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The President's Message

Vicky Kidd,
BCQG President



President's Message

Hi Everyone!

I hope your March has been filled with fun quilting experiences! One of mine was attending the Dallas Quilt Show. I'm going to share some of what I saw there with you.

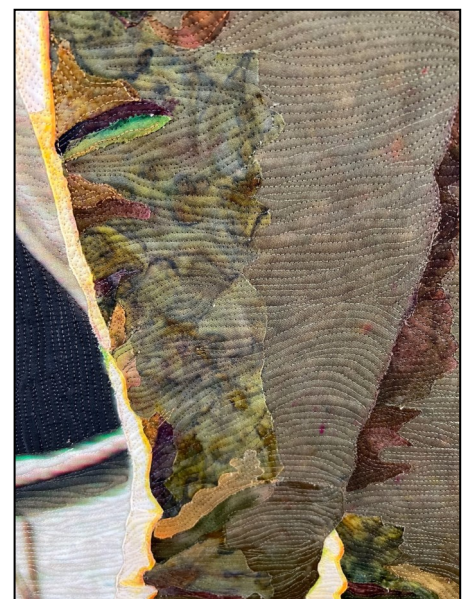


The quilt that was named Best in Show was nothing short of fantastic craftsmanship! The title of this lovely piece is "Painted Ponies on the Prairie" made and quilted by Melissa Sobotka from Richardson, Texas. It was interesting to get up close to check out exactly how the work was done.

Meeting Location and Time

Bessie Mitchell House
411 Ball Street
Grapevine
Texas 76051

Guild meetings begin with social time from 6:30-7:00. Meetings start at 7:00.



**The President's
Message
(cont.)**
Vicky Kidd,
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I also met Patience Griffin, author and quilter. It might be fun to have her as a speaker!

She has a master's degree in nuclear engineering, making her a nerdy girl right to the core, but enjoys reading books that make her laugh.

She discovered her love of quilting when she was in her late thirties. She found that the best way to get her hands on her first quilt was to make one herself.

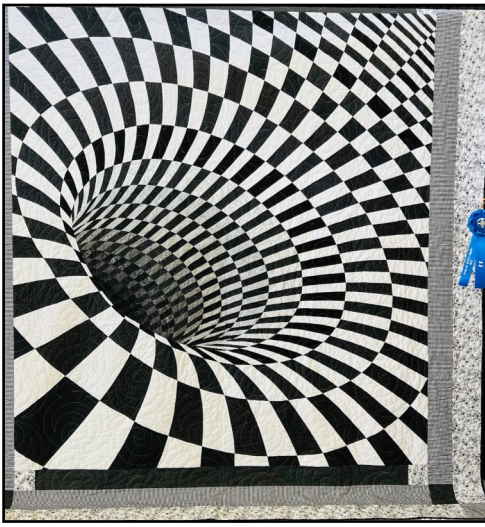
I hope you enjoyed viewing some of the beautiful work presented by the Dallas Quilt Guild. Kathi Runyan, Kathy Longo, Marilyn Cox, and I sure did!

Life is better with QUILTS! See you next meeting!
Vicky

DALLAS QUILT SHOW



Dallas Quilt Show
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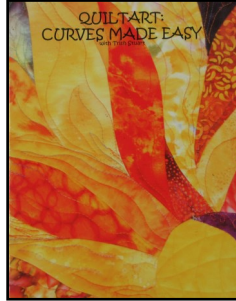


Programs

Aleta Mayrose
1st VP Program/
Workshop Director

MARCH GUILD MEETING

Our speaker, Trish Stuart was such a wonderful speaker at our Guild on March 21st. Her work just amazes me and she is a very animated speaker. Then, at her workshop on March 22nd, everyone picked a project that they were interested in, even me. It was a “step out of the box” experience. I’m so impressed with what I could do once I tried it! And to see everything that everyone else worked on was astounding!



APRIL GUILD MEETING

Our next speak at the April 18th guild meeting is Nancy Russell and her lecture is, “Old McDonald had a barn quilt”. I hope everyone will come to the meeting and support her.

MAY GUILD MEETING

Then, on May 16th we have Dwayne Kelley who teaches at the Community College giving us a lecture on Personal Safety. He’s not a quilter, but I know we will be excited to hear what he can tell us about safety. Come and listen to him on May 16. Also, in May we have a workshop provided by Deborah Kay painting a barn quilt. This will be held at the Bear Creek Park at the shelter that’s over by the covered bridge on May 17th from 9:00am to 3:00pm. (We might finish early). Sign up soon because we will have to stop the sign up by May 10th to give Deborah time to get the supplies and she’ll need a final head count by then. The only cost will be for the supplies that Deborah will provide. She estimates this to be around \$40 per person. (Of course inflation has crept in since she told me this.)



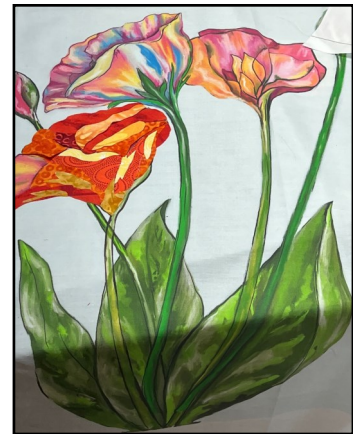
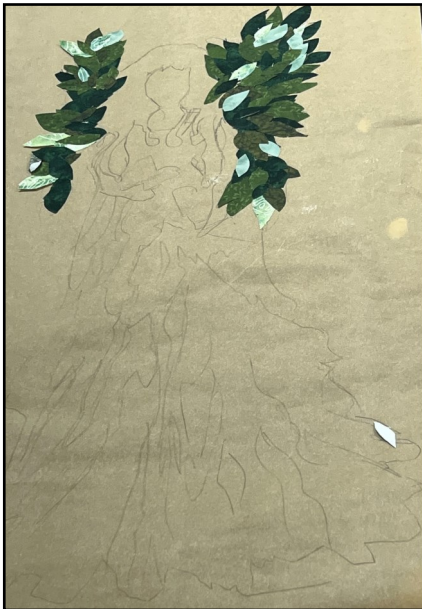
Aleta Mayrose, VP Lectures/Workshops

March Workshop Trish Stuart

Submitted by Vicky Kidd



The workshop with Trish Stuart was a hoot! We had tons of fun and learned so much! Participants were Marie Mote, Susan Crow, Aleta Mayrose, Candy Frobish, Betty Reisch, Marilyn Cox, and Vicky Kidd.



Quilts of Valor

Beverly Douglas
Chair

Ladies, it's always time to be thinking about Quilt of Valor Nominees! And to make the process easier, I have created a Nomination Form, attached to this report. I will have them at meetings, and if you email me I can send you one (or more!) electronically.

As always, we need long arm quilters to finish our tops. Please let me know if you are willing. We supply the top and back but not the batting.

There have been a couple of questions that I would like to address:

Q: Can a Quilt of Valor be given to a surviving family member?

A: No, the Quilt of Valor Foundation, which makes the rules, says the mission is to honor and comfort living veterans.

Q: What is the difference between a patriotic quilt and a Quilt of Valor?

A: Not all Quilts of Valor have patriotic themes. "Quilt of Valor" is a copywrite of the Quilt of Valor Foundation, and any quilt with that designation must carry their label and abide by their rules. A Patriotic quilt is any quilt using traditional Americana fabrics and motifs, and can be given to anyone by anyone.

I hope this clears up any confusion. Please let me know if you have other questions and I'll try to find answers.

QUILT OF VALOR NOMINATION FORM

Thank you for nominating a veteran for a Quilt of Valor. Bear Creek Quilt Guild awards Quilts of Valor every November at the regular meeting. The following is information needed by the Quilt of Valor Committee prior to awarding a quilt.

HAS NOMINEE EVER RECEIVED A QUILT OF VALOR? IF YES, THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED ANOTHER.

NAME _____ BRANCH OF SERVICE _____

HIGHEST RANK _____ YEARS SERVED _____

DUTY STATIONS _____

OCCUPATION _____

AWARDS/COMMENDATIONS RECEIVED- -

HAS NOMINEE AGREED TO RECEIVE A QUILT OF VALOR? _____

WILL NOMINEE BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE NOVEMBER CEREMONY? _____

YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFO _____

Some veterans refuse a quilt because they don't want something patriotic. For those veterans, the Quilt of Valor Committee has made non-patriotic themed quilts. Please let your nominee know if this is an issue. Be sure to let the Committee know if this is the case so they can be prepared.

Quilt Show

Beverly Douglas



SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS!!

North Texas Quilt Festival Information

By Beverly Douglas, 2nd VP

KEY INFORMATION:

DATE: August 17-19, 2023

PLACE: Irving Convention Center

Yes, it's time to get ready for the North Texas Quilt Festival, of which Bear Creek Quilt Guild is one of the sponsors. The theme this year is Soaring to New Heights. I hope you've been planning a quilt to enter. Entry forms will be available the end of March.

Miniquilt Auction: this is a big source of revenue for Bear Creek. The more entered, the more money we make. **NEW RULE THIS YEAR: miniquilts in the show cannot also be in the auction.** The logistics involved in identifying and moving those quilts around proved to be difficult in the past. However, you can enter a mini quilt in the show and plan to put the same quilt in the auction the next year. Or you may enter miniquilts only in the auction. Size matters; a miniquilt can be no smaller than 10 inches and no longer than 24 inches on a side. So between 10 x 10 and 24 x 24, or any variation in between. **ANOTHER NEW RULE: miniquilts must have a distinct name.** No more "mini 1, 2," etc, they must have a name that distinguishes them from every other quilt.

There is a new category! Wool has been separated out, mostly being used as applique, and at least 50% of the entire quilt fiber content needs to be wool. This makes it easier for the judges, which may in turn provide better results and feedback.

As always, we need volunteers, to assist with quilt drop off and pick up, hanging quilts, and many more duties. Many from our Guild have volunteered in the past, and maybe getting someone new and mentoring them would pass on that experience.

Keep track of and report the hours you spend making a quilt for auction, volunteering, etc. These hours help our Guild maintain its tax-exempt status and it's very important that we report them.

Stay tuned for more updates. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Membership

Michelle Lewis
Membership Committee Chair

Hello Fellow Quilters!

I want to apologize for not having the 2023 Directories at the March meeting. There was information that needed to go in the directory that I didn't receive soon enough to have them printed for our meeting. So, they will be ready in April!

Hope you have a Wonderful Easter!

Membership - March Meeting
Members - 37
Visitors - 0
New Members - 3

Hope to see you all at the April Meeting!

Michelle Lewis
Membership Chairperson
817-247-0622
quiltingmichelle@gmail.com

New Members

JoAnne Sheppard
New Member Liaison

WELCOME to our newest members, (left to right) Lillie Watkins is from Irving, Deb Davis is from Irving, Ginny North is from North Richland Hills and Chris Barsh is from Grapevine.

JoAnne Sheppard
New Member Liaison





Show and Tell
 Betty Reisch
 Photos by Michelle Lewis



Vicky Kidd
 Pattern Name: Turtle Mop; A free online pattern
 Made for the Boutique at the next quilt show
 Keep the turtle on the kitchen floor and when
 liquid needs to be mopped up, just put your foot
 on it and mop!

Kathy Longo
 Name of Quilt: Best Friends Quilt Along
 Quilted by: Lezleigh Kleibrink
 Pattern Name: Fat Quarter Shop Quilt-A-Long
 Description: Paper pieced blocks in colorful Lori
 Holt fabrics

Vicky Kidd
 Stripy, Stripey Placemats (Optical Illusion!)
 Pattern by Eazy Peazy
 Quilted by: Vicky
 Description: She made 4 of these for a wed-
 ding gift.



Sandra Hardin
 Name of Quilt: Weave It to Me
 Quilted by Susan Boutwell
 Pattern Name: Weave It to Me by Black Cat Crea-
 tions
 Description: Made for the Texas Foster Care Gradua-
 tion Project

Sandra Hardin
 Name of Quilt: Star Gazing
 Quilted by Susan Boutwell
 Pattern Name: Star Gazing by The Pattern Basket
 Description: Made for the Texas Foster Care
 Graduation Project

Syvia Carey
 Table Runner
 Quilted by Teresa on her domestic machine
 Description: This was a bonus project from the
 Brown Bag Mystery. Made with fabric from the
 Opportunity Table.



Marie Mote
 Name of Quilt: African Charms
 Quilted by : Anne Owens
 Made from charms donated by Cindy for Gatehouse

Marie Mote
 Name of Quilt: Llama & Cactus
 Quilted by: Ann Owens
 Description: This was made for donation to Gatehouse

Outing/Retreats

Mona Levingston

Sunset Retreat Center, 410 Echo Rd. in Sunset, TX

April 13-16, 2023 Thur.-Sun.

If you want a massage please let me know so we can schedule a masseuse. Randy is coming on Fri. to work on our machines, so let me know if you want one or two machines serviced.

Mona Levingston

817-235-9188

Community Service

Debra Heid

A big thank you to everyone that submitted their volunteer hours for this past month. A total of **360.75** hours was submitted for March, which brings our year to date total hours to **953.80**.

As we get closer to this year's quilt show, don't forget to track your hours for items you make for our boutique.

Finally, a big thank you to JoAnne Sheppard and the ladies from the First Baptist Church of Keller for the huge pile of quilts that JoAnne & her husband dropped off on Friday.

Wishing you all a Happy Easter,

Deb Heid

Community Service.

Sharing for fun

Vicky Kidd,
BCQG President

Hi Y'all!

I know that when you are busy quilting, going to workshops, working on quilt show preparations, etc. you might like an easy recipe to prepare for dinner. Here is a good stir fry recipe that I make all the time.

Instructions are:

1. Prepare frozen stir fry vegetables in microwave as instructed. Set aside.
2. Prepare frozen rice in microwave as instructed. Set aside.
3. While 1 and 2 are nuking, cut chicken as desired.
4. Add sauce to cut up chicken and heat in microwave.
5. Mix vegetables and chicken. Add a little more sauce. Nuke 30 seconds.
6. Serve vegetables and chicken over rice.

YUM!





Quilting Bees Info

Come explore a Bee. Friendships are made and tips are shared.
Questions? Contact Pam Roark at BC.BeeKeeper21@gmail.com
 or see my phone # in the directory.

BEE NAME	MEETING DAY/TIME	HOW	OPEN
A Few Loose Threads	Friday/every other/9:30am	In-Person	N
Bag Ladies	Thursday /weekly/10:00am	In-Person	N
Blue Bonnet Quilters	Wed/2 nd /monthly/4:30pm (meets at Roanoke Library)	In-Person	Y
Fabricholics	Monday/2 nd /monthly/10:00am	In-Person	N
Hand Stitchers Zoom Bee	Thurs/1st/monthly/1:30pm	Online	Y
Longarm Quilters*	Wed/1 st /monthly/6:30pm (meets at Quilters Dream)	Not Meeting	Y
Pieceful Daze	Monday/1 st & 3 rd /9:30am	In-person	N
Pins & Needles	Friday/2 nd /12:00pm –8:00pm (meets at Quilters Dream)	In-Person Come & Go	Y

*This Bee is for longarm machine quilters.

Birthdays

Michelle Lewis



April Birthdays

Sandra Hardin	04/01	Kayleen Allen	04/17
Mary Nalley	04/03	Angela Hoss	04/18
Connie Chi	04/10	Julie Scoval	04/25
Elaine Rice	04/13	Roselee Weiler	04/30
Christine Barsh	04/16		



Bear Creek Quilt Guild
Member In-Person Meeting Minutes
Bessie Mitchell House Grapevine, Texas
March 21, 2023

Vicky Kidd opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the Bessie Mitchell House in Grapevine, Texas at 7:03pm. There were 37 members, and 3 new members in attendance. JoAnne Sheppard welcomed the new members. February meeting minutes were reviewed, and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Pam Roark, seconded by Selena Woodward, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Selena Woodward reported January deposits totaling \$1176.37 with expenses of \$93.34; February deposits totaling \$1273.93 with expenses of \$75.00.

Old Business: Mona Levingston reported there is a total of 21 attendees for the guild retreat in Sunset for April 13-16, 2023. She reminded everyone that there will be games, meals, a free table to peruse, and lots of fun. You may bring your own pillow if you like and please do NOT arrive before 10 am.

New Business:

Snacks at meetings- Thank you to the birthday members for this month for our snacks tonight!

"Near Perfect Attendance" - Don't forget to keep your attendance up for drawing in December.

Volunteer hours- Vicky reported the volunteer hours have increased significantly and is appreciative of the guild's efforts. Keep up the great work!

Committee Reports:

Programs: Aleta announced Trish Stuart's workshop, titled, "Collage with a Twist;" is tomorrow if anyone is interested in attending. Everyone is encouraged to sign up and attend.

Quilt Show: The quilt show theme this year is "Soaring to New Heights." It is to be held at the Irving Convention Center August 17-19, 2023. Please start thinking about entering. There will be a new category for wool; Mini quilts need to have names for identification and not called, "mini quilt 1, mini quilt 2, etc." They can be entered into the show or the Mini Quilt Auction, but not both. If in the show, then they can be auctioned off the following year. Guild members can now start registering quilts to enter in the show before opening to the public. Information on the guild website. There will be a mini quilt competition at the June guild meeting with awards: 1st place \$75.00; 2nd place \$50.00; 3rd place \$25.00. More details later.

Boutique: Kayleen Allen is asking for members to start making items to sell at the quilt show in August.

Show and Tell items presented.

Door prizes given out.

The next BCQG member meeting – April 18, 2023, at 7pm, at Bessie Mitchell House.

The next BCQG Board meeting – April 4, 2023, 6:30pm, on ZOOM.

Business Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm; Presentation by Trish Stuart ended at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Longo, BCQG Secretary

Quilt Shows and Other Activities



Quilting Events

*For information purposes ONLY.

Please, check for specifics with the organization

2023

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| APR 28-29 | Highland Lakes Quilt Show | Gun Barrel City
Quilt Show Athens, Gun Barrel USA - Trade Show (10times.com) |
| MAY 26-27 | Hill Country Quilt Guild Show | Kerrville, Tx
https://hillcountryquiltguild.com/2023-quilt-show |
| JUN 2-3 | Stars over Abilene Quilt Show | Abilene, Tx
www.abilenequiltersguild.com |
| JUN 9-10 | Quilting & Needlearts Vendor Market | San Angelo, Tx
www.barbsquilts.com |
| JUL 14-15 | Wildflower Quilt Guild Quilt Show | Temple, Tx
www.wildflowerquiltguild.com |
| JUL 16-17 | Kingsland Quilt Show | Kingsland, Tx
www.barbsquilts.com |
| AUG 11-12 | Plano Quilt Show | Plano, Tx
Quilt Plano 2023 – Quilters Guild of Plano (qgplano.org) |
| AUG 16-18 | Original Sewing & Quilting Expo | Irving, Tx
https://www.sewingexpo.com/Events/Original-Sewing-Quilt-Expo-Events |

Stay in touch with your guild!

Check out our website at

www.bearcreekquiltguild.com

If you did not receive a password after paying membership fees, please email Michelle Lewis at:

quiltingmichelle@gmail.com

817-247-0622.

Members in the News

If you, or your quilt, has made news recently, email a picture of you and the quilt to candyquiltnewsletter@gmail.com

Bee News

If you have an activity or picture for “Bee News”, send to Pam Roark BC.BeeKeeper21@gmail.com

Contact Pam if you are interested in joining or starting a Bee.

NEWSLETTER

Deadline for the newsletter is **the 25th of the month.**

Please send all articles worded as you would like them printed to Candy Frobish candyquiltnewsletter@gmail.com

ADVERTISEMENT RATES

Advertisements may be submitted electronically or by camera-ready art on or before the 25th of each month. Advertisements must be paid in advance. If you are interested, please contact via phone, email or mail:

Candy Frobish
428 Bluebonnet Dr.
Grapevine, Texas 76051
925-984-5606 (mobile)

candyquiltnewsletter@gmail.com

Size	1 month	3 months	6 months
Business Card	\$ 7.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 40.00
1/4 page	14.00	40.00	80.00
1/2 page	28.00	80.00	160.00

BCQG WEBSITE

www.bearcreekquiltguild.com

BCQG OFFICERS 2023

President	Vicky Kidd	806-674-8098
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2nd Vice President	Beverly Douglas	813-838-6533
Secretary	Kathy Longo	845-661-8477
Treasurer	Selena Woodward	817-996-4133
Past President	Kathi Runyan	817-488-7577

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Directory/Ads	Michelle Lewis	817-247-0622
New Member Liaison	JoAnne Sheppard	817-673-9483
Newsletter	Candy Frobish	925-984-5606
Opportunity Table	Doris Schjelderup	817-562-1741
Outings/Retreats	Mona Levingston	817-235-9188
Quilts of Valor	Beverly Douglas	813-838-6533
Show & Tell	Betty Reisch	817-296-5931
Sunshine & Shadows	Linda McKinney	817-584-2397
Webmaster	Jennifer Stewart	817-876-2691
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