



August 2017 ISSUE

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**FROM THE PREZ:**

Hello, friends!

I am ready for fall - are you? Once that first cool breeze hits me, I immediately feel better, refreshed. We are headed out of August, so that breeze is ever closer. Whew!

By the way, apologies for the heat at last month's meeting. We are working to ensure that doesn't happen again.

Remember to bring your scissors to Thursday's meeting. Our presenter will be there to talk about tools and sharpen those scissors and dull rotary blades for a very good price.

We'll also be talking about Board nominations for next year. Make this your year to have fun and join our board!

September's meeting is MINI QUILT AUCTION!! Don't make me nervous - go ahead and bring those treasures in now. Please oh please! Help get the word out to your friends and family. Tell them this is a way to get a jump on holiday shopping!!

We also have some fun "Daytreat Possibilities." We'll talk more about this at the meeting.

Maridale

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**August 11-12 - [Plano Quilt Show](#)** – Friday and Saturday, 9am-5pm. Plano Event Center (formerly Plano Centre).

**August 17** – General Meeting, *Care and Sharpening of Scissors* (Hayward Erwin)

**August 18** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

**August 24th-26th - [North Texas Quilt Festival](#)** - Trinity Valley Quilt Guild and five other Guilds will be participating in conjunction with the Original Sewing and Quilting Expo to bring North Texas one of its largest quilt shows. In fact, the equivalent of six quilt shows in one! There will be 300-400 quilts on display, classes, demos, speakers and rows of vendors.

**September 15** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

**September 15-16 – [Lone Star Heritage Quilt Guild](#), *Birds of a Feather*.** First Baptist Church, 115 Putman St., Sulphur Springs. Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am to 3pm. \$5/person

**September 16** - Plano Guild Workshop – *Those Amazing Stripes*. (Brenda Perry) Cost \$35

**September 21** - Mini Quilt Auction/Allen Quilt Guild Birthday Party

**September Daytreat** – RESCHEDULED

**October 13** - Plano Guild Workshop - *Captivating Composition*. (Deborah Boschert) Cost \$35

**October 14** - Plano Guild Workshop - *Techniques with Paint and Ink*. (Deborah Boschert) Cost \$35

**October 19** – General Meeting, Community Service

**October 20** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

**November 11** - Plano Guild Workshop - *Scrap User's System*. (Allison Bayer ) Cost \$35

**November 16** - Christmas Ornament Making Night

**November 17** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

**December 2** - Christmas Brunch

**December 15** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – “Friday Fanatics” at Fabric Fanatics, \$10, 6 pm to midnight (624 Haggard St., Plano)

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

## MINI QUILT AUCTION

This year our Mini Quilt Auction is in September to coincide with the 30th Anniversary of the founding of the Allen Quilt Guild. We are collecting mini quilts for the auction now thru the September meeting. Nancy Worst will be collecting your contributions at each meeting. Our annual mini quilt auction is a major source of revenue that allows us to have the wonderful speakers and programs we enjoy throughout the year. Please think about making something, or many minis for the auction.



## TAKE TO AUGUST 17 MEETING!

Scissors to be sharpened and old rotary blades for Scissor Man

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Red Dress Block

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Show & Tell

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Donations for Community Service

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\$5 for this month's continuing block of the month pattern (from Kathy Scott)

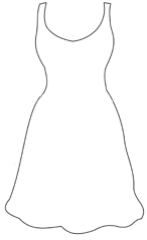
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Mini Quilt auction items

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Smiles

## RED DRESS PROJECT

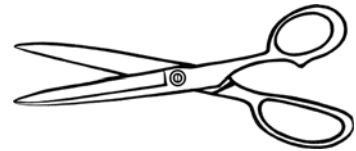


We are challenging our members to make a red dress block in honor of Women's Heart Health month. The pattern can be found at [www.fatcatpatterns.com](http://www.fatcatpatterns.com). The finished block should be a red dress in an approximately 8 x 12 inch block.

Embellishments are encouraged. Please turn your completed block into Kathy Scott. The collected blocks will be made into a quilt by the January 2018 Women's Heart Health month.

## PROGRAMS

The speaker for the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting is Hayward Erwin, "The Scissor Guy." He will talk about the care and proper use of scissors. He will also be available from 6 pm till the meeting start time to sharpen your scissors and /or sell you some re-sharpened rotary cutter blades. He also takes trade-ins of your worn out rotary blades.



Prices for sharpening are as follows: Scissors \$4; Pinking shears \$5; Rotary blades \$3

## RETREATS

The September retreat at The Best Little Retreat Center in Texas is being rescheduled. More information will be posted when it's available.

**Next Spring**, April 26-29, 2018, Thurs thru Sunday, We will be back at Sunset near Decatur. It is the last weekend in April. Johanna will start taking deposits for this one in August.

Mark your calendars and start saving your pennies! Questions/Comments, contact Johanna

## ALLEN LIBRARY DISPLAY (Thank you Lorraine!)





Accuquilt is showing their appreciation for quilting guilds by offering an exclusive promotion! They are inviting our members to take advantage of their FREE SHIPPING promotional code "GUILD2017." This code will allow us to receive free shipping with no minimum purchase.

Not only are they offering this free promotional code, they also have more than 700 free patterns on their website!

Here are the links: AccuQuilt Homepage: <https://www.accuquilt.com/>  
Free AccuQuilt Patterns: <https://www.accuquilt.com/shop/patterns/free-quilt-patterns.html>

PROMOTIONAL CODE: GUILD2017

## AQG GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 7/20/17

Called to order at 7:22 pm by Maridale Morgan

Members present 17

**Programs:** Potluck and Game Night.

**President Announcements** (Maridale Morgan)

If you would like to help make next year's raffle quilt contact Maridale.

**Events:**--Day Retreats at Fabric Fanatics the 3rd Friday of each month 5p.m. -11p.m. Cost is \$10. As space is limited, you DO need to make reservations.

-with Plano Quilt Guild Retreat on August 4, 5, and 6. Cost is \$35-\$40 per person for all 3 days. Bring a sack lunch or plan to eat out nearby. Located at Dallas Game Marathon at Parker and Alma in Plano. Plenty of room. Go home at night but leave your machine and projects set up for the next day.

-Best Little Retreat Center at Coit and Belt Line is reserved for our Allen guild on September 23-25. Cost is \$18 per person per day. 9am - 9pm. Great facility.

-Retreat for our guild at Sunset in April. More information coming.

Row by row has begun for those interested.

(Nancy Worst) Quilt Hop in Bonham July 28-29. For more information see [visitbonham.com](http://visitbonham.com).

Plano Quilt Show at the Plano Events Center August 11-12

Martha Lindburg will be presenting her workshop titled "Wonky Dresden Neighborhood" on September 16th through the Plano Guild. Cost is \$35 per person.

-(Lorraine Mattis) East Texas Thimble Trail "Shop Hop" July 27-29. Admission is \$6 per day or a two day pass for \$10. Walker County Fairgrounds. <http://www.easttexasthimbletrail.com/>

\*See our web site for more information on any events.

-Workshop-Betty Mathis will host Christmas Tree skirt workshop in her home. More details to follow. Considering a Wednesday / Thursday in September.

AQG GENERAL MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED 7/20/17

**Ways and Means:** (Nancy Worst for Kathy Scott) More "red dress" blocks were turned in. Also, more Block of the Month packets are available.

(Johanna Britton) Our raffle quilt will be shown at the First Methodist Craft Fair on October 21. Make plans to attend and to help show our quilt and sell raffle tickets.

**Programs** (Nancy Worst) Next month we will hear from the Scissors Guy. He will be sharpening scissors and rotary blades as well as selling and / or trading rotary blades and explaining the different uses and cutting tools.

**TAQG** – (Virginia Braley) TAQG Rally Day was great! Over 500 in attendance.

(Johanna Britton) Thank you to all who donated magazines for Rally Day!

**Raffle Quilt** (Virginia Braley) Raffle Quilt Virginia ran out of tickets to sell for our raffle quilt. Thank you to those who gave their tickets to continue ticket sales throughout Rally Day. More tickets are now available. See Virginia for more tickets.

\*\*Note: please check your purchases / prizes from Rally Day. Alice lost a purchase with an autographed book. If found, please return to Alice.

**Treasurer** (Liz Bushong) We have money! Liz's term as Treasurer is finishing up and she needs someone to volunteer to take over so she can start training.

**Newsletter** (Pam Hiam) Pam has added a calendar of events to the web site and newsletter.

**Community Service** (Betty Matthews) used the money collected for ACO donations to purchase diapers, wipes, peanut butter and shampoo. She needs to deliver the donated quilts soon so please complete donation quilts and run in before the November meeting.

Lorraine Mattis asks people to continue working on placemats for Meals on Wheels.

\*\*The lady who donated so much of her fabric and supplies to our guild passed recently. Her husband is selling her sewing machine. It is a Viking sewing machine with cabinet. Contact Betty for more information.

(Lorraine Mattis) At the Allen Library in the big display area by the auditorium we will have a quilt display. We will be displaying our mini quilts and a display of "simple" to "complex" designs.

Minutes of last month's meeting were approved as corrected. (Virginia Braley and Johanna Britton)

**Show & Tell**- Liz Bushong – "Simple" bright quilt and "Complex" Storm at Sea quilt. Also, flag quilt.

Lynda Lindstrom: half-log cabin technique quilt & patriotic quilt.

Betty Matthews - Teddy Bear quilt and "I Spy" quilt

Lorraine Mattis: Mini quilt for auction

Charlene Chronister – placemats, mini quilts, and "L" quilt (finished for a friend)

Yvonne Broach - Baby quilt with decorative stitching, 2nd pink baby quilt, 2 Blue cowboy child's quilts and a Goodnight Moon panel quilt

Jill Stoel - Pink Tote, Panel quilt from South Dakota trip fabric

**Games** - Design and name a quilt block and quilt Bingo.

Business meeting ended at 8:57 pm. Submitted by Karen Townsend for Shelly Vatteroni, Secretary



What a giving group you are. I asked for school supplies last month and got a lot, but also received nearly \$20 cash donations. I went on a spending spree and stretched those monies to buy more items. We donated to Allen Community Outreach Fill the Bus program nearly 50 items. Thanks so much. I also hope that all are working on donation quilts for kids or placemats for Meals on Wheels. These are always most appreciated by the young and the seniors. Thanks for all you do for others.

This month, we will again collect school supplies, paper, spiral notebooks and pencils.

Betty Matthews, Community Service Chair.



**Allen Quilters' Guild  
2017 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?**  
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**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 Karen Townsend**

**Questions? Please contact Karen Townsend, e-mail: kat0420@hotmail.com or call 972-741-2291  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
B-day \_\_\_\_\_ Small Group \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_

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