# And sew on...



# QUILTERS GUILD OF GRAND PRAIRIE

# NEXT MEETING MARCH 6, 2023

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I've been on a "finishing" kick lately – choosing to quilt some tops inexpertly myself, and bind them on the machine.

Certainly not heirloom quality, but done!

My favorite kind of quilt! But finishing can be like eating vegetables, and I'm looking forward to "dessert" again – choosing fabrics and starting a brand new pattern.

Our free quilt pattern of the month comes from Coats – yes, the thread people! Their Luck of the Irish table runner comes together with scraps for a quick bit of St. Patrick's decor.

https://tinyurl.com/coats-luck-of-the-irish

**ELISABETH MCMAHON** 

#### JOIN US

Regular monthly meetings are held on the first Monday of each month from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Grand Prairie, 310 S. W. 3rd St., Grand Prairie, Texas.

All visitors are welcome (ages 10 and up).

#### **QUILTERS GUILD OF GRAND PRAIRIE**

916 Quail Creek Drive Grand Prairie, TX 75052

#### **FOUNDED JULY 5, 1993**

Our Guild has been formed to preserve the heritage of quilting, to be a source of information and inspiration, to perpetuate high quality of excellence in quilting and to be a gathering place for people with a common interest.

# WHAT TO BRING TO THE MEETING

- NAME TAG
- SHOW-AND-TELL
- **SEW-ALONG 2023 BLOCKS 4, 5, 6**

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning Balance	\$1241.00
Deposit	+\$15.00
Typo correction	-\$0.19
Ending Balance	\$1256.09

**DIANE LEWIS** 

#### BIRTHDAYS

**NO MARCH BIRTHDAYS** 

# **MINUTES**

- Meeting was called to order by Elisabeth at 7 p.m.
- Members: 15, Visitors: 0, New Members: 0
- Minutes from prior month were approved.
- Treasurers report no changes.
  Audit committee will review the
  2022 books after meeting tonight.
- Remembrances Keep Shirley
   Lewis and family in your
   thoughts and prayers

- Birthdays Debi Cypert, Carol
   Franklin and Diane Lewis.
- Block sew along 5 members brought the completed first three blocks from January. Michelle will send the next three blocks directions via e-mail to complete before the March meeting. The online zoom class was attended by 6 members
- Stitch group Next group
   meeting will be February 23rd

at the Woods Methodist Church 9-2. Lunch is provided for a nominal donation.

- Show and Tell Elisabeth,
   Michelle, Barbara, Grace, Holli
   and Cathy
- Program Wool applique instruction was presented by Debi Cypert. Debi did a wonderful job showing tools needed as well fabrics that work well with wool applique.

CATHY MULLIN

#### REMINDERS

- Be sure to wear a name tag at our meetings. If you
- don't wear a name tag, you
- will be charged 50 cents
- each time.
- Articles for the newsletter
- are due by the 10th of the
- month. Any articles not
- received by the 10th of the
- month may or may not get
- published in that month's
- newsletter.
- The newsletter is
- published monthly usually
- within 10 days of the

meeting date (first Monday of each month). You will receive an e-mail with a link to the website

(qgogp.wordpress.com).

All previous newsletters are archived on our website. You may also go to our Facebook page. Our newsletter link is posted there monthly. If, at any time, you cannot find your newsletter or have deleted the e-mail with the link, you could do an internet search for "quilters"

guild of grand prairie" to find our website.

- If you have a question about a program, a workshop, or the block of the month, be sure to contact the person(s) in charge of whatever you have a question about. The names, phone numbers and e-mails are all listed in the newsletter.
- Please silence your cell phone during our meetings.

# **2023 QUILT GUILD OFFICERS & BOARD**

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## **CALENDAR**

#### **DALLAS QUILT SHOW**

"Into the Garden" March 10-12, 2023 Dallas Market Hall 2200 N. Stemmons Fwy. Dallas, TX 75207

quiltersguildofdallas.org

#### "BITS TO BEAUTIFUL"

Quilters Guild of East Texas
Quilt Show 2023
March 24-25, 2023
First Christian Church
Christian Life Center
4202 S. Broadway Ave, Tyler, TX
10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

qgetx.org

#### "SUNSHINE ON THE WATER"

Gun Barrel Quilters Guild 2023 Quilt Show April 28-29, 2023 The CR Legacy Event Center 2205 W. Main (Hwy 334) Gun Barrel City, TX gunbarrelquiltersguild.org

#### **QUILT PLANO 2023**

2023 Plano Quilt Show August 11-12, 2023 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Plano Event Center 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway Plano, TX 75074 qgplano.org

#### **QUILT FESTIVAL HOUSTON**

November 2-5, 2023 George R. Brown Convention Center 1001 Avenida de las Americas Houston, Texas 77010

quilts.com

# **MARCH PROGRAM**

Our program for March will be focusing on how to make our piecing more accurate. I know I love it when my quilts go together easily instead of having to fudge. It might take a little time to figure out exactly what happened but in the long run I think the results will speak for themselves.

Bring ideas to share with others so we can all learn. Look forward to seeing y'all.

**DEBORAH CYPERT** 

## 2023 SEW-A-LONG

For 2023 we'll have another SAL (sew-a-long). The final size will be 70x70 and this quilt will be a 3 color quilt. The author made it a Christmas quilt in Red, Green and White, but I am doing mine in Red, Black and White. The blocks are all 8 1/2 inch blocks and there are 25. We will plan on doing 3 blocks per month. I will bring blocks 7-9 and their instructions to the March meeting. Fabric requirements are generous and are as follows: Background -

4.5 yds.; main fabric including the border and sashing (red in the quilt picture) - 5.5 yds.; secondary fabric (green in the picture) - 2.5 yds.. If you don't have enough yardage of one of the fabrics, you could put multiple fabrics of the same color together to give it more of a scrappy look. If you want to make each block a different color, you could do that as well and adjust the yardage as necessary.

MICHELLE RODRIGUEZ