



## 2025 - it's almost a wrap!



Somehow, we've turned the page to December—and with it, the close of another calendar year for our guild. It hardly seems possible how quickly the months have passed, but looking back, it's easy to see why: it's been a busy, creative, and truly wonderful year.

Over the past twelve months, we've learned new techniques, admired beautiful quilts, shared ideas, and spent time doing what we love most—creating together. Whether you joined every meeting or popped in when you could, each member helped shape the warm, welcoming spirit that makes our guild such a special place.

This year wasn't just about quilts (though we certainly made plenty!). It was about friendships strengthened over show-and-tell, laughter around the snack table, and the satisfaction that comes from seeing everyone's creativity flourish. From programs and workshops to community projects and retreats, a full calendar of continuing education, public appearances, quilt shows and and supportive conversations, the heart of our guild showed up again and again.

As we move into December, it feels like the perfect moment to pause and appreciate all that we've shared. Thank you to everyone who taught, organized, volunteered, encouraged, donated and participated—your time and energy are what make our guild thrive.

We'll celebrate the season together at our holiday party this month, and then turn our eyes toward a new year filled with fresh ideas, new projects, and plenty of inspiration. Until then, may your December be cozy, creative, and full of gratitude.

Here's to a great year—and to many more stitches ahead.

Dec 2025

Program



### Holiday Party

Tuesday, Dec 16, 2025  
6:30 PM social time, 7 PM meeting  
Patterson-Appleton Arts Center



[Facebook Group](#)

[DentonQuiltGuild.org](http://DentonQuiltGuild.org)

### Dec Birthdays

- 2 Ruth L
- 3 Barbara A
- 4 Isabel C
- 6 Terri V
- 7 Martha C
- 7 Belva G
- 8 Susie W
- 10 Pam L
- 11 Tina H
- 17 Lynn S
- 17 Sandy S
- 27 Bonnie B
- 31 Virginia S



# December Guild Meeting—Party

Meeting: Tuesday, Dec 16, 6:30 — 9 PM  
Programs, Kathleen Carmona

In December, we turn our program over to the fun, food and friendship of our Christmas party.

Hosted by the snack table committee, the guild provides a choice of main course - this year we're doing turkey & gravy and cheese enchiladas! Then, all of our members fill in the rest!



Our snack committee is ON TOP OF THINGS this year - they've set up an online sign-up for all of us, to make sure we have a great range of accompaniments to our turkey/gravy and cheese enchiladas. The sign-up is posted online - go have a look at what is still needed, or if you have your heart set on bringing that extra special dish you love - head to the bottom of the list, and in the "other" section, sign yourself up to bring the magic!

The sides sign-up sheet is on Sign Up Genius - just click [HERE](#)

One of our end-of-year traditions is that we collect items that are most needed by groups that help out our most needy Denton people. Our Daily Bread is one of our most common partners, and with the very cold weather this week, they are busier than ever. This year we are officially collecting

- men's underwear (especially size 3X /4X),
- women's underwear (especially size small) and
- disposable razors

If you can pick up something next time you're at the store, bring it along to the meeting, and we'll make sure it gets to the shelter.



# November 2025 General Meeting Minutes Sherrill Johnson

Debbie called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed everyone. 87 members were present with 3 guests and 12 people were watching on Twitch.

- Approval of the October General Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made and seconded. Members voted to accept the motion and second. Motion carried.

- Debbie gave an update on parking - we are looking at parking at the business next door with permission and having a new shorter meeting format.

Deb we need someone to fill the 2ND VP position. This person oversees the fundraising for the Alternative Gift Fair, raffle quilt, and silent auction. The new 2nd VP will be able to recruit other members to help.

- Alternative Gift Fair – Charlene gave an update from the Alternative Gift Fair fundraising sale that was earlier this month.

- Retreats - Dawn reported that Retreats at Boxcar for 2026 have been posted on their website.

- Community Outreach – Sher the surplus sale will be February 27th and 28th, here at the Arts Center. We need volunteers to help set up, man the booth, and to take everything down after. Your donations for the surplus sale are needed by the January meeting. We also are doing yarn bombing, so we need your extra yarn and doilies.

- December – Tina Our Holiday dinner is December 16th. She has a signup sheet for side dishes, please contact Tina to let her know what you are bringing, she’s in the directory.

- Sarah – we are collecting items for Our Daily Bread. They need Men’s underwear size 3X and 4X, Women’s underwear size small and disposable razors.

- Nonie is in for Kathleen the social lunches and the New Bee group will meet again next year. We have 10 new members that joined tonight.

- Speaker tonight introduction – Tonya Littman  
Linda Creagh Presented the program. “With a little help from my friends”

- Members shared beautiful quilts and other items during Show and Tell.

- Door Prizes were awarded.

- Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.



Meeting minutes by Sherrill Johnson DQG Secretary.

# Outreach - 2025 Donations Totals

## Sher Harnish

2025 Community Outreach Donation totals: with all the counting complete, we've blown past Sher's goal of 550 quilts donated in 2025 with actuals coming in with **859**:

Kid Kwilts (#s are for Quilts only)	
CPS Rainbow Rooms (plus 48 pillowcases)	222
Cumberland Youth & Children Svc	7
Graduating Seniors in Foster Care	25
Woman to Woman (plus 17 flannel blankets)	48
National Adoption Day	28
Nursing Homes/Assisted Care	98
Hearts for Homes (plus 24 pillowcases)	15
Sleep in Heavenly Peace	68
CASA Bee (Foster Care/Spec Ed/Schools, plus 51 bibs)	226
QOV – Red White Blue Bee	82
QOV – Lone Star Broads	40
<b>Total Quilts Donated in 2025</b>	<b>859</b>

Other DQG Donations	
Christmas Stockings	1,405
Pillowcases	72
Bibs	51
Queen Sized Finished Quilt - Raffle For Hearts and Homes	1

Robson Ranch Material Girls (Many DQG members are also members)	
Completed Quilts to DQG	139
Quilt Tops to DQG	28
Tops for other charities	10
Twin Tops to Foster Care program at Fellowship of the Parks Church	45
Bundles for Babies Program	
Quilts	95
Receiving Blankets	95
Burp Cloths	245
Bibs	10
Afghans	8
Quilts to Kerrville	41
Quilts to Bee Hive Long Term Care	20
Christmas Quilts to Others	10

Congratulations are in order! DQG is a prolific guild with a generous giving spirit. When we include all the DQG donation Bees plus the ancillary groups that contribute through us, we consistently surpass our goals. Each Bee or group has a dedicated team of designers, piecers, toppers, quilters, and binders who keep the donation quilts coming. For all of those who contributed to our Community Outreach efforts in 2025, we offer our heartfelt thanks on behalf of the recipients; thanks from the newborns and toddlers, the big and little children, the teens and youth, the elders, and the families of each. Your generosity is noticed and well received.

Just FYI, for those who like to track such data, here's our totals for the past few years.

2021 - 902 (Statistical outlier. COVID year, we were all at home quilting!)

2022 - 606

2023 - 699

2024 - 738

2025 - 859



# DENTON QUILT GUILD

## Surplus Sale

**Friday, Feb 27, 2026** - 12 p.m. - 7 p.m. Best Selection!

**Saturday, Feb 28, 2026** - 12 p.m. - 7 p.m. Best Prices!

**Location:** Patterson Appleton Arts Center  
400 E Hickory, Denton, Texas 76201

**Pricing:** All fabrics (yardage, panels and FQs), thread and notions, embellishments and trims are \$6/pound. (Approx. 4 yards fabric or 20 FQs per pound)

**Books:** hardback \$1; soft bound \$.50; magazines 5/\$1

**Some items may be individually priced:** whole BOM kits, storage furniture, lights, used sewing machines, etc.

***Bring your own totes to carry stuff away.***

Cash, check or charge accepted.

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## Outreach - Upcoming Events

### Sher Harnish



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Sher is looking for old dollies, crocheted tablecloths, scrap yarn, unfinished knit or crocheted UFOs, etc that can be lashed together to make the sleeves for the trees. The dollies and tablecloths will be dyed to provide a suitable color palette. If you have items to donate, bring them to any DQG meeting or give Sher a call.

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## Silver Thimble Award Nominations Due!

At the end of each year, we take nominations from all the members of the guild to award one of our outstanding members our highest award - the Silver Thimble. Given to a guild member who exemplifies and contributes to the success of our community of quilters.

Nomination forms are below, **and will also be available at the holiday party**, along with a silver drop box for them. Forms can also be emailed to President Debbie N.

Previous recipients: 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 & Debbie Repp.

# 2025 Silver Thimble Award Nomination



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

Please use this form to nominate the member you believe best meets that description.

Turn in the form at the holiday party (there will be a Silver DropBox) or send it to our guild president - Debbie N. Attach it to an email, just type the information into an email, or even print it out and mail it to her (contact info in the directory.)

Please return before January 2 in order to be included in the process.

Previous recipients are not eligible and are listed below.

Your Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Why you nominated this person: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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# November Meeting Photos

Emanda Johnson

Photos can be found here: [November 2025 Photos](#)









Fused commercial and handdyed fabric

Hand cut tree line

Hand painted background

Makerspace laser cut trees with laminated fabric





## Weaving

- Working with master weaver Gloria Haefner-Gatti
  - Corduroy
  - Greek Key
- Choosing weaving yarns to go with retreat fabrics
  - Green jacket
  - Wave jacket
- Shawls and scarves
- Dyeing yarn for ikat



## Garments and Quilts I Love to Create Techniques and References and Hints

- Dharma Trading Company [www.dtrading.com](http://www.dtrading.com)
- Paula Burch-chemistry [www.pburch.net/dyeing/](http://www.pburch.net/dyeing/); All About Hand Dyeing
- Ann Johnston-low immersion dyeing YouTube; <https://annjohnston.net>
- Debbie Maddey-indigo [debbiemaddy.com](http://debbiemaddy.com)
- Diane Fraklin- process Dyeing Alchemy
- Discharge-Judith Content [www.ludithcontent.com](http://www.ludithcontent.com)
- Weaving [www.laketrailstudio.com](http://www.laketrailstudio.com)
- Shibori
- Ice dyeing
- Quilting guilds and workshops
- Weaving guilds and workshops



