

Bear Paw Press

Bear Creek Quilt Guild

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The President's Message

Vicky Kidd
BCQG President

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.

President's Message

Hi Quilters!

It was so great to see you all at our March meeting! Did you learn anything about stash busting or stash storage? I certainly did! I would like to tell you about our workshop with Annie Smith. I know there are some of you that have not been to a workshop, so I thought it might be fun for you to learn about what goes on. (Also check out the photos.)

First, we all arrived at the Roanoke library, and moved into the building with what seemed like the entirety of our sewing rooms. We were given a list of materials to bring for the project we would be working on during the day. We brought finished or partially finished quilts and scraps, as well as miscellaneous fat quarters and other bits and pieces that might match each other. Patterns developed by Annie Smith helped to guide us through our miscellaneous items of fabric. It was fun to start putting scraps from other quilts together to make a fresh design.

We worked awhile and walked around looking at everyone else's work. Some worked at a steady rate and were quite accomplished. I was a slow starter, but finally produced something useable. (I also left crucial parts of my sewing machine at home, so I was lagging a bit.) Did I tell you we talked and laughed a lot during the day?

Time flew by and lunchtime came. To me, when you go to lunch with 9 people, it is a party! So, we had a lunch party, and we talked and laughed a lot more. When it was time to go home, we helped each other pack up.

These workshops are certainly about learning and practicing what you learn; however, they are equally about building fun friendships as we pursue our common goal of quilt making. I hope every one of you will at some time have an opportunity to attend a workshop. They are so much fun!

Reminders:

Be sure to turn in volunteer hours to Deb Heid. You may count time spent making boutique items or mini quilts.

Plan to participate in the quilt show coming up the first weekend of August.

Thanks for everything you do to make our guild the best!

Make it sew...

Vicky

March 19, 2024

Member In-Person/Zoom Meeting Minutes

BCQG Meeting Agenda

Vicky convened the meeting at Bessie Mitchell House, Grapevine Botanical Garden, at 7:00 PM. Members with March birthdays were recognized and thanked for bringing snacks for the meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes for the February General Member meeting was made by Nancy Carr and seconded by Deborah Kay, and the motion passed.

Marie Mote introduced five new members.

Kay Thomas, Treasurer, reported income of \$791.69 and expenses of \$825.00 for a net loss of \$33.31.

New Business

It was announced that we have a quilt kit that we will begin selling tickets for in May at \$2.00 per ticket with a drawing for the kit proposed in July or August, which to be determined at a future meeting.

Ongoing Business

Perfect attendance contest reminder. Keep coming regularly! There are still quite a few in the contest.

Committee Reports

Quilt Show Chair Beverly Douglas reiterated the requirements for show entries and announced sales of T-shirts.

Mona notified members that there are no more seats available for the retreat as it has been booked in full.

Nancy Carr reminded all that the stash busting workshop for \$28 was to be held at the Roanoke Public Library the following day, Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

Betty Reisch led the presentation of show and tell items by the membership.

Vicky Kidd drew names for the numerous door prizes.

Program

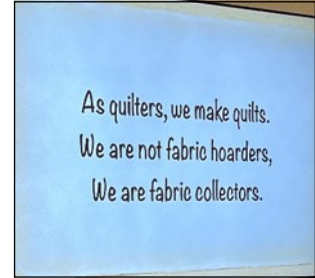
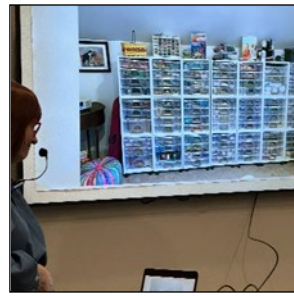
After a quick snack break Nancy Carr introduced our speaker, Annie Smith, who shared strategies for organizing fabric stashes and examples of how to use up scraps stashes that never seem to deplete. Annie shared inspiration for individualized storage arrangements for various sewing room/fabric storage configurations.

Vicky Kidd convened a quick Executive Board Meeting immediately following the program to discuss expense for the Bessie Mitchell House rental agreement to go through June 2025 to secure our pick of date/schedule and hopefully prevent recurrence of situation we experienced in February with having to secure a different venue.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 PM after again thanking our speaker.

March Speaker

Annie Smith



March Workshop

Annie Smith

Participants were Linda Davis, Melissa Barron, Ana Kempfer, Doris Schjelderup, Nancy Carr, Kathy Longo, Betty Reisch, and Vicky Kidd.

Annie Smith shared some great tips with us.

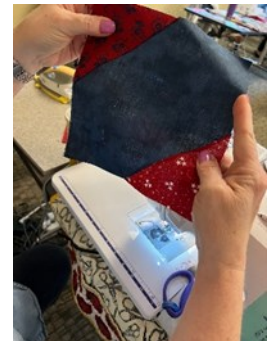
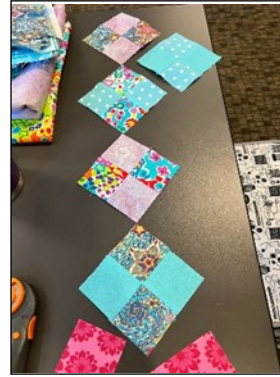
We showed different quilts we had made and brought scraps from them and other matching scraps to begin a new quilt.

Annie's patterns gave us new ideas to pursue.



More March Workshop

Annie Smith



Birthdays

Michelle Lewis



April Birthdays

Sandra Hardin	04/01	Sheila Busby	04/21
Mary Nalley	04/03	Michelle Lewis	04/28
Elaine Rice	04/13	Melissia Baron	04/29
Kayleen Allen	04/17	Rosalee Weiler	04/30
Angela Hoss	04/18		

Perfect Attendance

Vicky Kidd



Perfect Attendance Contest!

Beginning January 16, 2024, and ending on December 17, 2024

Try your best to attend every meeting. The objective is to be present, in person (watching on zoom does not count) at as many meetings as possible. There will be prize drawings for the members attending the most meetings during the year.

Be sure to sign in at every meeting you attend so that you will get credit for being there.

Let's do this!!

Vicky

Community Services

Deb Heid

I want to thank everyone for logging their volunteer hours this past year. In 2023, we logged a total of **2,985** hours, which was more than double than in 2022. Items included 123 children's quilts, 47 quilts sent to Gatehouse, 66 fidget mats, 68 items made for the boutique plus other miscellaneous items as well as 10 Angel Gowns.

We provided support to John Peter Smith Hospital (J.P.S.), Cook Childrens, Project Linus, Union Gospel Mission, Child Protective Services, Christ Haven, Gate-House for Women, Next Step Women's Center and Days for Girls.

Please continue to track your volunteer hours and send me an email so I can track them.

Finally, please consider making at least one donation quilt this coming year. I am looking forward to seeing what we can accomplish in 2024. Have a healthy and happy New Year.

Deb Heid
Community Services

We will have sign up logs at every meeting for you to record and submit your volunteer hours.

Bear Creek Quilt Guild 2024 Programs

*Workshop Scheduled

April 16

Toni Oyler

Judy Niemeyer Quilt Trunk Show
Insight Into Paper-Piecing and Quiltworx

May 21

Sally Brown

Every Quilt Has a Story

June 18

Quilt Show Prep & Mini Quilt Challenge

July 16

Randy Cole

A Half Century in the Sewing Machine Business

Sherry Rupe

The Mega Dream Bag *

August 20

End of Summer Potluck

September 17

Barbara & Ernie McGraw

Life Stories Told Through Quilts

October 15

Ellen Zinsmeister

Improvistional Quilting * Intro to Improv

November 19

Quilt of Valor Presentation

December 17

Christmas Potluck & Officer Installation

Subscription Boxes

By
Kathi Runyan

Starting this month I'll be previewing subscription boxes that I have never personally gotten or subscribed to, but I'm taking a look! I am previewing the boxes through some YouTube videos and will share my thoughts about them with you! This month I'm looking at Sewers Club and they have 2 monthly options, the Project box is \$30.16 and the Stash Up box, containing 10 fat quarters comes in just under \$25.00. You can add to the project box an additional notion for \$10.00 per month. I've seen a double-sided bobbin box (including empty bobbins) and a threading/cutting tool. I'm not sure these items surpass the extra \$10 cost, but something you probably wouldn't buy on your own. The project box comes with complete supplies you will need to make and finish the included item. There is a pattern as needed, along with the link for a detailed video instruction on how to make that month's project. I've seen a make up pouch, a zippered/mesh project bag and a tote bag with change purse combo. If you like a quick and easy to finish kit each month, this is right up your alley. Now, the fat quarter stash builder seems to be an excellent value. There are lots of options to personalize your monthly haul starting with the number of pieces you'd like to receive and you can bump up from fat quarters to half yard pieces! You select the number you'd like each month, every other month or quarterly, anywhere from 5 to 15. The price adjusts accordingly. Next, you can pick and choose the types of fabrics you'd like to get. They list everything from batiks, florals, juvenile, blenders or holiday selections. You can notate certain colorways you'd like and even note what you DO NOT want to receive. The Sewer's Club boxes would be a great addition to anyone's creative library and I may investigate signing up for them sometime and I'll be sure to share the contents with you!

Happy Creating!
Kathi

Quilt Show

Beverly Douglas
2nd VP

Quilt Show Representative



The T shirts are here! You can get either v-neck or crew neck. I will have them at the April meeting for sale at \$18 each. Cost at the show is \$20. Most importantly is that if you buy from Bear Creek then we get \$5 for each one, where if you buy at the show we get nothing.

Tickets will be available soon.

The deadlines are approaching for entering your quilts. Don't put it off! Go to <https://www.sewingexpo.com/Events/Dallas-TX/Features-Events/North-Texas-Quilt-Festival> for information regarding quilt entry, miniquilt entry, and to register for classes and workshops.



Programs

Nancy Carr
VP of Programs

April Meeting Program – Toni Oyler

During our April guild meeting, we will be hearing from a friend to many of us, Toni Oyler. She will have a trunk show of her fabulous Judy Niemeyer quilts and talk not only about paper-piecing but give some insight on the Quiltworx patterns.

Here's some facts about Toni:

1. A quilt instructor for over 5 years.
2. Started sewing clothes before getting into quilting.
3. Taught baton twirling to elementary and middle school girls.
4. Taught Self-defense classes as part of a police department
5. Her first quilt was a log-cabin quilt.
6. Taught PTSD focused yoga sessions.
7. Made nearly 50 "Judy" quilts in 2 years.
8. Certified Quiltworx instructor
9. Teaches beginner and advanced classes in the area.
10. Has a Facebook page – "Make Quilts With Me."

This should and will be a special evening as Toni shares the story of Quiltworx complete with a trunk show. See you all there...

One of Toni's quilts in her living room!!



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.

Membership

Michelle Lewis
Membership Committee
Chair
817-247-0622

We had a great meeting in March!

Attendees: 49

Zoom: 5

Visitor: 1

2024 Directories were handed out. I want to apologize for any mistakes in the directory. If you discover any mistakes, please let me know.

Correction:

Kathy and Paul Gause correct phone numbers:

Kathy - 214-728-1754

Paul - 817-728-2556

The password for the membership section on our website has changed. It is in the back of your directory. If you don't have a directory yet, please email me and I will tell you what it is.

If you need a directory mailed to you please let me know.

My email: quiltingmichelle@gmail.com

See you at the April Meeting!

Michelle Lewis

Please welcome our five new members who joined in March, 2024 and one who joined in November, 2023.

Nancy Paul - Hyde Park, NY

Debra Wood - North Richland Hills, TX

Cindy Jackson

Anne & Terry Mosher

Shawn Frazier



Quilt Bee Spotlight

By Eileen O'Neil

A Few Loose Threads was organized by Ruth Loyd and Jackie Cleghorn way back in 2001. Some members have changed but our current group of eleven have been together for quite a few years. We meet twice a month at the Must Love Fabric quilt shop. We go on retreats and many other outings because we have such a good time together. We share lots of laughs about anything and everything. I'd say most of us would agree that the best thing about our bee is the inspiration, encouragement, and support we get from each other, both in our sewing lives and our personal lives. Our members include Gloria Favor, Darlene Ward, Kathi Watkins, Ruth Loyd, Eileen O'Neal, Jackie Cleghorn, Ethel Bradford, Rachel Cowley, Chris Atwell, Patt Clancy, and Linn Jencopale.



What Else Can You Do?

By Vicky Kidd

Betty Reisch and I attended a wonderful time of Ukrainian Pysanky Egg Painting at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. It was a fantastic creative experience with many beautiful eggs produced. There were numerous talented folks with great ideas. Check out these photos.





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/LOCATION	HOW	OPEN
A Few Loose Threads	Friday/every other/9:30 Meets at: Must Love Fabric	In-Person	N
Blue Bonnet Quilters	Wed/2 nd /monthly/4:30-8:30p Meets at: Roanoke Library	In-Person	Y
Collages Plus	Thursday/1st & 3rd/2:00-5:00p Meets at: Gail Haterius' home	In-Person	Y
Fabricholics	Monday/2 nd /Monthly/10:00 Meets at: Kayleen Allen's Home	In-Person	N
Pieceful Daze	<u>1st Monday 9:30</u> at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church <u>3rd Monday 9:30</u> at Richland Sewing Center	In-Person	N
Pins & Needles	Tuesday/2 nd /monthly 12:00-8:00p Meets at: Quilters Dream	In-Person Come & Go	Y

SHOW and TELL

Betty Reisch



Betty Reisch

Name of Quilt: Donation baby quilt
A donation quilt made by Marjorie Cunningham, a former member.



Vicky Kidd

Name of Quilt: Jelly Roll
Quilted by Vicky
Pattern Name: Jelly Roll Race
This was made at a retreat.



Linda Fullhart

Name of Quilt: Kismet Blues
Quilted by Siri Sinha
Pattern Name: Kismet- Bonnie Hunter
My first Bonnie Hunter quilt and my first king-size!



Kathi Runyan

Name of Quilt: Go Tigers wedding quilt
Quilted by Joan Arciero
Pattern Name: Walkabout
Gift for a friend's son who is getting married next month.



Marie Mote

Inspired by "New Adventures"
Applique flowers were given to me to make a quilt for Gatehouse.



Susan Crow

Name of Quilt: Dancing in the Dark
Bright applied butterflies on black.



Shawn Frazier

Name of Quilt: Inspiration
Quilted by: Delores Talbot
Pattern Name: Dwell in Possibility
This was a quilt kit with 4 panels each has a saying by a woman author.



Shawn Frazier

Name of Quilt: Winter Wishes
Quilted by: Delores Talbot
Pattern Name: Winter Wishes
A Christmas tree and reindeer quilt with bling!

SHOW and TELL

Betty Reisch



Shawn Frazier
Name of Quilt: Crosses
Quilted by: Delores Talbot
Brilliant colored crosses of all sizes.



Shawn Frazier
Name of Quilt: Questioning My Sanity
Quilted by: Delores Talbot
Pattern Name: Double Wedding Ring
Red, black, white and green fabrics in a seamless arc.



Sandra Hardin
Quilted by Celia Combs
Made from scraps.



Sandra Hardin
Name of Quilt: Great grandson's
Quilted by Celia Combs



Angela Hoss
Name of Quilt: Friendship
Quilted by: self
This was a panel that I bought at the guild sale.



Melissia Barron
Quilted by Elizabeth Kruger
Pattern name: Checkerboard
Daughter's wedding quilt. She chose what colors and gave me a brief description of what she wanted.

Retreats/Outings

By
Mona Livingston

Hey All,

Retreat is almost here...Time to party!

Sunset needs to know if we have any allergies, so attached is a registration form to fill out for them, asap and mail it to Sunset Retreat at 9541 State Hwy 101, Sunset, TX 76270.

Here's the website...sunsetretreat.com so you can ck out all the amenities. There is a quilt shop on site.

The physical address is 410 Echo Rd. in Sunset, Tx. We are scheduled to arrive at 10am on Thurs. April 11. **Please don't arrive any earlier than 10.**

Retreat Info is attached also. Let me know your roommate requests.

The Hold Harmless form is for BCQG and you can **bring** it to retreat.

There is a refrigerator to store our food items and drinks in, including alcohol. There will be a snack table so bring your goodies to share.

We will have door prizes and an opportunity table ... we all have some things lurking in our sewing rooms that we no longer want or need? Maybe a pattern we've already done, a book we thought we wanted, fabric that doesn't float our boat any more, or that special notion that we can't figure out how to use. Perfectly good items, treasures really, but we need to make some breathing room in our sewing space! Bring a few things along to retreat and we'll set up an opportunity table!!

We have a masseuse coming.

We have a service technician coming on Fri at 10 am. He is giving us a deal at \$79.50 (plus tax) per machine, so bring your extra machines too.

Also, a sharpening tech will be here, so bring your scissors and knives.

I hope I covered everything. Text me if you have any questions.

Mona Livingston

817-235-9188



Bear Creek Quilt Guild
Board Zoom Meeting Minutes
March 5, 2024

President, Vicky Kidd, opened the meeting at 6:32 pm on ZOOM with the following officers and members present: Vicky Kidd, Pam Roark, Beverly Douglas, Kathi Runyan, Kay Thomas, Nancy Carr, JoAnne Sheppard, Mary Nalley, Angela Hoss, Betty Reisch and Kathy Longo. Vicky welcomed everyone. February 2024 Board minutes were reviewed, motion to accept was made by Beverly Douglas, seconded by Nancy Carr and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Kay Thomas reported for February 2024 an income of \$791.69, expenses of \$825.00 with a net loss of -\$33.31.

Old Business:

Dates to Remember- BCQG Retreat \$270 Apr 11-14, NT Quilt Show Aug 1-3, Dallas Quilt Show Mar 15-17.

Newsletter- Send newsletter email to dode65@myyahoo.com. Give to Doris or Vicky by 25th of each month.

NT Quilt Show- Beverly will send info to Doris and Vicky. She will also send an E-Blast with a link to put your quilt in the show. 3 inch circles already made for the quilt show were discussed. It was suggested to embroider them and either hand out with purchases made at our boutique or sell them there.

March 19 Speaker- Annie Smith on Help! My Stash is Growing. The workshop will be 10:00am at the Roanoke Library. Nancy Carr will send out supply list.

New Business:

April Speaker- The original speaker canceled. Nancy Carr lined up a new speaker Tonie Oyler. She will do a trunk show. Topics include Judy Niemeyer quilts and paper piecing. Nancy will check on a Fall workshop.

Bessie Mitchell House- Vicky will check into how early it should be reserved to prevent moving the BCQG general meetings. Also, it was decided that the Grapevine REC is a good backup location.

Committee Reports:

BeeKeeper- None.

Communications- None.

Community Service- None.

New Member Liaison- None.

Magazines- None.

Newsletter- Newsletter deadline is 25th of each month.

Membership- None.

Show and Tell- None.

Opportunity- None.

Quilts of Valor- None.

Quilt Show- See Above.

Webmaster-None.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

Next Guild Member meeting: March 19, 2024, at 7:00pm, Speaker Annie Smith.

Next Guild Board meeting: April 2, 2024, at 6:30pm on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted by Pam Roark, BCQG Secretary ProTem

QUILT OF VALOR RECIPIENT FORM

Thank you for referring 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 RECIPIENT EVER RECEIVED A QUILT OF VALOR? IF YES, THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED ANOTHER.

DOES RECIPIENT WISH TO HAVE A QUILT OF VALOR? IF NO, SEE BELOW**

NAME _____ BRANCH OF SERVICE _____

HIGHEST RANK _____ SERVICE DATES _____

DUTY STATIONS _____

OCCUPATION _____

AWARDS/COMMENDATIONS RECEIVED ----- _____ -----

WHAT DID RECIPIENT DO AFTER SERVING? OCCUPATION? MARRIED? CHILDREN? HOBBIES? LOCATION?

WILL RECIPIENT 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 recipient know if this is an issue. Be sure to let the Committee know if this is the case so they can be prepared.

Bear Creek Quilt Guild 2024 Directory Advertising Form

ADVERTISING RATES FOR DIRECTORY

_____	Full Page	5 ½ X 8 ½	\$100.00
_____	Inside Front	5 ½ X 8 ½	\$125.00
_____	Inside Back	5 ½ X 8 ½	\$125.00
_____	Back Cover	5 ½ X 8 ½	\$125.00
_____	Half Page	5 ½ X 4 ¼	\$ 50.00
_____	Quarter Page	5 ½ X 2 ½	\$ 25.00

Please Note:

Provide a PDF or JPEG file
All ads are black/white
Payment due with application
Cash/Check - Payable to Bear Creek Quilt Guild
Directory valid March 2024 – March 2025

Please Print

Name: _____

Company: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

BCQG Member who took the ad: _____

Please contact Michelle Lewis with questions. Ads can be mailed to the address shown below:

Michelle Lewis
116 Eagle Moor Ln
Weatherford, TX 76087
817-247-0622
quiltingmichelle@gmail.com

Members in the News

If you, or your quilt, has made news recently, email a picture of you and the quilt to

dode65@myyahoo.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 Doris Schjelderup

dode65@myyahoo.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:

Doris Schjelderup
9541 Bewley Dr.
Keller, Texas 76244
616-645-0478 (mobile)
dode65@myyahoo.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

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	Pam Roark	See email
Treasurer	Kay Thomas	214-228-8032
Past President	Kathi Runyan	817-488-7577

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Membership	Michelle Lewis	817-247-0622
	Kay Thomas	214-228-8032
	Aleta Mayrose	682-429-8351
New Member Liaison	JoAnne Sheppard	817-673-9483
Newsletter	Doris Schjelderup	661-645-0478
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	Mary Nalley	817-937-4356
Workshops	Nancy Carr	817-995-7991
	Kathi Runyan	817-422-4931