



QuiltingQuips

AAQG General (Hybrid) Meeting and special guest speaker, Margaret Willingham

Reverse Applique: Revealing Beauty

March 4, 2024

Westminster Presbyterian Church of Austin
3208 Exposition Blvd.
Austin, TX 78703

6:30 - 8:30 PM



Spring is in the air a little early this year. I'm sure that everyone's working on those spring quilting projects, but your guild needs you! It takes a village to run a guild as large as ours. In the last few months, the nominating committee has searched far and wide for members to volunteer for board and committee positions to no avail. The guild needs volunteers for guild Treasurer and several subcommittees. We also need volunteers for QuiltFest, including a volunteer coordinator and managers for hanging and the demonstration area. Remember, it will not be possible for the guild to host QuiltFest without your help.

Many of you are concerned that if you volunteer for a position that you will be on your own. Well, that is just not the case, there will be several people to help along with the board and show chairs to back you and hold your hand. Volunteering is an opportunity to meet many of your fellow guild members and most positions only take a few hours a month. The board is also reviewing guild positions to reduce complexity and time commitments. If you are interested in volunteering contact the nominations committee (nominations@aaqg.org), [QuiltFest show chair](#) or me (president@aaqg.org).

Quilting is the cheapest therapy.

Helen Gnuechtel, President

Nominees for Executive Board up for approval at March meeting

Office	Person Nominated
EXECUTIVE BOARD	
President	Meghan Gerety
Program Director	June Lujan
Workshop Director	Ann Pierce
Program Director-Elect	Darlene Khosrowpour
Treasurer	
Recording Secretary	Debbie Dindermann
Membership Director	Marie Welsch
Volunteer Coordinator	Nena Richardson
Communications Director	
Special Projects Director	Helen Gnuechtel
Librarian	Carrie Thielemann
Parliamentarian (non-voting)	Teri Newsom

Salute Our Volunteers for Next Year's Committees and Special Projects

STANDING COMMITTEES	
Hospitality	Debbie Finn
Bylaws	Carrie Thielemann
Web Manager (Technology)	Mary Lorenz Debby Eades
Bee Coordinator	Linda Scheible
Corresponding Secretary	Nancy Thornton
Grant Program	Renita Bankhead
Conservation	Carmen Vasquez
Property	
Newsletter Editor	Donna Bone
Advertising Manager	Vicci Conway
Social Media Coordinator – Public	
Social Media Coordinator – Members Page	Lynne Well-Capps
Publicity	
Audit	Marie Welsch Susan Tennison
SPECIAL PROJECTS	
Baby Bundles	D'Ette Rice
Red, White, Blue Quilts	Helen Gnuechtel

Challenges	Mary Beard
Second Chance Boutique	Mary Beard
Safe Alliance	Marie Welsch
Data Specialist	Diane Newberry
AD HOC COMMITTEES	
Order of the Fat Quarter	Susan Tennison
Bus Trips	
Retreats	Cheryl Degan Bonnie Smith

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Dayna Melberg * Kelly Pena * Debbie Carver
 Laura Falkner * Dee Furr * Rhonda Look
 Barbara Moore * Karen Pozdro * Karen Rypkema
 Lou Smyth

399 total membership

**SPACES STILL AVAILABLE FOR DALLAS QUILT
SHOW BUS TRIP**



SIGN UP FOR BUS TRIP TO DALLAS

Registration is now open for Non-Members. Sign up now!

This year the Dallas Quilt show is on **Saturday, March 16th, 2024.**

We will be leaving from the parking lot at 2620 W. Anderson Lane, where old quilt store used to be. The bus leaves at 7:00 a.m. promptly and returns at approximately 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. We will meet at the northeast part of the lot (parking lot behind Office Depot) and we can leave our cars there.

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We will have a breakfast stop on the way to Dallas at Collins Street Bakery in Waco, TX, and will leave the show at 4:00 pm. We will not stop for dinner, but we will stop at Slovacek's Bakery in West, TX, on the drive home.

The cost for Members is \$72.00 and Non-Members \$75.00, price includes bus, tip for driver & ticket to show.

Questions? Send email to bustrips@aaqg.org

NOMINATE SOMEONE DESERVING FOR ORDER OF THE FAT QUARTER

There is still time to nominate a member of the Guild for recognition for their many contributions to the Guild. The deadline for nominations has been moved to March 15 to allow you time to look around at who is doing an excellent job.

The order of the fat quarter is an honor given to someone who has done something for AAQG "above and beyond" their job description or their role as a member. A fellow member may nominate a person to be honored and, if they qualify, they will receive an AAQG pin, a fat quarter, and public recognition at the April meeting.

We present the awards once a year during April, Volunteer Appreciation Month. We have a form online for you to use to nominate someone at any time. So please think about this, take a look at the form, which has definitions of "above and beyond" and nominate someone. If the form seems too hard, feel free to just send me an e-mail at fatquarter@aaqg.org and give me all the information and I can work from that. REMEMBER: The deadline for nominations is now March 15th!!!

GEARING UP FOR QUILTFEST

Quilfest 2024 needs volunteers to show the raffle quilt. Locations are listed on Sign-Up Genius at this link.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CAA82BA3FECF8-47643020-aaqg>

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The Silent Auction (SA) is accepting donations valued \geq \$75 that will tickle the fancy of QuiltFest attendees. Don't do it alone . . . invite your friends or bee members to join you in creating a Silent Auction donation.

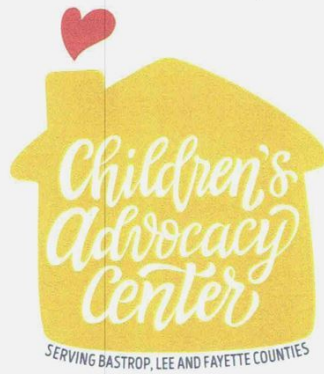
- Do you have items to donate but are not sure how to present them? *We are happy to create a custom gift basket using your items or possibly combining yours with other donations.*
- Do you have a UFO that needs a home? *Get it done and donate your finished masterpiece!*
- Do you have a large purchase from a shop hop but you don't want your husband to find out? *Donate it to SA (we won't tell him)!*
- Did you start a Workshop project and realize it's the wrong size for your bed? *Donate it to SA!*
- Did you create a Workshop project and absolutely LOVE IT? *Donate it to SA & share the love!*
- Do you have fabric that you ADORE but will never get around to using? *Donate it to SA (we all need more stash)!*
- Do you have excess quilts piling up in your sewing room? *Donate them to SA – we can help lighten your load!*
- Did you recently purchase a new machine? *Donate your older model to SA!*
- Non-quilt related donations are welcome too!

DONATION SUGGESTIONS

Quilting Fabric * Quilt Kits * Finished Quilts * Seasonal items are GREAT sellers * Sewing Machines * Embellishments * Threads *Quilt related tools, books or thread bundled with fabric *

Sewing Furniture/Storage * Antique Quilts * Quilt Blocks * Gift Cards * Quilting Services *

Novelty or Specialty Items * Fat Quarter Bundles * Soft Sculptures * Art Quilts *



Austin Area Quilter's Guild,

We are reaching out with a heartfelt "Thank you" for your donation of 30 quilts. Your donation helped us warm bodies and hearts this holiday. Donations like yours empower us in our mission to provide hope and healing to the children and families in our community.

Thank you & Happy New Year!

The CAC Serving Bastrop, Lee & Fayette counties

Upcoming Events:

Get all the details at aagg.org or on your phone using the **MEMBER APP!**

MARCH

- 2 Margaret Willingham - Make a Mola on Zoom
- 3 Margaret Willingham - Reverse Applique: Added Dimensions on Zoom
- 4 March Monthly Meeting featuring Margaret Willingham - Reverse Applique: Revealing Beauty
- 4 Unfinished Object Challenge deadline
- 16 Dallas Quilt Show bus trip
- 17 Open Sew Day, North at Honey Bee Quilt Store

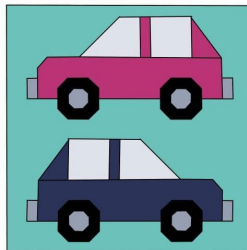
APRIL

- 1 April Monthly Meeting
- 4 Pinwheel Place Retreat
- 29 Emilie's Haus Retreat

MAY

- 3 Karen Eckmeier - Happy Villages
- 4 Karen Eckmeier Accidental Landscapes
- 6 May Monthly Meeting featuring Karen Eckmeier -
- 27 Wimberly Quilt Ranch Memorial Day Retreat

QUILTERS ON-THE-GO



March 6 - April 8, 2024

Kerr Arts & Cultural Center
Kerrville, TX

"Kaleidoscopes and Quilts: State of the Art" showcasing quilts by Paula Nadelstern

Friday, March 8, 2024 9:30 AM - Saturday, March 9, 3:30 PM

Shiner Heritage Quilters

Shiner Methodist Church Activity Center
102 West Church Street, Shiner, Texas, 77984

Saturday, April 27, 2024 20:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Bluebonnet Quilt Club
"Airing of the Quilts"

Kingsland House of Arts & Crafts
112 W. Chamberlain St., Kingsland Texas

July 26 - 27, 2024 10:00AM-5:00PM New Braunfels Area Quilt Guild
QuiltFest 2024.

"Peace, Love and Flower Power"

New Braunfels Convention Center
375 S Castell Ave, New Braunfels, TX 78130.

<http://www.newbraunfelsareaquiltguild.org/quiltfest-2024.html>

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064907431765&mibextid=ZbWKwL>

https://www.instagram.com/new_braunfels_quiltfest_2024/

Marketplace

25th year
Silver Jubilee!

Bluebonnet Shop Hop

March 13 - March 23, 2024

Visit Every Shop & You Can Win!

GRAND PRIZE:
 Snowfleece Quilt
 Quilt
 2 Night Quilt Retreat for Up to 8 People!

GIFT CERTIFICATES TO EACH SHOP
 FIRST PLACE \$100 per store
 SECOND PLACE \$50 per store | THIRD PLACE \$20 per store
 & PRIZE BASKETS!

PARTICIPATING SHOPS

Austin Sewing Machines Round Rock, TX	HollyDee Quilts Luling, TX	B & B Quilting Buda, TX
Mesquite Bean Fabrics San Antonio, TX	Memories by the Yard San Antonio, TX	Honey Bee Quilt Store Austin, TX
Gone Quilting Bandera, TX	Sew Special Quilts San Antonio, TX	

See full details on
www.BluebonnetShopHop.net

We are having another **quilt sale!** If you came to the one back in October (off of Fitzhugh Rd.) many thanks! Quilt kits, fabric, and various quilting items.

This one will be at my dads house. Please look for signs. You will enter around the back of the house.

FRIDAY March 1st, 10:00 - 2:00

112 Rachels Canyon in Dripping Springs.

Cash, Venmo, Zelle, or PayPal only. **No Checks please.**

Any questions please text Piper Labaj at 512-415-7732.

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