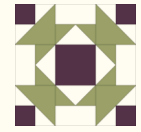




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**NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025**

First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

**Social time 5:30 pm – Meeting at 6:00 pm**

### Hostesses for March

Lisa Stafford  
Helen Stafford  
Margo Henderson  
Alice Janak

### Linda's Lines

Thank you all for another great meeting!  
Also, many thanks to all who volunteered to chair and co-chair the 2026 Quilt Show, as well as the February Hostesses who created a charming Valentine atmosphere with their decorations and food.

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### On the February Agenda

- Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, Birthdays, Sunshine & Shadows
- Quilt Guild of Greater Victoria - Raffle Quilt
- Treasurer's Report, Approve Minutes (February)
- Committee Reports:
  - Norma's House Quilts (Laura)
  - Nursing Home Quilts (Bernadette)
  - Block of the Month (Margo)
  - Youth Quilt Camp (Irene & Mary)
  - Donation Quilt (Rae Nell)
- Program: Quilting for Charity
  - Deane Novosad - Norma's House
  - Gladys Seifert - Shady Oak Nursing Home
  - Pastor Darin Zumwalt - Shiner Food Pantry
- Door Prizes

### What's Next?

#### March

Quilting for Charity

#### April

Charity Sew Day

Deborah Barkley - Texas  
Quilt Museum

#### May

Swap Meet

#### June

MJ Kinman Workshop &  
Lecture

**Details inside!**



## MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 4, 2025 SHINER HERITAGE QUILTERS MEETING

President Linda Parr called the meeting to order on February 4th, at 6:00 p.m.

There were 39 members and 3 visitors present.

Linda announced and thanked the hostesses: Wilma Williams, Betty Kloesel, Brenda Fisseler, Bernadette Kresta and Carolyn Whitmire for the delicious meal.

Bernadette, Karin, and Debbie exhibited the St. Joseph Altar Society Quilt Raffle quilt and chances were sold to any members wishing to purchase some.

Toni presented a quilt poem and Quilt Show Countdown of 402 days remaining!! Sunshine and Shadows were shared by members.

Karin presented the Treasurer's Report:

Checking:	\$4,642.51
Savings:	\$11,144.65
Total:	\$15,787.16

Annette stated if any members needed a membership card to please let her know.

There were no corrections to the January minutes. Motion to approve was made by Charlene and seconded by Pinkie. All approved by sign.

**Correspondence:** Debbie read a notice from the Colorado Valley Quilt Guild announcing the "Best Little Quilt Show in Texas", to be held in La Grange on February 21st and 22nd.

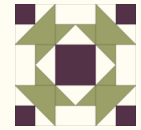
Charlene informed the members of the upcoming Master Gardener plant sale to be held on March 8 and April 12 in downtown Gonzales.

Karin read a request from the Shiner Lions Club asking for a donation towards the "Pivo and Kolaches" event that will happen on March 22, 2025, at Green Dickson Park in Shiner. There will be live music, etc. Susan Sestak made a motion to donate \$200 and seconded by Margo Henderson. All approved.



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**Block of the Month:** Margo stated 27 members are participating. These members showed their completed blocks. The February block was distributed to members present and Margo would take some copies to the Square Quilter.

**Donation Quilt:** Rae Nell reported that the committee met on Monday, February 3rd, at 12:30 p.m. at the Square Quilter, and a lot of cutting and sewing occurred. The group will be meeting next Monday the 10th at 12:30 p.m.

**Norma's House:** Laura said that 11 quilts have been donated thus far. The Norma's House representative will be coming to our March meeting to tell us more about what their organization does. Laura has a stack of quilt top that need to be quilted.

**Nursing Home:** Bernadette has received 3 quilts. There are sets available including the batting.

**Youth Quilting:** Irene showed the completed quilt bags made for the coming summer class. We now have enough bags made for this year and next year!

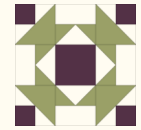
## Quilt Show Committees:

SHOW CHAIR:	LINDA PARR
PUBLICITY CO-CHAIRS:	IRENE CERNY, TONI ROGERS
DONATION QUILT CHAIR:	RAE NELL JANIK
DONATION QUILT TICKET SALES:	BENNIE GERDES, ROSE MARY HAVLIK
ADVERTISING:	RAE NELL JANIK, MARGO HENDERSON
DOCENT/VOLUNTEER CHAIR:	NOLA BOHUSLAV
VENDOR CO-CHAIRS:	PEGGY MOORE, BRENDA FISSELER
CHALLENGE BLOCK CO-CHAIRS:	ANNETTE MEYER, MARY SHAFER
VIEWER'S CHOICE CO-CHAIRS:	GLADYS MUEHLSTEIN, MARGO HENDERSON, MARILYN SCHROEDER



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ENTRIES CO-CHAIRS:

DARCY CURTIN, CHARLENE FORT,  
JOYCE MACHICEK

PROGRAM CHAIR:

SANDY LYNSKEY (unconfirmed)

BOUTIQUE CO-CHAIRS:

KATHLEEN SCHACHERL, BERNADETTE  
KRESTA

DECORATIONS CO-CHAIR:

RAE NELL JANIK, MARGO  
HENDERSON

SILENT AUCTION CO-CHAIRS:

NOLA BOHUSLAV, WILMA WILLIAMS

Linda then addressed the membership about a few suggestions and complaints that have been made to the various officers. The membership at large discussed these topics.

Linda then made clear to the group that the board welcomes all suggestions and complaints and wanted everyone to know that all names are kept confidential from the other board members or any other guild member.

**PROGRAMS:** Darcy shared with the members the program schedule for the upcoming months.

**SHOW AND TELL:** Annette conducted the show and tell with 19 members exhibiting their beautiful items! Door prizes were awarded!

Hostesses for the March meeting: Lisa Stafford, Helen Stafford, Margo Henderson, Alice Janak

Linda adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Submitted by: Secretary, Debbie Novosad

*Debbie Novosad*



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## **FEBRUARY PRESENTATION • GREAT BIG SHOW & TELL**

Grab your favorite beverage and settle in for a look at FIVE PAGES of show and tell photos later in this newsletter! If you are reading this online you can click through each image to see the original picture and zoom in on the glorious details. Thank you all for bringing such lovely and inspiring items to share.

## **BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

Margo handed out the first pattern and 1-yard cuts of the focus fabric at the January meeting, but it's not too late to join in! She will be presenting a new block each month through September for a total of nine patterns. Each block will be 18" finished, so it won't take too much extra to make a nice-size throw.

Cost is \$5 towards the focus fabric, to be used in each month's block. (The guild is covering the remaining cost.) Bring your payment to Karin at the next meeting and add your name to the BoM sign-up list.

## **QUILT SHOW COMMITTEES**

As noted in the minutes, we have chairs/co-chairs for all our committees!

See pages 5 through 8 of the Policies & Procedures section of your Member Handbook for details about the responsibilities of each committee. Linda is updating the committee notebooks which contain even more information.

## **TUESDAY, MARCH 4 • QUILTING FOR CHARITY**

We will have three presenters for our March program:

- Deane Novosad from Norma's House Children's Advocacy Center
- Gladys Seifert from Shady Oak Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Moulton
- Pastor Darin Zumwalt from First United Methodist Church and the Shiner Food Pantry



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We look forward to hearing from these representatives about the good works of their organizations, and how they use our contributions to help serve our communities.

## **TUESDAY, APRIL 1 • ALL-DAY • CHARITY SEW DAY**

11:00 am - 5:00 pm

We have our regular meeting room booked all day (from 10:30 am) for a Charity Quilt Sew Day. There is no presentation or set schedule. Drop in when you can.

If you cannot bring a sewing machine, that's okay. We will need cutters and pressers and pattern planners, too!

## **TUESDAY, APRIL 1 • DEBORAH BRADLEY • TEXAS QUILT MUSEUM**

For our April meeting program, we have tentatively scheduled Deborah Bradley from the Texas Quilt Museum to present information about the museum and some interesting quilting history. The Texas Quilt Museum is a wonderful resource for inspiration and research located in downtown La Grange.

## **TUESDAY, MAY 6 • SWAP MEET**

If your New Year's resolutions include "clean up my sewing space," you will be looking forward to our first Swap Meet!

You may have noticed that members often place fabric, books, and other quilting goodies looking for a new home on the table by the entrance for anybody to take. Expand that idea and you have a Swap Meet.

Bring any quilting or other arts-and-crafts supplies that you no longer want. Display them on your table, and then go "shopping" through the other tables! You may discover a new hobby, and you may go home with more than you brought, but this is an event guaranteed to spark your creativity.



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At the end of the evening, if you have anything left that you do not want to take back home, we will arrange to donate those items to the Shiner Pilot Club Thrift Store.

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 3 • ALL-DAY WORKSHOP • MJ KINMAN • BITE-SIZE GEMS**

10:30 am - 5:30 pm (bring a lunch or plan to go out)

Cost for members is \$55 and for non-members is \$65. This amount includes a \$5 non-refundable registration fee.

There is not a required kit, but MJ will have kits for sale if you prefer to use her pre-selected fabric.

Please see the two-page flyer on [page 13](#) for a full class description and the supply list.

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 3 • LECTURE/TRUNK SHOW • MJ KINMAN • GEMS AND JOY**



MJ will also give a lecture and trunk show for our June meeting program. She is a wonderfully inspirational speaker and her quilts are magnificent. Her work has been exhibited in galleries, museums, national juried competitions and private collections.

This is a longer program (about 1 hour) so we will strive to keep the business meeting as short as possible.





SHOW AND TELL



Block of the Month



Annette Meyer



Mary Shafer

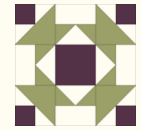






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Bernadette  
Kresta



Marilyn  
Schroeder



Irene  
Cerny





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Brenda  
Fisseler &  
Betty  
Kloesel

Gladys  
Muehlstein



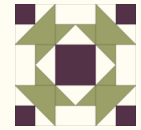
Debbie  
Novosad





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Carolyn Janak



Rae Nell Janik



Darcy Curtin



Kathleen Schacherl

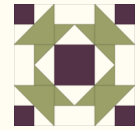






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Peggy  
Moore



Bernadette  
Kresta



Rose Mary  
Havlik



Suzanne  
Sestak



Hope  
Cummins





TUESDAY, JUNE 3 • ALL-DAY WORKSHOP • MJ KINMAN • BITE-SIZE GEMS



## FULL-DAY CLASS

### “Bite-Size Gems”

**Length of Workshop:** 6 hours

**Skill Level:** Confident Beginner



MJ Kinman, maker of giant gem quilts, will show you how to create sparkling gem blocks using the design and piecing techniques she relies on to create her signature quilts. During this fast-paced class, students will create their own singularly beautiful work of faceted light.

Freezer paper piecing techniques are powerful techniques that can transform any quiltmaker's ideas into reality. MJ's inspiration is gemstones, but yours might be landscapes, florals, portraits, abstracts, or any other kind of inspiration. The technique works for all!

MJ is quick to point out that this technique is NOT foundation paper piecing. There's no sewing to paper or tearing paper out of the back of your quilt block when finished. Instead, this is *traditional piecing* using freezer paper as your templates. If you can put two pieces of fabric, right sides together, with a quarter-inch seam allowance, you can do this!

Over the course of a single day-long session, students will learn how to:

- Create a freezer paper pattern based on a mock-up of a bite-size gem that I provide.
- Understand how different types of fabrics impact the flow of light and color across their design.
- Assemble the fabric facets to create their own block of faceted color.

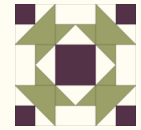
Activities include:

- Prepare square freezer paper template (recommended size: 18”).
- Transfer the mock-up design to the freezer paper by using a simple grid technique.
- Create a color palette.
- Code the facets in their template to designate position, color, and adjacency.
- Cut apart their freezer paper template and sort by color code.
- Iron freezer paper facets to their painted fabric according to the color codes.
- Cut the facets and organize them by section code.
- Learn techniques to piece facets.



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### Supply List:

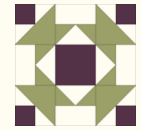
- **Note: MJ will bring freezer paper for members to use.** However, if students wish to purchase their own, they can do so by purchasing it at their local grocery store OR from Amazon. The freezer paper should be 18" wide.
- Colored pencils in the colors of the gem they want to create.
- Highlighter
- Regular pencils
- Ball point pen or permanent markers
- Eraser
- Bic Wite-Out tape or similar brand (Please do not purchase a bottle of Liquid Paper/Liquid Wite-Out since it will make a mess on your iron.)
- 18" ruler & Small ruler with a 1/4" measurement
- 6-8 business-size envelopes
- Domestic sewing machine and thread assortment (neutrals or colors that match your fabrics)
- Scissors and rotary cutting tools (cutter and mat) Bring 2 rotary cutters if you want to cut paper with one and your fabric with another.
- Iron and ironing pad (or board)
- Fabric – Fat Quarters of cotton solids or gradients. Consider bringing a range of values (light, medium, dark) within one or two colorways. This project works best when you have a very dark value, a very light value, and a range of 2 or 3 medium values. White and black also work well to bump up the “bling” in your gem.





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## OTHER GUILD SHOWS AND EVENTS

### CLASSES AT THE SQUARE QUILTER

**Hemingway Pouch**  
 2/20/2025, 10:30a-3:30p  
 Instructor: Joan Ivy  
 Attendance Fee: \$20.00  
 (supplies & pattern sold separately)  
 Besides fabric, you will need foam stabilizer, and a handbag zipper.




**Folded Star Hot Pad**  
 2/25/2025, 10:00a-2:00p  
 Instructor: Mary  
 Attendance Fee: \$15.00  
 (supplies & pattern sold separately)  
 You will need 1 FQ, 3 different 5" WOF strips, a 9" square of 100% cotton batting or Insul Bright, and a glue stick.



**Charm Box Quilt**  
 3/11/2025, 10:30a-3:30p  
 Instructor: Debbie B  
 Cost: \$15.00 (pattern included)  
 You will need 2 charm packs + 3/8 yd solid (or near to solid) to coordinate with the 5" squares of fabric



**Quilted Bucket**  
 3/19/2025, 10:30a-3:30p  
 Instructor: Bernadette  
 Cost: \$15.00 (pattern included)  
 You will need 2/3 yds of light fabric and 1/3 yds of darker fabric. Or 3 fat quarters.  
 Denim and lining fabric will be provided.



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March 1 - April 30, 2025

### GUEST QUILTS

March

Victoria Quilt Guild

Donna Gibroni



### CALLS FOR ENTRY

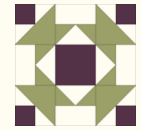
The currently open calls for entry for exhibits at the 2025 Houston International Quilt Festival are listed at [www.quilts.com/enter-your-quilt/](http://www.quilts.com/enter-your-quilt/)





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**QUILT SHOW**  
**HEIRLOOM STITCHER'S GUILD**

*Cuero Quilt Guild Showing Quilts At:*  
**GREAT LOCATION WITH LOTS MORE ROOM FOR MORE QUILTS,  
 MORE VENDORS, & MORE PARKING, ETC**

**VFW HALL**  
 934 US HWY 183N  
 CUERO, TX

*"Vendor's will be selling a great variety of  
 goods you just can't live without"*

**DRAWING FOR  
 NEW SEWING  
 MACHINE  
 SAT. MARCH 29 - 2PM**

**NEED SCISSORS  
 OR KNIVES SHARPENED?  
 THE SCISSOR GUY  
 WILL BE THERE!**

**MARCH 28 - 10AM TO 4PM**  
**MARCH 29 - 9AM TO 3PM**  
**ADMISSION: \$ 6.00**

**SAILING STITCHERS CRUISE  
 HOSTED BY VICTORIA QUILT  
 GUILD**

Sewing cruise opportunity  
 Jan. 19 -24, 2026 on Royal  
 Caribbean Mariner of the  
 Sea. Ports include Cozumel  
 and Costa Maya where the  
 Mayan ruins can be toured.

Interior rooms are \$544.00  
 and Balcony rooms are  
 \$698.00 per person (double  
 occupancy). Lots of fun and  
 great food and shows.

We carpool out to Galveston  
 and you do not need sewing  
 machines because we will  
 be doing two projects on sea  
 days that are hand sewing  
 all supplies provided.

\$100.00 deposit per room is  
 due by Feb. 21. If interested  
 contact Karen Greer, 361-  
 649-8952 or  
 sewer444@gmail.com.



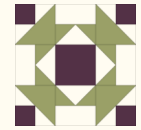
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 SHOW IN TEXAS**

2025 Best Little Quilt Show in Texas  
 An Amazing Tropical Paradise  
 La Grange Community Center (KC Hall)  
 190 S Brown Street, La Grange, TX  
 February 21, 2025 - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm  
 February 22, 2025 - 10:00 am to 4:00 pm  
 Entrance Fee: \$10



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### UPCOMING EXHIBITS

#### JANUARY 9-APRIL 26, 2025

Red, White, and Blue Quilts from International Quilt Festival's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, *partially sponsored by Gene Reynolds, CPA*

International Quilt Festival 2024 Judged Show Prizewinners

Libby Lehman: The Art of Quilting

#### MAY 1-AUGUST 23, 2025

Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Blue Ribbon Winners 2024

Framed Center/Medallion Quilts, *sponsored by the Lucille Gaebler Klein Fund*

Manhattan Quilters Guild: Rebound – Renew – Reimagine

#### AUGUST 26-DECEMBER 20, 2025

Andrea Brokenshire Quilt Journey

Linda Blust Birds

2023 Biennial Quilt Study: Blues Used Before 1900

Traditional Quilts of Diane Miller

## ODDS & ENDS

By popular request, here is Brenda's **Gone in 60 Seconds (Pepper Jelly Dip)** recipe:

2 c. shredded cheddar cheese

1 ½ c. chopped pecans

¾ c. chopped green onion

½ c. mayonnaise

¾ c. pepper jelly

Mix cheese, pecans, onion and mayo together. Chill.

Spread pepper jelly over top just before serving. Serve with crackers.

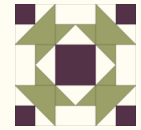
Bernadette sent the recipe and mentioned that Brenda used Amy's ([The Pickled Baker](#)) hot pepper jelly.





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## *Linda's Lines continued from p 1*

The open dialogue regarding the members' ideas and suggestions is something I truly hope continues to be a part of every meeting. Let's make 2025 a year to remember!

*Linda Parr*

A member mentioned that our website is just a bit out of date... Yes, it sure is! But it's on the list of things to work on "soon" so keep an eye out for some improvements. Currently the newsletters and photo galleries are up to date. The calendar will be next! What do you want to see on the website? Let us know....



Do you have news about upcoming shows, shop hops, or other quilting events?  
Forward the info to Darcy at [SHQPrograms@gmail.com](mailto:SHQPrograms@gmail.com).



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