



# THE QUILTING TIMES



*Hello quilters.*

*It's hard to believe that September is already behind us. There are lots of fun times ahead and always more projects to finish for the holidays. So embrace the journey and enjoy the ride.*

*I am looking forward to the October meeting. Becky Goldsmith will be our speaker. I know I am among so many of you who love her creations. I imagine we will have a full house.*

*The retreat at Stitchin Heaven was a great success. There were beautiful creations everywhere, plenty to eat, lots of storytelling and an abundance of laughter. There's nothing quite like a quilt retreat.*

*Happy quilting! Kathy*

**Next Meeting  
October 17, 2023**

**Doors Open 12:00  
Meeting 1:00-3:00**

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

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### October 17 Program Becky Goldsmith "A Piece O'Cake Life"



I have stories to share with you and who doesn't love a good story?! Even after 28+ years as an author and teacher, I wasn't sure where to start this particular story, so I asked quilters what they wanted to know about my quilting life. This lecture answers those excellent questions :-).

Becky Goldsmith and Linda Jenkins started Piece O' Cake in 1994 and published more than 30 books and hundreds of patterns, including 7 Blocks of the Month. Linda is mostly retired now while Becky continues writing books and teaching. Her classes are always interesting and informative, with an emphasis on teaching techniques that help you improve your sewing skills without making you crazy.

Becky is also a wife, mother, grandmother, and certified yoga instructor who is searching for balance, strength, and happiness in all things.

**Meeting called to order at 1:00  
September 19, 2023**

**Kathy Chambliss – Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm**

**Welcome to all members and guests.**

**Karletta Pruszynski – 42 members present and 3 visitors 5 new members.**

**There were no changes or corrections made for the August meeting minutes or Treasurer's report, they will be filed for audit.**

**Betsy Whiteman and Lonetta Ingram – Sunshine and Shadows: Roxy Gross had rotator cuff surgery; Sharon fell on face and will need dentist help.**

**Carolyn Kerr – Ryan's Cases: guild has completed 199 pillow cases to date; the Proton Therapy center is requesting Halloween cases.**

**Roxy Gross – BOM We have collected the blocks and have designed setting to get ready to deliver. This year we only have 9 blocks total, hope to get quilts put together to deliver for Operation Quilted Comfort in November.**

**Gisele Oakes – Harvest Boxes: the list of the contents needed is available, boxes need to be delivered by September 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Sharon Wilhelm – Operation Quilted Comfort: multiple pillowcases, laundry bags and quilts have been completed. More tops and kits are available to complete before November.**

**Direction 61:3 Foster Care Girls Twin Quilts are being made and collected.**

**Suzan Crocker—Stitchin Heaven Retreat is full with 24 attending.**

**Lisa Terry—October—Cynthia Weisz will demonstrate watercolor and applique @ 12:30.**

**Donna Mikesch—taking pictures of all the news members.**

**Diane Taylor – Garden Party raffle quilt: still have around 20 members that haven't picked up their envelopes with tickets yet. Additional tickets available. Please let Diane know if you have contacts with other groups to bring the quilt and sell tickets.**

**Program: Sharon Holliday on history of the sewing machine on How to Buy a Sewing Machine with 2 dealers with their machines present to tell about their features.**

**Next Program Oct 17 with Becky Goldsmith.**

**Show and Tell and Door prizes**

**Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm. Minutes submitted by Jean Ann Clarke, Asst Secretary**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

September 2023

Beginning Balance	\$28,536.08
Deposits	\$ 1,402.50
Distributions	<u>\$ 5,768.50</u>
Ending Balance	<b>\$24,170.08</b>

Pass Through \$\$ Collected for Raffle Quilt \$1,760.00  
Report submitted by Carol Surrells, Treasurer

### Community Service Hours Report

From January to September you have done a great job doing service projects for the guild. You have volunteered 1085.5 hours for the month of September.

This is a total of 6773.25 hours for the year. Karletta Pruszynski

### New Members Welcome Meeting

On November 21 before the November guild meeting there will be a welcome event for all our new members that have joined since January. They will be introduced to each of the McKinney Quilt Guild officers and learn about their duties along with the opportunities for guild members to participate on the various committees. Karletta Pruszynski

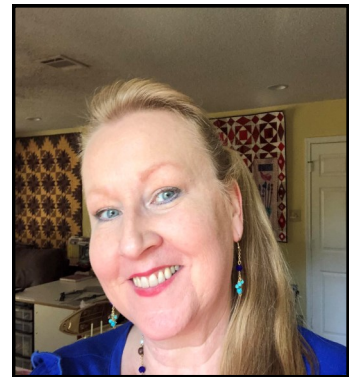


New Members Since January  
*please join us...*

**For a "Welcome Meeting"**  
**To the McKinney Quilters Guild**  
To get to know you.

Tuesday, November 21  
12:15 Noon  
(before the meeting)  
At  
First Christian Church

### November Program Allison Bayer My Scrappy World



Allison will present a trunk show of 10 of her scrap quilts. She will also discuss tips on finding and using a vintage sewing machine.

She is a Professional Longarm Quilter @ Allison's Machine Quilting.

### New Members and Edits

New Address Megan Teinert, 1803 Speedway St, Greenville, Tx 75401. All other info the same.



*Block of the Month 2023  
Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!*

*It looks like we will have 14 quilts to contribute to the guild's Veterans Program. My heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in the 2023 Block of the Month program. Check out some of the quilts you helped make. If you made blocks and put them together into a top or quilt, please bring it to the October meeting. It would be wonderful to have a few more.*

*Stay tuned for information about the 2024 Block of the Month Mystery Quilt. The fabric requirements will be in the December newsletter so we can kick off the blocks in January. Hope you'll join in the fun.  
Happy Sewing, Roxy*



## Say "Cheese"!

We are taking pictures of our new members to put a name and a face together. Donna and Annalee will have a table set up and take your picture for our directory/yearbook.



OR

you may send your photo (jpeg or PDF) to Sharon.

sharonwilhelm@tx.rr.com or 972-743-3575

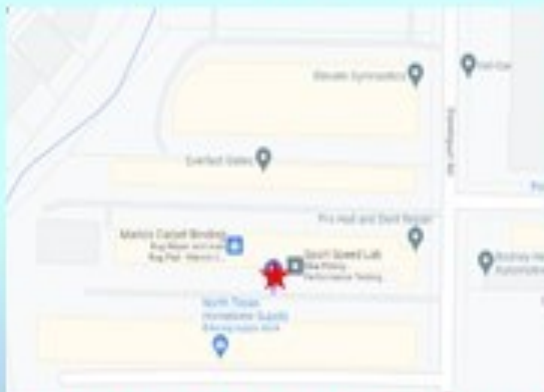
Donna Mikesch and Annalee Smith, Photographers



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# We have moved!

- Come see us at **17811 Davenport Road, Suite 38, Dallas, TX 75252** for all your longarm quilting needs!
- Our new location has a limited selection of inventory including



- Quilter's Dream Batting
- Selection of wide-back fabric
- Binding by the Yard
- Small selection of Blender fabric

Open to public starting October 2, 2023!

Website will be updated soon!

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**October Birthdays**

- 2 Diane Sharp
- 3 Carolyn Selby
- 9 Jean Ann Clarke
- 15 Suzan Crocker
- 20 Gisele Oakes
- 21 Valeri Morris
- 22 Shirley Lane
- 26 Deb Merrill
- 27 Mary Marrone



**November Birthdays**

- 2 Roxy Gross
- 5 Carole Murray
- 6 Margaret Neyman
- 7 Sue Kenyon
- 11 Regina Forthman
- 13 Loren Wilhelm
- 15 Judy Cozzi
- 17 Lisa Terry
- 18 Roxanne Jones
- 22 Carol Surrells
- 24 Virginia Bradley
- 25 Jeannie Neckar
- 30 Nancy Perkins

**Sunshine and Shadows**

Thanks everyone for the continued prayers for many of our members and families.



**Sunshine**

**Roxy Gross** She has had the shoulder surgery and has been allowed to sew 1 hr a day. Rehab has been set up beginning Oct 16.

**Rainbow**

**Malinda Mom**-After 1 week in BSW Grapevine hospital for sepsis and 3 weeks in a rehab nearby my Mom was finally released and is doing much better now. She's even back to work! The one thing I've learned is don't expect the parent to be assertive and on top of their own care. We as family members really have to stay on top of their case and hold people accountable when necessary.

**Shadow**

**Malinda's Oct 17**(Pug) Maci will be having surgery to remove 5 Mast Cell tumors. Prayers needed the Dr gets all the cancer cells removed and Maci feels better soon please.

**Door Prize Donors**

**We Appreciate You!**



Our Donations for our Door Prizes are overflowing! **Thank you** to our Guild Members and to our sponsors! Also to Malinda and Cynthia for the gathering!

If you find the you cannot use the donated gift card, you might try to offer it to another member who lives closer to the shop.

And always thank the Quilt Shops for their generous gifts to our Guild.

- Best Little Retreat Center in Tx, Dallas, Tx
- Box Car Quilts, Aubrey, Tx
- Downtown Dry Goods, McKinney, Tx
- Fabric Fanatics, Plano, Tx
- Fabrics 4 You, Seagoville, Tx
- Kaleidoscope Quilts, Whitesboro, Tx
- Not Your Mamas Quilt Store, Plano, Tx
- Quilt Asylum, Denison, Tx
- Quilt Country, Lewisville, Tx
- The Old Craft Store, Carrollton, Tx
- Urban Spools, Dallas, Tx

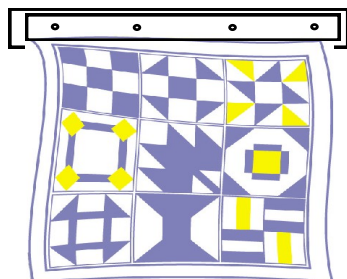
*Karletta Pruszynski Membership Officer  
September Meeting*

*Membership total: 102, 7 Visitors (5 new members)*

*Community Service hours (September): 1,085.5*

*Community service hours (2023 total): 6,773.25. Goal 10,000.*

**Quilt Hangers**



*By Quilt Ideas*

**Quilt Hangers  
& Accessories Div.**

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Websites: [www.quiltideas.com](http://www.quiltideas.com)

Check out Best Little Retreat  
Center for Sharon's October/  
November Classes.

*Loren & Sharon Wilhelm*

**Pinkeys Too Quilt Shop**

1300 W Audie Murphy Pkwy #1,  
Farmersville, TX 75442

[972\) 784-3080](tel:9727843080)

[Pinkeystoo.com](http://Pinkeystoo.com)

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

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**2023 Committees and Chairpersons**

**Block of the Month**-Roxy Gross/Bertie Ferrell

**Christmas Luncheon**-Suzan Crocker

**De-Stash Your Stash** Jean Ann Clarke-Chair, w/Melissa Hoffman, & Deb Merrill.

**Sweets & Salads**- Mary Marrone, Chair & Suzanne Powell helping

**Door Prizes**- Cynthia Kullberg and Malinda Krzyzanowski

**Education** -Lisa Terry

**Facilities** - Guild Member

**Friendship Blocks** - Mary Ann Baltzer/Bertie Ferrell

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

**Membership** - Karletta Pruszynski

**Newsletter, Publicity and Yearbook/Directory** - Sharon Wilhelm

**Operation Quilted Comfort/Veterans**  
Sharon Wilhelm/Gisele Oakes

**Photographer** - Donna Mikesch/Annalee Smith

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

**Project Linus** - Elaine Henry

**Raffle Quilt 2023** - Elaine Henry & Comm.

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

**Retreat/Fall** - Stitchin' Heaven, Quitman, Tx Suzan Crocker - Chairperson

**Retreat/ Day - Open**

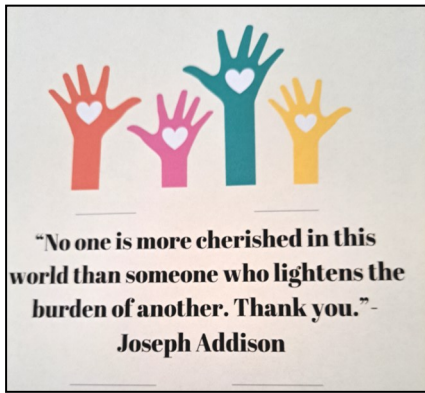
**Ryan's Case for Smiles** - Carolyn Kerr

**Sunshine and Shadows** - Lonetta Ingram/Betsy Whiteman

**UFO Projects** - Candy Koharchik/Bertie Ferrell

**Ways and Means** - Officers

**Website** Bonnie Landon



**Ryan’s Case for Smiles**

September kicked off the Miles of Pillowcase Smiles Campaign and we had 65 pillowcases turned in! Great job everyone! 50 Halloween pillowcases were delivered to Texas Proton Therapy.

Other news – Last week Ryan’s National told chapters nationwide of an opportunity to bring comfort to New York area teens after the fatal school bus crash recently and the loss of their beloved band leader. The one bus crashed however, there were 4 other buses that witnessed this tragedy. The request was for 250 teenage pillowcases to help bring comfort and healing. We sent 30 pillowcases to help in this effort. Ryan’s motto is “Helping Kids feel better to heal better!”

Carolyn Kerr ckerr0165@gmail.com

**For the October Newsletter**

**Quilting Demonstration**

Join us at the October 17th meeting, 12:30pm, to see Cynthia Weisz demonstrate how she uses water coloring to enhance an applique quilt.

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

Lisa Terry

**Meals on Wheels—Secret Santa Bags**



Peggy Click and/or an associate from Meals on Wheels will be at the October meeting with a list of the Secret Santa wish lists for the MOW clients. She will come back to the November meeting to pick up purchased gifts. Thank you for your continued generous support of those that don't have the family or friends to visit or provide joy during the holiday season.  
Gisele Oakes

**Operation Quilted Comfort for the Veterans**

Gathering all patriotic quilts to get a count. Please bring all the blocks you have made no matter the month. Any quilts that are out need to bring in October meetings to get them quilted. We have the settings designed and sashing, corner squares, borders and binding already cut and kitted. We just need the blocks for setting the rest. We will have some kits available at the meeting and will be taking the balance to the retreat to finish up. Come check out our table. Right now we only have 31 quilts finished. We are shooting for 70-80.

Delivery in November. Sharon and Gisele

**Newsletter Submissions Deadline: 1st Thursday. Please submit or contact your newsletter editor.**

**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.

Contact the Newsletter Editor Sharon Wilhelm 972-424-7791 or sharonwilhelm@tx.rr.com

Payment to McKinney Quilters Guild and Mail to Sharon Wilhelm, 1809 Midcrest Dr, Plano, Tx 75075



## Things to Remember to Bring

- *Keep a list of your volunteer hours to turn in at the Oct 17 Meeting to help reach our Goal of 10,000 hours for 2023.*
- Meet and sit by one of our new members in case they have questions.
- Turn in your **pillowcases** for Ryan's Case For Smiles to Carolyn Kerr.
- **Jean Ann Clarke—October Greeter**
- Bring any of your 2023 Blocks of the Month Quilts or blocks for Veteran Quilts to Oct Meeting so we can deliver in November. If you are not finished, we will use them for 2024 contribution.
- Don't forget to bring your **Show and Tell** Quilts.
- **October Birthday Girls** remember to bring snacks please.

## UFO's? Me Too!

UFO Challenge: There is still time to get your UFO's (quilt tasks) completed before the end of November. If you don't remember if you signed up, please see Candy before the meeting or during the break. Looking forward to seeing you this month!!!

Candy Koharchik  
[musicalrosary@tx.rr.com](mailto:musicalrosary@tx.rr.com);  
 214-585-1317 (cell)



### Project ♥ Linus

#### 2023 MYSTERY QUILT CHALLENGE THE A-MAZE-ING TYLER!

REGISTRATION OPENS MONDAY, AUGUST 21!

[WWW.PROJECTLINUS.ORG](http://WWW.PROJECTLINUS.ORG)



It's TIME!!! The 2023 Project Linus Mystery Quilt Challenge - "The A-MAZE-ING Tyler" - registration is currently open! You'll receive 8 weeks of clues, instructions, and videos and in the end you will have a beautiful quilt! The Registration fee is a \$20 donation to Project Linus (be sure to include the name of your local chapter so the ENTIRE donation stays local). When signing up, please remember to put our chapter name (Collin, Cooke, Grayson, Rockwall Counties) and put Regina Forthman as the coordinator name. This will give our chapter your donation for this mystery quilt pattern.

To register, go to [www.projectlinus.org](http://www.projectlinus.org), scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on Mystery Challenge. Thank you!!!

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