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A NOTE FROM THE GUILD PRESIDENT

Hello Members,

Wow! What an amazing quilt show. I would like to thank the quilt show chair Nita Beard and her fabulous quilt show board for pulling off a wonderful quilt show. Flights of Fancy Quilt Show was a great success. There are so many moving parts to pulling off a great show. I also want to thank all those who donated items and our members for volunteering your time. Your willingness to give your time and service is greatly appreciated. Your support of the West Houston Quilters' Guild allows us to continue to fulfill our mission by serving people in our community, and to continue to bring quality teachers to fine tune our quilting skills each year. I look forward to seeing everyone on March 15, 2023 and hearing our speaker is Teresa Duryea Wong - The Calling of Quilt Collectors.

Angelique

Celebration Block—Due April 19, 2023

Remember the bags of red and ribbon printed fabric you received in February? Well dig them out! These blocks are going into a WHQG Anniversary Quilt! Create a 12.5 inches unfinished (12 inches finished) block depicting Celebration! The rules are in the packet. Everyone who completes a block will be eligible for a prize. Any questions?

Contact Jean Ann Bryant.



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 . Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 8:45 p.m. Visitors Welcome!

April newsletter articles are due April 8, 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!

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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.

March 15, 2023—Teresa Duryea Wong -The Calling of Quilt Collectors

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!

37th Annual FOLK LIFE FESTIVAL

Kenneth D. Welch Outdoor Learning Center: West of the Education Support Complex 6301 South Stadium Lane Katy, TX 77494

Saturday April 1, 2023

10:00 am-3:00 pm

Katy ISD is looking for quilters to show students hand quilting at the Annual Folk Life Festival. Please contact *Sarah Welch* at cell *903-445-0444* phone *903-743-5351* or email <u>sbwelch@gmail.com</u>. Quilting will be indoors.

Award Winning Texas Quilts



Current members of Texas quilt guilds are invited to enter their awardwinning traditional quilts (created between 2017 – 2023) into this exhibit. Any traditional quilt that won an award is eligible. Let the world see how Texas guild members are creating wonderful and skillful works that honor the traditional styles and techniques of quilt making's past.

- Limit two (2) entries per person.
- Each work must measure a minimum of 24" on each side.
- The quilt can be NO LONGER than 108" ON A SIDE.
- The quilt must have won an award at a quilt show.
- It may be anything from Honorable Mention to the Best of Show.
- The quilt must have been made between 2017 and 2023.
- Nonrefundable entry fee is \$20 (USD) per quilt entered.
- The call closes June 7, 2023.

Entry Link: Enter Your Quilt - Quilts



QUILT SHOW 2023

Nita Beard, Quilt Show Chair

Flights of Fancy quilt show 2023 came to an end Saturday, March 4, 2023, at approximately 4:00 and to say the least we had a very successful show. As chairman, I want to thank every guild member who participated in any way--entered a quilt, served on the quilt show committee, volunteered your time, made something for the Boutique, contributed to a basket for Basket Bonanza, you donated and then bought from Grandmother's Attic. All your efforts allowed West Houston Quilter's Guild to host one of the best quilt shows ever.

The quilt show committee will have a follow up meeting after a few days rest and will give a full report in the April newsletter. Please send me your thoughts on where improvements can be made and things that should stay the same.

DOOR PRIZES

We are shaking things up a little and trying something new with our door prizes. The guild has received many small donations for door prizes. So it has been decided that we will have "opportunity baskets". These baskets will vary each month with goodies that we have acquired. We will be selling tickets for \$1 each, and at the end of the meeting will draw for the basket. Please bring **CASH** to the guild meeting to pur-

chase your chance at winning one of these prizes. The cash made on these will go back into the baskets.



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Membership

Today is Sunday, the day after the Guild Quilt Show ended!! I hope that you all were able to attend and enjoyed it as much as I did!! We had great door prizes, the Basket Bonanza was the largest ever, so many nice things at the Boutique, and the Grandmother's Attic!! So many vendors with assorted things we can't live without! And the QUILTS!! Oh my goodness, every one was beautiful!! I had to look several times to make my 'Choice' for that award. As of this writing we have 140 2023 paid memberships which includes 15 new Members. Please welcome: Toni Anderson, Cynthia Bauckman, Carolyn Clark, Lynda Eiche, Suzan Fontenelle, Janice Haddad, Karen Hagin, Kay Hampton, Julie Jackson, Wendy Kakaska, Emily Meservey, Vicki Odenweller, Qaiser Shaikh, and Cindy Wagner to our Guild! We hope that you will enjoy our group as much as we do. Beekeepers alert!! Please check the Roster for these ladies' info! Several have expressed a desire to join a Bee!!

As of January 18 Membership renewal price is now **\$30**. We still have several of our 2022 members who have not renewed for 2023. Please check and be sure you have paid if you want to be a member for 2023. I will be removing the non-paid names from the Roster soon. There is a copy of the Membership Renewal Form on the website, and I will have forms at the membership table at the Guild meeting. Make your checks payable to WHQG and please send your cash or checks to the PO Box address on the Membership Form. If you would like your Membership Card mailed to you please enclose a SASE with your renewal. You can also renew and pay online using our website.

Make time for Quilting – it's the best for stress! Karen Coffey/First Vice President Membership



GREATER HOUSTON SHOP HOP

Road Trip! Thursday March 23, 2023 9:00 am -5 pm

The Greater Houston Shop Hop is exactly as it says; Greater Houston! Because of the size of the area it covers we have chosen shops that should help you get a few of the further ones stamped on your passport. We will meet at the Radack Community Center on Thursday March 23, 2023 at 8:30 am. The bus departs at 9:00 am. Please try to get there early so we can leave on time. There will be a form to sign with emergency contact information required. Be prepared. The guild will provide water. There are 4 quilt shops, check the itinerary below. Lunch will be at the Swamp Shack in Lake Jackson. The guild will pay for <u>ONLY</u> the bus driver's lunch. Be prepared to purchase your lunch, or bring a sack lunch. This is a Cajun, American, and Seafood establishment , with 4.5 stars and is reasonably priced. Look at the menu so you know what you might like to help get everyone served and back on the road in a timely manner. <u>Menu (swampshacklj.com)</u>

You must be 50 years or older to be able to participate. This is a small bus, maximum of 14, so please let Sam Seavey know if you want a spot. Sign up will be at Wednesday's guild meeting, or text Sam at 979-997-5507 and leave your name in the text.

Itinerary:

PRE-TRIP	7:00 AM	Tomball Service Center	14444 Holderrieth Road Tomball, TX 77375
Group Departure	9:00 AM	West Houston Quilt Guild	18650 Clay Rd. Houston, TX 77084
First Stop	10:00 AM	Fabrics Etc.	571 West Bay Area Blvd. Webster, TX 77598
Second Stop	11:00 AM	Pinwheels & Posies	3335 I - 45 South Dickinson, TX 77539
Third Stop	12:45 PM	Swamp Shack	111 Abner Jackson Pkwy Lake Jackson, TX 77566-5163
Fourth Stop	1:45 PM	Calico Cats	209 Parking Way Lake Jackson, TX 77566
Fifth Stop	3:15 PM	Quilter's Emporium - Stafford	11925 Southwest Freeway Suite 11 Stafford, TX 77477
Sixth Stop		Return - Rest Stops as Needed - BOTH WAYS	
Group Return	5:00 PM	West Houston Quilt Guild	18650 Clay Rd. Houston, TX 77084
POST TRIP		Tomball Service Center	14444 Holderrieth Road Tomball, TX 77375
Driver End Time	7:00 PM	Driver end time	тх







Material Girls

Happy St. Patrick's Day everyone. We had a good group at our meeting considering it was quilt delivery day for the show. CONGRAULATIONS on the Flights of Fancy quilt show. Thanks to all the organizers and participants. It was really well organized, and there were stunning quilts with beautiful work and artistry, both small and large. Great job!!

Our Baby Shower basket was a big hit at the show's Basket Bonanza booth. Our bee is revving up for the Spring retreat, and plans are to work on service projects, finalizing ideas for a challenge project, as well as personal projects.

Material Girls is welcoming new members and visitors. We usually meet the fourth Saturday of the month 10-3:30 at Steve Radack Community Center, Email or call me for additional details. (PJLSings@Yahoo.com 832/868-1456). Our next meeting is March 25. We would love for you to join us.

Pam Lyons, Beekeeper

NEW BEE FORMING

I would like to start a new bee in old town Katy. My tentative idea is to meet at my home, during the daytime and meet two times a month. This group welcomes anyone and everyone, no experience required. If you are interested in joining this new bee please email me at quilt.roesler@gmail.com or text me. Details of phone # and my address are listed in the membership directory.

Thimblelinas

The Thimblelinas would like to thank the guild members who entered their quilts at our show. What a great showing of talent! Of the four Thimblelina members who entered quilts, six ribbons were awarded! Way to go, and congratulations to everyone in the guild who won a ribbon, or two or more!

The bee had a great time at their yearly retreat at The Quilters Cabin near Tomball. Most members stayed for the entire time but three chose to attend as a day retreater this time. We shared patriotic fabric to make our QOV blocks and worked on a lot of our own projects. As a tradition, we also went to The Quilty Shop in Tomball and spent \$\$\$\$ on fabric we couldn't live without!

Happy quilting! Lillie Hays, Beekeeper

Cut-ups

What have we been doing in the past month? Quilt Show! We were absolutely tickled that the "arrow" quilt our bee donated to the Silent Auction raised at least \$400. We also had a lot of winners, including a Judge's Choice for Jean Fleming and Best In Show for Alice Sadeghpour. Congratulations to all our Guild members for a great show!

Celeste Fritz, Beekeeper





THE LADIES OF THE NIGHT

The Ladies of the Night have been super busy this spring! Most of us attended the La Grange quilt show and were excited to see that Debbie won a ribbon – congratulations Debbie! We had a lovely lunch and then visited 2 quilt shops before heading home with our treasures. And to rest up for the West Houston show!

We were so excited that Cindy, Gail, Nancye, Debbie, Benedicte and Janet all won ribbons at our show -Congratulations, Ladies! We combined our Quilt Show dinner with our annual UFO celebration dinner (Congratulations to Debbie, Nancye, Cindy, Sheila & Kathy for completing the most projects) so it was quite a weekend for us. After helping Gail & Nancye run Grandmother's Attic (along with several other dedicated volunteers) we were ready for a good long nap! We heard so many compliments while doing our best to keep up with sales. Great job, everyone!

Sheila Odell, Beekeeper

Submitted by Kathy Johnson

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THURSDAY NIGHT BEE

Our bee was very involved in the quilt show. Gail and Nancye were in charge of Grandmother's Attic, Connie was cochair of the Boutique and Nita chaired the entire show. And most of the bee volunteered, made a product to sell in the boutique or contributed to the basket we donated.

Ribbons were won by Nancye--Ist place, Connie--3rd place, Gail--two 3rd place and President's Choice, Tracy--Honorable Mention and Judge's Choice--Ginny Eckley, Nita--Judy Mobley Legacy Ribbon and Linda--Guild Choice for Dresdan Challenge. I would say as a Bee we did quite well. Now to rest and maybe do a bee challenge or

exchange. Keep quilting, Nita Beard, Beekeeper

COMMUNITY SERVICE/COMFORT QUILTERS

Now that the quilt show is over, we will be thinking of a challenge for guild members to make a comfort quilt either for an adult or for a child.

If you want to join a great group of ladies, come to The Radack Center any Thursday from 10:00 - 3:00 and help us sew quilts for others. Bring your machine and the normal sewing supplies and everything else will be provided.

Nita Beard, Director of Community Service

What is a Quilt Shop Hop?

Quilt shop hops bring out the smiling child in all of us. Planning your trip using the Texas shop hop directory is fun and easy! Meeting interesting and knowledgeable shop owners and teachers is just one benefit of visiting shops in a shop hop. Quilt shop hops can help to find amazing patterns, collectables, and stunning fabric.



Greater Houston Shop Hop One Way or Another March 22 - 25, 2023

9am - 5pm daily www.houstonshophop.com

Participating Shops: Quilters Cottage - Richmond Quilters Emporium - Stafford Sew Special Quilts - Katy Fabrics Etcetera - Webster Pinwheels & Posies - Dickinson Calico Cats Sewing Center - Lake Jackson The Quilty Shop - Tomball Quilters Quarters - Conroe Montgomery Quilt Company - Montgomery





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.