



**April**

**2018**

## President's Notes

**Remember Monday, April 2, 2018 we will meet at the First Presbyterian Church fellowship meeting room. Registration begins at 6:30 and the meeting begins at 7:00.**

We appreciate all those who attended our March meeting. We had visitors and new members present. Spring is fast approaching with warmer weather and time change, so hope that more of you will be able to attend. It is always fun to visit with our quilting friends and meet new people. What a great time we would have if all of our members were present for the April meeting!!!

Ann Wyatt presented an excellent program on transferring photos to fabric/quilts. There was lots of enthusiasm as we used our "imagination". Thanks, Ann for the great ideas and information.

Are you making quilts for the September Quilt

Show? As you prepare your quilts for the Quilt Show, remember to begin thinking about cleaning your quilting area and preparing your donation items for our June Silent Auction. We would like for your items for sale be put in plastic/Ziploc bags with a label inside stating what is inside.

Attached you will find the suggested changes to the By-Laws as proposed by the By-Laws committee. These will be discussed at the April meeting.

How many of you have reservations to attend the Quilt retreat at Sunset? More fun is coming up as we quilt and visit with others who share our hobby.

Hope to see all of you April 2 at First Presbyterian Church. Bring a friend.

Linda Salmon  
President 2017-2018

## Quilt Show - Boutique

Quilters, we are approaching another quilt show faster than we realize. I am the chair for the Boutique. To be successful, we must have the merchandise to sell. We need your lovely items along with a suggested sale price. What will sell, who can predict that? We do the best we can and stay hopeful. Attractive and useful items do sell. Sooooo, what do I make? Get your creative juices flowing and

we will have a successful sale at the boutique.

You can bring your donations to any quilt guild meeting or quilt meeting. I will be very happy to take them from you.

Thank you,  
Shirley Holub  
Boutique Chair

## Quilt Show - Fat Quarters

Start bringing in Fat Quarters and extra fabric for the quilt show. Renee Lambert will be collecting it at the monthly meetings.

**Next Meeting:  
Mon., April 2  
First Presbyterian Church  
3601 Taft Blvd**

## Officers and Committees

**President:** Linda Salmon  
**Vice-President:** Judy Breyen  
**Secretary:** Helen Day  
**Treasurer:** Cindy Cunningham  
**Membership:** Yreva Shirey & Jeannine Roberts  
**Programs:** Annette Ellis & Peggy Sralla  
**Workshops:** Trudy Wallace & Brenda Owens  
**Comfort Quilts:** Vicki Schreiber & Lucy Bonin  
**Hospitality:** Terry Peters  
**Refreshments:** Betty Brown  
**Newsletter:** Ashley Norris  
**Webmaster:** Audrey Bee  
**Directory:** Melissa Taylor  
**Quilt Show:** Audrey Bee

## Programs

**April:** Pam Schenk; Aunt Pam's Closet update/Orange quilt  
**May:** Audrey Bee; Amazing Block Play  
**June:** no program; pot luck/silent auction  
**July:** Christmas in July  
**Aug:** \*open\*  
**Sept:** no program; quilt prep  
**Oct:** Shepherd's Wool program  
**Nov:** no program; quilt of valor (?)  
**Dec:** no program; Christmas potluck

## Workshops

April 21st - Snow Ball/9-Patch; Instructor Audrey Bee  
 May 19th - It's A Bag Thing; Instructor Diane Walker  
 June 16th - TBA  
 July 21st - TBA  
 August 18th - The Texas Quilt; Instructor Dian Hoehne

Sept. 15th -TBA

Oct. 20th - TBA



It's a Bag Thing



Snow Ball 9-Patch Quilt

## Texas Quilt—August Workshop

The Texas Quilt requires many different fabrics to make it look good. Please get in touch with Dian Hoehne as soon as possible to find out more details (pdhoehne@yahoo.com).

Cindy Simmons will sell Charm Packs of 35 to 40 pieces of 5 inch squares of Texas fabrics for \$11.00, tax included at the May guild meeting. this will help quilters get some



# Quilting in the Falls

September 21-22, 2018

The quilt show meeting of March 20 happened after the newsletter deadline so I cannot report on the meeting. I hope you got the meeting notice and were able to attend. We are on target for having the biggest show yet! We have many return vendors and some new vendors this year. All the booth spaces are full and I'm hoping to squeeze one more booth in somewhere. A new shop who wants to be a vendor, Hat Creek Fabric in Montgomery, TX, has patterns, books, notions, Yazzi bags, and quilting novelties like signs, key chains, coffee mugs, and wine glasses. I'm looking for a spot for her.

The guild voted to have a quilt show every year, and I would like to speak to this a bit more. Yes, for some it's more work. For others, though, the continuity makes it easier. But let's look past the work involved.

Many of us go to the Dallas quilt show every year, or the Houston quilt show, or other annual shows. We know it will be every year, we put it on our calendars and plan the annual trek to our favorite shows. If the Dallas quilt show was every other year, would it be as popular? Would you remember from year to year if it was a show year or a non-show year? Some might, but most wouldn't. With *Quilting in the Falls* being an annual show, we can generate a following, too. Many vendors and visitors compliment us each year on what an outstanding show we have. We have a good start on being a destination show, meaning quilters look forward to our show and plan early to attend.

Our quilt show is our *Show and Tell* to the public. It lets people know we are here. I, like others, found the guild at a quilt show. Our quilt show also promotes quilting, promotes the guild, and makes the public aware of our community support to Patsy's House, the Red Cross fire victims, Quilts of Valor, Hollis Boys' Ranch, and other needs as they arise. Having an annual presence promotes our guild and our charities.

Yes, expenses have gone up and this challenges us to generate more revenue at the quilt show. The miniature auction was losing its popularity and it was disliked by the vendors as the show is basically dead during that time. So, we tried having quilts available for purchase. That was a big flop so we won't do *that* again. This year we plan to have a quilt Silent Auction, putting some out Friday and some Saturday, with awards being made at the end of each day. We may



include a "buy it now price" like on eBay for our guests who don't want to wait until the end of the day. The focus is on miniatures or wall hangings, though quilts of any size are acceptable, whatever the guild member wishes to donate. In addition to quilts, table runners may be popular. We hope that this will be a nice revenue source.

We also are hoping for more ads in the program. The goal is to get enough ads to pay for the printing of the program and have a profit beyond that. We fell short last year and the committee asks every member to get ads. Good sources are local businesses, hair stylists, eye doctors, dentists, churches, etc. The committee hopes everyone will give program ad flyers to several sources. The Program Ad form is attached. Please make copies to use. The form is also available on our website [WichitaFallsQuiltGuild.org](http://WichitaFallsQuiltGuild.org).

Having an annual quilt show can be a lot of work, especially if we wait to the last minute. Be kind to your longarm quilters. Please get your quilt tops made early and give your longarm quilter ample time to get it quilted. Lateness on your part should not make a crisis for the longarm quilter. Remember, too, the Boutique needs a few craft items from you. And for the Mason Jar auction, pick up some quilting items when you find a great sale or donate a gently used items.

Respectfully submitted,  
Audrey Bee, Quilt Show Chair



# 2018 Quilt Show Vendors

1.	A&K Quilting	Fabric, notions, patterns
2.	A Quilter's Easel	Hand dyed fabric, die cut fusible, art quilt supplies
3.	Ace Sewing	Machines, fabric, notions
4.	American Fiber Products	Quilt batting
5.	Aunt Pam's Closet	Fabric, notions
6.	Becky's Rainbow Gifts	Embroidered tea towels, lace, coasters, pot holders, table runners
7.	Deborah's Quilts	Quilter's Cutting Guide (book by Deborah), rulers, notions
8.	Front Porch Quilts	Quilting supplies
9.	Mrs. Sew 'n Sew	Fabric, patterns
10	Savvy Quilters	Wool patterns, notions, books
11	Scissor Guy	Scissor sharpening (bring your scissors)
12	Scentsy	Scentsy products
13	Seams Sew Right	Quilting supplies
14	Jim Sorrell	Featherweight & vintage machine service and accessories (bring your machine)
15	The Sewing Basket, Arlington	Books, patterns, kits, notions, tools
16	The Shepherd's Wool	Wool fabric, rug hooking, needle punch,

## Newsletter Officer Needed

A new Newsletter Officer is needed to take over Needle Notes starting in June 2018. Please contact Ashley Norris at 702-885-4321 or email her at [paige29072@yahoo.com](mailto:paige29072@yahoo.com) to find out more information.



**Mary McElvain**      **4 April**  
**Yreva Shirey**        **20 April**  
**Elva Creel**            **29 April**

# March Minutes

Linda Salmon opened the meeting and welcomed visitors. She introduced 4 new members. 43 members were present. Annette Ellis described future programs. Trudy Wallace described future workshops. Vicki Schreiber said that she had given some comfort quilts to Patsy's House and Red Cross.

Brenda Owens suggested a new project. While we were selling quilt raffle tickets at the Home & Garden Show, a lady with a comfort dog from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, asked if we could make some 48 x 60 lap quilts for veterans at the Waco veterans hospital. They will provide fabric and batting if we provide the skills and labor. Several members voiced enthusiasm for this project. A Saturday workshop will be scheduled to make these. There will not be a charge for this workshop.

Trudy Wallace said that the Texas Department of Public Safety (highway patrol) chaplain requested that we sew a quilt for them. They will collect patches from different police departments across an eleven district area. We would sew them onto squares of fabric to make a quilt. The quilt will travel to Texas Department of Public Safety districts to sell raffle tickets around the state with credit to RRQG for making it. Proceeds will go to officer's families killed on the job.

Linda related that CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) and the Boys and Girls Club have requested a quilt to raffle off. Peggy Sralla gave one for CASA. Ruth Lavy will make one for the Boys and Girls Club.

Linda thanked Kathleen Roseboom, Trudy Wallace, and Cindy Cunningham for making the raffle quilt, and the members who sold 352 raffle tickets at the Home and Garden show. Packages of 25 tickets were distributed to each member to sell by August.

Ann Wyatt presented an interesting program, Photos on Quilts. She used "imagination" to assure great audience participation

Several quilts for the Hollis Boys' Ranch were in the show and tell. Dian Hoehne asked that the rest of the Hollis quilts be brought to the April meeting for distribution.

Linda opened the business part of the program with the request for approval of the minutes. Renee Lambert motioned to accept the minutes, and Jane Benson seconded it. Linda said that the executive committee recommends the previous vote to give a comfort quilt to an approved organization in honor of a deceased member, their spouse, parent or child. A letter will notify the family of this honor.

Linda stated that the executive committee recommends that we have a Quilt Show every year because profits are down while guild expenses are up. Cindy Cunningham gave the treasurer's report. MPEC increased rates by 28 % last year. Discussion followed. The quilt show has not made enough money in the past two years to sustain the guild for two years. Increasing dues, limiting free workshops to new members, charging for paper copies of the newsletter, stopping the two scholarships for \$300 each to MSU art students, and decreasing pay to workshop presenters, were some of the suggestions to reduce expenses... Renee Lambert made the motion to have the Quilt Show annually. Donna Piper seconded it. A majority raised their hands to approve this.

Vicki Schreiber motioned that the executive committee have a subcommittee to revise the bylaws to include needed changes. Mary McElvain seconded it. The members raised hands to vote on this. Linda asked for a volunteer from the membership. Renee Lambert volunteered to join Linda Salmon, Judy Breyen, Cindy Cunningham, Trudy Wallace, Ann Wyatt, and Dian Hoehne. Linda asked that they try to present this at the April Guild meeting. Members would vote to approve these changes at the April meeting.

Amanda requested business cards to put out at Enchanted Quilt store. Audrey told the arrival times for the retreat at Sunset.

Members were reminded that the bus will leave Atwoods March 9 for the Dallas Quilt Show.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made. Lucy Bonnin seconded it. Respectfully submitted by Dian Hoehne. Secretary Helen Day was unable to come.

# Upcoming Retreats

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There's going to be another one

With Easter on an April day  
March retreat will go our way

March twenty-one to twenty-four  
Brings quilting friends, fun, and more

Though you may think of it as strange  
The host of the retreat has changed

The Guild no longer wants to host  
For reasons mysterious to most

So, Audrey Bee will continue on  
To coordinate the days of fun

Write your checks to Audrey Bee  
To save your place and pay your fee

"Bee Awesome Retreat" is now the name  
So, sign up now in Audrey's name

By Audrey Bee

## September 6/7-9, 2018 - Crazy Bee Retreat

POC: Audrey Bee, akbee@sbcglobal.net

\$50 deposit and registration form will hold your spot.

## October 18/19-21, 2018

POC: Pam Schenk, pam@auntpamscloset.net

**February 21/22-24, 2019 - Quiltworx** (Judy Niemeyer retreat) but all quilters/projects welcome

POC: Cindy Simmons, 940-781-0374, cindy@electratel.net

\$50 deposit will hold your spot.

**March 21/22-24 - Bee Awesome Retreat** (only for Red River Quilt Guild members)

POC: Audrey Bee, akbee@sbcglobal.net

\$50 deposit and registration form will hold your spot.

This retreat is not sponsored/  
hosted by the RRQG but it is only  
open to guild members.



2018 Quilt Retreat Photographers

## 2018 RRQG Quilt Retreat



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A big thank-you to Audrey for organizing the RRQG Quilt Retreat. It was so much fun and we appreciate all your hard work.

Thank-you Audrey!