



# Sew On and Sew On

West Houston Quilter's Guild

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## PROGRAM NOTICE

Date: Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Where: Bear Creek United Methodist Church, 16000 Rippling Water Dr, Houston, TX 77084

Time: 6:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Speaker: Pam Holland

Program: Multi Media Trunk Show

## WORKSHOP NOTICE

July 19, 2018, Pam Holland, Sock it to Me

## UPCOMING QUILT SHOW

**2018 Capital of Texas QuiltFest,** Sept. 28-30, 2018 Palmer Events Center, Austin TX, [www.captxquilt-fest.org](http://www.captxquilt-fest.org).

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## DINA'S DISCUSSION

Dear Members,

*"Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud" -Maya Angelou*

Happy July all! I hope everyone had a wonderful, yet wet, Independence Day. My brother and sister in law came into town from Atlanta and we were all able to visit and get in some great family time. Both my brother and I have birthdays in July so we were also able to celebrate our birthdays together again during the visit. It's always sad when they leave, but we will see each other soon enough for Thanksgiving.

Due to the rain, last month's meeting was very small crowd. Our speaker was Lisa Ellis, and she gave us a great program. It was wonderful to see all the beautiful quilts that are now hanging in various hospitals that are bringing the patients hope and comfort. I thought this months quote was appropriate for her work, and reminds us that even in dark times, the sharing of our love in quilts can be a ray of sunshine.

I was able to drop in on the workshops last month and everyone seemed to have a wonderful time. Lisa was so sweet and put on a great

workshop. I saw the final projects and they were beautiful! After the workshop, the ladies at QNS said all of the projects were gorgeous.

For those who like to take road trips or are looking for something to do this summer, I received a notice from the Texas quilt museum. They are putting on an exhibit at the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. The exhibit is "Made in Texas". It showcases quilts all about Texas and made by Texans. It runs July 13 thru September 9. You can visit their Website for more information.

I know many of you will be traveling this summer but I hope to see you all at the next meeting!

*~ Dina Luz, President*

## BOARD MEETINGS

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:

September 5 – Quilt 'n Sew Studio

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Deadline for submitting articles for the *Sew On and Sew On* is the Monday following the Guild meeting each month. Send them directly to Patricia Cook, Editor, at [pcook43@gmail.com](mailto:pcook43@gmail.com)

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

Jul 18	Pam Holland	Multi Media Trunk Show
Aug 15, 2:00 6:45	Kelly Young Kelly Young	
Sep 19	Angela McCorkle	Longarm Quilting 101
Oct 17, 2:00 6:45	Quilt Show Workshop Shannon Brinkley	Trunk Show
Nov 14	Quilt Show Workshop	
Dec 19	Holiday Party	

**2018 Workshops**

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
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**Programs**

First of all a big thank you to all who managed to get to our June meeting despite the downpour right at drive time! Visions of last September, I am sure, were on many minds. The program presented by Lisa Ellis, “Healing Quilts” was a fascinating view of many ways quilts are used in powerful art installations in hospitals, cancer and diabetes treatment centers as an alternative to posters and plain walls. Lisa’s workshop the following day, Cathedral Windows, was well attended and the project she chose was fun and mostly finished by all attendees! Our largest group of attendees for a workshop yet this year – 14! Remember the guild fee for attendance (only \$35) helps to defray the cost of bringing great speakers to our guild.

Our speaker for July, Pam Holland, comes to us all the way from Australia, via Albuquerque, New Mexico. In Pam’s own words her lecture and trunk show “The Fabric of Life,” will follow her journey of discovery through fabric. She will talk about where the fabric she uses



in her art comes from as well as her early beginning as a quilter buying fabric in the 90’s from Debbie Mumm fabric and the

quilt shops to the fabrics she loves and uses today. She will take us through the process from the hot dirt plains of an Indian village and a rural village in Guatemala where they dye and weave thread for the manufacture of their fabric to a formal quilt shop and then on to the final step of creating her quilts.

The workshop on Thursday, July 19, 2018 is titled “Sock it to Me”. The class was originally developed as an online class, and while you don’t have to do socks, Pam says they are “super” for this process. Whether or not you think you can draw, in reality all you have to do is to trace a picture, color it and then quilt it. As of this writing there are only 4 folks from our guild signed up, one paid. (supply lists available at next guild

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meeting or via email if you sign up prior to the meeting) The workshop will be opened to other guilds on the 15th of this month if no more sign ups. Remember there are just 20 spaces available at Quilt n Sew. The guild fee of \$35.00 is payable to WHQG and guarantees your spot.

In August the guild will host Kelly Young for both the afternoon and evening meeting. Her book, *Stash Statement*, is the basis of her lecture and trunk show. In the workshop, “Structured Improvisation,” on Thursday August 16, 2018 at Quilt n Sew, she will help all to begin the “Beach Retreat” quilt from her book. Participants should plan to purchase the book at a cost of \$23.99.

**Retreat**

The guild’s fall retreat will be at “And Sew it Began, Pieceful Stitches”, in LaPorte, Texas beginning September 28, 2018. The cost is based on the number of attendees: 6-9 \$150 per person, or 10 or more \$130 per person. Add \$65 or \$50 respectfully to include Thursday night in your plans. A \$30 deposit will hold your spot. You can start making your deposits at this month’s guild meeting.

Also reminding everyone to patronize our local shops, especially, Quilt n Sew in Katy on Mason Road who so generously allows us to use their classroom for workshops and Bee meetings.

~ Lynda Morse  
 Second Vice President -  
 Programs and Workshops

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Jul 2	Sharon Masek	Jul 11	Mary Beaulieu
Jul 2	Jean Roberts	Jul 16	Kay Crabb
Jul 3	Sue Newland	Jul 18	Dina Luz
Jul 5	Annette Hawley	Jul 20	Kathy Clark
Jul 5	Carolyn Sanders	Jul 29	Tracy Dyer
Jul 6	Kathy Ernest	Jul 30	Dianne Kuper
Jul 7	Jean Chevalier	Jul 31	Carolina Boulanger
Jul 7	Gloria Meijer		
Jul 10	Gale S Davis		Please bring a door prize.
Jul 10	Joan Rondeau		

**ABOUT INDEPENDENCE DAY**

The Fourth of July – also known as Independence Day or July 4th – has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution. On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues.

**Fun Facts:**

In 2012, fireworks sales by wholesalers totaled \$482.6 million and sales by retailers totaled \$368.6.

In 2016, the United States imported \$5.4 million in American flags.

According to the Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association, the Fourth of July is the most popular day for barbecuing on a grill.

In 2017, the National Retail Foundation estimates Americans spent \$7.1 billion on food for cook-outs and picnics to celebrate the Fourth of July.

**JULY 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Guild Meeting 6:45 PM	19 Workshop 10:00 am - 4:00 pm	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

## 2019 DONATION QUILT

How do you decide which guild to go to? This is a question I was recently asked and the answer is simple, I go to the ones I want to go to and the ones that will have me!! If there is an opening at a local guild I take it but I have been going to some out of the way places because there was something in the area I wanted to see or do. In the last month we went to the Greater Dallas QG because I have been wanting to go to the Presidential Library and I wasn't disappointed. It was great, plus they had an exhibit of all the First Ladies which I highly recommend. The guild meeting and shops weren't bad either.



My strategy for our quilt this summer is simpler. Since attendance is low at the guild meetings during our hot months, I am planning on going to some of the bees. There are always people who go to a bee meeting that can't make it to the guild meetings. I always leave a guild meeting inspired and motivated and I anticipate the same at the bees. See you soon!

Please contact me with your interest or questions: Pamela Hensley, 281-389-2867 or at [pmlhensley@yahoo.com](mailto:pmlhensley@yahoo.com).

~ Pam Hensley,  
*Keeper of the Quilt*

## OUR BEES HAVE BEEN BUZZING

Many thanks to the various bees for their commitment to making our 2019 Quilt Show magical! They are busy making project bags, notions bags, wine bags, foot pedal bags, bunnies, bowls, placemats, phone holders, pop-up scrap catchers and more to donate to the Market! For those not in a bee (and those who are but want to do more) there will be workshops at our fall meetings. The Quilt Show Committee is awed by the response of our members thus far.

~ Celeste Fritz

## CALL FOR QUILT SHOW VOLUNTEERS

It's not too early to sign up to volunteer for our 2019 quilt show. If you volunteer for at least 2 hours you will receive free admission to the show. There are many areas where volunteers are needed so choose your time and where you would like to volunteer. Some areas require physical activity and some are sit down jobs so you can decide where you will be most helpful.

Sign up at guild meetings or send me an e-mail ([gloriaware44@att.net](mailto:gloriaware44@att.net)) or text (281-543-5266). We need the help of every guild member to make our show a success.

~ Gloria Ware

## SHOW TIME MAGIC IS IN THE MAKING

### The Magic of Quilts 2019 Quilt Show

March 1-2, 2019,  
10:00 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Berry Center  
8877 Barker Cypress Rd.  
Cypress, Texas 77433

The magic is happening and the stars are shining. We hope everyone is making their own magic with the Quilt Show Challenge... Let's Make Star Magic. If you need any information about the challenge, please visit the West Houston Guild Website [whqg.org](http://whqg.org) or feel free to email us at [TheMagicOfQuilts@gmail.com](mailto:TheMagicOfQuilts@gmail.com). Keep an eye on the Website; entry forms are posted under the Quiltshow > Entry Information tab.

We are excited with the wonderful items being made for the Guild Market. If you would like to make something but just don't know what



to make, consider joining us during the Sew In Workshops, October 17, 2:00 p.m. and November 14, 6:45 p.m. Kits will be provided. If you have favorite fabrics, please bring them along, too. We will have

some kits at each of the upcoming meetings available for those who can't attend the Sew Ins. You can take home the kit to complete and bring back by the end of December. See Alice Sadeghpour for kits or email: [alicesadeghpour@gmail.com](mailto:alicesadeghpour@gmail.com).

Don't forget to follow us on Instagram ([@themagicofquilts](https://www.instagram.com/themagicofquilts)) and to like and share our Facebook page (The Magic Of Quilts).

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

## LIBRARY

We are putting some older books on sale for \$1 each. Come by the table and check out what you can buy or what you can borrow.

~ Kathie Frost, Librarian





## BEE NEWS

*Head Beekeeper: Judith Washburn*

### Cut-ups

What a busy month! We used our two June sew-ins to make the project bags our bee is donating to the Quilt Show Market. They were so fun and easy to do that several members have made more than one. All are really cute! Linda and Judith are celebrating summer vacation, so we hope to see more of them over the next several weeks. Many of us are in one week and out the next as trips, retreats and family obligations are keeping us busy. We're just about ready to start putting together the quilt we will be donating to the show's Silent Auction. Stay cool y'all.

*Beekeeper: Celeste Fritz*

### Katy Rotary Club

Well the summer is upon us and everyone seems to be weathering the heat. Celeste Fritz, Debra

Huebel and Lillie Hayes have been traveling the world and sounds like they have been having a great time. A bunch did a ROAD TRIP to Giddings July 16 to MeMe's Quilt Shop Annual July 50% Off Sale; then on to Around the Block and had lunch in Giddings. The Group has been working on their Bee and Guild Challenges for the 2019 Magic of Quilts Show, personal projects, UFO's (not so much) and charity quilts. Judith Washburn has been busy setting up the Longarm Rental & Quilting Shop in Sealy which is Now Open.

*Beekeeper: Judith Washburn*

### Ladies of the Night

The Ladies of the Night have kicked off our newest exchange of "birthday blocks" and are so glad we are doing this again this year! Gale was our first "birthday girl" with her request

of appliquéd upholstered chair blocks. Talk about fun! The Ladies sure let their creativity shine with this pattern. Gale is going to have one happy quilt for her sewing room!

Congratulations go out to several of our Ladies who have recently reached some milestones – Cindy & Mary are both celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversaries this summer and Gale and her hubby have made it to 57 years of wedded bliss. Benedicte's son has graduated from high school and is on his way to college in the fall. Talk about accomplishments!! Now that summer is really here several Ladies have packed their bags and are headed out of town. Safe travels to everyone and can't wait to hear the stories when we're all back together again. Look out, America!

*Beekeeper: Sheila Odell  
Submitted by Kathy Johnson*

## PIECING QUILTS

When the winter days grow shorter,  
And the evenings likewise long,  
And we sit around the fireplace  
Listening to a radio song,

It is then the urge besets me  
To create some beauty rare,  
And I wish that I were gifted  
With some talent more than fair.

But I needs must find contentment  
With a gift much humbler far,  
Looking for the beauty present  
In plain things where e'er they are.

Then from out of the darkest closet,  
Where it's waited for this day,  
I bring a box of pieces, Ginghams,  
muslins, prints, pique.

To protect from winter weather,  
A new quilt is needed now;  
I would fashion it in beauty  
And appease this urge somehow.

Shall it be the stairway pattern,  
Or a double wedding ring,  
Or the Dutch sunbonnet babies,  
Or some other pretty thing?

Oh, the zest of matching pieces  
In the wealth of colors shown,  
And the working out a pattern  
Til I feel it's quite my own!

There's increasing satisfaction  
As it falls across my lap  
And it grows in size and beauty  
With each added bright new scrap.

When at last it all is finished,  
And I spread it out to view,  
I see more than cloth and stitches;  
I see there a lesson, too.

All the world holds scraps of beauty;  
We can find them everywhere,  
And can piece these scraps together  
In a pattern true an fair,

Making thus a life of blessing,  
With its comfort and its cheer,  
That will help and strengthen others  
After we're no longer here.

*~ Nellie Muscott Chapin*

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