



THE QUILTING TIMES



April Newsletter

We are certainly into the spring season. I love all the new leaves of bright green and the flowers popping up. There always seem to be more pulls on my time to get out into the gardens. But the pulls into the sewing room are strong too. I'm ready to work with some fresh new ideas and cheery fabrics.

Our March program with Karen Styles was truly a treat! She gave us a window into her passion for hand piecing. Her work was wonderful. She indicated she would love to come back next year if her schedule allows.

I look forward to our April program with Lilo Bowman. Please plan on joining us on Tuesday, April 16. Happy quilting! Kathy

Next Meeting April 16, 2024
First Christian Church
1800 W Hunt St, McKinney
Due to a conflict in meeting location we will be meeting in the Sanctuary so please park on the west side of the church building.
Follow the signs.

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April 16 Program Lilo Bowman— Love Where You Create: It's Not One Size Fits All Solutions

Tips on organizing your quilting space to fit your needs.



LOVE YOUR CREATIVE SPACE

A Visual Guide to Creating an Inspiring & Organized Studio Without Breaking the Bank



Lilo Bowman



MCKINNEY QUILTER'S GUILD MEETING**March 19, 2024**

Kathy Chambliss called the meeting to order at 1:00pm and welcomed all members and visitors. Roxy Gross reported 65 members present (with 3 renewals) and 15 guests present, 5 of whom joined the guild.

There were no changes or additions to the February meeting minutes or Treasurer's report, both will be filed for audit.

Laurie Tanas agreed to take notes and type up the minutes for the April meeting.

Welcome to Sharon Blalock with the Rowlett Guild and their raffle quilt.

Betsy Whiteman – Sunshine and Shadows: Maejean Nixon, a former president of the guild has passed away, more information to come about a service. Stephanie Hanson had 2 quilts place at the Dallas quilt show; Nadin Darby had a second place quilt at the show – congratulations ladies!

Carol Surrells – Treasurer's report will be posted in the newsletter.

Lisa Terry -upcoming education demos: MJ Fielek will demonstrate the burrito pillowcase construction in April.

Red Boot retreat is full but a waiting list is available. Final payment due by April 1st. Please let Lisa know if you are interested in a massage at the retreat.

MJ Fielek – Upcoming workshop on Curved Piecing by Annette Plog June 19th from 10-3 at Fabric Fanatics. Workshop is \$42, pattern available from Quilt Asylum at a discounted price.

Jean Ann Clarke – lots of items being donated for our May Mini Madness. Please bring all items by the April meeting.

2024 Raffle Quilt – COORDINATOR(S) STILL NEEDED IF TICKETS SALES ARE TO BE SUCCESSFUL FOR 2024!

Tickets are available for members to pick up.

Sharon Wilhelm -Pictures of new members still needed for the directory, please be sure to get yours taken ASAP. Nothing to report for Operation: Quilted Comfort

Elaine Henry: Nothing to report for Project Linus

Carolyn Kerr: Ryan's Cases – 29 cases turned in last month, please make sure you are picking up a kit and not a finished case.

Roxy Gross: Block of the Month printouts available with a preview of next month's block.

Suzan Crocker introduced Karen Styles and her program "The Art of Slow Stitching"

Show and Tell

Door Prizes

Next month's meeting – April 16th with Lilo Bowman

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm. Minutes submitted by Gisele Oakes, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

March 2024

Beginning Balance	\$22,170.32
Deposits	\$ 7,454.00
Distributions	<u>\$ 1,212.09</u>
Ending Balance	\$28,412.23

Pass Through \$\$ for Red Boot Retreat \$ 9,150.00
Report submitted by Carol Surrells, Treasurer

Quilting Demonstration

Due to the activities planned for our April 16th meeting, there will be no quilting demo this month.

We have so many talented members in our guild. Please consider sharing a skill in future months, volunteers are still needed.

“Ryan’s CaseforSmiles”



At the March meeting, we received 37 completed pillowcases and some yardage! We accept any juvenile fabrics that are 100% cotton.

We will be having MJ Fielek do an Education Demo at a future meeting. She will demonstrate how to make a pillowcase, step by step along with sewing down the additional accent piece!

Unfortunately kits will not be available at this meeting, so feel free to dig into your stash! Thank you!
Carolyn Kerr

UFO Challenge 2024

Sign ups are still being accepted. Get stuff done, win prizes! Text Candy Koharchik at 214-585-1317 or musicalrosary@tx.rr.com to sign up or record tasks completed.

Prize drawing at December meeting.
Thanks

Candy Koharchik at
musicalrosary@tx.rr.com.
Or call 214-585-1317.

WORKSHOPS IN 2024

MJ Fielek will be at a table to sign up those who wish to take these workshops.

Please keep in mind that in June we will be having our first workshop since preCovid and then some!

**June 19, Wednesday- Annette Plog
Machine Curved Piecing**

10:00am—3:00pm at Fabric Fanatics, Plano

Space is limited to twelve. Fee \$40.00

The workshop requires the pattern by Louise Pappas called The Avenue.

Patterns are available on Etsy or at The Quilt Asylum. Acrylic Templates will be available for use at the workshop.

**August 24, Saturday —Linzee McCray
String Piecing**

Boxcar is responsible for taking reservations and fee. They expect to have the information regarding this in April or May.

**September 18, Wednesday- Terry Mosher
Sashiko Embroidery**

10:00am-3:00pm at Fabric Fanatics, Plano

Space is limited to twelve. Fee \$42.00

Terry will provide small kits to work on that can be made into a pillow or applied to clothing.



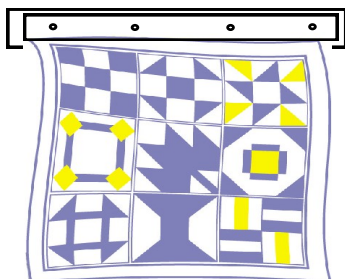
**McKinney Quilters Guild 2024 Raffle Quilt
“The Queen & Her Court II”**

By Wing and a Prayer design 96” x 108”

We still need a Committee Chair and committee to set up meetings to show and sell tickets. It is best if two go together to help hang the quilt. If you are going to another guild you are a member in, please sign up to take it. This money is distributed to community service organization in McKinney. Be sure to pick up your tickets to sell or buy.

Raffle Tickets \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00.

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Loren & Sharon Wilhelm

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Tuesday 10am - 5pm
Thursday 10am - 5pm
Friday 10am - 5pm
Saturday 10am - 2pm
Wednesday & Sunday Closed

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2024 Committees and Chairpersons

Block of the Month-Roxy Gross

Christmas Luncheon-Cynthia Kullberg, Diane Taylor, & Mary Marrone

Door Prizes-Malinda Krzyzanowski & Deb Merrill

Education -Lisa Terry

Facilities -Guild Members

Friendship Blocks - Mary Ann Baltzer

May Mini Madness -Jean Ann Clarke, Chairperson—Sue Burt, Melissa Hoffman, Ronnie Stone & Bonnie Landon (pricing).

Meals on Wheels -Gisele Oakes -Harvest Boxes and Santa Bags

Membership -Roxy Gross

Name Tags -Roxy Gross

Newsletter, Publicity -Sharon Wilhelm

Operation Quilted Comfort/Veterans- Sharon Wilhelm & Gisele Oakes

Photographer -Donna Mikesch & Betsy Whiteman

Programs, & Facilities Suzan Crocker - Chairperson **Workshops**- MJ Fielek

Project Linus -Elaine Henry

Raffle Quilt 2024 -Open

Retreat/Spring -Red Boot Retreat- Hillsboro, Tx Carol Surrells & Lisa Terry

Retreat/Fall -Stitchin' Heaven, Quitman, Tx -Cynthia Weisz -Chairperson -Paula Washler & Marjy Duncan

Retreat/ Day -Open

Ryan's Case for Smiles -Carolyn Kerr, Chairperson - Mary Shannon

Sunshine and Shadows -Betsy Whiteman

UFO Projects -Candy Koharchik

Ways and Means -Officers

Website-Bonnie Landon

Yearbooks/Directory -Sharon Wilhelm



April Birthdays

2 Barbara Carothers
 8 Sara Lindsay
 13 Sharon Holliday
 25 Marjy Duncan
 28 Elaine Henry

Don't Forget A Snack




May Birthdays

7 Joann Sams
 11 Betsy Whiteman
 11 Georgia Curry
 17 Laurie Tanas

Don't Forget a snack

Sunshine and Shadows




Carolyn Kerr is having knee replacement surgery on April 15th at McKinney Methodist Hospital.

Betsy Whiteman, Chairperson

March Door Prize Donors We Appreciate You!

Thank you to our Guild Members and to our sponsors! Also to Malinda and Deb for the gathering! And always thank the Quilt Shops for their generous gifts to our guild.



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 Box Car Quilts, Aubrey, Tx
 Downtown Dry Goods, McKinney, Tx
 Fabric Fanatics, Plano, Tx
 Kaleidoscope Quilting Shop, Whitesboro, Tx
 Minding My P's & Q's, Denton, Tx
 Must Love Fabrics, Grapevine, Tx
 Not Your Mama's Quilt Store, Plano, Tx
 Quilt Among Friends, Arlington, Tx
 Quilt Country, Lewisville, Tx
 Quilt Mercantile, Celeste, Tx
 Sew Let's Quilt It, Dallas, Tx
 Texas Quiltworks LLC, Rockwall, Tx
 The Old Craft Store, Carrollton, Tx
 Urban Spools Sewing Lounge, Dallas, Tx

Malinda Krzyzanowski and Deb Merrill



Red Boot RETREAT

Spring Retreat Information
 Red Boot, May 1 - 5, 2024
 19 HCR 1309, Hillsboro, TX 76645

The Red Boot Retreat is now full. If you would like to be placed on a wait list in case someone has to cancel, please contact

Lisa Terry at 469-733-6394 or Carol Surrells at 214-697-5318.

Block of the Month April:

Welcome to the Block of the Month for April. If you haven't started your blocks yet, this house block is a fun way to begin. If you need directions for the previous three blocks, they are on our website.

Happy sewing, Roxy

Fabric needed:

House: one fat eighth (9" X 22") blue; one F8 darker blue. You will have some left for another block.

Windows: four 2 ½" x 3 ½" rectangles yellow or color of your choice (red, white).

Door: one 2 ½" x 6 ½", color of your choice.

Background: two 4 ½" x 4 ½" squares.

Roof: three 4 ½" x 4 ½" squares red or color of your choice.

Chimney unit: two background 2 ½" x 5 ½" rectangles and one chimney 2 ½" square.

Make the left side of the house.

Cut six blue 2" x 3 ½" rectangles. Make two rows alternating blue, yellow, blue, yellow, blue squares.

Layout vertically: 2 ½" x 8 ½" blue, window row, 3 ½" x 8 ½" blue, window row, 3 ½" x 8 ½" blue.

Sew together.

Make the right side of house.

Cut door 2 ½" x 6 ½".

Cut dark blue one 4 ½" x 8 ½" and two 1 ½" x 6 ½".

Sew 1 ½" x 6 ½" dark blue on either side of the door.

Sew the 4 ½" x 8 ½" to the top of the door segment.

Sew the left and right sides of the house together.

Make the roof.

Cut three 4 ½" x 4 ½" squares red or color of your choice.

Use two of the red squares to make two red & background HST.

Sew HST, square, HST (as shown below) together.

Sew roof segment to house.

Make the chimney unit:

Sew a background 2 ½" x 5 ½" to the right and left sides of the 2 ½" square chimney.

Sew chimney unit to house. Block should measure 12 ½" x 20 ½".



Window segment



left side of house



Add a background rectangle 1 ½" x 20 ½" to the left and right of the completed house.



Project Linus

The Collin, Cooke, Grayson and Rockwall Counties Texas Chapter of Project Linus is in need of quilts for children ages birth to 17. Each month we deliver approximately 500 blankets of all sizes including small (36"x36" or 36"x45"), medium (45"x60") and large (54"x63").

Our blankets must be new, washable, smoke and fragrance free with no pet hair or dander. We are in need of quilted, sewn, crocheted, knitted and hand-tied blankets. We also accept pieced quilt tops ready for quilting.

We need acrylic yarn, fleece, 100% cotton kid-friendly fabrics, solids and blendables, quilt batting, thread, sewing notions, quilting services, machine embroidery services, gift cards, monetary donations.

Go to www.plcollin.org for more information. Thank you, Elaine.



Let's get Creative!

May Mini Madness Silent Auction (at the regular May meeting)

IT IS APRIL! Just one more month till the May Mini Madness Silent Auction! Please invite your friends.

Loved seeing all the hands of people making things to donate for the sale! Please bring your items for the sale to the April meeting and give them to Jean Ann Clarke so we can price and prepare them.



If you have not finished your wonderful creation by the April meeting, you can drop it off to: In McKinney- Jean Ann Clarke 214-718-0320. In Fairview/Allen area Nadine Darby -903-918-3667 or in the Prosper area Melissa Hoffman-626-484-6445. Please call to set up time and directions. LAST DAY TO DROP OFF IS MAY 10th !!

Just a Reminder if it is a 'Mini' quilt it should be no more than 24" on any side and can have a hanging sleeve, please label with the maker's name, title, and year on the back. The mini quilts should also be quilted by hand or machine- not tied. Quilted table runners, placemats, baby quilts, purses and tote/book bags would also be great. These will be at a buy now price. Think of Christmas shopping and gift giving. Handmade gifts are the best! They are more personal. The best sellers are holiday themed, i.e. Christmas, Valentines, and Halloween etc. Each item you donate puts your name in for a prize to be drawn at the May meeting.



It's for a great cause-our main fund raiser for the McKinney Quilt Guild, so we would like to have a lot of participation, and your best work. This pays for our speakers and programs for the year. Let's start a bidding war! There will be invitations to hand out at the meeting will be invitations to hand out in March and April.



Jean Ann Clarke



"Flowers In A Vase"

The soothing blue and purple color palette of these fantasy flowers are hand appliqued by Jeannie Neckar and surrounded by artful, modern and contemporary machine quilting by Kathy Bradbury.



This beautiful special Mini Quilt measures "21-1/2" x 23" and will be on display all through the May meeting. We will be selling tickets on a chance you might be the lucky winner. One of us will be walking the room selling tickets (\$5.00 a ticket) and the drawing will be held that day.

Advertising Rates

- Business Card (3 1/2" x 2") \$ 6.00/month or \$12.00/quarter (3 consecutive mos.)
- Quarter Page (4 1/4" x 5 1/2") \$10.00/month or \$24.00/quarter (3 consecutive mos.)
- Half Page(5 1/2" x 8 1/2") \$15.00/month or \$36.00/quarter (3 consecutive mos)

Format: Microsoft Publisher or Word, PDF or JPEG.

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Show & Tell



Things to Remember to Bring

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- Wear Your Name Tag as we learn all our new members.
- Keep a list of your volunteer hours to turn in at each meeting to help reach our **Goal of 11,000 hours** for 2024.
- Turn in your **pillowcases** for Ryan's CaseforSmiles to Carolyn Kerr.
- If you have any items you'd like to donate for door prizes, please bring them to the meeting(s) and we'll make bags to regift them out to members.
- **Donna Mikesch Greeter to help Roxy.**
- Don't forget to bring your **Show and Tell**
- **Pick up** MQG May Mini Madness Invitations to give to friends to come to the auction.
- **Pick up** some MQG Bookmarks if you are going to a quilt shop to put on their check out counter.
- Bring your **Mini Quilts** to show and turn in. We need a Lot more.

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