

# Sew On and Sew On

West Houston Quilter's Guild

Issue 5 May 2018

# **PROGRAM NOTICE**

Date: Wednesday, May 16, 2018

Where: Bear Creek United Methodist Church, 16000 Rippling Water Dr, Houston, TX 77084

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Speaker: Rhonda Dort

Program: Quilting With Vintage

Linens

Time: 6:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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### WORKSHOP NOTICE

June 21, 2018, Lisa Ellis presents Charming Cathedral Windows

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# **DINA'S DISCUSSION**

Dear Members,

All things have become new. 2 Corinthians 5:17

Hello again quilters! This year seems to be flying by and I can't believe its already May. First off, I would like to wish all of the moms, grandmas and of course my group, the Fur Mommies, a very Happy Mother's Day! I hope you all have a wonder day full of happiness and surrounded by your loved ones.

I really enjoyed Christa's presentation last month and hope everyone else did as well. I was able to stop by the workshop on Thursday and everyone seemed to be having a wonderful time and learning some valuable tips. I also loved seeing the pictures on Instagram.

Seeing her beautiful quilts was wonderful, but what really stuck with me was how she connected traditional and modern quilting. She reminded us that at the very root of it we are all making a piece of art that is also functional and full of love. We may refer to the same things differently, but in the end, we are all keeping the artform going. And luckily there are enough fabric manufacturers out there to keep us supplied in all types of fabrics, wherever we may fall on the quilting spectrum.

~ Dina Luz, President

# **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. Following is the schedule:

June 6 – Quilt 'n Sew Studio

Meeting Location for the Guild

Bear Creek United Methodist Church,
16000 Rippling Water Dr. Houston, TX 77084

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Deadline for submitting articles for the Sew On and Sew On is the Monday following the Guild meeting each month. Send them directly to Patricia Cook, Editor, at pcook43@gmail.com

# PROGRAMS, WORKSHOPS, AND RETREATS

# 2018 Programs

May 16, 2:00 6:45	Rhonda Dort Rhonda Dort	Quilting With Vintage Linens Quilting With Vintage Linens
Jun 20	Lisa Ellis	Healing Quilts
Jul 18	Pam Holland	Multi Media Trunk Show
Aug 15, 2:00 6:45	Kelly Young Kelly Young	
Sep 19	Angela McCorkle	Longarm Quilting 101
Oct 17, 2:00 6:45	Quilt Show Workshop Shannon Brinkley	Trunk Show
Nov 14	Quilt Show Workshop	)
Dec 19	Holiday Party	

# 2018 Workshops

Jun 21	Lisa Ellis	Charming Cathedral Windows
Jul 19	Pam Holland	Sock it to Me
Sep 20	Angela McCorkle	Ten Minute Block
Oct 18	Shannon Brinkley	Scrappy Applique

#### 2018 Guild Retreat

Sep 27-29 And Sew It Began La Porte, Texas

# **Programs**

Our May speaker for both the afternoon and evening meeting is Rhonda Dort. Rhonda has been the featured artist in several creative publications, "On Track Magazine", "Inspirations Magazine", and "Embroiders Guild of Victoria" (Canada), and "Hexie Love Magazine". She was also featured along with artist Cindy Needham in the Special Exhibit for International Quilt Festival. Rhonda will be doing a lecture and trunk show on her favorite topic, "Quilting with Vintage Linens". Thanks to the Thursday Night Bee for hosting Rhonda!

We do not have a workshop scheduled for May, however, we are holding an educational opportunity / seminar on Saturday, May 19, beginning at 10.00 a.m. at Quilt n Sew in Katy on Mason Road. Topic – "Paper Piecing". As of this writing Pat

Cook is planning to lead this seminar which is limited to the first 15 folks to sign up! You will need your machines, rotary cutter, small mats, and two – three coordinating fat quarters. Please send me your name and email – morse.lynda @yahoo. com. We will also be taking names if space permits at the May guild meetings.

Our June speaker is Lisa Ellis who will be doing her lecture and trunk show entitled "Healing Quilts". The workshop following on Thursday, June 21 at Quilt n Sew, beginning 9.30 a.m. ending 3.30, is entitled "Charming Cathedral Windows". We will be signing up attendees at the May Guild meeting. Cost is \$35.00. We need a Bee to volunteer to host Lisa who is coming to us from Fairfax, Virginia.

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# **Update on Speaker Hosts:**

May 2018 - Rhonda Dort – Thursday Night Bee

June 2018 – Lisa Ellis – OPEN

July 2018 – Pam Holland – Material

August 2018 – Kelly Young – Summer King

September 2018 – Angela McCorkle – OPEN

October 2018 – Shannon Brinkley – OPEN

### **Update on Survey:**

Overall there were 58 respondents to the survey. Members rated their quilting skills are rated as follows:

7% – Expert; 52% – Experienced; 38% – Intermediate; 3% – Beginners

Generally speaking, and by adding ratings of one and two together; the respondents favored the following topics fairly equally with traditional piecing ranking highest: traditional piecing; both hand and machine applique; followed by modern quilts. Machine and hand quilting were the next category of "favorite" topics. Overwhelmingly Long Arm Quilting was the least favorite topic.

Among respondents only 31 percent have a keen interest in "Art quilts". Adding together ratings of one and two the respondents have the least interest in topics related to using precuts or using tools. Highest in this category the respondents favor more speakers on topics related to new ideas in quilting. The other categories (traditional design/piecing; color theory; accuracy and modern quilting) were about equal in ratings for speakers on these topics. In this same train of thought, 62% of respondents would like to know more about modern quilting.

# MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 4	Julie Lisle	May 20 Mary Ellen Galus
May 5	Anne Forrest	May 22 Karen Coffey
May 5	Kris Hoffman	May 23 Linda Stewart
May 6	Jeannie Eberle	May 25 Marcia Karns
May 6	Kathy Wagner	May 26 Georgia Johnson
May 14	Lavita Golightly	May 31 Martha DeLeonardis
May 16	Cathy Beck	•

May 17 Judy Nyman

May 18 Alice Sadeghpour

Please bring a door prize.

# COMFORT QUILTERS / COMMUNITY SERVICE

With the closing of Quilt Works, the Comfort Quilters had to find a place to meet. We will begin to meet on Thursday, May 17 at the Glazier Community Center on Pine Forest Drive. Because of this move, we will be meeting from 1:00 - 5:00 each Thursday, EXCEPT THE SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH. Connie and I think this is a good thing and will give all of us a small break from meeting every week.

So if you want to join a fun and very productive group of ladies, bring your sewing machine and the usual sewing supplies and the rest will be provided. We always have kits available and/or fabric for you to design your own top.

We got started making the jar openers the last time we were at Quilt Works and got over 100 completed. Hope to have at least 300 complete by the end of May. A huge Thank You goes to the guild members who generously provided the fund to purchase the shelf liner we are using. Scraps gathered from donations are being cut into 6" squares to complete the gift for visitors to our quilt show next March.

The turn in at the April guild meeting was a little low, but hopefully things will pick up for May. Turned in were the following: 31 preemie caps, 6 preemie blankets, 8 adult quilts, 8 Linus quilts and 1 Quilt of

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# **MAY 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	Board Meeting 6:30 PM	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	Guild Meeting 6:45 PM	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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# **2019 DONATION QUILT**

You ladies came through last month at our guild meeting like storm troopers! So many of you stepped up to participate I have to say I left very encouraged by your enthusiasm. I shared with you at our last meeting that

my personal goal is to raise \$10,000 from our donation quilt and as of this month we have surpassed the \$2000 mark. I love being part of the quilting community and taking our quilt out gives me the opportunity to mingle and learn from other quilters



and hear speakers that I would not be exposed to in any other way. My special thanks to our Terri at Quilt n Sew for letting us set up our quilt twice at her store and all those that helped with it. Many thanks to all of you.

Please contact me with your interest or questions: Pamela Hensley 281-389-2867 or at pmlhensley@yahoo.com.

~ Pam Hensley, Keeper of the Quilt

# SHOW TIME MAGIC IS IN THE MAKING

# The Magic of Quilts 2019 Quilt Show

March 1-2, 2019, 10:00 am - 4 pm

Berry Center 8877 Barker Cypress Rd. Cypress, Texas 77433

Plans for the 2019 quilt show The Magic of Quilts are coming along. We have some fabulous Silent Auction quilts and Magic Hat Raffle prizes you won't want to miss!

If you or your bee has a special item you just know your quilt friends can't live without, please consider making some for our Guild Market. Not in a bee or unsure of what to make?...Join us October 17 at 2 pm



and November 14 at 6:45 pm at the Guild meeting for a Sew In to help with projects for the Market.

To keep everyone up to date with show information and to just highlight some of our

Guild's amazing quilters we have created an Instagram and Facebook page. Please take a moment to find us on these social media platforms at The Magic of Quilts and follow us. Help us spread the word by liking our Facebook page and sharing it.

~ Beverly Farrell and Alice Sadeghpour 2019 Quilt Show Co-Chairmen

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Valor. REMEMBER to stop by the Community Service table and pick up a complete kit to make a charity quilt or a top or panel that needs to be quilted. If your birthday has passed and you did get your 2 quilts turned in, how about picking up 2 kits and getting those quilts done

before the end of the year. We still have lots of tops from the Stash Busters donation that need to be quilted and bound. If you have a long arm or short arm and are willing to help, please ask for these at the next guild meeting.

~ Connie Bihner and Nita Beard Charitable Projects Co-Chairmen

# QUILT ENTRIES – WILL YOU BE READY?

Kris Hoffman and Celeste Fritz have drafted the quilt entry information for our 2019 show and the Ouilt Show Committee is in the process of reviewing it. There won't be any major changes, just some clarifications. Between the flooding and a new meeting place, we hope our members have had time to work on some of their projects and will have quilts ready to enter in our show. One of the comments we have heard from others, year after year, is that our show is one of the best guild shows and what makes the show is Your Ouilts! So...plan ahead, schedule time, and get those beautiful quilts finished so they can be entered in the show.

~ Celeste Fritz

#### SILENT AUCTION

I want to say thank you for the response on the Astros T-Shirts. However as great as it was we still need more. I hope we can have a lot at the May meeting. It's surprising how many outgrown Astro T-Shirts are hiding in closets. Please check and see if you have one that you are willing to share.

Speaking of great responses, it's been great to have so many Quilts promised to the Auction. If you as an individual or your Bee or group are planning to donate a Quilt to The Silent Auction, please let me know, my email is jean.fleming@sbcglobal. net. Space is limited and is on a first come first serve basis. So please let me know to reserve your spot.

It looks like The Silent Auction is going to be spectacular. Again thank you for your help in making The Silent Auction a success.

~ Jean Fleming



# BEE NEWS

Head Beekeeper: Judith Washburn

# Cut-ups

Between members traveling, ill or having to be home to have work done our little group had rotating attendance during April. Both of our sew-ins were cancelled, but we took advantage of that to schedule our First Six Months Birthday Lunch. A good time, and good food, was had by all at Saltgrass Steakhouse. We have planned our contributions for the quilt show and work is underway. We'll have a guilt for the Silent Auction, a batik bag full of batik fabrics for the Tin Can Raffle, and see-into project bags for the Market. We miss seeing Millie Savage, whose husband is still battling health issues.

Beekeeper: Celeste Fritz

# **Katy Rotary Club**

The Katy Rotary Club Bee has been very busy this month. The UFO challenge is well underway. Debbie Huebel, Cynthia Regone, Lillie Hayes; Jean Fleming; Georgia Johnson; Joan Rondeau all showed beautiful quilts. I am sure we will all have UFOs to mark off our list next month.

Most of the group will be attending the Canyon Lake Retreat April 23. I am sure the ladies will have great stories and finished quilt tops to show when they return. Happy Quilting!!!!

Beekeeper: Judith Washburn

## Ladies of the Night

The Ladies of the Night have been keeping busy! We have gathered our Halloween fabrics and are looking forward to our first exchange of "Halloween Jar" blocks at the end of May. We have been working on scrappy log cabin blocks for our "Tin Can Log Cabin" quilt to be donated to the Tin Can raffle at the quilt show

- it won't be long before we are putting the top together! Several of us were able to get away to Debbie's house on Canyon Lake for a retreat at the end of April and had a wonderful time together. Somewhere in between eating and laughing we even managed to get a little sewing done! We always have such a good time together. Quilting friends are the best!

Beekeeper: Sheila Odell Submitted by Kathy Johnson

#### Miss-Bee-Haven Ya-Yas

The Yaya's enjoyed a great time on retreat. We enjoyed our stay on the lake in Onalaska. It's a nice cute house that sits right on the lake. Some made a quick trip to the quilt shop in Trinity.

Saturday night on retreat seemed to be color night. Some worked on their quilt block for the quilt show. The first part requires coloring. I'm not sure if they were excited about the coloring or maybe the margaritas.

I would like to welcome 3 new members to our group. You may recognize the names. Dina Luz, Dena Rosenberg and Dolores Nelson. We look forward to having them. I know each of them will bring a lot of talent to our group.

Beekeeper: Kris Hoffman

#### The Material Girls

We had a very successful retreat at Magnolia Manner. Many projects were started and finished. Saturday night we had our Christmas in Spring exchange. Wow! Material Girls are talented and creative. The gift that had us all talking was the "I Learned To Quilt In Prison" bags given by Amy Matthias. She got the idea from all the looks we got when the bus pulled up to the Christmas In July

show in Huntsville; no prison orange jumpsuits but our bags are orange!

We are searching for a new meeting site for our second Saturday Bee meeting. We are all saddened by Quilt Works closing for good. Many thanks to them for all that was given to us. We'll really miss you and appreciate that you shared our addictions!

Beekeeper: Marcia Karns

# **Thursday Night Bee**

Not much going on with the Thursday Night Bee. Everyone seems to be working on their entry to the quilt show in 2019 or making charity quilts. Some of us are traveling to see the St. Mary's Quilt Show in Plantersville and then coming back to Tomball to eat at Mel's Country Cafe and have a plate of fried catfish--the best in the world.

Some are finished with their birthday blocks that are due in June, but some of us procrastinate until the last minute and then are frantic to complete them. Thank goodness, I am 3/4 finished with only one to go. If I sew a little every day I can get it finished in plenty of time and might even get a charity quilt made also. So take a few stitches every day and soon a UFO will be completed.

Beekeeper: Nita Beard

Donations of Toiletries are welcomed! They will be passed on to worthy charities. Please contact Marcia Karns (text me at 713-922-5130) if you have a donation or questions. Thank you.

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54% of respondents would like to have more Saturday classes, and we have 12 respondents who are willing to mentor other quilters, including teaching skills they have mastered. In the comment section it was brought to my attention there were no questions or choices related to paper piecing and wool applique. In the sections on "workshops I would definitely sign up for" there were 33 responses, and 32 topics selected; thus no trend. The favorite speaker category was much the same with 25 responses and 20 speakers named; again no trend or overwhelming pick.

So how will we use this information? First, we will strive to contract with speakers whose presentations and/ or workshops fall into the most highly rated topic areas. Second, we will schedule some Saturday opportunities for workshops or education utilizing skills of our own membership. Thanks again to everyone who participated in our survey.

~ Lynda Morse Second Vice President -Programs and Workshops



# LET'S GET SOCIAL

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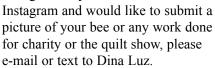
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Our revamped Facebook and new Instagram accounts were announced at the Guild meeting in April. You can get to both sites from our main Web page - whqg.org.

Scroll to the bottom and click on the Facebook or Instagram buttons. Please link to our Facebook page from yours and follow us on Instagram. If you are not on Instagram and would like to sul



If you post a picture to Instagram of your bee or any work done for charity, please use these tags and hashtags:

@westhouston.quiltersguild #whqg #whqgcomfortquilts

And if you are posting pics of work you are doing for the quilt show, use these tags and hashtags

@themagicofquilts
#themagicofquilts

Don't forget that you can also follow hashtags on Instagram, as well as accounts!

If you have any questions, please e-mail our Director of Communications, Summer King (lalaluu@gmail.com).

~ Summer King Director of Communications