A gathering of flamingos is called a flamboyance. They flock together to filter-feed. When we quilters gather, we feed off the talents and vibes of each other. Whether we are new at quilting, like baby flaminglets, or long-time quilting gurus watching over the flock, we need each other's ideas and guidance. Our newest members and guests need to learn about older members as we learn about their experiences and needs. Joining any club or guild is sort of a solo experience with questions like: "Who are these people and where do I fit in?". So, at our July meeting let's try hard to FLAMINGLE. Introduce a newer member to someone in your circle of friends. Gain an understanding of what they like to make, link them up with others of similar interests. Accompany them to the community quilt table. Show them the ropes so to speak. https://flamingotoes.com/fun-flamingo-quilt-free-pattern/



Angelique

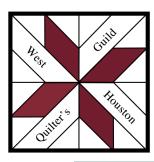


We have a new official Facebook page! Check it out and follow us at:

West Houston Quilter's Guild | Facebook

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

Hidden Figures—Each month there will be a hidden figure in the newsletter. When you find it, remember what page it was on. In the guild meeting we will have a container for you to put your name and page number in. During the meeting we will draw a name for a door prize! Only the right guesses will be in the drawing. Must be present to win! This month look for something that doesn't belong.



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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 meeting is August 3, 2022

PROGRAMS

July 20, 2022 - Norene Skiles—Spoonflower and Other Fabric Printing Services

Norene calls Virginia Beach, Virginia home. She is a retired school library media specialist, began sewing as a young girl, and has never stopped. She primarily sewed clothing until the birth of her first grandchild 24 years ago. She made her first quilt in 1996. Her quilting style has evolved over the years from patterns and traditional quilting to modern Improv with a scrappy focus. She loves to incorporate technology into her quilting and as many fabrics as possible.

Overview of what Spoonflower is includes;

- ordering ready made fabrics, getting the most different fabrics for the money (Fill-A-Yard options), and uploading your images
- How to upload and manipulate your own designs or images to make custom fabrics
- Using Spoonflower to make custom individual labels or bulk labels

You can follow her on Instagram at pskiles, pinterest or on the link below:

Norene Skiles (quilters-calendar.com)

August 17, 2022— JeanAnn Bryant—What is your Quilting Personality

September 21, 2022 — Glenda Wilder—A Quilt Designer's Roadmap

https://glendawilderdesigns.com

October 19, 2022—Workshop for Quilt Show

November 16, 2022—Stephanie Hackney- Hobbs Batting - Batting: What's Inside Matters

December 14, 2022—Holiday Party





Plans are moving along for our quilt show March 3-4, 2023. If your bee or you as an individual are making something for the Boutique, please let **Connie Bihner or June**Jaronitzky know what you are making or better still, bring them an example. It's early, but please put on your calendar March 2, 2023. This is the day that all the quilts will be hung and judged. We will need lots of volunteers to get this task completed in one day. Some guild members were involved with the Tri-County Show and saw how this was accomplished, so we know it can be done, but we will need your help. So, mark your calendar and plan to help set up the best quilt show ever.

HAVE YOU SOLD YOUR \$50 WORTH OF TICKETS? Do you still need to pick up a bundle? Do your fair share and pick up and sell tickets for our Donation Quilt. It is a beautiful quilt and you will have no problems getting people to buy \$5 worth of tickets. Pick up tickets at the Comfort Quilters table at any guild meeting or come by the Radack Center on Thursday and pick up tickets from **Nita**.

BASKET BONANZA (aka Tin Can Raffle)

Looking for Black & White OR White & Black Fat
Quarters to fill a basket for the '23 Show. We're asking
Guild Members to donate new FQs or one cut from
their stash. Jean Ann will have a basket ready at each
Guild Meeting for your donations

SILENT AUCTION

Alice Busch is collecting the completed quilts for the Silent Auction. Bring them to the Guild meetings. If you haven't thought about making one, there is plenty of time. We want to have a plethora of quilts for attendees to bid on!

CHRISTMAS IN JULY PREEMIES

Texas Children's Hospital wraps babies born in December in a Christmas preemie. As you are sitting at home during these sweltering days, why not make a couple of Christmas preemie blankets. They should be approximately a 25" square with flannel on one side and a Christmas print on the other (no batting required). If you are able to find Christmas flannel, put plain cotton on the opposite side. Turn these in by the November guild meeting or before.

PANEL QUILTS

Panels and backing will be available again at the July guild meeting. There were 27 picked up in June and hopefully another 27-30 will be picked up in July. These are easy quilts to make--some just need to be quilted and others might need some additional fabric along the sides to make them wide enough. Please plan to pick up a panel or two and make a quilt for an adult or a child.

Nita Beard, Community Service

2023 Quilt Show - Entries

Are you getting your quilts ready to enter in our 2023 Guild show? The entry information posted on the website has a wealth of information, including explanations of each of the categories, what's required to enter a quilt, and how to make a sleeve for your quilt. We have added a couple of new categories - Scrap Quilts and Holiday Quilts, so check them out. I've had several people from other guilds comment on how great our show is, so let's make sure we have lots of lovely quilts to look at again this time!

Celeste Fritz



THE THIMBLELINAS

The Thimblelinas had a great turnout for our May bee meeting. Everyone brought either a snack or an appetizer so the feast was thoroughly enjoyed by the group. We also had two visitors in attendance.

We are saddened by the death of Summer's dad who passed away on May 30. Our condolences to her and her family.

Our June meeting had a smaller attendance but enjoyed each others company and sewing together. There was no meeting in July because of the 4th holiday so it will be great when we can meet again in August!

Happy sewing!

Lillie Hays, Beekeeper

COMFORT QUILTERS



Our numbers attending have been very low this summer because of vacations. However, we are continuing to make quilts for others and also sewing large totes for the Boutique. Why don't you plan to join us any Thursday at the Radack Center, 18650 Clay Road, and make a quilt for a child or an elderly person. All supplies are provided, just bring your sewing machine and a spool of neutral thread. Hope to see you on Thursday.

Beekeeper Nita Beard



CUT-UPS

Between vacations, medical issues and other things coming up our group has been a little small for a few weeks. This will pick up, though. We look forward to a joint road trip with the Katy Rotary Cutters Bee. Because of the size of our group, we've qualified for a county bus to take us to Lone Star Quilts in College Station. On the way home we'll stop at Martha's Bloomers in Navasota for lunch. Should be fun!

Celeste Fritz, Beekeeper

NIFTY NEEDLERS

We have been working on items for the quilt show boutique and also working on our various quilt projects and ufo's. Some of us went to the Coastal Prairie Quilt Show and were inspired by all of the beautiful quilts.

Some of us have been traveling this summer. Pam went to Germany and Austria, Tracy to California, June to Mississippi and Karen B. is in North Carolina.

We celebrated June and Sandra's birthdays with delicious strawberry cake made by Karen B. We are looking forward to the next one.

Pam Heine, Beekeeper

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Guild member Linda Stewart's son T.J. passed away after an undiagnosed illness. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Summer King's dad passed away on May 30. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

Our thoughts and prayers go out for former long-time Guild member Penny Lasseter who lost her daughter Rachel Clark on July 6.

What is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. AmazonSmile is available at smile.amazon.com on your web browser and can be activated in the Amazon Shopping app for iOS and Android phones.

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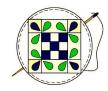
We are currently at 147 members this year. Summer is here, and it is my favorite time of year. Our current dues are now \$15.00 for new members. The price is now discounted since the year is almost over. The 2022 Membership Form can be found on the website. We do have an online fillable form and online payment options. Those links can be found on our website. We are able to take payments on site now. Please check with your friends to make sure they have renewed their membership.

Magazines – There will be quilting magazines available at our meeting. We are asking for a donation of \$1 each, and there will be an envelope for you to use. This month we will have a great selection of Christmas projects. We gladly welcome your past magazine donations as well.

Julie Crowell - First Vice President - Membership



New Braunfels Area Quilt Guild QUILTFEST 2022 "AMERICA: A Patchwork Quilt"



Quilt Fest 2022 "AMERICA: A Patchwork Quilt" will be held Friday and Saturday, July 22 and 23, 2022 at the New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Admission is \$10 per day. Children age 10 and under are free. Judged quilt show, antique bed turning, quilts for sale, vendors, concessions available. For more information, go

to www.newbraunfelsareaquiltguild.org.





Join Sew Special, The Quilty Shop, Quilter's Emporium, Quilter's Cottage, and Button and Bows for this fun Fall themed Shop Hop. **September 29 thru October 1, 2022**