

## A NOTE FROM LISA

Merry December! I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving with plenty of family time and food.

It's hard to believe that my term as president is almost over. I have to say it has been a strange two years with shutdowns, so many masks, working from home, Zoom meetings, vaccines and boosters. Despite all of that, serving as president has been a wonderful experience. I'm so grateful to all of our members for sticking it out through all the difficult times this pandemic has presented us, and I am especially grateful to the commitment of our entire board.

Now, as I look ahead, I cannot wait to see what the incoming board has planned, and I'm excited to think about us having another Quilt Show to plan. I hope I will see many of you at our Christmas Potluck on December 15. If you cannot make the meeting, please have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

As always, stay safe and healthy, and happy quilting!.

*Lisa*

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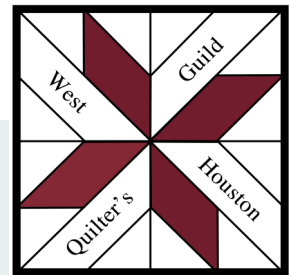
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## WEST HOUSTON QUILTER'S GUILD BOARD MEETINGS

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: **January 5, 2022**



## Membership

Now is the time for Membership renewal and your Board of Directors has decided that we are only making minor changes to the rates:

\$25.00 if paid by Jan 19 (1st meeting 2022) paid either in person or postmarked by Jan 19, 2022

\$30.00 if paid after first meeting (after Jan 19, 2022)

\$15.00 for NEW members joining after July 1

Add \$15.00 to your dues payment if you prefer to have your Newsletter snail mailed to you versus using the web.

Please make your checks payable to WHQG.

The 2022 Membership Form can be found on the web-site. There will be forms available at the Membership table at the Guild Holiday party, Wednesday December 15. Hope you and yours are all well!

Karen Coffey - First Vice President - Membership

## 2021 –2022 Programs



**December 15 , 2021** Christmas Party

**January 19, 2022** Daisy Aschehoug from Warm Folk in Norway

**February 16, 2022** Karen Brow-Meier of Java House Quilts - Capturing Animal Personalities

**March 16, 2022** Brenda Jeschke. Are Your Quilts Show Ready

**April 20, 2022** Sarah Ruiz. Quilted Fabric Postcards

**May 18, 2022** Kathy Groves of BobKat Quilts—Why Didn't Someone Show Me This A Long Time Ago?



## BEE NEWS

### THE LADIES OF THE NIGHT

The Ladies of the Night celebrated Christmas with lunch and a visit to Benedicte's house to admire her extensive decorating efforts (she participated in the Taylor High School's Christmas house tour). It was so much fun to get together – as always – and we especially enjoyed the “A Quilter's Christmas” theme of Benedicte's house. Many of us lent Christmas quilts for display and they looked wonderful!

We wish everyone a happy (and healthy) holiday season. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!

### THE NIFTY NEEDLERS

We celebrated the holiday season with a wonderful lunch at the Brookwood Cafe. We all brought a gift to exchange and went home with some special treasures.

Karen finished a beautiful wallhanging for her home. We are looking forward to the Guild party and playing Quilto. We will resume meetings in January.

Pam Heine, Beekeeper



### BITS AND PIECES

We hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and are doing well finishing up holiday gifts and plans. It's been relatively quiet at our bee. Our Christmas lunch was held at Sue Humble's home and we had a fun time exchanging gifts, playing games and telling our favorite Christmas memories.

With the new year coming we will soon start planning 2022 projects and road trips.

Merry Christmas from all members.

Cindy Haggard, Beekeeper

### THE KATY ROATARY BEE

The Katy Rotary Bee had our annual holiday party. We played the right left game. Then we all enjoyed a catered lunch of lasagna and fettuccine alfredo from Olive Garden with dessert provided by bee members. After lunch we played an exciting dice game. A good time was had by all.

Debbie Huebel, Beekeeper

### THE THIMBLELINAS

The Thimblelinas have been busy finishing up those last minute quilts for Christmas gifts! Our holiday party will be a sew in with appetizers, playing the right left game and enjoying each other's company. Plans have been made for the first quarter of the year so we will start 2022 with a bang! Here's wishing everyone a healthy and safe holiday season!

Lillie Hayes, Beekeeper



## MORE BEE NEWS

### COMFORT QUILTERS

Because of the generosity of guild members and their desire to help others, the following items were donated in 2021: Cypress Assistance Ministries--527 Christmas stockings, Linus--140 quilts, 114 preemies, 169 Beanie Babies, 68 preemie caps, 3 soft books, 44 Christmas preemies and to seven different local assisted living/memory care facilities 284 adult lap quilts. GUILD MEMBERS--PAT YOURSELF ON THE BACK FOR A JOB WELL DONE.

Connie Bihner and Nita Beard, Beekeepers

### MATERIAL GIRLS

Material Girls are having a bee meeting/cookie exchange on Saturday December 18. We are planning a retreat in April, date and place TBD. There will be a road trip this Spring to a quilt shop east of Houston, Katie B's Quilt Shop in Mont Belvieu, TX for a Barn Quilt class! We will be looking at finishing up community service projects started and we hope it will be a productive year! Angelique Burnside, Beekeeper



## THURSDAY NIGHT BEE

Nancye T. graciously hosted our bee Christmas party in her beautifully decorated home. As usual the food was wonderful--pork loin, green beans with almonds and cranberries, grapefruit/avocado salad, deviled eggs, crescent rolls, veggie/cheese tray, twice baked potatoes, fruit salad, pecan pie and apple dumplings. But nothing compares to all the gifts that were exchanged. Every year seems to get better and better. Everyone received a large reversible tote bag, wooden quilt block made by Amish children, Japanese rice bag, folding scissors with notepad and sack of Lindt chocolates, carryall containing bath pouf and Beanie Baby, retreat survival stuff and painted quilt block on wood. Along with the painted quilt block each girl also received a 24" x 24" sanded piece of wood to make a large barn quilt block. The barn quilt block is something the group has talked about doing for a couple of years--so now we have the block of wood--time to get serious about making one.

We will start 2022 with our annual sew-in on January

1. This is always a fun day and a time to decide what we are going to be making during the next 12 months. And the last day to chow down on some delicious food before the dieting begins. MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

Nita Beard, Beekeeper

### THE YAYA'S

The Yaya's just had their Christmas get together. We had a good time eating and talking. Some of us managed to get a little sewing done too. We are looking forward to a new year. I have some new things planned for next year that should be fun. It sure is good getting back to normal. Merry Christmas to all.

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Kris Hoffman, Beekeeper

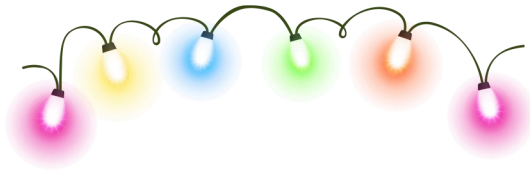


## MORE BEE NEWS

### THE CUT-UPS

The Cut-ups had a wonderful Christmas party at Gloria Ware's beautiful home. In addition to our regular members, we welcomed former member Nannette Turco who was visiting from Colorado. After teasing our brains with a Christmas song quiz, we exchanged gifts using the Right/Left Game. Then it was time for our lunch, where we enjoyed each other's special dishes. We closed out the afternoon with a lot of laughter as we played the "Stealing Game" – a twist on the traditional White Elephant game. Our hope is that all of our quilting friends have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Celeste Fritz, Beekeeper



### COMMUNITY SERVICE



### LAP QUILT CHALLENGE FOR 2022

Hope you have been thinking of what you can make from four 1/2-yard pieces of fabric plus a background from your own stash. You might even be able to make 2 quilts if you think really hard. The 1/2-yard pieces will be available at the January guild meeting and you can choose your own 4 pieces. Let's have lots of participation and fun making a quilt for others. You might even win a prize.

Nita Beard—Director of Community Service

### GRINCH BREAD

#### INGREDIENTS

- 1 box yellow cake mix
- 3 3.4-oz boxes instant pistachio pudding mix
- 1 cup hot water
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 4 eggs
- 2-3 drops green food coloring (optional)
- holiday sprinkles (optional)

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Grease two 9"x5" loaf pans (or 6 foil mini pans or desired combination thereof) and preheat oven to 350F.

In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment (or in a large mixing bowl with an electric hand mixer), combine dry cake mix, dry pudding mixes, hot water, vegetable oil, eggs, and food coloring (if using). Beat on low speed for about 30 seconds, then increase speed to medium and continue beating for about two minutes.

Divide batter among prepared pans. If desired, top with holiday sprinkles.

Bake for about 35-45 minutes for full-size pans, or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. If using mini pans, begin checking on them at about 25 minutes, then continue checking every five minutes until a toothpick comes out clean.

Allow to cool before serving.



## Sunshine and Shadows



It is with deep sadness and sorrow that we inform you of the passing of Shirley Chriss, a longtime member of the guild, who passed away on December 1. Her memorial service was held on Tuesday, December 7, 11:00 AM at Schmidt Funeral Home, 1508 East Avenue in Katy.

Sympathy to Tracy Dyer on the recent loss of her father.

Please keep all of the friends and families of these members in your prayers

Kathy Ernest is having hip replacement surgery on Monday.

Please include her in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

To share "sunshine" or "shadow" information about members contact Jean Ann Bryant at:

jabryant40@gmail.com



## Tri-County Quilt Guild

Berry Center in Cypress, Texas

Friday, March 4, 2022 10 am – 5 pm

Saturday, March 5, 2022 10 am – 4 pm



2022 A Kaleidoscope of Colors

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