



June 2017 ISSUE

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FROM THE PREZ:

June already! We've been blessed with a mild spring - maybe we can get the same for summer! I spent last week in La Veta, Colorado. Judith Baker Montano led a Crazy Quilt class - it was one of my bucket list "Must Do." She and the class were delightful! Even more, the beautiful location. The Spanish Peaks were in perfect view from my room.

Please bring your mini quilts to the meeting and any of the "Red Dresses" you want to show off.

TAQG rally is July 8th. Cynthia Regone is the featured speaker. She owns Cajun Classic quilts. Be sure to get your tickets at Thursday's meeting.

See you Thursday!

Maridale

TAQG

There were over 1,200 magazines collected for TAQG! Thank you everyone who cleaned out and donated!!

Labels were put on 1,000 with our guild info. So, every goodie bag should have 2 magazines in them!!

Thank you again!

Johanna

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Mesquite Quilt Show](#) – June 23-24. Over 22 vendors. 3300 E. Cartwright Rd., Mesquite

[The Applique Getaway](#) – June 23-25 Grapevine, TX. The Applique Getaway is an exciting weekend of classes, product demonstrations, vendors, prizes, friendship, FUN and more for all skill levels of machine embroidery enthusiasts, vinyl crafters, and entrepreneurs. \$25-\$165

[TAQG Rally Day 2017](#) – July 8. Featured Speaker [Cynthia LeBlanc Regone](#). Doors open at 9:00 am. Free to TAQG members. Mimoso Lane Baptist Church, [1233 N. Belt Line Rd., Mesquite, TX](#)

[The Creative Quilters Guild of Ellis County](#) presents *Butterfly Wings & Flying Things* Quilt Show. Friday, July 14, 2017 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday, July 15, 2017 9:00 am to 3: pm Midlothian Conference Center 1 Community Circle Midlothian, TX 76065 Admission: One day \$8; Two days \$10 Free Parking Donation Quilt Tickets: 1/\$1.

[Wildflower Quilt Guild](#), Temple Texas – *Silver Threads: Celebrating 25 years of Quilting*. July 27 and 29, 2017. First Un. Meth. Church Family Life and Worship Center, 201 N. 2nd St, Temple.

[Plano Quilt Show](#) – Friday and Saturday, August 11-12, 2017, 9am-5pm. Plano Event Center (formerly Plano Centre).

[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! August 24th-26th. There will be 300-400 quilts on display, classes, demos, speakers and rows of vendors.

MINI QUILT AUCTION

This year our Mini Quilt Auction is in September to coincide with the 30th Anniversary of the founding of the Dallas 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.



SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Brunch is December 6. Details will follow.

TAKE TO JUNE 15 MEETING!

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



ENTRY DEADLINE EXTENDED TO JULY 1!



Want to have your quilt hanging in the Texas Quilt Museum? This brand new exhibit will feature quilts of any style, subject, or technique, from piecing and appliqué to embroidery, thread painting, photo transfer, and manipulated fabric.

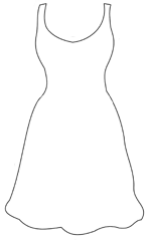
Submission is open to all active members of any quilt guild throughout the state of Texas.

Deadline for entries has been extended to July 1, 2017.

Find out more at <http://www.callforentriesmadeintexas.com/>

Read more about the [Texas Quilt Museum summer exhibits](#). They're located in La Grange, TX.

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. 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 no later than the July meeting. The collected blocks will be made into a quilt by the January 2018 Women's Heart Health month.

DID YOU KNOW?

A **layer cake** is a collection of 10" squares. Approximately 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ yards of fabric are in a layer cake. Note that different manufacturers use different names.

A **charm pack** is a collection of 5" squares.

A **mini charm pack** is 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " pre cuts. Usually 42 pieces.

A **jelly roll** has forty 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 44" strips of fabric.

Honey Buns are not as available as they once were. If you can find them, they are 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 44" strips. Using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance produces a 1" strip.

Dessert Rolls are "double" jelly rolls. They are 5" x 44" strips.

Honeycombs – fairly new and hexagon shaped. They measure 6" from point-to-point, 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " horizontally.

Turnovers – these are triangles and not as common as other shapes. May be 10", 6" or 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Also called half square triangles.

Here's a link to Moda's Equivalent Measures you can download:

http://www.unitednotions.com/st_equivalent-measures.pdf

PROGRAMS

Our speaker for June is MJ Fielek. MJ lives in McKinney, Texas and has been sewing and quilting for over 40 years. Her natural talent for selecting color combinations and her attention to detail are reflected in her many quilts. During the sixties she lived in Taiwan, where her already keen eye for fabric quality, color and design were sharpened.

MJ teaches beginners classes, a tips and techniques class, binding and advanced classes such as Double Wedding Ring, Feathered Star and Lone Star. Her binding classes have become the class to take. She teaches two color binding, stuffed binding and how to make perfect corners on all your quilts.

At our June meeting, MJ will talk about *My Quilt Journey*. She will present examples of her earliest quilts to more recent efforts. She will discuss early attempts and her progressive development in color and design of her quilts.

AQG GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 5/18/17

Called to order at 7:01 pm by Maridale Morgan

Members present 19 (2 new members)

Minutes approved by Betty Matthews, seconded by Lorraine Mattis

Programs: Martha Lindberg – My Quilt Journey

President Announcements (Maridale Morgan)

Summer events - **TAQG Rally Day** – July 8th , **Plano Quilt Show** – August 11-12 and **Mesquite Quilt Show** – June 23-24.

Christmas Brunch – December 2, 2017 – Put the date in your calendar – details to come.

Ways and Means: (Nancy Worst and Virginia Braley for Kathy Scott) Red Dress Project. Please make your block and try to bring in during the next couple of months. We'd like to make a quilt from the blocks we collect. Also, Virginia has Block of the Month kits. Please keep Kathy in your prayers as her mother has had a stroke and she is out of town tending to her.

Programs (Nancy Worst) Next month we will have MJ Fielek from the McKinney Guild as a speaker. Her program is My Quilt Journey: Progression in Quilting.

Newsletter (Pam Hiam) If you know any events coming up please let Pam know.

Yahoo group (Lorraine Mattis) If you are not on the Yahoo list, please let Lorraine know and she will work on giving you the all access to the group emails.

TAQG – (Virginia Braley) Rally Day is July 8, 2017. The speaker is Cynthia Regone. Pre rally day raffle tickets will be on sale for 6 for \$5. Door prizes include a machine. There will be the opportunity to order one of 4 different box lunches from McAlister's for \$10. Lunch order must be made by June 23rd. Make sure you bring \$1 dollar bills with address labels to buy raffle tickets to support other guilds quilts.

Community Service- (Betty Mathews) has kits for quilts, pillowcases etc. Next month's donations are soup, tuna and PB. Also, she has fabric for kids quilts so if you need some feel free to see Betty.

Donation Quilt (Virginia Braley) Virginia showed the 2017 Raffle quilt made by herself and quilted by Diann Loper (a former member). Let's hope for a good response with tickets.

Retreats (Johanna Britton) Fall retreat will be a daytreat at the Best Little Retreat Center next to Sew Let's Quilt It. Virginia says it's really nice.

Spring Retreat will be at Sunset Retreat Center on April 28, 2018.

Show & Tell-

Lynda Lindstrom - Buggy Barn – Flowers in pots,

Becky Goldsmith quilt – pinwheel

Johanna Britton – Beetle bag for Silent Auction

Liz Bushong – Swapped squares – Small quilt

Betty Matthews – Little dresses for Honduras, Baby Changing Pads

Business meeting ended at 7:29 pm

Submitted by Shelly Vatteroni, Secretary

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Community



Service

Hello fellow quilters! Hope all are enjoying these few cool days. Remember to take time to sew a kid's quilt for those in need. We only have about 12 so far to turn in this fall. Also pick up a few extra snack goodies (such as soups, cereals, tuna, mac and cheese, peanut butter) for our school kids at home and bring them to the meeting.

Thanks, Betty M- Community Service

PLACEMAT PROJECT FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

Thank you to those who have already made placemats for the Meals on Wheels project. The recipients truly appreciate the special touch you add to their holiday and beyond. Last year we donated 87 placemats!!

The placemats are approximately 14"x19". Any similar size is fine. Some thoughts:

- You don't have to use Christmas fabric, but you can. Some fabric is available from Lorraine or Betty. This is a great way to use scraps.
- Consider quilting as you go – at least the top to the batting. This is great for strips or center theme fabric surrounded by accents.
- I like to use warm and natural batting if quilting as I go, but other batting is fine if not too thick. I will have some batting precut at the June meeting for you to take.
- "Birth" the placemat by sewing the top and bottom (batting between), leaving a small section for turning it right side out. Finish the opening and stitch around the edge to secure.
- If you prefer doing a binding, consider doing it on the machine to save time.
- Have fun! These become addictive and are a great in-between project to whip up.

Sharing your talent with the community is so appreciated! I wish you all could be with me when I deliver them to Meals on Wheels to see the smiles and excitement!

Lorraine

**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?**

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

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- 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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