January 2006

# Volume 28 Common Threads



#### January Guild Meeting

10:00 AM

St. Andrew's Church 8231 Callaghan Rd.

#### Program

Long arm quilting by our own Karen Nanos!



# HAPPY HAPPY O YEAR! 61-60

# New Years What?

Many years ago I gave up on New Years resolutions. Why set myself up for another failure? Those pounds were never shed, the closet never cleaned and the UFO's .....

But this year is going to be different and you can hold me to it! This year I am selecting only things that will be fun

and help our guild.

Resolution 1: Once a month, make a charity quit. WOW – I can practice my machine quilting, use up fabrics from my stash and support Bright Hopes.

Resolution 2: Learn some new skills, one a month would be good but learning one thoroughly is better than trying lots!

Resolution 3: Bring at least one friend to the guild auction. Hopefully they will buy something but more importantly, they will have fun and develop a deeper appreciation of "the art of quilt making."

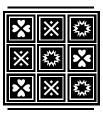
Resolution 4: Make one garment for the fashion show. Yes, it needs to be something I really will wear.

Resolution 5: Learn more about our guild and work with a committee to update our bylaws (guess that is really two)

Resolution 6: Take time to smell the roses or should I say - to look at the quilts.

What are your resolutions? Share them with a friend or me. I challenge you to include at least one that benefits your guild and find a support group to help you achieve that resolution! Good Luck!!

Ruth







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JANUARY – Karen Nanos will present a program on "Getting Your Quilt Ready!" With more and more quilters making use of longarm quilting services it has become important for us to know just how we need to prepare our tops and backings for quilting. Karen will give us an overview of some of the dos and don'ts for preparing our quilts and bring us up to date on some of the latest developments on the longarm quilting scene.

**FEBRUARY** – Author and teacher Karen Eckmeier will be with us for two workshops and a lecture. On Friday we will offer her full day "Layered Curves and Ribbons" workshop. Students will learn how easy it is to create a textured fabric with dramatic curves. Use your fabric as an abstract quilt top or cut it up to be used as borders, elements in a landscape design, or clothing.

After our meeting on Saturday we will offer a three hour workshop on "Accidental Landscapes". Curves and angles are topstitched, then combined to create a "Meadow and Mountain" scene, complete with a curved border. This technique is so quick and easy, you may want to make several layered landscapes.

Friday is \$25 and Saturday is \$15. Sign up at the January meeting.

#### **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

REGULAR DUES \$20 SENIOR (over 65) \$15 Check your Newsletter mailing label for the current expiration of your membership. Send your check with SASE to: Gloria Hammond

> 12226 Lone Shadow Trail San Antonio, TX 78233-2802 For further information call 695-8737

#### **NEWSLETTER INPUT**

DEADLINE: Midnight Monday after Guild Meeting) email to <u>quiltnews@satx.rr.com</u> is preferred. Or mail -Dea Jae Shore, 5903 Cypress Bend, San Antonio, TX 78247 210-590-3013

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1/2 page Ad	\$30.00	\$330
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Vertical - 3 3/8 x 9 1/2)		
1/4 page Ad	\$15.00	\$165
Business Card (2 x3.5)	\$10.00	\$110

### Board Meeting Minutes December 8, 2005

Board members present: Ruth Felty, Mary Mc Carthy, Dea Jae Shore, Judith Miller, Barbara Gilstad, Sylvia Jolet, Teresa Tijerina, Lois Beauchamp, and new members Karen Nanos and Larry Beauchamp. Kitty Janiga was absent.

<u>President</u>: The meeting, held at the Felty Residence, was called to order at 4:55. The November Meeting Minutes were approved as published. The formation of a By-Laws Committee will be discussed at the January meeting. Job descriptions are still pending. The Endowment Fund was discussed and tabled for the January meeting also.

<u>President Pro-Tem</u>: Lois made a motion and it was seconded to offer remaining sale items as door prizes or to the Bright Hopes Committee; the motion carried.

<u>Secretary</u>: Twelve calls were received in the last month.

<u>Treasurer</u>: November Report; Operating balance \$24,292.79, Reserve 26,790.85, CD for \$20,000.00 and Total \$71,083.64. The proposed budget for 2006 will go forward as published and presented at the General Meeting for final approval.

<u>Newsletter</u>: Members will be reminded January is the cutoff for dues. The Advertising position remains vacant.

<u>Programs</u>: The Christmas Luncheon is on schedule.

<u>Services:</u> All committee reports are due by January and are to be published in March.

<u>Community Outreach</u>: A copy of the GSAQG 25th Anniversary Quilt Contest rules were distributed. Barbara made a motion, and it was seconded, to publish this contest in the January Newsletter; the motion carried.

<u>Old Business:</u> Results of the November Survey were distributed and Larry will write a summary which will be published in the January Newsletter. Ruth thanked the retiring board members and welcomed the new members.

<u>New Business</u>: A prayer will be read at the Christmas Luncheon.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00pm. Teresa Tijerina, Secretary

## General Meeting Minutes December 10, 2005

<u>President</u>: The meeting was held at the St. Andrew Presbyterian Church meeting room and called to order at 11:05 am.

Minutes of the November general meeting were approved as published.

The members were asked to approve the budget as published in the newsletter. A motion was made and seconded, to add a line item for the pattern library at \$200.00, and the motion carried. Another motion was made and seconded, to amend the line item for QPC-PM, to increase the amount to \$350.00, and the motion carried. There being no further amendments to the proposed budget, a motion was made and seconded to approve the budget as amended, and the motion carried.

Secret Sisters had their breakfast at 9 am, and the Christmas Luncheon will follow.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am. Teresa Tijerina, Secretary



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#### GREATER SAN ANTOINIO QUILT GUILD, INC. Treasurer's Report - November 2005

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INCOME		
Auction	\$	-
Bus-Houston	\$	-
Classes	\$	-
Dues - Memberships	\$	845.00
Interest	\$	85.73
Newsletter/directory ads	\$	135.00
Other	\$	1,950.40
Quilt Show	\$	-
Retreat - Summer	\$	-
Retreat - Winter	\$	690.00
Style Show	\$	-
Workshops	\$	45.00
Total Income	\$	3,751.13
EXPENSES		
Administration	\$	5.00
Auction	\$	40.44
Bright Hopes	\$	-
Bus-Houston	\$	-
Community Ed/Books/Storybook		
Quilts	\$	454.81
Donations	\$	-
Facility	\$	690.00
Folk Life Festival	\$	-
Institute of TX Culture	\$	-
Library - books	\$	(0.75)
Library - magazines	\$	-
Library - videos	\$	175.38
Membership	\$	-
Newsletter/Directory	\$	-
Other	\$	-
Patterns	\$	191.06
Postage/Bulk	\$	-
Programs	\$	436.22
QPC - AM	\$	75.06
QPC - PM	\$	175.38
Rent (meetings)	\$	155.00
Retreat - Summer	\$	-
Retreat - Winter	\$	300.00
Sales Tax Expense	\$	-
Quilt Show	\$	-
Style Show	\$	-
Telephone	\$	140.46
Welcoming	\$	-
Workshops	\$	-
Webpage	\$	_
Total Expenses	\$	2,838.06
Ending Jefferson Operating	₽ \$	24,292.79
Ending Jefferson Reserve Balance		26,790.85
Ending Jefferson CD		20,790.85
Ending Total Guild Funds		71,083.64
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## **MEMBERSHIP SURVEY**

In November we published a survey form in the newsletter and asked for responses to help up plan activities for the coming year. We thank you for those responses. We just wish that they had been more definite! After compiling your answers the ultimate conclusion is that our members are interested in everything! The only subject that a majority of your mentioned was "how to do binding"! You gave us twenty different ideas for demonstrations at meetings, twenty-six suggestions for programs and twelve names for possible presenters.

We'll take all your suggestions to heart and attempt in the next two years to meet as many of your expressed needs as possible.



# Summer Retreat 2006

Plans are already underway for the 2006 Summer retureat. This year's retreat will be from June 25th to 30th.

The theme is Butterflies are Free.

Retreat will be at Camp Lone Star in La Grange again this year and the cost will be \$285.

Registration starts at the January meeting and you can reserve your spot with a \$50 non-refundable deposit. Final payments for camp should be made by the May meeting.

Any questions please call chairman Jean Powell, 684-







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# Karen Eckmeier

Layered Curves and Ribbons will be taught at the Friday, February 10, workshop.

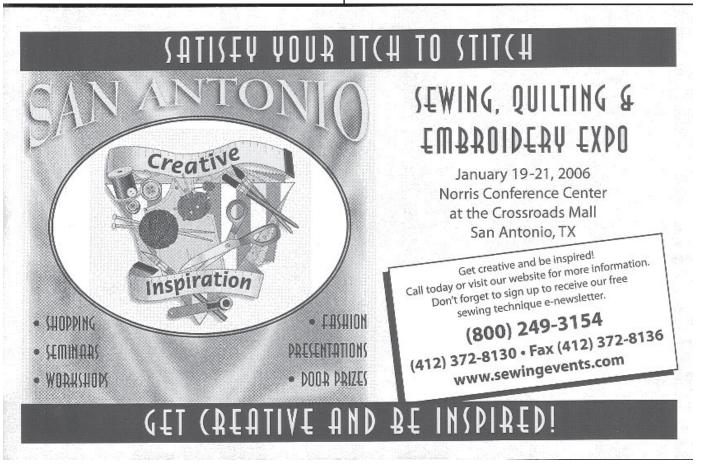
Accidental Landscapes will be taught on Saturday, February 11, after the Guild meeting.

## **Guild Business Notes**

Anyone with videos checked out can return them to Lois Beauchamp at the January Guild meeting. Shirley will be back in February with the video library.

Remember that your dues must be paid up by the end of the January Guild meeting if you want your name and information in the Directory.





#### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH UPDATE**

Community Response Committee Thanks to the combined effort of many guild members, the Community Response Committee (CRC) met its first deadline and delivered the Leap Frog guilt to the San Antonio Children's Museum on December 5, 2005. We wish you could have seen the huge smile on Ms. Janice Darling's face when she received the auilt for the museum's annual fundraising event from Gundy Cleven and Sandra Retzloff. Last month you saw the unfinished guilt in the newsletter, so this month Gundy





thought you would enjoy seeing the finished quilt and the label that was made especially for the quilt.

Two more letters requesting quilts have already been received from the community so if you would like to lend a helping hand and become part of the CRC, please contact **Gundy Cleven**, **Chair, Community Response Committee**.

#### Creative Inspiration Sewing, Quilting and Embroidery Expo

In last month's newsletter, Mary McCarthy said she was looking for guild members to help her plan for our guild's involvement in the Creative Inspiration Expo in mid January 2006. We are happy to announce that Sandra Retzloff graciously volunteered to co-chair the committee with Mary. Thank you, Sandra! Other volunteers who also signed up to assist are Loretta Sewell, Lois

Beauchamp, Beth Brecheisen, and Janet Mills. Thank you! However, more volunteers will be needed to manage the guild's booth during this three-day event. If you would like to help, stop by the Pro Show Committee's table at the guild's January meeting and look for the **time-slot** sign-up sheets. In the meantime, you may want to check out the list of teachers, classes, and vendors for the event at <u>www.sewingevents.com</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Mary McCarthy or Sandra Retzloff, Co-Chairs, Pro Show Committee. See you at the Creative Inspiration EXPO on January 19-21, 2006.

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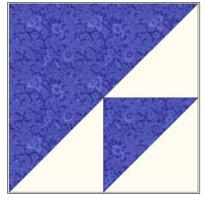
# Layout Design Contest

GSAQG 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt

Rules and Details:

- Quilt layout design must include 42 6 ½ inch unfinished Birds in the Air signature blocks celebrating the guild's history and its current membership.
- 2. Quilt may be any size.
- 3. Submit either a computer-generated or a Xerox copy of a hand sketched quilt layout design.
- 4. Attach an index card with:
  - a. Name
  - b. Address
  - c. Telephone number
  - d. Title of entry
  - e. Source of the quilt layout design (e.g., is it your original design? is it inspired by another designer?)
- 5. One entry accepted per current guild member.
- 6. Entry constitutes permission for guild members to use the winning quilt layout design to complete the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary quilt.
- 7. E-mail, mail, or hand-deliver contest entries to Barbara Gilstad (<u>bgilstad@sbcglobal.net</u> or check directory for mailing address). Any entries received after the close of the general meeting on March 11, 2006 will not be considered.
- 8. The Board\* will select 5 quilt layout design finalists to display at the general meeting on April 8, 2006.
- 9. The membership will vote by secret ballot at the general meeting on May 13, 2006 and the winner of the contest will be announced as soon as the ballots are counted.
- 10. The winner of the contest will receive a \$25 gift certificate to redeem at his/her favorite quilt shop.

The Board wishes to thank members of the Computer Quilt Designing Bee for developing the general guidelines for this special contest.



# **Creative Sewing Center** sponsors classes at the Sewing, Quilting & Embroidery Expo January 19 –21, 2006



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enjoy. Come by the shop and see how the program works.

#### English High Tea and Quilt Event

Join us for an English High Tea while you make a romantic wall hanging. Wear your hat and gloves and join the contest to become Queen for a Day! Check the shop for details.

#### The Cotton Club

Join our new club and expand your horizons to include apparel, totes, home dec items, and more. We will feature a project of the month with a class to help you make it. As a club member you will receive a discount on the pattern and supplies for the class.

#### **Thimbleberries Club**

This year's theme is vintage stitches and uses preprinted panels that you can embroider or leave plain. The club begins Saturday, January 7 from 10-12.

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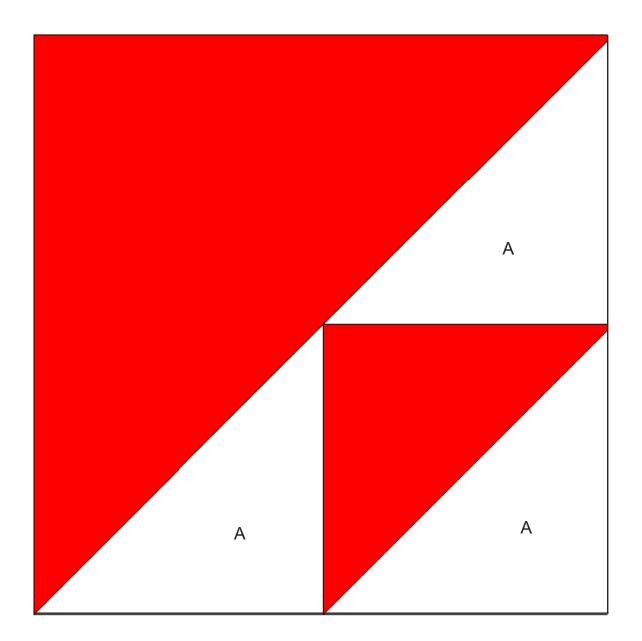


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Try this simple block. The block should be  $6^{\circ} \times 6^{\circ}$  finished or  $6.5^{\circ} \times 6.5^{\circ}$  unfinished.Color is your choice but keep the parts labeled A a nice off white. This should be 6° square but measure to be sure. It can be done as paper piecing.

Bring as many as you like with your name attached to each one to the January Guild meeting. All names go in the basket and the lucky winner in the drawing gets all of the blocks.



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## **December Schedule**

January 2 BOARD MEETING-5 PM St. Andrew's Church 8231 Callaghan Rd.

January 14 GUILD MEETING-10AM St. Andrew's Church 8231 Callaghan Rd.

January 15 - CQDBee Memories by the Yard 6816 Huebner Road Coordinator - Barbara Gilstad

January 20 - QPC-AM 10am-4pm Alamo Stitchin Post Hostess - Loveta Fowler 656-6700

January 17 - Wearable Arts 6:30pm Creative Sewing Center 11777 West Ave. Hostess - Ida Tyson Blankenship

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