



Sew On and Sew On

West Houston Quilter's Guild

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PROGRAM NOTICE

Date: Wednesday, August 21, 2019
 Where: Thomas A Glazier Senior Education Center, 16600 Pine Forest Ln., Houston TX 77084
 Time: 6:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 Speaker: Karen Overton
 Program: Feedsacks: A Colourful History of an Frugal Fabric

WORKSHOP NOTICE

Thursday, August 22, 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Quilt 'n Sew Studio
 – Karen Overton, Love Links



DINA'S DISCUSSION

Dear Members,

To quilt is human, to finish is divine!

~ Anonymous

Happy August quilters! Hope the summer is treating you all well. I had a whirlwind July and am ecstatic to have a relaxing August. In between travel and birthday celebrations I've been furiously trying to get gifts done for my parents to take with them on their vacation to see family in Europe. I managed to get the last quilt done the day before they left. Talk about down to the wire! I was sad to drop them off at the airport, but so relieved to not have any more projects that had a deadline.

Just as a friendly reminder we are looking for a few volunteers for various positions. First, the Nominating Committee would love to hear from anyone that would love to be part of the next board. They have a few positions that they need to fill and would love to answer any lingering questions or concerns. We are also still in need of someone to take over the Newsletter from Pat Cook. Pat

has done an amazing job and has everything set up for the next editor. Someone else who has been an amazing asset to the guild is Amy Matthias. She has done an outstanding job keeping our Website humming along. All of these positions are crucial to the guild and I would love to see some new faces in these positions, mostly so I can get to know even more wonderful members!

If you have any questions please let us know. Looking forward to seeing 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 4 – 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

PROGRAMS, WORKSHOPS, AND RETREATS

2019 Programs

Aug 21	Karen Overton, trunk show
Sep 18	Guild Garage Sale
Oct 16	Lori Lee Triplett, trunk show
Nov 20	Dot Collins, trunk show
Dec 18	Guild Christmas Party

2019 Workshops

Aug 22	Karen Overton	Love Links
Oct 17	Lori Lee Triplet	Fabric Stash Jewelry Workshop
Nov 21	Dot Collins	Spectacular Stars

2019 Retreat

Sep 13-15 Magnolia Manor Retreat Center

Programs and Workshops

August 21, 2019 Speaker – Karen Overton. Karen refers to herself as the “Quilt Rambler” because in her



own words: “I love to ramble and I dearly love to quilt, so I’m a self-proclaimed quilt rambler with the gift of gab and the glee of show and tell. For over two decades I’ve been



talking about quilts, making quilts, teaching quilting, longarm quilting for hire and making t-shirt/memory

quilts.” Though Karen is a resident of Bacliff, Texas (near Kemah, TX) this will be her first visit with WHQG. Check out her website for some examples of the beautiful and fun quilts she has made and will be sharing with us during her talk. <https://thequiltrambler.com/> She has a couple of quilting cruises planned as well – departing Galveston, TX that may be of interest to members. The workshop the day following (Thursday, August 22 at Quilt ‘n Sew



9.30-3.30) will focus on her pattern, Love Links. She uses a wing clipper tool available for purchase for \$23.00 to teach an easy way to make 4 flying geese units at once. The “Love Links” pattern will be available for \$11.00. Students can choose the full or queen size quilt or table runner they wish to make. Know that it is not expected that you will finish the complete quilt top at the workshop.

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CHARITY QUILT COMPETITION

What kind of charity quilt can you make from 8 fat quarters, plus 1 additional fabric from your stash? Well, we will soon find out. The Comfort Quilters are putting together 8 fat quarters plus backing in kits to be picked up at the August guild meeting. You will have until the October guild meeting to complete your quilt—pieced, quilted and bound. The quilts will be displayed in one of the small rooms adjacent to our meeting room, where the members will vote on their favorite. Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. Start thinking now so you have a great idea for your charity quilt.

CONCERNS, CONDOLENCES AND CONGRATULATIONS

- No news items were received by the publishing deadline

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 Lisa Dinkelman with the information so the rest of the guild can be informed. We would like to be supportive of our fellow guild members.

~ Lisa Dinkelman,
Secretary

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Aug 6	Linda Gremillion	Aug 17	Brenda Taucher
Aug 8	Laura Bryant	Aug 20	Gail Snyder
Aug 8	Brenda Whaley	Aug 23	Clydene Hellenguard
Aug 9	Ruth Grimes	Aug 23	Carolyn Stewart
Aug 11	Claudia Duke	Aug 31	Cynthia Regone
Aug 11	Penny Lasseter		
Aug 13	Tina Latasha Johnson		Please bring a door prize.
Aug 14	Patrece Clay		

COMFORT QUILTERS / COMMUNITY SERVICE

It's July and time to think Christmas-Christmas preemies that is for Texas Children's Hospital. Each year we make preemies that are approximately a 25" square with no batting. One side should be Christmas fabric and the other side a nice flannel. If you can find Christmas flannel the other side can be a cotton fabric. Babies that are born during December are wrapped in these, so the fabric should be a "kid print."

The year is half over so thought I would give the membership a report on what we have made for others. During the first seven months, the following has been turned in at Guild meetings: 52 Linus quilts, 52 adult quilts, 12 preemies, 104 stockings, 39 Beanie Babies and 5 disaster quilts. At the Comfort Quilters Bee, the

group has turned in: 70 Linus quilts, 72 adult quilts, 140 preemie caps, 93 preemies and 1 stocking.

If you have not turned in two quilts this year, you have 5 more months to get them made. With almost 200 members, we should definitely have at least 200 Linus quilts and 200 quilts for the elderly. Kits are always available at the Community Service table during guild meetings. These kits contain everything you need except the batting. Come join us any Thursday (except the 2nd one) and help us make quilts for others. At the August guild meeting, we will have some very easy strip quilt kits, so stop by and pick one up.

~ Connie Bihner and Nita Beard
Charitable Projects Co-Chairmen

AUGUST 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Board Meeting 6:30 PM	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Guild Meeting 6:45 PM	22 Workshop 9:30 AM	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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Guild Garage Sale

The garage sale is planned for our September Guild meeting, September 18, 2019. There is a limit to the number of tables that can be set up due to the number of standard tables available. Reservations are taken in order. We have about 8 or 9 tables left as of this writing. The charge per table is \$15.00. Individual GUILD members only may host a table for themselves, or an entire WHQG BEE may host a table together. I am seeking 2-3 volunteers to help me to organize this biennial event. Know that All set up MUST be inside of the main room which is the reason for limiting the number of tables. Reservations must be made and paid in advance prior to the September meeting. Make checks payable to WHQG.

Retreat

Barbara Watson has reserved The Magnolia Manor Retreat Center, 26250 Riley Rd., Waller, TX, for our Guild retreat in September of 2019. The minimum 12 attendees has been reached – there is still room for 12 more! Check in is Friday, September 13 at 2:00 and Checkout is Sunday, September 15 at 2:00. The fee is \$210 (previously Barbara has stated \$205, which was in error – she will collect the extra \$5 at the retreat for those who have paid in advance) for the weekend and includes dinner on Friday; breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday; and a nice brunch on Sunday. Fifty percent of your fee must be made before the August 2019 Guild meeting so that Barbara can meet the deadline for fifty percent down. Checks can be made out to WHQG. Some things to keep mind about the guild retreat: 1. Deposit to hold your spot is \$30.00, (checks

made out to WHQG); 2. Half of your full payment is due to Barbara at or before the END of July and 3. Barbara must have 12 confirmations (with at least fifty percent deposit) BEFORE August 12, 2019, otherwise she will need to cancel the retreat. The center has a small attached quilt shop, that includes a hideaway batik collection! It is a reasonable drive to the retreat; maybe 60 minutes from the West Houston area. Here is the link to the center: <https://magnolia-manorretreat.com/>

At each guild meeting look for the trifold schedule that will outline upcoming speakers and workshop topics.

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

HELP US SAY “THANK YOU” TO OUR GUILD’S PRESIDENT

Dina Luz has been our President for the past two years. She has stepped up to become president when she had only been a member of our Guild a couple of months. She has done a wonderful job and is a great asset to our Guild. As we thank her for all her dedication and hard work at the end of her term, we would like to give her a small token of our appreciation.

It is customary to make quilt blocks for the outgoing president. I am asking each member to make a 12 ½ inch UNFINISHED (12” finished)

block. Her favorite designer is Lori Holt. If you aren’t familiar with her, you can look her up on the Internet. This will give you an idea of the type of fabrics we would like. All blocks need to be happy, bright and colorful. You may choose to make any type of block that is pieced or appliqued.

Please do not use black or neon. If you need to use a background color, please use solid white. To ensure all blocks are uniform, do not use white on white or cream.

I will have fabric examples at the next few meetings. Blocks can be turned into me anytime up to the November meeting. We will present all blocks at our Christmas party. Please pin your name to the back of your block. If you have any questions, you can email me at krissyhoffman@icloud.com. Thank you for your support.

*~ Kris Hoffman
First Vice President*



BEE NEWS

Cut-ups

It was great to have nearly everyone present at our first July sew-in! Lots of camaraderie and sewing! We miss seeing Lillie, who is up north for the summer, and Judith Habermacher, who has been busy with year-end Piano Guild and then took ill. We hope both of them will put in appearances in August. Planning has already started for our bee contributions to the next Quilt Show, and also our bee challenge. Maybe we can get a leg up on all these projects and have less last-minute rushing (hah!).

Beekeeper: Celeste Fritz

Katy Rotary Club

While most of our members didn't travel this month a few were on the road. One of our members who did travel was Cynthia Regone. She was a guest lecturer at The Quilters Hall of Fame in Marion, Indiana. She also taught classes as a guest instructor while she was there. One of the students in a class of hers was Eleanor Burns! What a treat. We'll get to hear all about it when she returns, I can't wait. It was a great honor for her to be asked to be a speaker and teacher at The Quilters Hall of Fame. Way to go, Cynthia; we are so proud of you. It's a joy to have you in our Bee.

Pat Cook and Debbie Adami went to a Cindy Needham workshop for 5 days. We sorta count Debbie as one of us since her Mom, Judy, is a member. Hopefully their finished projects will be at show and tell soon.

Beekeeper: Jean Fleming

Ladies of the Night

Summer is in full swing for the Ladies which means a lot of travel! So far Ohio, Oregon, Alabama, Wisconsin, New Mexico, Oklahoma and France have been graced with the presence of one of our members. Our meetings in Texas may be a bit smaller at the moment but still full of fun, especially with our next Disappearing 4-Patch exchange at the end of July. We do know how to start new projects - and we can't wait to see what everyone picked up on their adventures!

*Beekeeper: Sheila Odell
Submitted by Kathy Johnson*

Miss-Bee-Haven Ya-Yas

Yayas Bee had a great time making stockings for Charities. We all had such a great time and worked so well together. We look forward to making this an annual event "Christmas in July". The Guild and Yayas provided the fabric. This is a very easy way to give back. The pattern and instruc-

tions on the Website made this a breeze.

Our next big adventure is our retreat in September. We will be going to La Porte. The weekend will be filled with sewing and fun and games. Oh, maybe a few drinks too.



Beekeeper: Kris Hoffman

The Material Girls

A block lottery was held at our July meeting and Pam Lyons was our winner. Pretty flower petal blocks! We have enjoyed the block lotteries so now we are going to expand to a block exchange in the fall. Christmas fabrics!

Some of our ladies road tripped to Huntsville for the vender shop hop. Lots of goodies to shop for and a trip to the fabric store on the square. Money was definitely spent.

Happy quilting!

Beekeeper: Marcia Karns

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2021 QUILT SHOW CHALLENGE

The 2021 Quilt Show Committee is issuing a challenge to the members of the West Houston Quilter's Guild to create a Modernized Dresden Plate quilt to be entered or shown in the 2021 Quilt Show on March 5-6, 2021.

Rules for the Challenge:

1. Your entry must have three layers including batting and be quilted, and have visible quilting by hand, by machine or both. No bags, jackets, etc.
2. You may use traditional patterns but quilts must be original in design (i.e., not from a kit).
3. The perimeter of the quilt cannot be more than 320" around or smaller than 100" around.
4. The Dresden plate(s) MUST be recognizable in the front of the quilt.
5. The quilt must have a hanging sleeve and a label on the back.
6. Quilt must have been completed between March 2, 2019 and January 20, 2021.
7. Include a brief description of your inspiration and how/why you used the techniques you did in your quilt on your entry form.

Challenge Deadline:

1. Deadline to complete quilt is February 17, 2021.
2. The quilts must be shown at the February 2021 Guild Meeting where Guild members will vote on their favorite.
3. The winning quilts will receive a special "Guild Choice" ribbon to be displayed on the quilts at the quilt show.
4. All challenge quilts entered in the show, including the "Guild Choice" winners, are eligible for awards.

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