

## A NOTE FROM LISA

Happy Spring to you all! The weather is definitely getting warmer and the flowers are blooming. Even our palm trees that took a big hit from the February freeze are springing into life again. Our pair of resident squirrels have successfully raised three babies, who run around our yard like playful kittens. And, my sewing room is finally starting to look like a place for sewing again, rather than where someone placed a "fabric bomb."

I hope all you moms, fur moms, and grandmas had a wonderful Mother's Day! I was excited to be with my own mother in Seattle on Mother's Day this year. That doesn't happen very often so it was a special treat.

Don't forget to join us on May 19 for our next zoom Guild meeting. Our speaker will be Ellen Lindner, who will be presenting her trunk show "Confessions of a Fabric Whisperer."

As always, please be safe and healthy, and take time to quilt!

*Lisa*

## SHOW AND TELL

Send pictures of what's been under your needle to: [newsletterwhqg@gmail.com](mailto:newsletterwhqg@gmail.com) by end of day Monday May 17 to be included in this month's show and tell.

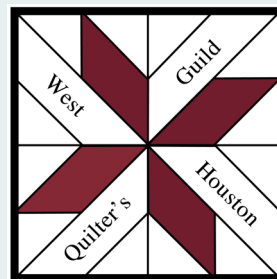
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## WEST HOUSTON QUILTER'S GUILD BOARD MEETINGS

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: **June 2, 2020**

## COMMUNITY SERVICE/ COMFORT QUILTERS



Comfort Quilters started meeting at the new Bear Creek Community Center on April 29 from 10:00 - 3:30. We have a huge room and plenty of tables. At our first meeting we had a total of 9 in attendance and 11 quilts turned in. We are able to have tables in the center of the room to put fabric and kits and tables along one wall for cutting. We are able to bring our lunch as there are 2 refrigerators in the kitchen area. Come join this lively group of quilters any Thursday. On May 6, our attendance was 8 with 17 quilts, 1 preemies, 16 stockings and 6 preemie caps turned in by the group.

### Are you registered on the WHQG website? If

not you maybe missing out! On the members tab there is hidden treasure!  I know there is a coupon for **25% off** of your entire purchase from **C&T Publishing** and the password to get into the **All Star Virtual Sampler May 22 –23** will be added soon! What! You aren't registered? You don't know how?



Go to [www.WHQG.org](http://www.WHQG.org) and click on the 'Member Login' button and then click on 'Register Now'.

Please enter the **same email address you used on your guild membership** form so we can verify you are a paid guild member and grant you access to the website.

That's it! So what are you waiting for? See you on the website!

## 2021 Programs



**May 19** Ellen Lindner - "Confessions of a Fabric Whisperer" and Trunk Show. [Adventurequilter.com](http://Adventurequilter.com)

**June 16** Timna Tarr - "Flying Colors Trunk Show" [Timnatarr.com](http://Timnatarr.com)

**July 21** Linda Sullivan - Colourwerx [Colourwerx.com](http://Colourwerx.com)

## BEAR CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER GRAND OPENING

May 27 is the official Grand Opening of the center. We have been asked to have a room full of quilters so the local Harris County officials, who will be visiting, can see what we are doing. It will be a turn in day for guild members who have quilts, preemies or stockings to turn in. So bring your completed quilts and other items any time between 10:00 and 3:00. We have to turn in a count to the Center the number of people who come and sew or turn in stuff. So let's look good on

**Thursday, May 27.**

Connie Bihner and Nita Beard



## Door Prizes

We are now giving door prizes to members who attend the monthly guild meeting. When you are logged into the Zoom 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 May meeting! So tune in and don't miss out! As always you must be present to win!

April winners received a package from Quiltfolk that included, 2021 Quilt Calendar, a Pattern book, Quiltfolk Magazine, note cards, a tea-towel and dishcloth set.

## Congratulations

**Cheri Jackson and Sharon Lucarelli**



## Membership



We have 128 paid Members at this time. Members who have not renewed for 2021 have had their names removed from the Roster list; so if you meant to renew but forgot, please check the Roster on the website to see if you are listed. Beekeepers – please check to see if any of your members have not renewed. Hopefully we will have in person meetings soon since things are starting to open up and the new Center is being completed. It will be so great to see everyone!!

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

Karen Coffey


1st VP/Membership

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Gayla	Cox	May 05
Jeannie	Eberle	May 06
Kathy	Wagner	May 06
Lavita	Golightly	May 14
Cathy	Beck	May 16
Alice	Sadeghpour	May 18
Mary Ellen	Galus	May 20
Karen	Coffey	May 22
Linda	Stewart	May 23
Marcia	Karns	May 25



## Sunshine and Shadows

Congratulations to Karen Ridgway on the marriage of her son Matthew and his fiancé Brandi . 

Sympathies and heartfelt hugs to our President, Lisa Dinkelman on the loss of her sister.

Long time guild member, Carolyn Cordes, passed away on May 15. Sympathy and prayers go out to her family: husband-Cleburn, son and daughter-in-law David and Joan and grandson, Kyle.

To share “sunshine” or “shadow” information about members contact Chris Friesen at [cmfriesen9@gmail.com](mailto:cmfriesen9@gmail.com).



## FEELING SCRAPPY?

I am still collecting scraps and accepting donations from Bees and Quilters. I try to sort them into bags of stuffing sizes, scrap-quilt sizes, bigger sizes, and batting.

There are squares, triangles, strips, orphan blocks, and I have even found lace and trim pieces. I sort them in case someone wants specifics, plus I have found pins in some and don't want anyone to get stuck. I am in the process of sorting the strips from the other shapes since several friends are doing strip quilts. If you or anyone that you know could use some or all of these items please email [karcoffey@att.net](mailto:karcoffey@att.net) or text me at 713-503-1795.

Thanks!

Karen Coffey

1st VP/Membership



## BEE NEWS

### MATERIAL GIRLS

We had an **AMAZING!** time at Magnolia Manor in April. After rebooking the retreat due to COVID this time last year, some substitutions “in the line-up” were made, reacquainting old friends and making new ones.

We are excited to have our first meeting in the new Bear Creek Community Center on Saturday May 22. Feels like a season of renewal.

Angelique Burnside - Beekeeper



### KATY ROTARY BEE

The ladies met at El Jarrito and had lunch on the patio. It was great to catch up. We presented Celeste with a token of our appreciation for all the zoom meetings she set up and hosted over this past year. We really enjoyed keeping in touch.

The bee is now meeting in person at the new Clay Road Community Center. We are all happy to once again meet face to face.

Debbie Huebel— Beekeeper

### LADIES OF THE NIGHT

The Ladies of the Night are still as busy as ever. We helped Barb K.'s daughter sort through the last of her sewing room items and now have lots of quilt tops to finish up for donations and for her family. Such beautiful work! Several of us are setting off on summer trips and we wish safe travels to those Ladies. Can't wait to hear about the adventures when they return!

Sheila Odell, Beekeeper

Submitted by Kathy Johnson

### THURSDAY NIGHT BEE

Retreat was wonderful as usual. Everyone did their own breakfast and lunch/dinner was prepared by those attending. Some of the quilts were shown on Facebook and I'm sure more will be seen at Show and Tell at a future guild meeting. We are already signed up for another retreat in September.

Not much happening this month, so hope to have a longer article for June.

Nita Beard—Beekeeper

### THE THIMBLELINAS

The Thimblelinas had their road trip to Maria's new home. She gave us a tour explaining all the unique remodeling that occurred. Then we went to her 'kottage' where we sewed, had tons of show 'n tell and consumed a great lunch provided by Maria. It was awesome being together as a group and seeing Jennifer again.

The group is excited to meet at the new facility on Saturday. We are all looking forward to getting back to normal!

Lillie Hays - Beekeeper



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**Girl:** Hi Doctor, have you found out what my condition is yet?

**Doctor:** Yes, do you like sewing?

**Girl:** Yes, but what does that have to do with any of this?

**Doctor:** You're seam-stressed.

## ZOOM Etiquette

Check your microphone and speaker settings on microphone BEFORE the meeting.

Plug your computer or device into a power source.

Use a headset in crowded public places.

MUTE your microphone when not actively speaking.

Be aware of your surroundings and behavior (we can see you)!

Look at yourself on the zoom screen. If you can only see an eye or a nose or the top of your head, that's what everyone else sees too!

Add questions/comments in "Chat" section to be addressed by Moderators.



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# All Star Virtual Sampler Platter

Saturday May 22nd, 3-6pm (eastern)

Sunday May 23rd, 3-6pm (eastern)

Come enjoy a fantastic zoom classroom experience! Learn lots of quilting techniques from some of the best teachers around! Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like!

This jam-packed and exciting sampler platter is sure to be a rollicking good time for everyone! Experience some of the best teachers the virtual world has to offer in this live zoom event offered by the Global Quilt Connection. An All-Star cast of 18 quilt teachers will demonstrate some of their favorite quilting techniques, showcasing a wide variety of styles and techniques. You'll see everything from traditional to modern and art quilting techniques.

Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like, grab a cuppa and join the fun. Between each 15 minute demo we will offer short and entertaining zoom tutorials that will help you get the most out of a zoom workshop. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to experience a live zoom class, this is your perfect risk-free opportunity to check it out. Each teacher will demonstrate her Zoomin'-awesome teaching style so you can get a good feel of how wonderful virtual classes can be.

## May 22, 3-6pm eastern

**Catherine Redford** Walking Foot Quilting Beyond the Ditch

**Trudy Cleveland** Photograph Your Quilt with a Smartphone

**Natalya Khorover** Hand Stitching on Single-use Plastic

**Ashli Montgomery** Storytelling Tees, pair T-shirts with Blocks

**Dana Jones** Demystifying Design for Foundation Piecing

**Kelly Ashton** Calculations, Cutting, and Why it Matters

**Margarita Koriath** Dimensional Designs with Light Modeling Paste

**Nina Clotfelter** Ruler Work on Your Domestic Machine

**Sheila Frampton-Cooper** Curved Piecing and Using Monofilament Thread

## May 23, 3-6pm eastern

**Sandy Fitzpatrick** Fusible Appliqué with Decorative Machine Stitching

**Andi Stanfield** Building a Monochromatic Color Palette

**Sue Sherman** Needle Turn Appliqué for Hawaiian Quilting

**Ellen Lindner** How to Finish Your Quilt with a Facing

**Karen Miller** Curled Feather Quilting on a Home Machine

**Joyce Hughes** Thread Painting, Before and After

**Lisa Shepard Stewart** Ankara Folded Hexie Blocks and Projects

**Ana Buzzalino** Paintstiks on Fabric with Stencils and Rubbing Plates

**Brenda Gael Smith** Piecing Freeform Banded Triangles

You will receive a zoom link and a PDF from your guild, the week before the Sampler that includes written instructions to go along with each teacher's demonstration, as well as a page with tips for making the most of live zoom workshops. If you have signed up as an individual quilter you will get the same link and PDF. The live zoom webinar will have a 1000 person access limit at any one time but not to worry! If the webinar is full when you log in, you will be automatically directed to a youtube livestream and won't miss a thing! Sit back and see what a live virtual workshop has to offer.