JULY 2021

A NOTE FROM LISA

Happy July! Hope your Summer is getting off to a great start, and you were able to enjoy a safe and fun Independence Day. Many people seem to be traveling this month--if that includes you, have a wonderful trip and maybe you can still join us for our meeting via Zoom!

I hope everyone enjoyed our first in-person meeting in June. The meeting was a lot of fun, and it was great seeing so many of you in person again after so long. What a great venue we have with the new Community Center! As predicted, there was the odd hiccup with utilizing several technologies to bring everyone together. But on the whole, I think it all went very well. How wonderful it was to have a live Show 'n Tell again, too!

Our July meeting will be a similar format, so you can join us either in person, or virtually via Zoom.

Wasn't Timna Tarr's presentation just amazing? Such original and inspiring work. I wish I had half her talent. Speaking of talent, our July speaker is Linda Sullivan. She will also be joining us by Zoom. Linda was initially scheduled to be our speaker during February, but winter storm Uri had other plans. Fortunately for us, she was able to fit us in this month for her "Got Color" presentation and trunk show.

Looking forward to seeing you all on July 21, either in person or virtually. As always, please be safe and healthy, and take time to quilt!



Lisa



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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.

Next Board meeting: August 4, 2020

COMMUNITY SERVICE/ COMFORT QUILTERS



Comfort Quilters, meeting every Thursday from 10:00 -3:30 at the new Steve Radack Community Center, continues to amaze with the number of quilts they turn in each week. During the month of June the following were turned in: 30 quilts for the elderly or Linus, 27 preemie hats, 5 preemie blankets and 20 stockings. This is from a group of ladies who take great delight in making quilts for others.

Why don't you join us? Bring your sewing machine and sewing supplies and there is always a kit or preemie ready for you to sew. Come and stay all day or only for a few hours--your choice. We would love to have you come sew with us.

REMEMBER--each guild member is asked to make at least 1 quilt for the elderly and 1 quilt for Linus. Sizes needed: elderly--approximately 40-42 x 50-56, Linus--Texas Children's Hospital has every age--preemie to teenagers so your quilt can be almost any size. Think about the age of the child when you are determining size. Kits are always available at each guild meeting or come by the Community Center any Thursday and pick up a kits. - Connie Bihner and Nita Beard

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2021 Programs



July 21 Linda Sullivan - Colourwerx Dezign Haus Colourwerx.com

August 18 Karen L. Miller of Redbird Quilt Co. redbirdquiltco.com (*more information on our August speaker attached to the last pages of the newsletter*).

September 15 TBD

October 20 Reeze Hanson - Sacred Geometry: From Fibonacci to Fiber Art morningglorydesigns.com

November 17 Technique Demo Day

December 15 Christmas Party

I hope you all enjoyed our June speaker and our first meeting back together at the community center. It felt good to share and laugh and enjoy everyone's company. Linda Sullivan is our July speaker, from Colourwerx Dezign Haus. This should be a lively and bright presentation. Linda will be Zooming in both online and at the Steve Radack Community Center. Please join us at 6:45pm for our Guild meeting, quilting camaraderie and fun.

Happy Quilting Debbie Adami

Sunshine and Shadows



Carolyn Cordes, long time guild member and cofounder of Thursday Night Bee, passed away on May 15, 2021, after battling pulmonary and cardiac health issues for over a year. Sympathy is extended to her husband, Cleburn, and son, David and his family.

Linda Whetsell is back home after suffering 2 heart attacks a couple of weeks ago. We hope Linda continues to improve and is back to her normal self soon.

To share "sunshine" or "shadow" information about members contact Chris Friesen at: cmfriesen9@gmail.com.



We are giving door prizes to members who attend the monthly guild meeting. We will be using a random number generator to draw your number. This is similar to drawing your name out of a "hat". We are requesting items from vendors; batting, patterns, notions, fat quarters etc. We will be working with the lucky winners on the best way to deliver the prizes to them; ding dong ditch, meet somewhere, etc. We have prizes for the June meeting for **both online zoom and on site members**. The zoom members names are added to the sign in sheet before the names are selected, so

everyone has the same chance of winning. As always you must be present to win!

June winners were Karen Coffey (Aurafil Solstice thread collection and pattern from Quilted Heartz) and Rhonda Onwere (Oliso Mini Iron and a pattern from Quilted Heartz).

Congratulations!







CUT-UPS

The Cut-ups have a busy schedule planned for the second half of the year. In addition to sew-ins, we'll take advantage of months with a 5th Friday to go on a road trip and have a birthday lunch. We've also scheduled a Christmas Party, a UFO Challenge (only 1 this time) and rescheduled our One-Color Challenge. Member Gloria Ware welcomed a new grandchild – a boy, the first in the family! Congratulations, Gloria! Lots going on in our group.

Celeste Fritz-Beekeeper

LADIES OF THE NIGHT

There is no question summer is here! The Ladies of the Night have been happy to stay inside and work on UFOs. At a recent Bee meeting we sewed the binding on a beautifully hand quilted blue & white cross stitch quilt discovered while cleaning out Barb K.'s sewing room. It will be a treasure for her daughter for sure! Summer travel is in full swing for several members so our meetings have been smaller but still full of laughs. We have eagerly started planning our menus for our getaway in August at Stagecoach Retreat in Coldspring. Four Ladies who have moved away are planning to make the trip and we absolutely can't wait

to see them!

Sheila Odell - Beekeeper Submitted by Kathy Johnson

THURSDAY NIGHT BEE

We are continuing to meet during the summer and enjoying the Show and Tell that our ladies make. Several have decided to participate in the Meadow Mist Design mystery quilt for the next six months. Even though retreat isn't until September, we are already trying to decide what to work on and which meal to plan. Looking forward to a productive time with lots of laughs and good food.

Sew a little each day and that project will be completed in record time. Stay cool,

Nita Beard - Beekeeper

YAYA'S

The Yaya's are excited to get together to make Christmas stockings for our annual "Christmas in July". It's always a fun event. I can't wait to see how many we can get done. It's a great team effort. We will also be getting back to our project for the quilt show. It's never too early to get started. Kris Hoffman - Beekeeper

KATY ROTARY BEE

While Debbie is on a fantastic road trip, the rest of us are carrying on. We've developed our schedule for the next six months, including a pot-luck at our July sew-in, a barbeque party, a Charity Quilt sew-in, our annual lunch at Brookwood Community and a trip to Lone Star Quilts in College Station. It's so good to be back meeting together again.

Deb Huebel - Beekeeper

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Summitted by Celeste Fritz



MORE BEE NEWS

Membership



NIFTY NEEDLERS

It has been over a year since we last met as a bee and now with the opening of the Steve Radack Community Center we have resumed our bee meetings in the new facility. We have more room to sew and it has great lighting. We have access to a kitchen and can control our own A/C! We are very excited that the guild meetings will be here, too!

We will miss our dear, sweet friend, Bridgette, who passed away in May.

We celebrated June and Sandra's birthdays in June and enjoyed German Chocolate Cake made by Connie. Sandra delighted us with an oriental chicken salad for lunch. Quilty gifts were shared and we finished our day with sewing.

Carol Ann gave us an informative presentation on the Accu -Quilt die cutter system since several of us have one and would like to use it more. She gave some great tips and shared some beautiful quilts made with the Accu-Quilt. Happy stitching,

Pam Heine - Beekeeper

MATERIAL GIRLS

Material Girls did not have a meeting in June. We attended Bridgette Amonsen's Memorial Service in lieu of the meeting. There were so many quilters there; Material Girls Bee, Nifty Needlers Bee and the Coles Crossing Bee. It was a beautiful service full of love. Bridgette touched so many people! We will miss her beautiful soul.

We will meet again at the Steve Radack Community Center Saturday July 24th from 10 am to 3 pm. We have a total of 134 paid members at this time; there were 5 returning members that renewed at the last Guild meeting. It was so wonderful to see so many of us face to face again, and I hope that our live attendance will grow and more of our members will now come back. It felt almost normal to be able to talk to each other.

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

Karen Coffey

First Vice President-Membership

Need Scraps?



I have been

have sorted them and have bags and bags that I would love to give away to people who can put them to good use. I have bags of strips, some of scraps, and some batting. I also have small pieces that would make great stuffing. I just can't toss them, I know they can be used somewhere. At some point I would like to be able to use some of them myself, but I am not there yet time wise and I am running out of space so I have had to put the donations on hold. If anyone is interested in any of these items please send me a text or email and we can arrange to meet or I can bring them to our Guild meeting now that we can meet in person. My email is karcoffey@att.net or you can text me at 713-503-1795

Karen Coffey First Vice President—Membership

Angelique Burnside - Beekeeper



Hawley	Jul 05
Saunders	Jul 05
Ernest	Jul 06
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Rondeau	Jul 10
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