



It Takes a Guild!

Our September speaker and workshop teacher, Rhonda Dort, calls “Second Chances” a recurring theme in her work. She rescues vintage linens and needlework—treasures that might otherwise be forgotten—and embellishes and combines them to create something new and beautiful. What a perfect idea for a quilt guild!

We’re always learning from one another, sharing techniques and passing along the quilting wisdom we’ve picked up over the years. Our programs, workshops, Continuing Education, and Cindy’s Inquiring Minds all give us opportunities to teach, learn, and try something new.

And we work side by side. Members are creating things for the Alternative Gift Fair, making blocks for donation quilts, sewing clothing protectors, teaching young people to sew, and contributing to many other guild projects.

Sometimes we get a wonderful reminder of where all that work goes. This month we have thank-you notes from people and organizations touched by our outreach efforts. They let us know what we do matters — all the people who make, donate, teach, organize, volunteer, share advice, and say, “Sure, I can help with that.”

With more than 200 members, we bring an extraordinary collection of skills, experience, creativity—and personalities!—to the Denton Quilt Guild. No one person does everything. But each person doing a little creates something pretty remarkable.

Rather like making a quilt, when you think about it.

So as we head into a busy fall, find something that sounds fun. Learn something. Teach something. Ask something! Make something. Show something. Volunteer for something. And most of all, enjoy being part of this wonderfully creative community. Happy quilting!

Sept 2026 Program



Rhonda Dort
Quilting with Vintage Linens

Tuesday, Sept 15, 2026
6:30 PM social time, 7 PM meeting
Patterson-Appleton Arts Center

Sept Birthdays

2	Penny L
2	Ann P
2	Mary R
3	Yvette S
7	Kara S
8	Fran B
9	Linda P
10	Juliet T
11	Kathy S
12	Bette B
13	Sandy H
14	Laura B
15	Debbie C
15	Mary G
15	Gwen H
19	Johnny B
20	Vickie B
22	Kathi C
26	Cheryl A
26	Barbara B
27	Luanne G
27	Lucy R
27	Sarah S
28	Julia W
29	Donna W
30	Tonya L
30	Ann R

September Guild Meeting - Rhonda Dort

Quilting with Vintage Linens

Meeting: Tuesday, September 15, 6:30 — 9 pm
Programs, Kathleen Carmona

Rhonda says: "As a 3rd generation quilter, I like to create! I enjoy the process of embellishing vintage embroidered pieces, longarm quilting, hand dying felted wool, needlework, ink dyes and occasionally crocheting and knitting. I enjoy searching through antique shops, flea markets and junk stores looking for vintage trims, buttons, needlework and linens."



Rhonda has made "Second Chances" a recurring theme in her artistic work. She brings together all kinds of vintage textiles, giving everything a second chance at a beautiful showcase. That started in May, 2015 with inspiration from a [2013 Sarah Lizzie's Handmade](#) post. Sarah Lizzie's vintage linens embellished hexagon quilt sparked a new direction for Rhonda, one she'll share with us on Tuesday. You can learn all about Rhonda's initial *Second Chance* project [HERE](#).



September Workshop – Embellishing Vintage Linens

Rhonda Dort

Workshops - Claudia Kopel, Sandra Sirignano

Box Car Quilts, Wed, Sept 16
10 AM —3 PM (with a lunch break)



\$10 for members \$25 for non-members. Bring \$ if you want to purchase embellishments from Rhonda. Supply list provided when you register.

To register for the workshop contact:

Claudia Kopel 940-435-9669 - DQGWorkshops@gmail.com

Sandra Sirignano 817-821-2107 - DQGWorkshops@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER SNACK TABLE

Tina Hilton, MaryEllen Mitchell



Lynn B
Johanna B
Trena B
Johnny B
Cynthia B
Leslie B
Fran B
Barbara B
Cindy B
Gowa B
Debbe B
Shirley B
Sandy B
Sharon B
Bonnie B

Laura B
Louise B
Su B
Theresa B
Bette B
Lee B
Carol C
Isabel C
Kathleen C
Angelia C
Lin C
Patricia C
Kathi C
Anna C
Laura C

Debbie C
Kathi C
Martha C
Sylvia C
Laurel C
Tiffany C
Rose C
Janet C
Cassie C
Marna C
Diane C
Linda C
Linda C
Joronda C
Karen C

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

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

Just drop off your tasty little contribution at the snack table near the kitchen.

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!

FINDING THE GUILD ONLINE

With more than 200 members and activities happening year-round, there's always something exciting going on in our guild.

Stay informed, share in the fun, and connect with fellow members through our main online gathering places.

And if you can't make it to the meeting in person, hop onto our Twitch stream and watch it live (when the wifi at the center allows!)

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Community Outreach -- Sher Harnish



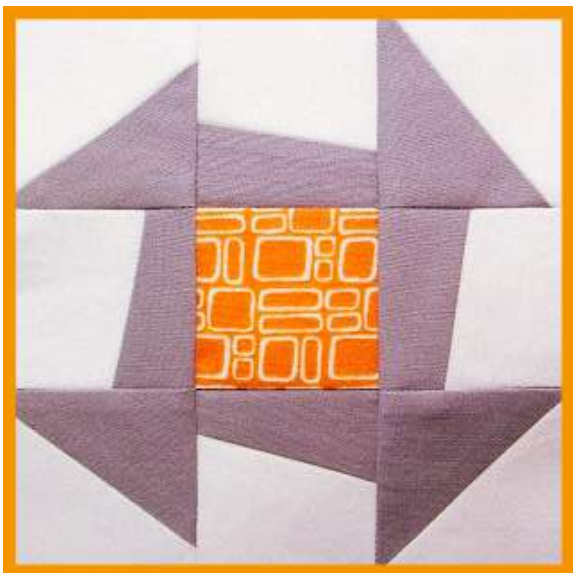
If you had a **portrait** in the show but haven't picked it up yet, Sher will have them at the meeting. If you can't make the meeting, contact Sher to make other plans!

Boot Scootin' Guild Challenge:

To honor the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, we're making an iconic Texas symbol, the cowboy boot.

Cowboy boots symbolize the independence and spirit of the American West, representing a legacy of hard work, self-reliance and freedom.

Challenge instructions on the [website](#).



Guild Initiative: Wonky Churn Dash Blocks

Instructions are on the [website](#) and Facebook.

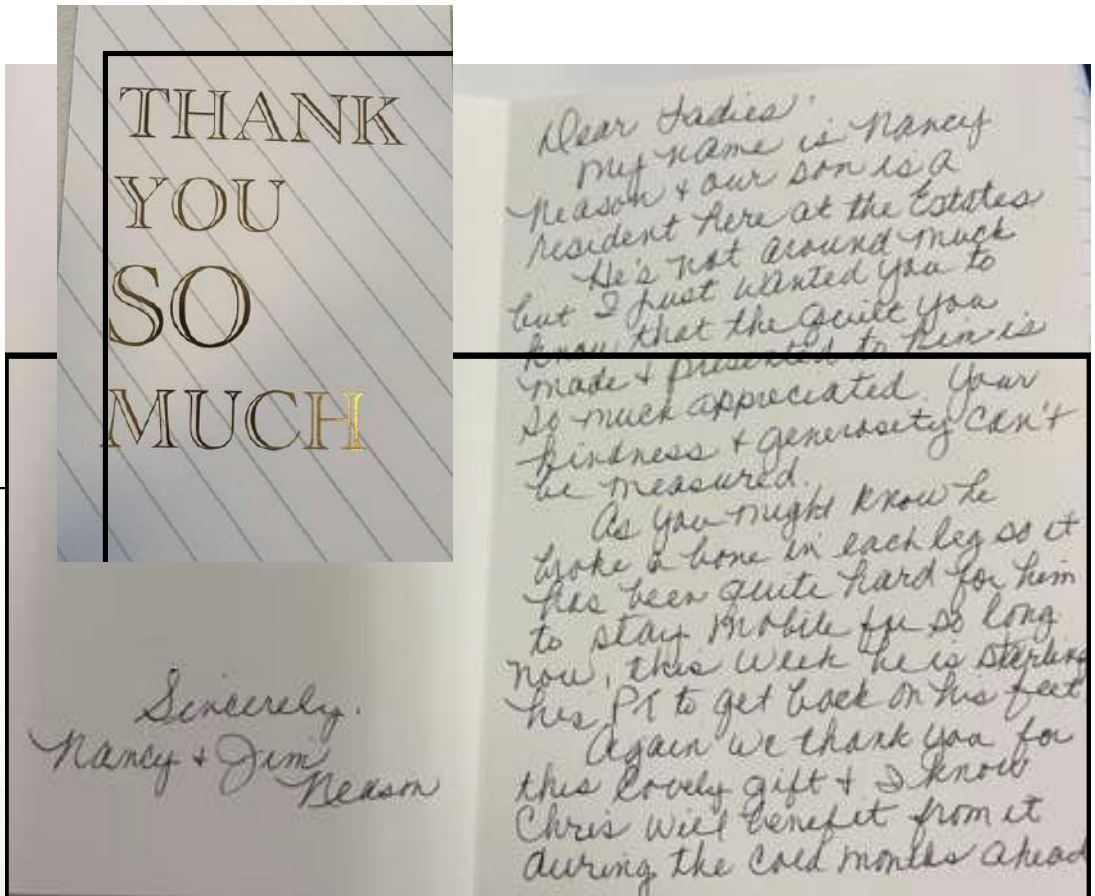
These are supposed to be Wonky and irregular, there is no 'right' way to make a block.

Turn in your blocks at the Kids Kwilt Table at any DQG meeting. Blocks will be assembled into donation quilts by the Kid's Bee.

Community Thank-You Messages

The guild has many different initiatives and activities that provide support and outreach to our local community. We often receive notes of thanks from the people and organizations that benefit from those efforts. Here are some recent messages:

Thank you card from a parents of an outreach quilt recipient, sent to our CASA Group



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July 20, 2026

Denton Quilt Guild Board !

We received the donation for the Green Valley School and we want to say thank you for your generous support.

We are sure you know how much it means to the Green Valley School Historical Society and the Home of the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 920 in Denton, Texas. We are so fortunate to have such generous donors, and we thank you for all the support given to us. Your contribution will help with the maintenance of the school and help it to continue to be a Community Center.

Sincerely,

Horst Poethke
President of the Green Valley School
Historical Society

Thank you note from Green Valley School - they often very generously offer us the use of their venue, so we made a donation to help with their upkeep efforts

Alternative Gift Fair

Dawn Scheffer, Nonie Phillips



The Alternative Gift Fair is one of our most important annual fundraisers. Throughout the year, guild members create a variety of fun and popular handmade items to be sold at our booth during this fall's event.

Dawn has created a great **online sign-up form** for booth volunteers at the fair, and that form is now live. There are slots available on all three days - Friday, Saturday and Sunday Nov. 6-8: set-up, tear-down and manning the booth.

Volunteer slots are typically 2 hours long - you're welcome to sign up for more than one! It's fun, and you'll also have plenty of time to shop around the other wonderful booths before or after your shift.

Find the link here: [AGF Booth Volunteer SIGN-UP FORM](#)

On the [website](#), there is more information and links to videos and websites where you can find ideas for items to make. You can also check our guild library for inspiration! Drop your items off at a guild meeting, or contact Dawn or Nonie.

We have monthly sew days at the Green Valley School, on the **FIRST TUESDAY** of each month from 10-3. Please bring \$5 to donate to the Green Valley School in appreciation for allowing us to use the facility.

Join us Oct 6 for the next (last?) AGF Sew Day! For more information, contact Dawn or Nonie!



Karen Crozier

Sher's Curved Piecing class is coming up Saturday, October 3, from 1-4pm at Minding My P's & Q's.

November 7th will be Anna Clark's Pineapple Block
(also from 1-4pm at Minding My P's & Q's)

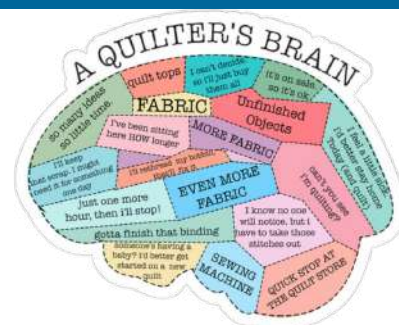
For details, or if you have something you'd like to teach - contact Karen!

Inquiring Minds Want to Know!!

Cynthia Bickhaus

One of the best things about belonging to a guild is the opportunity to learn from one another.

With new topics to explore each month, we'll invite our members to share their own experience and advice!



This month, Cindy has also found us a handy guide to Paper Piecing: <https://thimble-art.com/blogs/tutorials/basics-of-paper-piecing>

Last month, the questionnaire asked about QUILTING! Responses on the next page.

Cindy says:

I believe we will be having a Continuing Education class coming up in January taught by Gwen Hughes. If you need help prior to that, you may contact her at 214-469-1007. She is a lovely lady willing to help you any way she can.

If you cannot reach her, perhaps I could be of some help as well. Cindy Bickhaus 940-390-4171.

Inquiring Minds Want to Know - Responses for Quilting!

Your guild responses below... (Keep in mind "Quilter A, B, etc" are not necessarily the same people from month to month.)

Square up the top:

You have a top that needs to be quilted. There are steps that need to be addressed before sending it is ready to quilt.

How do you square up your top?

Quilter A:

I am not good at doing this. I did see a video on using a special laser that looked like it would really do a good job. I will keep you all posted.

Quilter B:

Ha! Who Squares? My husband does it with 2 rulers.

Making the quilt sandwich:

Choice of batting? Cotton, polyester, bamboo? Ecrú? Black?

What do you prefer and why? There are such a variety of battings, please be specific.

Quilter A:

My favorite is ecru Hobbs Heirloom 80/20. I have used the black when I made a Tshirt quilt with all dark colors and black backing.

I was recently exposed to the fusible batting made by Hobbs at a quilting is so simple workshop. Loved it. I have since used it when I made a silk tie table runner. I will use it over and over again, as I make small projects.

Quilter B:

Cotton, ecru. I like the crinkle and sustainability.

Inquiring Minds Want to Know - continued...

How will the quilt sandwich be held together? Pinning? Basting? Fusible batting or fusible spray? Which way do you prefer and why?

Quilter A:

As stated above, I have used the Hobbs fusible batting and loved it. I baste my quilts together. I have lots of junk thread I can go through and a huge darning needle.

Quilter B:

Pin, I'm too lazy to baste and spray is messy. Fusible batting didn't crinkle.

How to get your top quilted:

How do you want to quilt your finished quilt? Do you want to quilt it by hand or quilt it on your domestic machine. Is there a design you use regularly? Why?

Quilter A:

I have quilted in quadrants on my Janome M7. It has a large harp (that is why I purchased it!) I always did the meander stitch. I have since taken the QISS workshops with Corey from Linda's Quilt Shop in McKinney that the guild offered. They were fabulous and I am working on a piece for my sister.

Quilter B:

Quilted by hand or on a domestic machine.

Are there any books (perhaps from our wonderful library) or YouTube videos you would recommend? Quilters you may follow?

Quilter A:

I watch Leah Day's web site for designs and YouTube videos, as well as QISS videos.

General Meeting Minutes - August 18, 2026

Prissy Roberson

Denton Quilt Guild General Meeting Minutes for Aug 18, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Debbie Nobles

Debbie Nobles asked for members to approve the Meeting minutes from July. Asked for a motion. Nonie Phillips made the motion, Deb Viso seconded. No nays. Motion passed. Debbie welcomed everyone. She called for the committee reports.

Natalie Seegars – 4H – Natalie is working with her 4-H club to start a Quilting Club to teach Youth how to Quilt. She will teach them how to sew simple quilts using pre-cut strips and squares by teaching them how to chain piece. The goal is to make 3-5 quilts this year. These quilts will be donated through the Guild as it has a lot of outreach programs. They will need someone to quilt them. They are asking for donations of strips and squares anyone willing to donate sewing machines that would be deeply appreciated. An older sewing machine that still works is perfectly fine.

Continuing Ed – Karen Crozier – Sep 12th – Crazy Quilt Postcard with Cindy Bickhaus, Kit \$10 which includes Cloth image, Christmas fussy cut, 2 pellon 72 double fusible, backing fabric for 2 postcards, freezer paper template, extra freezer paper, clear plastic sheet. The class is full. October 3, is curved piecing with Sher Harnish. Also, for members signing up for classes be sure to communicate if unable to attend. We only had one person show up to the August class. The instructor said they still had fun! Need more volunteers and classes for next year.

Workshops –In August there will be a workshop by Charles Cameron-Tilted Tiles. August 19,2026. There was room to add a few more. September 16, is Quilting Vintage Linens with Rhonda Dort. October 21, Michelle Walker, Hummingbird Flower or Bluebonnet at Box Car.

Community Outreach –Reminder Boot Scootin' quilts deadline has been moved to November. These Quilts will be displayed at the Christmas Party. Fund Raising- Alternative Gift Fair Sew Day – Dawn Scheffer showed gifts turned in and reminded the next sew day Sept 1. from 10 to 3. Look for links in the newsletter to learn how to sign up to work the Fair, November 6,7,8.

Adult Clothing Protectors – See Debbie Brackett for kits. It takes about 20 minutes to sew. The next sew day is Sept. 30 at Green Valley School.

Cindy Bickhaus – Showed the large wooden iron clapper. Ask Ellen Taliaferio.

Show and tell

Attendance: Members: 109, Guests: 10

Twitch was unavailable

Debbie adjourned the meeting at 8:30pm

Minutes submitted by Prissy Roberson

August Meeting Photos

Emanda Johnson

[Click here to see original photos](#)
(then click on individual photos for high resolution view)

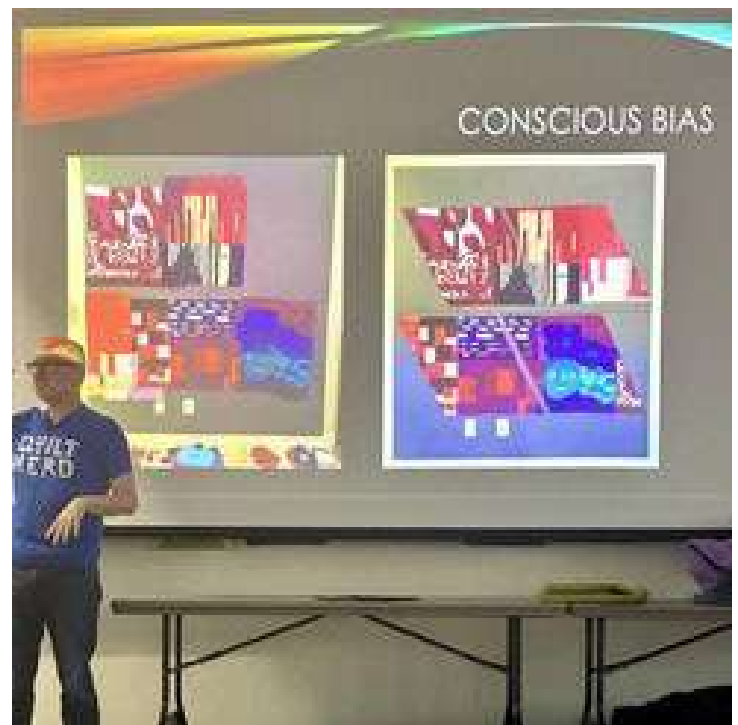












Same Pattern, Same Fabric Pieces Different Daughters

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Younger ---->







