

Denton Quilt Guild General Membership meeting minutes for June 17, 2025

Debbie called the meeting to order with at 7:00pm and welcomed everyone. 94 members were present with 8 guests, and 10 watching on twitch.

Debbie welcomed everyone to the June General Meeting.

New Business:

- Approval of the May General Meeting Minutes – Debbie.
A motion was made and seconded. Members voted to accept the motion and second. Motion carried.

- Audit of the DQG 2024-25 Budget - Kim. The 2024-25 annual budget was audited and found in excellent order. We really need to thank Kim for keeping such great track of our budget. It was noted that cash transactions must be tracked so if you pay in cash be sure that we give you a receipt. Thank you to Prissy, to Karen and to Kim.
A motion was made and seconded. Members voted to accept the motion and second. Motion carried.

- Sarah – Storybooks to Go. For those of you who are new, you may not know about Storybook quilts. I want to show you what I read on Saturday at Barnes and Noble. The bag contains two copies of the book and the quilt (Sarah shows the audience). In 2009, we received a grant of \$1000. from the Arts Council and we used the grant money to launch this program. We bought books and made quilts to read at Barnes and Noble, and they are available for other groups to check out.
The pinata quilt made in 2009 by _____ Its one of the most checked out books in our collection. We now have about 73 books in our collection so far. When you check out a project you get the bag, two books and the quilt. Libraries, day care centers and many other groups have checked them out. Our collection has been enjoyed by children’s grades K through second grade all over Denton County. We do have books for children older than that also. The titles of the collection are listed on the DQG website. There is a tab for Storybook Quilts. The quilts travel with the book. All the books that we have currently have a quilt to go with them.

- Debbie – So if you know a teacher or school librarian that would like to check a project out as them to get in touch with Sarah. These kids are so cute when they are read to and they get to touch the quilt.

- Tonya – Directory. If you were a member in April, you are in the directory and Juliet e-mailed it to everyone. If you joined after that you can find it on the website and download it from there. (Tonya demonstrated step-by-step how to find it on the website and download it). On your membership card is the user ID and password, and these are case sensitive. (Tonya explained what is in the directory section by section).

- Juliet – Survey. We currently have 55 that have responded to the survey, that’s about one quarter of our membership. I have sent out an e-mail with directions to get the survey, it’s in the newsletter and there is a link on the front page of the website. We would like to have each of you to take the survey, it isn’t a very long survey. It would really help us to know what you want from the guild.

- Prissy – I’m here for Charlene, she had to go out of town at the last minute. I’m here to talk to you about the Alternative Gift Fair in November. We need more help. I think the Christmas gifts and decorations were very popular. We sold out of almost everything on that wall at the Fair. So, we are asking for more donations of items. So, if you get the chance during the hot weather go work on the wonderful gifts that you have been good about sending to us. On Facebook I did put some ideas for the gifts. Just to kind of help you get started.
- Debbie If you can send little things like under \$10 that would be great. You know teacher gifts, or gifts like for your bunco group. Some of these little gifts sold really quickly. It’s the Alternative Gifts Fair, an alternative source for people to buy their gifts.
- Claudia – Sandra and I are busy keeping up with all of you about workshops. I’m going to talk about July and August first and then Sher is going to talk about Community Outreach.

In the July workshop will be the Bullseye project, when finished it will be 54” x 78”. It’s at Boxcar 10-3 July 16th for \$5. Bring your lunch and a drink.

In August there will be the Free Motion Quilting Bootcamp our speaker will be Frances Arnold to talk about Free Motion Quilting (FMQ) Its \$45. At Boxcar, more information to follow as it becomes available.

And thank you all for sending me birthday cards, I received more than 80! We put them everywhere while on our cruise, on the outside of our door, inside on the door on the walls, everywhere. Our Cabin Steward said he couldn’t believe I was loved that much!

- Sher – This is about Community Outreach. This year’s Guild initiative is to make Pop Stick blocks. Sher explains how you make the blocks that everyone can complete and turn in at the next meeting. These quilts are made for graduating Seniors or for _____

So far, we have enough to make two quilts. Instructions are available on our website, our Facebook page, and in the newsletter. You can make them and turn them in anytime, at a meeting, at the Kids Kwilts Bee, or wherever we are, this continues throughout the year.

- Deb/Cindy – New mentor program. Have you ever started a project and got stuck and wished you had someone that you could call for help? Or you have got in so far and thought “what have I gotten myself into?” I know I have many times... Next month we would love for you to come by the membership table and fill out a form offering help in an area in which you are proficient.
Would you be willing to mentor someone, one on one? Or maybe a small group?
Or even teach a CE class? That’s the thing that newer members would like to know. It’s always good to try something new. Like are you good at making bags, binding, cutting, or basic sewing?
- Debbie – Update on Under our wings project. We are scheduled for July 21st-24th Mon-Thu from 9-11:30 in the courthouse 2020 room. We need people to help a small group of kids with basic

sewing skills to make blocks. We are using a panel and then blocks around the panel to make a Quilt of Valor. Prissy is helping with the pattern. Prissy helps with everything. They will complete split rail blocks. The kids will need to bring their own sewing machine, if not we have some that have been donated to the guild.

- Kathleen – Programs. the July program is with Sandy Brawner and her topic will be “The Quilters Journey”. In August we have Frances Arnold, her topic will be Viewing the World Through Quilt Colored Glasses”.

Kathleen introduces the speaker for July, our very own Tonya Littmann with “Images in Cloth”. Tonya has been a member of our Denton Quilt Guild since 1988 and on the board since 1996. She is an artist and graphic designer living in Denton with her husband Jon and a lively Golden Retriever named Abby. Her art quilts reflect her love of design, fiber art, and sewing.

Tonya presented a trunk and slide show with examples of the methods she uses to create her stunning pictorial quilts.

- Members shared beautiful quilts during Show and Tell.
- Door Prizes were awarded.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.