

Allen Quilters' Guild Newsletter

June 2025



Presidents Message



From President Debra

Memorial Day is past, so it is officially summer. This year is zooming by!

We have our first workshop this month, I hope everyone is excited as I am to make a Medallion Quilt! Remember you will need a center block for the focal point, some smaller squares. A Medallion Quilt starts with a focal point and builds borders around the center. This is a very individual quilt!

I attended the Laura Heine certification course, so I am official! The class was great fun and I can't wait to show you some of the wonderful patterns.

Don't forget to bring a project for 'show and tell.' If you are having challenges or have questions, use your fellow Guild members as resources to assist you in your journey

Don't forget to sign up for the July Picnic. Pam, Kay and I have a surprise project for you. All you need is a plain T-Shirt or dish towel. The picnic will be on Saturday July 19th!

Thank you, each and every one, for your support of the Allen Quilters Guild!

Debra



ATTENTION SPAM ALERT!!

Several members have received emails that look like they are coming from Debra Malone-Reeve asking the recipient to help with Guild operational costs by sending money via Zelle or some other means.

THIS IS NOT LEGIMATE!! DO NOT RESPOND! MARK THE EMAIL AS JUNK!

A couple of things to look at when you receive emails like this from anyone:

1. Look at the sender email. Click on the sender name and the full email address will show.
2. Our guild will never ask for money in an email! All monetary transactions must be approved by the Board and will be paid by the treasurer.
3. If in doubt, call Debra.

June Meeting with Jill Isakson

Happy Scrappy Quilting

Please join us!

June 19th 6 to 8 pm

Blue House Too

Watters Creek Shopping Center

970 Watters Creek Blvd., Allen Texas

Minutes May 15, 2025
General Membership Meeting
of the Allen Quilters' Guild

Date & Time: Thursday, May 15, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.

Location: Blue House Too Gallery, 970 Watters Creek Blvd., Allen, Texas 75013

President – Debra MR

The business meeting was called to order by Debra, President, at 6:25 p.m.

Welcome: Debra welcomed all. A special “Thank You” to all the quilters that supported the QOV sew day and attended the Allen Arts Festival (May 9-11, 2025). Also, on May 9, 2025, the Allen Arts Alliance hosted the Grand Opening Ceremony of the Blue House Too Gallery and held a live auction. Colleen, on behalf of the Allen Quilters’ Guild, donated a quilt for the auction.

Minutes: The minutes of the April General Membership meeting were included in the Guild's May newsletter. Hearing no additions or corrections to the minutes, the minutes are approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report, dated May 5, 2025, was included in the Guild's May newsletter. Hearing no questions regarding the report, the report is filed for audit.

1st VP Programs – Pam H and Kay S

Programs: The speaker for the next meeting is Jill Isakson and she will speak on the topic of “Happy Scrappy Quilts”. A signup sheet for the Medallion Quilt workshop, scheduled for June 20, 2025, was passed around. The workshop fee is \$30 and a supply list will be sent out.

The Annual Picnic will be on Saturday July 19, 2025. A signup sheet for food items, potluck style, was passed around. The complete list of programs for the remainder of the year can be found in the newsletter.

Quilts of Valor: Elaine thanked everyone that participated in the April 29, 2025, Sew-Day. At the next meeting, Elaine will have more kits available to make QOV quilts. The next Sew-Day is set for August 14, 2025. At this time, it is anticipated that 10 quilts will be awarded the Guild’s Quilt of Valor Reception, scheduled for November 6, 2025, beginning at 4:30 pm at the Allen Senior Recreation Center.

The City of Allen is holding a Memorial Day Remembrance Concert at the Senior Recreation Center. Elaine is requesting assistance in setting up a display of QOV quilts at the ASRC on the morning of the event. The concert begins at 11 am. There is no cost to attend, and the event is open to the public.

Retreats: The Fall retreat, scheduled for September 11-15, 2025, has several openings. Details in the newsletter.

Road Trips: Elaine conducted a survey of possible attendance for the trip as it occurs so close to the Fall Retreat. A signup sheet was passed around. The cost is \$112 which includes: Festival ticket and program, light breakfast, snacks and drinks, box dinner on the way home, and a tip for driver. Lunch on your own. Departure at 5 am (location to be determined) and arrival at the Convention Center at about 10 am. Return to the bus at 5 pm and arrive home at 10 pm.

Block of the Month: Spring has instructions on all the blocks posted to date. The last block, Block 16, is due to be published on May 20, 2025, and the finishing instructions will be available on May 27, 2025. Contact Spring if you want to join, she will send you the instructions that have already been sent out. There is no cost.

2nd VP Membership – Spring W

Membership: Spring reports that the Guild currently has 36 paid members. There are 19 members and 6 guests in attendance at this meeting.

Door Prizes: Spring requested a volunteer to help solicit and distribute door prizes. Door Prizes were distributed.

3rd VP Communication – Jana MB - No report.

4th VP Community Service – Janice S

Kits for quilts, bibs, placemats, shower bags, pillowcases are available. To maintain the guild's non-profit status, Janice asked members to record time spent on community service projects.

5th VP Ways and Means – Deb M

2025 Allen Arts Festival: Deb reports that ticket sales for the Raffle Quilt brought in \$430 over the 3-day event. She asked for volunteers to join the committee working on the Raffle Quilt for 2026. Currently the guild is investigating being a vendor at the St. Jude's Craft Fair in November. Deb asked for volunteers to join a committee to determine items suitable for the guild's vendor booth at the craft show.

Treasurer – Laura G - No report.

Secretary – Colleen C - No report.

Show & Tell

Break

Program: Tonight's program is Debra Atchinson with "Legit Kits". Debra has kits available for sale as well.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm

Submitted by Colleen C.



Treasurer's Report by Laura Grumbles

May 2025 Treasury Report (Actuals)			
Beginning Bank Balance			\$6,585.09
Income	2025 Membership Dues	\$ 35.00	
	Raffle Ticket Sales	\$775.00	
	Total Income		\$810.00
Expenses	Credit Card Usage Fee	\$ 9.57	
	Programs: Speaker Fees	\$350.00	
	Reimbursement	\$ 37.74	
	Total Expenses		\$397.31
Ending Bank Balance			\$6,997.78
Cash Box			\$ 100.00
Submitted: Laura Grumbles 6/2/2025			

Programs by Pam H and Kay S

June Meeting and Workshop: Jill Isakson



Our June 19th guild speaker is Jill Isakson who will taking us on her quilting journey. Jill has studied under Linda Neal and Robert Larson. With her expertise in quilting, she has won many awards locally and nationally.

On the following day, June 20th, she will be teaching a workshop "Build Your own Medallion Quilt" In the workshop you will learn how to work not only without a pattern but be creating your own design. The workshop is being held at Fabric Fanatics from 12-4. The cost of the workshop is \$30.00. **There are still 4 spots open.** Call today to register!

Looking Ahead to the July 19th Picnic

Our annual guild picnic is coming up next month. We have some fun activities planned, including games with prizes. We are asking for your help by bringing a fat quarter (or two or three) to the June meeting so we can put them together for the game winners. Thank you.

Mark your calendars for all our upcoming 2025 Meetings

July 19th Allen Quilters Guild Picnic

August 21st Quilt College

September 18th Anne Mosher *Trunk Show-Tamarack Quilted Jackets*

October 16th Annual Meeting

November 6th Quilt of Valor Reception

(4:30-6:30 pm Allen Senior Recreation Center)

November 20th Elaine Rice *Quilt of Valor Program*

December 13th Christmas Party & Raffle Quilt Drawing

Membership Report by Spring Weeks



Community Service News by Janice S

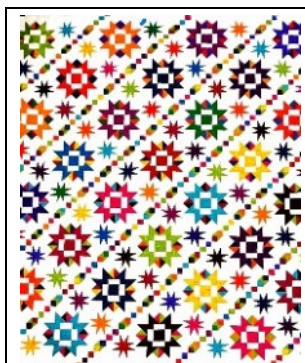
We have quilt kits with patterns, and some yardage that you can use for your own pattern. Kits for quilts, pillowcases, shower bags, placemats, and bibs are available for you to stitch. Pick your favorite kit at a meeting. We also have fabric for backing and batting for your charity quilts. If you need some, please contact me and I can arrange for you to come see it or send photos to you.

Thanks to all who have contributed so far to making charity items. I could use some help with cutting kits from the fabric we have. See me at the meeting or give me a call and I'll arrange to get it to you.

Please continue with the good work making these items so we can reach our goals.

Don't forget to keep track of your community service hours! We need to keep a record of our Community Service hours. Please either email Janice (janice@dfwair.net) with your hours or record them at the next meeting.

2025 AQG Raffle Quilt Schedule



The upcoming visits scheduled are:

Cotton Patch Quilt Guild	June 26	6:00 pm	Spring W & Colleen
McKinney Modern Quilt Guild	Sept 2	6:00 pm	Lorraine & Rachell A
Frisco Quilt Guild	Sept 23	6:00 pm	Roxy G & Debra MR
Quilters Guild of Dallas	Oct 2	7:00 pm	Tom D
Land O'Lakes Quilt Guild	Oct 13	6:00 pm	Debra MR & Lorraine M

Thank you for your support!

Sparkle pattern by Michelle Renee Hiatt www.sewonthego.net

Block of the Month 2025 ...well, sorta

2025 RBD Block Challenge Update
FINISHING!

June is the month for catching up and finishing! I have had so much fun with this quilt! When the finishing instructions came out, I got started and then could not stop. My quilt top is finished and just waiting to be quilted! Bring your progress for show and tell at the June meeting.

Go check out other ideas on the [#RBDblockchallenge | 2025 FaceBook page](https://www.facebook.com/RBDblockchallenge)

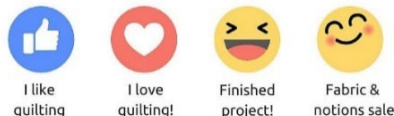
springsquiltythings@gmail.com
You can find the block patterns at:
<https://www.rileyblakedesigns.com/2025-rbd-block-challenge-patterns>



What to bring to the next meeting

- ✚ Snacks: Brandy S
- ✚ Fat Quarters for July party games
- ✚ A quilt for Show 'n Tell
- ✚ Your Block of the Month blocks
- ✚ Last Call: Quilts CA wildfire victims
- ✚ A quilting friend!

Facebook Emojis for the Quilter



A very special thanks to our officers and committee chairs for their time and contributions to the guild!

2025 Officers	2025 Committee Chairs
President: Debra M-R.,	BOM: Spring W.
1 st VP Programs: Kay S. & Pam H.	Newsletter: Roxy G.
2 nd VP Membership: Spring W.	QOV: Elaine R.
3 rd VP Communications: Jana M.	Raffle Quilt Road trip: Lorraine M.
4 th VP Community Service: Janice S.	Retreats & Road Trips: Elaine R.
5 th VP Ways & Means: Deb M.	
Secretary: Colleen C.	
Treasurer: Laura G.	



Register Today!

AQG Fall Retreat
September 11-14, 2025

Mark your calendar and sign up for our Fall Retreat. This is just for our guild. Of course, you can bring a friend. Just pay your \$50 deposit now and you will be billed for the remainder 2 weeks before we go. Refunds are available 30 days before the event.

We will be going to Sew Cool Retreat Center in Scurry, Texas. It's located 1 ½ hours from Allen. We'll carpool for those that don't want to drive. You can view the accommodations online at www.sewcoolretreat.com

Below is the link to pay deposit.
Cost: \$345.00 total (4 days, 3 nights)
Or \$295.00 total (3 days, 2 nights)
4 days or 3 days retreat (You can choose your days to come)
Deposit to secure your spot - pay \$50 [HERE](#)

DEADLINE IS JULY 19TH GUILD MEETING.
Text Elaine R. at 936.465.8229 if you need help

I've paid my deposit. Have you paid yours?



Quilt of Valor Foundation

The mission of the Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover Service Members and Veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. Please check out their website for more information for nominations, quilt patterns and ways to donate.

www.qovf.org

Quilts for California Wildfire Victims Last Call!

Heartfelt thanks to everyone who has donated quilts to the victims of this year's California wildfires. The total devastation is beyond words, the need is great, and the victims are most grateful. I will be collecting quilts at the June meeting to be taken to the organizing guild at the end of June. If you have a quilt: any size (baby to king), any color or theme, please bring it to the June meeting or contact me to arrange pick up. Again, my deepest, heartfelt thanks for all the donations and prayers, Roxy Gross

Area Quilt Shows

If you are interested in attending area quilt shows, there is a wonderful online site that lists show with all the particulars you need to know (www.quiltinghub.com). Here are some of the local shows listed:

All Roads Lead to TX Quilt Show July 11-12

Frank W Mayborn Convention Center,
3033 North 3rd Street, Temple TX

Quilt Plano 2025, August 8-9

Plano Event Center, 2000 East Spring Creek Pkwy, Plano TX

Registration for entering a quilt is open online; deadline for entry is June 12th

Sign up to volunteer for a shift at the Show and receive free entry.

<https://www.qgplano.org/quilt-show/>

Red Rivers Annual Quilt Show September 12-13

Louisiana State Fair Grounds, 3701 Hudson Ave, Shreveport LA

Deadline for entries: July 23rd

www.RedRiverQuilterShow.com

Blue Bonnet Quilt Guild Show, September 12-13

Brazos Center, 3232 Briarcrest Dr., Bryan TX

Registration for entering quilt is open, deadline July 10, 2025

www.bbquiltguild.org

International Quilt Festival Houston TX

October 9 – 12, 2025

George R Brown Convention Center, Houston TX

1001 Avenida De las Americas, Houston TX

Deadline for 2025 quilt entries has passed.



*So much fabric, so little time!
Every quilter has a masterpiece inside!
A bed without a quilt is like a sky without stars!
Quilts are like friends, a great source of comfort!*

Allen Quilters' Guild Membership Application

Date: _____

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? _____

Birthday (month and day only): _____

Small groups 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

You can download the guild bylaws at <http://allenquilters.org/contact/>.

You will be receiving the Allen Quilters' Guild Newsletter in your email and you may also download directly from our website www.allenquilters.org.

Is it ok to publish your information in the Quilt Guild Directory. Yes or No

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 our current VP of Membership.

Membership dues are \$35.00 for adults and ½ price for juniors (children 10 to 17 accompanied by an adult member) and paid annually in January.



Google Groups _____ New _____ Name Tag _____ Bylaws _____
B-day _____ Small Group _____ Newsletter _____ Check# _____