



The Quilting Bee

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President's Message

So long, farewell. . . This is my last newsletter as president! It has been a challenging (yet wonderful) experience! I couldn't have done it without a delightful board to support me! I appreciate all that they have done to make our guild successful. Although I won't be your president, I'm not going anywhere! So see you in the funny papers!

Debbie Hood

QGOA Winter Day Retreat January 20, 21, and 22

For: QGOA Members

When: January 20, 21, and 22
Thursday, Friday, 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Saturday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Where: Lamar Baptist Church,
1000 W Lamar Blvd, Arlington, TX
76012

Cost: **\$50 per person**

Fees must be paid with registration

Happy Birthday December!

Cheryl Wilcox
Linda Corbin
Jolene Mershon
Kay Olson
Lisa Shoemaker
Barbara Cain
Frances Martinez
Rose Kauhane

Kim Olmedo
Marilyn Christensen
Cindy Bergman
Debbie Boice
Vicki Manell
Susan FitzGerald
Tina Griffith
Wanda Pedersen

Due to COVID we are not having our usual potluck dinner at our December meeting. However, you are encouraged to bring your own dinner and beverage for yourself. The Board will be providing individually wrapped desserts and bottled water.

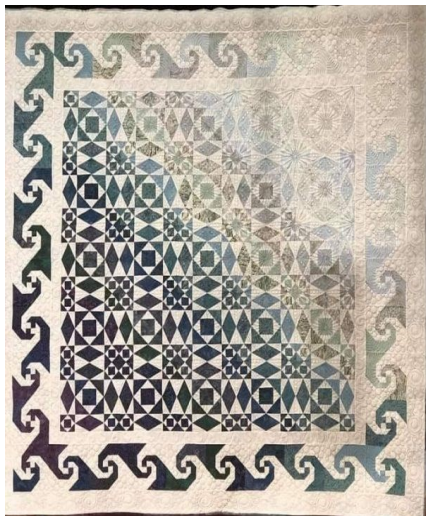
Kayleen Farrington,
Hospitality

2021 NTQF 2ND PLACE WINNER!

"Tidal Transitions"

(85" X 85")

Donation Quilt



Extra, Extra, Read
all about it!
Ticket Stubs need
to be turned in to
win the quilt!
Drawing at next
meeting!

Let's do a last
minute social
media blast!
Please cut and
paste the following

information and post on your social media
sites. Offer your friends and family the
opportunity to purchase tickets to
win this beautiful quilt.

A Storm at Sea quilt was pieced by Kim
Olmedo, Sharon Ligon,
Debbie Pantan. Quilted by Pat Madrid.
We won a Second Place Ribbon in the North
Texas Quilt Festival.

You can purchase tickets with a credit card
on our website! We guarantee stubs will be
filled out with your information and entered
in the drawing!

Tickets are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. You can buy
tickets via mail by sending a check to QGOA
at PO Box 13232, Arlington, TX 76094, or by
credit card via our
online website at the link below

<https://qgoa.org/product/donation-quilt-affle-tickets/>.

The drawing will be held December 14,
2021, need not be present to win.
Benefiting Open Arms Charity.

BLOCK PARTY!!!

As you know, we will be giving our President
Blocks to Debbie Hood at the December
meeting.

If you have already made some for her, THANK
YOU VERY MUCH.

If you would like to make some more, then GO
FOR IT!

And if you have yet to make any, don't worry,
there is still time to do so! You can turn them in
at the December meeting.

The pattern is called "Tiny Houses" and can be
found on our website.

That's qgoa.org/block-party

Debbie has requested the block be made from
Christmas material!

Again, Thank you for all the President's Blocks
and thank you for all you do for the Quilters
Guild of Arlington!

Sincerely, Kayleen Farrington

Block Party

It's time to renew your QGOA Membership.

It's a little different this year because
we are changing our membership year
to July 1st – June 30th. You have a
choice. You can pay for a SIX months
membership, January 1st – June 30th,
2022, and then renew your member-
ship again for a full year in May or
June 2022.

OR, You can pay for an 18 month
membership, January 1 – June 30,
2023, and not renew again until spring
2023. Both options are listed on the
new Membership Form. Contact Phyllis
Borton if you have any questions at
bortonpb@reagan.com or call/text at
214-364-4717.

[Click for Membership form](#)

It's with a sad heart that I tell you we lost mom, Sandy Boice last night (Nov 27). She passed a little after 11pm. She's in a better place and bossing my dad and sister around. I will keep you updated as to funeral plans. She loved being a part of Friendship Stitchers. Keep us in your prayers. ~ Debbie Boice



Ella Rushing a long time member, is experiencing some health issues. She has a skin cancer growth that needs to be removed. She will possibly have surgery December 2, I think. Please keep her and her daughter in their prayers, and/or send her a card. ~ Liz Cooper

Quilt Guild Booth Sewing Group

A group of about 8 of us meets most months to work on projects to be sold in the guild's booth at the quilt show and other venues. We focus on a particular project to sew for inventory. We have room for a few more on the 4th Thursday mornings of most months. If you'd be interested in joining us, please contact Lea Bailey for more details. Next meeting is January 27, 2022.

The QGOA **Friendship Stitchers** group has started an unusual Quilt Along - it is a Round Robin, but each member works on their own quilt!

Each month, a name is drawn to call what the next border on the quilt will be, ie curves, half square triangles, etc. The quilts are so very different and unique. We're having a lot of fun with this, thank you Jolene Mershon for getting us going on this challenge. The Friendship Stitchers group is a great group of fun ladies. We meet at the First Christian Church, 910 S. Collins, Arlington on the 1st and 3rd Thursday's at 10 am.
Sherry Livingston

Quilters' Guild of Arlington has many active **Stitch Groups** that meet at many locations. These groups are designed for quilters of all skill levels, from beginner to advanced, to get together to work on quilt projects, share in their quilting experiences, and have a good time. All of the stitch groups gladly welcome new members. Please contact the individual stitch group representative, shown below, in person at our next meeting to get more detailed information.

Sew-N-Sews

Meets @ Trinity United Methodist Church
1200 W Green Oaks, Room A208

1st Mon. of the month

(unless a holiday) @ 10 am – 3 pm

Bring your lunch and \$3 per person per meeting as a donation to the church.

Contact: Randa Dillon or Carolyn Bowden

Felted Wool Gathering

Meets @ Quilt Among Friends, Arlington

2nd Monday of the month @ 1030 am – 3 pm

Bring 2 canned goods for food pantry.

Contact: Sherry Livingston

Etcetera Art Quilt Group

Meets @ Quilt Among Friends

2238 Michigan Ave., Arlington

1st Thursday of the month @ 7 pm

Bring 2 canned goods for food pantry.

Contact: Denny Cornett

Friendship Stitchers

Meets @ First Christian Church, Arlington

1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 10 am

Contact: Helga Smith

Piecemakers

Meets @ Bob Duncan Community Center

2nd & 4th Thursdays @ 6 pm – 10 pm

Contact: Debra Ware

The Sewcial Bee

Meets @ 1836 Rhinevalley Drive 76012

4th Tuesday of the month @ 630 pm

Bring a project or a show-and-tell!

Contact: Debbie Hood

My Featherweight

Meets @ Quilt Among Friends

2238 Michigan Ave., Arlington

3rd Friday of the month @ 10 am

Bring 2 canned goods for food pantry.

Contact: Debbie Boice

SafeHaven December 2021

Hope all of you had a wonderful holiday and were able to share with family and friends! Hard to believe this is my last article.

I am so grateful for each and every one of you most generous guild members! My years as the SafeHaven representative have been rewarding for me. Thank you! There will be someone new taking my place as the SafeHaven coordinator. Please continue to support this worthwhile charity!

This month we are collecting toilet paper.

*Stay safe, healthy and happy!
Cynthia Berend*



Dear Guys and Gals: Its been a lovely month. There were such huge donations, I made Three deliveries to our chair people. We received not only quilts, tops, backs, batting, fabric, random blocks, and notions, but we received bolts of flannel, bolts of fabric, and bolts of fleece. Then we received boxes of patterns and kits for blocks of the month, more fabric and other things. Again I am sad to report that Project Linus has not been able to meet in person to sew or assemble quilts for two years now. All your donations have been delivered and amazed the lovely ladies that store, separate and distribute all the donations.

Project Linus would like to thank Cheryl Hunker, Judy Liston, Pat Hall, Sarah Munoz, Barb Cain, Joyce Clark, Kayleen Farrington, Lana Ogden, Cynthia Berend, Jill Matyastik, Debbie Hood, Jolene Mershon(the kit Fairy), Phyllis Borton (Quilting Queen), Joan Gregory, Janice Mowery (Fleece Fairy), David Mowery(Flannel Fairy), Debra Ware, Susan FitzGerald, Ella Rushing, Elizabeth Carr, Eileen Watson, Nancy Spell (Polka Dot Princess), Randa Dillon, Tammy Reidy, Sherry Livingston, Patricia Eckstrom and anonymous.

The hospitals request kid sizes 44 X 40 and for bigger kiddos 44 X 57 as a minimum. Thanks so much for helping Tarrant County kids needing a blanket of comfort.

PS I made a discovery!!!! I may be the last to know this, but I didn't have my applique shield that prevents sticking to unwanted surfaces and thought GEE, when I bake cookies I use Parchment Paper for that purpose, and surprise!!! IT WORKED. I used one sheet on top and one on the bottom. If you have such a need that it works for you. And it is really cheap.

All be safe and healthy. For Linus, Elizabeth.

2021 Military Quilt Project

Thank you to everyone who donated a quilt this year for our Military Quilt Project. This year I have collected 11 quilts and 12 fleece blankets with crocheted edges.

Next month I will share the delivery with you. If you are ready to get started on next year's quilt and need fabric or would like to finish some block sets give me a call.

Next year if you would like to donate your quilt through the Quilts of Valor program we have a contact within our guild that can help you do so.

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.

Cindy Bergman

Book Club Update

We met in November to review the Women's March and it was a great discussion, even for those who didn't get a chance to read the book. Discussion about how long, and hard those women ancestors worked to get the vote for all of us, and how important it is that we all use our voting privilege.

We had asked that each member come with the names of one or two books that we could add to our schedule. Following is the whittled down list of those recommendations. You can plan ahead and get some books from the library, or download eBooks and join us for any or all of the discussions! We'll add to this planned list month to month so suggest your favorites.

December: The Christmas Quilt by Jennifer Chiaverini. Please bring picture books on quilts to share. These could be children's books or adult. I'm bringing The Quiltmaker's Gift.

January: After the Storm by Cary Flanagan. Great story based on life of quilt designer Hannah Applegate Benson Stone. This may be hard to find. Email Christine if you want to be on a list to pass this copy around.

February: The Sewing Machine by Natalie Fergie. Very moving story that spans 100 years in the Singer sewing machine foundry in Scotland.

March: Birds in the Air by Francis O'Roarke Dowell. Marianne Fons calls Birds in the Air "a truly enjoyable read" about "the power of quilts to connect, heal, and restore the soul..."

April: The Quilt by Gary Paulsen.

May: The Forgotten Seamstress by Liz Trenow.

Contact Phyllis Borton or Christine Weiss with questions.

Free to a Good Home:

I have a complete embroidery set for a Janome 9000 machine. This has never been used, never even out of the boxes. It includes hoops, patterns on CDs and all of the hardware. I would be happy for someone to be able to use it as my Janome has bit the dust and it will cost too much to fix it. I will bring it to the December meeting, but if you definitely want it, please call me and arrange to pick it up. I ask only that you make a suitable gift to the Guild donation jar in return.

Christine Weiss 817-680-0680

Quilt Guild Booth Sales

At our last guild meeting we made \$530 at the booth's half price sale! Hopefully that helped your Christmas shopping out a bit. Our product sales (no t shirts or raffle tickets) from all the various events for the quilt guild booth amount to a little over \$3300 for 2021. Thank you for your support at the booth sales at last month's meeting and for all of 2021!

Mark your calendar!



Cactus Rose Spring Away Retreat 2022

**Sunday, March 20 -
Wednesday, March 23**

**We will start taking registrations
at our January meeting!**

QUILTERS' GUILD OF ARLINGTON

MEMBERSHIP FORM

You have a choice for Membership Renewal.

Pay for SIX Months: January – June 30, 2022

OR Pay for 18 Months: Jan 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell # _____

Email address: _____

Birth date (month/day) _____

Membership Option for SIX Months: January 1 – June 30, 2022

() Members (Ages 18 - 64) \$15 _____

() Seniors (Ages 65 - 79) \$12.50 _____

() Honorary Members (80 +) 0 _____

() Junior Members (Ages 12 - 17) \$ 7.50 _____

TOTAL DUE _____

Cash _____ Check # _____ Credit Card _____

Membership Option for 18 Months: January 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

() Members (Ages 18 - 64) \$55.00 _____

() Seniors (Ages 65 - 79) \$47.50 _____

() Honorary Members (80 +) 0 _____

() Junior Members (Ages 12 - 17) \$27.50 _____

TOTAL DUE _____

Cash _____ Check # _____ Credit Card _____

Check the box if you **DO NOT** want your information in the Guild Directory. **DIRECTORY IS NOT ONLINE.**

Check the box to **withhold your** information from the newsletter/website.

PICTURE for Directory: Send picture to Membership Chairperson – Phyllis Borton at bortonpb@reagan.com

Signature _____

Date _____