

# Allen Quilters' Guild Newsletter

November 2024

## 2024 AQG Officers & Committee Chairs

President: Spring W.  
1<sup>st</sup> VP Programs: Kay S. & Pam H.  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP Membership: Alice G.  
3<sup>rd</sup> VP Communications: Elaine R.  
4<sup>th</sup> VP Community Service: Megan T.  
& Debra MR  
5<sup>th</sup> VP Ways & Means: Janice S.  
Secretary: Shelly V.  
Treasurer: Colleen C.  
Newsletter: Elaine R.  
Raffle Quilt Road trip: Lorraine M.  
BOM: Roxy G.  
QOV: Elaine R.

## From the President...

November is here! With the crisp air, falling leaves, and turning of the season, it is time to reflect, be thankful for all that we have, honor our military veterans, spend time with loved ones, and eat lots of yummy food! I, for one, am very thankful for this group of quilters within the Allen Quilters Guild. Your talents, friendship, generosity, and camaraderie are second to none, and greatly appreciated.



This month we are gearing up for the holidays with a lecture and truck show from our friend, and former guild member, Gretchen Carroll. She will be showing us lots of gorgeous handmade ornaments and offering a workshop for us to learn how to make them for ourselves. You don't want to miss it!

We are also looking forward to our holiday party in December. Please see the details in this newsletter, mark the date on your calendar, and sign up to bring a food item. We are going to have a wonderful celebration together!

Have a Happy Thanksgiving, and we'll see you at this month's meeting.

Spring W.

## What to Bring to the next Meeting ...

- ✓ Raffle Tickets
- ✓ Show & Tell
- ✓ A friend

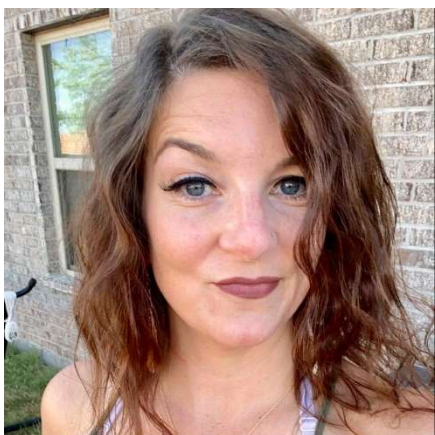
AQG General Meeting minutes will be posted each month on our website.

## Refreshments November

Roxy G.  
Kay S.  
Laura G.  
Brenda B



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## **November Speaker**

**Grethen Carroll**

**Fabric Ornaments**

**Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Blue House Too**

**Watters Creek Shopping Center**

**980 Watters Creek Blvd**

**Allen, Texas**



## **Fabric Ornament Workshop**

by Gretchen Carroll

Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>

Noon – 4:00

Kay Smith's House

216 Cedar Ridge

Wylie, Texas

(Sewing machine not required.)

Carpool: Meet at Walmart Neighborhood Market

Corner of Exchange and Angel Pkwy at 11:30

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Kit provided to make ornaments.

Sign up at November Guild meeting.

We awarded 9 veterans their Quilts of Valor on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. It was a wonderful ceremony. Thank you for your beautiful quilts and to those that attended.



The City of Allen at their Allen Veterans Program at the First Christian Church in Heritage Village awarded Laurie Thode several plaques and a beautiful painting of her father, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Lawrence Thode who was killed in Vietnam.

Our guild presented Laurie Thode a patriotic memory quilt for her father. Laurie works for the Allen Senior Recreation Center. She always has a smile and a hug!





# Allen Quilters Guild Christmas Party

December 14, 2024

NOON - 2PM  
BRENDA BROWN'S HOME  
606 TWIN CREEKS DR  
ALLEN, TX 75013  
POTLUCK, BRING A DISH



RSVP BY  
7 DECEMBER 2024



GIFT EXCHANGE: BRING WRAPPED  
GIFT, VALUE UP TO \$20



CONTACT:  
REPLY TO EMAIL OR TEXT/CALL  
KAY SMITH (214)620-5226 OR  
PAM HALLMAN (214)212-2935

*See you there!*



## 2025 AQG Board

President - Debra MR.  
1st VP Programs - Pam H. & Kay S.  
2nd VP Membership - Spring W.  
3rd VP Communications - Jana M.  
4th VP Community Service - Janice S.  
5th VP Ways and Means - Deb M.  
Treasurer - Yvonne B.  
Secretary - Colleen C.

Non-board positions:

Newsletter - Roxy G.  
Website - Jana M.  
Donation Quilt Promotion - Lorraine M.  
Quilt of Valor - Elaine R.  
Retreats and Road trips- Elaine R.

Other non-board positions will be filled at a later date as needed and determined by the 2025 Board of Directors.

## Allen Quilters' Guild – Membership

- **Membership – 34 members**
- **18 attended in October**
- **4 guests**
- **2024 Directory:**
  - **Attached is the updated 2024 Directory.**
  - **You can print it out on your home printer. If you need it printed, let a board member know and we'll print it for you.**
- **Contact Alice G. at 972-979-2235 if you have questions.**
- **Please pick up your Raffle Tickets from Colleen. This is a major source of funding for our guild. Please sell your tickets or buy them yourself!!!**



## 2024 Programs, Events & Workshops

**November 21<sup>st</sup> - Gretchen Carroll - Fabric Ornaments**

**Workshop: Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> \$25.00 Place to be determined.**

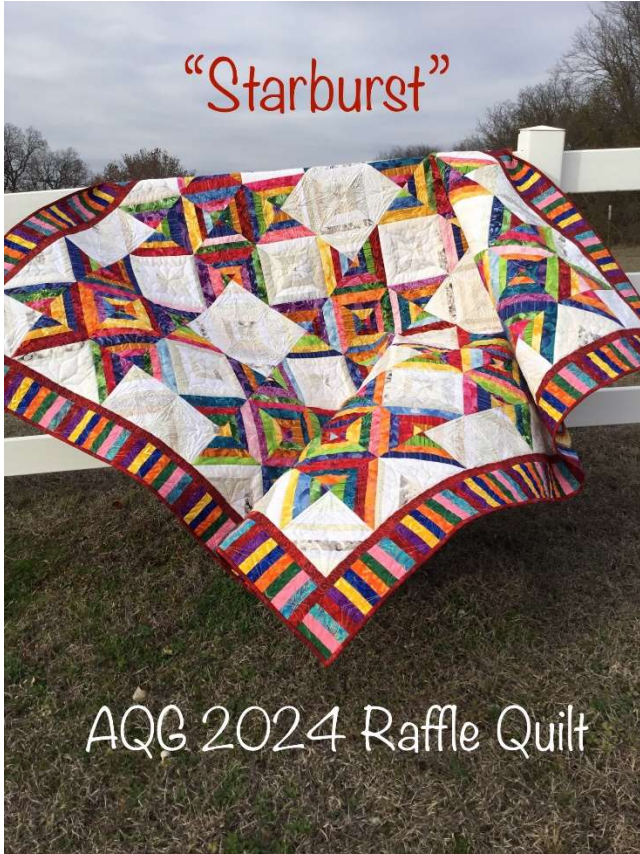
**December 14<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Lunch/Raffle Quilt Drawing**

All meetings will be held at Blue House Too at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Workshops are as noted. Signups will be available for workshops & events at each monthly meeting. Updates will be on our website at [www.allenquilters.com](http://www.allenquilters.com)

If you have questions, please email Elaine R. at [bebrice54@gmail.com](mailto:bebrice54@gmail.com).

## 2025 Programs

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| January 16 <sup>th</sup>   | January Spectacular (lots of fun things planned)         |
| February 20 <sup>th</sup>  | Linda Neal – “For the Love of Cooking”                   |
| March 20 <sup>th</sup>     | Christina Fagen – “How to Organize Your Quilt Room”      |
| April 17 <sup>th</sup>     | Sherry Worley – “Hand Dyed Fabric for Quilting”          |
| May 15 <sup>th</sup>       | Debra Atchison – “Legit Kits – Foundation Paper Piecing” |
| June 19 <sup>th</sup>      | Jill Isakson – “Traditional Paper Piecing”               |
| July 17 <sup>th</sup>      | Annual Allen Guild Picnic                                |
| August 21 <sup>st</sup>    | Quilt College  |
| September 18 <sup>th</sup> | Anne Mosher – Tamarack Quilted Jackets & Fashion Show    |
| October 16 <sup>th</sup>   | Election of Officers                                     |
| November 20 <sup>th</sup>  | Quilt of Valor Ceremony                                  |
| December 13 <sup>th</sup>  | Christmas Party & Raffle Drawing                         |



# 2024 Raffle Quilt "Starburst"

ONLY A FEW MORE WEEKS TILL THE  
DRAWING!

Ticket packets (24 tickets and a photo of the raffle quilt) are still available for those members who haven't yet picked them up. Give your family and friends the opportunity to have this quilt as their very own!

Ticket prices are \$1.00 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.00. See Colleen for your packet!

Drawing is December 14th. You can't win if you don't have a ticket in the drawing!

| Treasurer Report October 2024          |            |
|--|------------|
| Beginning                              | \$5,770.78 |
| Income                                 |            |
| Membership Dues                        | \$12.50    |
| Allen Crafter's Market                 | \$452.00   |
| 2024 Raffle Quilt                      | \$127.00   |
|  | Total      |
|  | \$591.50   |
| Expenses                               |            |
| CCR                                    | \$6.12     |
| AAA Mtg Room Rent-Sept                 | \$50.00    |
| AAA Mtg Room Rent-Oct                  | \$50.00    |
| Programs - Christmas                   | \$37.56    |
| October Speaker Fee                    | \$300.00   |
|  | Total      |
|  | \$443.68   |
| Ending                                 | \$5,918.60 |
| Cash Box                               | \$100.00   |
| Submitted: Colleen C, November 1, 2024 |            |

# Community Service News...

**By Debra & Megan**



**Charity Items will be donated to organizations this month.**

**Ladies, you have out done yourselves!**

- ✓ Bibs = 127
- ✓ Placemats = 134 + the 60+ that Lorraine has. Lorraine will take to Meals on Wheels
- ✓ Shower Bags = 57, they will be delivered to Hope's Door next week
- ✓ Pillowcases = 100+ Lynda has given most to Santa Gary, with a few more to be presented soon.
- ✓ Quilts = 33 Embrace is excited to receive them, and they will be delivered this week.

## **Crafters Market:**

This year was not as successful as 2023. This year we earned, after expenses, about \$362. The 2023 market netted \$569.

## **Survey:**

The survey results are still being tabulated at the time of this newsletter. We had 26 respondents to the survey, thank you. I was able to determine by the attendees of the meeting and the surveys returned from the mailing all but 3 members completed a survey. I cannot tell who completed what survey, just that they completed one.

The door prize winner was selected using a randomization formula in excel. The winner of a free quilting of a quilt is Lorraine Mattis. Congratulations! Contact Debra MR when you want your quilt quilted.

Thank you all for completing the survey. The information will help the board meet the needs of all of our members. The results will be shared at the November guild meeting.

Debra and Megan

# AQG Spring Retreat...

## SEW COOL RETREAT CENTER

Scurry, Texas (about 60 minutes from Allen)

April 10, 11, 12 & 13

Choose your days: 2, 3 or 4

**Only 10 spots open.** First Come First Serve

Pay your \$50 deposit to hold your space!

Click on link above and choose

**Crafty Chicks Open Retreat**

Contact Elaine at [bebrice54@gmail.com](mailto:bebrice54@gmail.com)



**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) Via e-mail

B) You download directly from our website ([www.allenquilters.org](http://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 Alice G. **Credit & Debit cards accepted.**

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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Google Group \_\_\_\_\_ New \_\_\_\_\_ Name Tag \_\_\_\_\_ Bylaws \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Small Group \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_