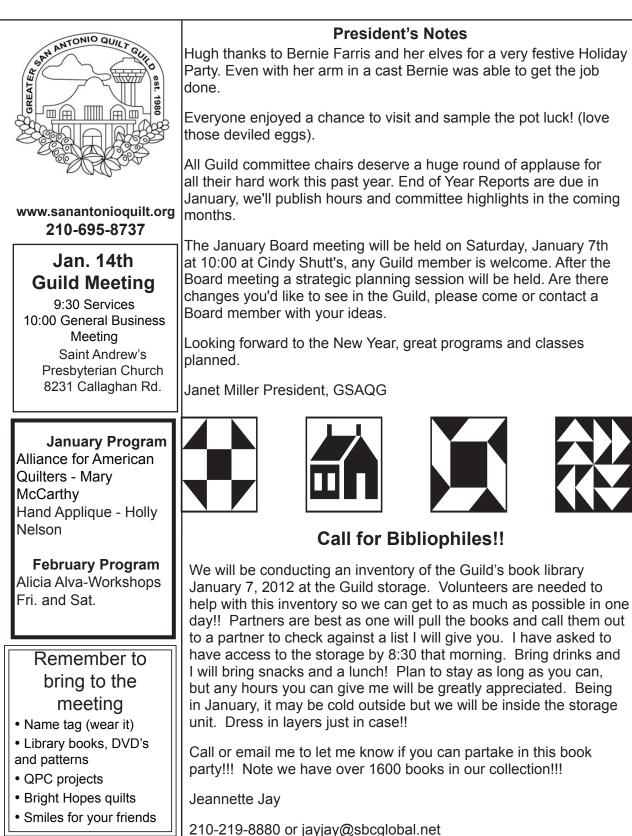
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2011 Program Notes

Jan. - Free Hand Applique - Holly Nelson Lecture on Alliance for American Quilters - Mary McCarthy

February - Alicia Avila Workshops

Note: In January you can still register for these workshops in February.

Full payment must be made at time of registration. February 10, Fri. 9:00-4:00pm Sun Faces-done with glue sticks and sewn on a machine \$25. February 11, Sat. 1:00-4:00 No Restraint Machine Quilting is piecing done with NO measuring! \$15. There will be samples at the Jan, guild meeting. **March** - Mickey Mowry " Sew Many Pieces" lecture

Needle Skills with Anne Blake after meeting Mini Retreat Planned for 23rd & 24th **April** - Guild Work Day

Don't forget to see all the Bring and Brag quilts in color at our Web Site

www.sanantonioquilt.org

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	\$30.00	\$330
(horizontal -7 x 4 3/4		
vertical - 3 3/8 x 9 1/2	2)	
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

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

Congratulations to Bobbie Ashley for being in this months issue of "Quiltmaker" magazine!!

Also Sandra Bloom had a picture of her Miss Mae Kitty wall hanging in the Dec/Jan 2012 issue of Quilting Arts magazine!!

Here is a poem that is what we will all be thinking of in the new year

Quilter's New Year Thoughts and Resolutions

I'll not throw receipts out the window

or drop any pins in my bed

I will not sew wrong sides together

Nor purchase the really cheap thread.

Shall remember all of my meetings

And tidy my room once a week

Not moan when it's time to be cooking

And say thanks whenever I speak.

I'll not forget deadlines, so help me

I'll donate to people in need

And sort all my fabrics by color

Take care, on my quilts not to bleed.

Each day brings a chance to be helpful To work on a project that's old Use coupons to save lots of money Turn scraps into pieces of gold.







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The Great Bell Couty Quilt Crawl

January 14th – February 18th, 2012

A diverse group of cultural and tourism partners has formed a partnership to produce the countywide Great Bell County Quilt Crawl. The project's goals are to promote the rich artistic and historic nature of quilts throughout the county, and to promote tourism in Bell County and Central Texas.

The quilt crawl will be held January 14 through February 18, 2012, at various facilities.

Each facility will host a quilt exhibit for six weeks. Each Saturday during the time period, one of the sites will have a special activity that relates to quilts and quilting.

At each site, visitors can purchase, for \$2, a uniquely shaped magnet. If visitors attend each exhibit and purchase a magnet at each site, they will have a complete $4 \ge 6$ inch quilt magnet in red, white and blue that will look great on the fridge!

For more information, log onto our individual websites, or log on to www.quilt-crawl.org.







New Membership Dues for 2012

Please re-new your

membership dues ASAP!!!!

New Dues are:

\$24 for 64 and under

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San Antonio,TX 78268

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Address			
City	State Zip + 4digits		
Phone #	Birth (Mo/Day) New or Renewal		
email			
Amount Paid	Expiration Date 12/31/12		
	Credit Card #		
ALL CREDIT CARD INFOMATION NOT NEEDED WHEN WE CAN SWIPE CARD. ALL CC INFORMATION WILL BE SHREDDED WHEN TRANSACTION IS COMPLETE.	Master Card Visa Expiration/		
	Credit Debit PIN #		
	3 digit Security Code from back of card		

GSAQG BOARD Meeting Minutes

The December 5, 2011 board meeting of the Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild was called to order at 2:05 pm by President Janet Miller at the home of Cindy Shutt. Present were Janet Miller, Charlotte Keener, Donnis Todd, Cindy Shutt, Sandra Bloom, Melanie McInnis, Mary McCarthy, Barbara Sumlin, Larry Beauchamp, and Dea Jae Shore. The minutes of the November 2011 board meeting stood approved as reviewed by board members.

President—Janet Miller: No report

President Pro-Temp—Charlotte Keener: No report

Secretary—Donnis Todd: One call to guild hotline in November

Treasurer—Cindy Shutt: Reported Guild fund balance of \$73, 849.60. The October financial statement was reviewed and approved.

1st Vice-President/Special Events: Sandra Bloom: Reported that some attendees have dropped out of Winter Retreat and that positions have been filled from waiting list. 2012 Auction: Ellen Hernandez has added Linda Etheridge as cochair for Auction Committee.

2nd Vice-President/Newsletter—Melanie McInnis: Reported the December Newsletter ready to be picked up and mailed.

<u>3rd Vice-President/Programs—Mary McCarthy:</u> Reported on status of upcoming meetings. Discussed that the March "In Place" Retreat will be held at St. Andrew's Church on Friday night and will resume on Saturday the 23rd and 24th. Attendees will be charged \$15 to cover the cost of building rental and Friday night pizza.

4th Vice-President/Services—Sandi Price: Absent—no report

5th Vice-President/Community Outreach—Barbara Sumlin: Reported that the quilt donated to Elf Louise auction will begin bidding at \$100.

Parliamentarian—Larry Beauchamp: No report

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Janet Miller welcomed new board members for 2012-2014: President Pro-Tem—Dea Jae Shore, 1st Vice-President/Special Events—Sandra Bloom, 3rd Vice-President/ Programs—Mary McCarthy, and Treasurer—Cindy Shutt. Board discussed upcoming planning session to look at bylaws and plan for upcoming year. It was determined that the board will meet at Cindy Shutt's house on Saturday, January 7, 2012 with its regular board meeting at 10:00 to be followed by the planning session. No board meeting will be held on January 2, 2012.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:25 pm

Donnis Todd, Secretary

GSAQG Treasurer's Report For the eleven months ending 11/30/11 By Cindy Shutt

	YTD Actual 2011		
DEVENUES	Budget		
REVENUES Interest Savings CD Interest Other income M. Parsons Estate Sale	\$ 550.00 \$ 34.69 \$ 406.77 \$ 12.08 \$ 1,000.00 \$		
Magazine Sales Nametage fines Library Sale	(105.00) \$ 797.40 \$ 450.00 \$ 26.84 \$ 25.00		
Pin Sale Dues - Membership Newsletter/Directory Ads Quilt Show Workshops	\$ 9.00 \$ 4,767.00 \$ 4,000.00 \$ 875.00 \$ 500.00 \$ 41,683.65 \$ 54,600.00 \$ 3,255.00 \$ 3,000.00		
Retreat - Summer Retreat - Winter Houston Bus trip Auction Total Revenues	\$ 9,420.00 \$ 7,500.00 \$ 10,815.00 \$ 8,000.00 \$ 3,031.00 \$ 2,400.00 \$ 75,028.43 \$ 82,025.00		
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EXPENSES Administration: Administration Door Prizes Telephone Storage facility Rent (Meetings)	\$ 4,212.21 \$ 4,000.00 \$ 221.42 \$ 150.00 \$ 609.16 \$ 600.00 \$ 4,979.00 \$ 5,300.00 \$ 1,630.00 \$ 1,650.00		
Membership expenses: Membership supplies Newsletter/Directory printing Postage, Bulk	\$ 403.53 \$ 50.00 \$ 3,069.46 \$ 3,400.00		
Postage, Bulk Webpage	\$ 842.12 \$ 700.00 \$ 431.25 \$ 300.00		
Quilt Show	\$ 32,616.63 \$ 30,000.00		
Community activities: Charitable Contribution Bright Hopes Storybook Quilts Community Outreach	\$ 100.00 \$ 947.58 \$ 400.00 \$ 296.17 \$ 200.00 \$ 175.00		
Membership Services & Activities Sherry Allred Grant Ethel Howey Grant Library Patterns QPC Video Library Programs Workshops	\$ 325.00 \$ 335.00 \$ 1,000.00 \$ 1,000.00 \$ 260.00 \$ 300.00 \$ 503.54 \$ 500.00 \$ 274.98 \$ 125.00 \$ 5,322.95 \$ 7,000.00 \$ 3,650.00 \$ 4,000.00		
Self-sustaining activities: Retreat - Summer Retreat - Winter Houston bus trip Auction Total Expenses Net	\$ 9,406.55 \$ 7,500.00 \$ 7,927.28 \$ 8,000.00 \$ 3,002.43 \$ 2,400.00 \$ 260.98 \$ 1,500.00 \$ 82,292.24 \$ 79,635.00 \$ \$ 2,390.00 (7,263.81)		
Ending Jefferson Operating Ending Jefferson Savings SSFCU CD's & savings SSFCU Wright Class CD Total Guild Funds	\$ 17,536.74		

Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer



Auction 2012

Ellen Hernandez, 520-1335,

ellenhernandez@hotmail.com

Keep a little space on your resolution list to add... WORK ON AN AUCTION QUILT! Check out the kits available every guild meeting which include top, batting, backing, and pre-cut binding. January Auction Bee held at St. Andrews after meeting will be hand stitching a binding.

Only 282 days til Auction!







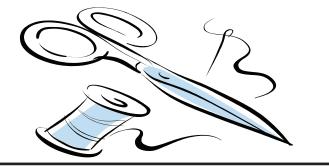
The GSAQG 16th Annual Winter Retreat, scheduled for January 20-23, 2012 is currently filled, however; we have started a waiting list. Who knows? Last year there were three last minute cancellations, so don't give up hope. If you would like your name added to the waiting list please contact either of the co-chairs. Dorothy Reischman 210-218-7002 Sandi Price 210-695-6451 dmreischman@aol.com or sandiprice@satx.rr.com **Community Education**

Volunteers Needed!

Villa de San Antonio Retirement Center

Quilting Classes

Contact: Kitty Janiga or Donnis Todd



We are looking for someone to be our Guild Photographer. They would need to be at all meetings and special events and have a good working knowledge of how to send pictures via the internet. Please contact Janet Miller for more info.

COMMITTEES

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	Sandra Lowell	681-1901	
Youth Alternatives	Charlene Carroll	699-8798	

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Several new members have requested to know more information about Ethel Howey. She was an outstanding person, a talented quilter, and a good community citizen. Below is an artical from our Memorial Book. Read, reflect, and enjoy knowing better, one of our many wonderful and amazing quilting past members.

Subbmitted by Barbara Wofford - Chair - Ethel Howey Grant Program



Ethel Y. Howey 1921-2004

Ethel Y. Howey was born April 19, 1921, in Wahiawa, HI, and died in her home December 22, 2004.

Ethel was an Army wife and raised seven children. She met and married her second husband, Vince Howey, in 1972 and moved to San Antonio in 1973. After retiring from Civil Service at Fort Sam Houston, she continued keeping busy blazing new trails for her creative outlets in many areas. She was trained in clothing pattern making.

Returning to her childhood love of quilting, she became a founding member of the Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc. She held office as President and chaired numerous committees to encourage the members, and the community at large, to pursue and improve the craft and art of quilting.

She was known nationally and internationally as a Certified Judge and Master Instructor in quilting. Ethel traveled the world lecturing, teaching and displaying her masterfully executed quilts. Her honors and prize winning quilts were numerous.

She represented the guild in an exchange program with the San Antonio Sister City, Kumamoto, Kiusu-Provence, Japan, and headed the committee for the design and execution of a quilt to be hung in the Cultural Exchange Building in Kumamoto. The quilt, "A River Runs Through It" hangs there today.

One of Ethel's most enduring qualities was her humility. She never hesitated to push her own talents and contributions into the background and let another guild member take the spotlight. In 1993, when she saw another guild member and friend had entered a quilt for judging that hung along side Ethel's, she withdrew her quilt from judging so her friend could receive 1st Place (which Ethel would undoubtedly have gotten!).

She was a valued, generous and loved member that will be missed and remembered for many years to come.

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 esteemed founding member, 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

- years immediately preceding the grant deadline.
- 2. Financial need will not be a criterion for selection.
- 3. Grant recipients are ineligible to reapply for the grant 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

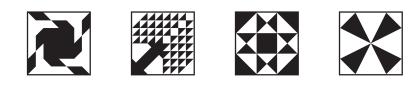
City, State, Zip ______ Phone

Number of years as a member of the GSAQG

May the Guild publish your paragraph in the Newsletter?_____yes _____no

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



Everyone had a GREAT time at the Secret Pal Reveal and Guild Pot Luck Christmas Party!





Everyone filled out their forms for Secret Pal for next year. If you have not joined you still have time!

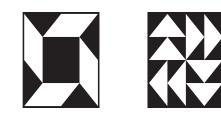




The White Elephant gift exchange was anxiously awaited!



Sharon shared her Ritz cracker with her table!





Looky looky looky what I got!

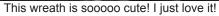
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Yes that is a cast on Bernie's arm! She recommends not standing on a chair when reaching for Christmas decorations.













Lots of cheer and good will was spread to all that attended the guild meeting, not to mention the spread of food!

Pieces of the Past: Aunt Martha

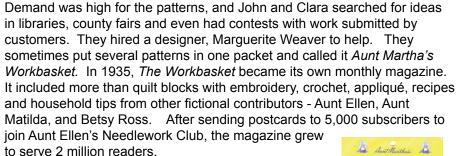
Submitted By Ellen Hernandez

In the 1800s there was *Aunt Jemima*. In 1921, *Betty Crocker*. Then in the 1930s, *Aunt Martha*. What do these all have in common? They aren't real people. Advertisers learned early on that warm, human characteristics associated with a product means more success. The pattern business was no

During the Great Depression, Jack Tillotson of Kansas City, MO lost his job. Eager to find a source of income, his wife, Clara, tried to sell her handmade

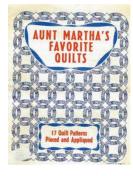
quilts. There wasn't much market because other people were living in tight times as well. Changing tactics, Jack and Clara tried to sell pre-cut quilt blocks under the name *Colonial Readicut Quilt Block Company*. Again, too expensive for the times. Their next idea was to sell paper patterns at 10 cents. The most popular pattern was for the 48 states quilt which included the state flower and bird. The inexpensive patterns quickly became popular and soon they were advertizing in magazines and newspapers. A Chicago editor suggested that a grandmotherly name be used that brought to mind Colonial

history. The nom-de-plume of Aunt Martha was a good fit, evoking the image of Martha Washington.



In 1949, the Tillotsons continued to own *Workbasket* and renamed their company Modern Handcraft. They also published *Workbench* and *Flower & Garden*. Modern Handcraft was sold in 1990 to John and Carol Precich who called it KC Pub., Inc. The last *Workbasket* was published in 1996.





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The Tillotsons' Aunt Martha section was sold to Clifford and Alma Swenson and was renamed *Aunt Martha's Studios*. Since then, the business was sold to Edward Price in 1974 and renamed *Colonial Patterns, Inc*. They continue to publish today with new designs for quilting, embroidery, and textile painting. Their new line of patterns, *Stitcher's Revolution* are designed for the new generation of needle workers, and are fun and fast.



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Common Threads Bee Keepers List of Bee's

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. The committee is taking time out to celebrate the holidays with our families and friends. Hope you are too. Check our table in January. Though we showed five finished tops at the Nov. meeting, we have more in progress. So I'm sure you can find something to try -- or just to help out the guild.

Oh by the way, if you have kits checked out that you've been meaning to do, you might want to finish them for the January meeting -- one of the prizes is a jelly roll of hand dyed fabric!

Carol Rouse Chair QPC Committee - 210-699-9363

Storybooks and Quilts to Go

The holiday luncheon was so much fun this year – and of course I sampled "just a little bit" of every delicious dish. Oh well, that's what New Year's resolutions are all about. Ann Ashjian added an extra spark of holiday cheer with her astounding story quilt from Stitching Stars by Mary E. Lyons. This book is a biography of Harriett Powers, who was born into slavery and known for her folk art applique quilts, many of which are in prominent museums. The quilt is a very welcome addition to the guild's growing collection.

We are in the process of retrieving totes and documenting student numbers during the week before Christmas break. Some of the comments I've heard are heartwarming. One school used The Confetti Eggs during their own Fiesta celebration. Another librarian is interested in making classroom quilts next semester. Still another said she was not able to use the quilts as much as in past semesters because of changes in staff and curriculum. There may be a need for guild members to go into some schools to read stories for overworked teachers next year. After we know more about this situation, I will be sharing some opportunities for volunteers.

Sherry Duringer, Chair, Storybooks and Quilts to Go





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January Schedule

- Jan. 7th BOARD MEETING 10:00 AM @ Cindy Shutt's home
- Jan. 14th Services 9:30AM GUILD MEETING 10:00 AM @ St. Andrew's Church
- Jan. 17th Wearable Art 6:30 PM Creative Sewing Center 117777 West Ave.. Hostess - Ida Blankenship

Jan. 25th Quilt In 10:00 AM Memories by the Yard 8015 Mainland and Bandera Rd. Hostess - Shirley Carter

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