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2021 UPCOMING QUILT EVENTS

DATES	EVENT	LOCATION	Open To:
1 st Wed.	We Care Bee	Canceled due to Covid-19	Those who want to work together on donation projects
2 nd Tues.	Board of Directors 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm	Zoom Link	Board Members & All members who wish to witness
3 rd Tues.	Quilt Guild Meeting 2:00pm – 4:00pm	Zoom meeting (didn't receive email with the link last month)	Members & Those who might want to join
*****	****	Program Workshops	Canceled due to Covid-19
July 16, 9am-5pm July 17, 9am-4pm	Biennial Wildflower Quilt Show	Mayborn Civic & Convention Center	The public



QUILT GUILD MEMBERSHIP is open to anyone interested in quilts or quilting. Annual dues are \$30, with special rates for Juniors. You may visit our meetings twice for free.

2020 Members DON'T owe any dues for 2021!!!!

MEMEBERS RECEIVE: Guild's full newsletter, Attend Monthly Meetings, Program Workshops, Guild's Special Events & enjoy many other opportunities available just for our members.

ZOOM MEETINGS are from 2pm-4pm with visiting time starting at 1:30pm
Email link will be sent out the weekend before.

Where & When do we get back together at:

Taylor's Valley Baptist Church in South Temple at 2pm-4pm.

Address is: **2497 W Fm 93, Temple, TX, 76502**

The church has asked if we could hold off to meet in person.

COMMUNITY SERVICE DONATIONS RECIEVED

GIVEN TO	ITEMS	Jan '21	'21 Total	'20 Total
Salvation Army	Blankets & Sally Block Quilts	0	0	89
S&W Chemo & S&W Dialysis	Adult Quilts	42	42	149
Service Members	Quilts of Valor	0	0	151
Hope Pregnancy	Baby Items: Quilts, Afghans & Hats	0	0	202
Project Linus	Kids Quilts, Kids Afghans	65	65	67
McLane Hospital	Kids Pillowcases	0	0	249
Peaceable Kingdom Retreat for Children	Pillowcases For Summer Camp			New
Foster Kids	Bags	42	42	76
Ronald McDonald House	Items for families staying there	1 trip	1 trip	1 trip
Homeless	Scarves	25	25	New
Lake Belton High School, Sewing Club	Garment type fabric	8 boxes	8 boxes	New
	Patterns for Sewing	200	200	

DONATION KITS AVAILABLE FOR:

ADULTS & KIDS QUILTS, PILLOWCASES

Contact Jamie Williams or Kate Snyder, (by phone call, text, or email) anytime for kits, batting or for finish project drop off. Babies, foster & sick children & sick Adults still need our special items, perhaps now more than ever, so let's all continue making them & handing them in ... we will be delighted to receive them!

Fantastic job! Keep stitching.

[Becky Roper](#)

OUR COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR



Scrappy Happy

Quilters are givers. Givers of love of labor in every stitch put into a beautiful creation of thread & fiber. Advanced, intermediate, or beginner all share a common interest...cutting up fabric & stitching it back together. I would like to share some helpful hints to organize those leftover parts & pieces to make it easy for you to stitch scrappy happy.

"Free quilt", boy do I like those words Cindy Petersen taught me how to make a "free quilt". Every time you cut fabric & there are small pieces left, go ahead & cut it into a 2 ½ inch square. Stash them until you have enough to create a scrappy happy quilt. A fun free pattern to follow is "**Traffic Jam**" found on Pat Sloan's website. The old faithful nine patch is always a scrappy happy.

Wildflower Quilt Guild continues to give donation quilts. All styles of quilts are welcome. Please know how much your quilts are appreciated by the person receiving your gift of love.

Have a Scrappy Happy Day!

[Becky Roper](#)

Reminder: kits and batting are available for the asking

OUR PRESIDENT



Ladies, February is the month known best for Valentine's Day. A wonderful day to celebrate love. However, as quilters we all celebrate love when we sit down with a needle and thread. It doesn't matter if you hand stitch or if you only machine sew. You all know that the quilt you are making has the love you have inside of you, sewn in every inch. If you are like me, it also has my prayers & aggravation. Hopefully more the first two & less of the third. When you make a quilt, you are showing a small piece of your heart to the world. Then you pray that whoever receives the quilt will see your heart and love for them. I'm blessed to have seen so much of the kindness & love of the women in our Guild.

Keep showing the world that there is love that abounds!!

Jamie Williams
President

THIS MONTHS PROGRAM

Carole Carter writes a quilting & lifestyle blog called From My Carolina Home, encompassing her many interests including quilting, sewing crafting, cooking, gardening & more. Her quilts have won awards at the NC State Fair & the Western Carolina Quilt Guild & have been shown in the juried American Quilting Society show in Charlotte. Carole is the pattern designer of the Scrap Dance series, does an annual mystery quilt along, & patterns for Moda Bake Shop.

Scrap Dancing Program

- How many scraps of material have you saved?
- Do you have uneven pieces from cutting, partial yard leftovers, old clothes you can't stand to give away because of the fabric or a pretty embroidery, bits & pieces of this & that?
- Do you buy 4 yards of fabric when the pattern calls for 3?
- I'm going to use up all these pieces before I go buy anything else.
- This year, I'm going to make all my holiday gifts.
- Have you ever said any or all of these things?

There is a way to use those scraps, but there are a few things you need to know. Large pieces all the way down to 1" square can be successfully used given the right project.

This program runs about 60 minutes, & goes through scrap saving systems & storage methods, pros & cons of different ways of storing & using scraps, color selection & a dazzling array of ideas & patterns to use up your stash.

Janet Mezger
1st Vice President

OUR SUNSHINE & SHADOWS



Please let me know if:

If you know of a guild member that has had some special sunshine in their life (i.e. big anniversary, new baby, or wedding)

If you know of a guild member that has had some shadows in their life (i.e. been sick or a loss in their family)

Please let me know their situation so we can send them a card or keep them in our prayers. You can call, text, or email me.

[Vickie Morgan](#)

BEE-KEEPER ACTIVITY



Please call the contact person if you wish to know more about a group listed below. Contacts info is listed in our membership yearbook. If not a member, please contact our Bee Group Keeper for more info.

Or if you would like to start a new bee or know of one in your area that would like to be listed please get the information to our Bee Group Keeper Coordinator, so we can add it to the list.

[Gabriela Morgan](#)

QUILTING BEES IN OUR AREAS FOR YOU TO JOIN

EVERY	BEE GROUP	CONTACT PERSON	TOWN	ROOM AVAILABLE
1 st Wed.	We Care	Peggy Mathis	Temple	Open Group Canceled this month
"We Care" gets together to work on donation projects				
1 st & 3 rd Fri	Busy Bees	Peggy Mathis	Temple	Open Group Canceled this month
2 nd & 4 th Mon	Bumblin' Bees	Pam Edwards	Temple	Open Group Canceled this month
2 nd & 4 th Mon	Diamond	Michelle Weller	Temple	Closed Group Canceled this month
2 nd & 4 th Tues	Loose Threads	Nancy Halbrook	Temple	Open Group Meeting with limited space
2 nd Tues	Claremont Girls	Mary Wenberg	Belton Lake	Closed Group Canceled this month
2 nd & 4 th Fri	Sew Creative	Jan Austin Barbara Gray	Temple	Open Group Canceled this month

JANUARY '20 FINANCIAL STATEMENT FROM OUR TREASURES

OPERATING ACCOUNT		FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT	
Beginning Balance	\$24,231.39	Beginning Balance	\$4,313.24
Income		Income	
Membership Dues	\$0.00	Transfer from Operations	5,046.43
Etsy	\$299.80		
Expenses		Expenses	
Program – Carole Carter Deposit	(\$50.00)	Advertising	(\$91.35)
Transfer to Fundraising	(\$5,046.43)	Ribbons	(\$71.85)
		Pole/Drape	(\$1,476.00)
Net Income (Loss)	(\$4,796.63)	Net Income (Loss)	\$3,407.23
Ending Bank Balance	\$19,434.76	Ending Bank Balance	\$7,720.47
Sarah Dauro		Polly Clawson	

NOTE FROM OUR ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR



years to help you get started.

Hello, quilting friends and welcome to FEBRUARY! I am so looking forward to meeting in person for our guild meetings soon. I need volunteers to help coordinate some of the activities we have so enjoyed in the past. Please read through the following list and see if there is anything YOU AND A FRIEND might enjoy doing. Yes, these are "friend helping friend" activities and we have a budget to help with out-of-pocket expenses. I also have sample directions and ideas from previous

Please let me know if you can help with any of these activities. See you at our next Zoom meeting and I look forward to seeing you all in person soon.

[Denise Farquhar](#),

Activities Director

BIRTHDAY FABRIC RAFFLE



FEB	MEMBERS	FEB	MEMBERS
3	Jan Rogers	20	Reeneea Schraeder
18	Karolyn Booth	20	Pat Thompson
18	Judy Enloe	25	Meghan Masura

Need Volunteer

If you & a friend would like to help with this, you would collect donated fabric from members who have a birthday each month.

We ask that each donation be ½ yard pieces, jelly rolls, or layer cakes of good quality quilting fabric. We then sell chances to win the donated fabric for 25¢ per chance. Members who have a birthday & bring in fabric will receive one free ticket that month.

You will then help with the drawing of names & announcing the winners during the guild meeting. This is really fun, & many members look forward to seeing what is donated each month. Get a friend to help you & have fun with it.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Need Volunteer

If this is an area you and a friend would like to explore and have fun with, you would need to come up with a quilt block to be featured each month for our Block of the Month drawing. You can find blocks on the internet or create them yourself. You need to have a completed block for a sample at the guild meeting & paper instructions ready for members who wish to participate. At the guild meeting you will need to set up the display area for the previous month's completed blocks. (I will help you get this organized.) You will also need to provide a sign-in sheet & paper slips (tickets) so each person who completes a block can enter a drawing for the blocks (one ticket for each block entered.) Each person entering a block is responsible for adding their own name to the ticket(s). There is only one winner of all the blocks unless there are enough blocks entered (20 or more) to have two winners. You will help with the drawing of winning ticket(s) & announcing winners during the guild meeting. This is a very fun activity, & you can get really creative with the blocks. They can have a theme (for example in 2019 each month was a holiday themed block), or you can just go with something you dream up. The blocks DO NOT HAVE TO BE

COMPLICATED! Often simple blocks create the most participation. Just something fun for you and a friend to do together.

CHARM SQUARES

Need Volunteer

This is such a fun way to easily collect lots of different charm squares. If this sounds like fun for you and a friend, you determine the size, color, and/or theme, as well as the number of squares members are to bring to bring in each month. At the guild meeting, each participating member turns in baggies labeled with their name containing the required number of same fabric charm squares. Members may turn in more than one bag if they wish. During the guild meeting, you then separate and return the fabric squares to the baggies for members to pick up at the end of the meeting.

MYSTERY QUILT



[Lisa Martin](#) & Cindy Moore

We have been so grateful to Lisa and Cindy for their Mystery Quilt projects during the COVID-19 quarantine and the remainder of 2020. It has kept many of us, myself included, from feeling so isolated & alone. I felt like I was part of a “virtual mystery quilt bee”.

These wonderful ladies have started another fun mystery quilt series for 2021. If you have not joined in yet I encourage you get the steps & get started. It is not too late! I also want to encourage all who have participated in the previous mystery quilts to get them into “Show & Tell” shape. It will be so fun to see everyone’s interpretations & mystery quilt efforts at our first show and tell.

QUILT CHALLENGE

You know how I love my scraps & I love to do the online “Rainbow Scrap Challenge”. Each month she tells you what color of scraps to use to sew into blocks. It would be so much fun if someone played along with me, so I am challenging you to dig the scraps out of your scrap container & make some blocks. I am planning to make 6 1/2", 8 1/2" and 10 1/2" blocks. You can make any size blocks you choose.

You can keep the blocks for yourself, make them into donation quilts, donate them to We Care Bee to make donation quilts, or donate them to the Quilt Show Boutique. The [stepper blocks & sally blocks](#) (or any other blocks) would be great for the We Care Bee.

If you want to check out the website for the Rainbow Scrap Challenge 2021 click on the link below. If you subscribe to her blog, she posts pictures on Saturday of each week that have been sent in by other quilters who are making blocks. She also has lots of other useful information throughout her website. Her website is called [So Scrappy](#).

Cindy Moore

If you are new to the Rainbow Scrap Challenge, the idea is simple. Each month, Kathy will announce a new color. You will collect together all of the scraps that you can find in the assigned color & make something. Many people choose one specific block & make several of those each month. By the end of the year, you should have enough blocks to put together a rainbow quilt. Feeling ambitious? There are usually 3 or 4 weeks each month, you could choose a different block each month. You could easily have a handful of great quilts ready to go by the end of the year.

[Rainbow Scrap Challenge 2021](#)

This month’s color is: Yellow

QUILTERS PAL



Judy McMahon

Judy has things organized & ready to go for our first in person meeting. This is such a fun “secret pal” activity that helps you get to know your fellow quilters. Look for Judy at the first meeting & I look forward to seeing what develops through your new friendships.

Un-FINISHED OBJECTS CHALLENGE



Need Volunteer

This is such a fun activity that we ALL need EVERY year. So, to this end, each year we try to encourage our members to complete some of those UFOs piled up in our sewing spaces or hidden away in closets.

We have a challenge each year & it would be your job to create the rules for this year's challenge including:

- the deadline for completing the UFO,
- level of completion required,
- entry requirements,
- penalty requirements,
- & any other pertinent information.

(I have information from previous years to help you get started if needed.)

This is a very fun activity. You would meet with members at the guild meeting & document any progress they have made. You will help share this information at the guild meeting or in the newsletter. You should encourage members to share their completed UFOs during Show and Tell.


OUR COMMUNICATION DIRECTOR

Communication is key
in every relationship.



Last month I asked if anyone was able to do long arm sewing for pay or for donation quilts & got only one response. I guess that with all the sewing everyone did last year with being lock in our houses that the majority wanted to take this year off.

[Kate Snyder](#)



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OUR ANNOUNCEMENT ACTIVITY



If you have an announcement for the Quilt Guild family, you will need to submit to [Kate Snyder](#) no later than noon on the 4th Monday.

When I was asked to do the Communication position this year for the Quilt Guild, I wanted to do more than just put out the newsletter each month. I got to thinking about all the Small Fabric & Quilting supply stores that were out there & wondering how many have been able to stay open during the hard times of 2020. So, I Googled “fabric store” & “quilt store” & came up with over 60 businesses. After looking into each one & removing the ones that were not fabric & supply stores for making quilts. Then removing the stores that are now closed I came up with 19 stores in Bell County & 2 counties over in each direction except towards the south (I didn’t want to drive down into Travis County or Austin).

With this list I thought I would go & investigate each of these stores & then report back to you about each of them. Shown below is a map & all the surviving stores that I found.

If there are any questions you would like me to ask, please call, text or email me. If you know of a store I missed please let me know.

[Kate Snyder](#)

		<p>March Bell & Lampas</p> <p>Killeen – Sew & Quilt Temple – Sew & Quilt Temple – Wendaful Kempner – Q.I.Y.</p>
		<p>April McLennan, Limestone & Falls</p> <p>Waco – Heritage Quilt Barn (was Simply Fabrics) Waco – PHD Quilts Mexia – K&G Creative Stitches Rosebud – The Fabric Barn</p>
		<p>May Hill</p> <p>Itasca – LaVilla Fabrics Whitney – Loretta’s Stitch-N-Stuff Whitney – Stitchin’ Shack</p>
<p>June Burleson & Lee</p> <p>Caldwell – Bunnie’s Quilts & Notions Giddings – All Around the Block Quilt Shop Giddings – MeMe’s Quilts Lexington – Someday Quilts & Antiques</p>		<p>July Williamson</p> <p>Hutto – Dreama Fabrics Round Rock – Austin Sewing Machines Georgetown – Poppy Quilt ‘N Sew Cedar Park – Sew Crazy</p>

TEXAS QUILT SHOWS, FESTIVALS, HOPS & MARKETS



Listed below are all the Quilt shows that we have found for the next 3 months for you here so that your bees & friends can plan Carpooling Day Trips to any of these events ahead of time.

These are all the ones that I could find that have not been canceled so far due to Covid-19. Because we don't know how long Covid-19 will last please keep checking back here to make sure that the shows have not been canceled. Due to Covid-19 there is not as many as there has been in the past. Please check with each show before planning to go. Some of the groups are setting up tour reservation time schedules to minimize the number of people inside at a time.

While we do goggle research to find as many of these that are available for our members to attend, we may miss some from time to time or they are on my list as canceled until they deem it safe to be around each other in large groups. If you know of one that is not on the list, please let me Communication Director or Sarah Dauro know so that we can add it on next month's newsletter.

Thank you,

[Kate Snyder](#)

2021	TOWN	NAME/WEBSITE LINK
0 – 1 HOURS DRIVE TIME		
2/19 - 3/28 Canceled	Temple Round Rock	Texas Landscape Art Quilts = Cultural Activities Center (See attached flyer) Annual Main Street Quilt Show
1 – 2 HOURS DRIVE TIME		
Canceled	Dallas	<u>Annual Dallas Quilt Show</u>
3 – 4 HOURS DRIVE TIME		
03/26-27	Tyler	<u>Annual Quilt Show of East Texas</u>

NOTE FROM OUR 2021 QUILT SHOW CHAIR



Reminder Quilt Show Entries are open online!! Just go to the guild website to enter. You can also pay online (or you can mail a check to Charlotte Massey)

***please make sure you have a photo of the quilt entry on your computer/phone/tablet so you can attach it to your entry form (or again you can mail it to Charlotte Massey).

If you haven't started a quilt you still have plenty of time to finish it before the show. The more entries, the more fun.

Stacy Clady
Quilt Show Chair

BOARD OF DIRECTORS & THEIR COMMITTEE HELPERS			
PRESIDENT	Jamie Williams	1st VICE PRESIDENT	Janet Mezger
Refreshments	Jan Rodgers	2nd VICE PRESIDENT	Diane Ege
COMMUNITY SERVICE	Becky Roper	Helper	Wenda Elliot
Donations	Jamie Williams	SECRETARY	Diane Henderson
Quilts of Valor	Stacy Clady	PARLIAMENTARIAN	Lynne McIver
We Care Bee	Jamie Williams	FUNDRAISER TREASURER	Polly Clawson
Who We Support	Becky Roper	OPERATIONS TREASURER	Sarah Dauro
Team	Kate Snyder	MEMBERSHIP	Gabriela Morgan
	Jamie Williams	Bee Keeper	Gabriela Morgan
	LeeAnn Schnack	Membership	Gabriela Morgan
	Renea Schraeder	Scott & White	Lisa Martin
	Vickie Morgan	Sunshine & Shadows	Vickie Morgan
COMMUNICATION	Kate Snyder	Yearbook	Cindy Moore
Announcements	Kate Snyder	ACTIVITIES	Denise Farquhar
Etsy Store	Sarah Dauro	Birthday Fabric	Need Volunteer
Facebook	Kate Snyder	Block of the Month	Need Volunteer
Historian	Janice Forney	Charm Squares Exchange	Need Volunteer
Newsletter	Kate Snyder	Mystery Quilts	Lisa Martin
Photographer	Need volunteer	Quilt Challenge	Cindy Moore
Co-Photographer	Need volunteer	Quilter Pals	Judy McMahon
Publicity	Kate Snyder	UFO Challenge	Need Volunteer
Website	Sarah Dauro	QUILT SHOW '21	Stacy Clady

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dedicated to promoting the art of quilting,
& providing an opportunity for sharing ideas & learning new techniques.