

# Life in Stitches

Newsletter of the Rio Grand Valley Quilt Guild

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## PRESIDENTS THREADS THAT BIND

**The May Guild Meeting Lecture and Quilts by Laurie Magee – “Back in the Day – Quilt Trends, Colors and Patterns” was so filled with knowledge that had she not had the quilts to confirm pertinent information, we would be on information overload.** Her display of quilts was very overwhelming. Beauty (applique, etc.) and the Beast (utilitarian quilts) were represented. Truly enjoyed seeing all the different patterns and taught to recognize the dated era with her direction. A lot goes into appraising a quilt – the newest fabric will date the quilt with loads more information. Thank you so much Laurie for an exciting SHOW AND TELL.

At the Quilt Show 2020, an appraiser will be on hand. Her fee to appraise a quilt will be \$50.00 – either entered in the show or requested independently. For insurance purposes, remember if your quilt is not appraised and there is a disaster (fire, flood, etc.) your insurance will only allow Wal Mart Blanket pricing. You be the judge.

The appraiser will also do privately and pro-actively what is called “judged” or a professional critique of the quilt. If you have an interest into entering into a JUDGED QUILT SHOW, the private information will be an asset. She will define in writing positives and negatives to assist in helping you overcome negative barriers and become uplifted by the things you do positively. The fee is only \$5.00 with a limit of 50. Take advantage if you can.

One of the things that I enjoy about the SHOW AND TELL at the guild meeting is all the exciting colors, patterns, and positive vibes that the members exude when showing their projects. We are so blessed to have this wonderful opportunity in house. A big thank you goes to Karon Jacobson, for the photographs taken at the meeting and posted on the Guild Facebook site.

Do not forget the BLOCK OF THE MONTH. Make a block and join in the fun of it all.

Remember to return the guild LIBRARY BOOKS. Other members may wish to check the books out.

Maybe I am requesting early – but please begin thinking toward the 2023 Quilt Show as position of QUILT SHOW CHAIRPERSON. That gives one plenty of time to complete tasks – as theme, design show pin, opportunity quilt committee, shadow current quilt show chairpersons, and show committee chairs. It is never too early!

A few more are leaving the valley heading north or parts unknown - Safe Travels.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: June Guild Meeting – June 8<sup>th</sup>– 9AM sharp – Bonnie Hall’s lecture – Quilting Adventures. See Ya There!

We are all bound together by a common thread – quilting!

See Ya There!      Kathe – [President@rgvqg.com](mailto:President@rgvqg.com)    [956-272-2377](tel:956-272-2377)

## Calendar

**Guild Meeting:** Jun 8, 2019

9:00 am to noon

Alamo Recreational Vehicle Park (Alamo Rec-Veh),  
Main Hall

1320 W Frontage Road  
Alamo TX 78516

**Carpooling is encouraged.**

**Program:** Bonnie Hall,  
Quilting Adventures, Shop  
Hops, Retreats, Quilt Shows,  
Cruises & Trunk Show

**Board Meeting:**

May 5, 2019, 1:00 pm

at Renee’s Fiber Art Quilting  
School. 1623 N Tower Rd,  
Alamo, TX 78516

**Military Sew Day**

June 19, Wednesday

Hidden Valley Ranch

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Bring a potluck dish, sewing  
machine and BSS.

**Programs:**

**Jul:** TBD

**Aug:** TBD

**Sep:** Friendship Day

**Oct:** Rummage Sale

**Nov:** Cynthia England “Creating a  
Pictorial Quilt”

Her program classes are open for  
enrollment so you can create a  
small pictorial quilt.

**Dec:** Doug Leko

### Membership information.

The annual dues are only \$25.00 and can be paid on-line, paid at a meeting, or a check (made payable to RGVQG) can be sent to the Guild mailing address.

We have 318 Members in 2019. Welcome to the New/Renewing members since the May meeting:

Renewing Member: Shirley Stoudt

Be sure to stop by the Membership Table to pick-up your 2019 Membership ID cards, as there are still several cards to be distributed.

The 2019 membership numbers start with 190xxx. The cards for 2019 are a lovely shade of purple. The Membership ID cards will have information on the back of the card needed to access the "Members Only" page and the Directory, which contains email and address information for all members.

The Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild web page is [www.rgvqg.com](http://www.rgvqg.com)

Please let me know if you need assistance.

Marty Morrison ([membership@rgvqg.com](mailto:membership@rgvqg.com)) or 816-686-3467

### Treasurer's report

Expenses	\$ 2914.24
Ending Balance	\$15,316.49
Savings Balance	\$33,136.73

RGVQG General Meeting Minutes – Saturday, May 11, 2019

Kathe LeTulle, President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Secretary – Joy Paugh: The April minutes were printed in the Newsletter. There were no changes or corrections to the minutes, the minutes will be filed as posted.

Treasurer – Kathe LeTulle for Diane Tewell: Bank Balance - \$15,316.49. Savings Balance: \$33,136.73.

Program – Laurie Magee: Back in the Day: Vintage Quilt Trends, Colors and Patterns.

Membership – Marty Morrison: 318 members. Shirley Stoudt rejoined.

Newsletter – Diana Wolf: Newsletter is due on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Information on the International Quilt Festival Dreams Come True contest in the May newsletter.

Retreat – Karyn Heaney: Blue Bonnet retreat has a waiting list. The Friendship Retreat has openings. See Karyn to be added to the waiting list or move to the Friendship Retreat.

Sunshine and Shadows – Maggie Putney: Maggie sent 3 cards out this past month. If you know of anyone that is ill or has passed away, please let Maggie know.

Community Service – Rick Redd: April Totals: Items – 630, Hours – 4267, Value - \$30,935.75. Rick and Subie attended the 5<sup>th</sup> grade quilt show at Dr. Pablo Perez Elementary School put on by guild member Cindy Cooksey. An invitation was given to the students to show quilts in the February Quilt Show.

Quilt Show 2020 Chairperson – Marsha Santow: An appraiser will be available at the quilt show to appraise your quilt for \$50.00 each. The appraiser will also be willing to judge/critique your quilt for \$5.00. The critique would be private and for those considering placing their quilt in a national quilt show. New categories of Modern Quilts and also a Novice category (1<sup>st</sup> time entry).

Library – Susan Coleman: Many books were returned today. 18 overdue books yet to be returned.

Military Service Quilts – Pam Manley: Pam presented one quilt in the month of April. The next military sew day is June 19 at Hidden Valley Ranch in Mission.

Block of the Month – Subie Redd: Laurie Magee won the April block of the month and showed 2 quilts that she made from the blocks. These will be distributed on Padre Island. Chris Cowan won the May blocks. The June Block will be in the newsletter and on the website.

Fat Quarter Draw – Sandy Gurney and Esther Schmidt.

Attendance today – Karen Hunger: 66 were present, 63 members and 3 guests.

Door Prizes - Heather Nelson:

Programs – Bonnie Hall will present Quilt Adventures at the June RGVQG meeting.

Show and Tell

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Joy Paugh, Secretary

# Hopes & Dreams Quilt Challenge for ALS

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## Attention Quilt Guilds!

The Hopes and Dreams Quilt Challenge for ALS is seeking quilt donations to give quilts to very ill, often lonely and isolated, ALS patients - letting them know there are people who sincerely care: and select quilts will be sold with 100% of the sale going directly to ALS research.

We need your help!

Work with your fellow quilters to make and donate quilts to the Hopes and Dreams Quilt Challenge for ALS on behalf of your Quilt Guild. Guilds that ) category could receive over \$1000 in prizes including an assortment of Quilters Dream Batting!

For entry forms, rules, prize categories, and our Facebook page, please visit:

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Please send quilts with entry forms by July 31 to:

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## Sunshine and Shadows

Sunshine - Lila Helm wants to thank all guild members for their prayers. Her husband, Lyle, is home and doing well thanks to all our prayers.

Shadow - Judy Brown lost her husband [Donald Lee](#) on April 19. Memorial services will be held in Wisconsin this summer and in the Rio Grande Valley this fall.

## What would be the best reasons for taking a workshop? Any workshop.

Take something you don't know how to do.

Take something that you can build on. In other words, you can use in other aspects of quilting, not that one project.

In the classes I have taken there are things that you take away that you hadn't planned on. One or two little tips that save a lot of time.

Especially In design classes, you learn from what the other students bring in and the ways to handle those issues.



## Small Quilt Silent Auction

Summer is here. I know that some of you are busy with yard work and other outside activities. But you are Quilters and there is a part of you that MUST put some pieces of fabric together. So... how about a small quilt for the silent auction. Try out a block that looks interesting, put borders on it and there you have a piece for the Silent Auction. The size is to be 24 inches by 24 inches or equivalent of that. Questions email

Judy.blum19@gmail.com



## Military Sew Day

June 19, Wednesday  
Hidden Valley Ranch  
9:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Bring a potluck dish, sewing machine and BSS. Fun and fellowship await you!

### Recent Presentation

William (Bill) Briggs wife Linda and her 2 sons and daughter were presented with a military service quilt May 3 2019 at Brookridge.



# COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT May 2019

TOTAL ITEMS.....630  
TOTAL HOURS..... 4267  
TOTAL VALUE..... \$30,935.75



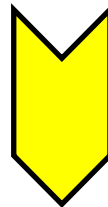
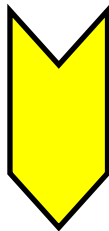
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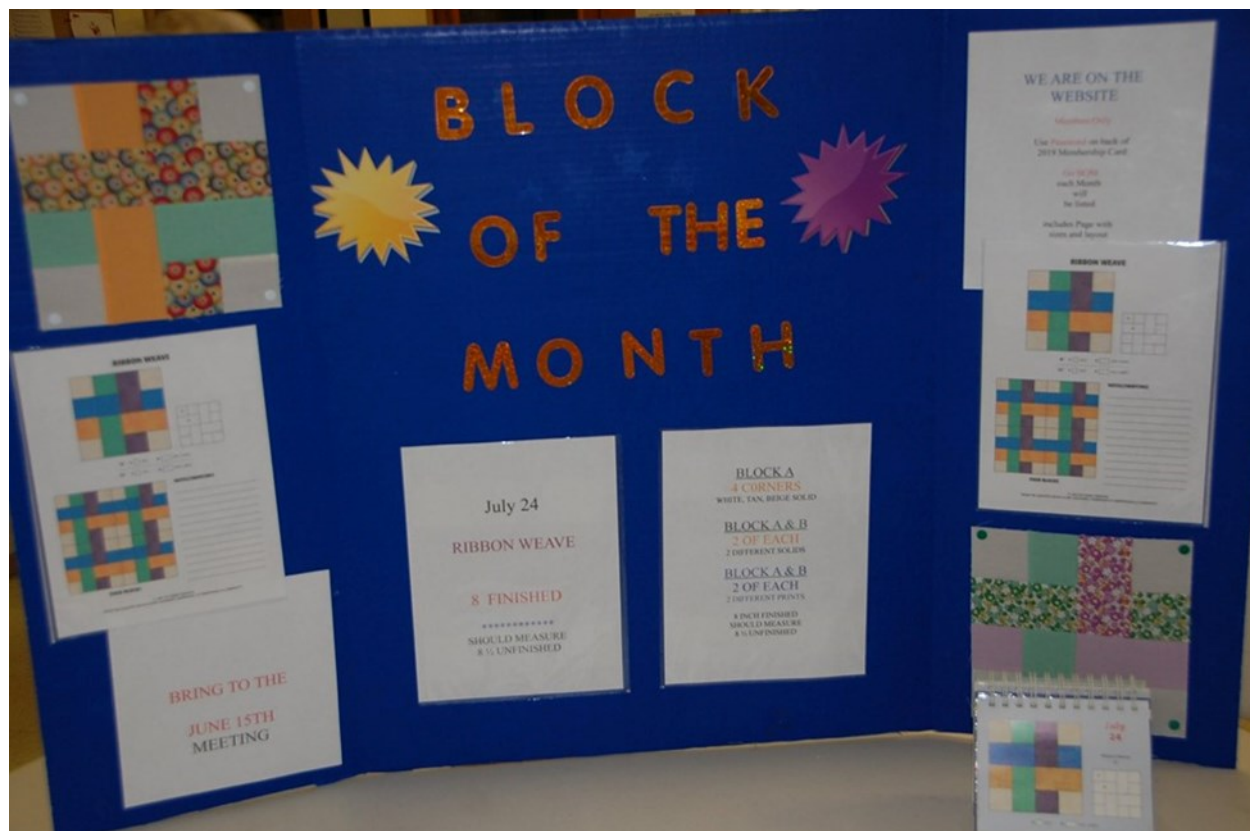
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**More follows:**



## BOM for June Guild Meeting

We are on the website! Go to [rgvqq.com](http://rgvqq.com). Then go to **members only** (last option). Enter the members only password that is on the back of your 2019 membership card. Scroll down until you see **Block of the Month**, click here, then click on the meeting month or you can use the info provided here.



Quilter's Block-a-Day Calendar by Debbie Kratovil

July 24 – Ribbon Weave

8" Finished

Block A – 4 corners - white/tan/beige solid

Block A & B – 2 of each, solid

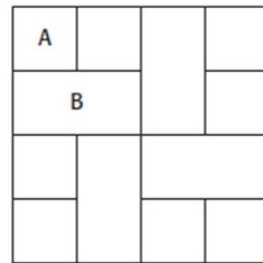
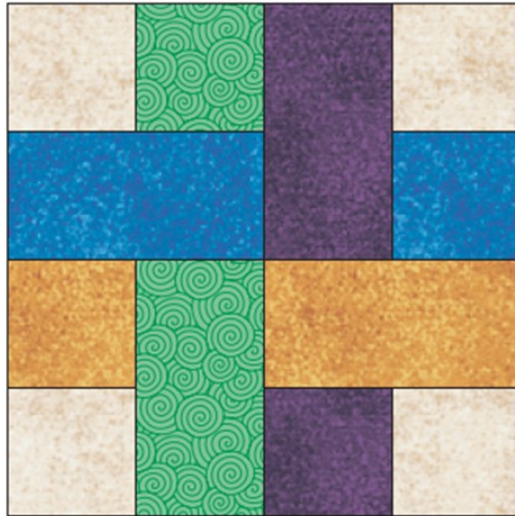
Block A & B – 2 of each, print

Please measure, **unfinished** block should be **8 ½"**

Bring to the June 8th Meeting

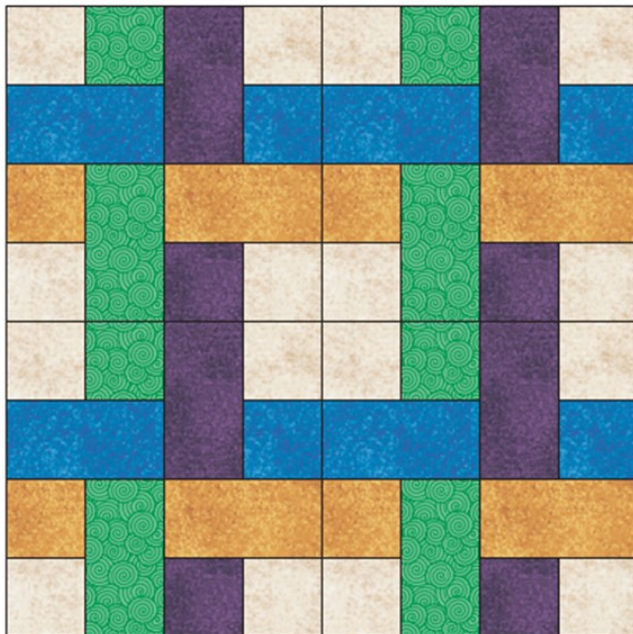
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# RIBBON WEAVE



8" A  2½" B  2½" x 4½"

12" A  3½" B  3½" x 6½"



**FOUR BLOCKS**

## NOTES/SWATCHES

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