



# RGVQGG News

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## President's Threads That Bind

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The year has simply flown by. We welcome our Winter Texans as they slide on south. Some experienced freeze warnings.

The Guild has classes, workshop and lectures to help you add to your skill set. Join in and make new friends. We also welcome your fresh thoughts about how to approach some situations.

November is our annual meeting to elect officers. We also have at least one bylaw change due to a requirement by the State of Texas.

Our **November and December meetings will be at Harlingen First Church of the Nazarene.**

**The address: 2001 North 7th Street, Harlingen, 78550.**

See you there! Diana Wolf, President

## Sunshine and Shadows

*by Jackie Landon/Kathe Letulle*

There have been many of our members who have needed our concern and prayers. We sincerely hope that these members know that their Family at the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild are concerned and praying for them.

If you know of those in the Guild who need a card of encouragement, get well card, sympathy card, please send the person's name and a general statement to [sunshine@rgvqg.com](mailto:sunshine@rgvqg.com)

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## Military Service Quilts

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There are bundled quilts ready to be quilted. Please consider helping out this way. Two Sew Days have been scheduled in January; watch for more information!

Also Lucy Klaas will be stepping down at the end of the year. It's very rewarding and we hope someone will be willing to take over. Think and pray on it, if you think you might be interested.

## Kathe Letulle

### - Bylaw Committee Chair

You, the membership, voted to place certain guild funds into CDs. The Bank of America requested certain documents which Mike Hall, Treasurer, duly submitted.

The Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild has been advised by Bank of America that the Guilds Articles of Incorporation require updating to comply with the current laws of the State of Texas. This was confirmed by the Secretary of the State of Texas.

Guild can thank the bank for up-to-date compliance with Texas Laws and Mike Hall Texas concerning The Guilds Articles of Incorporation.

Therefore, the Guild Board has recommended, via a passed motion, to create a Board of Directors, comprised of a minimum of 3 members, in an advisory capacity only, as required by the State of Texas. The Guild Board has also recommended that the Board of Directors 3 members be a minimum of 3 past presidents of The Guild, in an advisory capacity only, thereby updating the Articles of Incorporation which will allow Mike Hall, Treasurer, to perform the task of purchasing CDs in compliance with Texas law.

Per Parliamentary Procedure, the Guild is required to announce this proposed Bylaw change at a monthly Guild meeting and posted in that month's newsletter, October, and membership voting the subsequent month, November.

As our present By-Laws state that the Guild authority is currently vested to you the membership, the only change to the Bylaws is to create a Board of Directors consisting of a minimum of 3 Guild Past Presidents, in an advisory capacity only.

**NOTE:** The voting will be by Members in good standing via Zoom Attendees and Attendees at the 2024 November Annual Business Meeting as per Article 3 of the Bylaws.

Addition to Bylaws:

**1.06** "Board of Directors"

The inclusion of a section establishing a "Board of Directors" for the corporation, being thereafter referred to as "Directors". This Board of Directors consists of a minimum of three (3) members who have formerly served in the position of Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild Board President. If 3 former Presidents are not available to serve, the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild Board, at its discretion, may appoint a former "officer" of the Board to serve as a "Director."

#### Definitions

**1.06** a.) The role of the Board of Directors in governance of the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild will be **ADVISORY ONLY**.

b.) An individual completing their term as President of the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild will be appointed a position as a "Director."

c.) Individuals shall continue to serve as Directors for the duration of their guild membership, or if they submit in writing, a notice of their resignation from the position to the Guild Board.

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## Schoolhouse Classes

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by Dale Shafer and Nancy Malmin

November 14 - Erica Barron  
3D Teacup & Saucer

December 19 - Diana Wolf  
Featherweight Spa Day

January 16 - Joy Paugh  
Fun Faces! (raw-edge applique)

February 6 - TBD

March 6 - Suzanne Brennan  
Pockets A Plenty tote bag

Note: Please be advised that there will be a different class set up for February, 2025. Due to unforeseen circumstances, Cassino will be unable to come to the Valley this winter, so her class had to be cancelled.

Most of the Schoolhouse classes will be held on the Thursday following the Guild meeting; however, in February and March, due to conflicts with the Quilt Show and Retreat, the classes will be held on the Thursday before the Guild meeting.

All classes will be from 9:00-3:00, at Pharr South, 1402 S. Cage, in their spacious sewing room. You may bring your lunch or go out to one of the nearby fast-food restaurants.

Sign up for the classes is ready now, along with pictures and supply lists (Thank You, Bonnie!). You may also see the class samples at the Guild meetings. Some of the classes will require pre-class work.

## Aloysius alligator

Look for me on our webpage! Click on me and I'll take you to the Members Only page. Remember what I am. I'm also the keeper of the directories. Please add a two-digit year to open a directory.



## Membership Information

by Debbie Williams

Your membership dues are one of the largest income generators for the guild each year. As of October 1<sup>st</sup> (online) and at the October 12<sup>th</sup> Guild Meeting, I will begin taking dues for the 2025 year. Your 2024 membership dues will carry you through the end of December 2024, but many of you like to pay early, and not have to worry about it during the holidays. As you may already know, the board has decided to extend a Membership Contest which is designed to

encourage you to identify potential *New* members, as well as *Returning* members to join for 2025.

In order to participate, you need to be a paid member for 2025. As long as you pay your 2025 dues by the February meeting, you may participate.

A "New" member is someone who has never been a member of the RGV Quilt Guild. They could have been a visitor, but not a paid member. A "Returning" member is someone who was a guild member previously, but NOT in 2024. They let their membership lapse for at least one year.

For each New or Returning member you bring to the guild for 2025 will earn you one credit. The 2025 Guild member that brings the most number of New or Returning members combined, will receive a coupon for one free Program Class (value of \$45) that can be used during 2025 or 2026.

The form online and the form that is used at the meetings will have a place for your name to be filled in as the "Referring Member". In order to get credit for each of your referrals you need to be sure that this is filled in. This will be your responsibility. On February 28<sup>th</sup>, the contest will close and the tally will be made. The coupon will be awarded at the March meeting.

Our membership dues are one of the largest income generators for the Guild. At this point we have a great start to the 2025 Membership drive! At the close of the October meeting we had 48 paid members. There are lots of returning members, but we also have many first time and returning members.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to refer new members or bring back friends that have lapsed their membership.

If you have any questions concerning this contest, please email Debbie Williams at [membership@rgvqg.com](mailto:membership@rgvqg.com)

## In Memoriam

We were able to create a digital slide show for the 2024 Quilt Show that allowed us to honor the members who are no longer with us. Please notify Bonnie Hall when you are aware of someone who has passed. She keeps a file of names and obituaries, but she is not always aware of a death. It does not matter if the person has returned up-North or hasn't been a member recently, we want to remember them. Each of you are the key to make sure no one is left out.

## Give with Bing

Another way to support RIO GRANDE VALLEY QUILT GUILD is through Give with Bing Microsoft Rewards lets you support RIO GRANDE VALLEY QUILT GUILD through its Give with Bing program. After signing up and selecting our organization, you can earn rewards points just for searching the web with Bing. Microsoft then turns those points into cash donations to us.

The program is free--you just need to sign up with a Microsoft account. As of May 2021, Microsoft Rewards has donated more than [\$6.5 million] to nonprofits around the world.

Join now RIO GRANDE VALLEY QUILT GUILD (Give with Bing)

<http://www.bing.com/give>

Microsoft Edge uses Bing. You can also get the Bing app for iPad, iPhone and Android. Please call Bonnie, 740-398-1629, if you need help setting up Give with Bing.

## Social Media Expansion

by Laural Powell



We have expanded our social media presence!

For some time the Guild has had a **closed Facebook group**, as **Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild**. This means you must answer some questions and then be allowed into this group.

The Guild Board has voted to keep this group to members only. This is to provide a space for our members to post and comment where they will know it will only be seen by Guild members.

The Guild Board also understands some may want to share what our guild is doing with their friends. Then others are introduced to our guild through our quilt show and/or community service efforts, and want to know more about our guild. So, we created a **Facebook page** at **Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild Texas**. This page can be viewed and followed by anyone interested in our guild. Additionally, we have reactivated the Guild's **Instagram account**, which anyone can follow at **Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild** or **@rgvqgtx**.

So, now anyone can follow the Guild on our Facebook page and Instagram account, while Guild members can have privacy by joining the Guild's closed Facebook group. If you need help accessing any of these, contact me at [joinfb@rgvqg.com](mailto:joinfb@rgvqg.com).

## Community Service

*by Chris Cowan*

It's great to be part of such a generous group! Remember you can report online or print a donation form to bring to a meeting and/or mail it to me.

**We need to update the online site.** Please go to the locations by city and see if we need to remove or add locations. Let us know so we can get it up to date. It would be greatly appreciated!

This month report, 18 items, 36hours, \$261 value.

# Retreat News

by Kathe Letulle

## 2025 RETREAT DATES

Friendship Star - March 10 - 14, 2025

Bluebonnet Friends - March 16 - 20, 2025

At the June Guild Meeting, we had two more Wait-List Sign ups. As we all know, Life Happens and everyone has a chance to go to retreat at one time or another. If you have any idea about attending retreat - just text, phone or email to get your name on the wait list.

The Retreat Shirts (golf style with collar) are available to pre-order at \$30 each and must be pre-paid. Red for Friendship Star and Royal Blue for Bluebonnet. If you wish to order a Retreat shirt, either e-mail or text message with your size, then mail a check made out to me - Kathe Letulle. The first order will go in October 1, 2024, so the shirts can be ordered in bulk and they will be delivered once they are embroidered. The next order date will be January 1, 2025 and delivery will be at retreat (or maybe sooner). All attendees are asked to wear a red or blue shirt one day during the appropriate retreat. It is nice to see that one color for the day.

Have a very blessed day!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Blessings,

Kathe Letulle

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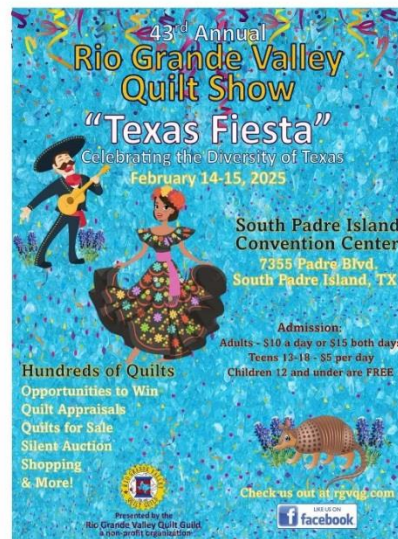
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# RGV Quilt Show

By Renee Darkis

2025



Looking for new quilts from old things. That's the idea behind the new recycled/upcycled category. It's an opportunity to share those quilts that just can't compete with that brand new thousand pieces quilt that is in the same category.

I also hope that you will consider making a jacket out of recycled things. That would be beautiful. I have seen so many ideas on pinterest lately. I saw a vest of doilies that was gorgeous!

The guidelines are on the website. Please check them out.

Remember we need **your** quilt to make our show shine.

## Opportunity quilt ticket sales

Sales are going well. As you may have seen there is a great picture of the quilt on Facebook and on the website. As of this newsletter we have sold \$765 in tickets and \$20 in donations. Sell, sell, sell. This is one of the main fundraisers and we need everyone to participate. If each member sells 4 books of ticket we will meet our goal!

Have fun quilting.

Renee

Allison Rainboth will return as our appraiser for the 2025 show. She is looking forward to working with us for this show as she was unable to come last year! Read the article on page 9 written by Debi Warner for Quilt Hub before her passing. It clearly lays out the reasons for having a quilt appraised!

## Challenges

This year as in the past there are two challenges that are begging for your ideas. Let's put on those thinking caps and get started. Have fun creating! I can hardly wait to see what you make.

### 2025 Chair's Choice

Chairs Choice will require an element of the Mexican culture in the Valley. This could represent colors, designs or holidays.

Any size as long as it does not exceed the maximum perimeter of 480 inches.

On the entry form Please include an explanation of what inspired you and the origin of the quilt.

### 2025 Challenge

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The challenge is to create a fiber piece that showcases the diversity of Texas.

This must be an original piece and should not include any breakable embellishments. The size is limited to a maximum of 72" perimeter. If it's a circle or odd shape the diameter shouldn't exceed 18".

Can't wait to see everyone's imagination for this one, have fun!!



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### ATTENTION!

The first donation has been received for the 2025 Silent Auction. I will admit that it is not in FIESTA colors, but it is a bucket list item for many sewists and quilters! This is a 1947 Singer Featherweight in excellent condition, with a case with an original tray and foot pedal. This machine will come with:

- a vintage manual,
- bobbins,
- a box of attachments including a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " foot,
- a walking foot
- appropriate Featherweight grease and machine oil
- thread holder to allow use of cross wound threads
- screw drivers
- and other goodies.

There will be a reserve price which has not been decided yet!

This machine sews like a dream! In the past, a gift certificate for a Featherweight workshop has been available to bid on as well!

## Totes n More



This beautiful Red Hat Ladies theme bag is just waiting to be claimed and filled for Totes n More! The show committee welcomes any other great totes too!

## Boutique News

By Carmen Avila

October 14, 2024, four months to the Show. We still have plenty time to cut, pin, piece and sew! But do we? Busy months are nearing fall festivals, Thanksgiving, Christmas, time in which older families' members gather to recall precious moments of the past and the young will be making memories to be told. As for our Guild Family- What will be said about this year's Quilt Show? And will your /my contribution be that which will be remembered and retold?

Thank you to those who dropped off donation at our September Guild meeting --**Thank you ladies:** I know they will be in the "bestselling" list for next show.

Please remember to make time to go on to the Guild website and fill out a form indicating your donation and or you're volunteering to help at the show-Boutique.

Also: remember you can call me to come pick up items if you are not able to bring them to the guild meetings.



## Bee News

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Fiber Art meeting was amazing! Pat Cooper introduced us to the world of Paper Zines (pronounced zeens) and taught us all about it. Renee Darkis showed us how to fold a "blinky eye," which was really cool! We also had a show and tell session where our talented members shared their work,



leaving us all feeling inspired. The Fiber Art group meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday at the Upper Valley Art League in Mission from 10 am to noon. We welcome anyone who would like to join us!

Thank you very much,  
Florea Flores

## Scrap Block Draw

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by Chris Cowan

On pause until further notice.

## Treasurer Report

A "link" to monthly Treasurer's Reports and other treasury documents can now be found on the "members only" page of the Guild's website: [rgvqg.com](http://rgvqg.com) and the reports will no longer be published in the newsletter

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The 2025 RGVQG budget will be presented to the membership for approval at the November 9, 2024 General Meeting. You may use the following link to preview the projected income and proposed budgeted expenses that have been approved by the board (Use the Ctrl key and click on the link to be redirected if necessary.)

[2025 RGVQG Financial Workbook.xlsx](#)

If you have any questions, I can be contacted at 740-398-4142 or via email at

[treasurer@rgvqg.com](mailto:treasurer@rgvqg.com).

Mike

## Programs

By Josie McVey

We are in need of a person or two, A Bee, to consider signing up to do Friendship Day. This is a fun event for the Guild members, a time to come together and bring friends who may want to join our Guild. Please be encouraged to take on this worthwhile event.

On Saturday, November 9, 2024 we look forward to having Dr. Lisa Irby provide a Color Theory Lecture: Color Splash—May I Complement You? Dr. Irby's aim through this presentation is to heighten our love of color and embolden us to take a dare and explore the full spectrum of the beauty of color. To stretch our imagination about what works well and see what else might work, also.

On Friday, December 13, 2024 we have Betty Chouinard teaching a class on a Mini Plaid-ish Quilt (scrappy).

On Saturday, December 14, 2024 we will have a zoom lecture presentation by Emily Bailey with Aunt Em's Quilts on "Discover the Possibilities Hidden in Your Scraps."

On Friday, January 10, 2025 we will have Sue Heinz provide a workshop on "Caffeinated Quilting." This workshop is based on her latest book by the same title. Sue Heinz is the owner of Kismet Quilting LLC, and the author of two Drawn to Mastery series workbooks, Fill Harmonics, Elemental Designs. She has also developed a range of innovative and easy-to-use marking tools and quilting rulers.

On Saturday, January 11, 2025 Sue Heinz will have a lecture presentation on "You've Got a Friend Named Elmer."

On Saturday, March 8, 2025 we look forward to having the RUMMAGE SALE at Casa del Sol in Donna, chaired by Nancy Malmin. Let's come together and assist Nancy with organizing, setting up, and gathering items that will become someone else's treasures.

On April 11 & 12, 2025 we will have a class and lecture presentation by an upcoming Guild member, Erica Barron, she is full of Energy, Enthusiasm, and Excited to share her talent. Final arrangements pending.

On May 10, 2025 we will have a zoom presentation by Kathie Beltz. Her zoom lecture presentation: Easy Color For Quilters. If confused by the color wheel? Do you know how to use the color wheel to choose colors for your quilts? This lecture breaks down all the

technical color terms into easy, everyday English so that any quilter can understand them. Then those terms are related directly to quilts during the trunk show. Once you understand the basics, you can apply them to your quilts and watch them sparkle!

As of now we only have February and July, 2025 available to get presenters and/or instructors for a class. We welcome any and all suggestions that you may want to offer.

Please go on our Guild website, [rgvqg.com](http://rgvqg.com), and read up on the presenters/instructors and support our Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild by signing up for the Program and Schoolhouse classes. Let's come together and share what we know and learn something new.

## Day 1 Bags

Our guild will be committing to donate quilts again for 2025. Quantity is still to be determined. If you would like to participate let Bonnie Hall or Alyssa Gonzalez know. You can contact Alyssa, **text (best) or call her cell phone at (956) 578-3352** or via email [agonzalez@nplexusrgv.com](mailto:agonzalez@nplexusrgv.com).

# RGVQG General Meeting Minutes

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## RIO GRANDE VALLEY QUILT GUILD

October 12, 2024

Our meeting was called to order at 9am by Diana Wolf. She has more details to come for our next two meetings. They will be in Harlingen at Church of the Nazarene {our Friendship Day was held here}. We are still in need of volunteers. We need someone to take over MSQs by the end of this year.

Secretary's Report - Lila Helm - Sandy Bagot made a motion to accept minutes as printed. As per Robert's Rules of Order, our minutes will be filed as printed.

Our presenter, Joyce Tang, introduced herself. She has a wonderful sense of humor! She had a great presentation. She shared a lot of information!

Membership - Debbie Williams - She is starting to get membership renewals for 2025. So far she has gotten new and returning members. We had 67 members in person at our meeting and 12 on Zoom at our meeting today.

Community Service - Diana Wolf will take any donation forms you have with you.

Programs - Josey McVey - She has a full schedule of classes for us. Please check your newsletter for all classes. Do not expect that you can wait until the last minute to sign up for the classes you are interested in. They will fill up fast as the Winter Texans return to the valley.

Treasurer - Mike Hall - A copy of the treasurer's report is posted online. There were no additions or corrections. The report will be placed on file for audit.

Facebook - Nothing new

Historian - Nothing new

Newsletter - Articles are due Monday after the meeting.

Publicity - Marsha Santow - She has been working on some things that would also give us advertising for the quilt show.

Quilt Show - Kathy Stevens in Renee Darkis's absence - Mentioned the quilt show at Hidden Valley Ranch.

Opportunity Quilt still needs a chairperson. Ticket sales for the quilt will be at area parks. Renee needs volunteers to take the quilt to the parks so we can get more tickets sold. Laurie Magee has donated a Singer 1947 Featherweight to the quilt show for the silent auction. Lauri's husband has made a hanging quilt rack that he is donating for the silent auction also.

By-laws Committee - Kathe Letulle will publish the changes in the newsletter.

Retreats and Wait Lists - Kathe Letulle states all are full.

School House - Dale Shafer - the classes are posted in the newsletter. She needs to fill in one for February as Cassino will not be in the valley this winter due to health issues.

Fat Quarter Draw - Carrah Maney - is running out of the donations from A Block Away so she is starting to purchase some.

Killer Bees - Jan Baethke - She has 4 openings in a retreat. Let her know if you are interested.

Jan Baethke made a motion to adjourn, second by Mary Camp. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Secretary, Lila Helm

## Debra Warner(This is an article written by Debi for Quilting Hub!)

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"If you don't have a written appraisal and something happens to the quilt, your insurance will only give you the cost of a blanket from a big box store." We've all heard this statement when planning for a quilt show that will offer the services of a certified appraiser. Generally, this is true.

But my first experience with a quilt appraiser was so much more! The appraiser asked so many good

questions about my quilt. It really made me think that I should probably be recording some of this information even if I don't plan to have a certain quilt appraised. For example, she asked what batting was used in the quilt. Over time, this would be helpful to know.

She also asked about the origin of the fabric and KNEW when I wasn't complete in my answer. She told me that some of the fabric was older than what I had purchased. Oh yeah, some of it came from my mother's stash. I forgot about that.

Here are some things that you might not know about appraisals that might be helpful to you.

There are standards that quilt appraisers follow. Quilt appraisers are well educated and are certified by professional organizations. If you are curious, you can research this information. Be aware that a retail associate at an antique store is probably not certified. Also, if the person offers to purchase the quilt, you most likely aren't dealing with a certified appraiser as this violates their ethics.

The appraiser will need to see the quilt in person. A photograph will not tell the appraiser enough about the fabric and the workmanship. There is more than one way to appraise a quilt. Just as in real estate, some are valued at the fair market price. That means the value assigned is the same as that for which a similar quilt has sold.

This method means that you may be able to purchase a similar item for the specified amount. The comparable quilts would be similar in pattern and fabric. These quilts may not appraise for as much as the owner might wish, but certainly more than a big box store blanket.

Fair market value is the only method available for vintage and antique quilts.

Another method is reconstruction of a similar quilt. This method might be used when a quilt is

unique in idea, construction, etc. These quilts generally have no market equivalent and might appraise at a higher value than expected. Labor-intensive design elements used in reconstruction would increase the replacement price.

Due to the above, an appraisal should be done every three to five years. Let's face it, times change.

A history of quilt sales by a quilter would also be taken into consideration. Sales receipts for such sales should be given to the appraiser.

A complete description of the quilt, including photographs, measurements, and the appraiser's workmanship comments are included with the appraisal.

Today's Internet feed contained a photo of a quilt recovered after the tornadoes in Tennessee. Luckily, the quilt was in pristine condition. The finders are trying to return the quilt to the rightful owner. An appraisal document would most certainly establish the ownership of such a treasure.

Asking the question, "Should you have your quilt appraised?" The answer is:

What if your children found your great grandmother's quilt carefully stored in your attic? Would they value it? Would they treat it differently if a certified appraisal statement was packed with it? I think we know the answer is, "Yes!"



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**Is my privacy protected?**

Yes. Your information is not sold. Grouper will only share your information as needed for the purposes of administering your health benefit. For further information, see the [Privacy Policy](#).

**What do I need to sign up for Grouper?**

- Basic contact information (Name, Phone, Email, Zip Code)
- Health plan information
- In some cases, Grouper might ask for your membership number, if relevant

**How do I get started?**

STEP 1: Register online to confirm your eligibility at:

[GrouperGroups.com/RGVQG](https://GrouperGroups.com/RGVQG)

STEP 2: Tell Grouper where to send the check.

STEP 3: Keep participating in your passion!

Once your eligibility and group membership are confirmed, Grouper will send you an initial payment of \$50. For each three months of activity after that, Grouper will send \$20, if you stay active and keep Grouper updated on your in-person social activity!



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PROUD TO BE INCLUDED IN:



# Fall Quilt Show

HIDDEN VALLEY RANCH  
CLUBHOUSE

7600 LONG DRIVE, PALMVIEW, TX

**DATE: Tuesday Nov. 26, 2024**

**TIME: 9 a.m. to Noon**



**Purpose:** Showcase quilts made this summer and fall by various quilters to support Southwest Good Samaritan Ministries, Los Fresnos, TX and residents of Casa Hogar Bethel Orphanage.

Quilt tops came from local quilters, members of the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild, out of town family members and members of the Prairie Quilt Guild in Nebraska. **Thirty plus** completed quilts of various sizes, styles, colors and designs will be on display. Each resident of Casa Bethel will receive one of these quilts for their very own.

## Information Tables:

**Southwest Good Samaritan Ministries** – Speak



to their representatives to learn more about their history,

ministries and projects, as well as more about the Casa Hogar Bethel Orphanage.

**Casa Hogar Bethel Orphanage** – Among the SWGSM's most cherished outreach ministries is Casa Hogar Bethel, an orphanage



located in the neighboring border city of Matamoros, state of Tamaulipas, Mexico. This home for orphaned and abandoned children was born from the hearts of its founding directors, pastors Lorena Garza and her late husband, Ismael Sifuentes.



## Texas Fiesta

**Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show**

**Feb. 14-15, 2025**  
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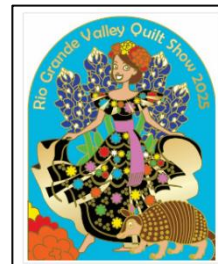


**Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild & Quilt Show** – See the Opportunity Quilt

and Quilted Nativity Wall hanging being raffled off at this year's quilt show.



Tickets will be available for purchase. Help support the RGV Quilt Guild's many community service projects, scholarships & Military quilts.



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