



March 14 Guild Meeting

9:30 Services
10:00 Guild Meeting followed by Bring & Brag and the program open to all

St. Andrew's Church
8231 Callaghan Rd.

Our own Dot Collins

Remember to bring to the meeting

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

President's message

A very special thanks to Ellen Hernandez for her presentation, Quilt History: Past, Present and Future. Makes me want to get all my quilts documented especially Grandma McCloskey's. Ellen's presentation was a wonderful example of the fruits of the Ethel Howey Grant.

Listening to the Community Outreach committees presentation made me much more aware of the Guild's community presence. Bright Hopes with 40 plus quilts given to children per month, wrapping them in warmth and love. Each year 8-10,000 children in our local schools have a quilt related book read to them and have an opportunity to see the quilt. The Story Book Quilt program was started by Ruth Felty in 1995 with 10 books and now its grown to 47 books and quilts with more added all the time.

Yes, we are a very busy group but more is being asked of you. Doris Patterson has been responsible for the Memorial Quilt for the past 2 years and is now ready to pass the quilt and responsibilities on to a willing Guild member.

The Memorial Quilt was conceptualized in 2005 by Amy Cottrell and Lani Nunely. The plan was for a friend of the deceased Guild member to make an 8 in. block commemorating their life. There has not always been a Guild friend to step forward so Doris and Valerie Arcement have made several of the blocks. There was a lot of interest in the displayed Memorial Quilt at the February Guild meeting. Please, someone, a Bee, or group of friends step forward to help continue the tradition of the Memorial Quilt.

Thanks.
Janet Miller

Calico Rose



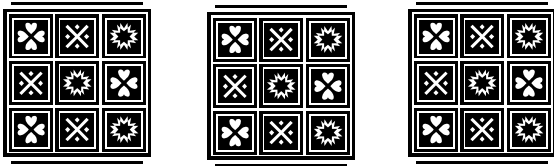
Kris Thomson received a Calico Rose for her 10 years as Chair of the Winter Retreat.

Glenda Harris received a Rosebud

for her donation of totes for the Storybook and Quilts to go.



Program Notes



2009 Program Schedule

March 13 — Dot Collins: Feather Star Wall
Quilt workshop

March 14 – Dot Collins: Lecture & trunk
show

- Workshop : Machine quilting

April 11 – Work Day

May 9 – Connie Silber – Studio Design

June 12 – Art Quilt design – Esterita Austin

June 13 – Lecture & workshop – Esteria

Austin

July 11 – TBA

August 7 – Workshop – Darlene

Christopherson

August 8 – Lecture & workshop – Darlene

Christopherson

Program in April

We will be holding a **Work Day in April**. If you have projects that need to be basted or that you would like to ask for tips on, bring it with you and spread it out on some of the tables. We will also be having extended work days for QPC and Bright Hopes. If you signed up to work at least one hour or more at the February guild meeting, we will provide you with a sack lunch.

GSAQG

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 2, 2009

Location: St. Andrew's Church, 8231

Callaghan Rd, San Antonio, TX 78230-4722

Meeting called to order: 2:02 pm by Janet Miller

- GSAQG President

Present: Janet Miller, Larry Beauchamp, Gail

Daniel, Nechia Dawson, Linda Ethridge, Bar-

bara=2 0Sumlin, Donna Brown, Karen

Nanos, Dea Jae Shore, Charlotte Keener

Agenda items discussions and determinations:

President:

- January 2009 Board Meeting Minutes

approved unanimously by all members in attendance

- Calico Rose & Calico Rose Bud Awards:

Recommendations were discussed and voted upon.

Kris Thomson was selected for the Calico Rose Award in recognition of her 10 years of service as Chairperson for the Guild's Winter Retreat. Glenda Harris was selected for the Rose Bud Award in recognition of her efforts in creating 8 totes for the Story Book Quilts.

- Letter to Shops: Janet presented another draft of a letter that we will be given to shops and other commercial enterprises, pursuant to the new guidelines regarding advertising. The final version will be published in the newsletter when finalized.

- December 2008 Board Meeting Minutes:

Were not available; Janet will contact Bobbie Ashley,

1st V.P. for Special Events: Gail

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

REGULAR DUES \$20 SENIOR (65+) \$15
Send your check with SASE to Gloria Hammond

NEWSLETTER INPUT

DEADLINE: Midnight Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail to quiltnews@satx.rr.com is preferred. or mail to Dea Jae Shore.

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

Issue 3

Daniel informed the board that the new person to coordinate the 2010 Winter Retreat will be Dea Jae Shore.

2nd V.P. for the Newsletter: Dea Jae Shore
- Software Purchase: Software has been received and will be distributed to the Board Members.

- Directory Updates: She is working on completing the Directory.

- Directory Information: Barbara Sumlin reminded everyone that the information in the Directory is for Guild Members only and that it is a violation of privacy to share email addresses or any other information with persons or companies not associated with the Guild.

- Web Pages: Dea Jae asked Board Members to review the web site pages for correct information in their respective areas of responsibility

- Ads in Newsletter: Pricing for the different sizes of ads were reviewed and an update will be published in upcoming newsletters.

3rd V.P. for Programs

- Saturday Lectures: Nechia advised that Ellen Hernandez will be doing a lecture only at the General Meeting on Saturday. This will fulfill her award of last year's Ethel Howey grant. More information about future programs will be listed separately in the newsletter.

4th V.P. for Services

Treasurer: Karen Nanos presented the Monthly Fund Report: \$15,000.00 CD; \$20,000.00 CD; \$24,200.27 Operating Account; \$10,015.23 Savings Account; Total Funds: \$69215.50

- 2009 Guild Budget Report was published in the December 2008 Common Threads Newsletter.

- Guild Sales Tax return was filed January 20, 2009.

New Business;

- Committees and Chairs reporting was discussed. Revisions will be published at a later date.

- After a discussion of who has authority to sign contracts, it was decided that the by-laws are clear and will remain unchanged, however, the Guild President should receive a copy of all signed contracts as soon as possible.

- Board meeting time change was dis-

Common Threads

cussed and agreed upon by all present. Meeting time will be changed to 2:00 pm, but will still be held on the first Monday of each month at the church.

Meeting Adjournment: 3:12 pm by Janet Miller
Thank you,
Donna

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GUILD MEMBER MEETING MINUTES February 14, 2009

Meeting Called to Order by Janet Miller, President, at 10:00 AM

Attendance: 121 members and 11 guests present.

President: Janet Miller asked for corrections of the minutes for the January 10, 2009 General Meeting. There were none requested and the minutes were unanimously approved as published in the February 2009 Common Threads Newsletter.

A Calico Rose was awarded to Kris Thomson for her 10 years of service as the Winter Retreat Chairperson.

A Rose Bud was awarded to Glenda Harris for creating 8 totes for Story Book Quilts.

A request was made for a volunteer to take over the responsibility of the Memorial Quilt. Doris Patterson is retiring from this post.

A request was made for guild members to respect other people's privacy regarding email usage. The guild directory information is for members use only and is not meant to be shared over the internet without permission from the individuals.

President Pro Tem: Larry Beauchamp - No report.

Secretary: Donna Brown - No report.

Treasurer: Karen Nanos read the Monthly Fund Balance Report into the meeting minutes. (See Board Meeting Minutes for figures.)

1st V.P. for Special Events: Gail Daniel announced that tickets for the 2009 GSAQG Quilt Show are available to check out & sell. Pins are available for \$5.00. Lori Branson announce that she is still taking deposits for the Summer Retreat in June 2009.

2nd V.P for Newsletter - Dea Jae Shore

stated that 2009 GSAQG Member Directory should be completed by the end of this month.

Barbara Wofford mentioned that the Quilter's Point Newsletter Ad is good until the end of February 2009.

3rd V.P. for Programs - Nechia Dawson announced upcoming speakers and workshops. See Program Notes in the Newsletter for listings.

4th V.P. for Services: (Linda Etheridge) Carol Rouse, QPC chairperson, reminded members to vote for their favorite block in the Cat Fabric Challenge and prizes would be awarded at the end of the meeting. She asked for volunteers to notify her if you are bringing your sewing machine to the April Workshop. She expressed thanks for all who have taken home project for the QPC.

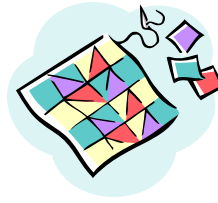
5th V.P for Community Outreach: Barbara Sumlin introduced her committee chairpersons. Mary Ruth Flores is the Chairperson for the annual Fall at the Alamo event and told of how most people dress in period costumes. Anyone with an interest in this event can contact her. Nechia Dawson reported that from 8,000 to 10,000 students have enjoyed the Storybook Quilts. Story book quilts are checked out to local schools two times each year for education and enjoyment. Sharon Ross reported that she had 43 quilts donated this month. Sharon has kits available to take home and asked for more volunteers to join the April Workshop. Kitty Janiga, along with the Great Northwest Library Bee, is teaching people how to quilt. Meetings are held at the Great Northwest Library on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Carol Rouse told about the Community Education Committee and how they visit schools with a trunk show to educate children about quilting. Kay Allison hosts a group of hand quilters at the Institute of Texan Culture, Tuesday - Friday from 9 am to 12 noon. This group is open to experienced hand quilters who know how to quilt on a frame and anyone interested in the Texan Culture. Charlene Carroll is the Chairperson for Youth Alternatives and takes our donations to the shelter where they are distributed to needy children. Barbara Gilstad is the Chairperson for

Community Response, see the guild website for more information.

Unfinished Business: none to report.

New Business: none to report.

Meeting adjourned by Janet Miller, President, at 10:35 AM.



Bright Hopes News

Wow! Eighteen members turned in 45 quilts and 3 members turned in 19 tote bags at the February meeting. In January Cathy Baisley of Cat's Meow volunteered to quilt Bright Hopes quilts on her long-arm machine at the Creative Inspiration expo. The Bright Hopes Bee put 28 quilts kits together and Cathy quilted them all! Fourteen were delivered at the February meeting and all were adopted and taken home to be finished. Hmm... think I'll bring the other 14 to the March meeting just in case some more fabulous volunteers like to bind.

Winter Retreat had a fun surprise - Sandi Price decided to slash her stash and brought a big stack of flannel squares. The retreaters pitched in and turned those squares into 23 quilt tops - just in time for the April work day.

Our plan for the April work day is to create quilt kits, sew labels on quilts that need them and create totes and/or tote kits if we have time. We could use tote handle materials (webbing, braiding, etc.) if you happen to have spares. If you plan to help Bright Hopes at the work day please bring your rotary cutter and large ruler, if you want to sew totes you'll need to bring your serger or sewing machine and accessories. I'll bring cutting boards, an iron and ironing board. If you have any questions contact me at bright.hopes.quilts@gmail.com.

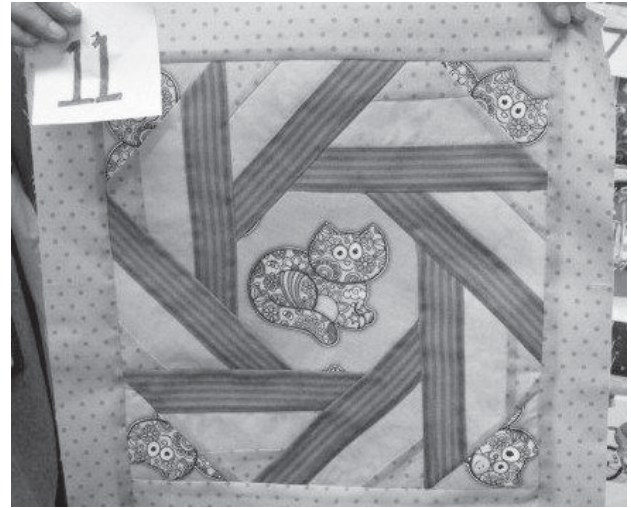
Thanks to all our Bright Hoppers - you are wonderful! Sharon

**Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild
Treasurer's Report**

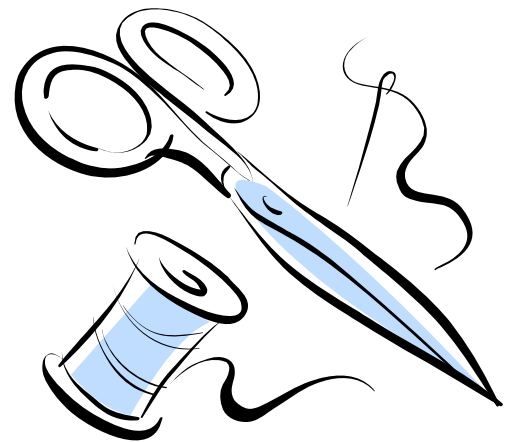
For the Month Ending January 31, 2009

	<u>YTD Actual</u>
REVENUES	
Interest	90.54
Other income	<u>2.00</u>
Dues - Membership	1,160.00
Newsletter/Directory Ads	165.00
Quilt Show	<u>7,830.50</u>
Retreat - Summer	8,340.00
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 17,588.04</u>
EXPENSES	
Administration:	
Administration	\$ 66.12
Telephone	51.61
Storage facility	403.00
Rent (Meetings)	<u>125.00</u>
Membership expenses:	
Newsletter/Directory printing	258.32
Postage, Bulk	<u>580.00</u>
Quilt Show	<u>20.22</u>
Self-sustaining activities:	
Retreat - Winter	150.00
Total Expenses	<u>1,654.27</u>
Net	<u>\$ 15,933.77</u>
Ending Jefferson Operating	\$ 24,200.27
Ending Jefferson Savings	10,015.23
Jefferson CD	20,000.00
Jefferson CD	15,000.00
Total Guild Funds	<u>\$ 69,215.50</u>

Karen Nanos, Treasurer



**Winners of the Cat
Block Challenge for
QPC.**



Sunshine and Shadows

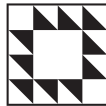
Ellen Hernandez, 210-520-1335, ellenhernandez@hotmail.com

This section of the newsletter is really YOUR area to report those important life events. Please contact me with updates such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, births, awards, and yes, illnesses, surgeries, and deaths. Our Guild family shares in the patchwork pieces of your life, offering praise, support, and comfort.

Since the last newsletter, there has been no news sent to me to report. No Bad News is Good News! Another bit of good health news comes from a clinical study conducted by the Home Sewing Association: "sewing was found to be the most relaxing leisure-time activity, reducing the three key factors in the measurement of stress: heart rate, blood pressure, and perspiration rate." Sew...keep up the good work!

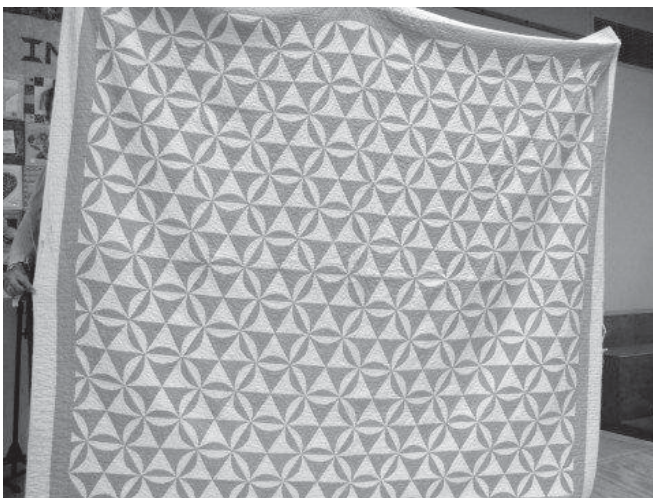
Please feel free to call or email me with important life events to share with our Guild Family who shares in the patchwork pieces of your life, offering praise, support, and comfort.

Peace, contentment, hope ~ ellen.



Patchwork Stories

Ellen Hernandez presented a program on the history of quilting and documenting your quilt stories. She fulfilled her obligation for her Ethel Howey grant and gave the Guild a wonderful presentation. If you are interested in having one your quilts documented go to our web site, www.sanantonioquilt.org, and click on the Patchwork Stories link on the home page. The documentation form is reached from the link on this page. Ellen would love to add your quilt to the Patchwork Stories web page.



GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC.
SHERRY ALLRED GRANT PROGRAM
MISSION

The Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild has established a grant program in honor of one of our esteemed founding members, Sherry Allred.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this grant program is to allow a current guild member to attend the current year's GSAQG Summer Retreat at no charge to the member for enrollment. The grant must be used for the cost of Summer Retreat only. The grant will be awarded annually, not to exceed the cost of Summer Retreat. If the grant recipient has made any payments toward the Retreat costs such payments shall be refunded to the recipient.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant must be an active GSAQG member in good standing for the previous two (2) years immediately preceding the grant deadline.
2. Financial need **will not** be a criterion for selection.
3. Grant recipients are ineligible to reapply for grants for three years.
4. Board members are ineligible for grants while serving on a GSAQG board term.
5. Current board members will vote at the April Board meeting. The president will retain all personal information for each application; a blind vote will be based on the written paragraph only submitted by each applicant.

PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES

Applications must be submitted on or before March guild Meeting (current year), the grant will be awarded at the following April guild meeting.

GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC. # _____
GRANT PROGRAM
APPLICATION

Applicant must submit all requested information including this page. Application may be typed or hand written, not to exceed one page.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

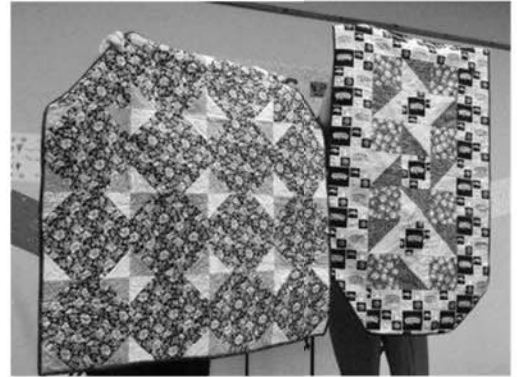
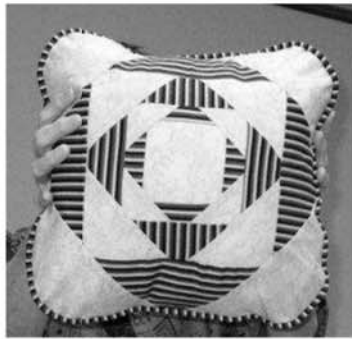
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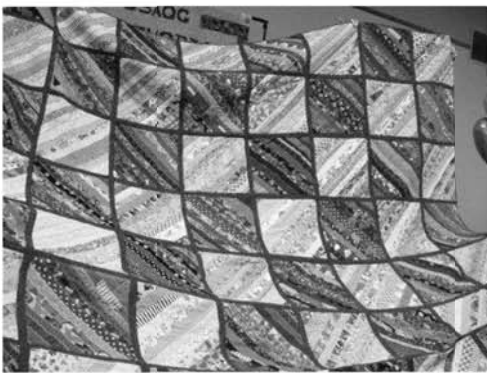
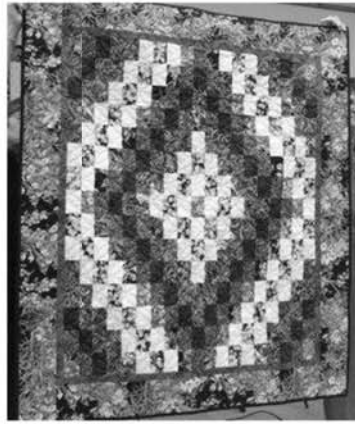
Number of years as a member of the GSAQG _____

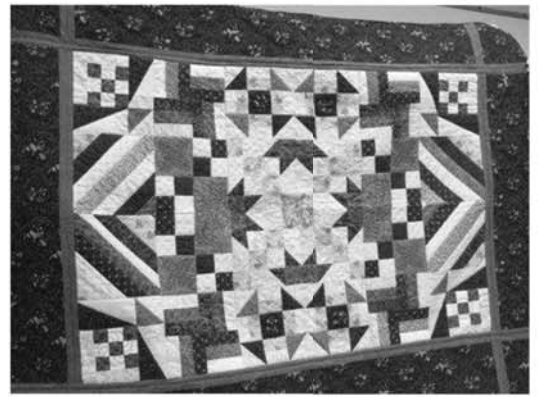
1. Write a paragraph explaining why you would like to receive this grant.

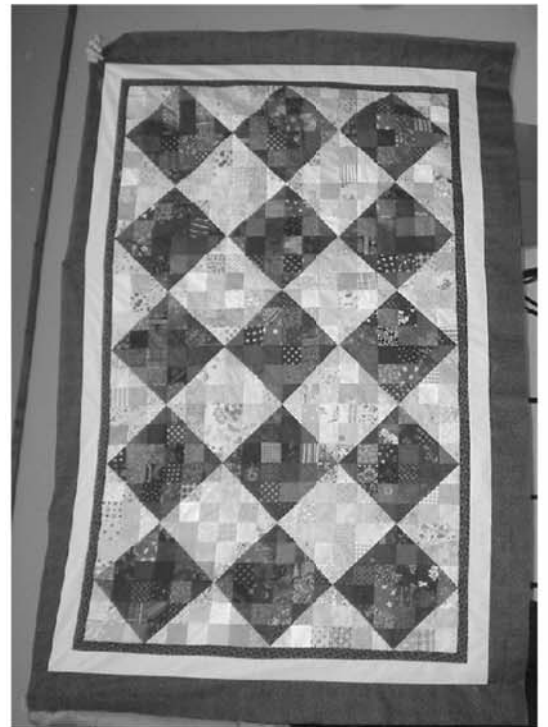
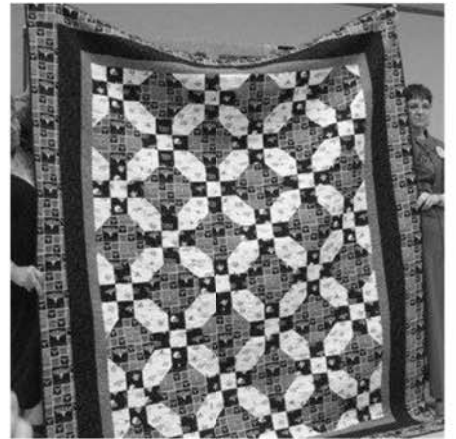
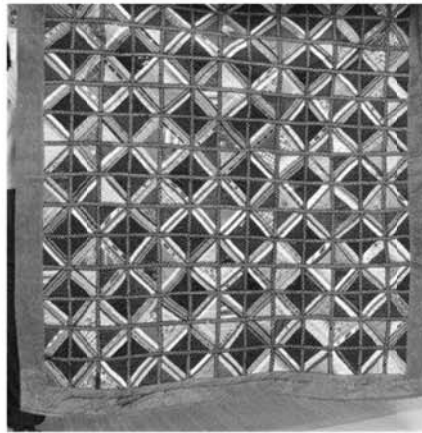
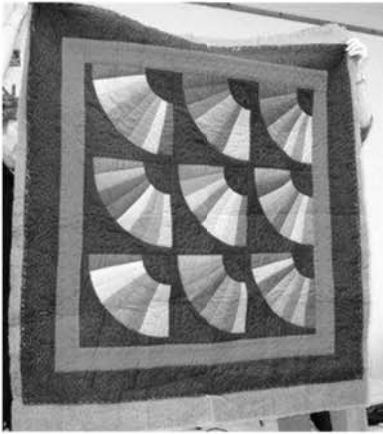
Bring and Brag

To see these wonderful quilts, go to our web page -- www.sanantonioquilt.com and look under Services. This month Sherry Sorbera was not there to take the pictures. Shirley Carter stepped into the breach. But I can't match all the quilts to their attributions. I am very sorry.











ALOHA QUILTERS...

Summer Retreat is coming up soon and the theme is: HAWAIIAN LUAU

So get your Hawaiian shirt packed and your reservation made. **\$50.00** will hold a space for you. SIGN-UPS start at the February General Meeting. The total cost for 5 days and nights of total quilting bliss is \$300.00.

The dates for retreat are: 5pm June 14th thru 2pm June 19th.

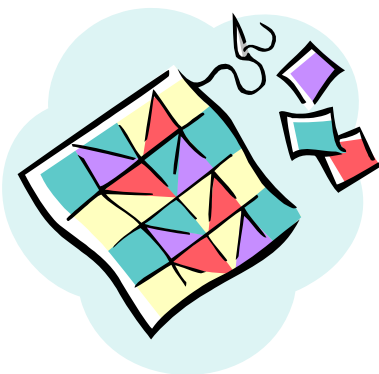
Please make sure you are saving and/or collecting selvages (18" or longer) and bring them with you to retreat. We will have a cook-out one night and we will also have a bonfire sing-along. Yes, the path will be lighted...

There will be a mystery quilt, Hawaiian music, (if anyone has some Hawaiian CD's they can bring, or even cassettes, that would be great.) and games.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask.

Aloha,

Lori Branson & Barbara Sumlin
Retreat Chair Retreat co-chair



QUILTERS SHOW CALENDAR

'Celebrating the Threads of Friendship 2009
Quilt Festival'

Plantation Quilting Guild

March 6-7, 2009

Lake Jackson Civic Center

333 Hwy 288/332

Lake Jackson, TX 77566

'Today's Treasures, Tomorrow's Heirlooms'

Uvalde Piecemakers Quilt Guild

March 6-7, 2009

Uvalde Adult Activity Center

250 E. Main

Uvalde, Texas

Visit <http://www.uvaldeaac.org/quilting.html>

'32nd Annual Lampasas Needle Art & Quilt
Show'

Lampasas Keystone Square Museum

March 6-7, 2009

Lampasas County Courthouse & the Key-
stone

409 S. Pecan St.

Lampasas, Texas

'Dallas Quilt Celebration: Playful Pinwheels'

Quilter's Guild of Dallas

March 13, 14 and 15, 2009

Dallas Market Hall

Dallas, TX

Visit <http://www.quiltersguildofdallas.org/>

'Georgetown Quilt & Stitchery Show - How the
West Was Warm'

Handcrafts Unlimited

March 13-14, 2009

Community Center in San Gabriel Park

Georgetown, TX

Visit <http://www.georgetownquiltshow.com/>

'Spring into Quilting'

Shiner Heritage Quilt Guild

March 20 - 21, 2009

Methodist Activity Center

102 West Church Street (off of Hwy 90A)

Shiner, TX

Email igcerny@gvec.net

For more information:

Visit <http://www.quiltguildvictoria.org>

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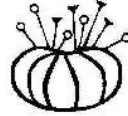


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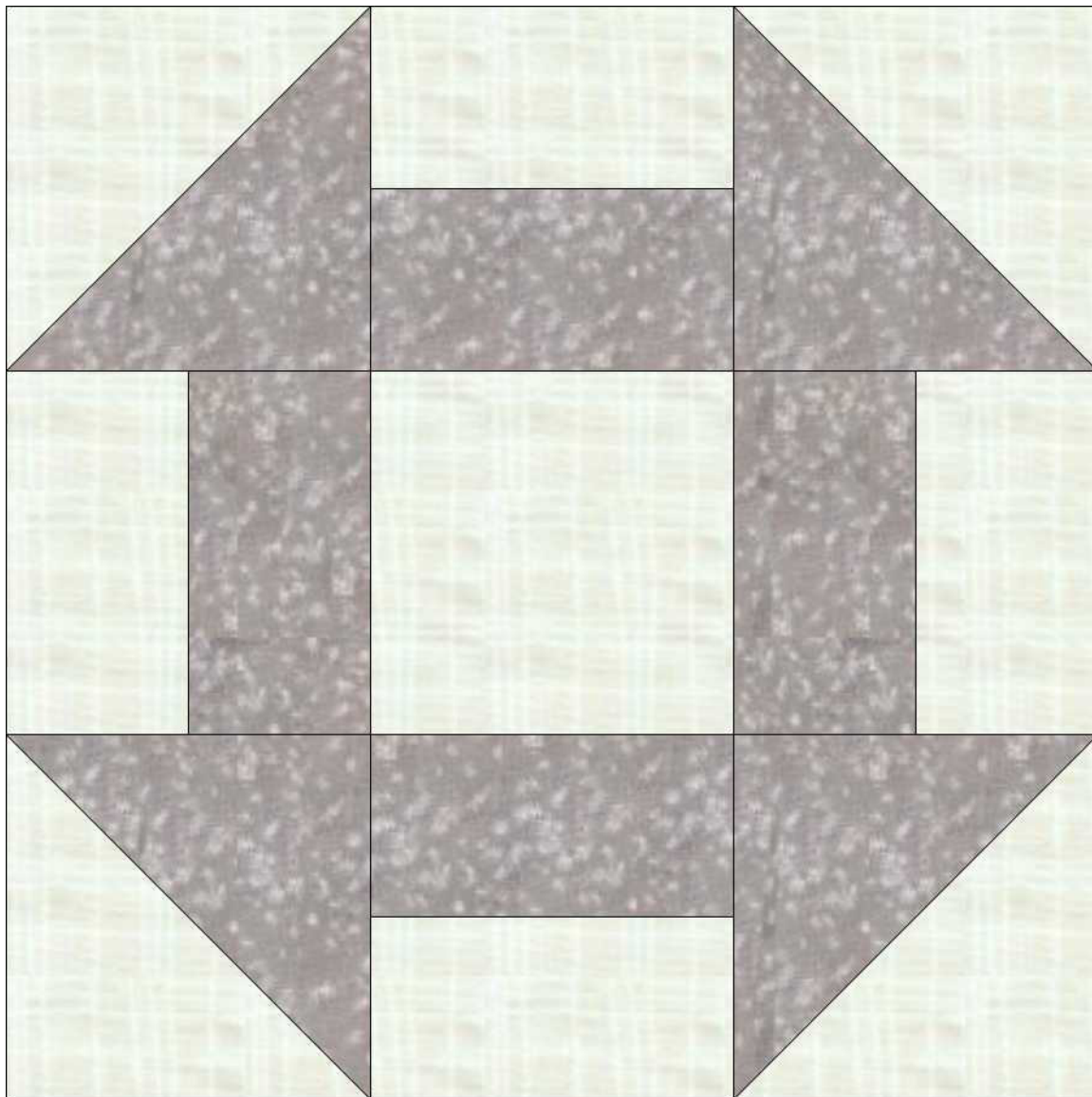
Quilting with a friend
will keep you
in stitches.



May 2009 Block Party

Try your hand at a monkey wrench block. Make it a 6 inch block finished - 6.5 unfinished. Let's make it in light and dark greens. There are 4 half-square triangle blocks and 4 blocks that can easily be done with strip piecing. You should be able to make an interesting quilt if you win.

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



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

March Schedule

March 2 BOARD MEETING 1:00 PM
St. Andrew's Church

March 14 Guild Meeting 10:00 AM
St. Andrew's Church

March 17 Wearable Arts 6:30 PM
Creative Sewing Center
117777 West Av.
Hostess - Ida Blankenship

March 25 Quilt In 10:00 AM
Memories by the Yard
8015 Mainland Dr.
Hostess - Shirley Carter

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