

A NOTE FROM THE GUILD PRESIDENT

Happy New Year West Houston Quilters!

Your board is excited about 2023! We have the 30 Birthday of the West Houston Quilter's Guild in February. Look for an email with all the information that will be sent soon. You must **RSVP** to it so we can have enough treats and swag bags.

Thank you to all that came for the Holiday Party in December. I was sorry to have missed it. I heard it was a lot of fun and a great way to end 2022. Thank you to all the board members that helped with the party.

January 18 will be our first hybrid meeting (in person & virtual)! How exciting!! Our technology team has a lot to learn so please be understanding as we venture into this new world of possibilities. An email will be sent out containing the link to attend our virtual meeting. Your board looks forward to seeing those that choose to attend January's meeting in person at the community center. Our members have asked to have some meetings offered both ways. This will not be a standard, but we will offer both when we can.

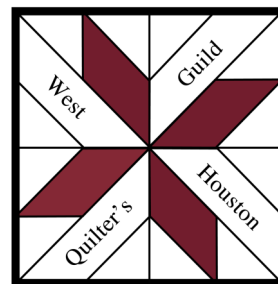
To attend a HYBRID MEETING:

1. You will not be eligible for prizes.
2. An email will go out with the link. Click on the link to enter the meeting.
3. Upon entering the meeting, everyone will be muted and video turned off.
4. You will be able to ask questions by typing the question in the comment section of the virtual meeting.

The Board has come up with the above rules in order to not take away from the in person experience and still offer the virtual experience. Thank you for your patience with this new venture.

Our speaker is Norene Skiles and her presentation "Use it all, you paid for it". Norene will explain how she organizes her collection (including scraps) and her techniques and ideas for using all your scrap fabric and batting. I look forward to hearing about all her techniques.

Please remember dues are due and the price goes up after the January 18 meeting.



Sew On and Sew On

P.O. Box 841515
Houston, TX 77084

West Houston Quilter's Guild

January newsletter articles are due February 5, 2023.

If you have an article you think members would enjoy or find useful, please submit them for review. Beekeepers, we know you are out there! Let us know what the buzz is in your bees!

We also accept ads. Pricing and sizes can be found on our website; www.whqg.org [Newsletter Advertising Rates and Specs.indd](#)

The West Houston Quilter's Guild meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Steve Radack Community Center -18650 Clay Road, Houston TX 77084 . Meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 8:45 p.m. Visitors Welcome!

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WEST HOUSTON QUILTER'S GUILD BOARD MEETINGS

Any member of the Guild is welcome to attend our board meetings, but the Board reserves the right to hold a closed Executive Session if needed. Board meetings are on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. These will be held via Zoom. If interested in attending please contact a board member for more information.

PROGRAMS

January 18, 2023-Noreen Sikes –"Use It All (You Paid For It) !"

February 15, 2023—30th Anniversary Celebration!

March 15, 2023—Teresa Duryea Wong - Hello Modern Art, Meet Antique Quilts

April 19, 2023—Meg Cox -"Behind the Scenes at the Greatest Quilt Museum in the World"

May 17, 2023-Linda Hahn-"New York State of Mind".

June 21, 2023—Dena Rosenberg -"Using Your Imagination with Fabric"

WORKSHOPS

May 18, 2023— Linda Hahn- Beach Bumz



June 24, 2023 (Sat) Dena Rosenberg—Grandmas Vase



Sign up online or at the meeting, don't wait until the month before the workshop to ensure your spot!



SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Our quilting friend and former guild member Noella Mukerjee passed away suddenly December 18, 2022, Noella was a gifted quilter and won numerous ribbons, including the Best of Show at the Rodeo. She will be missed.

To share "sunshine" and "shadow" information regarding guild members, please contact Jean Ann Bryant at:

jabryant40@gmail.com

2022 DONATIONS

Linus Project: 178 quilts, 240 preemie blankets, 66 Christmas preemie blankets,
41 Beanie Babies, 222 caps for preemies and teenagers.

Sterling Oaks Nursing and Rehabilitation Center--120 lap quilts

West Oaks Nursing and Rehabilitation--110 lap quilts

Cypress Assistance Ministries--364 stockings

Ruidoso Fire Victims--10 disaster quilts

Uvalde Linus Program--10 disaster quilts

Day 1 Bag CPS Graduating Seniors--10 twin size quilts



Thank you guild members for all the quilts you make for others each year. We are starting a new year and hope that each guild member remembers to make at least two quilts--one for the elderly and one for the Linus program. Of course, it is great that some members turn in many more which enables Community Service to bring quilts to more residents in area nursing homes and more kids at Texas Children's Hospital.

QUILT ANGEL FOR 2022

Our quilt angel for 2022 is Sharon Lucarelli. I first met Sharon when she was the administrator for a nursing home where we were distributing quilts. One of the employees said that her boss quilted and might like to meet me. So I told Sharon about the guild and she started attending meetings. She has also been heavily involved with Quilts of Valor. When she retired, she started coming to the Comfort Quilters bee. Sharon is very creative and always willing to jump in and help when and where needed. I am proud to call her a friend and very excited that Sharon was chosen to be Quilt Angel 2022. CONGRATULATIONS SHARON!!!



Holiday Party 2023!





QUILT SHOW 2023

Nita Beard, Quilt Show Chair

FLIGHTS OF FANCY QUILT SHOW

Our biggest fundraiser is less than 2 months away. Did you sell all your donation quilt tickets? If yes, remember to turn in your money in January. Have you volunteered to help? If not, please get in touch with Gloria Ware and sign up. We need your help. Are you entering a quilt? I certainly hope so--people come to see beautiful quilts and our guild has some amazing quilters. Remember entry forms are due at the January guild meeting. The quilt does not have to be finished but far enough along that you can take a picture of it for the entry form.

And above all else--invite all your friends to come. If you need information to hand out, please pick up some bookmarks or small cards at the January meeting. If you are traveling, pick up additional bookmarks and drop off at area quilt shops.

IMPORTANT REMINDER...

If you are planning to enter a quilt in our 2023 Quilt Show, you **must** be a member in good standing (member since October 2022 and 2023 dues paid as of January 18, 2023) and will pay a non-refundable fee of \$10.00 per entry.

If you are not a member as of October 2022 and / or have not paid your 2023 dues by the FIRST guild meeting in 2023 (January 18, 2023) you will pay the non-member fee of \$25.00 per entry. Non guild member entries will only be accepted if there is space available.

DONATION QUILT TICKETS

Please turn in all money and any unsold tickets at the January guild meeting. You can also bring to me at the Radack Center any Thursday between 10:00 and 2:00.

DRESDEN PLATE CHALLENGE

The 2023 Quilt Show Committee is issuing a challenge to the members of the West Houston Quilter's Guild to create a Modernized Dresden Plate quilt to be entered or shown in the 2023 Quilt Show on March 3-4, 2023.

Rules for the Challenge:

1. Your entry must have three layers including batting and be quilted, and have visible quilting by hand, by machine or both. No bags, jackets, etc.
2. You may use traditional patterns but quilts must be original in design (i.e., not from a kit).
3. The perimeter of the quilt cannot be more than 320" around or smaller than 100" around.
4. The Dresden plate(s)) MUST be recognizable in the front of the quilt.
5. The quilt must have a hanging sleeve and a label on the back.
6. Quilt must have been completed between **March 2, 2019** and February 15, 2023.
7. Include a brief description of your inspiration and how/ why you used the techniques you did in your quilt on your entry form.

Challenge Deadline:

1. **Deadline to complete quilt is February 15, 2023.**
2. The quilts must be shown at the February 2023 Guild Meeting where Guild members will vote on their favorite.
3. The winning quilts will receive a special "Guild Choice" ribbon to be displayed on the quilts at the quilt show.
4. All challenge quilts entered in the show, including the "Guild Choice" winners, are eligible for awards.

SILENT AUCTION

Alice Busch is in charge of our Silent Auction. If you plan to donate something to this area of our show, please let Alice know what you have to donate so she can plan the space available.

MEMBERSHIP

Happy New Year!!! I hope that you were able to safely communicate with friends and family over the Holidays. I was able to see some of my grand and great-grandchildren and their parents in person, but some were phone conversations which was OK because we could still be together. Several of our members have had family crises and my heart and prayers go out to them and their families.

The New Year is also the time for Membership renewal, and we have decided that the rates will stay the same as last year's rates:

\$25.00 if paid by Jan 18 (1st meeting 2023)

\$30.00 if paid after first meeting

\$15.00 for NEW members joining after July 1

There is a copy of the Membership Renewal Form on the website. Please make your checks payable to WHQG and please send your cash or checks to the PO box address on the Membership Form, or you can renew and pay online from the website. If you would like your Membership Card mailed to you please enclose a SASE with your renewal.

I know that we have all been busy with the Holidays and getting ready for our upcoming Quilt Show in March, but please remember that your dues must be paid to enter quilts into the show at the member entry price.

Make time for Quilting – it's the best for stress!

Karen Coffey

First Vice President/Membership

We all shop! Why not help our guild while doing it!

Kroger Community Rewards Program:

Simply visit [http://](http://www.kroger.com)

www.kroger.com, or open your Kroger app. Once logged in go to My Account and click on Community Rewards.

There you can search for WEST HOUSTON QUILTERS GUILD either by name or LN405 and then click Enroll. Or, in the phone app click the ☰ then, Rewards and Community Rewards. There, you will be prompted to search and click Enroll. New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a Kroger rewards card.

Wal-Mart's Spark Good Community Program allows you to round up your online shopping. Just click on the link below to choose West Houston Quilter's Guild as your preferred charity and sign-in to start shopping. You can do this from a desktop computer or your phone.

<https://www.walmart.com/.../a5fb1165-5ac5-47de.../> profile. You can check on your contributions by clicking on the "Giving & Impact" tab in My Account

Amazon Smile

Shopping on your phone is super easy, and the donation stays active. Simply open your Amazon app and type in "Amazon Smile" in the search. Choose "Select A Charity" and search for West Houston Quilter's Guild. But, if you are making purchases on your desktop computer you must put AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) in the search box first to activate the donation. Remember to look for the AmazonSmile logo in the corner and happy





BEE NEWS

CUT-UPS

We have turned in about 10 beautiful tote bags for the Quilt Show Market. Meanwhile, all are diligently working on finishing up our quilts that will be entered in the show. We're really excited about our Bee Challenge this time – a two-color quilt. We hope more bees are having challenges – it's fun and challenges our creativity. In addition, we had a block exchange in 2022 and we now each have an assortment of very colorful blocks to transform into quilts. Our Christmas Party was, as usual, full of fun and good food. Now to plan new activities for the new year.

KATY ROTARY CLUB

Our bee finished 2022 in style with a great Christmas Party. We played a "stealing" game, kind of like a White Elephant exchange but with dice, had an ornament exchange and, of course, lots of great food. We started 2023 with our Bee Challenge Reveal. The challenge for this year's Quilt Show was to create a miniature quilt. Our reveal was to guess which quilt was made by whom. It's amazing that even though we pretty much know each other's likes and style we still had trouble matching quilts to owners. Here's to a productive 2023!

Don't forget we have a Facebook page! You can find this page under: <https://www.facebook.com/whqgquilt>



Check it out!

THURSDAY NIGHT BEE

Christmas is always a fun time at our bee to see what exciting gifts are brought and exchanged. This group never ceases to amaze me with what they can find that is quilt related. Just to name a few: beautifully embroidered red hand towel, great puffed strip container in Christmas colors, wooden magnet in bag with delicious banana nut bread in cloth holder, bag to microwave popcorn, knitted washcloth wrapped around a handmade soap, various sized zipper pouches containing an assortment of goodies and a very large quilted tote which we were able to put all our gifts in to take home. The food was delicious and everyone went home excited about their gifts and a full stomach.

Our next event is retreat scheduled at the end of January and first week of February. I'm sure everybody will be trying to finish up their quilt show entries or maybe they are finished and will be starting something new. Looking forward to a fun week with lots of laughs, good food and beautiful displays of quilts in progress

Nita Beard, Beekeeper

THE THIMBLEBERRIES

The Thimblelinas had a great attendance of members and a few visitors at our first meeting in 2023! Everyone was busy sewing on their own projects or doing hand-work.

Our group project this year will be a QOV quilt. After everyone reviewed pattern options, a final decision was made to make 'forgiving' star blocks. We plan to place our patriotic fabric in a huge pile at retreat and start this project. Meal and final plans for our March retreat will occur at our February meeting

Lillie Hays, Beekeeper

COMMUNITY SERVICE/COMFORT QUILTERS

Comfort Quilters started off 2023 with breakfast at The Toasted Yolk and then to the Radack Center to sew on quilts for others. If you would like to spend a fun day with a bunch of ladies who enjoy each other and sewing for others, come to the Radack Center any Thursday from 10:00 until 3:00. Bring your sewing supplies and a project you are working on or sew on a kit that will be provided.

As soon as the quilt show is over, we will begin to have more kits available at each guild meeting. Until then you can make a quilt for others using your own fabric.



What a neat way to show you ARE A MEMBER of our Quilt Guild at the Quilt Show in March. Go to www.whqg.org and click on the t-shirt to order.

Light Blue, Pale Pink and Heather Gray

There are other items you maybe interested to buy as well; water bottle, bag and apron.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Last Name	First Name	Bday
Myers	Tara J	Jan 07
Dinkelman	Lisa	Jan 08
Roth	Karen	Jan 08
Musgrove	Janet L	Jan 09
Johnson	Kathy	Jan 17
Bihner	Connie	Jan 19
Burnside	Angelique	Jan 21
Hiarker	Debbie	Jan 23

We have buses reserved for 2023!

The first trip is schedule for **Thursday March 23, 2023**. We will be shop hopping ! **The Greater Houston Shop Hop** is March 22—March 25. **A sign up sheet will be available at the Jan, Feb and March guild meetings.**

The second trip will be for the **Boo Bash Shop Hop**. This shop hop is September 28-September 30. Our bus is reserved for **Thursday September 28, 2023**. The shops include in this hop are The Quilty Shop in Tomball, Quilters Emporium in Stafford, Quilters Cottage in Richmond, and Sew Special Quilts in Katy.

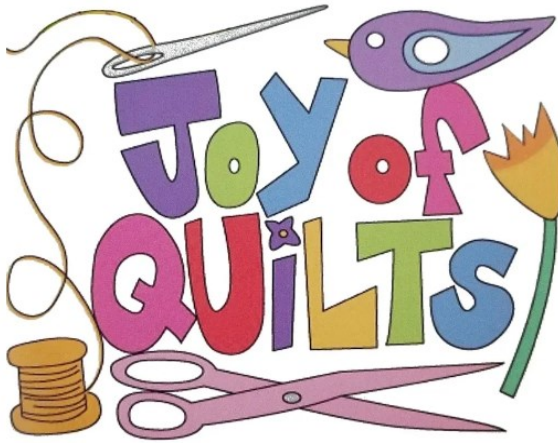
The final bus trip will be to the George R Brown for the **International Quilt Festival**. The International Quilt Festival is from the evening of Wednesday November 1 thru Sunday November 5, 2023. Our bus is reserved for

Thursday November 2. This should help with the difficulty and rising cost of parking .

The bus for all 3 trips will be leaving the Radack Community Center. More information and sign up sheets will be available closer to the events. Remember we must be 55 or older to ride.

Join us at our Quilt Show in 2023

Quilt Guild of Greater Houston



January 27-28, 2023
Stafford Centre

Click the button to be taken to our exclusive Show Website that has all the info you need, including Entry Rules, Show times, Cost, Judges and Vendors!

Colorado Valley Quilt Guild

25th Annual "Best Little Quilt Show in Texas"

Friday, February 24th &
Saturday, February 25, 2023

La Grange Community Center
190 S Brown Street
La Grange, TX 78945

Show Hours:
Friday 10 am - 5 pm
Saturday 10 am - 4 pm

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SAVE THE DATE FOR
OUR 24TH ANNUAL
**BLUEBONNET
SHOP HOP**

**MARCH 22 -
APRIL 1, 2023**

GET STAMPED!

- Free FQ at each shop
- Weekly Gift Certificate Drawings
- Fun Gift to all who finish (while supplies last)
- Demonstrations
- Light Refreshments

VISIT ALL SHOPS & YOU COULD WIN!

GRAND PRIZE
Pinwheel Place Quilt Retreat
for 2 nights up to 8 people.

GIFT CERTIFICATES TO EACH STORE
FIRST PLACE \$900 (2000 yards)
SECOND PLACE \$450 | **THIRD PLACE \$180** (800 yards)

& Prize Baskets!

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ALL PARTICIPATING STORES.**

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SCAN ME



2023 Shop Hop Dates March 22 - 25, 2023

Quilters Cottage	Quilters Quarter
Richmond, TX	Conroe, TX
Quilter's Emporium	The Quilty Shop
Stafford, TX	Tomball, TX
Fabrics Etcetera	Calico Cats Sewing Ctr
Pinwheels and Posies	Sew Special Quilts
Dickinson, TX	Katy TX
Montgomery Quilt Company	
Montgomery TX	

Piecing our Communities Together

<https://www.ctquiltguild.org/show.php>

Chisholm Trail Quilt Guild Show

May 5, 10a-7p; May 6, 10a-5p — 2023

Admission \$10 (Children under 12 free)

Free Parking

Williamson County Expo Center

5350 Bill Pickett Trail

Taylor, TX 76574



BAY AREA QUILT GUILD
-presents-

Memories made with L.O.V.E

BIENNIAL QUILT SHOW

Friday, April 14 | Saturday, April 15
10 A.M. - 5 P.M. | 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL
2320 Hatfield Rd., Pearland, TX 77581

Donation Quilt tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.
Drawing will be held on December 5, 2023.