



A Patchwork of Halloween

As the days grow shorter and the evenings take on that slight October chill, many quilters find themselves reaching for the warm colors of fall—burnt orange, golden yellow, deep plum, and midnight black. There's something about Halloween that seems made for quilting: playful patterns, rich textures, and just a touch of mischief.

Some of us like to piece together cheerful pumpkins, friendly ghosts, and smiling black cats. Others lean toward more elegant projects—subtle autumn leaves, moonlit bats, or a classic log cabin done in Halloween hues. Whether spooky or sweet, these seasonal quilts seem to glow under lamplight, perfect for draping over a porch swing or for cuddling under while watching old monster movies and munching popcorn balls.

Halloween quilting is also a great excuse to use up those odd scraps you couldn't part with. A little triangle of orange here, a glint of silver there—it all comes together into a celebration of creativity and community.

So if you haven't already, pull out those pumpkin fabrics and start stitching! When the trick-or-treaters come knocking, your house will be the one glowing—not just with jack-o'-lanterns, but with the warmth of handmade magic.

For a little pumpkin-y inspiration, Missouri Star Quilt Co's Jenny Doan has a fun tutorial for you to check out:

[Peek-A-Boo Pumpkin](#)



Oct 2025
Program



Sharon and Loren
Wilhelm - Quilt Ideas

Tuesday, Oct 21, 2025
6:30 PM social time, 7 PM meeting
Patterson-Appleton Arts Center

[Facebook Group](#)

DentonQuiltGuild.org

Oct Birthdays

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| 1 | ElizaBeth H |
| 4 | Cynthia G |
| 4 | Andrea L |
| 5 | Donna I |
| 6 | Elizabeth M |
| 6 | Lynn N |
| 8 | Nora W |
| 11 | Karen C |
| 12 | Marilyn G |
| 14 | Carla H |
| 14 | Margi S |
| 15 | Donna G |
| 16 | Prissy R |
| 17 | Donna M |
| 26 | Jean Ellen R |
| 28 | Carolyn D |
| 30 | Sherry N |
| 30 | Ellen T |

October Guild Meeting—Program

Meeting: Tuesday, Oct 21, 6:30 — 9 PM
Programs, Kathleen Carmona

Sharon and Loren Wilhelm Partners in life, business and quilting



Sharon is an award-winning quilter, teacher and entrepreneur, successfully running Country Collectibles and Sharon's Quilt Depot retail stores. After retiring from the retail business, Sharon became the co-owner of Quilt Ideas with her husband Loren.

Sharon runs the Quilt Ideas pattern division and designs the blocks of the month, single patterns, punch needle, embroidery patterns and coloring on fabric.

Loren is and has been a quilter for many years. He makes all kinds of large quilts, but is most famous for his unique, original-designed miniatures. Loren is a poet extraordinaire - Name an item or two, and in 20 minutes, he can read you a five-stanza poem with a great finale. Loren has a beautiful voice and was in radio production for 20+ years (KBOX/KMEZ Dave O'Brien), and he is a large job concrete estimator. Loren is the co-owner of Quilt Ideas as a pattern designer. He custom designs and creates the quilt ideas woodwork line, and is the manufacturer of the Quilt Hangers and Accessories division.

Bring to the Meeting

- Library books to return /exchange for new books
- Sweater or jacket (the air conditioning gets chilly!)
- Your awesome Show & Tell items
- If you can, try CARPOOLING!
- Completed outreach projects
- Checkbook or credit card for event registration
- Unwanted sewing-related items for the free table

September 2025 General Meeting Minutes

Sherrill Johnson

Debbie called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed everyone. 89 members were present with 10 guests Twitch was not available.

- Approval of the August General Meeting Minutes.

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

Our October meeting is on the 21st and most of the board members will be out of town however we have temporary replacements for just about everyone for this meeting.

Updates

- Membership – Deb Viso / Cindy Bickhaus

We now have 240 members

We have been talking about having a junior membership for the 10–16-year-old generation (a parent should attend with the junior member for all guild events or meetings). We are looking for a committee to do research on this and to offer some type of discount to college students too. The committee would work with membership, please sign up with Deb or Cindy, we need you!

Ruler loan program

We want to setup a “loan program for rulers” that has been requested by members. Rulers can be loaned out to members who need them and then returned. So, if you have quilting rulers you would like to offer in the loan program, please contact Deb.

We are building a database of Mentors willing to share skills one on one or to a group of other members. If you have skills and can mentor others, please contact Deb or Cindy for the form.

- Alternative Gift Fair – Charlene Morrison

I am moving and we will need a new volunteer to take my place as 2nd Vice President in charge of fundraising. Charlene showed several items for ideas of items to make.

We are still collecting items and have had two successful sew days creating items for the fair, the next sew day will be on October 1st at Green Valley Historical School. We also need volunteers for pricing the items on October 8th and helping during the fair November 7-9th. We really appreciate everyone that has helped so far by sending finished items, sewing items at home and during the sew days. This is one of the ways we raise funds to buy the things needed for all that we do in our community.

- New Bee – Nonie Phillips

I host a New Bee each Sunday after our general meeting at my home from 2-4. These meetings are informal and allow new members and other members to learn more about our guild while working on their own projects or just visiting.

- Community Outreach – Prissy Roberson (filling in for Sher Hsrnish)

Reminder Jazz Fest is October 3-5, and our “Whimsical Portrait’s” will be displayed during the event. These were due tonight, but you can get them to Sher this week. Rod pockets are not needed; we use magnets.

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Large Garage Sale - Gloria couldn't take everything to Denton Village! Friday-Saturday/Oct 17-18 9a-4p both days 607 Mimosa Dr, Denton (Sher's place in northwest Denton, near Northlakes Park and the old Good Samaritan Village) \$6. A pound.

Our guild has 440 finished quilts and will reach our new goal and then some most likely. We also have 18 finished quilts for graduating seniors.

Prissy thanked those that have submitted this year's challenge block tonight.

- Snack/Building Mgrs.- Maryellen M and Tina H

We need volunteers to help set up the building and then put things away after for our Christmas party in December .

- Social Luncheon – Kathleen C

The Tuesday after the general meeting we will have a social lunch at the Greenhouse Restaurant at 1:00pm. Please RSVP to Kathleen if you are attending so that we can get a table and room to accommodate us.

- Christmas Stockings – Belva G

Thank you to everyone for helping to make Christmas Stockings so far we have 1600 not counting the ones turned in tonight.

- Workshops – Claudia Kand Sandra S

For tomorrow's workshop at Boxcar in Aubrey bring your cut fabrics from the furnished supply list (I have more printed out if you need one.) We will complete 3 or 4 blocks for the "New York Beauty" quilt exclusive to Linda Hahn's workshop. If you have not signed up, you can do that tonight.

- October 22nd Sharon Wilhelm will be showing her color technique, setting color and then adding embroidery. This is part of her seasonal series "Barn Quilt Trails the Fall Block". Sharon's husband will be there too, and he brings some unique tools he has made for quilters to purchase.

- Tonight's Program - Kathleen introduces the speaker, Linda Hahn

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

- Door Prizes were awarded.

- Meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Meeting minutes by Sherrill Johnson DQG Secretary.



Continuing Education - Fall Schedule

Karen Crozier

1st Sat of most months at [Minding my Ps & Qs](#), our DQG Continuing Education classes are \$5 each.

Sign up at guild meetings or by email to Karen Crozier (see directory)
Supply lists are emailed to those who sign up.

Nov 1 Watercolor Painting - Sandy Brawner

*NOTE - last month newsletter date was incorrect -
Watercolor Painting will be **November 1st.***

Dec 6 Fun Christmas Decoration - Sandy Brawner --->



Storybooks and Quilts to Go

Sarah Schermerhorn



Our guild has been asked to participate again this year at the RSVP health expo at the Denton mall. Our connection to this group has been through the Rockin' Readers who use the Storybook quilts and books for their reading assignments.

If anyone is interested in joining me this year, it is from 10 am-1pm on Friday, October 24. It is always a fun event and a great way for our guild to show who we are and what we do in our community.

Twitch Broadcast

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

Much easier than Zoom, this is available on a simple website you can access 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. Remember that the Twitch stream is meant for our guild members only — please don't post the link in a public forum.

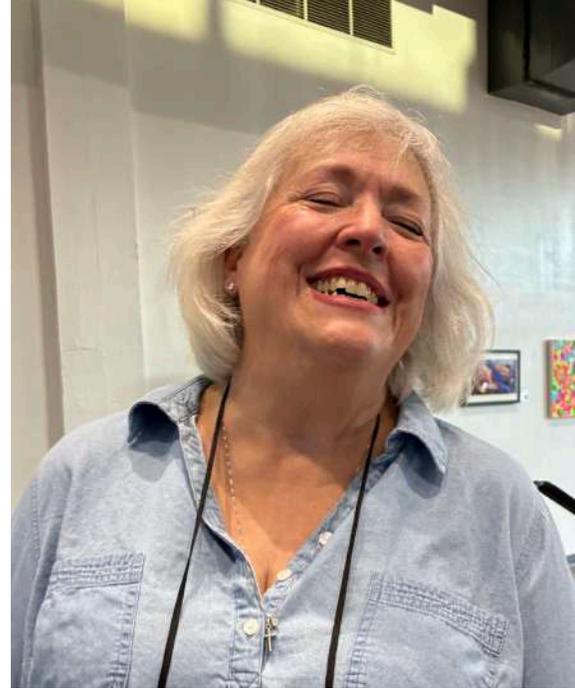
September Meeting Photos

Emanda Johnson

More photos can be found here: [September 2025 Photos](#)











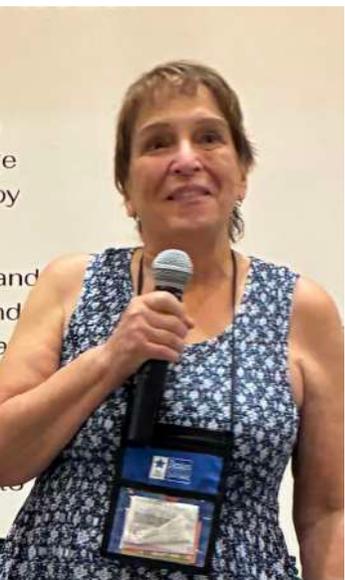






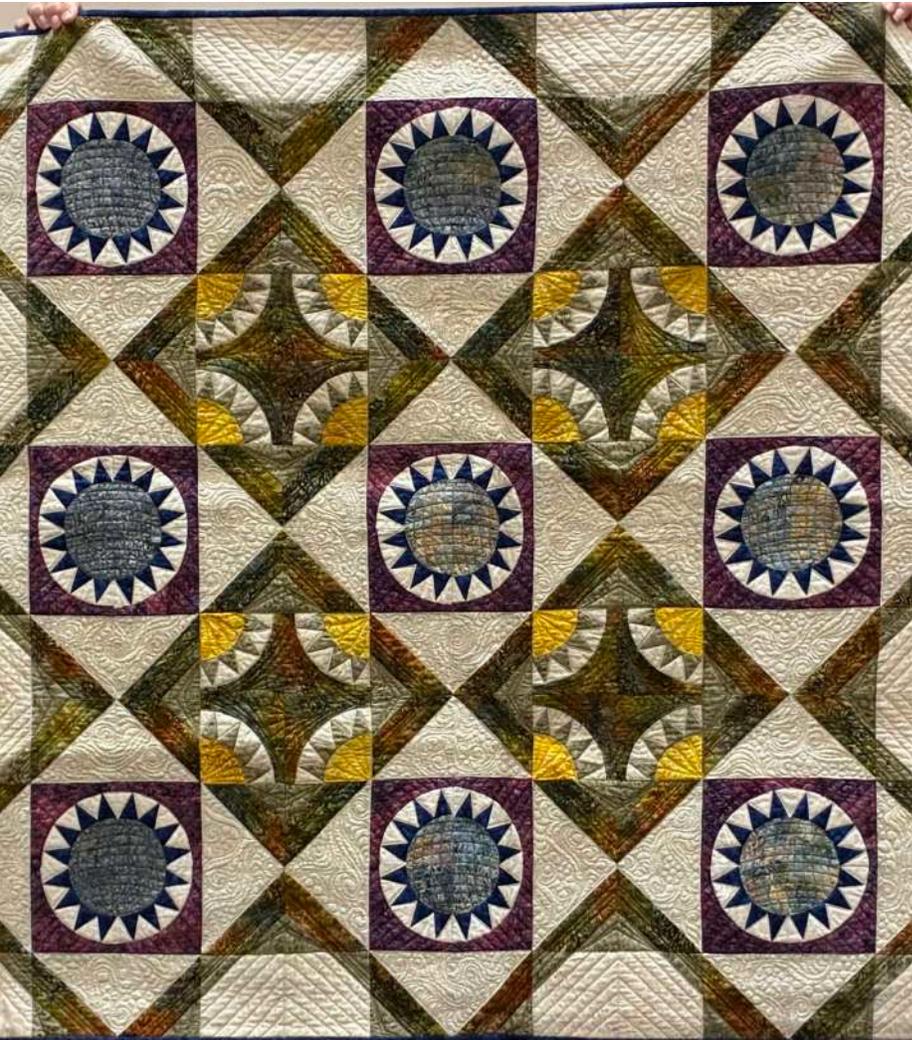
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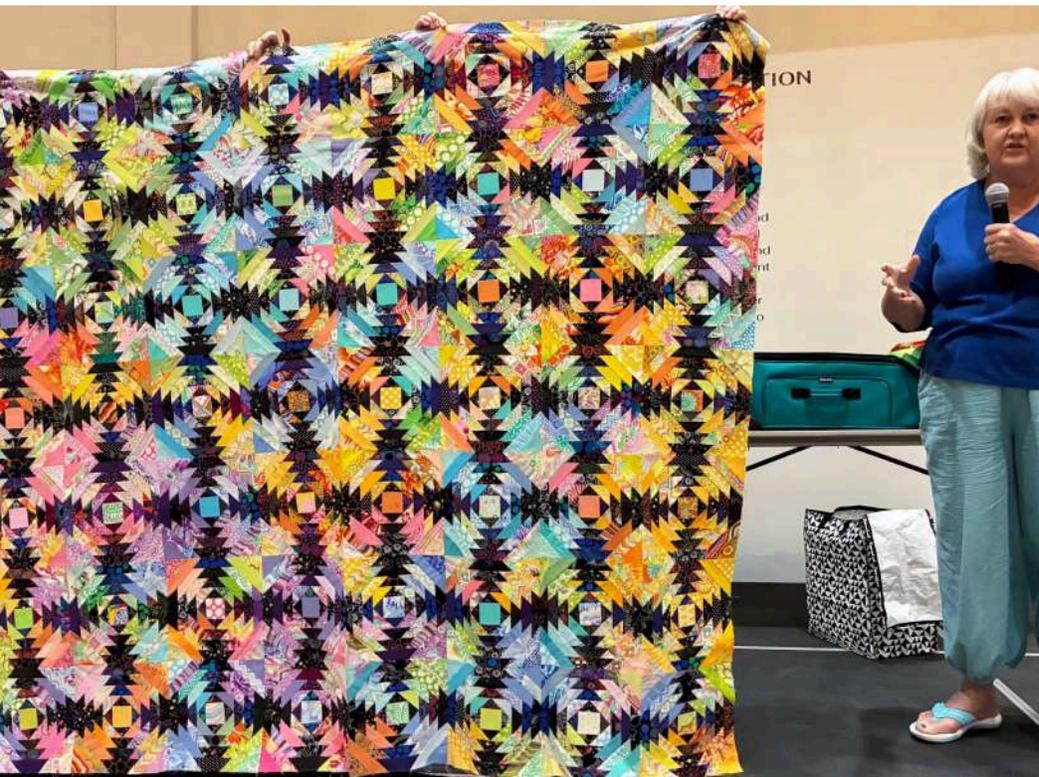
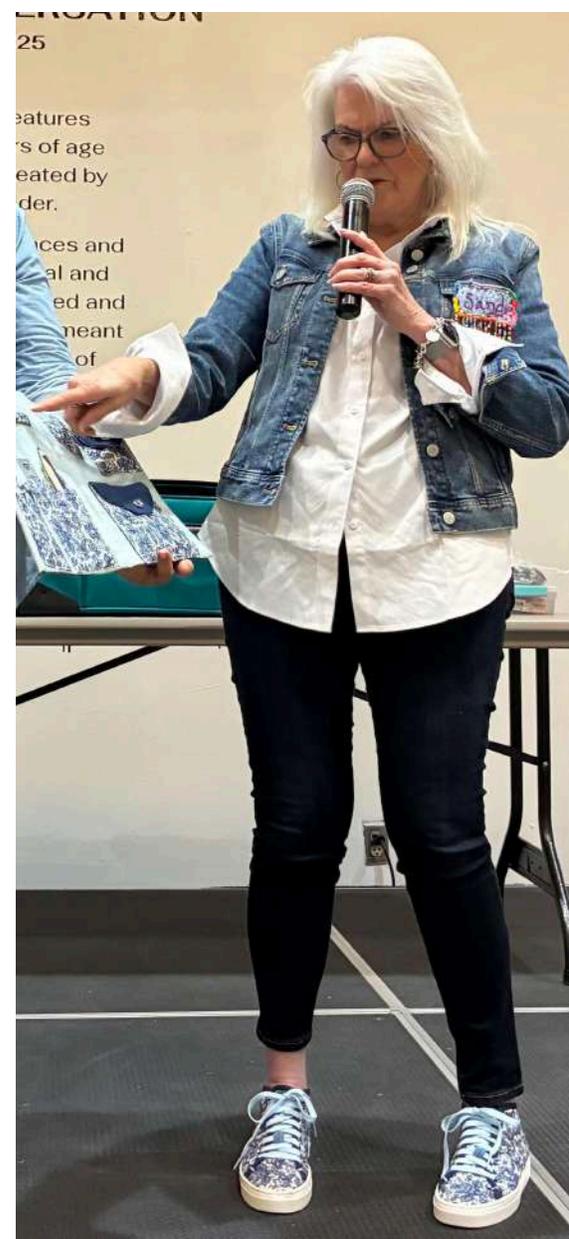


GENERATIONS

July 19 - September 20, 2025

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