



# Sew On and Sew On

West Houston Quilter's Guild

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## PROGRAM NOTICE

Date: Wednesday, March 21, 2018  
Where: Bear Creek United Methodist Church, 16000 Rippling Water Dr, Houston, TX 77084  
Time: 6:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Speaker: Andrea Brokenshire  
Program: Trunk Show

## WORKSHOP NOTICE

Mar 22, Andrea Brokenshire,  
Confetti Background and Beginning Free Motion



## DINA'S DISCUSSION

Dear Members,

*The first wealth, is health.*

– Ralph Waldo Emerson

Welcome Spring. Last month was a very tough health month for me. The flu bug was traveling around my office and it hit me hard. I ended up being hospitalized for the flu and a pneumonia. I have never felt so sick before. Luckily I had great doctors, nurses and medicine. I was down for a week and a half and isolated from my family and friends. I definitely feel wealthy now that I am feeling better. I am so happy being able to be around my people and pets again. Not to mention the joy of being back at my sewing machine. I almost forgot how much quilting relaxes me, until I wasn't able to do it. I would also like to thank everyone for the calls, texts and emails. They all helped me get better much faster.

I am so happy to start a new month, feeling better again. We get to look forward to more daylight with the time change and better temperatures

to be able to enjoy that extra daylight with spring coming. I've already started pulling all my brighter fabrics and am thrilled to start a spring time quilt.

At the February meeting we unveiled the Donation quilt. It is absolutely beautiful! Be sure to get your tickets for your chance to win this stunning quilt.

~ Dina Luz, President

## BOARD MEETINGS CALENDAR

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. Following is the schedule:

April 4 – Quilt 'n Sew Studio

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### Meeting Location for the Guild

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**PROGRAMS, WORKSHOPS, AND RETREATS****2018 Programs**

Mar 21	Andrea Brokenshire	Trunk Show
Apr 18	Christa Watson	The Ultimate Machine Quilting Trunk Show
May 16, 2:00 6:45	TBD Rhonda Dort	Quilting With Vintage Linens
Jun 20	Lisa Ellis	Healing Quilts
Jul 18	Pam Holland	Multi Media Trunk Show
Aug 15, 2:00 6:45	Open Open	
Sep 19	Angela McCorkle	Longarm Quilting 101
Oct 17, 2:00 6:45	TBD Shannon Brinkley	Trunk Show
Nov 14	Quilt Show Workshop	
Dec 19	Holiday Party	

**2018 Workshops**

Mar 22	Andrea Brokenshire	Confetti Background and beginning free motion
Apr 19	Christa Watson	Modern Machine Quilting
Jun 21	Lisa Ellis	Charming Cathedral Windows
Jul 19	Pam Holland	Sock it to Me
Sep 20	Angela McCorkle	Ten Minute Block
Oct 18	Shannon Brinkley	Scrappy Applique

**2018 Guild Retreat**

Sep 27-29 And Sew It Began La Porte, Texas

**Programs**

Andrea Brokenshire is our March speaker and workshop leader. She is an award-winning quilt artist, both nationally and internationally, who currently resides in Round Rock, Texas. Her love of sewing, fabric, and texture began as small child when, as one of five daughters, she began making apparel. She made her first quilt in 1998 and found this form of art expression a perfect outlet for her creativity. After a catastrophic illness in 2005 she found her own voice of creative expression and developed her "confetti" process; which several WHQG members have been anxious to learn. Andrea will lead the workshop on March 22,



2018 at Quiltworks on Jones Road beginning at 9.30 a.m. This is a two-part workshop with the first part creating the Confetti Background for the quilt and the second part emphasizing free motion quilting of the piece created in part one. The cost for the work shop is \$35.00 for the guild fee, and \$35.00 for the workshop kit purchased from Andrea the day of the workshop.

We still have openings for the March workshop. Contact me directly at [morse.lynda@yahoo.com](mailto:morse.lynda@yahoo.com) if you wish to attend Andrea Borkenshire's "Confetti" workshop and I will add your name to the list and collect

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**COMFORT QUILTERS /  
COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Maybe we should not meet one month again, because the Community Service table was laden with quilts from lots of different guild members. Looks like everybody stayed in on those icy, cold days and sewed on charity quilts. The turn in was fabulous: 30 quilts, some beanie babies, and 2 boxes of tops and fabric from the Pride of the Prairie Quilt Guild in Plainfield, Illinois. Barbara Wenker received the boxes and brought them to us. Keep up the great work!!!

**SIZE OF CHARITY QUILTS:** Most nursing home quilts should not be larger than 40-42 wide and 50-55 long. They are primarily used to cover their legs in a wheel chair or across their laps while sitting in their room. Linus quilts can be almost any size. Premies--25" square, cotton kid print on one size and flannel on the other OR flannel on both sides (no batting needed). Texas Children's Hospital cares for kids from newborn to age 21, so some longer quilts are always appreciated for those teenage boys and girls. Kits are always available at each guild meeting, but you are also free to use your own fabric.

Comfort Quilters Bee meets every Tuesday morning from 9:00 until noon at Quilt Works, 9431 Jones Road at West Road. Any guild member is welcomed to join us any Tuesday and sew on charity quilts. Kits are available or you can bring your own fabric and work on a charity quilt. Hope to see some of you at Quilt Works on Tuesday morning.

~ *Connie Bihner and Nita Beard*  
*Charitable Projects Co-Chairmen*

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

Mar 1 Gail (Bobbie) Brassler	Mar 21 Sherri Good
Mar 2 Gloria Stewart	Mar 22 Jan Liesenfeld
Mar 3 Pamela Hensley	Mar 22 Summer King
Mar 5 Dorothy McConnell	Mar 23 Linda Grupa
Mar 7 Kathy Eidson	Mar 26 Cindy Gaa
Mar 9 Cynthia Holik	Mar 27 Rhonda Onwere
Mar 9 Mary Wright	
Mar 10 Valeria Bauer	
Mar 11 Barbara Ann Watson	Please bring a door prize.

**MARCH 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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	4	5	6 Board Meeting 6:30 PM	7	8	9
	11	12	13	14	15	16
	18	19	20	21 Guild Meeting 6:45 PM	22 Workshop 9:30 AM	23
	25	26	27	28	29	30
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## 2019 DONATION QUILT

The tour of our raffle quilt has officially begun, and we are off to a great start. This quilt is not only selling a lot of tickets but is getting great feedback for the outstanding color and custom quilting. There seems to be an overall appreciation for it being different than the usual raffle quilt.

I would like to thank Joan Rondeau and Judith Washburn for taking the quilt to the Tri-County Quilt Guild and give a shout out to Celeste Fritz who showed the quilt at one of her house concerts.



I would also like to express my appreciation for my mom Georgia Johnson who has not only taught me to quilt but has accompanied me on a few guild meetings. Bravo!

If you are interested in taking the quilt to a guild meeting I could use some help for the Humble Quilt Guild on March 20th in the evening. Email me if you are interested or if you have a group you would like to present the quilt to: [pmlhensley@yahoo.com](mailto:pmlhensley@yahoo.com) or you can call me at 281-389-2867.

~ Pam Hensley,  
Keeper of the Quilt

## QUILT SHOW SILENT AUCTION

At the 2019 Quilt Show we want to have a Stellar Auction. That means we're looking for some outstanding Quilts. We want to make a success of the Auction so we'll make some money for the Guild. For that we need to have some lovely quilts to Auction.

We would really like to have some donated by our extremely talented members. So far we have 3 Quilts promised. A really great start at this time but we need more.

Please consider donating a quilt to your Silent Auction. If you have any questions or would like to contact me my email is [jean.fleming@sbc-global.net](mailto:jean.fleming@sbc-global.net). I hope to hear from you.

~ Jean Fleming

## SHOW TIME MAGIC IS IN THE MAKING

Introducing

### The Magic of Quilts 2019 Quilt Show

Date: Friday, March 1,  
2019, 10 am – 4 pm

Saturday, March 2, 2019,  
10:00 am – 4 pm

Place: Berry Center  
8877 Barker Cypress Rd.  
Cypress, Texas 77433

Calling on all members to volunteer and participate in all the team building projects and activities to make our quilt show a success. There's something for everyone; bees, new members, students, and, of course,



our many lifelong quilters. We will need lots of volunteers for the quilt show, of course, but right now we need participation in guild sew-ins (October 17, 2019 2 pm - 4:30 pm and November 14, 2019

6:30 pm - 8:30pm).

We need all of our bee keepers to contact Celeste Fritz for our New Black Hat Market items and contact Judith Washburn and/or Jane Ann Bryant for the wizardry of our Tin Can Raffle.

~ Beverly Farrell and  
Alice Sadeghpour  
2019 Quilt Show Co-Chairmen

## CONCERNS, CONDOLENCES AND CONGRATULATIONS

- Former Guild member Anne Hernandez has passed away. Our condolences to her family.

If you know of a guild member who has suffered a loss, is coping with surgery or illness, or needs to be congratulated, please contact Diane Balcerowicz with the information so the rest of the guild can be informed. We would like to be supportive of our fellow guild members.

~ Diane Balcerowicz, Secretary

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the guild fee at our March meeting. Workshops are interesting and fun. They provide an opportunity to get to know each other on a more personal level and unquestionably the techniques we learn help us all to improve our skill level and keep our projects fresh.

Coming up speakers and workshops: April 2018 – Christa Watson of “Christa Quilts,” Las Vegas, NV will present the “ultimate machine quilting trunk show” followed the next day by a workshop at Quilt Works, titled “Modern Machine Quilting”. In May of 2018, the speaker is Rhonda Dort of Houston, TX, a third generation quilter, who will present, “Quilting with Vintage Linens”. There is no workshop currently scheduled for May.

Speakers and programs for 2019 and 2020 are in the process of being planned so when you receive the short survey in your email; please do respond as your responses will help to frame 2019/2020 speaker/workshop schedules as well as additional educational opportunities for 2018. If you are willing to lead an educational workshop for some of our newer quilters during 2018; please let me know what your idea is at morse.lynda@yahoo.com.

Lastly, to Bee Keepers: as soon as I get the master list; I will be asking everyone to sign up to host our monthly speakers. The Katy Rotary has generously agreed to host Andrea Brokenshire, our March Speaker.

*~ Lynda Morse  
Second Vice President -  
Programs and Workshops*



## BEE NEWS

*Head Beekeeper: Judith Washburn*

### Cut-Ups

This month has been kind of slow. We had a number of members out ill and hope they are well on their way to getting better. We were also saddened to learn of the death of one of our former members, Anne Hernandez. Her family said she is at peace now. We completed last year’s UFO lists (Alice had the most finished items) and have made new lists to focus on for this year. At our last meeting we also planned our quilt for the Silent Auction. It will be “bootiful”.

*Beekeeper: Celeste Fritz*

### Katy Rotary Club

Our Katy Rotary Club Beekeeper has taken a respite due to illness. We miss Jean’s smiling face and stories. We wish her a speedy recovery. In the meantime, Judith Washburn has agreed to be the Beekeeper for the group.

The Mardi Gras Party at Cynthia Regone’s—what a smashing hit in true Cajun Style. We had wonderful food—the main course was jambalaya and each member of the bee brought her special dish—all were wonderful. We chose the Olympic colors of 2-1/2 inch strips and played many rounds of Strip Poker. Everyone seemed to have had a great time. There were tables set up to bring items to give away or sell. All where giveaways. There where some really nice items, patterns and fabrics—even some Cherry Woods, what a treat.

Several of the bee members will be going on Spring Retreat in March to And Sew it Began – Pieceful Stitches in La Porte, Texas. So looking forward to it.

Katy Rotary Club has some new and exciting plans for 2018; stay tuned more to come...

*Beekeeper: Judith Washburn*

### Thursday Night Bee

At our February bee meeting, plans were discussed for 2018. Each person decided what they wanted for their birthday—a block, a fat quarter or assorted strips. We will celebrate birthdays only twice this year—June and November. With the quilt show coming up in 2019, we thought we would not have any other exchanges and try to complete some of the previous exchanges into quilts for the show.

Our next retreat is at the end of March and we will be going to Hummingbird Retreat for the first time. Everybody is beginning to gather up what they will be working on and not having to think about what food to prepare. A welcomed change for all of us.

Keep sewing a few stitches each day and soon that project will be complete and ready to quilt.

*Beekeeper: Nita Beard*

### RANDALL'S GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM

Here is how you link your Randall's card to West Houston Quilter's Guild. This is the store's Good Neighbor program. Go to the customer service counter at your local store and ask that your card be linked to the number 11950. The guild will receive a percentage of the groceries and pharmacy items purchased for cards attached to number 11950. Remember the West Houston Quilter's Guild number is 11950.

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~ Kathie Frost, Librarian



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