

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.



www.sanantonioquilt.org
210-695-8737

**April 14th
Guild Meeting**
9:30 Assorted Activities
10:00 General Business
Meeting
Saint Andrew's
Presbyterian Church
8231 Callaghan Rd.

April Program
Guild Workday

May Program
Cynthia England
Class 9-3 Fri and
Lecture 1-4 Sat

June Program
Eleanor Wright
Memorial
FREE Classes by
Karen Kay Buckley

Remember to
bring to the
meeting

- Name tag (wear it)
- Library books, DVD's and patterns
- QPC projects
- Bright Hopes quilts
- Smiles for your friends

President's Notes

Welcome new Guild members Thelma Barbosa, Yvonne Spears, and Cristy and Patrick Lindberg, grandchildren of Guild member Sherry Cook. Thanks so much for joining and look forward to working with you.

What a difference a year makes. Last year our spring yard was very sparse but give it rain and we have a burst of color. The blue of the bluebonnets, yellow four-nerve daisy, white black foot daisy and orange/red of the poppies. Got a color wheel in my yard.

Fun and work are planned for the April meeting. Just a quick business meeting then many hands will make light work. You can help by making Bright Hope kits, sew (need your sewing machine) QPC blocks together or you can help with pressing, and Auction quilts need binding/labels. Lunch provided just bring your own beverage. Great chance to visit with Guild members and maybe learn a new tip or trick.

Looking forward to the mini-retreat. I know I'll bring too many projects, so many quilt tops so little time. Hope the Guild can make the mini-retreat an annual event.

Thank You to Charlene Carroll for volunteering to be the Guild Photographer. We look forward to many more pictures of beautiful projects done by our members. Janet Miller, President, GSAQG



Ellen Hernandez received a Calico Rose for chairing the Magazine Sales and the Sunshine and Shadow committees. Nancy Beasley received a Calico Rose for chairing the Newsletter Advertising Committee.



New Members are always welcome! Thelma Barbosa, Patrick & Cristy Lindberg and Yvonne Spears.



Calico Rose Buds were given to everyone that helped at the Carson Elementary School "Quilt Night". Shown here L to R are Barbara Sumlin, Donnis Todd, Sandra Bloom, Sherry Durringer, Ellen Hernandez, and Leslie McMullen. Kitty Janiga also helped with the event.



2012 Program Notes

April Program - Guild Work Day

Come and HELP us work on assorted projects that benefit our Guild, and our community!

May Program - Cynthia England Classes

Friday 11 May 9 - 3, "Texas" quilt \$25+\$24=\$49tot.

Saturday 12 May 1- 4, Lecture \$15+\$10=\$25.tot.

Sign ups with payment began at the March guild meeting. Please note there is a \$24 kit fee for the "Texas" class and a \$10 kit fee for the design class. Kit fees are payable to the instructor on the day of the class. englanddesign.com

June Program - Eleanor Wright Memorial FREE Workshops with Karen Kay Buckley

Friday May 8th "Kansas Rose"

Saturday 9th "Borders By Design" Lecture
"To Border or Not to Border"

Mary McCarthy 3rd VP GSAQG



NEWSLETTER INPUT

**DEADLINE is Midnight - Monday after
Guild meeting.**

**E-mail to quiltnews@dishmail.net is
preferred, or mail to Melanie McInnis.**

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

	Monthly	Yearly
Full page ad	\$60.00	\$660
1/2 page ad (horizontal - 7 x 4 3/4 vertical - 3 3/8 x 9 1/2)	\$30.00	\$330
1/4 page ad	\$15.00	\$165
Business card (2 x 3.5)	\$10	\$110

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

REGULAR DUES \$24

SENIOR (65+) \$18

YOUTH (12-18) \$6

Send your check to:

GSAQG

PO Box 380522

San Antonio, TX 78268

Notes from Mary McCarthy 3rd VP for Programs

Here is a bio of Cynthia England, our teacher in May. I now have a sample of the "Texas" quilt to show which is the Friday 11 May class.

Cynthia's stunning quilts have been winning 1st place ribbons at local and national quilting events since 1991 and have graced the pages of many quilting publications. Her most recognized quilt, Piece and Quiet, was chosen as one of the "The Twentieth Century's Best American Quilts" in 2000. In addition to this award, Cynthia has won Best of Show twice in the IQA show at the International Quilt Festival in Houston for her quilts Piece and Quiet, in 1993, and Open Season, in 2000. Cynthia began quilting at the age of 13, her interest in quilting was piqued again in 1976 after seeing a display of the Texas Sesquicentennial quilts in a nearby mall. Essentially a self-taught quilter, she has made about 24 bed-sized quilts and over 70 wall quilts. Although she started with and occasionally still makes traditional style quilts, Cynthia's hallmark is realistically detailed pictorial quilts. Using skills she developed as a commercial graphic artist, she creates quilts depicting some of her favorite subjects: flowers, nature, antiques and architecture. After using applique to get the realistic effect in her early quilts, Cynthia gradually devised a machine piecing technique she calls Picture Piecing. This technique breaks the design down into pieces that can all be sewn using straight seams and allows her to include intricate details and shading without a single set-in seam. Her first quilt made entirely from that technique, Piece and Quiet, was so successful she was inspired to continue designing with the Picture Piecing method. After numerous requests to teach her technique to other quilters, Cynthia launched a line of Picture Piecing patterns and thus her business, England Design, was born.

I will begin taking names for the Drawing for the FREE Eleanor Wright Memorial Workshops (in June) with Karen Kay Buckley at the March meeting. The Friday 15 June class is "Kansas Rose" and the Saturday 16 June class is "Borders By Design". www.karenkaybuckley.com

Remember the Name Tag Challenge winners will be chosen at the July meeting. Have you started yet? Must be made of cloth, legible and wearable.

Mary McCarthy - 3rd VP GSAQG

GSAQG BOARD Meeting Minutes

The March 5, 2012 board meeting of the Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild was called to order by President Janet Miller at 6:09 pm at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. Present were Janet Miller, Dea Jae Shore, Donnis Todd, Cindy Shutt, Melanie McInnis, Mary McCarthy, Sandi Price, and Barbara Sumlin. Minutes of the February meeting stood approved as printed.

President—Janet Miller: Board agreed to award Calico Roses to Nancy Beasley, Newsletter Advertising since 2010, and to Ellen Hernandez, Magazine Sales since 2010 and Sunshine and Shadows since 2008. Agreed to award Calico Rosebuds for those who assisted with Carson Elementary Quilt Night: Kitty Janiga, Ellen Hernandez, Barbara Sumlin, Donnis Todd, Leslie McMullen, Sandra Bloom, and Sherry Durringer.

President Pro-Tem—Dea Jae Shore: Reported completion archival copies of newsletters and pictures.

Secretary—Donnis Todd: Reported 4 calls to hot line in February.

Treasurer—Cindy Shutt: January statement was reviewed and approved. Reported a fund balance of \$63,929.79.

1st Vice President/Special Events—Sandra Bloom: Sandra absent. Janet reported she, Ellen, and Linda will attend Warrior and Family Support Center at Ft. Sam Houston, the Auction beneficiary, to see plans for their future garden. Sandra Lowell will chair Houston Bus Trip, and Linda Ethridge and Marty Kraatz will co-chair Winter Retreat.

2nd Vice President/Newsletter—Melanie McInnis: Reported directory has been mailed.

3rd Vice President/Programs—Mary McCarthy: Reported on programs through June and March mini retreat. Reported a workshop will be added on Friday, July 13 if church is available.

4th Vice President/Services—Sandi Price: No report

5th Vice President/Community Outreach—Barbara Sumlin: No report

Parliamentarian—Larry Beauchamp: Absent

Unfinished Business: Continued discussion of changes to by-laws.

New Business: Dea Jae informed board of problems with current printing company. Board agreed to take bids from other printing companies and explore alternative services and prices.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:45

Donnis Todd, Secretary GSAQG

GSAQG GUILD Meeting Minutes

The March 10, 2012 meeting of the Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild was called to order by President Janet Miller at St Andrew Presbyterian Church at 10:03 am. 122 members and 4 guests attended with name tag fees of \$1.50. February minutes were approved as published.

President—Janet Miller: Welcomed new guild members. Welcomed Fiber Artists and announced May Extravaganza and raffle items. Reported death of member, Naomi Wells, at 92. Presented Calico Roses to Nancy Beasley for chairing News Advertising and Ellen Hernandez for chairing Magazine Sales and Sunshine and Shadows. Presented Calico Rosebuds for participants in Carson Elementary Quilt Night: Ellen Hernandez, Barbara Sumlin, Donnis Todd, Leslie McMullen, Sherry Durringer, and Sandra Bloom. **Ethel Howey Grant:** Barbara Wofford announced start of 2012 application period and explained process. **Sherry Allred Grant:** Janet stated applications due by April Board meeting.

President Pro-Tem—Dea Jae Shore: Announced digitized copies of permanent collection added to web-site.

Secretary—Donnis Todd: No report

Treasurer—Cindy Shutt: Reported fund balance of \$63,876.97

1st Vice President/Special Events—Sandra Bloom: **Summer Retreat**—Reported on status and final payment in May. **Auction**—Ellen Hernandez requested volunteers to check out quilt kits and for two remaining auction positions. **2013 Quilt Show**—Dea Jae announced preliminary meeting of raffle quilt volunteers. Sandra introduced chairs for **Houston Bus Trip**, Sandra Lowell, and **Winter Retreat**, Marty Kraatz and Linda Ethridge. Janet responded to questions regarding sharing of Auction profits with Warrior Support Center.

2nd Vice President/Newsletter—Melanie McInnis: Explained reason for misplacement of holes in 2012 directory.

3rd Vice President/Programs—Mary McCarthy: Introduced March program—Mickey Mowry. Reported upcoming programs. Explained process to attend June Wright Memorial workshops. Requested volunteer sign up at Mini Retreat.

4th Vice President/Services—Sandi Price: **QPC**—Carol Rouse awarded Golden Carrot, displayed new projects and explained projects for April workday. **DVD's**—Jackie Randal requested return of checked-out DVD's and reported on new DVD's.

5th Vice President/Community Outreach—Barbara Sumlin: **Storybook Quilts**—Sherry Durringer reported on quilts turned in and new books added to collection. **Bright Hopes**—Sharon Ross reported on April kit party and requested quilt top donations. Explained "Dog to Puppy" Challenge for July. Barbara requested show of hands for April workday.

Parliamentarian—Larry Beauchamp: No report

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Adjourned: 10:42

Donnis Todd, Secretary GSAQG

GSAQG Treasurer's Report
For the one month ending 1/31/12 By Cindy Shutt

	YTD Actual	2012 Budget
REVENUES		
Interest		\$ 550.00
Savings	\$ 1.44	
CD Interest	\$ -	
Other income	\$ 0.76	\$ 1,000.00
Magazine Sales	\$ -	\$ 450.00
Nametag fines	\$ 4.00	\$ 25.00
Library Sale		
Pin Sale	\$ -	
Dues - Membership	\$ 801.00	\$ 5,000.00
Newsletter/Directory Ads	\$ 605.00	\$ 600.00
Quilt Show	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Workshops	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00
Retreat - Summer	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$ 7,459.25	\$ 8,000.00
Houston Bus trip	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00
Auction	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00
Total Revenues	\$ 8,871.45	\$ 50,525.00
EXPENSES		
Administration:		
Administration	\$ 45.00	\$ 4,000.00
Door Prizes	\$ 78.71	\$ 240.00
Telephone	\$ 50.43	\$ 600.00
Storage facility	\$ 460.00	\$ 5,520.00
Rent (Meetings)	\$ 125.00	\$ 2,000.00
Membership expenses:		
Membership supplies	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Newsletter/Directory printing	\$ 225.62	\$ 3,600.00
Postage, Bulk	\$ 190.00	\$ 700.00
Web page	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Quilt Show	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Community activities:		
Bright Hopes	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Storybook Quilts	\$ 22.20	\$ 400.00
Community Outreach	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Membership services & activities		
Sherry Allred Grant	\$ -	\$ 650.00
Ethel Howey Grant	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Library	\$ 72.55	\$ 300.00
Patterns	\$ -	\$ 50.00
QPC	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Video Library	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Programs	\$ 242.01	\$ 7,000.00
Workshops	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00
Self-sustaining activities:		
Retreat - Summer	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$ 7,459.25	\$ 8,000.00
Houston bus trip	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00
Auction	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00
Total Expenses	\$ 9,970.77	\$ 62,810.00
Net	\$ (1,099.32)	\$ (12,285.00)
Ending Jefferson	\$ (1,418.68)	
Operating Ending Jefferson Savings	\$ 15,492.02	
SSFCU CD's & savings	\$ 36,585.56	
SSFCU Wright Class CD	\$ 14,399.43	
Total Guild Funds	\$ 65,058.33	

Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer



GSAQG Treasurer's Report
For two months ending 2/29/12 By Cindy Shutt

	YTD Actual	2012 Budget
REVENUES		
Interest		\$ 550.00
Savings	\$ 2.69	
CD Interest	\$ -	
Other income	\$ 0.76	\$ 1,000.00
Magazine Sales	\$ -	\$ 450.00
Nametag fines	\$ 7.00	\$ 25.00
Library Sale		
Pin Sale	\$ -	
Dues - Membership	\$ 927.00	\$ 5,000.00
Newsletter/Directory Ads	\$ 1,165.00	\$ 600.00
Quilt Show	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Workshops	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00
Retreat - Summer	\$ 800.00	\$ 8,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$ 7,459.25	\$ 8,000.00
Houston Bus trip	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00
Auction	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00
Total Revenues	\$ 10,361.70	\$ 50,525.00
EXPENSES		
Administration:		
Administration	\$ 149.82	\$ 4,000.00
Door Prizes	\$ 78.71	\$ 240.00
Telephone	\$ 104.64	\$ 600.00
Storage facility	\$ 920.00	\$ 5,520.00
Rent (Meetings)	\$ 375.00	\$ 2,000.00
Membership expenses:		
Membership supplies	\$ 25.89	\$ 150.00
Newsletter/Directory printing	\$ 454.71	\$ 3,600.00
Postage, Bulk	\$ 190.00	\$ 700.00
Web page	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Quilt Show	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Community activities:		
Bright Hopes	\$ 390.00	\$ 1,000.00
Storybook Quilts	\$ 22.20	\$ 400.00
Community Outreach	\$ -	\$ 150.00
Membership services & activities		
Sherry Allred Grant	\$ -	\$ 650.00
Ethel Howey Grant	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Library	\$ 72.55	\$ 300.00
Patterns	\$ -	\$ 50.00
QPC	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Video Library	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Programs	\$ 574.61	\$ 7,000.00
Workshops	\$ 825.00	\$ 5,000.00
Self-sustaining activities:		
Retreat - Summer	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$ 7,459.25	\$ 8,000.00
Houston bus trip	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00
Auction	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00
Total Expenses	\$ 12,642.38	\$ 62,810.00
Net	\$ (2,280.68)	\$ (12,285.00)
Ending Jefferson	\$ 2,398.71	
Operating Ending Jefferson Savings	\$ 10,493.27	
SSFCU CD's & savings	\$ 36,585.56	
SSFCU Wright Class CD	\$ 14,399.43	
Total Guild Funds	\$ 63,876.97	

Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer



GSAQG Sunshine & Shadows
ellenhernandez@hotmail.com
210-520-1335

Cathy Baisley at Cat's Meow on DeZavala is a new Sub-dealer for Gammill. She will be able to do everything a dealer can except set up machines. She will also have supplies available. Open House is Saturday, 31 March from 9am - 3pm. Congratulations to Cathy - although she is usually working during Guild meeting times, she donates many hours of quilting to our projects. Stop by and show your support.

Ellen Hernandez won 1st Place in the Texas Daughters of the American Revolution Fiber Arts Quilts Contest. *Patriot Roll Call* will compete on the National Level.

One of our former members, Naomi Wells, died recently at the age of 92. She was a sweet and generous lady who worked on projects for us even when she was unable to attend Guild meetings. One year she was especially helpful when she donated several lovely wall hangings from her closet for the auction.

Happy Birthday to these Members!

LISETTA	ENNIS	4/01/
CINDY	SHUTT	4/04/
SHARON L.	ROSS	4/08/
DEBRA J.	PAVELKA	4/09/
BARBARA C.	GILSTAD	4/09/
VICKI	ORTIZ	4/12/
ROBYN	BEASLEY	4/17/
MARIE	MC DONALD	4/18/
SUE	ANDERSON	4/21/
AMANDA	THOMPSON	4/22/
CAROL	ROUSE	4/22/
CARRIE	LYONS	4/23/
DENISE B.	YANUS	4/29/



2012 Auction News ellenhernandez@hotmail.com

There will be several Auction projects at the April workday - hand basting ANOTHER quilt for the ITC hand quilters (YEA!); a little appliqué; and finish piecing some placemats. All Committee chairmen spots have now been filled, but we welcome volunteers the day of the auction to set up the displays and assist as needed. Thanks to Lani Nunley who will chair Bagging, Geneva Gusman - Silent Auction, and Donnis Todd - Runway. Kits will still be available for check out - if you just want to quilt, we have many volunteers who like to bind. Donations of 'good quality' finished, or nearly completed quilts may be made. Our goal is to offer 'nearly show ready' items that reflect the special talents of our many members in order to raise the most funds. Our partner this year is Returning Heroes Home projects at the Warrior Support Center, Ft. Sam Houston. Everything they provide Wounded Warriors and their families comes from donations. Thanks to Doris Patterson for her lovely dimensional, hand quilted piece.

COMMITTEES

Advertising	Nancy Beasley	685-2345	QPC	Carol Rouse	699-9363
Archivist	Dea Jae Shore	590-3013	Summer Retreat	Sandra Bloom	289-6514
Bee Keeper	Bernie Farris	695-4323	Winter Retreat	Marty Kraatz	679-6134
Bright Hopes	Sharon Ross	542-1464		& Linda Ethridge	865-0272
Community Ed	Donnis Todd	661-3530	Secret Sister	Melissa Allo	681-5722
Directory	Melanie McInnis	219-2365	Storybook Quilts	Sherry Durringer	347-9830
Folk Life Festival	Kay Allison	733-1744	Sunshine&Shadows	Ellen Hernandez	520-1335
Institute TX Culture	Kay Allison	733-1744	Videos & DVD's	Jackie Randall	492-8073
Library-Books	Jeanette Jay	924-2451	Webmistress	Dea Jae Shore	590-3013
Magazines	Ellen Hernandez	520-1335	Member Sign In	Kitty Janiga	710-1909
Membership	Gloria Hammond	590-6406		& Sandra Lowell	681-1901
Guest Welcoming	Terry Hooge	279-6458	Youth Alternatives	Charlene Carroll	699-8798
Newsletter	Melanie McInnis	219-2365	Fall of the Alamo	Mary Ruth Flores	410-4337
Patterns	Patricia Patton	861-3944			
Photographs	Charlene Carroll	325-6870			

**GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC.
ETHEL Y. HOWEY GRANT PROGRAM**

MISSION

The Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild (GSAQG) has established a grant program in honor of a loved and esteemed founding member, Ethel Y. Howey, whose accomplishments and influence extended into the international quilt world. The grant is to encourage the pursuit of education in the study of quilt making and to recognize the importance of quilting in today's society as an art form, as an instrument of healing, as part of our legacy, and as a common thread which binds all in friendship.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the grant program is to fund projects that will have long term impact on preserving the heritage and further the art of quilt making. The grant may be used to cover expenses such as fees (including conferences, workshops, etc.), travel, lodging, meals, materials and books. The grant(s) will be awarded annually, not to exceed \$1000. The Grant Committee may divide the monies between more than one recipient. The GSAQG is not obligated to award the entire \$1,000 or any part thereof, if the quality of the proposals does not merit it.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be an active GSAQG member in good standing for the previous **two (2) years** immediately preceding the grant deadline.
- An applicant must show evidence of an interest in continuing to improve and innovate in the field of quilt design, construction, history or technique.
- Financial need will NOT be a criteria for selection.
- Grant recipients are ineligible to reapply for grants for three years. Grant committee members are ineligible for grants while serving on the committee.

PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES

- Applications must be submitted **on or before August 1** (current year), and the grant will be awarded at the following January Guild meeting.
- If the recipient fails to fulfill the requirements or is unable to attend the proposed project or program, the grant money must be returned within **three (3) months** of the cancellation, or on a time-line agreed to by the committee and the applicant. If an alternate applicant is available, the money may be transferred to the alternate with approval of the committee.
- Recipients must be willing and able to share with GSAQG the new skills, techniques, or information gained. This may be in the form of a presentation, a workshop or other process that disseminates the information to the members in **the year following receipt of the grant**. Scheduling must be coordinated with the 1st Vice President for Programs.
- If a workshop or program is being presented, **at a minimum of (3) three months before** the scheduled Guild workshop or program, a lesson plan and class sample will be presented to the Ethel Howey Chairperson, the 1st Vice President for Programs and one Guild member-at-large.
- Recipient must submit, in writing, a final report of the project and expenses **by March 1** of the year following receipt of the grant.

GSAQG ETHEL Y. HOWEY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS

Following the stated time line, submit a typed or hand written application, not to exceed two (2) pages. Include the date, your name, address, phone numbers, e-mail, number of years a GSAQG member, and explain:

1. Why you would like to receive this grant
2. How you will use the grant funds, including a specific budget
3. How you will share your new skills, techniques, and information with the membership.

Feel free to provide any additional information that will help the selection committee.

Mail to: Barbara Wofford, Chairperson
GSAQG Foundation Grant Program
1551 Yosemite Oaks Circle
San Antonio, TX 78213

Time line example:

- *1 Aug 2012 - application due
- *1 Jan 2013 - grant awarded
- *2013 - grant money used/classes attended
- *1 Mar 2014 -written final report due
- *May 2014. presentation to review committee
- *Aug 2014 – workshop or presentation to Guild membership

Boerne

Hauptstrasse Quiltfest

May 5, 2012

Saturday

9:00am-3:00pm

**Downtown Boerne
& Main Plaza**

**Large Outdoor Quilt
Display** *(open to all quilters)*

Live Music

**Downtown Boerne
Shopping & Dining**

Quilts for Sale

**Store Window Display
Competition**

Craft Vendors

Informational Exhibitors

Antique Quilt Presentation

**Volunteers & Quilts
Needed!**



**Contact Boerne Parks & Recreation for additional
information. (830) 249-9511 • www.ci.boerne.tx.us**

Golden Carrot winner was Marie McDonald!!!
 Everyone turning in projects for Bright Hopes Storybook Quilts and (QPC) Quilt Project Committee are entered into a drawing each month to win prizes!!!



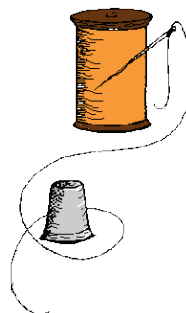
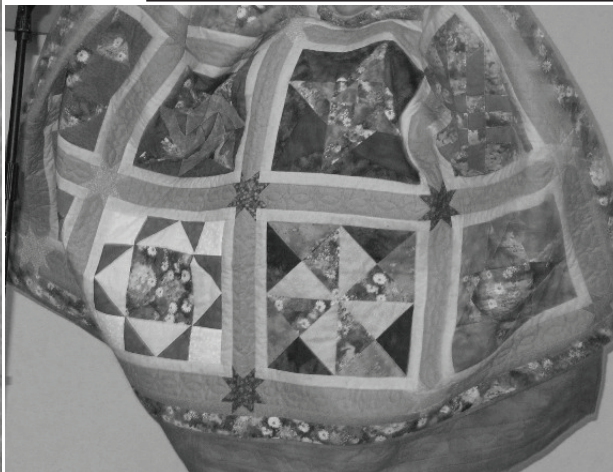
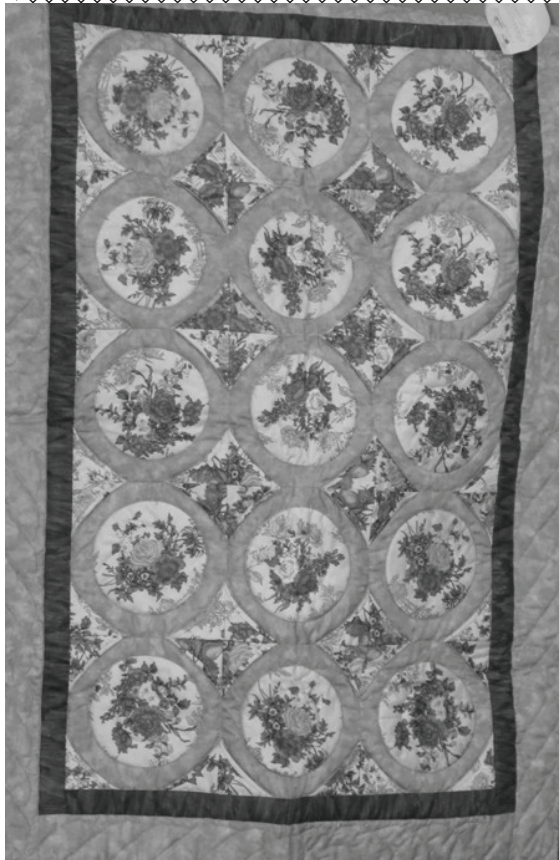
Library Information

All members need to always beware of the great amount of information available on the guild's library database at Collectorz.com

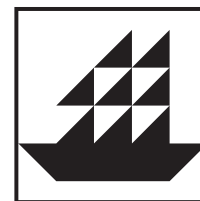
<http://connect.collectorz.com/users/saquilt/books/view> or our guild website, see the Library tab under Services, click on the link.

Jeannette Jay - Library Chair

Lakeview Quilters Guild of Houston Texas upcoming quilt show, "Birds of a Feather". Will be held on May 18th and 19th at the Living Stones Church, 1407 Victory Lane in Alvin Texas. (Across from Ron Carter Chev.) We have a beautiful donation quilt, boutique, many vendors, lots of quilts and a small quilt silent auction.



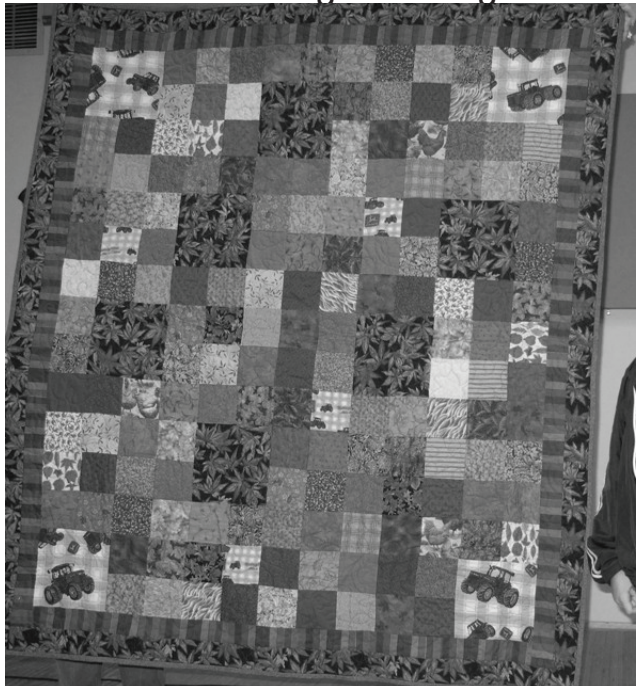
Ellen Hernandez showed us these two beautiful tops that need to be finished for our upcoming Auction on Oct. 6th at Oak Hills Country Club. She will have some at every meeting that need to have work done on them. Stop by her table and adopt one! You have until August to finish them up and get them back to her.



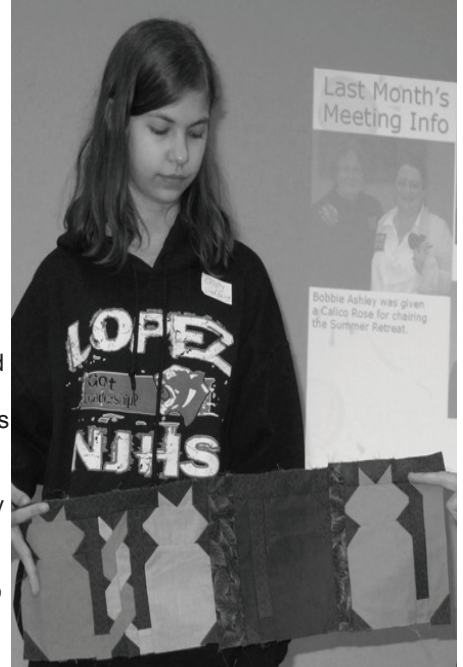
Cindy Shutt models her new pink toile jacket that Ida Blankenship helped her with. She did the beading herself! It also have pockets on the inside that Ida embroidered for her. I'm sure she will get lots of fun and compliments everytime she wears it!

See these and many more (in color) on our web site www.sanantonioquilt.org

Bring and Brag is "Sew" Much Fun To See Every Month!

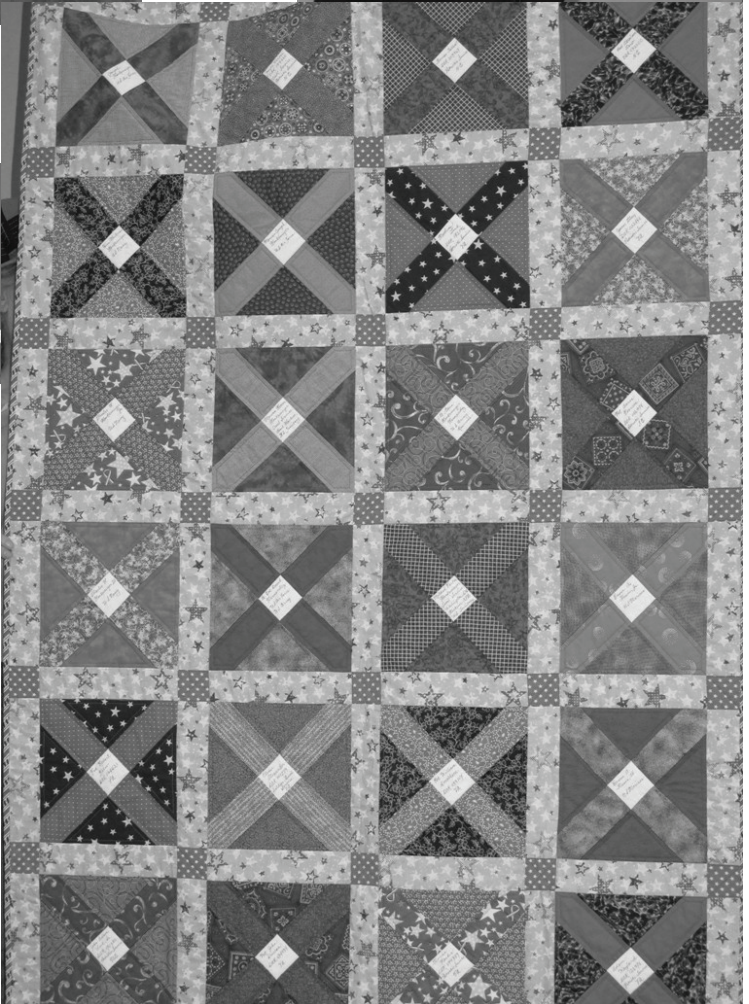


On the left Cristy Lindberg shows us what she is currently working on. The hand quilted Cat Quilt in the lower left was her last project that she designed using up her grandmothers scraps!



Thanks Serry for inspiring the next generation to quilt!

One of our newest and youngest members - Patrick Lindberg showed us this 60x70 4 Patch quilt that he made when he was 8 years old. Below his grandmother (Sherry Cook) says that he will use this Ohio fabric in his next quilt.



Ellen Hernandez won FIRST PLACE in the Texas DAR contest, with this 40x60xRed, White & Blue Autograph Cross Quilt. She had her family members who are in (or were in) the military sign it. What a beautiful piece of patriotism, as well as a family heirloom it is!

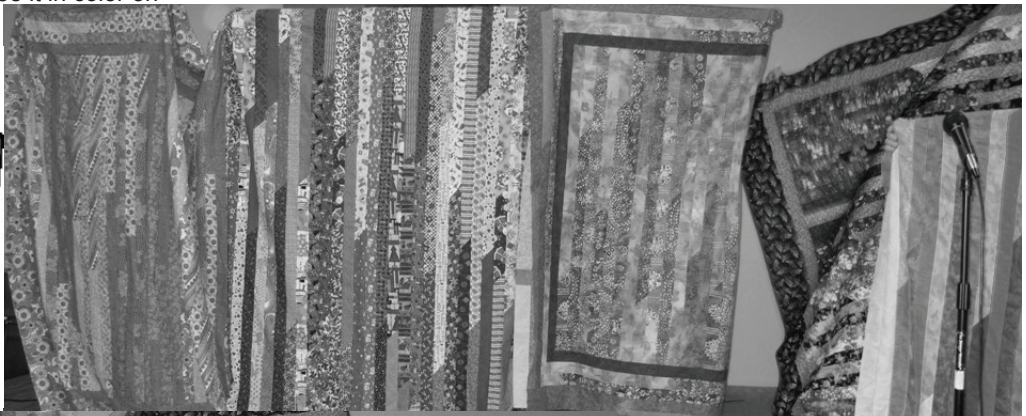
Bring and Brag is "Sew" Much Fun To See Every Month!



Ruth Felty FINISHED her Sun Face from the class that she was in last month! She said she had to wear sunglasses when she quilted it as it is BRIGHT yellow. You have to see it in color on the web site to get the full effect.



Sandra Bloom models her awesome jacket that she made at the Round Robin Vest Bee that Ida Blankenship is the hostess of, at Creative Sewing Center on the 3rd Tue. of the month. Thanks Ida for inspiring us to make beautiful projects, even when it is outside our box!

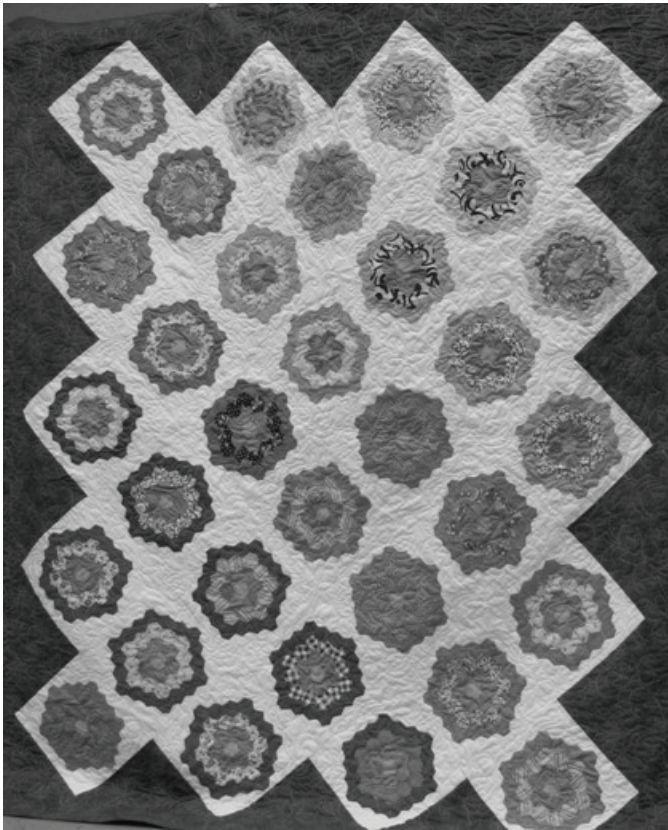


These 4 pictures are of the multiple tops made at the Great Northwest Libary Bee during their Jelly Roll Race. It is a quick way to do a top in a day. Come and join the ladies on the 3rd Sat of each month and learn how they did it! There were 6 or 7 tops finished in a short amount of time!!!

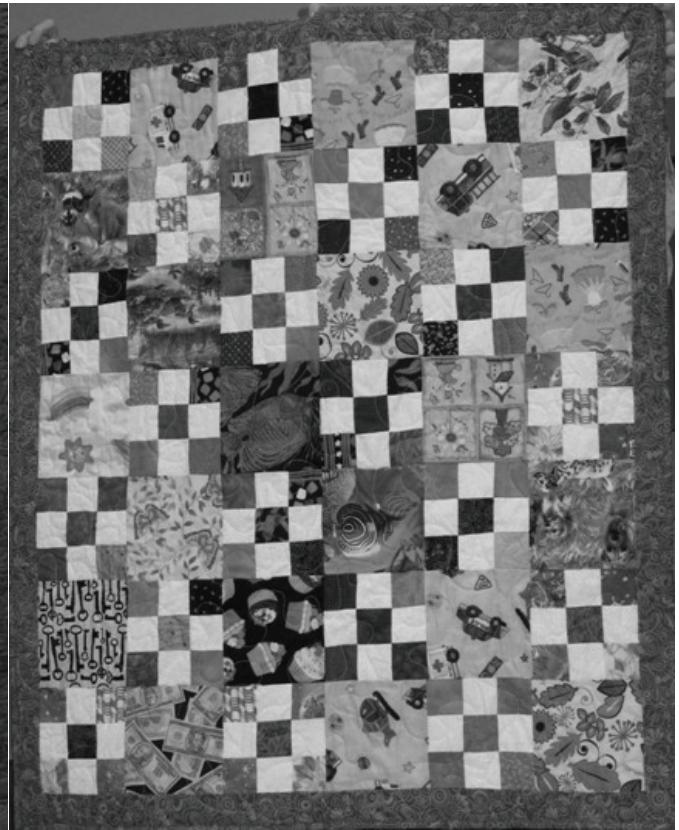


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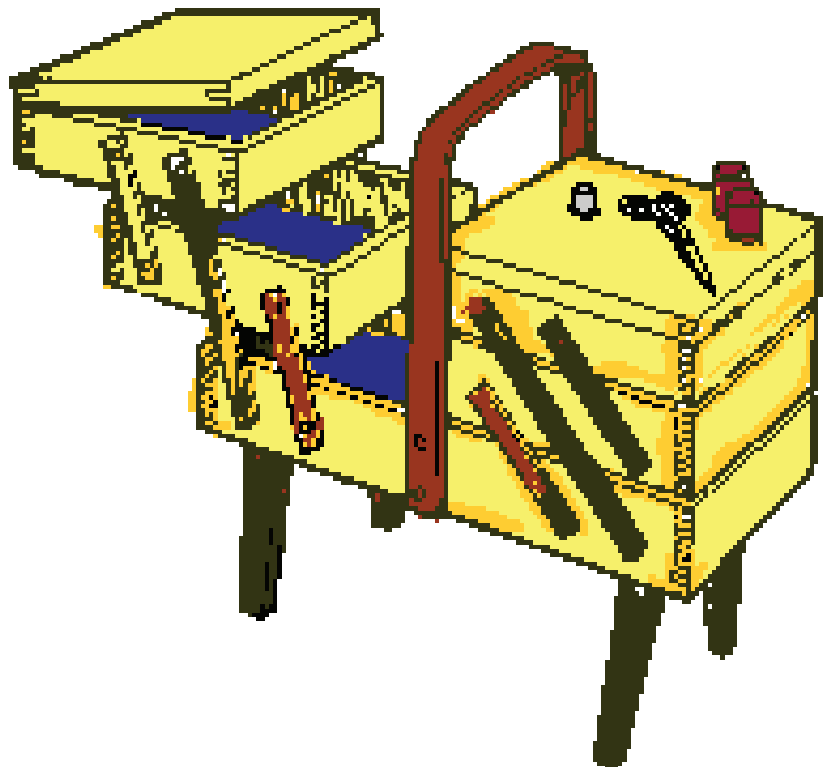
Sandra Lowell put these antique flower garden blocks together and quilted this queen size Rainbow Garden quilt using her new long arm machine!



Sandra Lowell also did this throw size 9 patch scrappy quilt for our Storybook quilt project to go with the book “Canies Word Quilt”



Sylvia Jolet did this 8 1/2” x 11 1/2” block in Holly Nelson’s class on hand applique. She learned lots of tricks to make it easy and beautiful!



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Pieces of the Past: Hair Receivers

by Ellen Hernandez



While sorting through the family keepsakes or wandering about an antique store you notice a delicate, beautifully painted china bowl. It has a removable top with a hole in the middle. What could it be?

Flash back to the Victorian era. ALL women had long hair, and it was not often washed. Instead, they added oils and perfumes to their hair and spent time before retiring in the evening brushing at least 100 strokes. They may have sat at a special dressing table with perhaps a silver brush and mirror set. Also on their table was a china bowl as described, called a Hair Receiver. After brushing, the hairs were removed from the brush and put into the bowl, saved for a future "project."

Common uses for collected hair included hairpieces, called rats, jewelry, and art. In 1850 hairwork was considered a worthy virtue as described in Godey's Lady's Book - "hair is at once the most delicate of our materials and survives us like love." This magazine, and others, included instructions to make brooches, cuff links, watch chains and bracelets. Often items were made during mourning the loss of a loved one, perhaps incorporating some of the deceased's hair. The hair was boiled in soda for 15 minutes and carefully sorted. Special wooden molds and bobbins were used to braid the hair design, almost like lace making. Favorite designs were feathers, basket weave and landscapes. Jewelers would fashion gold pieces to mount the hair designs.

Presently, many who embroider or quilt are using hair receivers to collect their thread scraps. The beautiful containers are nice to see while working, and add a vintage feel to modern crafting.

Stop by the magazine table and see my lovely hair receiver.



Hand quilting Bee- meets every Wednesday at 16240 San Pedro in the club house at 12:30.

Open-contact Charlotte Keener

Bits n Pieces Bee-meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month from 1:00-3:00 at Memories by the Yard.

Open-call 690-9030.

Needle Benders Bee-meets every Thursday at the Army Retirement Community at 9:30. Quilting on a frame. Open -call Kolodzie Harper at 277-0845.

Wearable Arts Bee-meets at Creative Sewing Center on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Open-call Ida Blankenship at 690-0828.

Cut up appliqué Bee-meets on Monday's at Jean Powell's from 9:30-11:30. Bee is full.

Scraps for Life Bee-meets every Monday morning from 9:00-12:00 at Lackland Baptist Church.,

Open-call Dusty Sherrill at 673-6614.

Dark Side Bee-meets every other Wednesday at Memories by the yard.

Contact Bobbie Ashley 836-5658.

Friday Night Friends Bee-meets 2:00-6:00 at the Senior Center in Bandera.

Contact Betty Brister at 830-460-7313.

Quilt-In-meets at 10:00 at Memories by the yard on the fourth Wed. of the month. Open to all GSAQG members. Contact Shirley Carter at 452-3801 for further info.

Great Northwest Library Bee - Meets 3rd Sat. each month 10:00am-1:00pm @ the Public Library on Grissom and Culebra. We Welcome New Members!

Quilt Project Committee (commonly known as QPC)

This committee encourages members to try techniques or practice ones to improve their work. We provide kits with instructions and fabric for blocks utilizing various techniques – both hand and machine work. Thank you ... thank you... thank you to all who helped sort scraps! You quickly sorted 10 large bags in one hour! I have plans to use the strips and batiks at the Guild Work Day coming up in April. Please see me at the April meeting to get entered in the Golden Carrot drawing. For the Guild Work Day, machines are needed to set blocks together, add borders, and machine applique (raw edge, free motion ala Karen Stone method). We have fabric to cut for a new project and hand work will also be available including applique and embroidery. Please plan to join us for a fun, productive day. There will be prizes! Carol Rouse - Chair - QPC

Storybooks and Quilts to Go

Thank goodness for rainy days! Yes, the Hill Country really needs a good soaking, but it also gets quilters into their studios. Sandra Retzloff, Sandra Lowell and Doris Patterson each turned in a finished Storybook Quilt at the March meeting. We also received a quilt top from one of our ITC quilters, Priscilla Garrett, to accompany a second copy of the *Pinata Quilt*. Priscilla marked the top for quilting and included the backing and binding fabric. Charlene Carroll finished a top for the Grandmother's Kits that also needs to be quilted. If you are interested in taking on either of these small projects, please contact me at the May meeting.

Sherry Durringer, Chair, Storybooks and Quilts to Go

210-347-9830 or sdurringer@satx.rr.com

Bright Hopes Quilts and Totes for Charity

At the Winter Quilt Retreat in January we completed 23 flannel quilt tops, and several others were turned in at our February meeting. I'm saving them all for the April Work Day kit party. We need volunteers to make both totes and quilt kits. If you want to make totes bring your machines, I'll have extra fabric available.

The "Dog" to "Puppy" challenge is to transform a not so pretty "dog" fabric into a cute "puppy" of a quilt that would please a child. Two different fabrics are available; one is a very bright orange geometric print and the other is in a mystery bag which contains one ounce of hand dyed fabrics - contents unknown until you choose your bag. Quite a few adventurous souls chose to do both! Tops (or quilts if you choose) are due at the July 2012 meeting where the two different fabric groups will be judged and awards will be given to the three best "puppies" in each group.

Please contact me at bright.hopes.quilts@gmail.com for more information.

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April 25th Quilt In (4th Wed) 10:00 AM
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