# A NOTE FROM LISA

Happy November to you all!

What a great talk Diane Harris gave us at the October meeting! I haven't had as much time to quilt as I would like this year, but there was some real creativity in Diane's slide show that has encouraged me to start sorting through my scraps again. I do believe our November meeting will be just as inspirational when Cyndi McChesney shows us everything we can do with printed panels.

And speaking of inspiration, the Show & Tell was equally fantastic.

Thank you to everyone who contributed and a big thanks to Amy for putting the presentation together. I hope we can make our Show & Tell presentation a more regular feature in our meetings again.

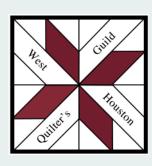
It's going to be a strange Thanksgiving this year—a strange holiday season all around, really. But we must make the best of getting on with our lives as Covid is here to stay for a while. I feel like I can certainly count my many blessings this year. Being a part of this great group of people is at the top of the list! And I am super thankful for Zoom, of course!

Hope to see you all at our November meeting! Stay safe and healthy, and happy quilting!

Lisa

# **COMMUNITY SERVICE TURN IN NOVEMBER 19, 2020**

If you have quilts, stockings, or preemies to turn in, come to The Glazier Center (Room 5) between **12:00 - 3:30 on November 19**. You must wear a mask to enter the building and we will try to social distance while taking up things. Please let us know when you turn in whether your quilt has a label or not. We will have labels and iron so we can add a label when the quilt is turned in. Hope to see lots of you on November 19 with your quilts for others.



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### **PROGRAMS**

I hope you all enjoyed Diane Harris, the Stash Bandit, as our October speaker as much as I did. I took lots of notes with the thought that I will see if I have the ability to pull together a scrappy quilt. Some of my favorite quotes were:

- A good design is one that has surprises and keeps you looking at the quilt and draws you in
- its about the big picture not the individual fabrics
- For a one color quilt focus on lights, mediums and darks, use a variety of colors, and red is probably the easiest color to work with
- a bunch of diverse fabrics need a unifying element, something to hold them together
- if something is sticking out, add more of it
- use a wide variety of sizes and scales of print fabrics, using the same scale makes it look flat

Our **November 18, 2020** speaker is Cyndi McChesney who's presentation is "Panel Palooza". We have all seen quilt panels and probably have some in our stashes. But are you at a loss as to what to do with it other than making a charity quilt? Cyndi has many good ideas and a great presentation in store for us.

The link to her website is: Cedarridgequilting.com

Happy Quilting,
Debbie Adami
2nd Vice President



# Membership



Well here we are, getting ready for the Holidays and still in the Covid-19 battle. I'm sure that I'm not the only one of us that is past being ready to feel safe enough to see our families and friends, and to relax and enjoy the time together.

The new year is right around the corner and we can only pray for the best. The new year is also the time for Membership renewal and your Board of Directors has been discussing the easiest and safest way to take care of paying dues. We have decided that the rates will stay the same as last year's rates:

\$25.00 if paid by Jan 20 (1st meeting 2021)

\$30.00 if paid after first meeting

\$15.00 for NEW members joining after July 1

Add \$10.00 to your dues payment if you prefer to have your Newsletter mailed to you versus using the website.

Please make your checks payable to WHQG.

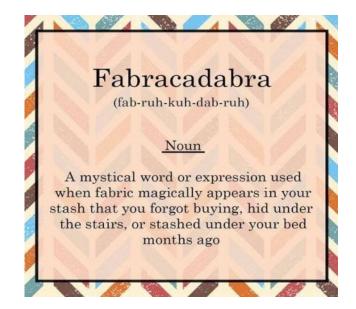
As to the method of payment, we are still discussing our options to make this as simple as possible for all concerned. They can be mailed to the P.O. box address on the membership forms, or perhaps Beekeepers can collect the dues from their Bees to combine in one mailing. If anyone has another idea, please send a message to the Board on the Website.

An updated Membership Form is available on the website and can also be found on the last page of the newsletter. Hope you are all well and I will be so glad to see everyone face to face again!!

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

Karen Coffey First Vice President

Membership



# **Upcoming Programs**

December 16, 2020 - TBD

**January 20, 2021** - Sherri Noel. Presentation is "Finding My Quilt Voice".

The link to her website is:

Rebeccamaedesigns.com.

**February 17, 2021** - Linda Sullivan. Presentation is "Got Color". The link to her website is: *Colourwerx.com*.



# **VITUAL SHOW and TELL**

Virtual Show and Tell is due the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Please send your pictures to newsletterwhqg@gmail.com with a brief comment about your quilt. This month the due date is November 12. Looking forward to see what everyone has been creating!



The Katy Rotary Bee has been keeping in touch via Zoom. We were able to meet for lunch a couple times. It was nice to be able to have multiple conversations going on at one time. Some of us have been quarantining in preparation for retreat in November.

Debbie Huebel -Beekeeper

### **MATERIAL GIRLS**

The Material Girls Bee met in October, in person and Zoom. Each month one member is going to supply the group with block instructions and members can work on the block together or work on their own projects. We will offer zoom during these meetings for those who don't wish to attend in person.

Angelique Burnside - Beekeeper

### THE CUT-UPS BEE

The cut-ups have still been meeting weekly. As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, we have a hybrid meeting with 4 or 5 members meeting (masked & socially distanced) at Celeste's house and the others via ZOOM. We discussed our annual Christmas party and decided that we're not comfortable having one this year. We also talked about a gift exchange and voted to take the amount each of us would normally spend on the gift exchange and donate it to a local charity (to be determined). Lots of beautiful work being completed, including a number of charity quilts. Thanks to Nita and Connie for continuing to collect them.

Celeste Fritz-Beekeeper

### **BITS and PIECES**

Bits and Pieces Bee continues to meet at the home of one of our members and we have been busy! Our small core of about six attendees have made ten Halloween quilts for Linus and 165 stockings in just the past three months meeting just two hours each week.

We are now looking forward to the holidays, our next project, a road trip and getting back to full strength.

Cindy Haggard—Beekeeper

## **COMFORT QUILTERS**

We continue to have 5-6 members meet each Thursday to sew for others. Several guild members also stop by to turn in quilts they have made. Our last meetings will be Thursday, November 5 and 19. We have always taken the month of December off to deliver our quilts to area nursing homes. This year the quilts will be dropped off at each facility since most do not permit any visitors other than family.

A huge Thank You to all guild members who have contributed quilts for the elderly, Linus, stockings, preemies (both novelty and Christmas) and preemie caps. All items will be delivered by the first week of December.

Connie Bihner and Nita Beard - Beekeepers



### **Sunshine and Shadows**



Two of our members, Carolyn Cordes and Barb Knoblock, have moved to assisted care facilities due to health reasons. Both these ladies were very active in our guild. If you would like to send cards or notes to them, their addresses will be updated in a special section of the roster. For privacy reasons we will not publish addresses in the newsletter. Sympathies to Jean Ann Bryant. Her mother, Annie, peacefully passed away at age 105. To find contact information for members go to the "members" tab on the website and select roster. To share "sunshine" or "shadow" information about members contact Chris Friesen at cmfriesen9@gmail.com.

Chris Friesen Secretary

# **Quilt Show and Live Auction!**

Tom Brown Memorial Columbus Club Benefit for Local Charities

### Saturday November 14, 2020

10 am till 7 pm

22892 Mack Washington Road

Hempstead TX 77445

Live Auction at 6pm. Prizes every hour, Silent Auction, Vendors, Vintage Sewing Machine demonstrations, lunch, snack and drinks available.

Chicken Fried Steak Dinner \$13 person from 5-7 pm.

Free Admission/Free Parking

There is a link on the home page of the WHQG website for more information on entering a quilt and to download the quilt entry information.

For event information contact Jack Gibbs; jacklgibbs@gmail.com or 713-813-1923



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Carol	Kocurek	Nov 12
Linda	Dutchak	Nov 12
Karen	Fehmer	Nov 13
Becky	Hoffman	Nov 16
Debbie	Huebel	Nov 18
Kari	Toth	Nov 18
Carolyn	Cordes	Nov 23
Mary	Dinkel	Nov 24
Pamela	Downes	Nov 25
Joyce	Moore	Nov 28
Lillie	Hays	Nov 30

# 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: December 2, 2020



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