



*The Quilters Guild of Plano is ready for their 10th biennial quilt show August 14–15 at the Plano Centre. The Binding Friends friendship group designed and made the “Indigo Stars” quilt (on wall) and member Karen Nelson quilted the layers together. Profile photo/Britt Mott*

## Quilt Plano 2009

Cards of gratitude that read “this quilt is his world” from a Children’s Advocacy Center client and “bright, beautiful quilts make the process a little better” from a Rape Crisis Center client inspire the **Quilters Guild of Plano** to make hundreds of quilts, fleece blankets, baby bonnets, stockings, and other knitted items for community outreach organizations. The guild accumulated 4,000 community service hours last year making over 400 items for the Collin County Children’s Advocacy Center, the Rape Crisis Center of Collin County, Medical Center of Plano’s neonatal unit, Newborns In Need, The Fisher House, Project Linus, and Operation Quilted Comfort.

The 10th biennial **Quilt Plano** show is August 14–15 at the Plano Centre. About 300 quilts will be on display and over 35 vendors will be selling and demonstrating quilt-related products, sewing machines, and longarm quilting machines. The Plano Sewing Center will provide sewing machines for public use so that anyone can learn how to make quilt blocks. On Saturday, there will be a raffle drawing for the “Indigo Friendship Star” quilt, and raffle tickets are \$1 each.

**Karen Christoffer**, service quilt chair for the guild, said of the show, “Not only can you see some beautiful masterpieces but it’s the first time we’ll feature a youth ‘Sit & Sew.’ The kids can learn how to make quilt blocks that our Community Service Group will make into quilts that will [then] be donated to our local charities.”

The quilt show is Friday, August 14 from 9 a.m.–6 p.m. and Saturday, August 15 from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Admission is \$6 pre-sale, \$7 at the door; free for children 11 and under. Visit [quiltersguildofplano.org](http://quiltersguildofplano.org).

## Ducks Unlimited banquet

The Allen Chapter of **Ducks Unlimited (DU)** is hosting its **11th Annual Fundraising Banquet** on Thursday, August 6 at 5:30 p.m. at the Swingin’ D Ranch in Parker to benefit wetland conservation and restoration. Call Scott Brown at 214.385.6026 or visit [allentxdchapter.blogspot.com](http://allentxdchapter.blogspot.com).

## Experience the splendor of Texas Butterflies

You “heard” right: A bevy of butterflies are fluttering around at the **Heard Museum’s** 800-square-foot Native Texas Butterfly House. Native butterflies like the zebra longwing, the tiger swallowtail, red admiral, and monarch are on the loose through September 30. Don’t forget the camera! The Heard Museum is open from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Mondays–Saturdays and from 1–5 p.m. on Sundays. Call 972.562.5566 or visit [heardmuseum.org](http://heardmuseum.org).

## Former Fox 4 newsman speaks to seniors

### Seniors Active in Learning (SAIL)

presents Emmy award-winning newscaster **Jeff Crilley**, formerly with Dallas’ Fox 4, on Thursday, August 6 as part of the Brown Bag Lunch series. Bring your lunch to the Collin



*Award-winning reporter Jeff Crilley. Photo/Courtesy of Jeff Crilley*

College Spring Creek Campus Conference Center and enjoy the presentation at 12:30 p.m. *Admission is free.* Visit [cccdd.edu/SailSite](http://cccdd.edu/SailSite).

## Swing Fore! Yellow

**Lance Armstrong’s** mother, **Linda Armstrong Kelly**, along with **Steve Nagel** and his wife **Lee**, are organizing a golf tournament to raise support for cancer research. The tourney will take place Monday, August 31 at Gleneagles Country Club in Plano, and there will be a Tribute Wall to honor those who have had or currently have cancer.

Large supporters include the Lance Armstrong Foundation ([livestrong.org](http://livestrong.org)), Nike, *Avid Golfer* magazine, and Ill Forks. Auction items will include a suite for a Dallas Stars game; a suite for a Texas Rangers game; a weekend at Whispering Pines Golf Club; and a Lance Armstrong Jersey signed and framed. Foursomes are \$1,500. Sponsorships begin at \$2,000. Visit [swing4yellow.com](http://swing4yellow.com).