

# Bear Paw Press

Bear Creek Quilt Guild

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## The President's Piece

Kathi Runyan,  
BCQG President 2021

## President's Message

Holy cow, is it May already?! It is and with our first retreat behind us we look forward to summer and hopefully a little bit more travel in all of our futures. I was able to visit family in Washington state last month and it was so wonderful to get away, fly to a new destination and see places I'd never visited before. I'm sure hoping there is a lot more of that for all of us in the coming months. After that, I joined my quilty girlfriends on retreat, then last week took part in a Shop Hop. It almost feels back to normal!



So, looking forward, the Quilt Expo is on the horizon and everyone should be preparing an entry for the Quilt Show. The online registration is already live and the link is noted later in this newsletter! I've got my entry ready and already submitted!

Our 30th Anniversary is also very near and we are hoping to meet in person during the summer to celebrate. I've been in touch with the church, checking in on the probability of meeting there soon. They are not ready for outside groups yet, but are hoping to open up for that soon.

I'm hoping things are getting back to the norm for each and every one of you and that you'll have lots of opportunities to gather and celebrate soon.

Kathi

## Meeting Location and Time

Living Word Lutheran  
Church , 2031 W.  
Northwest Hwy,  
Grapevine

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

No in-person meetings at  
this time due to Covid-19

## Anniversary Memories

In celebration of the Guild's 30th Anniversary, I thought I'd find out a little about our Charter members, long time members and former officers! I'm hoping to offer a little insight in interview style and then as the articles are published, you can see what makes each of us unique! This month we're chatting with former Bear Creek President Michelle Lewis.

I hope you enjoy a glimpse at the past and look forward to future articles about our interesting membership.

**Learn more about Michelle on page 2.**

## 30th Anniversary

### Interview

Kathi Runyan



Michelle Lewis

*Michelle Lewis, Long Time Member Bear Creek Quilt Guild*

**BC: When were you first President of Bear Creek and what were your top challenges?**

**ML:** The first time I was President was 2010 - 2011. I think my biggest challenge was to help newcomers to the guild feel welcomed and a part of our quilting family.

**BC: What other positions have you held in the guild and what were they?**

**ML:** Past President, Bee Keeper, Communications (Emails), Raffle Quilt, Show & Tell, Magazine Swap

**BC: What brings you the most pleasure from being a member of the guild?**

**ML:** The people in the guild bring me the most pleasure. I have made the best friends.

**BC: Is there a certain achievement you accomplished while being President that you would like to share?**

**ML:** I'm proud of the Magazine Swap and the Opportunity Table I started.

**BC: Who provides you the most inspiration in your quilting journey?**

**ML:** The members of my Bee mostly but the entire guild also inspires me. We have such talent in our guild. We have so many willing to share their creativity with others.

**BC: What is your favorite style of quilting and the colors you most associate with?**

**ML:** I would have to say I am a traditional quilter. I love civil war fabrics and warm colors.

**BC: What is your favorite quilting tool?**

**ML:** The rotary cutter is the best thing ever invented. LOL!

**BC: What is your earliest memory of being a guild member?**

**ML:** I came to my first guild meeting and it was potluck night. I thought I was going to love the group because they had good food at their meetings. LOL

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**2021**

**BCQG's 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

## Program

*Aleta Mayrose*  
1st VP Program, Program/  
Workshop Director



## Upcoming Programs

Our speaker for May will be **Mendie Cannon** lecturing on **Brazilian Embroidery**. I've heard other people comment on how great this lecture is! It should be interesting and a little different from our typical quilting lectures. I hope everyone will be able to attend the May Mendie Cannon Zoom meeting.



We are looking into being able to have our annual **June Pot Luck "Bowl of Flowers"** at the covered shelter at Bear Creek Park. More information will be available after the board meeting. Watch for it in our weekly E Blast.

Our guest speaker in July will be Annette Plog, lecturing on her 1800 Blue Fabric quilts. This should be very interesting and I will send out a bio later, as July approaches.

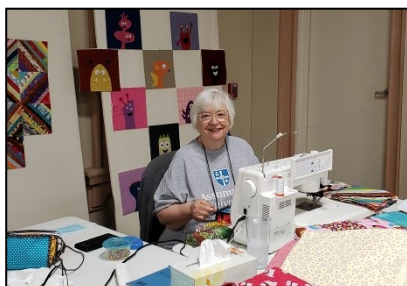
Hang in there everybody! It shouldn't be too long before we can all meet together again at the Lutheran Church!

Aleta Mayrose, Program Director

## Outings/Retreats

*Susan Turk*

### Guild Retreat Fun!



More Retreat Fun! (page 7)



## Beekeeper

Pam Roark

## BCQG Quilting Bees Info

Quilting Bees are informal groups sewing together on a regularly scheduled basis. Bee members may work on their own or group (machine and/or hand) projects. The size of each Bee is limited/determined by space at their meeting location. Bee members are also encouraged to become members of BCQG. Contact person should be a member of Bear Creek Quilt Guild.

The following table shows the BCQG Bees.

Interested or Questions? BEEKEEPER Pam Roark - [BC.BeeKeeper21@gmail.com](mailto:BC.BeeKeeper21@gmail.com)

BEE NAME	MEETING DAY/TIME	HOW	OPEN
A Few Loose Threads	Friday/every other/9:30	Online	N
Bag Ladies	Thursday /weekly/9:30	In-Person	N
Blue Bonnet Quilters	Wed/2 <sup>nd</sup> /monthly/5:30pm (meets at Roanoke Library)	Online	Y
Bonnie K. Hunter	Monthly per schedule	Not Meeting	Y
Fabricholics	Monday/2 <sup>nd</sup> /monthly/10:00	Not Meeting	N
Hand Stitchers Zoom Bee	Thurs/1st/monthly/1:30pm	Zoom	Y
Longarm Quilters*	Wed/1 <sup>st</sup> /monthly/6:30pm (meets at Quilters Dream)	Not Meeting	Y
Pieceful Daze	Monday/2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> /9:30	Zoom & Zoom Sew Along	Y
Pins & Needles	Monday/2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> /6:00pm (meets at Quilters Dream 1x/mo)	In-Person & Online	Y

\*This Bee is for longarm machine quilters.

## Quilt Show Boutique

Kayleen Allen

### Date Change for Boutique Planning

The boutique meeting that was scheduled to meet on Monday May 3rd has been changed to **Monday May 10th**. Same place - 511 Arbor Oak Dr. Grapevine at Kayleen's house.

Please mark your calendars and let's have lots of energetic people with lots of ideas to share.

Kayleen Allen



"Tea to Go" and Pincushions



The North Texas Quilt Festival is **August 19-21, 2021** at **Irving Convention Center**. **This will be the first Quilt Show in the area since February 2020!**

We are asking for your beautiful Show Entries, Miniatures for the Auction, and your assistance to putting this event together. Our host, Original Sewing and Quilt Expo, is excited to work with us again to put on a fabulous show with Quilts, Classes and Vendors. They have even added some **seed money** to the Prize Pool so we can award Cash Prizes to our quilt creators.

### **Quilt Entries**

We know you all have been creating and sewing during this pandemic so please get your entries in now! Online show entry forms are due by **June 1, 2021** at <https://sewingexpo.com/Events/Dallas,TX/NTQFEntryForm2021.aspx>. You may enter up to three quilts at this time. If you have questions about entering a quilt or general questions, contact Kay Thomas at [catlady311@yahoo.com](mailto:catlady311@yahoo.com).

### **Mini Quilts**

It's time to enter your **mini quilts** for the August quilt show Silent Auction. Quilts are due by the June meeting. If we are not meeting in person by then, you can drop your mini quilt off at Mona Livingston's house or JoAnne Sheppard's house or call Mona at 817-235-9188 or JoAnne at 817-673-9483 to arrange pickup.

Since we are limited in the number of silent auction items, think quality, not quantity! Do your best work, making something you would be willing to pay for or give as a gift. Your miniature quilt can be entered in the miniature category for judging and then be moved to the auction for bidding. Below are the guidelines for silent auction items.

- Miniature quilts must be no larger than 24" x 24".
- You may donate other items such as table runners, pillows, or tote bags/purses.
- Your item **must** fit within a 24" x 24" space and have a sleeve for hanging on a dowel rod except for a runner which can be folded over the rod.

Your mini quilt **must** be registered online. After you hit Submit, you will receive an email with all the info you submitted. Print out this email and hand it in with your quilt. This is the link to register your quilt - <https://ggoa.org/ntqfminiform>. There is no charge to enter your mini quilt unless it is also being entered in the judged show.

Coming soon will be information about t-shirts, tickets and volunteer needs. If you have any specific questions or need to reach out to the Committee, use the email [NTQFGuilds@gmail.com](mailto:NTQFGuilds@gmail.com). We look forward to a great show in just a few short months.

## Membership

Michelle Lewis



## Birthdays



## Sunshine and Shadows

Linn Jencopale

## Quilts of Valor

Beverly Douglas

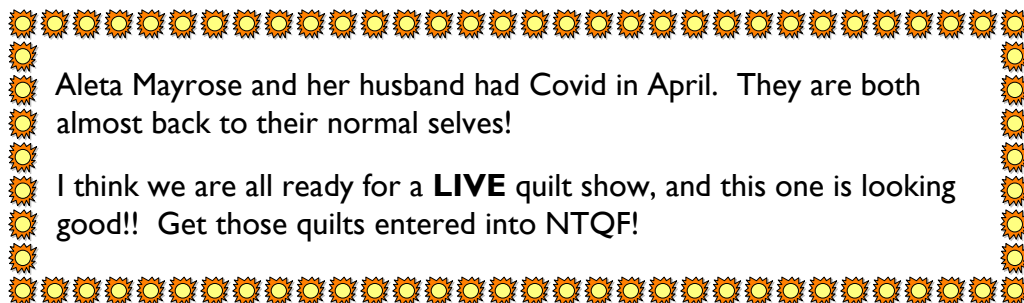
## New Member

We have another new member to welcome into our guild. We look forward to meeting all of our new members in person.

Ana Ortega  
8956 Risky Trail  
817-832-8877  
[amco0921@gmail.com](mailto:amco0921@gmail.com)

### May Birthdays

Ruth DelCastillo	5/1	Lucy Suggs	5/15
Jill Smalling	5/4	Susan Turk	5/28
Nancy Stone	5/8	Lynn Conklin	5/31



## Nominations for Quilts of Valor

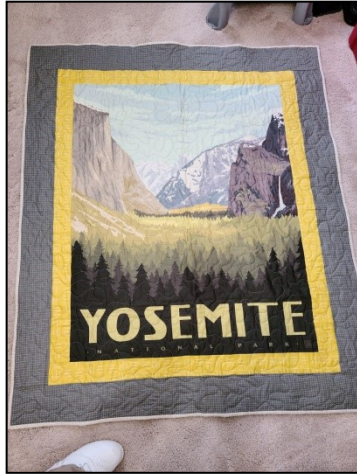
The Quilt of Valor Committee is preparing for this year's Quilt of Valor award, and we need your help! Last year, due to COVID and our inability to meet in person, we decided to honor our own veterans. That was very successful, and we were able to award quilts to all 6 of our quilt guild sisters who have served our country.

This year, we want to continue to keep things close to home by honoring a family member or friend of our members. So we need YOU to make the nominations. We have received TWO so far! *Not every person who served wants a quilt*, so before nominating someone, please make sure they would want one. We will again have 6 quilts available, but I expect to receive more than 6 nominations. So it would be helpful if you would include, approximate age of person, when served, which service, where deployed, and where they are currently located.

Contact Beverly at 813-838-6533 or [beverlydouglas13@gmail.com](mailto:beverlydouglas13@gmail.com)



## Virtual Show and Tell



#1. Pam Braunreiter



#2. Pam Braunreiter



#3. Jill Smalling



#4. Pam Roark

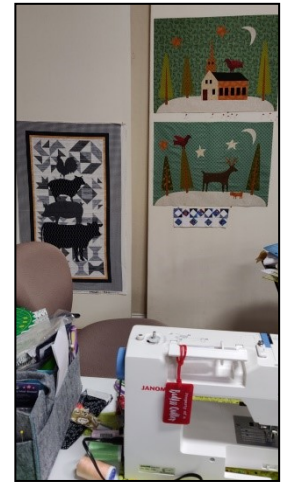
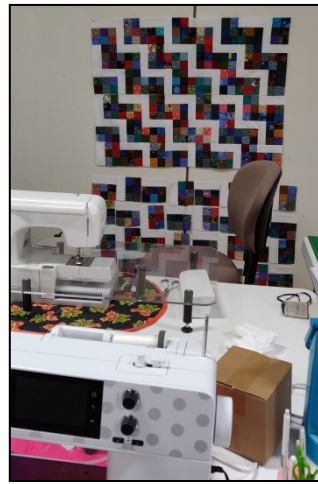
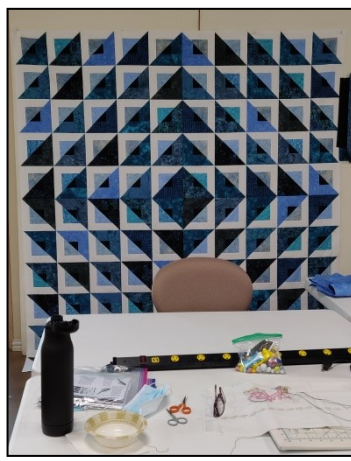
#1: Pam Braunreiter - "I made this Yosemite quilt for my' hubby. It is his favorite National Park. It was quilted by Barb Chamblee."

#2: Pam B - "This is a baby blanket that I crocheted for my daughter-in-law to give to a friend of hers."

#3: Jill - "I just finished this safari themed quilt for my soon to arrive grandson (due April 28)."

#4: Pam Roark - "I learned how to make this string piecing quilt at a Recreation Vehicle rally in Hallettsville, TX spring of 2019. The class was taught by Amy Cotham and she provided possible layouts we could use in addition to the one in 'Half 'n Half'. I finally finished it last month. Terina Nowlin did the quilting."

## More Guild Retreat Fun!



## April 20, 2021, BCQG Guild Meeting Minutes Zoom Meeting

President, Kathi Runyan, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone at 7:00pm on ZOOM. There were 33 attendees, including three guests. The February 2021 guild member meeting minutes were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by Nancy Carr, seconded by Elaine Rice, and motion was approved. There was no Bear Creek Guild Board Meeting held this month.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kyle Mills reported income of \$3881.00 ( mostly from retreat payments), expenses of \$161.00, with a net total of \$3720.00.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report:** Aleta Mayrose reported that the speaker for May will be Mendie Cannon, with her presentation, "Brazilian Embroidery." For June, Aleta stated we typically have a potluck, but with pandemic restrictions, we will need to rethink how we plan this. Kathi stated we will try to meet in-person but will have to keep safety in mind for food items. This would also be our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration so we will need to discuss at next Board meeting. More to follow.

### Unfinished Business:

**Quilt Show Update:** Kathi Runyan and Kay Thomas reported the Quilt Show is still on for August 19-21, 2021, at the Irving Convention Center. There will be a Quilt Show planning meeting on Wednesday of this week. Kay reminded everyone to begin submitting their quilt entries for the show by the June deadline. Information is located in the newsletter and the link to enter is live. Also, JoAnne Sheppard reminded everyone to get their mini quilt items, tote bags, etc. to her as soon as possible, or she will pick up. Mini quilts are to be no larger than 24 in. X 24 in. Information is in the newsletter and an email blast went out last Thursday.

**Scholarship Update:** Kathi Runyan and Nancy Carr reported there is one potential applicant to date, so the application will be reviewed by a review team before a decision is made.

**Retreat Update:** Kathi Runyan reported the April retreat at Sunset was a success. The Guild has signed up for next year's retreat to be at Sunset again around Palm Sunday weekend. More to follow. There is a retreat scheduled in September. Information can be found in the newsletter and on the website. More information to follow as we approach that date.

**New Business:** Kathi Runyan reported an update on meeting in-person. She reached out to the church where we usually held our in-person meetings. The church is opening back up to its members but is still not ready for outside groups yet. They asked to revisit a conversation to begin meetings again in August 2021. We will still hold Zoom meetings for approximately 2 more months for now. Another option will be discussed at the May 4, 2021, Guild Board meeting at 6:30pm on ZOOM. All members are invited to attend.

### Committee Reports:

--Debra Heid went to JPS last week and dropped off several quilts, 2 crochet afghans, and 8 receiving blankets. She thanked everyone for their contributions.

--We have approximately 8 new guild members--- WELCOME!

--Kathi Runyan mentioned an area Spring Shop Hop this weekend (April 22-24) sponsored by Boxcar Quilts and 6 other quilt shops around the area. An email blast will be sent out tomorrow with the details.

--REMINDER: Please email Show and Tell photos for the newsletter to Sheri Jones by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of each month.

--Kathi Runyan reminded everyone Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month, all are invited to attend.

At 7:13pm, Aleta Mayrose introduced the evening's speaker, Teresa Duryea Wong, presenting "Native American Quilt Stories: 150 Years of Sewing and Survival." Ms. Wong is a noted author, lecturer, and an avid quiltmaker.

The next BCQG member meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2021, at 7pm, on ZOOM.

The next BCQG Board meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2021, 6:30pm, on ZOOM.

Business meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm. Presentation adjourned at 8:10pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Longo, BCQG Secretary



**Quilt Shows and  
Other Activities**



**QUILT FESTIVAL HOUSTON**

OCTOBER 28 THRU 31 - 2021

Preview Night: **October 27**

Classes and Events Begin: **October 25**

[George R. Brown Convention Center](#)

1001 Avenida de las Americas

Houston, Texas 77010

[www.quilts.com/quilt-festival/quilt-festival-houston/](http://www.quilts.com/quilt-festival/quilt-festival-houston/)

**They are accepting quilt submissions for many of the exhibits debuting at this year's Quilt Festival in Houston!**

**Visit the website above and go to **Enter a Quilt** on the left for a complete list of current calls for entry.**

**Check out how you might enter your own quilt creation in the Houston show at: [www.quilts.com/enter-your-quilt/](http://www.quilts.com/enter-your-quilt/)**

**Quilt Plano 2021**

Presented by Quilters Guild of Plano **October 8-9, 2021**

Plano Event Center, 2000 East Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, TX 75074

<https://www.qgplano.org/quilt-show/plano-quilt-show/>

**2022 Dallas Quilt Show**

**March 11-13, 2022**

Presented by Quilters Guild of Dallas

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Crafted in Malaysia

**SPECIAL YEAR END SAVINGS!**  
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**FREE SHIPPING FOR GUILD MEMBERS**  
Use coupon code BCQGFREESHIP

[www.turtlehand.com](http://www.turtlehand.com)

### **Members in the News**

If you, or your quilt, has made news recently, email a picture of you and the quilt to [sherij43@verizon.net](mailto:sherij43@verizon.net)

### **Bee News**

If you have an activity or picture for “Bee News”, send to Pam Roark [BC.BeeKeeper21@gmail.com](mailto: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 Sheri Jones  
[sherij43@verizon.net](mailto:sherij43@verizon.net)

### **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:

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

### **BCQG WEBSITE**

[www.bearcreekquiltguild.com](http://www.bearcreekquiltguild.com)

### **BCQG OFFICERS 2021**

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2nd VP Quilt Show	Kay Thomas	214-228-8032
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Treasurer	Kyle Mills	817-996-4834
Past President	Nancy Carr	817-995-7991

### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2021**

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Community Service	Debra Heid	817-600-1229
Hospitality	Executive Board	
Magazine Swap	Lauren Friend	830-992-0567
Membership	Michelle Lewis	817-247-0622
Directory/Ads	Michelle Lewis	817-247-0622
New Member Liaison	Vicky Kidd	806-674-8098
	Beth Gerth	817-272-2245
Newsletter	Sheri Jones	817-481-2474
Opportunity Table	Doris Schjelderup	817-562-1741
Outings/Retreats	Susan Turk	214-236-7975
Quilts of Valor	Beverly Douglas	813-838-6533
Show & Tell	Betty Reisch	817-296-5931
Sunshine & Shadows	Linn Jencopale	817-602-0200
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