

## Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.



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**December 8th**

**No Services**

**Secret Sister  
Reveal  
at 9:00 am**

**Pot Luck  
Luncheon  
at 11:00 am**

at Coker United Methodist  
Church, 231 East North  
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bring to the  
meeting**

- Name tag (wear it)
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- QPC projects
- Bright Hopes quilts
- Smiles for everyone

Here we are at the end of another year. I want to thank all those members who chaired committees, served on committees, donated fabric, books or magazines, and every one of you who pitched in where and when needed, whether asked or not. The guild could not exist without you. Thank you!

December sees us gathering for a potluck lunch. Be sure the food you bring is ready to serve as we will not be using the kitchen appliances *at all*. If you have been participating in Secret Pal please be sure to arrive so that we can begin the exchange right at 9. For everyone else the time to arrive is 11 with the lunch bell to ring as soon as the food is laid out.

This year we will be playing Left/Center/Right after our meal. This is a fast, fun game that sees the winner taking home a whopping stack of fat quarters. If you would like to play be sure to bring three fat quarters of different fabrics.

Wishing you Happy Holidays! -- Mary



**Congratulations! Door Prize Winners:  
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### Needed: A Few Good Ladies or Gentlemen

How would you like to take a free class every time an out of town teacher comes to the Guild? All you need to do is host the teacher, usually from Thursday to Sunday.

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The host will be reimbursed for mileage and cost of all meals after receipts are given to the 3<sup>rd</sup> VP for Programs. The Guild will not cover the cost of any alcoholic beverages.

### PROGRAMS

**December.** Secret Sister Reveal starts at 9 am and Guild Holiday potluck lunch starts at 11 am. Ham, shrimp and bottled water provided. Bring three fat quarter and play Left, Right, Center after the luncheon. The first number for the PIPPS (Projects In Progress Previously Started) Challenge will be drawn.

**January.** Guild member Garage Sale. Table \$10.00. Each member may sign-up for up to three tables. Quilting and fiber sale items only. NO household items. Start PIPPS.

**February.** Dawn Heese, linenclosetdesign.com, will be our featured speaker. Friday class will be wool applique 20 in. block. Learn several stitches and wool applique techniques. Cost \$35.00 plus kit fee (Fabric, wool, floss and needles to make 20 in.block) \$23.00 for a total of \$58.00.

Saturday class is scalloped edge quilts. Cost \$25.00. If you want to sign up for a class and can't make the meeting, contact Janet Miller, 3rd VP for Programs, 210 492-7684 or jjmiller@satx.rr.com.



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## Fall Exhibits feature Kaffe Fassett, “Lights,” & “Millefiori!”

September 17, 2018—La Grange, TX—The Texas Quilt Museum presents three exciting exhibits for this fall, including one by a legendary artist and innovator. The exhibits will run **October 4 through December 23, 2018**. Museum curator Dr. Sandra Sider describes the trio as “a magnificent array of quilted art bursting with originality, color, and luminosity.”

### NEWSLETTER INPUT

**DEADLINE is Midnight the Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail:**  
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### NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

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Patterns for bibs to make for patients at the Audie Murphy VA Hospital are available on a check out and return basis.

All guild members may advertise in the newsletter one free business card size each year. Must be quilt related.

**GSAQG Board Meeting Minutes  
November 13, 2018**

Mary McCarthy, President, called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. at Igo Library, Conference Room B. In attendance were Sylvia Jolet, Janet Miller, Karen Nanos, Dea Jae Shore, Elaine Staller, Barbara Sumlin, and Lyn Komada.

**President – Mary McCarthy.**

- October Board meeting minutes were approved as published.
- Calico roses are to be awarded to Trixie Shell for the Fall Mini-retreat and to Sandra Doyle for the Houston Bus trip.
- December Board Meeting will held at Karen Nanos' house on Tuesday, December 4 at 5:00 pm.

**President Pro-Tem – Dea Jae Shore.**

- Nothing to report.

**Secretary – Lyn Komada.**

- Nothing to report.

**Treasurer – Karen Nanos.** Several items were covered:

- Total Guild funds on hand at the end of October were \$62,584.98.
- Provided info on Auction income/expenses over recent years.
- Recommendations for future quilt auctions to ensure maximum benefit:
  - Quilts sold at auction should have a reserve
  - Include a lunch to offset the cost of the venue.
- Discussed proposed budget and updated.
- Made a motion that starting January 1, 2019 the guild will pass along the transaction fee to those members who pay by credit card; the motion was seconded, and the motion carried.
- The signers on guild CDs held by Security Service FCU will be changed from Ida Blankenship and Cindy Shutt to Mary McCarthy and Karen Nanos.
- Discussed need for an account to link to Etsy for sale of remaining auction quilts.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP for Special Events – Elaine Staller.** Committees & activities reported:

- Fall Mini-Retreat and Houston Bus Trip. Both activities were very successful, thanks to the work of Trixie Shell on the mini-retreat and Sandra Doyle on the bus trip.
- Quilt Auction 2018. Update to Q3 Report. Jean Hardies reported 475 Q3 volunteer hours.
- Winter Retreat. Melissa Allo, organizer. Retreat is full with a waiting list.
- Quilt Show, 2019. Janet Miller, chairperson. Raffle Quilt will be unveiled at the November Guild meeting.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP for Information – Ina Ramirez.**

- Not present

**3<sup>rd</sup> VP for Programs – Janet Miller.**

- Discussed upcoming activities for 2018 and 2019.

**4<sup>th</sup> VP for Services – Leti Zavala.** Committees reported:

- Not present.

**5<sup>th</sup> VP for Community Outreach – Barbara Sumlin.**

Committees reported:

- Villa del San Antonio Retirement Center bee has been making quilts for Bright Hopes and others, and have donated 20 quilts for Haven for Hope. This bee wants to continue making quilts.
- Bright Hopes will consider turning in completed quilts rather than tops.
- Guild will offer beginner classes to members that are new quilters, and request that participants make 2 quilts: one for themselves and one for Bright Hopes.
- Investigating Ronald McDonald House quilt needs.
- Bright Hopes web page will be simplified now and updated in 2019.
- Barbara Shroul has volunteered to take over QPC.

**Parliamentarian – Sylvia Jolet.**

- Discussed slate for 2019-2020.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. Submitted by Carolyn Komada, Secretary

12.18 Pieces of the Past, 104: **Keepsake Theme Quilts**, by Ellen Hernandez

Meredith Crane, mother of two Deaf children, started a unique business in 1998 in a Columbus, Ohio home with two people and one sewing machine. Their mission was to hire, train, and promote Deaf individuals in an environment free from communication barriers. Over 100 people have worked at the nonprofit Keepsake Theme Quilts (KTQ) through the years and have created more than

20,000 quilts. Items include custom designed t-shirt quilts, Memory quilts from items of clothing, Baby quilts using a child's clothes and blankets, and tied blankets. They also accept photos for digital fabric transfer.



Currently there are 15 employees and they make an average 1,000 quilts per year. They strive to make quality products so that customers will continue to seek out their work. Most quilts are finished in two to three weeks. Machine embroidery may be requested to personalize a quilt including the international 'I LOVE YOU' hand sign. Quilt prices and design options are available online. The office has a video phone so that the Deaf staff can respond to calls.



All the staff use American Sign Language and can easily communicate with their co-workers to solve problems and complete projects. Working in a hearing environment does not usually offer the same level of comfort, recognition, or advancement.

A Work Experience Program is run by Deaf high school student interns called the *Be Warm Project*. The students upcycle all sorts of materials into tote bags, hats, scarves, etc for the homeless in Ohio.



Other areas of KTQ work include donations to the James Cancer Hospital's quilting group, *My Very Own Blanket* – a project for the incarcerated, and *The Love Blanket Project of Maryland* which donates quilts to children in cancer treatment. In November the KTQ team joined inmates at The Ohio Reformatory for Women where they made blankets for the homeless.



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## PIPPS

(Projects In Progress Previously Started)

1. The PIPPS Challenge will run from December 2018 to November 2019. We will take a break for July, August and September due to the show.
2. Before the December meeting find eight quilting projects you would like to complete over the next year. The projects may require just a label to be completed or it needs quilting and binding. You know how many unfinished projects you have and how much you can get done in a month. Number them 1-8.
3. At each Guild meeting a number will be drawn that corresponds with a number on one of your unfinished quilting projects. On the Sunday after the Guild meeting an email will be sent to all participants with the project number for that month.
4. Your challenge is to complete the project before the next meeting.
5. At the Guild meeting show your complete item during Bring and Bragg. Your name will be entered into a drawing for a small monthly prize.
6. All names from each month will be combined and entered into the Grand Prize drawing to be awarded at the November meeting.

**GSAQG General Meeting Minutes  
Nov 17, 2018**

Mary McCarthy, President, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Coker UMC gym.

**President – Mary McCarthy.**

- The October General Meeting minutes were approved as published.
- There were no nominations from the floor for the 2019-2010 GSAQG Board. The ballot for new officers was:
  - President: Mary McCarthy
  - Secretary: Janice Schwab
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> VP for Information: Ina Ramirez
  - 5<sup>th</sup> VP for Community Outreach: Gail Clover
- Made a motion to accept the new board members, the motion was seconded, and the motion carried.
- The budget was amended since publication to add \$800 to auction, increase bright hopes to \$500, increase quilt angels \$400, and give ITC \$25. Motion was made to accept the amended budget, the motion was seconded, and the motion carried.
- Calico rosebuds were not awarded as neither recipient was at the meeting.
- The kitchen will NOT be used for the December Guild party, so only bring ready-to-serve items.
- No services will be held at the December meeting.
- Need someone to sell magazines at the meeting. Volunteers need to be able to bring the boxes of magazines to and from the meetings, and store them offsite.

**President Pro-Tem – Dea Jae Shore.**

- Nothing to report.

**Secretary – Lyn Komada.**

- Nothing to report.

**Treasurer – Karen Nanos reported**

- Guild cash and savings of \$62,548.88 at the end of November.
- The Guild netted about 9k from auction; numbers are still coming in so a final number is not available yet.
- The Guild has some activities which are self-sustaining and do not cost the Guild anything, such as the Houston bus trip and retreats. While these should not cost the Guild anything, they do because the Guild is charged to process credit card payments of members who pay via credit card. In order for activities to remain net zero to guild, the following charges will be implemented starting in January:
  - Credit card charge of \$1-50 will incur a \$1 fee.
  - Credit card charge over \$50 will incur a 2% fee.

**1st VP for Special Events – Elaine Staller. Committees & activities reported:**

- Houston bus trip and the Mini Retreat were successful.
- Sandra Doyle will organize the 2019 bus trip but needs new assistants to replace Lisetta Ennis and Sandra Lowell, who are stepping down.
- Board position of 1<sup>st</sup> VP for Special Events will be on the 2019 ballot. If you are interested, talk to Elaine and you can shadow her if you wish for the remainder of her term.
- Janet Miller reported on the 2019 GSAQG Quilt Show
  - It will be held Sept 20-21 at the San Antonio Event Center, with space for over 300 quilts.



**GSAQG General Meeting Minutes, Nov 17, 2018 (continued)**

- Consider making small items such as table runners, wall quilts, or pillows for the silent auction. Please use fabrics that have current appeal.
- Ida Blankenship has been finding vendors and sponsors. Sew Special will sponsor the \$500 Best of Show prize. Gromes will be a Silver Sponsor. Valley Ranch Retreat will be a Bronze Sponsor. An additional Silver Sponsor is needed, as well as three more Bronze Sponsors. Contact Ida if you know of any businesses who might want to be a vendor or a sponsor.
- Our 2019 Raffle quilt was debuted at the meeting. 22 members made blocks for the quilt, Janet did the machine appliqué, and Yvonne Maglinte did the quilting. The pattern, Delectable Stars, was free and found on Pinterest. It fits the show theme, Color the World with Quilts. Raffle tickets will be available starting in January.

**2nd VP for Information – Ina Ramirez.**

- Dea Jae Shore reminded everyone that there are no services in December, so the January meeting is the next opportunity to renew your membership at a guild meeting. The guild directory will be finalized after the February meeting, so if you have not paid your membership by then you will not make it into the 2019 guild directory.

**3rd VP for Programs – Janet Miller.**

- Janet Miller updated on upcoming classes.
- Janet's position will be up next year. Please talk with her if you are interested, and you can shadow her for the remainder of her term if you wish.
- Secret sisters start at 9:00. Members will start at 11:00.
- Christmas party. Ham, shrimp, water provided. Potluck signup.
- Needs host/hostess for out of town teachers. Pick up at airport, usually on Thursday. May want to go sightseeing, etc. Take her to and from guild meeting, and to airport home. Reimbursed for mileage as well as meal with teacher. Need to be able to lift suitcases in and out of cars. Vehicle has to be able to hold it too. Do get a free class. Have to pay for kit but not class.

**4th VP for Services – Leti Zavala. Committees reported:**

- Nancy Beasley explained how the Golden Carrot Drawing works. This month's Golden Carrot was won by Irene Moffett.
- Barbara Shroul has agreed to chair the QPC Committee.
- Charlene Carroll, Guild Beekeeper, wants to update the list of Bees. She has forms to update Bee information or to form a new Bee.

**5th VP for Community Outreach – Barbara Sumlin. Committees reported:**

- Gail Clover will be taking it over next year. Have a helper but want one more.
- Bright Hopes committee is being revamped. Please bring fabric for this committee in January and not December. Please prewash fabric if possible, and indicate on donation whether it was prewashed or not.
- New requests for Guild help are reviewed by Janet Miller and Barbara Sumlin and a recommendation is made to the Board.
- Flannel or towel backings are needed for bibs for the Audie Murphy Memorial VA Hospital. There are still kits available to check out to make a bib.

There were 96 members, 5 guests in attendance, and \$2.25 collected in nametag fines.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m. Submitted by Carolyn Komada, Secretary.

Thank You Memories By the Yard

Community Outreach would like to thank Dean Throckmorton, owner of Memories, and his staff for being so generous to help both Bright Hopes and Community Quilt Angels obtain fabrics that benefit the goals of these two committees. While our committees work very hard to produce the quilts requested by organizations in the community, we would not be able to do so without the generosity of both our members and business owners in our community. Please, continue to patronize Memories By the Yard. The staff is dedicated to helping you find any of your quilting or sewing supplies. Thank you, Dean!



Congrats to Irene Moffett, our winner of the Golden Carrot award. We appreciate her, and all of you that have supported us through the years. Please remember to turn in your completed blocks at the next Guild meeting, and enter the drawing. Thanks!

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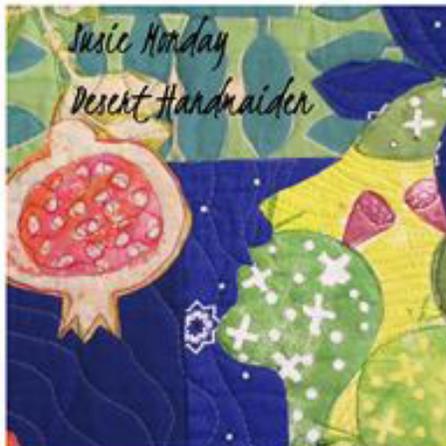
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*Now to Him Who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think...*

**Winter Retreat  
 January 25-28th, 2019**

- Winter Retreat plans are in action! If you would like to help out with a committee, please email Melissa Allo at [melissa\\_777@earthlink.net](mailto:melissa_777@earthlink.net) with Winter Retreat in the subject line (even if you spoke with me already).
- Winter Retreat sign-ups have begun. The 3 day cost will be \$250 and the 4 day will be \$340. A \$50 non-refundable deposit will hold your spot. A person may only sign up one other person that is not in attendance at the meeting. Please have separate checks for each person.



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### GSAQG Honors Veterans in November

Each year the guild honors members who are veterans or active members of the armed services. The guild honored Julie Robinson, Barbara Shroul, Michael Sorbera, and Janet Stock with a presentation of their service record and experience and a quilt made by the Community Angels.

In addition, members were treated to a presentation by Caryl Gaubatz, a former member of the guild who served in Saudi Arabia and Iraq (11/1990 to 4/1991). While on duty, she hand pieced the quilt on the right from fabrics sent to her by our guild members sending care packages and gathering additional pieces wherever she could find them around camp or in the local markets.

Thank you to all our veterans for their service to our country.



**Julie Robinson** served in US Air Force---28 years.



Caryl Gaubatz with "Storm Window Quilt" that she pieced during active duty.

**Barbara Shroul** served in the US Air Force---18 years.



**Michael Sorbera** served in the US Air Force---20 years. Michael still serves our country today working as a contactor at Lackland Air Force Base helping to defend our nation against Cyber-attacks.

**Janet Stock** served in the US Navy---20 years. Janet presented her quilt at the Castroville Quilters and Stitchers relating how proud and honored she was to be a recipient in the ceremony by the GSAQG.



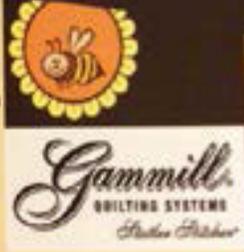


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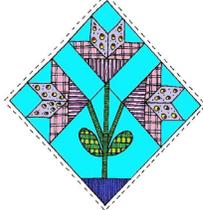

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### **December Schedule**

**December 4 Board Meeting 5:00 PM**  
@ Karen Nanos Home (Treasurer)  
**December 8 Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon 11:00 AM**  
@ Coker United Methodist Church

Check out the calendar on our web page for Bee meetings and other Guild related events.

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