

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.

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April 9th Guild Meeting

9:00 am - Services
10:00 am - General
Business Meeting

at:

Saint Andrew Presbyterian
Church, 8231 Callaghan Rd,
San Antonio, TX 78230

**Blink and you'll
miss our huge
Bring & Brag
Extravaganza!**

**New Mystery Row
"Merrily We Row Along"**

Remember to
bring to the
meeting

- Name tag (wear it)
- Library books, & DVDs
- QPC projects
- Bright Hopes quilts
- Smiles for everyone

President's Letter

Wasn't it wonderful to actually see friends at the guild meeting? I think everything went fairly well, all things considered. It was so nice to have the big room with all the service tables set up as in the before times. Take down wasn't too bad and we'll soon have the hang of it. DeaJae got the Zoom going for those at home and plans to continue it. Having a speaker with actual show and tell was just plain awesome! And she taught classes in person – woo-hoo!

Everyone has had a good clear out of their fabrics, notions, books, and magazines during our hiatus. Now comes the hard part - deciding how to go about putting up the free table and opening magazine sales again. ??? Not only do we have to avoid a flood of items, we also have to have a way to dispose of the leftovers. If you know of an organization that would accept fabric scraps, magazines, books, etc. please let a board member know.

The board plans to have an appreciation ceremony at our May birthday meeting acknowledging the committee members who have kept the wheels turning for the past two years. Calico Roses and Rosebuds will be presented and new members will be introduced. The workday will recommence and cupcakes will mark the beginning of our 42nd year as a guild. I hope you can come!

Keep on stitching--- Mary

Have you heard the news?!!! Isn't it exciting? We are back at Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church for our live and in person meetings since Spring of 2020! Two years have passed and we have so many friendly faces to meet & greet!

Sylvia Jolet has volunteered to be on our Welcome Committee but she needs one or two more to help out. If interested, please contact a boardmember!

We have one member who will take our extra fabric from the free table but would like one or two more persons to volunteer. If interested, please contact a boardmember!

Volunteers Needed for SAQG Auction 2022

Chair: Jean Hardies

Co-Chair: ???

Positions	# of Volunteers Needed	# of Volunteers Signed Up
Registration	Need 2	None signed up
Verifier	Need 2	None signed up
Baggers	Need 5	2 signed up
Runners	Need 6	None signed up
Cashier	Need 3	2 signed up
Boutique	Need 4	1 signed up
Silent auction	Need 3	1 signed up
Scribe	Need 1	None signed up
Runway (walk quilt across stage)	Need 4	None signed up
Set up Friday 9/16/2022	Need 14	9 signed up
Auctioneer	Need 1	1 signed up

Please consider helping out and volunteering for a position!

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

BUSY FINGERS WORKSHOP



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Huebner Oaks Farmers Market some Saturdays (weather permitting)

NEWSLETTER INPUT

DEADLINE is Midnight the Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail: quiltnews@sanantonioquilt.org

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)	\$10.00	\$110

Programs 2022

April – Huge Bring & Brag Extravaganza. Members show us what you have worked on during this time of no in person meetings. Let us OOH! & AWW! over your work these past 2 years! Fourth row of “Merrily We Row Along” will be given.

May – Guild Workday! Our first in 2 years. Plan on bringing sewing supplies, machines, and enjoy the company of fellow quilters while getting some of our guild’s projects on the road to completion. Quilts of Valor will not have projects for May workday. QPC, Bright Hopes, and QPFC will have projects available that need workers. Fifth row of “Merrily We Row Along” will be given.

June - Vickie Owen will present lecture and show of collage quilts. She invites members who have also made a collage quilt to show it. She will teach a class on beginning a collage quilt on Saturday. In order to make the most of the time, she is making kits (\$20) required for the class, which include fabric ready for fusing and a pattern. Vickie’s class is our Ethel Howe class. This means that if you pay for the class (\$25) and attend the class, you will have the class fee reimbursed. The LAST row of our Row Along. It will be birds! If you have kept up with your rows, show off your finished Row Along top in July!

July - Our own Janet Miller will be showing and giving us the background on our guild’s quilt collection. Fourth row of “Merrily We Row Along” will be given.

Sandra

GSAQG Board Meeting Minutes, March 7, 2022

President Mary McCarthy called the virtual meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Dea Jae Shore, Sandy Doyle, Sandra Lowell, Elaine Staller, Gail Clover, Oralia Aves, Cindy Shutt. Not present: Jean Hardies, Ina Ramirez.

President – Mary McCarthy

1. The February board meeting minutes stand approved as published.
2. Items were reviewed as to what are needed for the general meeting.

President Pro Tem – Dea Jae Shore

1. Volunteers are needed to hand out membership cards and directories.
2. A second e-blast was sent for clarification that guild member(s) can bring items for the auction, boutique and Bright Hopes.

1st VP for Special Events – Sandy Doyle

1. The contract for the quilt show 2023 was reviewed.
2. Linda Casias noted that the summer retreat is 2022 (not 2023) at John Newcombe Ranch.
3. Twenty-four guild members have signed up for the summer retreat 2022. The summer retreat date is July 27th – 31st, 2022.
4. Jean Hardies is very appreciative for all the help from guild members. The auction is doing better with the donations. More quilts are needed. She has many items for members to view and decide what they can work on for the auction. She has many spots for members to sign up to volunteer at the auction. Leftover items from the boutique and silent auction will be transferred to the show for 2023.

2nd VP for Information – Ina Ramirez ~ Not present**3rd VP for Program – Sandra Lowell**

1. The March program is speaker Kathryn Groves. She will teach the Friday class (\$35) and Saturday class (\$25). The supply list is on the guild website.
2. The April program is Bring and Brag Extravaganza.
3. The May program is a guild work day.
4. The June program is speaker Viki Owens. She will teach a class on collage quilts.
5. The July program is a presentation on the guild's quilt collection presented by Janet Miller.
6. The August program is a show of quilts from the auction presented by Jean Hardies.
7. The September program is the jelly rolls.
8. The October program is speaker Brita Nelson. She will speak on scrap quilts.
9. The November program, nothing planned.
10. The December program is the holiday potluck.

4th VP for Services – Jean Hardies ~ Not present**5th VP for Outreach – Elaine Staller**

1. Bright Hopes committee: Linda Nash delivered 10 tote bags and 18 quilts to RMYA. She reported 256.5 volunteer hours.
2. Community Education: Oralia Aves, nothing to report at this time.
3. Community Quilt Angels: KLRN has no plans for continuing the fundraising auction.
4. Institute of Texan Cultures: Cathy Wallace has closed the bee since the museum needs extensive renovations and there are no plans for quilters to return.
5. Storybook Quilts and Quilts to Go: Viki Ash reported four volunteer hours and seventy-five miles for the month of February. She delivered four quilt kits, two to the San Pedro Branch Library and two to the Medio Creek Elementary. Keystone and Marvelously Made School for Young Children are schedule to receive storybook quilts in March.

Treasurer – Cindy Shutt ~ Nothing to report (left early due to internet issues)

Secretary – Oralia Aves ~ Nothing to report

Parliamentarian – Gail Clover ~ Nothing to report

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Meeting adjourned: 8: 06 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Oralia Aves

GSAQG GENERAL MEETING MINUTES, MARCH 12, 2022

President Mary McCarthy called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. at Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church. Present: Dea Jae Shore, Sandy Doyle, Sandra Lowell, Ina Ramirez, Jean Hardies, Elaine Staller, Gail Clover, Cindy Shutt, Oralia Aves.

President – Mary McCarthy

1. The February meeting minutes stand approved as published.
2. Attendees: 60 members, 2 new members, and 10 members on virtual zoom.
3. Board Meeting Minutes, February 7 corrections: summer retreat is 2022, Bright and Hopes committee is accepting quilt kits (not for the auction 2022).

President Pro Tem – Dea Jae Shore

1. Directories are available for pick up before they're mailed.
2. Members are encouraged to call any board members to meet at the storage for fabric/batting.
3. One hundred thirty-three members have signed up.

Treasurer – Cindy Shutt

The current balance is \$64,989.51.

Secretary – Oralia Aves ~ Nothing to report**1st VP for Special Events – Sandy Doyle**

1. The winter retreat went very well.
2. Discussions on how difficult it was to find a venue for the quilt show 2023.
3. Linda Casias, chairman, discussed the summer retreat 2022. The dates are July 27th – 31st at John Newcombe Ranch. Thirty members have signed up.

2nd VP for Information – Ina Ramirez ~ Nothing to report**3rd VP for Programs – Sandra Lowell**

1. Today's program is speaker Kathryn Groves and the class is the Easter wall hanging.
2. The April program is the Bring and Brag Extravaganza.
3. The May program is a work day.
4. The June Program is speaker Vicki Owens. She will teach a class on collage quilts.
5. The Merrily We Row Along instructions are posted on the guild website and the last row for the pattern is June.

4th VP for Services – Jean Hardies

1. Jean Hardies announced that the auction 2022 is September 17th at the Leon Valley Community Center. Fifty quilts are finished and eighty is projected for the auction. Barbara Shrout (QPC) and Ida Kujawski (QPF) have quilt kits/blocks available for members to work on.
2. The following names for door prizes are: Teresa Reynolds, Alicia Santiago, Oralia Aves and Nancy Beasley.
3. Bee Keeper, Elaine Staller, asked bees' chairpersons for email updates.
4. Jackie Randall, chairman, will mail reminders to members who have not turned in DVD's.

5th VP for Community Outreach – Elaine Staller

1. Judy Pearl reported for Linda Nash ten totes and eighteen quilts delivered to RMYA and 256.5 volunteer hours. She thanked members for the tote bags and quilts. She reminded members that instructions for the tote bag are on the guild website and the ideal size for a quilt is 52 inches x 60 inches.
2. Oralia Aves, Community Education chairman, reported 24 tote bags for Bright Hopes and 48 volunteer hours.
3. Community Quilt Angels: KLRN has no plans to continue the fundraising auction.
4. Cathy Wallace has closed the bee since the ITC needs renovations and there are no plans for the quilters to return.
5. Viki Ash, Storybook Quilts and Quilts to Go chairman, delivered two quilt kits to the San Pedro Branch Library and two to Medio Creek Elementary. Keystone and Marvelously Made School for Young Children will receive quilts for March. She reported four volunteer hours and 75 miles for February.

Parliamentarian – Gail Clover ~ Nothing to report

Old Business: None
Meeting adjourned: 11:00 a.m.

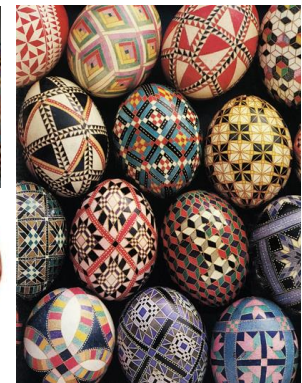
New Business: None
Minutes submitted by: Oralia Aves

4.2022 Pieces of the Past, 144: **Pysanky Quilt Art**, by Ellen Hernandez

Decorating eggs is an ancient art. Ostrich eggs with etched and painted designs date to early Egypt more than 5,000 years ago. This Ukrainian ceramic egg example dates to 900 AD. Though many Central European/Slavic peoples practiced egg decorating, the most elaborate and intricately decorated eggs are associated with Ukraine. Known as *pysanky*, meaning *to write*, the eggs were considered a talisman to protect against evil and celebrate the pagan new year in spring. With the spread of Christianity, the eggs became a symbol of Christ and new birth at Easter. Each Ukrainian region, and sometimes even a particular family, developed their own specific patterns and colors. Patterns have included florals, animals, geometrics, pagan and religious symbols. Hen, goose, duck, crane, swan, and quail eggs were used and written on with beeswax as a resist using a *kistka* tool to create designs. Natural dyes from berries, roots, and insects were used. Red represented life and love, yellow for good harvests, green for growth, brown and black were Mother Earth, and white for purity. Many symbols have been used such as the Tree of Life, diagonal lines of rain, wavy lines of water, dots for stars, and spirals of time. During the 20th century Soviet regime Ukrainian *pysanky* were banished due to their ties to Christianity and museum collections were destroyed. After Ukrainian independence in 1991 a resurgence of egg art has returned.



When Jane Pollak was a young girl, her father brought home a stunning Ukrainian Easter egg which he had received as a gift. Though they did not celebrate Easter, Jane and her siblings were fascinated with the egg and it took pride of place in their home. Years later as a young high school art teacher Pollak was tasked with teaching *pysanky* to her students and had to learn on the spot. She became hooked with the process and started combining her love of quilt designs with *pysanky* in the 1970s, a time when the bicentennial renewed an interest in quilting. Everything popular at the time became an inspiration for Pollak from paisley prints to mod ties and even the VW Beetle. She sold her eggs at craft fairs and the prices quickly rose from \$5 up to \$125 each. Her work made national news over the years and several of her *pysanky* eggs are now in the Smithsonian. A friend suggested Pollak create some type of wearable pieces to reach a wider audience and she experimented with cutting the eggshells. Using mostly epoxied ostrich eggs, her successful items were earrings, pins, hairclips, and cuff links. She also carved an opening in ostrich eggs and made decorative bowls.



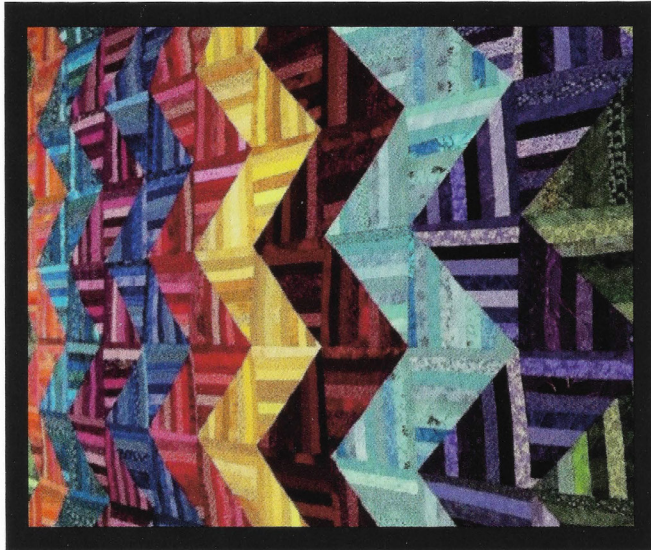
Pollak's first book, *Decorating Eggs: Exquisite Designs with Wax & Dye*, demonstrates her ability to replicate fabric patterns and quilt designs. After over thirty years as a profitable *pysanky* artist, she stopped creating them. Instead, she became a professional speaker and mentor coaching women to turn their crafting into successful businesses.



During recent COVID quarantines Pollak's art focus changed. She began making pillows using traditional wool penny rug making techniques. Her intricate designs are hand-stitched and embellished with glass beads and vintage buttons. The pillows are sold on Etsy ranging from \$125 to \$5,000.

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild's FREE - LIVE QUILT AUCTION

Saturday, September 17, 2022



Silent Auction & Boutique:

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Live Auction:

1 - 5 p.m.

Leon Valley Community Center

6427 Evers Rd,

San Antonio, TX 78238



Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild's
FREE - Live Quilt Auction

Saturday, September 19, 2020

Leon Valley Community Center

6427 Evers Rd,

San Antonio, TX 78238

9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Silent Auction & Boutique

1 to 5 p.m. Live Auction

Over 50 handmade quilted items from
table runners to king size bed quilts

Contact Jean Hardies: 210-885-0015
lhardies@gmail.com

www.sanantonioquilt.org

Guildmembers, the Auction is this year and we need your help! Please consider donating to the Auction any items for:

The Boutique

The Silent Auction

Quilts of all sizes. The sizes are listed on the Web Site under Auction.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



April Schedule

April 4 Board Meeting 7:00 PM
on Zoom

April 9 General Meeting 10:00 AM
Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church

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

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

REGULAR DUES \$ 24
SENIOR (65+) \$ 18
YOUTH (6-18) \$ 6

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