



March

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Kingwood Area Quilt Guild

The Stitchin' Star

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KAQG Welcomes Trish Lopes

Thursday March 7, 2024



The featured speaker for our March meeting is **Trish Lopes** from **Bobbins & Threads Quilting & Crafts**. Trish will be speaking to us about Batting. Once you have finished that quilt top, there are more decisions — will it be hand-quilted, machine quilted or longarm? What type of batting is appropriate for your desired finished look. Trish will discuss the various choices.

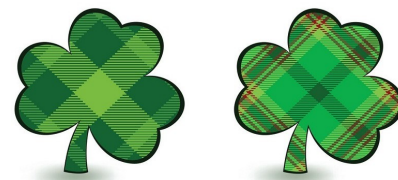
Bobbins & Threads Quilting & Crafts has been open for two years and is located on Grant Rd in northwest Houston (off of 249). Trish will also speak about her shop, fabric lines, new quilting notions, classes, etc. Here you will find classes in quilting, sewing and Kimberbell classes.

If you are looking to try something new, you will also find classes on cookie decorating, painting & more. They have longarm machines for rent, allowing you to quilt your own projects or have their staff do it for you. In addition, they offer embroidery & monogramming services for the public.



Looking forward to seeing everyone Thursday!

A Word from the President . . .



I would first like to thank Theresa for her wonderful presentation on color theory. It was a very nice evening learning more about what I have been doing wrong with color matching. I feel more confident about it now.

This year is off to a grand start. March is here and time seems to be going by way too fast. I would like to remind everyone to sign up for a day when you and a friend can take our Tula Pink Butterfly Quilt to another Quilt Guild. This is one of our biggest fundraisers, but we can't make money if the quilt doesn't go anywhere. To those who have already taken it or are signed up to take it, I thank you.

Participation at Market Place, our other fundraiser, was a yes vote for this year. Time to get started making more of your beautiful quilts for it. We do need to have a chairperson to handle organizing all the items. Sharon has made an amazing outline for how it all works so it will not be hard to take care of this very important fundraiser. If you are interested, please let me know and I will get you the information.

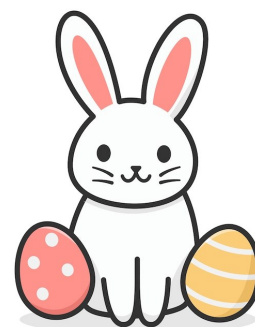
As I stated at the February meeting, Mae Mitchamore's family has donated all of her stash to KAQG. We will be having a BIG sale in May. All of her fabric will be \$1 a yard — the money will be donated to our guild. Should be lots of fun searching to find some great deals.

Enjoy your friends and family this month celebrating St. Patrick's Day March 17 and Easter March 31. See y'all March 7th.

Lori

Important Reminders:

**Don't forget
to pick up a
Charity Quilt Kit.**



**If you have a
Birthday
in March
please bring a
snack to share.**

Bobbins & Threads
will have a few kits and
miscellaneous items for sale.
There may be something
that needs to go home
with you!

NOTICE:
The Bee Friends Bee will
not meet at the
Tullis Library during the
month of **March**.
Sewing will resume in
April.

Free Table!
**Yes, there will be a Free
Table at the March meeting.**
*Don't forget to pick up any of your
items that don't find a new home.*

Membership

Happy St Patrick's Day!

Happy Easter!



As of our February meeting our 2023-2024 membership stands at 48.

The password for the Member Only section of the website has been updated with the new password for 2023-2024. You will find the new password on the reverse side of your membership card.

The most current membership list with contact information for registered members has been updated on the website. The listing includes 2023-2024 members who have paid the current year membership.

Now is the time to renew your membership; thank you to everyone who has already renewed. We ask all the lifetime members to fill out and turn in the 2023 - 2024 membership form, even if nothing has changed.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Debbi

Sunshine & Shadows

We had 27 quilters in attendance at the February meeting, all members. Thank you all for attending!



Sunshine:

Geoffrey and Ginny have a new granddaughter, Hunter Grace. Mom and baby are both doing well.

Stephanie Tarver's Judy Niemeyer quilt named "Dragon Star" was entered and accepted at the Houston Rodeo contest.

Shadows:

In December, **Tina Pratt's** 3 year old granddaughter was attacked by a dog. The injuries were in her scalp/hair, and she spent 5 days in the hospital and had 3 surgeries. She is doing well.

Stephanie Tarver's second foot surgery was February 1. She is improving daily.

Mae Mitchamore passed away on January 20th. A small memorial service has already been held.

Leigh Ingram's brother, Gregg, had heart surgery. He had to have electrical cardioversion to correct a too-fast heart rate.

If you have any new announcements, ideas or suggestions for our guild, please run it by me. The Board welcomes any and all ideas, but reserve the right to discuss the ideas before they're implemented.

Leila Hays

Education and Community Service

If you were not able to attend our guild meeting this past month, I wanted to share my thanks and appreciation to all of the ladies that came out to help cut, fold, and organize the 150+ bolts and partial bolts of fabric that we received as a donation from My Favorite Quilt Store. We had two days where we came together and cut, folded, and organized the fabric into kits and quilt backs for our charity quilts. On our first day we had 18 ladies come out in the nasty weather. On the second day we had 10 ladies offer their time and energy. If the Charity Quilt group were doing all of this cutting alone, we would still be cutting fabric. I am so appreciative of each and every person that was able to contribute their time and energy.

Also, I reported that myself, Diane and Helen were able to take 50 quilts to the VA Fisher House. The gentleman that received the quilts has only been working for the organization for about 8 months and was very appreciative of our donation. Julie is going to try to work out



a time for him to come and speak to our guild to share with us what they do and how they serve veterans.

At our February meeting we had 5 completed quilts turned in. There were 3 quilt kits taken to make a quilt, 3 quilts were given out to bind and 3 pieces of fabric were received to use for backings.

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Education and Community Service

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We are also making a change to our kits. Many of the members have made a statement that they felt the kits did not allow them to be creative with the fabric since it was already cut for a specific pattern. In response to those statements, now you will receive three one-yard pieces of coordinating fabric and several three-yard quilt patterns inside. You can choose to make one of the patterns provided or use your own idea and creativity as long as it meets the acceptable size requirements for our charity quilts. You can add some of your own fabric if you believe you have something that would work better than what was provided or if your own creative pattern needs some extra fabric. We don't want to squelch your creativity so there is also a blank sheet for you to draw and design your own quilt top if you want to do that. I hope that these changes will pique your interest and you will pick up a quilt kit at one of the next meetings to give them a try. There are two things that we ask, please keep your quilt top within the charity quilt guidelines (see page 14 for parameters) and return the patterns in the bag so we don't have to make copies each time. If you have any questions or suggestions, please don't hesitate to reach out to one of us.

Finally, we are going to need someone to step into the leader of the charity quilt group beginning in August. If you are interested and would like to volunteer, or want more information please come and talk to me at the next meeting or give me a call or text anytime.

Thank you for all of your participation in our charity projects.

Happy Quilting
Carolyn

Communications

Hello Quilters,

I have been in touch with Kingwood Service Association regarding advertising for the guild in the median of Kingwood and Northpark Drive. It turns out that this is a costly service, so we have decided to postpone that for now.

We are, however, able to tell others what we do for free on social media. For that reason, please like our Facebook and Instagram posts, to create more traffic there. If Facebook and Instagram are not your thing, please pass out our cards to anyone interested. Please reach out to me if you need any. Hopefully that will help us recruit new members.

Facebook: [Kingwood Area Quilt](#)

Instagram: [kingwood_area_quilt_guild](#)

Best regards,

Ellen Liliedahl



Quiltfolk Coupon

Every quarter we receive a gift from the publication Quiltfolk. Usually it's their current or a previous booklet. This time we received the New Jersey booklet about quilts and quilters from New Jersey, and two 2024 calendars. At the same time, they sent us a coupon for anyone interested in making a purchase on their website. They sell books, magazines, classes etc. The custom code right now is **GUILD29** for 15% off through March 31st.

February Meeting Highlights



Theresa Duerringer spoke about COLOR! How colors interact in a quilt design, how to evaluate the size of the piece as well as the scale of the print. Great information on how to make your quilt pop!



The Door Prize Team:
Rebecca Ward and Fonda Smallwood.



Rolling to Retreat.



Guild Pins
\$2 each
Get yours at the
Membership Table.

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

April 4th Meeting

Auian Ward will be our guest speaker. Her lecture and trunk show will highlight her quilting journey and love of paper piecing.

Paper Piecing Workshop, April 5th

Class will be limited to 12.

\$35 Guild Members • \$50 Non-members

Reservation required. No refunds. Substitutions accepted.



May 2nd Meeting

School House — always a fun and educational evening for guild members. List of classes to be available soon.



2024 Donation Quilt

Grab a Friend! The Tula Pink Butterfly Quilt is ready to travel!



There are morning and evening guild meetings open. It's a great way to visit other guilds —see what they are doing, listen to their speakers.

Two Volunteers are needed for each of these events.

March 5, Tuesday

6:30pm set-up

Tri-County QG, Cypress

March 7, Thursday

12 noon set-up

Alvin Quilt Guild

March 21, Thursday

9:30am set-up

Coastal Prairie QG, Missouri City

April 17, Wednesday

6:00 pm set-up

West Houston Quilt Guild

You can view the "sign-up genius" on our website at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044FA9AA2BA7FE3-raffle#/>

**Each guild member is required to purchase/sell \$20
donation quilt tickets.**

Tickets are available at Guild Meetings.

2025 Donation Quilt



Looking for quilters!

Each year, KAQG sells tickets to a Donation Quilt. This is one of the ways we raise funds in order to pay the guild's expenses, provide speakers at our meetings, and award scholarships.

This year the Board has selected the "Exploding Texas Heart" as our Donation Quilt. Now we need volunteers to sew! Theresa is obtaining the kit and will coordinate with our piecing volunteers.

Please contact Theresa, at 713-305-8917 if you would like to assist in this very important fundraising project.

I look forward to hearing from you!!

Theresa

Bee News

Block of the Month Bee:

The Block of the Month Bee will meet on Monday, March 4, 2024.

The group meets at Diane Floyd's house, 2026 Round Spring Drive in Kingwood from 10am to 2pm. Plan to bring the fabrics you want to play with this year, pencil and paper, sewing machine, and your lunch. We will have fun making Puzzle blocks this year.

At our March meeting, we'll do the Chinese Puzzle block. This is a 12" block.

<https://www.quilterscache.com/C/ChinesePuzzleBlock.html>



Newbies and anyone else are welcome to join us! We will never be "at capacity."

Bee Friends Bee:

The Bee Friends Bee will not meet during the month of March due to a scheduling conflict at the library.

Sewing will resume in April. The meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays (from 9am to 1pm) at the Tullis Library in New Caney, located on Loop 494 (take the Community Dr. exit and go through the lights and the library is on the right-hand side, the phone number is 281-577-8968.

Please contact Melissa for additional information: 832-525-6944.

Charity Quilt Parameters

With our recent donation of fabric from My Favorite Quilt Store, it is an appropriate time to review the guidelines for Charity Quilts. Your participation in this program is not only appreciated, but required by each member of the guild.

1. All charity quilts made in the name of the guild will conform to the agreed upon standardized sizes. **The approved sizes for charity quilts are from 40" x 60" to 50" x 70".** This parameter equalizes all donations to recipient organizations, economizes the use of guild purchased batting and facilitates the ease of long-arm quilting by our volunteers.
2. All KAQG charity quilts will have a guild label.
3. All KAQG charity quilts will be made with coordinating colors and themes for the top and back. The back may be pieced if the fabric used is coordinated with the front in both color and theme.
4. Batting purchased by the guild will be used only for approved KAQG charity quilts.
5. Recipients of KAQG charity quilts are decided by the membership and approved by the Board. Volunteers delivering the quilts will request documentation of receipt of the quilts and take a photo for the newsletter.
6. No donation of quilts or other sewn items shall be made in the name of the guild without approval of the Charity Quilt Chairman and the KAQG Board of Directors.

These Charity Quilt parameters were established in 2022 after discussion with the guild membership and approval by the Board of Directors. Any changes to the parameters will be suggested by the Charity Quilt Chairman, communicated to and accepted by the Guild membership and approved by the Board of Directors.

The Scrap Jar is back!



Ruth Burnett is the first to take the Challenge for this year.

She will show us her creation at the March Meeting.



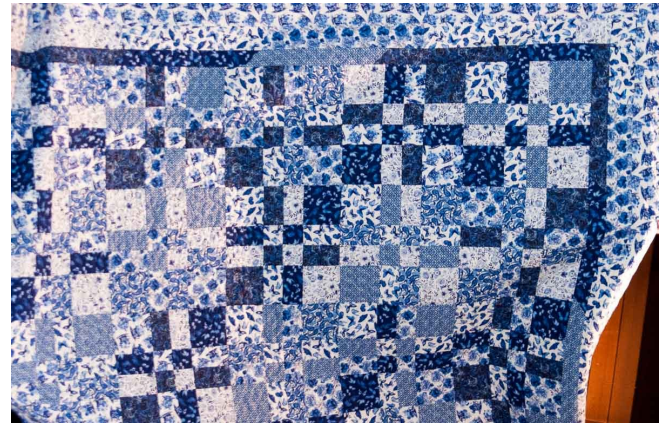
Color of the Year

Pantone and Kona have announced their "Color of the Year." For 2024, both companies have chosen pastels.. Pantone has named "Peach Fuzz" whereas Kona has named their color "Julep."

Together they would make a lovely quilt.



February Show and Tell Show



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February Show and Tell Show



KAQG Spring Retreat

March 21-25, 2024

Twelve Pines Retreat Center, Huntsville, Texas



Don't miss the first KAQG Retreat of the year!

There are a few spots available!

Choose which package: 3 nights for \$215 or 4 nights for \$250

FINAL payment is due at March Guild meeting.

Pack your bags! Change your needle!

UFO's are welcome!

Happy sewing

Jerri

Ima Quilter — Did you know...



I have been busy helping Lori getting Miss Mae's fabric collected, cleaned and marked for the sale in May. She was a true quilter, and like many of us her stash was plentiful. So many beautiful fabrics.

Did you know? The first St. Patrick's Day parade was held in Boston in 1737.

Did you know? 15 million cards are exchanged for St. Patrick's Day.

Did you know? The odds of finding a 4-leaf clover are 1 in 10,000.

Did you know? 700 million Marshmallow Peeps are sold each year in addition to the other forms of candy that make up the contents of many Easter baskets.

Did you know? Over 16 billion jelly beans are made each year in anticipation for the Easter holiday.

Did you know? The concept of the cute bunny originated in Germany before the early 1700s. The bunny rabbit was thought to carry a basket and deliver sweet pastries and other candies to village children.

Enjoy both March holidays.

Ima Quilter



March Birthdays

March 6	Lori Robinson
March 6	Karen Frye
March 30	Chris Mattern



Plan your road trip!

March 1—April 30, 2024

Two months of shopping!

Check out the official website for details:

- List of Shops
- See the Exclusive Texas Shop Hop fabrics
- Free Collectible Quilt Block patterns
- Earn prizes along the way

<https://alltexasshophop.com/whats-a-shop-hop/>

February Door Prize Winners



Quilt Shows and Events Across Texas



Texas Quilt Museum - LaGrange Texas

Closed for the Holidays, December 17th-January 3rd

Open every Thursday, Friday, Saturday. 10:00 am-4:00 pm

These three new exhibits run from

January 11—April 27, 2024

- 85 & Fabulous by Kaffe Fassett
- Prism Play—SAQA
- 2023 Prize Winners of the International Quilt Festival

For details: <http://texasquiltmuseum.org/exhibits-at-txqm.html>

AllTexas Shop Hop March 1-April 30, 2024

For information: <https://alltexasshophop.com/whats-a-shop-hop/>

Tri-County Quilt Guild presents “Quilts in Bloom”

March 1-2, 2024 The Berry Center, Cypress, TX

“Spring Into Quilting” Quilt Show March 8-9, 2024

Shiner, TX

Golden Triangle QG presents “Quilt Stories: Past, Present &

Future” March 15-16, 2024 Beaumont, TX

Lakeview Quilt Guild presents “Fun and Games” Quilt Show

April 12-13, 2024 Alvin, TX

KAQG Rewards Programs

If you are a Kroger shopper, you can register KAQG as your charity of choice and contribute to the **Kroger Rewards Program.**



Simply go online to

www.KrogerCommunityRewards.com to link your Kroger Plus Card with KAQG. Once you are on the site, log in and follow the instructions. Enter the KAQG code number **IA188.**

Did you know that KAQG members earned over \$500 for the guild last year by participating in this program? And all you have to do is link your card and shop at Kroger!

Randall's Rewards Program.

Although Randalls no longer has stores in the Kingwood/Humble area, KAQG remains on this list of charity organizations supported by the program. If you occasionally shop at Randalls or have a friend who does, it's easy to link your card to KAQG. Visit their website or drop by an in-store Courtesy Booth Our organization number is 3410.



Did you know —
the KAQG Calendar
is on the web.

Check for Guild Activities and Quilt Shows happening this month.

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March 15-18





YouTube, TikTok, Instagram, Pinterest icons

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~ Piece of Cake ~

First Clue Drops March 16




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REMINDER:

the Charity Quilt Committee collects
Hobbs UPC Labels.

These UPC labels provide a discount to the Guild when purchasing batting from the Manufacturer. If you are purchasing Hobbs batting for your quilting PLEASE save the UPC labels found on the bags and bring them to the next guild meeting.

2023-2024 Kingwood Area Quilt Guild Board of Directors

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- Sunshine & Shadows—Leila Hays



Happy Easter!

About the KAQG Newsletter

The ***Stitchin' Star*** is published monthly by the Kingwood Area Quilt Guild and is available on the KAQG website. The deadline for articles is the 15th of each month for publication in the following month's newsletter.

News items and suggestions are always welcomed and encouraged. Send information or requests to **Joyce Finch** at joyce.finch90@outlook.com

Kingwood Area Quilt Guild Annual Advertising Rates (2023-24)

Ad Size	KAQG: Non-Members	Non- members Pro-rated	KAQG: Members	Members – Pro-rated
Business Card 3.5" by 2"	\$35.00	\$9.00/quarter	\$25.00	\$6.50/quarter
Quarter Page 3.5" by 4.5"	\$70.00	\$20.00/quarter	\$60.00	\$15.00/quarter
Half Page 7.5" by 4.5"	\$110.00	\$30.00/quarter	\$100.00	\$25.00/quarter
Full Page 7.5" by 9"	\$200.00	\$50.00/quarter	\$180.00	\$45.00/quarter

Advertising rates are researched by the Newsletter Chairman and any proposed rate changes will be submitted to the KAQG Board by the July Board meeting. Once approved by the Board, the Newsletter Chairman will use the approved rates when sending letters to potential advertisers for the upcoming fiscal year. (Example Sept. 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024). Rates are pro-rated for a minimum of a quarter year.

Occasionally, members want to sell sewing items such as a sewing machine. The cost to advertise a sewing item in the newsletter is \$5.00 per month. If a non-member requests to advertise a sewing item, it is \$10.00 per month. The request must be in writing to the Communication Director and President. The request must be approved by the President, copying the Communications Director, Newsletter Editor and Treasurer.

This document is maintained by the Newsletter Chairman and a copy is provided to the Treasurer. The Treasurer will inform the Newsletter Chairman when checks are received from advertisers and ensures the paid amount matches the rates/advert size requested by the advertiser.



March

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We're on the web:

www.kingwoodareaquiltguild.com

Guild Activities

- Monday, March 4** **Executive Board Meeting**
6:30 pm Lori Robinson's home
- Monday, March 4** **The UFO Central Bee BOM DAY!**
10:00 to 2:00 at Diane Floyd's home.
2026 Round Spring, Kingwood
- Thursday, March 7** **Guild Meeting — 6:30pm**
Guest Speaker: Trish Lopes of Bobbins & Threads Quilting and Crafts
Good Shepherd Episcopal Church,
2929 Woodland Hills Dr, Kingwood.
Social Time, Show and Tell, Door Prizes
- Monday, March 11** **Charity Quilt Committee**
10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Diane Pagano's home
- Monday, March 18** **The UFO Central Bee**
10:00 to 2:00 at Diane Floyd's home.
2026 Round Spring, Kingwood
- Monday, March 25** **Charity Quilt Committee**
10:00 am to 1:00 pm Diane Pagano's home

