JUNE 2021

A NOTE FROM LISA

I think it is safe to say that Summer has arrived! It is certainly feeling hot out there. And so rainy! I've never had such happy and bountiful tomato plants in my garden. If it weren't for all the birds, rabbits, squirrels and who knows what else--helping us eat them, my husband and I wouldn't be able to keep up!

After so many months of only Zoom meetings, I hope you are as excited as I am to have the opportunity to get together in person this month! If you cannot join us in person, then you can still join us via Zoom. We will be utilizing several technologies to broadcast our speaker, both in the new community center, as well as online. I'm pretty confident there will be the odd hiccup! If you are able to join us, we are meeting at the Steve Radack Community Center at 18650 Clay Road., Houston, Texas 77084.

Our May meeting was a lot of fun, and our speaker Ellen Lindner was very inspiring. Our June speaker, Timna Tarr will also be joining us by for her "Flying Colors Trunk Show".

Looking forward to seeing you all on June 16th, either in person or virtually. As always, please be safe and healthy, and take time to quilt!

Lisa







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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: July 7, 2020

COMMUNITY SERVICE/ COMFORT QUILTERS



We had a great turn out on May 27 for the grand opening of the Steve Radack Community Center (Bear Creek). We had 20 guild members either sewing with us, dropping off quilts or picking up kits. The official photographer came into the room and took pictures and talked with us about what we were doing and where did the quilts go when finished. He took a group picture of us holding many of the quilts that were turned in that day. Two TV stations were there, but we never saw anything on the news about the opening.

The following was turned in: 28 adult quilts, 21 Linus quilts, 19 preemies and 1 twin disaster quilt. Keep up the good work. On May 18 these items were delivered to Sally Burns for Linus: 60 quilts, 78 preemies, 94 Beanie Babies and 57 preemie caps.

If you have had 2 birthdays since COVID, did you turn in 2 adult quilts and 2 Linus quilts yet. Remember kits will be available starting with the June guild meeting and each meeting for the rest of the year. All you need to provide is the batting and your time--so pick up a kit or two at the guild meeting.

All guild members are invited to come sew with a great group of ladies each Thursday starting at 10:00 and sewing until 3:30. Come for a while or stay the entire time. Bring your machine and basic sewing supplies and we will put you to work. Connie Bihner and Nita Beard

2021 Programs



June 16 Timna Tarr - "Flying Colors Trunk Show" Timnatarr.com

July 21 Linda Sullivan - Colourwerx Colourwerx.com

August 18 TBD

September 15 possibly a Garage Sale

October 20 Reeze Hanson - Sacred Geometry: From Fibonacci to Fiber Art morningglorydesigns.com

November 17 Technique Demo Day

December 15 Christmas Party

Summer is definitely here. After all the rain for the past 3 weeks, it is wonderful to see the sunshine. My Rain Lilies are loving it and are blooming profusely. I also have gotten a lot of piecing done instead of weeding as the weekends were very wet to be outside. I have 2 new quilt tops ready to quilt.

Summer programs should be fun, I hope you all will join us at the **Steve Radak Community Center for our first in person meeting since February 2020.** We will be Zooming in the speaker and for those who want, **you will be able to Zoom into the meeting as well.** The room is extra large so social distancing will not be a problem. Currently our first in person speaker will be for the October meeting with Reeze Hanson.

I have a number of members who have volunteered their talent for our November Technique Demo Day. It would be nice to have a few more demos. If you have a favorite quilting, piecing, or sewing technique and are willing to share it, please let me know.

Happy Quilting, Debbie Adami



We are giving door prizes to members who attend the monthly guild 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 June meeting for **both online zoom and on site members**. So tune in and don't miss out! As always you must be present to win!

May winners received a issue of Quiltfolk Magazine and Pattern book from Quiltfolk and a Creative Grids ruler. Nita also received a package of Queen Batting from Warm and Natural and Nasreen won a Turn Sharp - Rotary Blade Sharpener from Colonial Needle Company.

Congratulations:

Nita Beard and Nasreen Saeedi





Membership



We have 130 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.

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

Karen Coffey

1st VP/Membership

HAPPY		
BIRTHDAY		
Amy	Matthias	Jun 08
Patricia	Gonzalez	Jun 15
Cindy	Haggard	Jun 22
Helen	Recane	Jun 22
Leah	Yarbrough	Jun 22
Diane	Balcerowicz	Jun 23
Judy	Hendrickson	Jun 23
Julie	Crowell	Jun 26
Teresa	Beautz	Jun 27
Joy	Denk	Jun 28
Karen	Ridgway	Jun 29
Zeldajean	Byrd	Jun 30
Maria	Koteras	Jun 30

Sunshine and Shadows



Sympathies to family and friends of member Bridgette Amonsen. Bridgette passed away unexpectedly in late May.

To share "sunshine" or "shadow" information about members contact Chris Friesen at cmfriesen9@gmail.com.



BEE NEWS

MATERIAL GIRLS

We had our first bee meeting in the new Steve Radack Community Center. There is plenty of space for us to spread out when we work on our creations! The staff was very helpful and eager to show us around the center. I think the guild will be happy with our new home.

On May 25, we un-expectedly lost a cherished member of our Bee. Bridgette Amonsen was a beautiful and creative soul and will be deeply missed.

Angelique Burnside-Beekeeper

CUT-UPS

Wow! It's so nice to get back to almost normal. We have a new home – the Steve Radack Community Center (beautiful!) and we can now safely meet in person. There's enough space for us to even get back to having group sew-ins. Now, for the last link, we'll put together a bee schedule for the remainder of this year. We have been so blessed to not have any of our members get seriously ill during the pandemic. Also, two of our members just welcomed new granddaughters. Now let the camaraderie and sewing begin!

Beekeeper-Celeste Fritz

LADIES OF THE NIGHT

Summer means travel for several of the Ladies and we are enjoying "reports from the road" from those off on adventures. Here at home we're working on current projects and getting some quilts finished up. We are loving meeting in person every week (without masks as we're all vaccinated now!) and looking forward to our August retreat.

Sheila Odell, Beekeeper

Submitted by Kathy Johnson

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