

Quilt Guild donates books to Humble ISD schools

For more than a decade, the Kingwood Area Quilt Guild has shared their love of quilting with the District's elementary students, donating books about the pastime to each of the campuses. Now housed in each of Humble ISD elementary libraries are more than a dozen books on quilting and the history of the craft.

"Donating and community outreach are part of our by-laws," says Brenda Howard, Director of Community Outreach and Education "but it's so much more than that to us. We promote the education and history of quilting. It seems more and more these days that kids don't know where things come from, if not from Walmart. We want to share the art and history."



This year, elementary schools were doubly lucky. The Guild was able to donate two books for the price of one: F Is for Friendship by Helen L. Wilson and Quilt of States by Adrian York.

"This year I wanted to go the extra mile," Howard beamed, "as I was a teacher myself, and we always want more for our students. I called the publisher directly and found these two books. I just fell in love with both of them and was able to get a great discount."



Last year, Howard was touched to see the books put to use when students from all grade levels at Jack Field Elementary gifted the Guild with a paper quilt.

"We just cried when we saw it," she recalled. "When we went to accept it, it was just like, 'Wow! Look at all the time they put into this.' We received all kinds of sweet letters from the kids. There was not a dry eye in the house, and the Guild members realized that we are doing something, we are making a difference. It was just so awesome."

The Kingwood Area Quilt Guild also sponsors scholarships for local high school students. Last year, they awarded three \$1000 scholarships to Humble ISD students. The Guild also participates in community outreach during Jesse Jones Park's Homestead Heritage and Pioneer Day and by donating quilts to local organizations



At top right, Dr. Guy Sconzo accepts book donations from Kingwood Area Quilt Guild members Brenda Howard (center) and Elma Young.

At upper left, students from all grade levels at Jack Field Elementary gifted the Guild with a paper quilt.

At bottom left, Jack Fields Elementary third graders and librarian show off their new book. From left, Fernanda Cantu, Librarian Peggy Kollister and Selena Solache.