

ALLEN QUILTERS' GUILD NEWSLETTER

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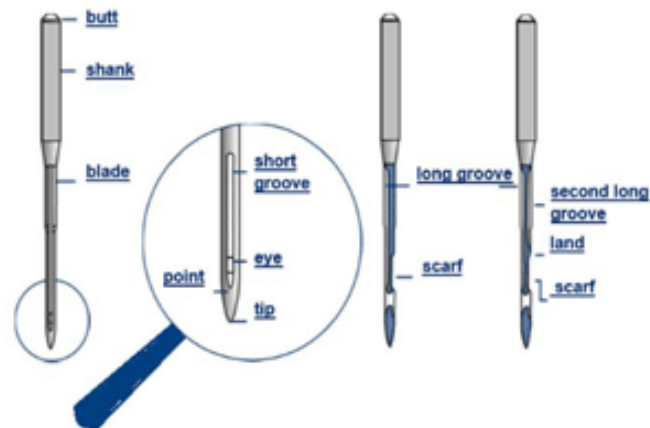
FROM THE PREZ:

When I write for you, I feel like I am preaching to the choir - I'm a novice quilter. That's why I joined this guild - to learn from the masters.

So instead, I'll dazzle you with science. The following is from coatsindustrial.com:

Each needle type (system) will typically have between 6-8 sizes available and in the more popular types, there can be up to 15 sizes, with each of these needles types and sizes available with a range of needle points. Wow! And look at the parts!

Needle Parts: Physical characteristics



Frankly, I have lots of needles but had no idea of the range. If you are truly interested go to the site and look at the variations on needles points - a couple of dozen.

Thanks for indulging me. See you Thursday. Please bring a bright solid fat quarter for our TAQG basket.

-Maridale

APRIL MEETING

Skills Night

One of the benefits of being a member of AQG is learning from other members!

Ellen R and Lynda L shared the following information when a question arose regarding stains or color runs:

In a bucket of water add equal amounts (approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ C each) of

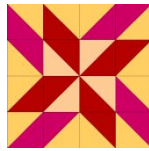
Dreft soap (cannot be a detergent!)

20 mule team borax

Clorox 2 bleach (Lynda likes the liquid)

Mix VERY well to dissolve ingredients.

Soak your item for as long as needed to release the problem spot(s). Move the item around every day or so if soaking a long time. Complete process may be repeated.



A recent quilt I made required a lot of half square triangles using the same two colors. So thinking there had to be an easier way than cutting, marking and sewing all the smaller squares in the standard technique, I headed to the computer. 8 HSTs at a time –yes!

A wonderful site is generations-quilt-patterns.com! The illustrations and instructions, including great size charts are fabulous.

A great site to explore with a wide variety of information! Look for 9 patch from 2 pieces of fabric as well that our speaker mentioned last month. Enjoy!

-Lorraine M.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 20 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

April 20-21 – [Kaufman Quilt Show](#) at Terrill Heritage Jubilee

April 26-29, 2018, AQG Retreat - Thurs thru Sunday, We will be back at Sunset near Decatur

May 18 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

June 7, 8, 9, [North Texas Quilt Festival](#), Arlington Convention Center

June 15 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

July 14 – [TAQG Rally Day](#)

July 20 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

August 10-11 – [Plano Quilt Show](#), 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Plano Event Center, 2200 E. Spring Creek Pkwy.

August 17 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

Sept 21 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

Oct 19 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

Nov 16 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

Dec 21 - 3rd Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

AQG SPRING RETREAT NEWS



There is still time to sign up for the retreat at Sunset Retreat and Quilt Shop April 26th through the 29th, 2018. The cost is \$225 for three nights, \$175 for 2 nights and \$87.50 for 1 night. Just call or text me at 214-356-5819.

(See the registration form required by Sunset House later in this newsletter.)

-Ellen R., Retreat Chairman



TAQG NEWS

TAQG (Texas Association of Quilt Guilds) is presenting Rally Day on July 14, 2018. Cost is \$5 per guild member, non members are \$10. The speaker will be Deb Tucker and she will give 2 lectures as well as display many quilts.

Things to know:

- There are 4 workshops in July. \$79 for guild members and \$100 for non members.
- Shelly V and Maridale M signed up for the Hot Flash Workshop in case you want to join them.
- Box Lunches are available for \$10
- There will be a pre Rally Day Raffle as well as one the day of the Rally.
- Free Goodie bag for the first 500 attendees and lots of door prizes!
- Have the opportunity to buy raffle tickets for other guilds quilts.
- Silent Auction with mini quilts as well as other handmade products.
- It's a chance to meet other quilters in Texas as well as spend the day with your quilting friends.

We are collecting solid fabrics for a door prize from the guild. Please bring a fat quarter or something fun to donate.

Shelly will have packets of Rally Day Ticket Fun for Sale for \$25 each. They include an admission ticket, lunch ticket, 6 prerally day raffle tickets and an exclusive collectable Rally Day Pin. Get them while they last!

For more information, come to the guild meeting or contact Guild Representative, Shelly Vatteroni.

-Shelly V., TAQG Representative

****Note from Johanna Britton*

If anyone has magazines for TAQG Rally, Please bring them to the April meeting so they can be prepped to donate.

AQG GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – March 15, 2018

There were 25 members and 2 guests attending.

President Maridale M. called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

President: Maridale M. introduced the ladies from the Quilter's Guild of Arlington who brought their raffle quilt.

Programs- Nancy W. and Virginia B - This month, Sharon Holliday will show her Sourdough Quilts and talk about her piecing tips. Next month will be a skills night featuring information on 3 dimensional quilts, We are also downsizing our library due to space. For the next several meetings books will be on sale – hard backs for \$2.00, Soft covers for \$1.00 until we sell out.

TAQG- Shelly V. - The TAQG Rally is July 14, 2018. This year it will cost \$5 for guild members and \$10 for non-members. The speaker is Deb Tucker. She will have 4 workshops. Shelly has tickets, lunch order forms and info on all things TAQG Rally Day. We are collecting solids to create a basket for a door prize and also collecting magazines for the goodie bags.

Membership- Linda L. announced that dues are due. They are \$25 and she must have a membership form filled out when you turn in the dues.

Newsletter and Communications- Pam H – received a notice that Vicki Lawrence is offering a Quilty Landscape workshop. It costs \$200. For information see Pam.

Community Service – Betty M. has some kits for cheater quilts, pillowcase kits and bibs for adults . Thank you Liz B for 36 pillowcases. Thank you to anyone who brought quilts to donate. We do need some more kids quilts now to go with them. Please come get some to make. Also, we will be making placemats at the retreat. Last month, we were able to buy some diapers for ACO with donations. Keep it coming.

Retreat- Ellen R. - Sunset Retreat has honored the original cost. So cost is changed to Th-Sun - \$225, F-Sun -\$175, or 1 day at \$87.50. Right now there are 22 people coming but there is room for 8 more. We will have a rummage sale with proceeds either going to charity or to the seller. Be sure to put your name on it. There will be 2 games that involve 10 or more blue and white 2 ½ strips and 3 novelty fat quarters. Contact Ellen R. for more information.

Show and Tell –

Jill S. displayed “My Happy Place” quilt with a pieced house and quilts hanging on line.

Betty M. showed off a colorful Hawaiian Block quilt.

Mardy C. presented new clothes she made for her granddaughter.

Shelly V. presented a heart pixelated quilt.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 PM

Submitted by Secretary Shelly V.



Hope this wonderful Spring weather has inspired you to start and finish a kid's quilt. There are so many needy children that would like a quilt to cuddle under. If you can't find the right fabrics, please remember that I have the guild stash and it is huge! Come and see if I have that just right piece you need. This month's community service is hair care products such as shampoo and conditioner, combs and brushes, and other things for your hair. Thanks for all you do for others. See you at our meeting.

Thanks, Betty M- Community Service Chair.

TAKE TO APRIL 19 MEETING!

- Show & Tell
- Donations for Community Service (hair care products such as shampoo and conditioner, combs and brushes, and other things for your hair)
- Smiles
- Money for mystery quilt and block of the month if you're participating
- Magazines for TAQG Rally
- Fat quarter (bright solid colors) for TAQG Rally Day donation basket

**Allen Quilters' Guild
Membership Application**

Name: _____

Spouse's First Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Are you a NEW member? _____ **If not, what year did you join AQG?**

If you are a returning member, would you like a new name badge? _____

Would you like a copy of the AQG Bylaws? _____

Birthday (month and day only): _____

Small group you belong to: _____ **Meeting time:**

If you do not presently belong to a small group, are you interested in joining a daytime small group? Y N or a nighttime small group? Y N

Please circle your preferred method for receiving the Allen Quilters' Guild Newsletter:

- A) Printed copy mailed via the U. S. Postal Service
- B) Via e-mail
- C) You download directly from our website (www.allenquilters.org)

When complete, please mail this form with a check made out to AQG to:

**Allen Quilters' Guild
P. O. Box 526
Allen, TX 75013-0010**

OR You may give your form and payment directly to Lynda L.

**Questions? Please contact Lynda L.,
Membership dues are \$25.00 for adults and \$15 for juniors (children 10 to 17 accompanied by an adult member) and paid annually in January.**

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Yahoo Group _____ New _____ Name Tag _____ Bylaws _____

Birthday _____ Small Group _____ Newsletter _____ Check# _____

SUNSET RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM

(print and complete this form to register)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

We would like to keep in touch with you by email as it helps us cut down on mailing expenses. Is email a good way to contact you? Y / N

Emergency contacts
name _____

Phone number/s () _____

Dietary restrictions/special
needs _____

Do you require handicap access bathroom: _____ Y / N

Are you attending with a group? Y / N
If so please indicate name of
Group: _____

We take your safety and the security of your equipment very seriously, but we will not be liable for **any personal injury, loss/theft or damage anytime during the retreat. Your attendance constitutes your agreement to indemnify and hold harmless Sunset Retreat from any damage for injury, loss, or damage for any reason.**

I agree to the policies outlined above:

Date _____

Please mail completed form to:

Ellen Rock
701 Victorian Drive
Allen, TX 75002

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