

## A NOTE FROM LISA



It was wonderful to see such a large group at our January meeting. Cynthia England was truly an entertaining and inspirational speaker. Judging from the laughter in the room, I think it is safe to say you all enjoyed her lecture, too! I look forward to seeing the results of her workshop.

On the subject of speakers, Debbie Adami has been busy working on finding us some more great speakers for 2020-2021. There are a few months that are not yet filled. If there is anyone special you would like to see, let her know.

We also saw the unveiling of the donation quilt at the January meeting. Absolutely stunning! I am truly grateful to Phyllis Rucker and all her helpers, who produced such a work of beauty. Be sure to get your tickets for a chance to win. Additionally, please let Nita Beard or Connie

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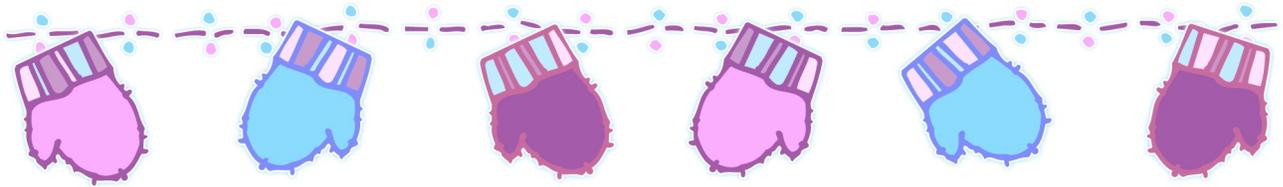
## FEBRUARY GUILD MEETING

<b>Where:</b>	<u>Thomas A. Glazier Senior Education Center</u> <u>16600 Pine Forest Lane</u> <u>Houston, TX 77084</u>
<b>Meeting Day:</b>	Wednesday, February 19, 2020
<b>Social Time:</b>	6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	6:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
<b>Speaker:</b>	Martelli Notions
<b>Program:</b>	“Accuracy”
<b>Workshop:</b>	<i>no workshop this month</i>
<b>Where:</b>	N/A

**West Houston Quilter's Guild**  
**Sew On and Sew On!**

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### **2020 Speakers**

February 19 - Martelli Notions - presentation and tricks of the quilting trade

March 18 - Jackie Asbil - Quilt as You Go

April 15 - Cynthia Regone

May 20 - Tommy Romano My Quilting Journey and Trunk Show

### **2020 Workshops**

February - none

March 19 - Jackie Asbil - Grandma's Cuddle Quilt

### **2020 Retreats**

May 17-20 Magnolia Manor

September 10 - 13 Magnolia Manor

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## **PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS**

I trust you all enjoyed Cynthia England's presentation and trunk show. The variety of her quilts and attention to detail was very interesting. Her stories were funny and informative and I loved her solution of painting the fence to cover up an eyesore at her lake house. The workshop was very well attended, a big thank you to all who went and learned Cynthia's technique for landscape quilts. We will be looking forward to seeing the completed ones in the quilt show next spring.

Martelli Notions will be the presentation for February 19. Martelli's team has a presentation on how to better prepare and more accurately cut fabric as well as loads of tips and tricks for us to learn. There will be extra prizes this month from Martelli.

March brings us Jackie Asbil and her Quilt as You Go technique. She promises an easy way to complete quilts faster. Her workshop, Grandma's Cuddle Quilt, a quick project made from your stash or specific fabric, will have you making a small quilt that you can use as a gift or as one of your Linus quilts for the year. The workshop will be held at Bear Creek United Methodist Church at 16000 Rippling Water, Houston, TX. 77084 beginning at 9:30. Be sure to bring an extension cord with surge protection.

April 15 is our own Cynthia Ragone. Cynthia's presentation and trunk show will be a delight with lots of color and many techniques. Rumor has it that she is retiring from the presentation and teaching circuit, so be sure to catch one of her last shows. I am sure she will have more time to do more quilting for herself.

Happy Quilting, Debbie Adami  
Second Vice President  
Programs and Workshops

## MEMBERSHIP

It's February and all the holiday hustle and bustle is over, so we can relax and enjoy new projects and work on the UFOs that we set aside to be able to finish our gift projects. This also starts a new Guild year and it is time to renew our memberships. The renewal forms are available on the Website and I will have some at the Membership table if you need one.

There is a new item on our Membership forms; we are asking everyone to provide an emergency contact number for the Roster. We want to be able to contact someone for you "just in case". If you have already renewed your membership and don't remember if you provided a contact please check your badge holder at the next meeting. I put a small reminder in the holders of those who did not – it is in front of the membership card, and easy to spot.

Starting this month the dues are \$30.00 for the year, please add \$10.00 if you prefer to receive your monthly newsletter by mail instead of viewing it on the web.

As of the January meeting we have 132 paid returning members, seven new members. Welcome to our newest members! There are 55 members who have not renewed.

Please note that the badges of the members who have not renewed by the end of the February meeting will be pulled from the bins.

Karen Coffey, Membership

## RETREAT

We are planning a Spring and Fall Retreat at Magnolia Manor. May 17-20. This year we are having the Spring Retreat during the week. Sunday through Wednesday. The Fall Retreat will be September 10th-13th. Thursday through Sunday. So save the dates.

Monday–Thursday \$95/per night

Friday-Sunday \$105 /per night

Barbara Ann Watson, Retreats

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Snowflakes  
Snuggles  
& Smiles



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## BEE NEWS



### Cut-ups

The Cut-ups had our usual fantastic Christmas party, highlighted by our “stealing game”. Georgia & Millie always provide lots of laughter stealing the same item between them. After

that, we took a much-needed break for the holidays. It’s good to be back to normal now, though. We are now focusing on our 2021 Quilt Show contributions and our individual entries. Teresa Beautz has already completed a quilt from the batik blocks we exchanged. They were easy to make and turn into a beautiful, colorful quilt.

Celeste Fritz, Beekeeper

### The Thimblelinas

The Thimblelinas had a great time at their Christmas party in December. The last time to meet at Maria's clubhouse after many years. What memories!

Our January meeting was at Pamela's clubhouse. It was a great location but we decided to change our meeting time to the 1st Saturday of each month at The Glacier Center.

The Quilt of Valor top and backing have been completed. It will be shown at a guild meeting very soon!

Lillie Hays, Beekeeper

### Community Service/Comfort Quilters

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE/COMFORT QUILTERS

Comfort Quilters started full steam ahead at our first meeting of 2020. Nine of us enjoyed lunch at Los Cucos and then proceeded to The Glazier Center where we were joined by three others for an afternoon of sewing for charity. Several quilts and premie caps were turned in.

Any guild member is welcome to join us on Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:30 and help us make quilts for the elderly and for children. Four of us worked in

storage moving, all guild information to one area and sorting and arranging the boxes full of stuff for Grandmother's Attic 2021.

REMEMBER kits are always available to be picked up at guild so you can complete your 2 quilts per year and turn them in on your birthday month.

Connie Bihner and Nita Beard, Beekeeper

### Want to join a bee?

There is a new bee that has formed! Members are so excited to share their love of all things quilt related! The downside is that there are only three members at this time. This bee meets during the day time. But I have someone who would like to join a bee that meets in the evening.

Here is a list of open bees:

- The Cut Ups, Celeste Fritz, Beekeeper, Fridays 10-12, at Krogers
- Tuesday Morning Friends, Janet Musgrove, Beekeeper, Tuesdays 10-2, at Second Baptist Church (West)
- New bee, Hannah Wellens, day and time to be decided, at members homes

All guild members can join a bee, and yes you need to be a member of the guild to join the bee meetings. You can contact the Beekeeper by going online <https://www.whqg.org/roster> or email me for more information.

Ruth Roesler, Guild Beekeeper/Newsletter

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Tri-County Quilt Guild is requesting scribes for judging of their quilt show, here are the details:

When: March 5, 2020

Where: Berry Center

Time: 9:00 am - until finished (4 pm or so)

Need: 10 - 12 volunteers

Requirements: will need to be able to stand for increments of 20min to an hour.

Lunch will be provided.

Judging will be done while the quilts are hanging and will require the scribes to be able to work on a computer while standing. (There will be "podiums" for the computers.)

Please respond to Debbie Adami by February 20th and be sure to include your email address so further directions can be sent to you directly. Tri-County guild scribes for our judging process so this is a great time to reciprocate and thank them for their help.

Thank you for the help.

Debbie Adami

## GRANDMOTHER'S ATTIC

Comfort Quilters Bee has taken on the task of chairing this part of our 2021 quilt show. We know you are anxious to pass along some of your excess, however, we want to be able to sort and price gradually.

THEREFORE, IF YOUR LAST NAME BEGINS WITH A THROUGH I, YOU CAN BRING STUFF TO THE MARCH GUILD MEETING. Remember the stuff you bring needs to be something you would be willing to purchase-- NOT STUFF YOU WOULD THROW IN THE TRASH. Duplicates of things you have, kits you will never make, etc. are the items we are looking for.

Nita Beard, Comfort Quilter Beekeeper



## Area Quilt Shows

### Quilt Con

Thu, Feb 20 – Sun, Feb 23

Austin Convention Center  
500 E Cesar Chavez St, Austin, TX

### Nature's Blessings Quilt Show

Fri, Feb 21, 10 AM – 5 PM

Brenham Fire Department Training Center  
1101 Hwy 290 West, Brenham, TX

### Tri County Quilt Guild Quilt Show 2020 A Quilt Odyssey

Fri, Mar 6, 10 AM – 5 PM

Berry Center of Northwest Houston  
8877 Barker Cypress Rd, Cypress, TX

### Seeing Stars

Golden Triangle Quilt Guild

3/13-14 9 am to 4 pm

Beaumont Civic Center

701 Main St, Beaumont, TX

### Piecemakers by the Bay Quilt Guild

Sat, Feb 1, 10 AM – Sun, Feb 2, 5 PM

Rockport - Fulton High School  
1801 Omohundro St, Rockport, TX

Email me with info for a show you'd like to see here.

[newsletterwhgg@gmail.com](mailto:newsletterwhgg@gmail.com)



Here are a few links for our ongoing community projects:



## Christmas Stocking

If you or your group are making stockings or Christmas preemie quilts, please bring them to any guild meeting. All these items will be delivered the week after Thanksgiving.

Here is a link for the stocking pattern:

<https://whqg.org/>

## Project Linus



[www.projectlinus.org/patterns](http://www.projectlinus.org/patterns)

## VOLUNTEER POSITIONS STILL OPEN

There are still a few positions that need to be filled, the open positions are Education, Historian, and Publicity. Job descriptions can be found on the guild's website. This month's highlight is:

### Publicity Chairman

Issue press releases for each guild meeting to a variety of newspaper, cable, and radio sources throughout the area covered by guild membership • Place flyers and/or business cards at local businesses, quilt shops, fabric stores to promote guild. • Maintain inventory of business cards/flyers and reprint as needed • Procure donations for door prizes from local businesses • Sell ads in the Guild newsletter • Issue press releases for special guild activities as requested by the Board • Prepare and present an annual report and proposed budget to Director of Communication as required. • Respond to all Guild communications, both phone and electronic in a timely manner. (Recommend a 24-hour maximum turn around) • Coordinate with Guild Historian to receive photos suitable to include with press releases and post to website .

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Bihner know if you are able to take the donation quilt to an event or store and sell tickets.

So on to February we go. We have an interesting evening planned for the February meeting. Martelli will be demonstrating many tools that should make our crafting lives more enjoyable. As 2020 is a leap year, we can also enjoy an extra day this February. I don't know about anyone else, but I hope to spend that extra day quilting.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the February meeting!

Lisa Dinkelman, President

## FEBRUARY AND EARLY MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Lisa Hennon	Feb 16
Sharon Lucarelli	Feb 20
Donna Car	Feb 22
Sharon Dixon	Feb 23
Sandra Seavey	Feb 26
Gail Brassler	Mar 01
Gloria Stewart	Mar 02
Pamela Hensley	Mar 03
Dorothy McConnell	Mar 05
Kathy Eidson	Mar 07
Cynthia Holik	Mar 09
Betty Hankinson	Mar 10
Barbara Ann Watson	Mar 11

## SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

We want to congratulate you in those “sunshine” moments like births, quilt awards, retirement, new jobs, and support you in those “shadow” times during illness and hospitalization or loss of loved ones. To share this information contact Secretary, at [cmfriesen9a@gmail.com](mailto:cmfriesen9a@gmail.com).

Sympathy to Gale Davis on the loss of her husband, Jerry, in January. Sympathy also to Judith Habermacher on the lost of her husband, Steven, in January. Our thoughts and prayers go out to these long time guild members on their loss.

Chris Friesen, Secretary

*I made this quilt for my step mother-in-law after my father-in-law passed away. It is made out of his shirts and jeans.*

Ruth Roesler, Newsletter Editor



## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline is on the Monday following the guild meeting.

February 17, 2020

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## Longarm For Sale

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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. at the Glazier Senior Ed Center.

Next meeting:

**February 5, 2020**



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