



# TAQG - ROUNDUP

Second Quarter 2018

## Letter from the President

Spring has finally come to North Texas, and Summer is right behind it which means Rally Day is fast approaching. Let me tell you, these folks have been working hard to put on the best Rally Day ever! I'm sure you'll enjoy every minute of it!

The Executive Board hit the deck running this year as well. With the re-vamp of the meetings that everyone has wanted, we're getting some really good feedback from it. Also, the subject matter is more to the needs of the guilds too. March was all about record keeping. What to keep & for how long, and what to toss when. We're looking forward to learning about the necessary Insurances needed for various circumstances that we have. Such as: guild meetings, quilt shows, sit & sews, just to name a few.

Come out and join us at any of our meetings & learn from one of our guest lecturers or just join us for Rally Day for a lot of comradery with fellow quilters. It's a lot of fun!

**Cindy Stowe, President**

## TAQG RALLY DAY 2018 ADMISSION TICKETS

If you have even been to TAQG Rally Day, you know that we have the best speakers, best give-aways, best raffles, and most fun day for quilters. Up until now, it has been free for members of a member-guild and \$5.00 for the few attendees from outside a member-guild. This year, we are charging \$5.00 for members and \$10.00 for non-members or the public. I'm sure this will continue as it allows us to provide grants to our member-guilds and have top-notch speakers like in the past. This year we have an exceptional speaker that is also providing us with four days of workshops. We hope you will want to take part in Rally Day and view it as your opportunity to help TAQG service the quilting community.

Of course, volunteers will be admitted free, but there may be some limitations as to how many volunteers your group may admit. It can get confusing, so if you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask your TAQG rep. We promise you a better-than-ever Rally Day 2018.

- **To avoid any possible shortages of Admission Tickets, buy your ticket as soon as possible.**
- **If you have to buy a ticket at the door, you will need to have proof that you are a member of a TAQG guild (your membership card).**

## TAQG OFFICERS 2018

President – Cindy Stowe

VP/Programs – Janet Mentz

Secretary – Lana Snowden

Treasurer – Katrina Lindley

Membership – Judy Mathews

## RALLY DAY 2018 HOST GUILDS

Lone Star Heritage Guild

Cedar Hill Quilt Guild

Irving Quilt Guild

Frisco Quilt Guild

Texas Star Quilter's Guild

## YLI Threads at Rally Day

This year TAQG will be selling YLI Threads. This is great thread and proceeds go to support TAQG.

**Buy! Buy! Buy!**



## Rally Day Chair Report

Submitted by Melissa Bonser, Rally Day Chair

Rally Day is July 14<sup>th</sup> and is fast approaching, only about eight weeks away!

Every Rally Day has been exceptional; quilts, friends, outstanding raffles prizes, door prizes galore and an internationally renowned speaker.

This year's Guest Speaker is Deb Tucker. Deb has a keen mind that has been able to devise an amazing set of rulers to make some of quilting's most challenging blocks something that everyone can now successfully make.



Deb will be giving two lectures with trunk shows at Rally Day,

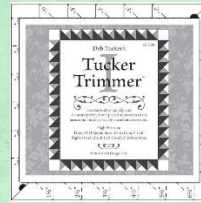
- The morning lecture is: "Higher Success, Less Stress"
- The afternoon lecture is "Rapid Fire Tools & Techniques"

Check out her website:

<https://deb-tuckers-studio-180-design.myshopify.com/>

Deb has a very straight forward approach that is methodical and logical. How wonderful that we here in north Texas will be having the opportunity to learn directly from Deb. Deb has been nominated for "Teacher of the Year" by Professional Machine Quilter Magazine.

Her techniques and rulers are incredible to use. Each ruler has multiple lines /marks by which to line up your block, assuring that the entire block comes out correct, you'll get true ¼ inch seam allowance to get sharp points.



The rulers have registration lines in multiple places so you can make sure your 45-degree angles are at 45 degrees and perpendicular seam lines are at 90 degrees. You won't want to miss this chance to learn from Deb herself!!

Don't forget to purchase these other items available from your TAQG Rep at your guild:

- Pre-Rally Day Raffle Tickets
- Admission Tickets
- Lunch Reservations
- Workshop Supply Lists are available at: <http://taqg.org/rally-day-forms-2018/>

The Rally Day Committee is doing a fantastic job! Here's what we've been up to:

- This year we will be offering YLI thread for a sale at Rally Day, that's a great chance to get the thread you love and help support TAQG.
- At Rally Day this year the Silent Auction and YLI Thread sales will be able to accept electronic credit card payments!
- Our Raffle/Door Prize Chairperson has acquired over \$5,000.00 worth of prizes so far this year!
- We are pleased to announce that all four workshops are filling up nicely, there are still places available in each workshop, make sure you sign up soon! Don't miss the chance to learn from Deb herself!

***Be sure to get your Rally Day 2018 pin!***



## Workshops

Spaces are still available in all 4 Deb Tucker Workshops. Sign up soon; you won't want to miss the chance to learn from Deb herself!

Check out all the Workshop Supply Lists at <http://taqq.org/rally-day-forms-2018/>

When: 9:00am-4:00pm  
Where: Mimosa Lane Baptist Church  
1233 N. Belt Line Road  
Mesquite, TX 75149

### Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, Hot Flash (Hunter's Star)

Learn to make a traditional Hunter's Star quilt in a fraction of the traditional construction time and with incredible results.

- Project size: 3 options 55"x70" / 70"x84" / 84"x97"
- Block size: 7" Hunter's Star, 3 1/2" border
- Required tools: Rapid Fire Hunter's Star - Petite Star I and Tucker Trimmer I
- Highly recommended tool: Quilter's Magic Wand
- Fabric: Scrap fabrics + black + border fabrics

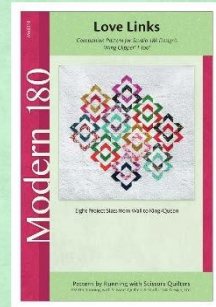
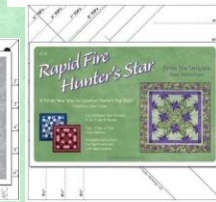
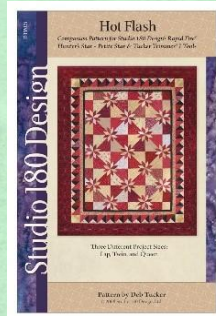
See Pattern for exact requirements

### Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, Love Links

You will learn the most efficient, successful method for making Flying Geese with a built in margin for error. Guaranteed to increase your success rate and decrease your stress level.

- Eight project sizes: 13"x14" / 26"x28" / 39"x42" / 52"x56" / 65"x70" / 78"x84" / 91"x98" / 104"x112"
- Required tool: Wing Clipper I
- Fabric: Colored fabric from 10" squares, fat eights, & fat quarters and background.

See Pattern for exact requirements



When: 9:00am-4:00pm  
Where: Galilean Baptist Church  
1155 N Hwy 67  
Cedar Hill, TX 75104

### Monday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, - Signs of Autumn

Deb's Wing Clipper I and Corner Beam will have you turning out precision units in record time. And rest assured once you know how to use these 2 tools you will be looking for projects using Flying Geese and Corner Beam

shapes.

- Project sizes: 19 1/2"x41" or 43"x43"
- Block size: 7 1/2" finished
- Required tools: Wing Clipper 1, Corner Beam (Square Squared for larger size project)
- Fabrics: dark scraps, light, dark, border

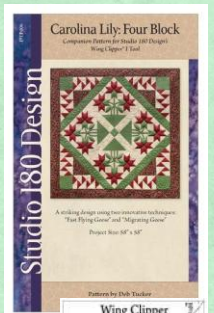
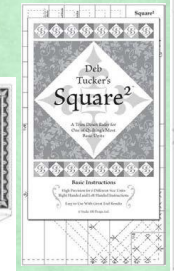
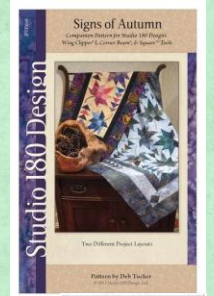
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### Tuesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, Carolina Lily Four Block

Using Deb's Wing Clipper I tool and a Fast Flying Geese construction technique you will experience a simpler, more successful adventure. Learn how to construct an intriguing pieced border called "Migrating Geese" that adds visual interest to the large corner sections

- Project size: 58"x58"
- Block size: 16"
- Required tool: Wing Clipper 1
- Highly recommended tool: Quilter's Magic Wand
- Four fabric project

See Pattern for exact requirements



# MINI QUILTS FOR THE SILENT AUCTION



Each member guild of TAQG is responsible for donating at least two mini quilts or other small items, such as a handbag to the Silent Auction each year. So if you haven't sent in your Silent Auction Donation form, please do as soon as possible. We are all counting on you! You can find the forms at:

<http://taqq.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Silent-Auction-Donation-Form-2018.pdf>

Did you know that TAQG makes three awards for items that are donated to the Silent Auction? A very lovely gift is awarded to each person who made the item in the following categories:

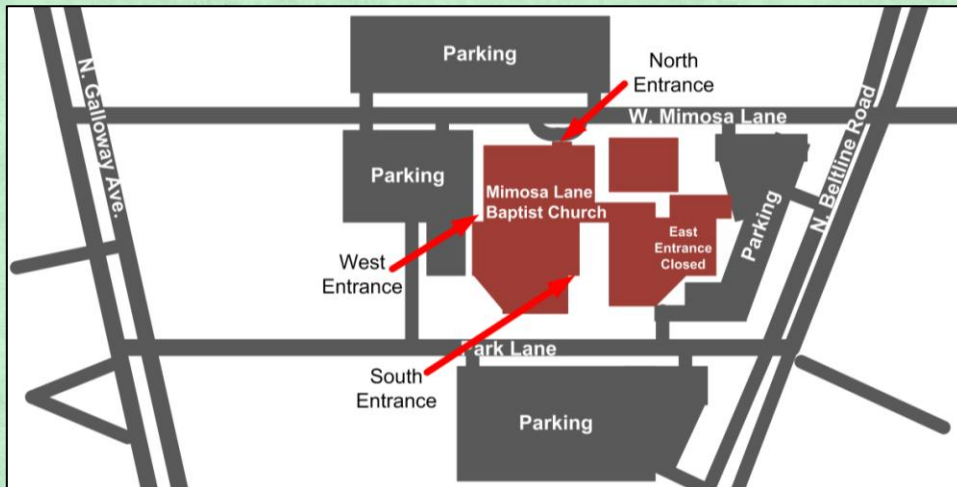
- Viewer's Choice
- 1<sup>st</sup> place money maker
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place money maker.



This year might be the year someone from your guild wins a prize from their donation to the Silent Auction!

## Rally Day 2018 Logistics

On Rally Day, volunteer workers use the north entrance. All 3 entrances shown will open for attendees at 9:00am.



# Rally Day 2018 Maps



## Pre-Rally Day 2018 Raffle

At this time, we have received the following donations for the Pre-Rally Day Raffle Basket.

### First Prize Janome 2030QDC-B Sewing Machine

Retail value \$599.00

Thomas Sewing Center  
18775 LBJ Frwy. Suite 208,  
Mesquite TX, 75150



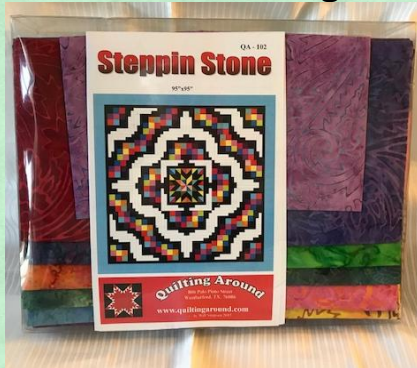
### Second Prize

#### Batik Quilt Kit, Backing, and \$50 Gift Card for Long Arm Quilting

This kit provides a 95" by 95" quilt in beautiful jewel tone batiks. Retail value \$240.00

Fabric Fanatics 624 Haggard St. Suite 706, Plano TX 75074

Sand Dollar Quilting 1312 Blue Lake Dr. Frisco, TX 75034



### Third Prize

#### Holidays at Home Quilt Kit

This is a block of the month quilt kit, designed by Vicki Bellino of Bloom Creek. Retail value \$200.00

Frisco Quilt Guild

## Rally Day 2018 - Box Lunch Options

Lunches provided by McAlister's Deli **\$10.00 per box**  
Includes Bottled Water, choice of Sandwich, Chips, Pickle, Condiments and Cookie.

**Harvest Chicken Salad**, served on a Croissant, with lettuce and tomatoes. (This product contains pecans).

**Black Forest Ham**, served on a multigrain baguette. Our sandwich will not have cheese.

**The Memphian**, Black Angus roast beef, Black Forest ham, Butterball™ smoked turkey, provolone, lettuce, tomatoes, lite mayo and spicy brown mustard on a toasted 6" multigrain Baguette.

**Turkey Bacon Ranch Wrap**



### A Few Rally Day 2018 Particulars:

- Your Admission Ticket has the Door Prize ticket attached. Be sure to fill it out in full, and while you are in line have your ticket ready for the staff. Hang on to the larger part (with your number) to be ready as winning numbers are called.
- Exchange your Lunch Ticket at the booth in the center of the Church.
- Rally Day Raffle Ticket will be available at a table in the Atrium/Lobby, as well as the Mini-Quilt Auction, Rally Day Pin sales, and more.
- The Rally Day Committee is excited to announce that this year **you will be able to use a debit or credit card for your Silent Auction and YLI thread purchases!**
- The Main Hallway will have the many, beautiful Guild Raffle Quilts displayed. Stop by and buy a ticket.
- See your TAQG Rep. for Lunch Order Forms, to sign up for Workshops, or buy Pre-Rally Day Raffle Tickets.

## Rally Day Raffle Prizes

The Rally Day Raffle will run a like last year - once you purchase your Raffle Tickets you will have to decide which prize you would like to try to win. There will be 6 different prizes available.

You will fill out your tickets and then drop them into the container or containers of the prizes you hope to win! The winners will be drawn at the end of Rally Day and only the people attending Rally Day will be able to purchase a ticket. Please visit [www.taqq.org](http://www.taqq.org) for more information.

We wish you all good luck!

**Baby Lock – Anna Sewing Machine**, Retail Value \$399.00  
**Plano Sewing Center** 2070 W Spring Creek Pkwy, Plano, TX



**Fabric Basket and Portable Design Wall**, Retail Value \$350

Included in this prize is a basket of precuts including layer cakes, charm packs, and jelly rolls along with a portable design wall to assist in creating beautiful quilts.

**Frisco Quilt Guild**

**Retreat Center Package plus \$50 gift certificate**, Value \$158

This prize includes a Best Little Retreat Center package of 3 days for 2 people plus a \$50 gift certificate for the quilt shop next door, Sew Let's Quilt It.

**Best Little Retreat Center in Texas**, 7989 Beltline Rd. Ste 168, Dallas 75248

**Sew Let's Quilt It**, 7989 Beltline Rd. Ste 170, Dallas 75248



**Fabric Dyeing Class for 3**, Value \$419

A fabric dyeing class for 3 provided by Sherry Worley. The photo shows examples of Sherry's beautiful hand dyed fabrics.

**This and That Quilt Kit**, Value \$225

This is a beautiful block of the month from This and That called Paris in the Fall, an 86" by 66' quilt.



**Blessings Basket Quilt Kit**, Value \$175

Blessings Basket is a 74" by 74" kit designed by Jan Patel.

## Additional Rally Day 2018 Door Prizes

At this time, we have received the following additional donations for Rally Day Door Prizes. Door Prize items will be grouped into in gift bags. Each gift bag will have a value of at least \$25.00.

Two \$25 gift certificates

Donated by **Pieced Together**, 205 West Main, Mesquite, 75149

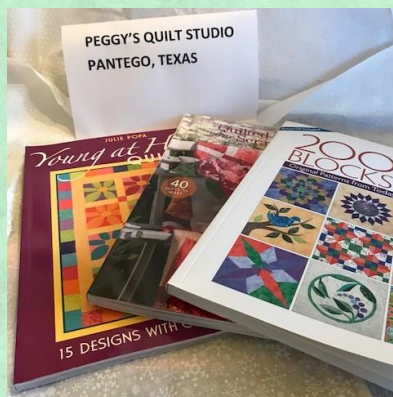


A Grunge jelly roll

Donated by **Stitched With Love**, 500 N Custer Rd., McKinney, 75071

Scrap Crazy quilt kit

Donated by **Sew Fabricated**, 2899 Pioneer Parkway, Pantego, 76013



Quilt Block books

Donated by **Peggy's Quilt Studio**, 2410 Superior Drive, Pantego, 76013

Joann's gift card and drinking glass

Donated by **Mesquite Quilt Guild**, Mesquite, TX



Panels, backing, decorative plaque

Retail value: \$70

Donated by **Denton Quilt Guild**, Denton, TX

A jelly roll called Panache

Donated by **Urban Spools**, 1152 N Buckner Blvd., Dallas, 75218



Waterfall quilt runner kit

Donated by **Tina Hilton**, of Turtle Hand, [turtlehand.com](http://turtlehand.com)

3 gift baskets

Retail value: \$165 total

Donated by **Lone Star Quilt Guild**, Sulphur Springs, TX



## Gun Barrel Quilt Guild – 4-H Project

By Kathy LaRue

Several years ago, I started thinking about our (Gun Barrel Quilters Guild) Mission Statement. The statement says that we are to “preserve the heritage of quilting”. The retired teacher in me says that we need to do that by teaching kids to quilt.

So off I went to get started. Several members of our guild tried to contact county extension agents about teaching 4-H kids to quilt. It took us a little while because both counties near us were getting new extension agents. We started planning and offered a class to our first group of 4-H kids the summer of 2017. What a success!

Our class has 6 girls, ages about 9 to 14, including a foreign exchange student from Japan. The class includes fabric selection, proper use and care of tools and notions, quality in fabrics, and how to operate and care for sewing machines. A local quilt store, the Needle Niche in Athens, agreed to help the kids select fabric and offered them a discount on the fabric. So we were set.

We met several times a week throughout the summer. The kids selected their patterns and fabric, cut all the pieces, made the blocks, and assembled the blocks. They were so proud of their quilt tops. Some of the kids elected to have their quilt tops quilted by people with long arm machines. Others wanted to wait until they learned to quilt and finish the quilts themselves.

I continued to meet with the kids periodically. In November, six other guild members and I met with the kids for a “fabric play day.” The kids had five holiday projects to complete including a quilted hot pad, a yo-yo Christmas tree, a Christmas birdhouse wall hanging, and several other holiday projects. At the end of the day, happy, but exhausted kids, left with their projects.

I wanted to expand on my idea for this adventure, but it does cost money. So I applied for a grant from the Texas Association of Quilt Guilds (TAQG). Thankfully, we were awarded a \$1,000

grant. We are so excited. I am currently working with Walmart in Gun Barrel City to purchase sewing machines at a discount. The Mabank fire station allows us to use their community room free of charge. Several husbands of guild members are mulling over plans to build a locking storage cabinet.

The 4-H kids, who our guild members now refer to as “our 4-H kids”, will start working on new projects this summer. We plan to offer a summer camp for children ages 9-12 this summer. Our guild is planning on meeting with administrators from several school districts to see if they will allow us to volunteer in their Family Consumer Science classes to teach their students to make quilts, with the goal being to complete their quilts in time to enter them in our annual quilt show in April 2019.

And so our mission continues, with our goal being to continue to promote the art and heritage of quilting. We hope that people new to quilting will come to love it as much as we do.



Pictured at left include Kathy LaRue (far left) who applied for the TAQG Grant and is the main teacher for this program and two of their adult 4-H leaders with members.

Below are two of the several quilts the 4-H members entered in to our quilt show.





The Lone Star Heritage Quilt Guild is pleased to announce a special viewing of the world-famous quilt:

## “The Supper”

**19<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show September 14 & 15, 2018,**  
**The ROC, 115 Putman St., Sulphur Springs, TX**



“The Supper” is a life size quilt measuring 183” wide by 67” high. It is made of 51, 816 squares of one-half inch cotton fabric pieced together! Designed and made by Dr. Don Locke DDS, of Waxahachie, TX. Quilted by Linda V. Taylor of Melissa, TX.

Learn more about the quilt at: [www.thesupper.net](http://www.thesupper.net)

The Lone Star Heritage Quilt Guild’s Quilt Show will have over 120 quilts on display.

- Quilt vendors
- Guest speaker
- Door Prizes
- Activities for children

Admission is \$5.00, Children under 12 are free. Free parking  
 Friday, Sep 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am - 5:00pm  
 Saturday, Sep 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am – 3:00pm

For more information:

<https://www.sulphurspringstxquilts.com/home.html>

## Quilting Fabric and Supply Sale

June 7, 2018 – 10:00 to 3:00

2808 Maydelle Lane, Farmers Branch, TX 75234

This sale includes over 700 yards of beautiful fabric such as Moda, Robyn Pandolph, In The Beginning, and Toile designs will be available as yardage (\$5.00 per yard) or fat quarters (\$1.50 each).

- Binding strips (\$1.00 each)
- Panels (\$2.00 to \$4.00)
- Quilt kits (including backs) from \$50 to \$80
- Specialty fabrics for baby, children, Halloween, etc.
- Quilt labels to personalize your quilts
- Numerous books and patterns (\$.50 to \$4.00)
- Janome Model Décor Computer 3050 Sewing Machine \$375 (original price \$699)
- Horn 2136 Air Life Sewing Cabinet \$475 (original price \$799)

My mother created lovely quilts for many years and loved collecting beautiful fabric. Regretfully she has retired from quilting for medical reasons. Our desire is that these items be used by other quilters who will continue this treasured craft of quilting.

If you need additional information or want to schedule an appointment to see these items, please contact Debbie Woods via text or telephone at **817-313-9649** or via email at [debbiepwoods@aol.com](mailto:debbiepwoods@aol.com).



## A Visit to Quilt Mercantile

<http://www.quiltmercantile.com/>



Quilt Mercantile is a faithful supporter of TAQG and TAQG Rally Day and a Quilt Sampler featured Quilt Shop.

Quilt Mercantile is located in a large early 1900's building with wonderful Texas charm. When you first walk into the shop you are treated to a large collection of western

themed fabrics. Quilt Mercantile also offers traditional fabrics, bright colored fabrics including Moda, RJR, etc. guaranteeing you will find something to meet your needs and then some ☺.

The owners are a mother daughter team, who both love quilts and fabric. Vicki Dees has always loved fabric and quilting and daughter, Jennifer Tenney, loves marketing and business as much as she loves quilts. Together they have created an inviting atmosphere where the art of quilting flourishes.

The shop has all the other items we Quilters have come to love: books, notions, tools, furniture and machines.

Quilt Mercantile is an authorized Handi Quilter dealer.

Their shop has approximately 5,400 square feet and there is a separate state of the art retreat center adjacent to the shop.



The Retreat Center, the day I visited there were quilters retreating!

The space is very well thought out, sewing machine tables ready and waiting for you to set up your machine, along with comfortable chairs to sit in.

A large cutting table area as well as pressing station.

- Comfy bedrooms
- Modern kitchen with amenities
- Large living space for just relaxing



Quilt Mercantile  
215 Highway 69N  
Celeste TX 75423  
(903) 568-8739

Hours:

- Tuesday 9-7
- Wed.-Fri. 9-5
- Saturday 9-1

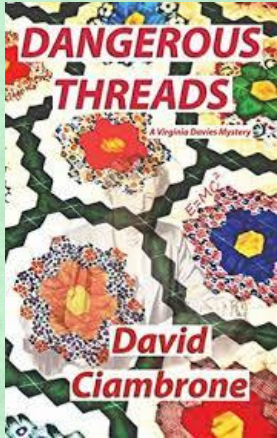
While visiting the area you might want to check out the Audie Murphy/American Cotton Museum, <http://www.cottonmuseum.com/>. The Museum is a tribute to the areas agricultural cotton background and pays homage to a local American hero. The Museum is worth the trip!

Why not combine shopping with some history for an enjoyable day out of the city!

## **Dangerous Threads (A Virginia Davies Mystery)**

**2014 by Author: David Ciambrone**

**ISBN: 978-1-63363-009-3**



**Book Review by Wayne Bonser**

My wife, Melissa, gave me this book after the presentation by its author at the LSHQG meeting in April. I looked it up online and saw that this book received mixed reviews on the GoodReads and Amazon.com websites. After reading the book myself, my wife asked if I would provide a short write up on my impression of this book.

Dangerous Threads is a Mystery Thriller, centered on the search for a 1933 World's Fair award winning quilt, named "The Unknown Star". The 1933 World's Fair Quilt contest was factually sponsored by Sears & Roebuck and this specific first place quilt was indeed later given to then First Lady, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt. This quilt eventually disappeared and here the Dangerous Threads' story line continues. Albert Einstein, who had discovered a key to the Unified Theory of Physics, wanted his findings hidden away for future generations after he saw the development of the atom bomb. Einstein contacts his friend Mrs Roosevelt and they secreted the Unified Theory findings, within, the Unknown Star Quilt, and then the First Lady sent the quilt away to an unknown person or location for safekeeping. The plot is that decades later the US government as well as many nations and nation-state-actors, are diligently searching for this quilt and the possibly powerful secret hidden therein.

Virginia Davies a museum curator and quilter, and her husband, Dr Andy Clark an engineer and Phd, along with Virginia's close friend, Donna, are hired by the US government

to be attached to the Smithsonian's Central Security Service, and as such become US Federal Agents charged with searching for, locating the quilt and safeguarding the hidden knowledge. The author never explains how this adventurous trio has become singularly adept at employing SWAT and Special Forces capabilities, but non-the-less they turn the tables on street-gangs, foreign secret agents, and state-actor-hitmen, with regularity, showing little fear, and the willingness to dispatch cold, calculated, ruthless-violence on those seeking to harm them.

Other book reviewers have criticized the plot/concept - that a quilting museum curator and a Phd/engineer could tackle circumstances that would be challenging to "secret agents". However unlikely, better books and movies have successfully capitalized on just such an absurdity, such as: National Treasure (an archeologist & treasure-hunter); Culper Ring Series (an Archivist); Da Vinci Code (an art & religion symbologist); and in the Sigma Series (employing special force scientists, headquartered under the Smithsonian non-the less). These plots worked very well to the delight of many readers and movies goers. This book won't measure up to ones written by Baldacci, Grisham, or Clancy, but it offers fun, recreational reading wherein the trio's antics and misadventures are almost non-stop, and where weapons use and assaults paralleled the wacky sequences in movies like Bad Boys II and Lethal Weapon.

David Ciambrone's – Author's Comment Section, gives greater detail on the Quilt's history and pattern evolution over the decades, and unwraps what is "fact" and what is "fiction" in his book Dangerous Threads. Overall, I would give this book – 2.5 - 3 Stars (out of 5) since I really did enjoy the read. Besides, how many authors have actually centered one of their thrillers around the history of a REAL, internationally recognized, Award Winning quilt?

## UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS

**June 7-9, 2018**

### **North Texas Quilt Festival**

Bear Creek Quilt Guild, Fort Worth Modern Quilt Guild, Fort Worth Quilt Guild, Irving Quilt Guild, Quilters' Guild of Arlington, and Trinity Valley Quilters' Guild  
Arlington Convention Center  
1200 Ballpark Way, Arlington, TX 76011

<http://www.sewingexpo.com/Events/Arlington,TX/FeaturesEvents/NorthTexasQuiltFestival>.

**July 14, 2018**

### **TAQG Rally Day**

Mimosa Lane Baptist Church  
1233 North Belt Line Road, Mesquite, TX 75149

<http://taqq.org/wp:content/uploads/2017/09/Rally-Day-2018.pdf>

**July 20-21, 2018**

### **Creative Quilters Guild of Ellis County 2018 Quilt Show "Garden Party"**

Midlothian Conference Center  
Midlothian, TX 76065

<http://elliscountyquilters.com/quilt-shows/>

**August 10-11, 2018**

### **Quilt Plano 2018**

Quilters Guild of Plano  
Plano Event Center  
2000 East Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, TX 75407

<http://www.qgplano.org/cgi-bin/membership.cgi?Page=QP2018>

**September 14-15, 2018**

### **Lone Star Heritage Quilt Guild**

"The ROC" First Baptist Church  
115 Putnam Street, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482

<http://sulphurspringstxquilts.com>

**September 21-22, 2018**

### **Quilty Pleasures Quilt Show and Live Auction**

Golden Needles Quilt Guild  
Lone Star Convention Center  
9055 Airport Road, Conroe, TX 77303

<http://golden-needles.org/2018-quilt-show--auction.html>

**September 28-30, 2018**

### **Capital of Texas Quilt Fest**

Austin Area Quilt Guild  
Palmer Events Center  
Austin, TX

<http://www.aaqg.org>

**October 19 & 20, 2018**

### **Texas Star Quilter's Guild Annual Quilt Show**

Fri. 9a.m. – 5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Canton Civic Center, 800 Flea Market Rd., Canton, TX

**November 8-11, 2018**

### **International Quilt Festival**

George R. Brown Convention Center  
1001 Avenida de las Americas, Houston TX

<https://tradeshwz.com/international-quilt-festival-houston>

## TAQG: Record Keeping March 27, 2018

The information presented here is an abridged version of the material presented at the March 27, 2018 Special Interest Meeting. This material is presented for informational purposes only. We suggest you consult an attorney for legal advice.

### Raffles:

- Controlled by Texas Attorney General. Class A misdemeanor to conduct and a Class C misdemeanor to participate in an unauthorized Raffle
- What I call "Code light" is a synopsis of the statute by the AG office. <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/cpd/charities-nonprofits-charitable-raffles>
- The entire Raffle Enabling Act can be found at <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/OC/htm/OC.2002.htm>
- In general, a qualified organization is:
  - A nonprofit association organized primarily for religious purposes...;
  - A nonprofit volunteer emergency medical service...;
  - A nonprofit volunteer fire department...; or
  - A nonprofit organization that has existed for at least three preceding years and is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c), Internal Revenue Code; does not distribute any of its income to its members, officers or governing body; does not devote a substantial part of its activities to attempting to influence legislation; and does not participate in any political campaign.
- A qualified organization may offer any prize except money. "Money" is defined as coins, paper currency, or a negotiable instrument that represents and is readily convertible to coins or paper currency.
- Each raffle ticket must state: 1) the name of the organization conducting the raffle; 2) the address of the organization or of a named officer of the organization; 3) the ticket price; 4) a general description of each prize having a value of more than \$10; and 5) the date on which the raffle prize(s) will be awarded.
- A qualified organization may hold only two raffles per calendar year and only one raffle at a time.
- Raffle tickets may not be advertised statewide or through paid advertisements.
- No one may be compensated directly or indirectly for organizing or conducting a raffle or for selling raffle tickets.
- Proceeds from ticket sales must be used only for the charitable purposes of the qualified organization.

The IRS must also be considered when conducting a Raffle:

- Please refer to [https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-tege/notice\\_1340.pdf](https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-tege/notice_1340.pdf) for complete information

- "An exempt organization must report raffle prizes if (a) the amount paid reduced ... by the wager... is \$600 or more; and (b) the payout is at least 300 times the amount of the wager.... The example would be if your quilt has a value of \$601 or more and your ticket sells for \$1.00 you are required to file a W-2G for the winner who will pay tax on the amount.
- "A person receiving gambling winnings must furnish the exempt organization a statement on Form 5754 ... stating his or her identity and the identity of any others entitled to the winnings (and their shares of the winnings.)"
- "The organization must keep Form 5754 for four years...."
- "The exempt organization must file Forms W-2G with the IRS by the last day of February of the year after the year of the raffle..... The organization must also issue Forms W-2G to prize recipients by January 31 of the year after the year of the raffle."
- If the prize is less than \$5,000 the Guild is not responsible for withholding the required 25%.
- The organization must list the EIN (employer identification number) of the organization conducting the raffle on Forms W-2G, 1096, and 945....

### Source Codes

The definition of source code is the original document or drawing in its original format. Documents saved as a source code can always be updated while documents that have been saved in another format, PDF for example, cannot be easily updated.

**Example:** A guild creates a set of by-laws. It creates the document in Word then saves it as a PDF for publication. Years later, however, the bylaws may need to be updated. If all you have is your PDF, not the source code, it will be more difficult to make the needed changes.

With drawings, source code is even more important. Guilds all create logos and designs for pins. The source code will contain information on colors, fonts used, sizes, etc. Many times guilds will scan or use an image of the logo and over time the source code is lost.

**Example:** When the TAQG Logo was created the original drawing/computer format was not passed along. Over the years John has had to scan and tweak the logo several times. Finally to make the image clearer, he redrew it. He spent a lot of time searching for matches to the original colors and font.

Source Code can also be thought of as the original or the authority. For that reason all of the IRS related information presented in this document is directly from research through the IRS. It is not sourced from a third party's interpretation.

### Record Retention and Storage

Records should be kept both as paper copies and in a digital form. It would be a good idea to keep more than one set of records. Should

something happen to destroy one set of records you would still have a backup. Many Guilds are opting to keep a set of records on a cloud based system such as Dropbox.com. Dropbox offers secure file -storage and sharing on a fee basis. It is easy for officers to upload documents and reports as well as store copies of documents. It is also easy when you have a change of board members to change who has access to the site. There are a lot of cloud storage services. You might also want to look at pcloud, Google Drive, box, and OneDrive. You can do an internet search on alternatives to Dropbox for more options. The following website has great information on storing and destroying digital records. However, you need to be aware that their recommended retention schedule does not agree with what I found on IRS sites.

[http://siarchives.si.edu/cepr/RECORDS\\_RETENTION\\_SCHEDULE\\_rev3.pdf](http://siarchives.si.edu/cepr/RECORDS_RETENTION_SCHEDULE_rev3.pdf)

As a precaution you may want to consider storing the permanently kept records in a safe deposit box for security and safety purposes.

Records kept for IRS compliance is in this section. You may also choose to keep extra records of historical value to your guild. Things that would fall under this category are newsletters, general meeting minutes, scrapbooks and anything else of historical significance to your group. Take note: Meeting minutes showing new board members are usually required when changing signature privileges on guild bank accounts.

### Compliance Record Keeping Guidelines for the IRS

The following information is excerpted from the following publication. View or download it from the provided website.

**IRS Publication 4221PC Compliance Guide for 501(c) 3 Public Charities**

<https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p4221pc.pdf>

Here, the word "assets" refers to property owned by the Guild. Each guild should have an inventory that is updated on a regular basis.

### ASSETS & LIABILITIES

Assets are the property, such as investments, buildings, and furniture that an organization owns and uses in its activities. Liabilities reflect the pecuniary obligations of the organization. A public charity must keep records to verify certain information about its assets and liabilities. Records should show:

- when and how the asset was acquired
- whether any debt was used to acquire the asset
- documents that support mortgages, notes, loans
- or other forms of debt
- purchase price
- cost of any improvements
- deductions taken for depreciation, if any
- deductions taken for casualty losses, if any, such as losses resulting from fires or storms

- how the asset was used
- when and how the asset was disposed of
- selling price
- expenses of sale

### How Long Should Records be Kept?

Public charities must keep records for federal tax purposes for as long as they may be needed to document evidence of compliance with provisions of the Code. Generally, this means the organization must keep records that support an item of income or deduction on a return until the statute of limitations for that return runs. The statute of limitations has run out when the organization can no longer amend its return and the IRS can no longer assess additional tax. Generally, the statute of limitations runs three years after the date the return is due or filed, whichever is later. An organization may be required to retain records longer for other legal purposes, including state or local tax purposes.

### Record Retention Periods

Record retention periods vary depending on the types of records and returns.

- **Permanent Records** – Some records should be kept permanently. These include the application for recognition of tax-exempt status, the determination letter recognizing tax-exempt status, and organizing documents, such as articles of incorporation and by-laws, with amendments, as well as board minutes.
- **Employment Tax Records** – If an organization has employees, it must keep employment tax records for at least four years after the date the tax becomes due or is paid, whichever is later.
- **Records for Non-Tax Purposes** – When records are no longer needed for tax purposes, an organization should keep them until they are no longer needed for non-tax purposes. For example, a grantor, insurance company, creditor, or state agency may require that records be kept longer than the IRS requires

### Public Inspection and Disclosure

Because certain forms, by law, must be made publicly available by the IRS and the filer, do not include any personal identifying information, such as social security numbers not required by the IRS, on these forms.

### Exemption Application –

A public charity must make available for public inspection its exemption application, Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, along with each of the following documents:

- all documents submitted with Form 1023;
- all documents the IRS requires the organization to submit in support of its application;

- and the exemption ruling letter issued by the IRS.

#### Annual Information Return –

Please refer to the document for return information. Rules differ depending on which 990 form you file.

#### Public Inspection and Disclosure Procedures –

A public charity may place reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of in-person inspection and copying, and may charge a reasonable fee for providing copies. It can charge no more for the copies than the per page rate the IRS charges for providing copies. A tax-exempt organization does not have to comply with individual requests for copies if it makes the documents widely available. This can be done by posting the documents on a readily accessible Web site. For details on disclosure rules and procedures for 501(c)(3) organizations, see the (IRS Publication) **Life Cycle of a Public Charity** and the **instructions to Forms 990, 990-T and 1023** at [www.irs.gov/eo](http://www.irs.gov/eo).

#### Not a 501(c)3?

Please note there is also an IRS Publication **4221NC Compliance Guide for Non-Profit organization other than 501(c)3**. You can find it at <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p4221nc.pdf>

You can also obtain information and help at the following website: <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/charitable-organizations>

The website of the Texas Secretary of State refers to both the IRS and the Texas State Comptroller as having sites with information for non-profits. It may be a helpful site.

[https://www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/nonprofit\\_org.shtml](https://www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/nonprofit_org.shtml)

#### Other sources of information:

The following could not be verified by checking with the IRS, however they might be of interest to you. These were not included in the information presented.

[http://siarchives.si.edu/cerp/RECORDS\\_RETENTION\\_SCHEDULE\\_rev3.pdf](http://siarchives.si.edu/cerp/RECORDS_RETENTION_SCHEDULE_rev3.pdf)  
This site contains great information about keeping and destroying digital data that is no longer required.

The Texas Association of Nonprofit Organizations may also offer some useful information. Their website is <https://tano.org/nonprofit-info-page/starting-a-nonprofit/>

This information has been compiled by Sherry Worley for TAQG. The body of the document contains information where you can find every cited document on the internet. It is not to be considered legal advice. We encourage you to do your own research.

## TAQG Special Interest Meeting July 24: Member Retention September 25: 501(c)3

Claire Schwarz will speak to TAQG on the 501(c)3 process.



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