



# The Monarch

## Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild Of Texas

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**PRESIDENT'S LETTER: Helen Wilems**

**Meetings:**

**Aug 1 1:30pm -Board Meeting**

**Aug 2— Evening Meeting 6:45-8:30p**

**Aug 17— Day/Business Meetings held**

**First United Methodist**

**39 00 Lexington Blvd,**

**Missouri City, TX**

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**From Me to You**

This will be my last message to you before I turn the duties of President over to Mark Towle. Thank you for selecting me to act as your leader over the last year. It has been a wonderful year. We have laughed together and worried together, there have been good times and not so good times. But we were together as a group and have supported each other. Please continue the same support for Mark. Let us continue to grow as a group. Together we can achieve so much.

Thank you to all who have served on the board and on the committees. Without the help of all of you, my job would have been so hard. You have always been there to help and support the guild. Please continue your involvement and interest in the Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild.

We are still looking for a person to serve as President-Elect for the next year. This is a crucial position and someone among you is the person for the job. You are needed now to learn the workings of the board and the position of president. Think about it, consider it and join the board.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and stay cool.

Helen



**President Elect-Mark Towle**

**2017 Presidents Quilt Blocks for Helen Wilems**

It is time to start working on a quilt block for our outgoing president to show our appreciation for all of her hard work.

The block needs to be a 6 1/2 inch (6 inch finished) butterfly block. It should be scrappy with a white on white background.

The block can be pieced, appliqued or embroidered. Please sign the block on the white on white background.

Please turn the blocks in to Mark Towle before or at the September day meeting (September 21).

Fall Retreat by Sally Staner

**Fall Retreat – Jordan Ranch**

**Dates:** Sunday, September 24 (5:00 p.m. earliest) or Monday, September 25 (anytime). Departure – Thursday, September 28, after breakfast.

**Cost:** Sunday arrival - \$295.00      Monday arrival - \$250.00

**Meals:** Guests arriving on Sunday must provide their own dinner. During the retreat, seven (7) meals will be provided; dinner on Monday, two (2) meals each day, Tuesday & Wednesday, and breakfast on Thursday.

**Drinks & Snacks:** Please bring a snack to share (cookies, chips, fruit, cheese, crackers, candy, etc.) and any soda or bottled water for yourself. Coffee is provided, but you may prefer to bring your favorite K cups of coffee and tea. A small fridge, ice, and microwave are provided

**Pool:** The swimming pool and hot tub will be open for your use. There is no life guard, but the pool is beautiful and the water should be perfectly warm during our retreat.

**Optional Activities:** Traders Dice and Fabric Swap (more details to follow). Shopping is available in Giddings, LaGrange and Shiner. The shops in Giddings usually give us a nice discount.

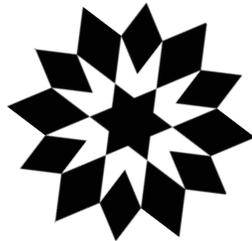
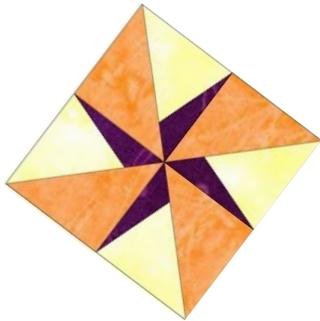
Design wall, cutting stations, and ironing stations are provided. You may bring your own to use at your individual table. Each person will have a large table to work on. It is suggested that you bring a sewing machine table and/or ergonomic chair for best comfort. At the very least, you will want to bring a chair cushion, as the provided chairs are not the best height for sewing.

For further information please contact Sally Staner (281) 242-3130 or [sjstaner@gmail.com](mailto:sjstaner@gmail.com)

***Programs By Lisa Patterson***

**Evening:** For our evening program this month, Bob Ruggiero will be presenting a history & slide show of the Houston International Quilt show. This should be really interesting to see the history, and the future vision of the show. There will be an opportunity to ask questions after the presentation, so whatever you want to know about the show, this is a perfect opportunity to find out!

**Day:** For our Day program, Christa Watson will be visiting us from Las Vegas. She is an award-winning sit-down machine quilter and has had designs featured in such magazines as "Quilty, The Quilting Quarterly, Modern Quilts Unlimited, Make Modern, QuiltCon, " and various other publications. She designs quilt patterns, teaches workshops, and is an active member of the Modern Quilt Guild, the National Quilting Association, and the American Quilter's Society. Christa has also Authored, and co-authored 3 books. Her presentation to us will be "The Ultimate Machine Quilting trunk Show". You definitely want to see this, it should be pretty amazing!



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### Community Service by Sakeenah Mubashsh

Greetings Guild Members...

Well I believe the July Meetings that were dedicated to the Charities we support were a success. Thanks to everyone who attended the July 5, 2017 night meeting to learn more about the Charities. A special thanks to Jodie Gonzalez, Director of Volunteer Services and Community Education/ Outreach for Bo's Place and the inspirational information she provided; Thanks to Jen Pazicni representing Project Linus; Barbara Young representing Quilts for Kids; Kay Paul representing Quilts of Valor; Gwen Goldsberry representing Michael DeBakey VA Hospital/US Veterans Initiative; and myself representing Fort Bend Women's Center.

At the July Board Meeting the Board agreed to add Lone Star Santas as another Charity the Guild will support. Lone Star Santas is a non-profit organization that provides toys and gifts to children affected by natural disasters. When the toys and gifts are distributed, the children are given plastic bags which usually are not secure. The guild's goal is to provide the children with pillowcases to collect the toys and gifts. Pauline Manes will take the lead with this new charity and she would like to keep an inventory of 300 pillowcases at all times.

Special thanks go out to all the members who participated in the Charity Sew-In on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Debbie Garner gave a workshop on Quilt As You Go.

And finally thanks to the following members who help with sewing, quilting, crocheting, and binding over the past month:

Ester Mirti	Cathy Price	Barbara Baxter	Helen Wilems
Chris Ginkens	Margie Koenig	Rebecca Trevino	Judy Wolter
Gwen Goldsberry	Joan Bell	Sherry Stringfield	Linda Davi
Pauline Manes	Lisa Patterson	Carol Ann Barley	Diane Carpenter

Penny Hurst

**On another note—during August Helen Wilems is collecting school supplies to donate to the First United Methodist Church and during August and September Gwen Goldsberry is collecting toilet paper for the homeless veterans. Please help by bringing these items to the next meetings.**

#### HOBBS UPC Labels

**REMINDER REMINDER, we continue to collect Hobbs UPC Labels. The UPC label provides a discount to the Guild when purchasing batting from the Manufacturer. If you are purchasing Hobbs Batting for your quilting, PLEASE recycle the bags by turning them in to Community Service at the Guild Meetings.**

## Quilts of Valor

Many thanks to the following for their donations to QOV:

Carol Kettlewell  
Elizabeth Barrow  
Barbara Young  
Katherine Onstott  
Joan Bell  
Deborah Bryson

Helen Wilems  
Margie Koenig  
Lisa Patterson  
Pauline Manes  
Sandi Winston  
Barbara Wall

Barbara Penning  
Rebecca Trevino  
Wilma Al-Uqdah  
Shirley Grover  
Kay Paul  
Liz Narcisse

It Seams To Be Sew

The July sew-in was a fun time. We had lots of laughter and some unusual subjects of conversation.

Three quilts were tuned in along with nine finished tops.

Our next sew-in will be August 26<sup>th</sup> at the church as usual. Do come and join in on the good fellowship.



*QUILT SHOW NEWS by Barb Wall*

**QUILT SHOW: “A Decade in Stitches”** by Barb Wall

Guess what? One year from this month we will be turning in our *quilts* for the show. You’ve got the categories, challenges and rules, for entries, so download those from the guild website and get busy!

This show, we will be replacing the small quilt and online auctions with a live auction and on-site quilt sale. The auction will be held during the show, and we hope to offer about 12-15 well crafted quilts. That’s where you, our members, can help. We need those special quilts from your bees, quilt groups or even just yourself. No restrictions on size, style or techniques. Although the quilt show planning team has been meeting since January, it’s now time to bring all our committee chairs together. The first meeting of the full show team will be held on Saturday, September 30, 10:00am- 12:00pm, in Meeting Room 2, at the University Branch Library. The library is located behind the University of Houston campus off University Blvd. near Hwy. 59. Many thanks to everyone who has already volunteered, but lots of positions still need to be filled. The team leaders will have sign-up sheets at the August and September guild meetings, and will be ready to answer any questions. Even if you’re not sure what to try, come to the library anyway, and we’ll find you the perfect spot.

The planning team:

**Quilts-Susie Doe**, 619does@sbcglobal.net - Quilt check in & out, judging, labels and descriptions, curating, ribbons/awards and transportation.

**Vendors-Helen Wilems**, hrwilems@aol.com - Show vendor set up/take down, hospitality and welcome bags.

**Facilities-Pam Biswas**, pam\_biswas@yahoo.com - Quilt hanging/take down, show volunteers and decorations.

**Activities-Lisa Patterson**, mardanmom@gmail.com - Raffle baskets, quilt sale, live auction, Make & Take, demo area, Member Artists, and Viewer’s Choice.

**Administration-Sherri Stringfield**, sherristring@gmail.com - Ticket sales, welcome table, membership desk, door prizes, program, advertising and publicity.

*Financials by Pauline Manes*

7/1-25

Income: \$1,851.

Expense: \$1,423.23

Balance Checking: \$7,900.24

Balance Savings: \$20,058.53

**Birthdays/Membership by Judy Wolters**

**BIRTHDAYS/MEMBERSHIP**

Elizabeth J Barrow	August 1	Garri Kaye Butler	August 16
Penny Hurst	August 5	Ruth Denley	August 17
Debbie Penalber	August 5	Sue Choitz	August 19
		Patricia Harris Wil-	
Donna K. Sonnier	August 5	son	August 19
Kay Steinkamp	August 6	Sally Staner	August 27
Julie Dayton	August 7	Susan E Newsome	August 29
Darshana A Desai	August 9	Marlene Jacobson	August 30
Susan Jett	August 9	Esther Mirti	August 30
Jane Hancock	August 13		
Sally Keller	August 14		



**News From Rep at Large Sherri Stringfield**

Thank you to all who made donations in the storage clean out!! Little contributions added up and it helped some of the items that have been hanging around find homes!! Maybe next year we can get a focused group to go through the storage shed ahead well in advance of July and clear out more of little used stuff in there in a similar fashion.

Please keep me in mind if you are making any crafty items at home and send an extra one my way for door prizes.

# BEES

If interested in attending one of the bees listed below, please reach out to the contact person to confirm the date and time and that there is space available

## Bayland Quilt Toppers

Every Friday 9 AM—1 PM  
Nancie Roach  
713-771-6762  
Bayland Park Center  
6400 Bissonnet

## Beginners Bee

Every Tuesday  
11:00 AM—3 PM  
RSVP  
Liz Narcisse  
Beulah.narcisse@gmail.com

## Electric Quilt

1st & 3rd Wednesday  
9:30 AM—Noon  
Nancie Roach  
713-661-6762  
Bayland Park Center

## Girls Night Out Bee

1st Friday of Month  
6 PM—Midnight  
Cyn Wilde  
281-455-8267  
Quilterscottagefabric.com  
Quilters Cottage

## Material Girls Cloth Doll Club

3rd Saturday  
Quilt Works  
Nancy Roach  
832-483-8544  
Nancie.roach@gmail.com

## New Territory Quilt Group Bee

Sept—May—1st Wednesday  
10 AM—11:30 AM  
JoAnn's  
16626 SW Fwy  
Sugar Land TX 77479  
Laura McDonald 281-565-

## Pecan Grove Quilters

Every Wednesday  
10 AM—2 PM  
Bring a Lunch  
Judy Wolter  
270-498-3633  
Joy Lutheran Church

## Round Robin League

3rd Saturday—9 AM—2 PM  
Faye Stromatt  
281-850-3165  
stromatt@flash.net  
Sugar Grove Church of Christ  
11600 W Airport Blvd

## Sew Busy Bee

Every Friday 10 AM—2 PM  
Lunch Out  
Barbara Baxter  
281-242-5403  
Quilters Cottage  
920 FM 359

## Sugar Land Bee

Every Tuesday 10 AM—2 PM  
Bring a Lunch  
Barbara Baxter—281-242-5403  
Keegans Wood Community Cen-

## Social Bee

RSVP Bee  
3rd Friday 6:30-9:30p  
Foxy Quilters  
Pattie Fox  
pafox7@gmail.com

## UFO Bee

RSVP Bee  
2nd & 4th Thursday  
1 PM—4 PM  
Rebecca Trevino  
rmttd739@gmail.com

Art Quilts Bee —4th Thurs  
Contact: Penny Hurst 713-4745499  
prhurst5@yahoo.com, 1:30-3:30p. JoAnns SW Fwy

**OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES CHAIRS****President: Helen Wilems****President Elect: Mark Towle****Vice President Programs: Lisa Patterson****Program Chairman Elect: Gwen Goldsberry****Vice President Membership: Judy Wolter****Secretary: Cathy Price****Treasurer: Pauline Manes****Workshop Chairman: Debbie Garner****Workshop Chairman Elect: Kay Paul****Representative at Large: Sherri Stringfield****Editor/Advertising: Diane Aleman****IMPORTANT EMAIL ADDRESSES****president@cpqgtx.org****Editor —-cpqgtx@gmail.com****pres-elect@cpqgtx.org****webmaster@cpqgtx.org****membership@cpqgtx.org****workshops@cpqgtx.org****Activities: Barbara Young, Katherine Onstott****Advertising/Sponsors:****Bee Coordinator: Penny Hurst****Community Service: Sakeenah Mubashshir****Bo's Place: Katherine Onstott****Cinderella/Cinderfella: Martha Baldwin****Project Linus: Jennifer Pazicni****Quilts for Kids: Barbara Young****Quilts of Valor: Barbara Baxter****Donation Quilt: Kay Paul****Quilt Show: Barbara Wall****Guild Guide:****Hospitality: Carol Ann Barley**

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Articles *must* be received by the Monday following the Thursday morning meeting for inclusion in the next month's newsletter. Send articles to cpqgtx@gmail.com

If you do not have e-mail capability, legibly written information will be accepted by the deadline.

According to the CPQG By-laws, if you need a printed copy of the newsletter, please notify the editor.

A fee applies to all printed copies of **The Monarch**.

**COASTAL PRAIRIE QUILT GUILD OF TEXAS**  
**MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION**  
 Sept. 1, 2017-August 31, 2018

For Office Use Only:	
Date: _____	
Check # _____	Cash <input type="radio"/>
Amount Paid \$ _____	

Make checks payable to CPQGTX.

Complete your registration and pay your dues by September 30th to be included in the Directory.

You may submit this form at a meeting or mail this form with your check to:

CPQGTX, PO Box 55, Stafford, TX 77497

Website: [www.cpqgtx.org](http://www.cpqgtx.org)

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All guild members must complete a new registration form when renewing each year. Membership year is Sept 1 to Aug. 31.

Please Print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address                      City                      State                      Zip Code

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary (Circle One – Home, Cell, Work)

Secondary (Circle One – Home, Cell, Work)

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (month/day)

Dues: \$35.00

After March 31, *dues are pro-rated for new members only.*

April 1-August 31—\$17.50

**Type of Membership**

NEW MEMBER	JUNIOR MEMBER
RETURNING MEMBER	BUSINESS MEMBER

**Volunteer opportunities to serve your guild.** (Indicate where you would be available to assist your guild.)

- Board/Officer     Standing Committee     Quilt Show Committee     On-call support  
 Sponsor a Bee     Host a speaker/teacher     Provide transportation for a speaker/teacher

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*If you have a special interest or idea for a speaker or workshop, please feel free to contact the Program or Workshop Chair Elect with your interest.*

By signing this form you are hereby giving permission for your name and contact information to be included in a printed or secure web Directory.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**2017-2018 Coastal Prairie  
Quilters Guild Board Candidates**

***PRESIDENT-Mark Towle***

Linda and I moved here from Kansas via north Texas in 1984. I started quilting in about 2004. I love bright colors and like to do everything for a quilt myself. I joined the Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild when it was founded. I have been involved in helping with all the guild quilt shows. I am currently president elect I look forward to serving the guild as president.

***President-Elect-Open***

***VP Programs-Gwen Goldsberry***

I am a Navy brat who was born in South Carolina and moved every two years until I was 18. Then I married an Air Force man and we moved to Alaska where we had our first child. I have two children, three grandsons and one great grandson. We moved to Texas in 1976 and have loved living here. I like to say we got here as fast as we could. I am retired from Chevron's IT department.

I've been quilting for ~30 years. I took a quilting class because my Mother gave me a Sun-bonnet Sue quilt and that gift gave me the "bug". I am a charter member of CPQG and have served on the board as editor many years ago.

I look forward to getting involved with our guild again and having fun learning new techniques. I love looking at quilts and touching fabric...you should see my stash!

I look forward to serving you and getting to know you all better.

***Programs Elect-Joan Bell***

Joan Bell is a retired Occupational Therapist. One of the first things she did after moving to Missouri City 4 years ago was to join Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild. Joan has been sewing most of her life. She was introduced to serious quilting in 2003 by a quilt store owner who helped the Corpus Christi Aggie moms make a raffle quilt. (Joan bought at least half of the tickets & is the proud owner of that quilt.) Joan enjoys making quilts for her large extended family & has coordinated several family reunion quilt retreats.

Joan has enhanced her knowledge & skills through CPQG workshops and work on charity quilts and Quilts of Valor. If elected, she looks forward to working with the current board in the development of interesting & educational programs for the year 2018-19.

### ***Workshops-Kay Paul***

I have been the workshop chairman elect this year, so everyone should know me by now. I joined the guild about four years ago and am so glad i did. It has been a wonderful place to meet fellow quilters and to learn more about our favorite hobby I look forward to the workshops we have planned and hope you will join us for as many as you can.

### ***Workshops Elect-Nancie Roach***

I have been a member of CPQG since its inception. I was also the second President of the guild and helped with workshops and program responsibilities. I've had a needle in my hand since I was in first grade (many, many years ago).

My quilting adventures started with the Bicentennial in 1976. I suppose I've made about 300 quilts in the last 40 years but I'm one of the world's worst at document- ing. Most of these have gone to family, friends, and charity. I kept a few of course. I also work at making dolls and am currently focused on embellishing and crazy quilting. I worked for Shell Oil for 19 years as a computer geek. I retired 10 years ago and, of course, am busier now than ever. I look forward to working with our program chair, and promise to do my best to bring fun, interesting and challenging workshops to you in the upcoming years.

### ***Secretary-Cathy Price***

I enjoyed being secretary to the Guild last year and am looking forward to doing this again next year. I am glad I joined the Guild. I have met so many wonderful quilt- ers. We truly have a talented and sharing group. I am proud to carry on my family tra- dition with my quilting.

### ***Treasurer-Diane Hickey***

I retired three years ago and moved to this area. Most of my work area has been in the con- struction industry and maintaining shopping centers.

My daughters thought I needed a hobby and involved me in quilting and the rest is history. I now have a stash I probably will never see the bottom and of course, my daughters will get it all. I enjoy making a few shop hops and quilt shows throughout the year with my girls. I joined the Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild to meet folks of a like mind and be active with some of the great things that the guild is involved in.

***Membership-Pam Biswas***

I came to the Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild a few years ago hoping to learn "how to host a quilt show" (for Houston Modern Quilt Guild) because CPQG was holding a show in September that year (2014). I was also interested in putting my quilts in a show. I did not realize that I would fall in love with the guild, the members, and the activities. I immediately found my tribe that I love being a part of. I have been sewing since I was about six years old (sitting on my grandma's lap), making quilt tops for over 30 years and quilting for more than eight years. I first started quilting on my Janome 6600 sewing machine and soon after, I decided to start longarm quilting for others on an Innova longarm machine. I love being with quilters, sharing ideas and information, learning from each other, quilting for charity, and helping to promote quilting as a craft and hobby. I love fabric and decided to add on-line fabric shop to my activities. All of this led to the birth of Pam Quiltaholic. In addition to quilting, I love to travel. I quilt and travel as much as I can. I also enjoy daily walking with my hubby, spending time with friends and family, and planning the next trip to see the world. In 2015, I retired from Information Technology, and today, I sometimes wonder how I ever had time to "work"....

***Rep at large/Parliamentarian-Sherry Stringfield***

I have been sewing since junior high, quilting since the mid-90s and a member since Jan 2016. I served as Rep-at-Large this year and coordinated the 2016 Shop Hop. My goal is to finish the many UFOs filling my sewing room and to learn to appliqué.

***Editor/Advertising-Diane Aleman***

This will be my second year as editor for the guild. I am honored to have this opportunity as there are so many great things the guild does and with my limited mobility, I hope that this is a small way of giving back.

## Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild

### Minutes of the June 6th, 2017 Board Meeting

(approved July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017)

The meeting was called to order by Helen Wilems, President at 1:33 pm at the Keegan's Woods Community Building.

Board Members in attendance: Helen Wilems, Cathy Price, Kay Paul, Mark Towle, Lisa Patterson, Pauline Manes, Debbie Garner, Sherri Stringfield, and Diane Aleman. A quorum was present. Committee Members in attendance: Sakeenah Mubashshir and Barb Wall

The Minutes of the May 2nd 2017 Board meeting were approved as presented.

The Treasurer's Reports from May 2017 were approved as presented.

#### **Board and Committee Reports**

##### **President-Elect – Mark Towle**

Mark reported that it has come to the attention of several members that the Guild is not consistently monitoring and enforcing the Standing Rule (section 3.a) as related to advertising of personal businesses. A violation of this specific Standing Rules was noted at the retreat. Previous violations have resulted in letters to the violators of the infractions.

The Board discussed this issue and recommendations were submitted on how to address the issue.

Board members and committee chairs need to be educated on the Standing Rules.

Mark Towle will work on a revision of section 3.a of the Standing Rules to better clarify the definition of "promotion of personal business or solicitation of donations for outside charitable causes" that would be a violation. The Board noted that our Guild does support the activities of other Guilds and not want this type of announcements to be considered violations. Mark will work up a revision for review and voting on by the Board and the Guild.

The current website will be modified to have the current By-Laws and Standing Rules available.

Mark will make a list of these missing items.

It was also noted that only the current newsletter and Show and Share photo can be seen. Mark will add this to his list of needed modifications on the current website and get this to Jen Pazicni.

##### **VP Membership - Judy Wolter**

Absent

Pauline Manes reported that she has an updated version of the membership form for next year that has the updated membership fee and date changes included. Judy Wolter will review this when she returns and it will be published on the Website so that it is available for next year's membership renewals.

##### **VP Programs – Lisa Patterson**

Lisa reported that she received Thank You cards from both Alice Kolb and Mickey Depre.

Michele Watts will be doing the workshop on June 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 am until 4 pm. She will also be the evening meeting presenter.

The Shop Hop is on June 15<sup>th</sup> so there is no program for that meeting.

Lisa Patterson reported on the Nominating Committee's updates. Three of the five open positions have candidates – Nancie Roach for Workshop-elect, Pam Biswas for Membership, and Diane Hickey for Treasurer. The positions of President-elect and Program-elect are still open. No one has yet expressed interest in filling these positions.

It was noted that one concern by those Lisa has polled, is that there is a bias toward day activities.

makes it difficult for Guild members who have day jobs to attend the business and /or board meetings. It was noted that the board meetings can be flexible and could be held later in the day if a meeting location is available. The Board noted that there are differences between the needs for the day workshop/programs and the evening workshop/programs. In informal polls at the Guild meetings, the majority of Guild members have indicated they can attend day events more easily than evening events.

It was suggested maybe a Day program/workshop chair and an Evening program/workshop chair replace the current Guild positions since the workshop and program are closely related for the day meetings. This would require investigation, proposed changes for review, voting on the changes by both the Board and Membership, and implementation of these changes. The current Board does not feel this can be done in the time remaining in this term, but that the process should be investigated for a future change. This could also include consideration of weekend workshops and other changes to the timing of workshops.

Helen Wilems asked that the current Board members most involved with these positions meet and discuss what modifications be considered and proposed for a possible future change. Mark Towle, Lisa Patterson, Debbie Garner, Gwen Goldsberry and Kay Paul will meet to discuss changes that can be presented to the Board and Guild. The overall goal is to make the board positions and the future workshops and programs more in-line with Guild needs.

### **Workshops – Debbie Garner**

Debbie reported that tomorrows workshop with Michelle Watts has 13 attendees signed up.

The Shop Hop is on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June.

The Charity sew-in will occur on July 20<sup>th</sup>. There will be a quilt as you go demo. Some attendees will sew; some can be cutting batting and backing, and others quilting if there is time.

Christa Watson will be the August 17<sup>th</sup> workshop. No one has signed up for this workshop yet, but the sign-up sheets will be at the next several meetings.

### **Treasurer – Pauline Manes**

No Report

### **Workshop-elect – Kay Paul**

No Report

### **Secretary – Cathy Price**

Cathy reported that our next board meeting is on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

After some discussion, the option was made for the Board to meet on July 5<sup>th</sup> at 3 – 5 pm at Sherri Stringfield's home. Debbie Garner moved that we reschedule the meeting as proposed.

Mark Towle seconded the motion. The Board approved this one time date/time change.

### **Editor/Advertising – Diane Aleman**

Diane noted that she would like to include photos in the newsletter of the Show and Share events.

She will be contacting the Guild members that are taking pictures for these to include in the monthly newsletter going forward.

### **Shop Hop 2017 – Sherri Stringfield**

Sherri Stringfield reported that she has less than the 37 needed signed up for the June 15<sup>th</sup> Shop Hop. Kay proposed that non-members be allowed to pay \$30 instead of the original \$40 fee. Pauline Manes seconded this motion. The Board approved this change for the event.

Sign-up for the Shop Hop will continue until the Shop hop in June. Departure time will be 9 am.

Everyone needs to be at the church by 8:30. Planned return time is 5 pm.

Sherri noted she is still having issues with the Representative-at-large email account. Helen recommended she contact Jen Pazicni to work on this.

**Donation Quilt 2018 – Diane Hickey**

Absent

**Quilt Show 2018 – Barb Wall**

Barb reported that the member artists – Sandi Winston and Kay Tanner will both have space at the show.

Jen Pazicni is working on finalizing the logo designed by Rita Evens.

The show Rules and Regulations are finalized and on the website. There have been changes since the 2016 show.

The show Categories with explanations of the categories are finalized and on the website.

The show Challenges are on the Website.

There will be a survey at the Guild meetings to determine if a live auction will be held. There must be support for both making the auction quilts and buying the auction quilts if this is to be successful.

There will not be an on-line auction for the 2018 show.

Sub-committees are forming to start working on the 2018 show.

**Trifold for 2017**

Pauline Manes presented the draft version of this for review since Gwen is out of town. Several edits were returned to her for update. The background color is still to be determined. The 2018 Quilt show logo is still pending and will be needed for finalization of the design. A change to the format that lists the meetings and workshops was presented for review and possible inclusion in the new Trifold.

**Community Service – Sakeenah Mubashshir**

Sakeenah reported that she does not need donation of quilting scraps at this time. She is using the scraps from the charity quilts kits that are returned to her for the charity dog beds. If members want to bring personal scraps from their quilting, both Diane Aleman and Kay Paul indicated that they could take these to make additional charity dog beds.

The July 5<sup>th</sup> and July 20<sup>th</sup> meetings will focus on the charities supported by the Guild.

The July 20<sup>th</sup> meeting will have a sew-in instead of a workshop. Sakeenah will be needing 20 inch or larger scraps of batting for the quilt as you go demonstration if anyone has these to contribute.

**Activities – Barbara Young/Katherine Onstott**

Absent

**Webmaster, Jen Pazicni**

Absent

**Retreat – Sally Steiner**

Absent

**Quilts of Valor – Barbara Baxter**

Absent

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cathy Price, Secretary  
Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild

## Minutes of the July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 General Meeting of the Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild

The meeting was called to order by Helen Wilems, President, at 10:03 am. Helen welcomed all visitors, members, and new members.

The minutes for the May 18, 2017 meeting were approved as published. There are no June minutes since that date's activity was the Shop Hop.

The Treasurer's reports for May 2017 and June 2017 were approved as published in the newsletter.

Helen Wilems had Lisa Patterson from the Nominating committee report on the 2017-2018 candidates for the Board. There is still not a candidate for the President-elect.

The Board nominees for 2017 – 2018 are –

President	Mark Towle
President-elect	open
Program Chair	Gwen Goldsberry
Program Chair-elect	Joan Bell
Workshop Chair	Kay Paul
Workshop Chair-elect	Nancie Roach
Membership Chair	Pam Biswas
Treasurer	Diane Hickey
Secretary	Cathy Price
Representative-at-Large	Sherri Stringfield
Editor	Diane Aleman

Helen Wilems asked for volunteers for the 2017 Election committee. The volunteers were Carol Kettlewell, Pauline Manes, and Deborah Bryson. This committee was approved by the membership present. The committee will prepare and conduct an election ballot for next month's election of the new Board members per the Guild By-laws.

### Reports:

President Elect: Mark Towle announced that Helen's outgoing President gift will be a butterfly block. The members are asked to make a 6.5 inch (unfinished) block with a butterfly motif. The background fabric should be white. The butterfly can be any technique or color. Sentiments can be written on the background if desired. These will be collected by Mark. Debbie Garner indicated that she had a butterfly applique pattern from the Shop Hop. She has made copies for members to use. Diane Aleman noted she would put the pattern in the newsletter.

Programs: Lisa Patterson announced that the August evening meeting presenter will be Rhianna Griffin and the program will be "History of the Houston International Quilt Show".

The August day meeting presenter will be Christa Watson on "Modern Quilting". She will have quilts to show as part of the presentation.

Membership: Julie Wolter announced that the 2017 membership renewal form is available. It is on the website and she also has copies at the membership table. Dues this year are \$35. The new year starts on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Representative-at-Large: Sherri Stringfield reported that the 2017 Shop Hop was fun, the bus was nice, the driver was pleasant, and everyone had a good time. However, attendance was low. The new Board will be planning how to organize this next year so the bus matches attendance better. Birthdays for members present with July birthdays were announced.

Sherri pointed out the “garage sale” donation table for miscellaneous items being cleared from the storage building. Also, there is a Swap your stuff table (bring something, take something). Everything on both tables must be gone at the end of the meeting.

Door prize winners were announced.

Workshops: Debbie Garner announced that the workshop this afternoon will be a demonstration of the Quilt-as-you-go method. This is free for those who attend and materials will be provided.

The August 17<sup>th</sup> workshop will be Christa Watson and the subject will be “Free Motion Quilting on your Domestic Machine”. This will be from 1 – 4 pm and cost is only \$30. Debbie has the sign-up sheet and supply list. Anyone who quilts is encouraged to sign-up.

Treasurer: Pauline Manes

No Report

Secretary: Cathy Price announced that many of the stores are having sales on school supplies. This year the Guild will be supporting FUMC’s school supply drive. The list of items needed is in the newsletter. Lisa Patterson announced that she has also seen very good pricing at this time on the needed items. Tax free weekend is the weekend of August 11<sup>th</sup>.

Newsletter Editor: Diane Aleman indicated that newsletter items should be directed to her. Diane would like the newsletter items as soon as possible so that she has time to format and edit them for the online newsletter.

2018 Quilt Show Committee: Quilt Show committee members reviewed the volunteer positions that they will need for the 2018 show. Many of the committees are meeting in the next couple of weeks and the work is beginning on the show. Volunteers are encouraged to contact these committee members to sign-up. Information will be on the website and in the newsletter for who to contact.

Susie Doe, Quilt coordinator, reviewed questions about the quilt challenges.

Monochromatic is one color and the shades for that color. It is not a color plus white or black. White and black are separate colors and cannot be used unless the quilt is only shades of white, or shades of black only.

The animal quilt is any member of the animal kingdom, not just mammals. Susie covered the “Make it Do” challenge again. She has the “make it do” fabric kits available. Also the fabric used for the back of the quilt is counted as one of the final six fabrics.

Any additional questions on the challenges should be forwarded to Susie.

Activities: Barb Young reported that all of the Mystery Quilt instructions have been published. She had a couple of examples of the finished tops.

Donation Quilt 2017: Diane Hickey reported that she attended the Houston Modern Quilt Guild meeting with the quilt and raised \$81 in ticket sales. She is attending the Greater Houston Quilt Guild meeting tomorrow. Sherri Stringfield noted that she has contacted Fort Bend County Fairgrounds and an outdoor space to show the quilt is free. Publicity for the quilt is being researched to see what the 501(c) (3) rules allow for showing and advertising raffle items.

Community Service:

Sakeenah Mubashshir reported she brought kits to make and quilt packages to be quilted. To date, 206 quilts have been finished; our goal is 250 quilts. There have been multiple blankets also that were not part of the goal

Gwen Goldsberry reported that she is still accepting hats for distribution to the homeless vets in December. In November, there will be a distribution of lap robes (crocheted or quilted) to the homeless vets. She is also accepting toilet paper for distribution in September and thanked those who have already contributed.

Quilts of Valor: Barbara Baxter announced that the July sew-in is this Saturday. This will be in the FUMC Music Rooms A&B from 10 am – 3 pm.

Retreat: Sally Steiner reported that the retreat this fall will begin on the 24<sup>th</sup> of September. If the Sunday thru Thursday option is selected, the cost is \$295. If the Monday thru Thursday option is selected, the cost is \$250. The retreat will be at the Jordan Ranch again. Additional information will be on the Webpage and newsletter.

Workshop-elect: Kay Paul announced that the September 21<sup>st</sup> workshop will be Rose Ann Cook and the subject will be Wool Applique. Sign-up can begin.

Show and Share was presented.

The potluck Christmas in July luncheon was held. There are many good cooks in this Guild.

The Show and Share of the UFO project challenge from the December meetings were presented.

The Christmas projects from members were presented.

Pauline Manes announced the new charity, Lone Star Santas Charity Pillowcases. More details will be on the website and in the newsletter.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Price, Secretary Coastal Prairie Quilt Guild



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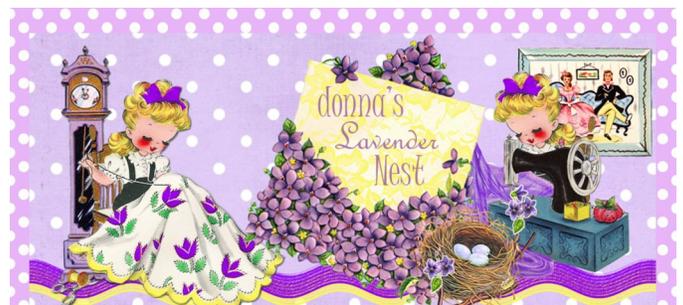
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