



July Newsletter

Whew, welcome to summer! I can definitely do without the heat but gives us a good excuse to stay inside and sew. If you have travel plans for July, hope you stay safe and cool.



Thank you all who came and enjoyed Annie McHugs presentation of her quilts and line of templates. I know several people bought some – can't wait to see the fun projects y'all make with them!

With no meeting in July, hope to see everyone in August for Rosie and her Redwork. Her workshop should be lots of fun. Keep those small pieces coming for the sale in October.

Happy quilting - Gisele

**No Meeting
In July**

Church Closed

**First Christian Church
1800 W. Hunt St.
McKinney, Tx**

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August 19 Program

Rosie deLeon-McCrary Redwork's Legacy Workshop—Redwork Embroidery by Machine



Rosie deLeon-McCrary first learned to appreciate redwork from her mother-in-law Kathleen McCrary. The two are so close that Rosie calls her Mom. Kathleen is one of Texas' most treasured quilters and historians, and at 96, says that quilting has been an integral part of her life for 80 years. The two adore antique redwork. They have a stunning collection of this timeless art and priceless memories of family vacations that always included a pit stop for quilts. Will have cash and carry items for sale at the meeting.

Workshop \$30 Kit

(Check or Exact Change to sign up)

Location: Not Your Mama's Quilt Store

Date: Wed, Aug 20th Time:

10:00am –4:00pm

The workshop is on how to do Redwork on your domestic machine! She can also give tips on handwork, but in this workshop use the "triple stitch" on your machine to achieve results that look like handwork. If you have an older machine the stitch may be called a "stretch stitch."



It's the one that goes forward/backward/forward to make a thicker stitch. You only need to be able to do a straight stitch. Supply list furnished at sign up table.

McKinney Quilters Guild June 17 Minutes

The June 17, 2025, meeting of McKinney Quilters Guild was called to order by Gisele Oakes, President, at 1:00 pm. There were 51 members and 4 guests present. There were no additions or changes to the minutes or Treasurer's Report, they will be filed for audit.

Sharon Wilhelm presented an education demonstration on "Y" seams.

Brian Beggs with Tops Vacuum and Sewing gave a brief presentation about his new business in Plano. He donated a Brother Ribbon Printer as a door prize.

Betsy Whiteman gave Sunshine and Shadows, we were happy to see Suzan Crocker back. Lorraine B. fell, as did Paula W. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Roxy Gross informed us that there are 113 guild members and to keep reporting your volunteer hours. She is still collecting quilts for the California wildfire victims.

Sharon Wilhelm spoke about Operation Quilted Comfort and she has 11 kits to be pieced and quilted. She sends her thanks for donated fabric and washing the quilts.

Elaine Henry from Project Linus has quilt kits on the table.

Carolyn Kerr announced there were 75 pillowcases donated for Ryan's CaseforSmiles.

Cynthia Weisz has 1 opening for the retreat at Stitchin' Heaven, cost is \$410, by July 21.

Cynde Quinn reminded us to be working on Mini Quilts, table runners, bags and other items for the Holiday Mini Silent Auction in October.

Bonnie Landon from BOM said that there are directions at the front table.

Pauline Garrett spoke about Meals on Wheels Comfort Boxes. Look the MOW website to see the items needed for the boxes. They're looking for boxes with a lid, like bankers boxes, to use for this project.

Beth Smietana gave a reminder about the August Redwork workshop. There are 2 spots open. Must have a machine with a triple stitch, no Featherweights.

After a short break, Beth Smietana introduced the speaker, Jerri Ann Massey, from Annie McHugs. She had a trunk show with her quilts and spoke about her window templates.

After Show and Tell, the meeting was adjourned at 2:54 pm.

REMINDER: THERE IS NO MEETING IN JULY.

Cynthia Fisher, Acting Recording Secretary

Treasurer Report June 2025	
Beginning Balance	\$22,358.79
Deposits	\$ 3,770.00
Distributions	<u>\$ -1,040.15</u>
Ending Balance	\$25,068.64

Deposit: Stitching Heaven Fall Retreat (pass-thru)

Report submitted by
Julie Cadenhead, Treasurer.
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Operation Quilted Comfort for Veterans

Thank you for picking up the quilt kits, pillowcases and laundry bags to piece and quilt. More coming!

A special THANK YOU to Jeanne Vogel of the Quilters Guild of Plano for a recent donation of a Very Large bag of batting scraps. These were large batting pieces. We measured, labeled all the pieces, added to our master list of our scrap battings and were able to create 12 large batts for the upcoming Kit Cutting Workshop.

We have had requests for Dignity (Catheter) Bags and Malinda has found a pattern, made a sample and sent it to Tina for her approval. She has also sent Port Pillow Pads to protect ports from seat belts to see if they can use them. Both have been approved so we will have Kits. Thank you to Malinda for providing patterns, kits and samples for both and thank you all for picking these up to make.

Would you all check your sewing room and cutting tables for the patterns and 2 gallon plastic bags that are used to kit the quilt kits? We can recycle these especially the patterns to add to the ones we now have on hand:

Thank you to all for the generous donations of fabric yardage and scraps, battings, pillow cases, Port Pillow Pads Dignity Bags and quilts. We appreciate all you are doing for our community service organizations.

Just as we are receiving quilts, pillowcases, laundry bags and Dignity (Catheter) Bags the next step is to wash with color catchers and dry, labeled "WASHED" and add McKinney Quilters Guild iron on label.

Sharon and Malinda



Stitchin' Heaven Retreat Center - 321 Richards St., Quitman, Tx 75783
Fall Retreat September 3-7, 2025 Wed-Sunday \$410.00 Fee

Come Away and Quilt at this beautiful place. Across the parking lot is the largest quilt shop in Texas. Meals are provided in the fee. Registration form can be emailed to you. 1 spot left and the total cost of \$410 would be due July 21st. For the people who have made only a deposit, your balance of \$360 will be due by July 21st. Please send your balance to Paula Washler , 502 Baltusrol Circle, Garland, Tx 75044.

Both Paula and I are looking forward to another great fall retreat.

Thanks Cynthia Weisz 214-325-6152 and Paula Washler 765-625-0790

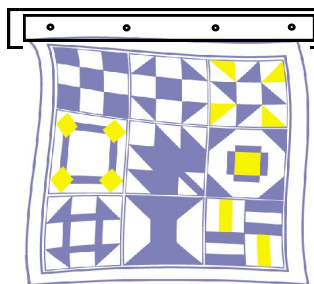
Sunshine and Shadows

Continue praying for Carol Surrells' husband had been hospitalized with c diff. He is now back home and is doing well.



Betsy Whiteman

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 Plano Event Center
Booth 225

Loren & Sharon Wilhelm

What are the trends in quilting in 2025?

7 Quilting Trends To Look Out for in 2025

- Bold Graphic Designs.
- Sustainable Fabrics & Eco-Friendly Quilting.
- Vintage-Inspired Quilts.
- Technology-Infused Quilting.
- Hand-Pieced & Slow Quilting.
- Color Blocking & Minimalism.
- Quilting as Home Décor.

Education Committee

August Bloc Loc Ruler—Flying Geese
 Sharon Holliday —Presenter

This ruler makes the flying geese block simple and completely accurate.

Coming in the next few months:

September Roxy Gross Rope Rugs

November Bonnie Landon Bindings

Jeannie Neckar, Chairperson

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How many quilts does the average quilter make a year? 11 projects









The average quilter starts 11 projects a year, and finishes 9, spending six hours per week dedicated to working on quilting projects.

McKinney Quilters Guild Mini Quilt Auction
And Other Items For Sale Tuesday, October 21 (note date change) 1:00 - 3:00
We need a lot more Minis!

Stay cool in the air conditioning while your sewing machine gets hot making your mini quilt for the October sale. All the proceeds go to our guild to help fund all our wonderful speakers throughout the year. Here are some pictures of the fantastic items that have been donated so far... 32 Mini Quilts, Knitted Scarfs and Hats, all sizes of bags and pouches, and small children's pillows with an outside pocket that has a book and a box of crayons in it. Cynde Quinn-Chair



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With Seam Allowance Additions:	Without Seam Allowance Additions:
Pick any size you want & simply make the QST twice as big as the HSTs.	You have to add $\frac{7}{8}$ " for HSTs and $1\frac{1}{4}$ " for QSTs.
	
	
	
	

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2025 Committees and Chairpersons

- Block of the Month**-Bonnie Landon
- Christmas Luncheon**- Cynthia Kullberg-Chair,
- Education** -Jeannie Neckar
- Facilities** -Guild Members
- Friendship Blocks** - Mary Ann Baltzer
- Kitchen Clean-up**- Shirley Lane/Margaret Neyman
- Meals on Wheels -Thanksgiving Boxes & Santa Bags** -Pauline Garrett-Chair
- Membership** -Roxy Gross, Chair -Co Chairs are rotating.
- Name Tags** -Roxy Gross, Chair
- Newsletter, Publicity** -Sharon Wilhelm, Chair, Bonnie Landon—Co Chair
- Operation Quilted Comfort/Veterans**- Sharon Wilhelm, Chair, Malinda K, Co Chair
- Photographer** -Donna Mikesch & Betsy Whiteman
- Programs, & Facilities** Beth Smietana - Chairperson - Co Chair Marti Rajotte
- Workshops-
- Project Linus** -Elaine Henry-Chair, Mary Marrone- Co-Chair
- Retreat/Spring** -Red Boot Retreat- Hillsboro, Tx Carol Surrells & Lisa Terry
- Retreat/Fall** -Stitchin' Heaven, Quitman, Tx -Cynthia Weisz -Chairperson -Paula Washler -Co-Chair.
- Retreat/ Day** -OPEN
- Ryan's CaseforSmiles** -Carolyn Kerr, Chair and Mary Shannon-Co Chair
- Sunshine and Shadows** -Betsy Whiteman
- Ways and Means** -Officers
- Oct-Mini Quilt Auction**- Cynde Quinn
- Mini Special Quilt-Which Witches Boot**
- De-Stash Sale**—Jean Ann Clarke, Chair Melissa Hoffman-Co-Chair, Deb Merrill, and Jeannie Neckar.
- Website**-Bonnie Landon

Quilts for the California Wildfire Victims

The Texas quilt guild members of Allen, Dallas, McKinney, Plano, Red River Valley, & Waco are the most generous, talented, and giving quilters I have ever met. The donation of another 58 quilts (67 were already sent) is ready for delivery to the Southern California Quilters for distribution to victims of the horrific January wildfires. This collection of all sizes, colors, and themes will be loved.

I can't express in words how thankful I am to have been able to be part of this process, along with Kathryn Bernstein of the Dallas Guild and Patrice Lambourne of the Camarillo (CA) guild. My heart is full. Thank you, thank you to all that helped make this project such a great success.

Although this particular quilt gathering is ending, quilts are still definitely needed. If you wish to send a quilt, please contact me and I can give you the name of a person and address to send it to. They will be very pleased to receive quilts and they make sure they get them to a wildfire victim quilt event.

Roxy Gross



June Door Prizes

We Appreciate Your Generosity!



Thank you to the Shops that constantly provide our guild Door Prizes: Best Little Retreat Center - Dallas

- Downtown Dry Good - McKinney
- Fabric Fanatics - Plano
- Linda's Electric Quilters - McKinney
- Pinkey's Too - Farmersville
- Quilt Country - Lewisville,
- Annie McHugs—Tyler
- Tops Vacuum & Sewing -Plano

Deb Merrill Please remember to send a Thank You to our donors. If you do not have any thank notes, please see me. We have some!

Thank you Thank you Thank you

*Shirley Lane and Margaret Neyman-
Snack Helpers
Cynthia Fisher—Door Monitor*

Ryan's CaseforSmiles



Another great month for Ryan's CASEforSMILES pillowcases! The Guild turned in 78 completed pillowcases topping last months amazing 75! Great effort Ladies!! I was able to pick up some suitable cotton's at our recent Scrap Sale that you may recognize in future kits. That's a double thank you for your support! Carolyn Kerr

The gang's all here!

*Membership:
113 very active members*

*Community Service:
7,658 hours*



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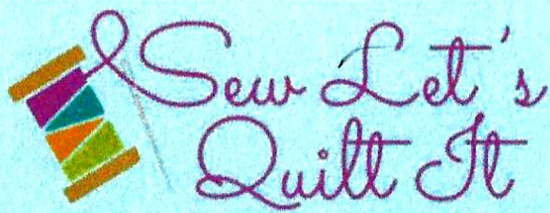
We are getting ready for the Plano Quilt Show in August where we hand out quilt kits for people to make for Project Linus to raise awareness for the project. You are welcome to join in cutting quilt kits, quilting, binding quilts, sorting fabric or yarn, crocheting around blankets or knitting something neat each Wednesday from 9:00-2:00. Bring your lunch to refresh your energy.

In addition, Project Linus meets the 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:00-2:00 at 1985 S. FM 1138, Royse City. June's theme is panda bears, while the West McKinney Project Linus group meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month (June 10 & July 8) at 1:00 – 3:00pm in the Heard-Craig Carriage House, 205 W Hunt St, McKinney.

Thank you to Bonnie Longacre and Mary Marrone for the quilts donated in June. We can use 4 ply acrylic yarn, batting, completed quilts or tops, cotton quilting fabric, finances, fleece (It takes 1 1/3 yds per blanket), your valuable time & expertise. Talk to Elaine Henry for more information or contact Regina Forthman, through our Facebook page, Project Linus Collin Cooke Grayson Rockwall Counties Texas.

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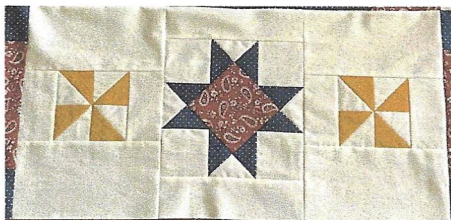
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McKinney Quilters Guild 2025 BOM**Month 5 – Starting to assemble your quilt top**

Sew a Pinwheel Block on the right and left sides of a Stellie Block. Repeat to make 4 units (Unit #1)



Sew a New Album Block on the right and left sides of Unit #1. Repeat to make 2 units. (Unit #2)



Sew a Unit #1 on the right and left sides of the center block (Sunbeam).
Sew a Unit #2 on top and bottom of the center block (Sunbeam).



Here are some examples of quilting sayings and quotes:

General Quilting & Crafting:

"May you Bobbins always be full."

"Finished is better than perfect."

"Measure twice, cut once."

"A day patched with quilting seldom unravels."

"Quilt 'til you wilt."

"Love is the thread that binds us."

"Love me, love my stash."

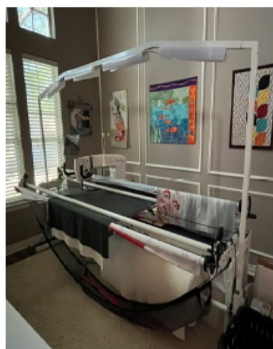
"To quilt is human, to finish devine."

"A good day is a day spent quilting."

"Sewing mends the soul."

"My soul is fed by needle and thread."

Sent from Beth Smietana



FOR SALE—HandiQuilter Amara 20 with Pro-Stitcher

\$14,000 including delivery and set up

(by Chuck Wingate of HandiQuilter/Best Little Retreat Center)

Like new (barely used). Selling due space constraints of future planned move.

Contact Bonnie Landon at 214-707-6745. Serious offers only.

Includes:	MSRP if new
HandiQuilter Amara 20 with Prostitcher and Studio2 ten-foot frame	\$20,990.00
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HQ Highlight	\$550.00
HQ Bobbin Winder	\$349.00
TOTAL	\$21,938.95
<i>Also includes Red Snappers, all tools & accessories that came with the Amara 20, additional leaders, extra needles, bobbins, Zero Center tape measure (2), Towa Bobbin Case Tension Gauge, Art & Stitch 5 Design software CD, and 3 unopened cones of Glide thread.</i>	An over \$22,000 value!

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What To Bring in August

- Remember to bring back the quilts & patterns you took to finish for the Veterans, Project Linus Quilts and Ryan's CaseforSmiles Pillow-cases.
- Wear your nametags so we can get a name and face together especially all our new members. (New Members get your picture made.)
- Don't forget when you sign in with Roxy to post your volunteer hours each month. As a 501 (c)3 organization, our goal this year is 14,750 hours (we are at 7,658). You can count any volunteer hours you do for other organizations also.
- Greeter: Marti Rajotte

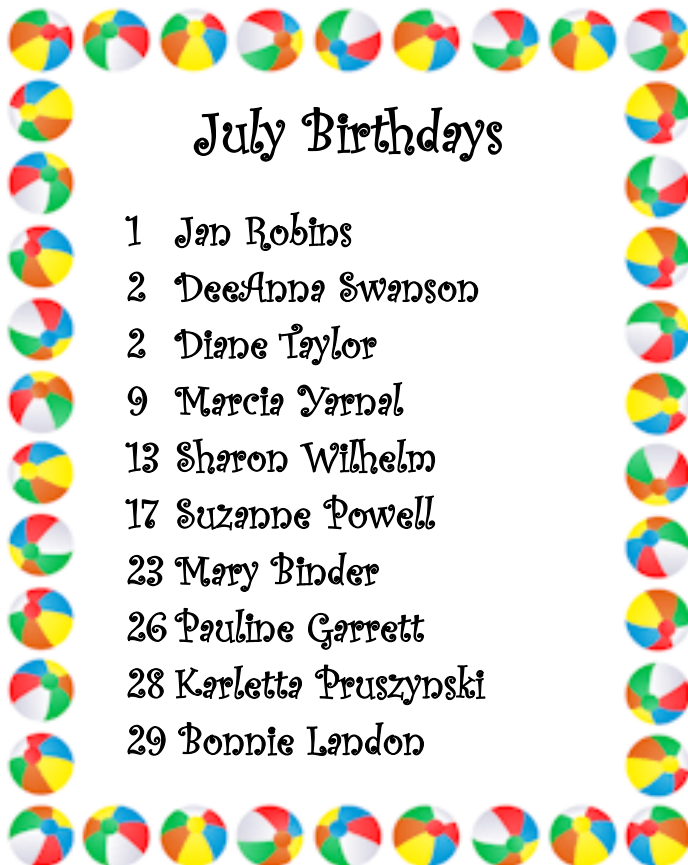
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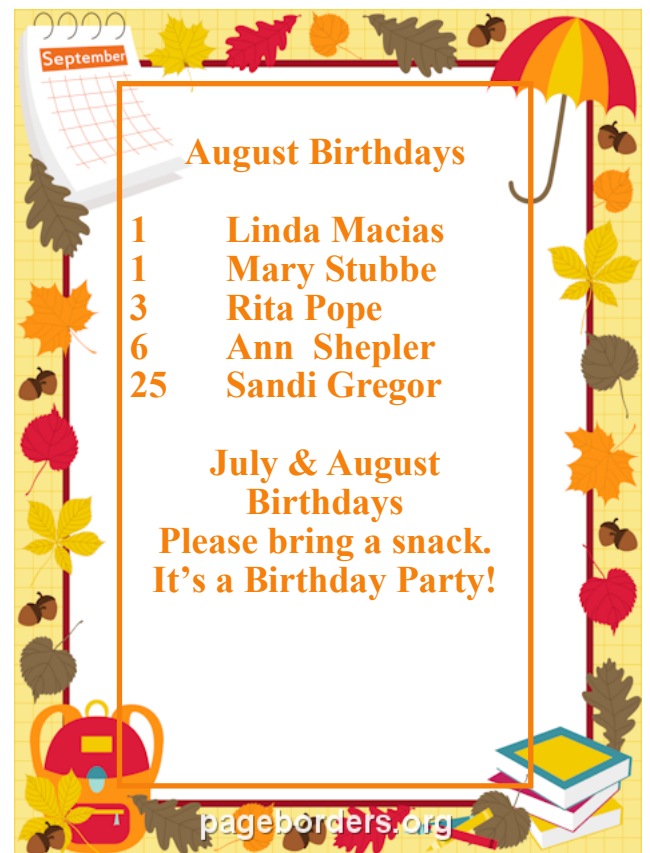
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Monday 10am - 5pm
 Tuesday 10am - 5pm
 Thursday 10am - 5pm
 Friday 10am - 5pm
 Saturday 10am - 2pm
 Wednesday & Sunday Closed



July Birthdays

1 Jan Robins
 2 DeAnna Swanson
 2 Diane Taylor
 9 Marcia Vernal
 13 Sharon Wilhelm
 17 Suzanne Powell
 23 Mary Binder
 26 Pauline Garrett
 28 Karletta Pruszyński
 29 Bonnie Landon



August Birthdays

1 Linda Macias
 1 Mary Stubbe
 3 Rita Pope
 6 Ann Shepler
 25 Sandi Gregor

July & August Birthdays
 Please bring a snack.
 It's a Birthday Party!

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