



## Denton Quilt Guild — In the News

Our own Barbara Angel, representing our guild's Red, White and Blue QOV Bee, was recently profiled in the newsletter published by the office of Denton County Judge Andy Eads:

["Denton County news & updates"](#)



During Denton County Commissioners Court, Barbara led the presentation of a proclamation recognizing June 12 as Texas Women Veterans Day. Ten women veterans were given Quilts of Valor quilts, and welcomed home with gratitude as they were wrapped in the quilts.

Barbara shared details about the Red, White and Blue Bee, and the Quilts of Valor organization. The Red, White and Blue Bee meets twice monthly at Green Valley School, 6900 FM 2153 in Aubrey. If you'd like to know more about this group, don't hesitate to contact Barbara.



June, 2024



### Program

**Dorene Joyce**

**"Joy in the Journey – Get Your Creative Hat On!"**

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

6:30 PM social hour, 7 PM meeting  
Patterson-Appleton Arts Center

[Facebook Group](#)

[DentonQuiltGuild.org](#)

### June Birthdays

Claudia K	June 6
Jody S	June 6
Sheila C	June 7
Becky J	June 11
Fran D	June 12
Angelia C	June 13
Marilyn M	June 14
Beth B	June 15
Paula S	June 16
Emanda J	June 18
Mary M	June 22
Kristin R	June 25
Sharon W	June 26
Debbie A	June 29
Patricia C	June 30

# June Guild Meeting—Program

Meeting: Tuesday, June 18, 6:30 — 9 PM

Programs, Nonie Phillips

## Dorene Joyce

“Joy in the Journey – Get Your Creative Hat On!”

Quilting has brought me much joy in the journey. In this program I share quilts from my trunk show and talk about finding my Artistic Voice in quilting.

I will share tips and techniques that work well for me, and also some that did not work so well. I'll discuss methods and materials to help the audience understand why I use certain products and methods in my art quilts.

The talk will center around learning & growing as a quilter no matter what your favorite type and will encourage quilters to let go of their fears and try a little creativity! Inspire all your quilting!



## Bring to the Meeting

- \* Library books to return and exchange for new books
- \* Sweater or jacket because the air conditioning gets chilly
- \* Completed Kid Kwilts or other outreach projects
- \* Your unwanted sewing-related items for the free table
- \* Snacks if you are on the snack list
- \* Show & Tell items
- \* Checkbook or credit card to sign up for future events



# Guild Bee Profile: Lone Star Broads QOV

From Sherry Boyd Neu



The Lone Star Broads QOV Guild Bee consists of five full time members: Debbie Coates, Prissy Roberson, Nancy Enders, Ellen Taliaferro, and me, Sherry Boyd Neu. We are blessed the Denton Quilt Guild and guild members give us a helping hand at times with quilting, binding, piecing and fabric. Our bee meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month at my house. Most of the piecing, binding, and quilting are done at home. Come join us if you can, if not, we provide: deliveries, porch pick ups and drop offs or I'll meet you at the Sonic! LOL

Fed Ex has a veteran's program. We also do 2 presentations a year at Fed Ex Alliance night shift and Fed Ex DFW day shift.

My husband, aka Broad Dude, and I are members of the "Cruz'in Cajun" Family Motorhome Campers Association. That's a mouth full. The Lone Star Broads have presented three Quilts of Valor at the "Cruz'in Cajuns" Rallies in Louisiana.

At the May 2023 Rally, we presented a quilt to a 90 year young US Army veteran. He knew about the presentation. When his son, who is still active in the US Army, surprisingly stepped out from behind the quilt and wrapped it around his dad, everyone was teary eyed!

At the May 2024 Rally, we presented two quilts: one to a US Army veteran and another to a US Navy veteran; it was an awesome presentation.

The Lone Star Broads plan to present more quilts at next year's rally. We better get to work because there are over 150 veterans from all over the US that attend. Did you notice the name, "Cruz'in Cajuns"? Those crazy Cajun folk know how to have fun and give back. They have donated \$726 to The Lone Star Broads QOV Group #74151.

The Quilts of Valor Foundation has given over 300,000 quilts to veterans and folks, it's all done by donations. We are very blessed to wrap veterans in their Quilts of Valor.

FREEDOM IS NOT FREE



## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Annette Johnson & Kathleen Carmona

Hello fellow quilters! We had a good membership drive. Thank you to all that renewed and joined! Please look for new faces at guild meetings and get to know our new members.

We love the new way of getting the newsletter, how about you? Now that you now don't have to log in to view the newsletter, we will not be mailing out membership cards. Cards will be available at guild meetings at the Membership table. You will still need to show your card when you come to in-person guild meetings.

Happy summer-stay cool!

## SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

DOROTHY MATHES

Lots of Sunshine this month!

Sunshine: Tonya Littman and Linda Creagh have a delightful showing of their work on display at the PAAC that runs through August 3. Be sure to check it out!

Susan Mankus' family is celebrating their son's retirement after serving 23 years in the United States Marines. He entered on 9/10/01, and became a weapons specialist along with an associate degree in criminology and a masters in business management. Retired Major Stephen Mankus and his family are moving back to Texas.

## WORKSHOPS COMING SOON:

RUTH LOYD

June: **Dorene Joyce**—Undersea Creatures Collage  
Cost; \$50, including pattern **[SOLD OUT]**

July: **Sher Harnish**—Stepping Stones Dementia  
Support Group Trunk Show Methods

August: **AGF**—Alternative Gift Fair Work/Play Day

October: **Michele Markey**—Fabric Painting 101 / 102  
Cost: \$50 for 101 & \$65 for 102  
(or attend both for \$100)

## JUNE SNACK TABLE

Tina Hilton and Mary Ellen Mitchell

Deb Scott

Mana Shaw

Peter Shaw

Val Shaw

Diana Shenberger

Caroline Sherburne

Lynn Singletary

Sandra Sirignano

Nancy Smick

Cindy Smith

Vicki Smith

Jody Snider

Mary Spicer

Tanya Springer

Margi Stauver

Linda Steinhebel

Kathy Steuck

Louellen Stewart

Cherry Stoermer

Virginia Stone

Linda Szydlak

Ellen Taliaferro

Juliet Thomas

Terrie Velasquez

Kathy Visalga

Deborah Viso

Terri Vogds

Bernard Vokoun

Wendy Warner

Carla Wheeler

Vickie Whitfield

Nora Whitmire

Kathy Williams

Sharon Wilson

Laurie Wood

Jane Woods

Pat Wynn

Ann Yale

Rhonda Zamora



If your name is on the snack list, grab something yummy to bring and share!

Fancy trying a new recipe? Guild members are great guinea pigs!

Just drop off your tasty little contribution at the snack table near the kitchen, and don't forget to sign the snack contributor list on the table for a chance to win the snack table door prize—just for those who bring goodies!



## Raffle Quilt Winner—Susan Mankus

This year's raffle quilt was Elephant Walk; a very popular quilt with Kaffe fabrics. We had so many tickets, they didn't fit in the raffle drum! Our Raffle Quilt Chair, Deb Scott, improvised—with a giant Blue IKEA bag!

Dale Graham did the honors, picking lucky guild member Susan Mankus' ticket from the huge pile!

While there were quite a few of us who had just a \*teeny\* bit of envy, it was great to have one of our own members take home such a sought-after beauty, and even more fun that she was there on the night, so we all got to see her reaction and congratulate her in person.

Many, many thanks to Deb Scott for stepping up as our Raffle Quilt Committee Chair this year. Unfortunately for the guild, Deb has recently moved, so we're looking for the next Raffle Quilt Chair.

**Interested? Contact President Claudia Kopel!**



## CALLING ALL QUILT ANGELS!!

THANK YOU to everyone for helping to hold quilts for our speakers! We could really use your ongoing help. If you can volunteer to help hold, fold, and assist a speaker with packing up, please speak up. Sometimes there are a lot of quilts to handle; during a recent meeting there were 30! Many hands make light work, so if you can be an Angel, it would be greatly appreciated!

Please contact Nonie Phillips, Programs Chair, if you have any questions or concerns.

## TWITCH BROADCAST

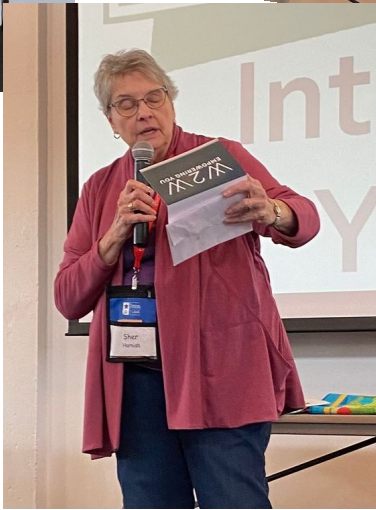
If you can't make it to a meeting, we now send out a professionally produced live video stream for you to watch online.

Much easier than Zoom, this is available on a simple website. You can access it from any browser (even on your phone or tablet). Our professional video streaming producer is the awesome Kyle Denton, and the internet service is called "Twitch." It's very similar to a live YouTube video.

Just go to: [twitch.tv/dentonquiltguild](https://twitch.tv/dentonquiltguild). Keep in mind that the Twitch stream is meant for our guild members only — please don't post the link in a public forum.



May Meeting Photos—Meeting





## May Meeting Photos—Program: Tammy Silvers





## Community Outreach — Partners in Giving — Sher Harnish

**Partners in Giving:** DQG Community Outreach maintains partnerships with several non-DQG Bees & groups who contribute through our guild with donation quilts. The Material Girls of Robson Ranch is one such hybrid group of DQG members and non-members. At least 8 of our DQG members are involved with the Material Girls of Robson Ranch and I want to acknowledge their contributions, not only to DQG but to their other causes.

Between 2023 and now, Material Girls also made 50 quilts for Seven Stars Foundation, a group that sends children of military members to YMCA camps, the closest in Ardmore, OK. Quilts also went to current military members in overseas hospitals through the American Hero Program. These soldiers have been severely wounded and will be stabilized, then sent home to military centers including Washington, California, Texas, and others. Many more quilts have gone out to individuals with mental health difficulties. Three MG quilts were pulled from the general inventory because they were ideal for individuals who had been blinded and who appreciate quilts that are very tactile due to design and quilting. In a thank you from the AHP, the program wrote that these three recipients love to share that they feel every square and stitch. The wife of one tells that her husband is going to wear his quilt out running his hands over the shapes and stitching.

A prolific group of quilters, the Material Girls supports these organizations in addition to donating finished quilts and tops to the Denton Quilt Guild. Last year, MG contributed over 200 Christmas stockings, 14 finished quilts, 21 tops and they also bound 41 quilts for DQG. Our thanks to Material Girls of Robson Ranch for their support of our Guild's Community Outreach efforts.



### Outreach Announcements

Sher Harnish

**Butterfly Challenge:** Patterns for this year's guild-wide challenge are available for pick up at Kids Bee, June 3 at Minding My Ps & Qs, at the next meeting or by contacting Prissy Roberson or Sher Harnish. Your finished butterfly wall hanging is due at the September meeting and will be displayed at Jazz Fest in October. (Instructions also in this month's newsletter)

**Slab Block Initiative:** These 12 1/2" scrappy blocks will be accepted throughout the year. Simple to make, they're a great scrap buster. Instructions on our website and in Facebook. So far the Kids Bee has assembled 5 quilt tops and we have enough slabs to make another 5 or 6. Keep those blocks coming! Drop them off at any meeting or at Kids Bee, the first Mondays at MPQs.

**Kids Bee:** This Bee is open to anyone who wants to work on donation quilts for newborns to nursing homes. We're adept at completing/modifying/combining UFOs. Meets every first Monday 10a-4p at Minding My Ps & Qs Quilt Shop. Bring your machine and lunch or snack. For Kids Bee members, the July meeting will be at Sher's house so we can make backs (you wouldn't believe the number of tops we have waiting in the wings!)

## Green Valley School Day Retreat Fund Raiser

This was so much fun, supporting the Green Valley Historical Society, and their restored schoolhouse that allows volunteers to work on Quilts of Valor.

Many thanks to everyone who pitched in to make this a successful fundraiser! We donated **\$3,679** to the Green Valley Historical School! ~ Cathy Poethke

Rumor has it a Community Ed class may even have been born!



## Culling your stash? Leaving a quilt legacy?

A Note From Sher —

Maybe it's the demographic of our guild members. Maybe it's a Spring Cleaning holdover. Or maybe it's thinking ahead and realizing there's not enough time left to finish all the projects you've set aside or use all the fabrics you've collected. Recently several guild members have asked if or how the guild could use their stash.

When you make a donation, we sort through and set aside yardage for backing or for piecing tops. Small scraps might be combined with other donations to make kits. UFOs and commercial kits are usually passed on to Kid's Bee for finishing. Orphan blocks are collected and made into wonderful scrappy quilt tops. Patriot fabrics are passed along to our two Quilts of Valor Bees. Children's fabrics and juvenile prints might go to the CASA Bee.

Every bit of your donation will be used, with most of it returned to the community through the Guild's outreach donations of finished quilts and holiday stockings. Some large items like sewing tales, machines, furniture, or specialty rulers may go to Quilter's Consignment; each quarter we get a check from QC for the items that have sold through this shop. Patterns, small tools & gadgets, kits and books generally go to the surplus sale. Our next sale is November 19-20. We'll take donations up to the week before the sale. All these bring needed funds to the Guild which pay for our meeting space and speakers, as well as community outreach projects, and help get your stash into happy new creative hands.

If you're thinking about downsizing your stash, contact Sher Harnish or Prissy Roberson in Community Outreach (their info is in your directory). Drop offs are at Sher's house, just text before you come. You can also drop items off at Minding My Ps & Qs any time during business hours. If you have too much to carry or drop off, call for a pick up. If the job seems overwhelming, we can come to you to help you sort and cull your stash. We've done this with several of our older members who report feeling relieved and satisfied that their legacy donation is being put to good use.

So if you're thinking about what happens to your stash after you're done quilting or just wanting to do a little decluttering, now's a good time to start.



# May Meeting Photos—Show and Tell (1)





## May Meeting Photos—Show and Tell (2)







## Guild Challenge

Sher Harnish

### The 2024 Butterfly Challenge

#### The Basics:

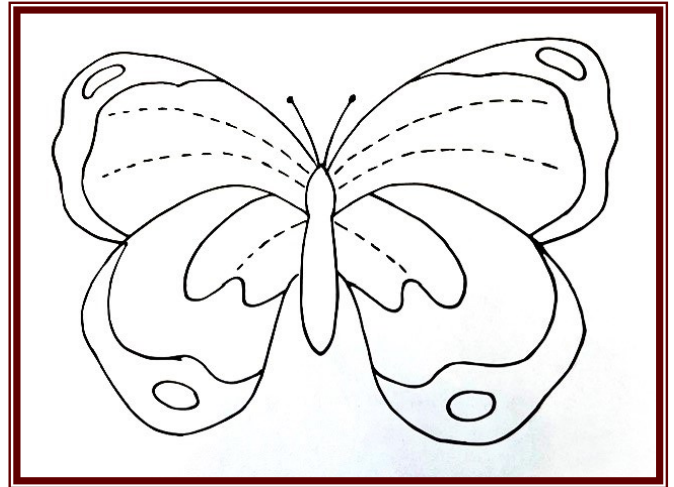
Open to all Guild members.

Due at the September 2024 meeting.

Make a 15" finished quilted block using the pattern provided as a guide.

This pattern is a starting point only; your design does not have to match this exactly. In general, try to approximate the outer borders of the overall butterfly components and wings. However, you can elongate wing tips, add or remove spots, resize or reposition wing panels, or add 3-D effects.

Your finished butterfly must fit within the 15" block and have at least a 2" margin of space around it. Bind or otherwise finish the edges. Add a 3" hanging sleeve.



#### The Details:

Use any technique, any color palate, any fabrics, any materials.....

.....appliqué, fusible, needle turned, raw-edge.....

.....fussy cut fabric for wings or spots.....

.....embroidery, thread painting, decorative stitching....

.....beading, crystals, buttons, floss or ribbon.....

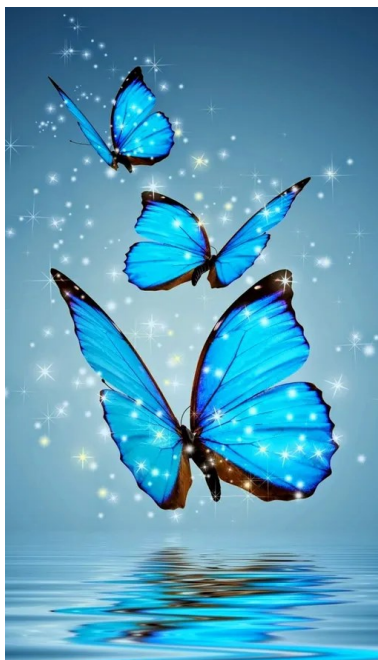
.....Piping, painting, metallic thread...

.....possibilities are endless....

Printed pattern (15 x 15) available at DQG meetings through August.

Blocks will be displayed at the Fall 2024 Jazz Fest, also at the guild's December 2024 Holiday Potluck, then returned to owner.

Questions: Sher Harnish/Donna Gregory/Prissy Roberson



## Denton Quilt Guild General Meeting Minutes, May 2024

Tuesday May 21, 2024-7:00 pm

Claudia Kopel called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm  
Ninety-one members and seven guests were present.

Tammy Eppler was introduced as the new librarian.

Tonya Littman reported that the directory would be emailed out to members tomorrow. An updated directory will be included in monthly newsletters.

Sher Harnish read a thank you note from Women to Women for the donated baby quilts.

The Guild Initiative block project has completed 4 quilts. Blocks for 4 more quilts have been donated. Directions are on the website.

The Guild Challenge was introduced. It is a butterfly mini quilt. Instructions are online. At the September meeting, completed 15 inch square mini quilts will be collected for display at the Arts and Jazz Festival. Members are encouraged to be creative with this project. Modifying the pattern is fine.

Ruth Loyd informed members of upcoming workshops. She asks that anyone signing up for a workshop online also sends her a text to ensure that everyone receives information prior to the class.

Sarah Schermerhorn reviewed the Storybook Quilts program.

Prissy Roberson showed several items donated for the Alternative Gift Fair. There will be a Sew Day in August at Boxcar to work on fair items.

Debbie Repp reported that the next Day Retreat is August 15-17 and the next overnight retreat is in November.

Nonie Phillips reviewed programs for the rest of 2024 and introduced this month's speaker.

Program—- Tammy Silvers presented "Interrogating Your Quilt".

Claudia asked for a volunteer to take over the Raffle Quilt chair position. She also invited members to join the bee that reads books and makes related blocks. Contact her for information.

Show and Tell

Raffle Quilt was won by Susan Mankus

Door Prize drawings



## Updated Community Outreach Finished Quilt Size Chart

Community Outreach	Agencies	Recipients	Approx. Sizes	Recipients/other notes
Kids' Bee (Kid Kwilts)  KK also organizes the Annual KK Challenge & our yearly Guild Initiative.	Woman to Woman Pregnancy Resource Center	New-borns	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 (CPS Rainbow Rooms in Denton, Lewisville and Carrollton)	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 years  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 Nationwide, annual event in November.	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 wheel-chairs. 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.
CASA Bee	Court Appointed Special Advocate caseworkers	1-18 yo, mostly 6-12 yo	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 national QOV Foundation.)	Military Veterans, all branches	Recommend size 60x80" *  (*Min. 55x 65" Max. 72 x 90"*)	*The QOV Foundation has specific guidelines and sizes. Please go to their website for more details. <a href="https://www.qovf.org">https://www.qovf.org</a>  Do not have to be red-white-blue, though many vets delight in this.
Sizes are approximate, except for QOV. Community Outreach will gladly accept and distribute any quilts you have to donate.				