

## Merry Christmas/Happy Holidays

It's December already! All the sparkly lights are up, the yule logs are alight, Christmas tree lots are bustling and all the stores smell like cinnamon and hot chocolate. That also means it's time for our annual Denton Quilt Guild Christmas Dinner and Holiday Party!

As always, the guild will provide the Ham and Turkey, and all of us are invited to bring our favorite side dish or dessert.

Our Denton Guild members are looking forward to a fun evening with all you talented quilters, cooks, and bakers at our Christmas dinner. Savory or sweet, everything is welcome!

Tina and I are asking all to *please RSVP and post what tasty dish* or dessert you're bringing to the party. There is a post on the guild <u>facebook page</u> about the dinner where you can comment with your dish, or you can email <u>DQGSnackBldgMgr@gmail.com</u>.

Just an fyi. One year we had 16 trays of delicious different deviled eggs. We are trying to have a variety of side dishes to go with our Ham and Turkey and delicious desserts to go along with our very brief meeting. Be creative! Try out a new recipe or two!

Your Snack Table Hostesses, Tina and Maryellen

### Don't Forget Dale!

We will have a gift box by the desserts for a monetary donation for our sweet custodian Dale, who takes such good care of setting up and taking down our meeting chairs and tables before and after every one of our meetings all year.

**Dec 2024** 



#### Program

# **DQG Holiday Party**Bring Your Cheer!

Tuesday, December 17, 2024 Patterson-Appleton Arts Center

#### NO REGULAR SNACK TABLE

Everybody Contributes! (See article for details)

#### **Facebook Group**

#### DentonQuiltGuild.org

#### **December Birthdays**

Ruth L	2
Barbara A	3
Terri V	6
Belva G	7
Martha C	7
Cherry S	8
Tina H	11
Lynn S	17
Sandy B	17
Bonnie B	27
Doris S	30
Virginia S	31

## Charity Support — 2024 Donation Initiatives

**Our Daily Bread** is near and dear to many of our members' hearts. Many of our guild members spend time helping this wonderful Denton institution provide food, shelter and all kinds of other assistance to the most needy of our Denton area residents. Providing 1100+ loads of laundry a month, 700+ meals a day, and sheltering 200+ people each night, almost every basic human need is met here.



Each year at our Christmas dinner, we sponsor a guild donation drive for their most needed supplies. This year, their requests are for personal size hygiene items (disposable shavers and hotel-size soap bars), and (new) underwear (most urgent need is for men's boxer briefs—the knit kind—in the big and tall sizes—XL and up.)

These or any similar items would be such a blessing for those who truly have the least.

**Longmeadow Health Care Nursing Home** in Justin is one of our wonderful Christmas stocking recipient organizations. (105 this year! Thanks Belva and Barbara!)

Mary M and Terrie F are collecting **little gifts** to go with those stockings—games, adult coloring books, crayons or markers, lotions, art kits, puzzles, word search books, shampoo & conditioner, shower gel or body wash,



socks, *new* stuffed animals (mid-size to cuddle), sweatshirts & pants (in sizes 1x-3x) for men & women, toothbrushes & toothpaste, winter hats & gloves—anything like this can help this holiday be a little brighter for the residents. Thank you so much!

**LovePacs** is also one of the guild's continuing outreach partners. They provide critical food boxes for Denton area school kids (from every DISD school) who face food insecurity when school is on a break. This year's targets for Denton LovePacs: 1,000 food boxes for the Thanksgiving break and 2,000 for the Christmas break just 3 weeks later.



Our LovePacs initiative this year includes **Mac & Cheese**. Boxed product is great, any brand. If you can, pick up a few boxes and bring them to the party. Barbara Angel will collect them.

THANK YOU for your ongoing support. You do make a difference.

## Coming in January: We need you!

It's **ALL ABOUT US!** In January, we're doing something new and different for the program. We've had so many new people join, and we have so many different groups and bees, we thought it would be wonderful to showcase all the different communities within our guild. To do that, we need your help!

We'd like to focus on all the great things the guild offers to our members. We'd like the leaders of our programs, projects and bees to do a five minute presentation about their plans for 2025. The bees will present info about what you do and where you meet.

I would like for each Program or Project to take about five minutes to share their plans for 2025. For example, what does your program or project consist of, what does it do for either the guild or the community, when do you meet, who could a member contact if they wanted to become a part of your project? If you have a goal of reaching "X" number of Christmas stockings, or "X" number of quilts for various community projects, what are they and how can the membership of the guild help you to reach your goals? I would like to have at least one picture of your group to have on the big screen.

For our Bees, I would like a representative from each Bee to talk about where and when you meet and if you simply work on individual projects or have a group project. I would love to have at least one picture from each Bee.

I would also like to have a "fellowship" time afterwards so that any of our new members can have time to talk to you about joining your group, project or bee.

As January is a somewhat "iffy" weather month this program can easily be converted into the newsletter should we need to cancel the meeting.

Please **let me know** if you will be able to participate in this program with a speaker and some kind of visual display and/or a picture representing your group. If I have left someone off this list please let me know so that I can communicate with them.

Thank you ALL for your participation and I hope that everyone can see all the good work our guild will be doing in 2025 and especially how our newer members can become more involved in our guild.

Nonie Phillips
Program Chair
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### Silver Thimble Award Nomination

#### Please submit by Dec 31 to Marilyn McM or Claudia K

#### 2024 SILVER THIMBLE AWARD





Each year we present the Silver Thimble Award to a member exemplifying and contributing to the success of our community of Quilters.

Please use this form to nominate the member you believe best meets the attached criteria. You may send the form to: <a href="President@DentonQuiltGuild.org">President@DentonQuiltGuild.org</a>, or mail it to Claudia Kopel (address in the Guild Directory), or give it to the President at a monthly meeting. They must be received by January 2, to be included in the vote. Previous recipients are not eligible and are listed below.

Previous recipients (ineligible): Glenda Dilbeck, Grace Johnson, Carole Normile, Mary Martin, Teresa Sherling, Jan James, Tonya Littmann, Carla Hamm, Barb McGraw, Jean Goodfriend, Marie Mitchell, Mary Haler, Sher Harnish, Gloria Jackson, Carolyn Britain, Barbara Angel, Belva Gibson, Kathleen Francis, Sherry Denton, Marilyn McWilliams, Fran Dornan, Claudia Kopel, Deb Repp

Nominee	:	_					
Why you nominated this person:							
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	Your Name:						

# November Meeting Photos—Surplus Sale (1)

























# November Meeting Photos—Surplus Sale (2)



# November Meeting Photos—Surplus Sale (3)





















### Denton Quilt Guild – Community Outreach Overview/Quilt Size Chart – Sept 2024

Outreach	Agencies	Recipients	Approx Sizes	Recipients; Other
Bees				notes
Kid Kwilts Bee  KK also organizes the Annual KK Challenge & yearly Guild Initiative.	Woman to Woman Pregnancy Resource Center	Newborns	36x44" min up to 40x50"	Mothers completing health, childbirth and parenting classes are given a layette set which includes one of our quilts.
	Community Partners of Denton County (CPDC maintains CPS Rainbow Rooms in Denton, Lewisville and Carrolton)	1-12 yo	40x50" min up to 55x60"	Comfort quilts for those children first going into foster care.
	Cumberland Presbyterian Children and Youth Services	12-18 yo Teens	Min 50x70 up to 60x72". Twin size if possible can be up to 70x90	Longer term residential programs for older children, sometimes with families and single parents.
	National Adoption Day Nation-wide, annual event in Nov.	1-18 yo	All sizes needed.  We set aside 35-40.	Most adoptees are 2-10 years old, with a few tweens and teens. Equal distribution of boys and girls.
	Nursing homes & hospice agencies, Hearts for Homes	Elders	40-45" square Lap quilts mostly Larger twins go to H4H.	Any larger get caught in wheelchairs. H4H supports low income, struggling elderly.
	Graduating Seniors in CPS  Due in late March each year.	Late teens	Min 50x70 Max 65x80 ish	Teens in foster care who are graduating high school. Gender neutral colors and fabrics a must.
	Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Denton Chapter (this is a nation-wide organ.)	3-17	Min 50x70 up to 60x72	SHP makes twin beds for needy youth without their own bed
CASA Bee	Court Appointed Special Advocate caseworkers	1-18 yo, mostly 6- 12yo	All sizes, see above	For other adoptions occurring throughout the year.
Quilts of Valor Bees	Red-White-Blue Bee (also Vet Court) Lone Star Broads Bee  (Our two Bees are recognized as official QOV providers by the	Military Veterans, all branches	Recommend size 60x80 * (*Min 55x65 Max 72x90*)	*The QOV Foundation has specific guidelines and sizes. Please go to their website for more details.  https://www.qovf.org Quilts do not have to be
Sizes are approx	national QOV Foundation.)  c, except for QOV. Community Out	reach will gladly	accept and distribute ar	red-white-blue, though many vets delight in this.  ny quilts you have to donate.