

McKinney Quilter's Guild

The Quilting Times

From Our President

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December Newsletter

It is hard to believe that the holidays are already upon us. I'm sure many of you are busy shopping, decorating, entertaining and finishing Christmas projects.

It is so special to spend time with family and friends. I hope you all are thoroughly enjoying the season.

As you know, our December meeting will be a Potluck Luncheon. Valerie Mietus has been very busy organizing and planning this event for us. Please bring something yummy to share. We will also have a gift exchange for all those who wish to participate. (\$15)

We are starting the new year strong with a focus on friendship. We will be co-hosting a luncheon with the Allen Quilt Guild. Our speaker will be Tammy Whitehurst, a funny, expressive motivational speaker. We all know of many friendships that are connected to quilting in one way or another. I think this will be a fun new way to begin 2023.



Valerie Mietus, Christmas luncheon: Lunch at the December 20 meeting. Bring a salad or dessert to share. If you'd like to participate in a gift exchange, bring a gift costing no more than \$15.

January Program and Luncheon The Guild will co-host with the Allen Guild, Tammy Whitehurst, motivational speaker about Friendship and Quilting The Guild will provide a soup and salad luncheon

Next Meeting Tuesday, December 20

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

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

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MCKINNEY QUILTER'S GUILD MEETING MINUTES November 15, 2022

Kathy Chambliss called meeting to order at 1:00 PM, welcoming all members and visitors. Elaine Henry: 55 members present; 2 visitors present.

No corrections or additions for the October meeting minutes made, they will be filed for audit.

Carol Surrells, Sunshine and Shadows: Kathleen LoSapio's daughter, Alis, is having a rough time and not doing well. Gisele Oakes is having cataract surgery today. Suzan Crocker's daughter Holly slid and fell, fracturing her left knee, tearing a hamstring and a rotator cuff. Please keep them all in your prayers.

Bonnie Landon's niece announced her engagement. Valerie Mietus' granddaughter is getting married. Candy Koharchik's mom is 90 on Monday, and Candy is celebrating 9 years cancer free. Suzan Crocker and Carolyn Kerr's aunt is celebrating her 97th birthday

Roxy Gross, BOM: Lots of blocks turned in the first few months of the year, and has since tapered off. A time will be scheduled to sew the block together. BOM for 2023 will be a mystery quilt, colors red/white/blue.

Carolyn Kerr, Ryan's Cases for Smiles: Kits are available. Will not bring kits to the December meeting. Please turn in your completed pillowcases.

Sharon Wilhelm, Operation Quilted Comfort: Delivery date to Sam Rayburn Memorial Hospital/ Rehab in Bonham is November 28 at 10:00am. 127 pillowcases have been collected, 10 laundry bags,63 quilts, various games, cards, puzzles and socks. Sharon will schedule a time for next year to cut and piece new quilts.

Bonnie Landon, Website: Link to website is mckinneyquiltersguild.net. If new to the site, login to create a password. Update your "display" name. Currently part of your email address is showing up as your display name. Upload your picture. Working on payment portals for dues, workshops, retreats, etc.

Kathy Chambliss, 2023 Slate of Officers: A vote was held for the 2023 Board positions. The officers below will serve the McKinney Quilters Guild for 2023:

President: Kathy Chambliss Program VP: Suzan Crocker Education VP: Lisa Terry Treasurer: Carol Surrells Membership: Karletta Pruszynski Information Officer: Sharon Wilhelm Secretary: Gisele Oaks

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For November 2022Beginning\$ 18,421.40Deposits\$ 1,568.94Distribution\$ -0Ending\$ 19.990.35Suzan Crocker, Treasurer

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MCKINNEY QUILTER'S GUILD MEETING MINUTES Cont'd November 15, 2022

Suzan Crocker, 2023 Scheduled Programs:

January: The Guild will co-host with the Allen Guild, Tammy Whitehurst, motivational speaker about friendship and quilting. The Guild will provide a soup and salad luncheon February: Education presentation - to be determined March: Debbie Maddy, Japanese shibori dying techniques April: Allen Mizdail, the Button Man May: Destash your stash – fabric, notions, books. If selling a sewing machine, 10% of sale as donation to guild. June: TBD July: No meeting this month August: Jean Johnson, 19th century revisited September: Sharon Wilhelm, lecture Sashings, Bold and Dangerous October: Becky Goldsmith, Piece O Cake November: TBD December: Christmas Luncheon

Show and Tell Door Prizes

Kathy Chambliss read the details of various committee positions currently open, asking members to volunteer for these positions. Several members signed up.

McKinney Quilters Guild will continue to use the church facilities for meetings in 2023.

Candy Koharchik discussed a UFO challenge for next year. She will have signup sheets at the beginning of next year.

Business meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Minutes submitted by Lisa Terry

December Quilting Demonstration

Due to activities already planned for December, there will be no quilting demo this month. But stay tuned, we're making plans for future demos! Please contact Lisa Terry if there is a specific skill you would like to see, chances are very good others would like to see it too! We have so many talented members in our guild. Please consider sharing a skill in future months, volunteers are still needed.

Lisa Terry, VP Education

Nickels in December

There is still an interest in a NICKEL EXCHANGE.

Let's go with **Christmas of all colors** this month. Lights/Darks all variants. We will exchange twelve of two colors. Please put in a baggie **WITH YOUR NAME** on the front so it is easier for you to find when they are returned. As I am doing programs, I will have no time to sort them during the meeting, so I can return them the next month unless *someone wants to volunteer* to take over that task. If not, I will return them at the next meeting.

Remember the Quilt Police do not attend our meetings. As long as there are two different colors each with twelve blocks, that is fine. Be sure and put your name on your baggie. Kathleen LoSapio

Pinkeys Too Quilt Shop1300 W Audie Murphy Pkwy #1, Farmersville, TX 75442 972) 784-3080 Pinkeystoo.comMonday10am - 5pmTuesday10am - 5pmTuesday10am - 5pmFriday10am - 5pmSaturday10am - 2pmWednesday & Sunday ClosedSunshine and Shadows BunshinesFall is here with cooler weather!Matheen LoSapio's daughter, Alis, is still in treatment and prayers are requested for her as well as their family. Gisele will be having Retina surgery on her other eye Nov 15.Carol Surrells, carol.surrells@verizon.net 972-422-8066 C214-697-5318	November 2022 Door PrizesDowntown Dry GoodsJ. Michelle WattsQuilt AsylumQuilt CountryQuilt CountryQuilt MercantileNot Your Mamas Quilt StoreSew Let's Quilt ItStitched With LoveVilda & SandiePrize for SmilesOctober marks the 15th anniversary of Ryan's with over 2.5million pillowcases having been delivered. This September our Guild completed 49 pillowcases because the need continues.Thank you to all of you! Carolyn Kerr
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Important Announcement from the Owners:

After 12 years of being the quilting service business, Sew Let's Quilt It is announcing that the retail brick and mortar side of the shop is for sale. This would include all inventory, online business operations, and anything associated with a retail brick and mortar business operations.

The longarm quilting services and equipment are not included in this sale.

Sew Let's Quilt It is OPEN and will be operating as usual offering all of the products and services that we are known for.

If you have a serious interest in purchasing the retail operations contact Patty or Tom Kopeck for more information.

Sew Let's Quilt It 972-661-0044 or Info@sewletsquiltit.com

Block of the Month

This is the last block in this year's Block of the Month series. It's been fun putting it together. Hope you enjoyed it too. The plan is to take all 12 blocks we made and sash them together to make charity quilts. If you are interested in helping, please send me a quick email at roxygross6@gmail.com and we'll find a date that works. If you missed any of the blocks and still want to participate, you can find past month blocks on our website, in past newsletters or shoot me an email and I can send them to you.

December: Christmas Tree 8-1/2" x 8-1/2" Unfinished

The use of the evergreen tree, wreaths, and garlands to symbolize eternal life was a custom of the ancient Egyptians, Chinese and Hebrews. It was passed down through the centuries to celebrate the midwinter holidays. But it was in the 19th century that the Christmas tree became popular. Decorated with toys, gifts, candles, candies, popcorn strings, and fancy cakes hung from the branches by ribbons and paper chains. The tradition has grown as a festive symbol of the season. Happy Holidays to one and all!



Fabric needed: background, green tree, and brown or black tree trump

Background: four 2 1/2" squares, six 2-1/2" squares for HST with green, two 2 x 2 1/2" squares for tree trump.

Green Tree: Use six 2-1/2" squares for HST with background and four 2-1/2" squares for inside tree..

Brown or Black Tree Trunk: 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangle

Lay out finished square to form the tree as shown and sew.



A BIG thank you to everyone that turned in blocks for this year's Block of the Month quilt. We currently have enough blocks to make 6 full charity quilts. Plus some months have extra blocks: Snowflake & Heart 12, Shamrock & Umbrella 9, Flower 8, Sailboat, Patriotic Star, Sunflower, Apple, Candy Corn, & Leaf 6, and 4 Christmas Trees. If you would like to contribute more blocks, the instructions on our website under BOM. I'll continue to collect them through the January meeting.

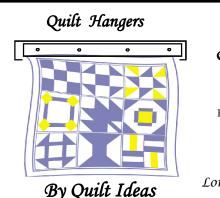
I put the blocks together to show you a possible quilt pattern. I think the blocks will make bright, cheery quilts.

I'm excited about next year. We'll be making blocks for a patriotic sampler: Stars & Stripes. There are some fun blocks and maybe a few new techniques along the way. Save all your red, white and blue scraps. They'll make great quilts for our veterans.

Roxy Gross

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Loren & Sharon Wilhelm

Nominating Committee presents 2023 Slate of Officers

Committee consisting of Gisele Oakes, Annalee Smith and Suzanne Powell presented the slate of officers to be voted on. All were accepted and begin their term in January 2023.

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Membership Education Officer Information Officer Kathy Chambliss Suzan Crocker Gisele Oakes Carol Surrells Karletta Pruszynski Lisa Terry Sharon Wilhelm

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2022 Committees and Chairpersons

Amazon Smiles Cynthia Fisher

Block of the Month-Roxy Gross

Door Prizes- Vilda Caudill/Sandie Griego

Education -Carol Surrells/Lisa Terry

Facilities - Guild Member

Friendship Blocks - Mary Ann Baltzer

May Mini-Madness Auction 2022 -Carolyn Miller & Joan Medlock

Meals on Wheels -Gisele Oakes

Harvest Boxes and Santa Bags

Membership - Elaine Henry,

Co-Chair Karletta Pruszynski

Newsletter, Publicity and Yearbook/ Directory - Sharon Wilhelm

Operation Quilted Comfort/Veterans Sharon Wilhelm, Gisele Oakes-Co-Chair

Photographer - Donna Mikesch

Programs, Workshops, & Facilities

Kathleen LoSapio-Chairperson

Suzan Crocker - Co Chairperson

Project Linus - Elaine Henry

Raffle Quilt 2022 - Cynthia Fisher

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

Retreat/Fall - Stitchin Heaven, Quinlan, Tx Suzan Crocker - Chairperson

Retreat/Day- Candy Koharchik

Ryan's Case for Smiles - Carolyn Kerr

Salad & Dessert Luncheon in May Valerie Mietus & Mary Ann Baltzer

Sunshine and Shadows - Carol Surrells

*Ways and Means - need a Chair

Website

Bonnie Landon

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Project Linus Texas Chapters

Its not too late to sign up for the Project Linus Mystery Quilt (Project Linus.org). Each \$20 donation to the Collin, Cooke, Grayson, Rockwall chapter with Regina Forthman as coordinator, should be from a separate email address and can be down-loaded to construct now or at a future time if you desire. All clues are available by the end of November. Thanks to so many of you signing up, our local chapter is currently in second place in the nation for number of participants.

Our Snowball Express blankets have been shipped and our Dragonfly Camp blankets have been delivered. Next Dragonfly Camp is in March 2023 if you'd like to work ahead.



Next up on the agenda is 500 plus blankets for the Community ISD children in need (grades 1-4, 5-8, and 9-12) as part of their Christmas gifts. If you would like a quilt kit to construct, please see Elaine Henry at the November meeting. Elaine Henry quiltqueen111@gmail.com



Operation Quilted Comfort Quilts for the Veterans at Sam Rayburn Memorial Medical Center.

We took the quilts, pillowcase and laundry bags to the church and took pictures with the help of Karletta, Candy, Gisele, Loren and I along with Lana, Sierra and Carma teenagers helped display these for pictures.

Candy, Gisele, Lillian and I delivered 63 quilts, 127 pillowcases, 10 laundry bags, 4 prs socks, lots of decks of cards & games on Monday, November 28th. *Tina McDaniels, accepted them with much appreciation that all you donated to them.* Sharon and Gisele



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Operation Quilted Comfort Quilts Delivered to Sam Rayburn Memorial Center, Bonham, Texas

Thank you all that made the 63 quilts, 127 pillowcases, and 10 laundry bags along with a variety of games, socks and puzzle books. They were so appreciative for what we do for them.





Instructions for Updating your Profile on MQG Website.

Included below are the instructions for updating your member profile on our website so that both your name and photo appear. If you have any problems contact Bonnie at the address below.

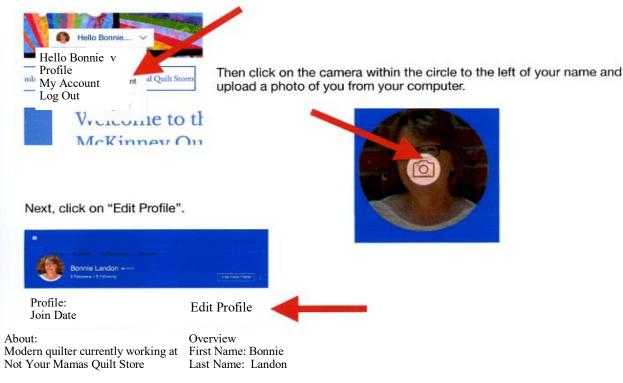
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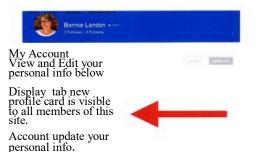
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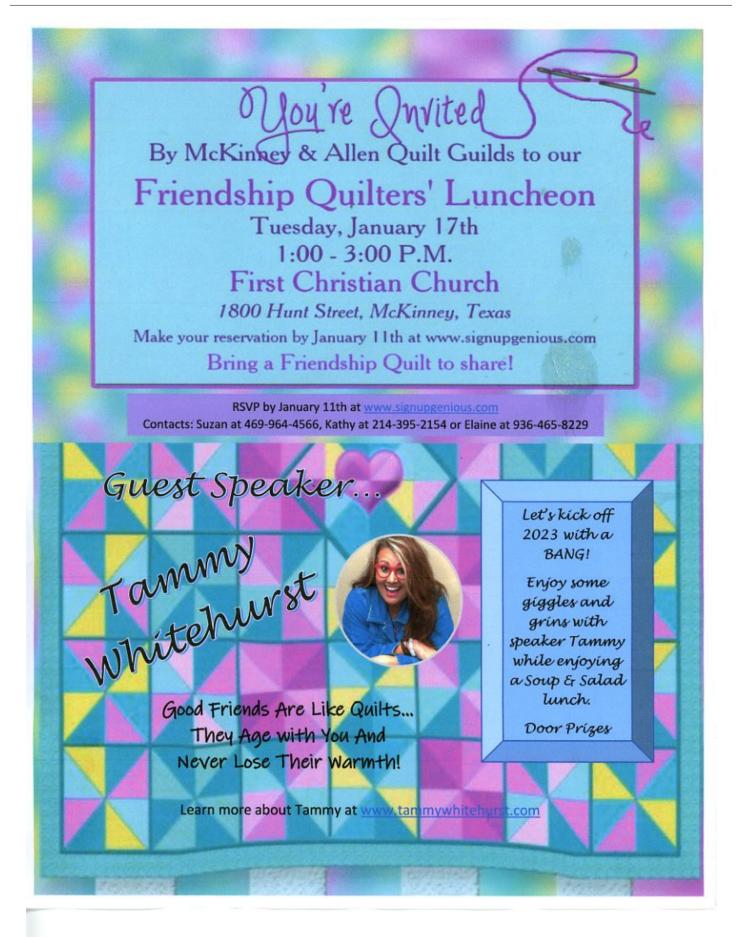


Once you have logged in, choose "Profile" from the dropdown menu. (Click on the arrow next to your name to access the dropdown menu.)



Next, under "Display Info" fill in your name as you would like it to appear in the member directory and then scroll down the page and click on "Update Info."





What to bring to the Dec 20 Meeting

- Wear your **Name Tag** as we have lots of new members. Holders available at check in table.
- Sign in and get your **Door Prize Ticket**.
- Record your volunteer hours.
- Meet and sit by one of our new members in case they have questions.
- Bring your December Nickels
- Turn in your Tree December BOM.
- Turn in your **pillowcases** for Ryan's Case For Smiles to Carolyn Kerr.
- Be sure to bring your **Show & Tell**. We love this part of our meeting.
- Sharon Wilhelm December Greeter
- Catch up and bring your BOM Blocks. Instructions found on the website.
- Bring you potluck dish to the Dec Luncheon and a gift (if you want to participate)

You Are Invited to McKinney Quilters Guild December Christmas Potluck Luncheon Come Celebrate the Season

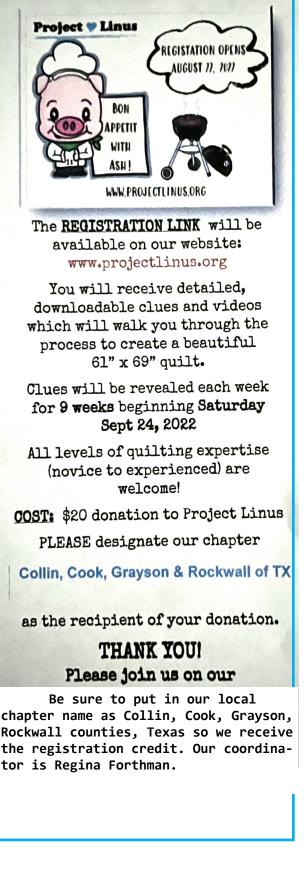
When: Tuesday, December 20th 12:30pm

Where: First Christian Church, 1800 W Hunt St

McKinney, Texas

What to Bring: Your favorite Potluck Dish Drinks will be provided.

Gift Exchange Should you choose to participate bring a \$15 Gift (bought or hand made).



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