town winner.

Please click [here](#) to order Donation Quilt Tickets.



Congratulations to our very own Vickie Best! Her name was drawn as our 2020 Donation Quilt "Friends in My Garden" winner!

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets!



**2021 Donation Quilt  
"Tidal Transitions" (85" X 85")**

A Storm at Sea quilt has always been on Kim Olmedo's bucket list. Designing this year's quilt was a good opportunity for her to create one and to play with color. Kim started it several months into Covid-19, that "storm" was always on her mind, as she and everyone else has tried to stay focused on a brighter future.

The quilt was pieced by Kim Olmedo, Sharon Ligon, Debbie Pantan. Quilted by Pat Madrid.

## December 2020 Golden Spool Winner

**Maria Freitag was selected as the Golden**



**Spool recipient at our December, 2020 meeting! Maria's noteworthy contributions to the Guild include morale building, hospitality and community**

**outreach. In addition to doing a great job on our newsletter, Maria is always positive and encouraging, celebrating the achievements of others.**

**Congratulations, Maria!**

**--Carol Hoes**



## Safehaven January 2021

Happy New Year Quilters! I feel like I have crossed the finish line of a never-ending race. I hope you and yours are well and safe.

I am back as your SafeHaven Coordinator. Thank you so much for all of the overflowing shower caddies many of you contributed in November. I also took a carload of donations in December. I am taking our donations to Berry Good Buys in Fort Worth now. Our donations go to the shelter needs. I asked about Arlington and they told me some donations go there too.

**For the month of January, I would like you to bring socks.**

**"Sock it to me" please!**  
Women, children and misc.

socks would be greatly appreciated. We still collect the toiletries and any other items you think someone in a shelter could use. If you can't bring your items to a meeting, please consider sending something from the SafeHaven Amazon wish list. [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3GBNP4T0T55G?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3GBNP4T0T55G?ref=wl_share)

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As always, thank you for your kindness and generosity! Cynthia Berend



Congratulations goes out to Cynthia Berend and Amy Steinert for winning the December drawing for the batting incentive!!!

There are 9 packets left.

Email me at [veronica\\_mowery@yahoo.com](mailto:veronica_mowery@yahoo.com) if you are attending the meetings via Zoom and would like me to mail you a packet.

I will be collecting finished quilts now until May.

Please refer to the website for the 2021 guidelines and the 2021 entry form.

Thanks, Veronica Mowery



### **2021 Miniature Auction Calling all QGOA members!!!**

I am calling all QGOA members to use their creative talents to make a miniature quilt for our auction at the quilt show for 2021. Since we were unable to have a show in 2020, we are encouraging people to give us their best shot at making a mini for our auction. Rules are simple, and located on our QGOA.ORG website under the heading of [Quilt Festival](#). If you chose to do a Cancer mini, you now have several more colors to pick from that will depict the type of cancer you wish to represent. You now have choices so please let your creative juices flow and make us proud!! You will have to register your mini on the Festival website but there is no charge for the entry. Each entry can either be slated to benefit Cancer Care or the guild – your choice! I am sure we will be held to a maximum number of mini's but we will accept all and put the overflow into our guild booth for sale. Please call me with any questions and REMEMBER, try to stick to the guidelines as that makes it easier for all that enter. I am looking forward to an awesome collection of mini's.

Thanks so much.

Linda McPherson 817-675-1971 - Cell





WOW!! We've made it through to the new year. May we all be safe and well. There will be a project Linus drop off this month, if you have anything for the kids please let me know. I can get them from you at a meeting or can pick them up from you without up close contact. When we resume we will meet at Westminster Presbyterian on Trail Lake in Fort Worth. Project Linus is happy to receive quilts, quilt tops, quilt blocks, quilting notions, batting, binding, fabric in yardage and in pieces, if you are doing any rearranging or clearing out, please consider donating your discards to Linus. There are kits available if you need something to work on, just get in touch with me.

This month the words of thanks go to Randa Dillon, Quilt Among Friends, Judy Liston, Kayleen Farrington, Dottie Hughes, Robbie Colley, Pat Owens, Veronica Mowery, Nancy Spell, Rose Kauhane, Janice Mowery, Jolene Mershon, Phyllis Borton, Bobbie Hawkins, Judy O'Polka, Debbie Hood, Susan FitzGerald, Peggy McCormick, Libby McDuffy, Cindy Bergman, Janice Farris, Debra Ware, and others. Thanks for attaching your name to your donations, it simplifies things!

**Quick reminder: the hospitals prefer as a minimum smaller quilts 40 X 44. And for big kids : 57 X 44.** These kids have so much to deal with yet are so courageous. And that includes their parents and other family . Their job is such a challenge and all we do is create these quilts (which we love to do). Wishing that some day all these kids will have some inkling of the passion and empathy that created their quilt of comfort. And our challenge is shop, select a pattern, cut, sew, bind and the gift is ready to give.

Please remember the work we do for our guild and our community enriches us and generations to come.

Sincere thanks to you all, and a Happy New Year!  
Elizabeth

## Door Prize Collection

I want to thank the countless number of members who donated items for our door prizes for the last two years. It has been my pleasure to put those together and present them at the meetings. I am turning this job over the **Charlotte Humphrey**.

If you are still cleaning out your "stash" of stuff and come across projects that you never finished, hunks of fabric that now does not go with your house, thread that you purchased but never opened and can't remember what quilt you bought it for, pairs of scissors you bought because they were on sale and got them home and realize you already have some just like them. Or if you go out shopping and just feel like getting something to donate, please get that stuff to Charlotte. I am sure she will do a great job!

Happy New Year to everyone!  
Gayle Kregel

### 2021 Military Quilt Project

This may be a long winter. Lucky for us we quilters have so many opportunities to use our gift for others. If you want to start a quilt pick something you love, or repeat the one we just had. It was fun and easy and there were so 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 fabric for a donation quilt give me a call.

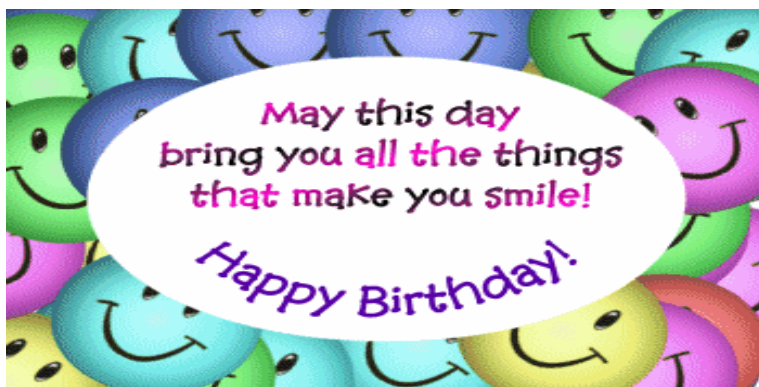
**Size Requirements: 55 x 65 to 72 x 90, ideal size 55 x 65**

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.

## 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
Sheila Parry	Courageous Women of Texas	Machine embroidery by Betty Hancock	Theme quilt entry and blue ribbon winner at the 2020 State Fair of Texas. Theme was celebrating Texas Icons. I chose ten women from early Texas history to highlight
Dottie Hughes	Valor Stars BOM 2010	Monica Derr	Members of AWGA made the squares and I sewed them together. The quilt will go to the military
Charlotte Humphrey	Sam's Planes		"Walk About" pattern. My 14yo grandson has been interested in WWII history (especially the planes) since he was little. He will like the planes on this fabric with the realistic designs from that era.
Charlotte Humphrey	Child's Reading pillow		This is for my youngest great grandson Peyton, he will be 1 on Dec.26 This will be for Christmas or Birthday. I have made one for all of my great grandkids!
Lisa Shoemaker	Sea Glass		I have made these sea glass minis for my mother and sister for Christmas
Randa Dillon	Circle of Stars		I participated in a red & white fat quarter swap and Circle of Stars is the result. I entered this in the Creative Arts competition at the 2020m State Fair of Texas. It was awarded 2nd place in the Patchwork Category.
Randa Dillon	Sewing Machine Collage		One of my pandemic projects. Sewing machine collage pattern by Laura Heine.
Patsy Martin	Dad's Silk Ties		Spool mini quilt for my three siblings
Tammy Reidy	My Witchy Friends	Veronica Mowery	I found this witch Sun Bonnet Sue pattern. Cindy Bergman, Elaine Grasher, and I exchanged 3 blocks each. We wanted something of each other's in our houses.
Tammy Reidy	Donation Strip Quilt Snowball Express	Cindy Bergman	Friendship Stitchers group did a challenge for Donation strip quilts for Project Linus Snowball Express. This is my quilt. Better late than never!
Elizabeth Cooper	Seafood	Phyllis Borton	5 1/2" blocks to make the sea and appliquéd the seafood.
Elizabeth Cooper	Alphabet Soup		I am learning to machine quilt. I think it went pretty well!



### Celebrating YOU in January!!


Lisa Bradshaw  
 Patricia Shelton  
 Billie Brecheen  
 Mona Landers  
 Barbara Watkins  
 Randa Dillon  
 Anne Jones  
 Debbie Myers  
 Judy O'Polka  
 Patricia Bradford

Patsy Martin  
 Ann Barnes  
 Carla Roberson  
 Debbie Lohden  
 Edith Jenkins  
 Colette Wong  
 Barbara Williams  
 Julie Schmidt



**Second Saturday  
 sew along (virtual)  
 each month from  
 9am-  
 3pm.**

**Look for the ZOOM link  
 the day before the  
 second Saturday.**



# Show n' Tell





Get Ready...

# 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](http://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 Show Booth 2021

When you have a spare moment (now that all the holiday quilts are completed), why not make a few items for the guild's booth at the upcoming summer quilt show? The items sold benefit the guild and provide a big part of our budget for programming. Need some ideas? Browse the Pinterest page that's been set up. Click on this link to view. <https://www.pinterest.com/lbailey695/quilt-guild-booth-ideas/> If you'd like to add "pins" to the board, contact Lea Bailey ([lbailey695@gmail.com](mailto:lbailey695@gmail.com)) to be added to pinner for this board.

We are collecting items at each guild meeting. So, feel free to bring any items you have ready to our January meeting. Here are some items turned in at the December meeting. Any questions?? Contact Lea Bailey (817-845-3744) or Kathy Hester (817-563-0000).

*Planning ahead*—we'll be having a pot holder challenge in the spring. Be looking for an enticing, unique, or functional design that you can make up to participate.

Details are forthcoming.

