



Gazette

Seasons by Terry Peart

April Program *by Lura Campbell*

This month, we will all be self-isolating instead of gathering to share our love of quilting. Since it is uncertain when we will be able to get back together let's make the most of our isolation. Here are some great things to do:

Finish at least one unfinished quilt. It will give you some sense of accomplishment and you will have something to show for Hiding From the Pandemic.

Watch some of the great on-line quilting videos. Blueprint, is offering over 1,300 of their online classes absolutely free for the next two weeks.

Spend time with those neglected machines. Don't forget your embroidery machine. Now is a great time to get ahead on gift items.

And don't forget to take this time to organize your sewing space.

Take time to pray for the many around the world who have been touched by this pandemic.

Last, but not least, share pictures of your progress on our Facebook page.

President's Notes *by Janet Humphreys*

Dear Guild, We have cancelled the April meeting along with the workshop with Diane Knott. I am disappointed, as I know many of you are. I met Diane, quite by accident, while visiting a quilt shop in Atlanta last fall. When I told her I was a member of ESQG, she remembered that she was coming in the spring and was looking forward to it. She is a delightful person and I would have loved to have spent time with her in a workshop setting. Maybe we will be able to schedule her for another time soon.

As many of you may know, sewists in our area are making masks for our health care workers. I reached out to Mary Lane, who is doing an incredible job, along with We Sew Love in this endeavor.

Here is what she said:

Missouri Star has a video on how to make them. Also We Sew Love has kits made up for people to sew. (Usually in packs of 10) They can schedule pick up around town.

They also provide material for people to cut or serge strings. It is very well organized.

Contact [We Sew Love's Website](#)



Or Rebecca Keeter (she is on Facebook)

Thanks Mary!

Since we are not meeting on Thursday night, please take some time to post your Show and Tell projects on our Facebook page. You could post at anytime before Thursday. It won't be the same as seeing everything in person but we can keep up with each other. Everyone please take care and stay safe, Janet

Sew-A-Long

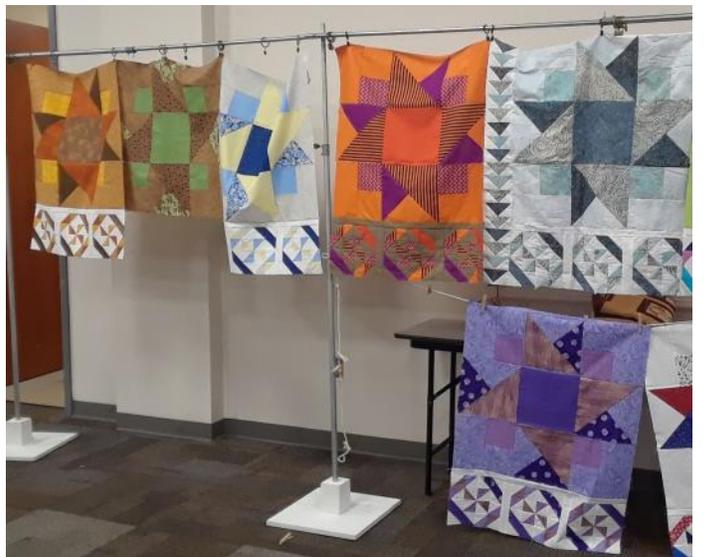
Just because we are practicing social distancing, doesn't mean you need to distance yourself from making progress on our 2020 Sew Along!

Love seeing all of the pictures posted of your section 3 progress. We are keeping track of anyone who is posting pictures of sew-along progress on our Facebook page (or you can e-mail a picture of your progress to eaquilts@gmail.com).

Everyone showing progress through social media or email will have a chance to win one of our two drawing prizes for this month. Prize winners will have their prize delivered to your doorstep.

We're looking forward to seeing these in person again!

Ellen Anson & Beverly Douthit



Quilters Showcase 2020

Although there is a lot of uncertainty about when things will get back to normal, we are still moving forward on plans for the Quilters Showcase. As the date gets closer, we are in the position to change or adjust as necessary. Let's take this down time to continue to do the list of suggested things. Consider taking a day and spending it on crafting some items for the boutique silent auction or the show.

- ◆ Look through your projects and
 - Choose those that you would like to complete to put in the show. If you are searching through those unfinished items and know that you will never complete that project, donate it to the boutique (Lori Fisk).
 - Select a small project and finish it to donate to

our Silent Auction (Mary Lane) to benefit women and children in the area.

- ◆ Look through your stash and sewing area
 - Find those new items that you bought on a whim and have never used. Donate those to our Opportunity Baskets (Mancy Binning) or our Vendor Hop (M.E. Spencer).
 - Start saving your larger scraps for the Boutique (Lori Fisk). Don't leave out those scrap strips that are at least 1 ½" wide. Do you have leftovers from a quilt that you are not likely to use again?
 - Do some spring cleaning and donate your duplicates.
- ◆ Take some time and make some small projects for yourself and to donate.
 - Bags and purses
 - Wall hangings
 - Pin cushions
- ◆ Say YES when someone approaches you to help with the show.



Calling All Quilts! *by Ellen Anson*

Plans are still going forward with our Quilters Showcase quilt show.

I'm sure many of you are quarantine quilting and will have possible show entries being worked on. Please take time to carefully read the quilt show rules and explanation of categories in this newsletter, decide which quilts you want to share with quilt lovers at our show, and fill out the entry form (one per quilt).

The entry form should be on-line fill-in but you will need to print it off and either give to me in person (when we are finally able to!) or mail to Ellen Anson, 901 Teaberry Lane, Hoover, AL 35244.

"We Care" Committee *by Ella Thomas*

Reminder to contact Ella with needs for get well and sympathy cards for our guild members.

Minutes of the March 5, 2020 Guild Meeting *from Beverly Douthit*

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Janet Humphreys.

Lura Campbell, VP of Programs, introduced Sarah Bliss Wright. The focus of the presentation was the history of Bemis Bags and the influences these bags had on quilting.

The minutes were published in the newsletter. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as published. Minutes were approved as reported.

Mary Berry presented the Treasurer's Report. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Piecemakers is scheduled for May 1st and 2nd, Cost is \$10.

Special Event in April, Diane Knott with Butterfly Quilts – Cancelled.

Beverly Williamson highlighted a few updates to the By-Laws and Policies. Changes such as - Membership fees will not be defined by a specific amount in the By-laws. Also, a Quilt Show Chairperson was added. A

complete set of By-Laws and Policies will be sent out to all members for review. A vote to approve the changes will be taken at the April Guild Meeting.

Sit and Sew will be March 14th and there will be an applique demonstration from 9 am until 3 pm. Cost for Sit and Sew is \$5.

Membership Committee, announced 48 members in attendance, 3 new members and 3 visitors.

The retreat scheduled March 19th through 22nd was cancelled.

Project Linus. If you submitted a quilt for Project Linus in February please let Bitsy know so that she can add your name to the drawing.

Ellen Anson and Beverly Douthit shared their blocks for the April section of the Sew-Along Quilt. Participants displayed their work along the wall during meeting. There was a prize drawing for participants that displayed their blocks. There will be a grand prize in August.

Friday Night Drive-In has a few slots open on March 13th. Cost is \$5. Contact Beverly Douthit if you would like to be added to the class.

ESQG Quilt Show will be on October 9th and 10th. Quilts accepted for the show must be made after January 15, 2015. Quilts older than 5 years will not be accepted. Complete guidelines are available through email sent to all guild members and in the newsletter. Lura asked for assistance/donations of new or "gently used items" for boutique. There will also be a silent auction and a vendor shop hop. Please contact Lura Campbell if you have any items or would like to assist in any area of the quilt show.

Many members participated in Show and Tell.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Beverly Douthit

General Information:

- ◆ **Board Meeting:** Meets on the 2nd Thursday of the Month at 6:30pm at the home of Ellen Anson. All members welcome.
- ◆ **Do you want to put an ad in the Newsletter?** Ads are only \$5 and reach all of our members and is posted on our website. Give payment to Mary Berry. Checks made payable to ESQG and yearly ads run from August to July. For additional info send email to eveningstarquiltguild@gmail.com
- ◆ **Next Newsletter Deadline:** April 30, 2020.
- ◆ **General Meetings** take place on the first Thursday of the month at North Shelby County Library. Mingle with members at 6:30, meeting to start promptly at 7:00. Guests are always welcomed!
- ◆ **Sit & Sew:** Join us for informal sewing at the Valley Christian Church, 2600 Cherokee Place, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of the month. \$5 donation to attend, bring your lunch or there are restaurants in the area. BYOP (bring your own projects!!!!)
- ◆ **Newsletter Distribution:** Are you not receiving our newsletter? Please send an email to eveningstarquiltguild@gmail.com. It is a good idea to add this email address to your email contacts to avoid it being marked as spam. We want you to receive all Guild communication!

Noodlehead Range Backpack Retreat

August 6-9, 2020, Sunset Inn Retreat, Southside, Alabama



The retreat is open to members of the Evening Star Quilting Guild, the Birmingham Quilt Guild, and their friends. Enrollment is limited to 18. The cost is \$265.00, which includes dorm-style accommodations and all (fabulous) meals. You'll bring your own sewing machine, fabric, and supplies.

For more information, contact Stephanie Newman (snewman258@gmail.com) or Susan Wagner (sswagner3518@gmail.com).

Guild Calendar

2020

Date	Time	Event	Member Cost	Location
5/1—5/2/2020		Piecemakers in town sewing retreat	\$ 10.00	Valley Christian Church
5/7/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	North Shelby Public Library
5/9/2020	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Sit & Sew	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church
6/4/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	North Shelby Public Library
6/12/2020	5:30 Doors open, 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM	Friday Night Drive-In (pattern fee may apply)	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church
6/13/2020	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Sit & Sew	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church
7/2/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	North Shelby Public Library
7/11/2020	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Sit & Sew	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church
8/6/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting <i>Install new Officers, Potluck Dinner</i>	\$ -	North Shelby Public Library
8/8/2020	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Sit & Sew	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church
8/21—8/22/2020		Piecemakers in town sewing retreat	\$ 10.00	Valley Christian Church
9/3/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	North Shelby Public Library
9/12/2020	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Sit & Sew	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church
10/1/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	North Shelby Public Library
10/9 - 10/10/2020	Fri 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM, Sat 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM	ESQG Quilters Showcase 2020	\$ 7.00	Helena Sports Complex
11/5/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting	\$ -	North Shelby Public Library
11/13/2020	5:30 Doors open, 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM	Friday Night Drive-In (pattern fee may apply)	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church
11/14/2020	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Sit & Sew	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church
12/3/2020	6:30 - 7:00 PM Social 7:00 PM Meeting start	Member Meeting <i>Potluck Dinner</i>	\$ -	North Shelby Public Library
12/12/2020	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Sit & Sew	\$ 5.00	Valley Christian Church

Ongoing Programs

Begin	Title	Cost	Due
1/9/2020	Piece by Piece Sew-A-Long	Pattern cost	Monthly updates, Feb-July
11/2019	Embroidery Bee - various dates coinciding with Sit and Sew	\$5 + Varies	N/A

Thanks to these venues that allow Evening Star Quilt Guild to hold meetings and sewing events in their facilities:

North Shelby Library
5521 Cahaba Valley Rd
Birmingham, AL 35242



Valley Christian Church
2600 Cherokee Place
Birmingham, AL 35216



Please submit to Michelle Yarbrough

Evening Star Quilt Guild

Quilt of Valor Request

Quilting to Honor & Comfort Those Touched by War



Requester: _____

Date Requested: _____

Recipient: _____

Branch of Service: _____

Date of Service: _____

Comments (50 words or less):

Date Awarded: _____

Presented by: _____

ESQG Quilters Showcase 2020

October 9th & 10th

Entry Rules for Quilts, Wearables, Accessories, and Wild Card categories

General Information:

1. Show entry is open to any ESQG member
2. Person registering the entry must also be one of the makers.
3. Entries must have been completed on or after January 1st, 2015
4. Deadline for submitting quilt show entry is September 1st, 2020
5. Registrants may enter up to 2 quilts per category. Should number of quilts exceed what the display space can accommodate, limits may be put on the number of categories in which one person may enter quilts.
6. Quilt Show Registration forms will be available on the website, newsletter and available at meetings. The form may be copied as needed for each entry. PDF copy can be requested from Ellen Anson at eaquilts@gmail.com
7. Completed entry forms **must** include a picture of the quilt (top must be completed in picture) or wearable/accessory/wild card.
8. If your entry should be come unavailable for the show, contact Ellen Anson as soon as possible at eaquilts@gmail.com, or call 256-652-3169.
9. Drop off date(s), time and location will be sent to all registrants at a later date.
10. Judging will take place on Wednesday and Thursday, October 7th and 8th.
11. All entered items will be available for pick up after the show outside of the show entrance one hour after the show has closed on Saturday, October 10th.

Quilts:

1. Quilt entries must consist of three layers secured together by stitches for all categories other than Innovative/Other. A 4" sleeve is required on all quilts in the medium and large categories with a 2 ½" sleeve required for small quilts. Quilts should be clean and any quilts that are soiled or need repair will not be accepted.
2. Each quilt entry must have a label attached to the back of the quilt, lower right or left corner. Label must contain the name of the registrant, phone number, and quilt name. The label should be covered with fabric or masking tape so that the name of the registrant is not readable during judging.
3. Each quilt entry must be submitted in a separate cloth bag such as a pillowcase with the registrant's name and phone number clearly marked on the cloth bag.

Wearables/Accessories:

1. Each item must be labeled with the name of the quilter, phone number, and name of item on the inside. This label should be covered with fabric or masking tape so that the name of the registrant is not readable during judging.
2. Each garment must be on a hanger, covered with a bag that is labeled with the registrant's name and phone number (the hanger will be used for display of the item at the show)
3. Each accessory must be submitted in a separate cloth bag such as a pillowcase with the registrant's name and phone number clearly marked.

Wild Card Entries

1. Items entered in the Wild Card category must have piecing or applique visible but do not have to have quilting. These items will be eligible for judge's and viewer's choice ribbons only.
2. Each item must be labeled with the name of the quilter, phone number, and name of item on an area not visible when displayed. Label must be covered with fabric or masking tape so that the name of registrant is not readable during judging.

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Quilt Show Categories

NOTE: The registration committee or judge reserves the right to re-categorize any entry. You will be notified if your quilt is being re-categorized. If a category has an unusually large or small number of quilts, the Quilt Show Committee reserves the right to divide or combine categories.

Group: More than two makers (includes anyone who contributed to piecing, applique, quilting and binding)

1. Group, any size or construction

Two People: Two People participated in the making of the quilt

2. Two People, Extra Large, Pieced: Quilt is completely pieced, may have a minimal amount of applique, perimeter is greater than 340".
3. Two People, Large, Pieced: Quilt is completely pieced, may have a minimal amount of applique. Perimeter of quilt is between 280" and 340"
4. Two People, Large, Applique/Mixed: Quilt is appliqued or a combination of applique and piecing, perimeter is greater than 280"
5. Two People, Medium, Pieced: Quilt is completely pieced, may have a minimal amount of applique, perimeter is between 160" and 280"
6. Two People, Medium, Applique/Mixed: Quilt is appliqued or a combination of applique and piecing, perimeter is between 160" and 280"

One Maker: Only one person assembled, quilted and bound the quilt

7. One maker, Large, Pieced: Quilt is completely pieced, may have a minimal amount of applique perimeter is greater than 280"
8. One Maker, Large, Applique/Mixed: Quilt is appliqued or a combination of applique and piecing, perimeter is greater than 280"
9. One Maker, Medium, Pieced: Quilt is completely pieced, may have a minimal amount of applique, perimeter is between 160" and 280"
10. One Maker, Medium, Applique/Mixed: Quilt is appliqued or a combination of applique and piecing, perimeter is between 160" and 280"

Small: One or More makers, perimeter is less than 160"

11. Small, Pieced: Quilt is completely pieced, may have a minimal amount of applique
12. Small, Applique/Mixed: Quilt is appliqued or a combination of applique and piecing
13. **Innovative/Other** (any size)
14. **Wearable garment/accessories**
15. **Wild Card!** – Any piece that does not fit into other categories (tuffet cushions, stockings, pin cushions, patchwork covered chairs – you get the idea!! Must have some piecing and/or quilting. NOTE: Items in the Wild Card category will not receive place ribbons, but will be eligible for a judge's choice and viewer's choice in that category.

Ribbons

1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Honorable Mention (HM awarded at judge's discretion)

Best of Show

Best Machine Quilting, Domestic

Best Machine Quilting, Longarm/shortarm

Best Hand Quilting

Judge's Choice

Viewer's Choice, Quilt

Viewer's Choice, Wearable garment/Accessory

Viewer's and Judge's choice, Wild Card

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Quilt Show Entry Form

Copy this form as needed. Each quilt submitted must have its own separate entry form.

NOTE: A photograph of quilt must accompany this form.

Deadline for entry submission is September 1st, 2020.

Name _____

Phone _____

e-mail address _____

Street Address _____

City and State _____

Zip _____

Title of Quilt: _____

Quilt Size: Width _____

Length _____

Perimeter _____

Quilting Technique: Hand Domestic Machine Short-arm/Long-arm

Please check the appropriate category for your entry.

NOTE: The registration committee or judge reserves the right to re-categorize any entry. You will be notified if your quilt is being moved to another category. If a category has an unusually large or small number of quilts, the Quilt Show Committee reserves the right to divide or combine categories.

<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Group	<input type="checkbox"/>	8. One Maker, Large, Applique/Mixed
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Two People, Extra Large Pieced	<input type="checkbox"/>	9. One Maker, Medium Pieced
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Two People, Large, Pieced	<input type="checkbox"/>	10. One Maker, Medium, Applique/Mixed
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Two People, Large, Applique/Mixed	<input type="checkbox"/>	11. Small, Pieced
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Two People, Medium, Pieced	<input type="checkbox"/>	12. Small, Applique/Mixed
<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Two People, Medium, Applique/Mixed	<input type="checkbox"/>	13. Innovative/Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	7. One Maker, Large, Pieced	<input type="checkbox"/>	14. Wearable Garment/Accessory
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	15. Wild Card

Names of **ALL** persons involved in making the quilt (Includes piecing, applique, quilting and binding): _____

Source of Design:

Original

Other (specify): _____

Brief Description for show booklet (50 words or less, use back if necessary)

RELEASE STATEMENT: I understand that I cannot hold the Evening Star Quilts, the quilt show committee, or any other individual responsible for the theft, loss, or damage to my show entry. I understand that my signature gives ESQG the right to use a photo of my quilt for promotion of ESQG, including CD-ROM of the show

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit completed form along with photograph of quilt to Ellen Anson at ESQG events, or mail form to Ellen Anson at 901 Teaberry Lane, Hoover, Alabama 35244