President’s Corner

I guess I should start this with an apology to Irma Gail Hatcher. Last month I said I would be missing Judy Bobbitt’s program because of our trip, but I was a month off the program schedule. I hope everyone enjoyed Irma Gail’s workshop and lecture. I have heard gasps of wonder at the quilts she showed! Judy will be on hand this month, along with Katie Reed, to talk about pattern designing and their new T-Shirt book.

My congratulations and best wishes go to Ruth Felty, DeaJae Shore, Judith Miller; Barbara Gilstad, and Teresa Tijerina on their nominations to serve on our board for the next two years. The meeting minutes mention that there will be a ballot in the newsletter, however since there are no contests for any office no ballot is necessary. Voting will be by voice vote at the November meeting.

Please make a note on your calendars of the schedule change for December. The Secret Pals breakfast is at 8:30 am and the guild meeting will be at 11:00 am. There will be a short business meeting to approve the minutes, hear a Treasurer’s report, and approve the budget which will be published in next month’s newsletter. Then it’s food and games time. Bring a covered dish and your party clothes to celebrate the end of another year and to welcome your new board members.

I have to inject a personal note here. Lois and I had a real ball while you were meeting in October! We were visiting our daughter in Chagrin Falls, OH and meeting with her three siblings to exchange the round robin project we all have been working on during the past year. Thought you might like a picture of the motley crew!

We start a new rotating project next month….this time a “Row” quilt….and in black and white, no less! Further reports when available.

Larry
**NOVEMBER 13 PROGRAM**

Judy Bobbitt and Kate Reed will be our guest speakers and challenge “So You Think You Want to Design Quilts.” Actually, they will talk about their new book on T-shirt quilts and what it takes to design and publish.

Following the meeting we will make Bright Hopes quilts and Yo-Yos. Our supply of ready to donate quilts is nil — and we would like to get some finished. If you want to contribute an hour or so of your time, it will be appreciated. Also, it would be a way to learn, practice and refine your skills on machine quilting. Bring your machine and thread and we’ll bring the supplies.

We will also make red, green and white yo-yos to use for the Christmas party. You bring needle, thread and scissors and we’ll have the fabric, but donations of fabric would be appreciated. We need to be out of the church by 2:00, so we will be busy little bees.

**DECEMBER 11 PROGRAM**

**NOTE:** The time for the December meeting is 11:00 am to avoid conflict with the Secret Sister Breakfast.

The focus will be on food for the December program and also fellowship and games!!! We are cooking up some interactive games (with prizes) for many — notice I did not say winners. They will not be as challenging as the Amazing Race, Survivor or Trading Places, but be prepared for fun. For the new people, everyone brings a covered dish and we will have tea, coffee and tableware.

YO-YOs — again, the call goes out for yo-yos. Red, green or white are the colors and they can be anywhere from 1” to 6” in diameter. Thanks.

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**SECRET PALS**

Some of you have not picked up your packages and we need a fried to pick them up for you if you are not going to be at the next meeting.

Sherrie Allen  
Mary McCarthy  
Marie Hartsfield  
Carrie Beltran  
Charlene Carroll

We will be having our Breakfast in December at **8:30 a.m.** Please have your Secret Pal Gift there and that way someone won’t be disappointed. Thanks. Charlotte Keener

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**Memories by the Yard**  
210-520-4833

Get ready for the holidays!
- Happy Growlween by Moda  
- Bittersweet II, Moda — easy kit available  
- Debbie Mumm fall from South Seas  
- New fall patterns from Sew Many Visions  
  By Vicki Arnold & Pat Gates  
And for Christmas...  
- Christmas X-Citement from Moda  
- Magic of Christmas by Woodrow Studios  
- Merry Snowman from Marcus Brothers  
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IT’S A SMALL (QUILTER’S) WORLD!
by Mary McCarthy

On Tuesday, October 5th, 2004, despite dire warnings of rain and a flood watch, GSAQG members Barbara Wofford, Barbara Gilstad, and Mary McCarthy met at Saint Gregory the Great School for a special presentation. The school librarian, Mrs. Davis, had received a set of quilts and books from the Storybook Quilts Committee. Among these items was a small jacket made to accompany the book Coat of Many Colors which is based on a Dolly Parton song. When Mrs. Watts, the pre-K-4 teacher, saw the name Barbara Wofford on the maker’s label, she remarked to Mrs. Davis that her Home Economics teacher in high school had been a Mrs. Wofford. Could this be the same woman? Mrs. Davis determined to find out. She talked with Storybook Quilts Committee member Barbara Gilstad and learned that yes, Barbara Wofford had indeed been a high school Home Economics teacher. Mrs. Davis arranged a surprise reunion. On the morning of October 5th, Barbara Wofford waited to see if she would be recognized by her former student. And what had been Mrs. Watts’ maiden name? As the 13 students filed into the library and took their places on the floor, a surprised Mrs. Watts (formerly Jo Hughes) warmly hugged her one time Home Economics teacher. It was a memorable moment.

Barbara Wofford gladly modeled her colorful vests for the children. First she wore a bright vest made of patches cut from over 20 fabrics with cats on them. The children were especially intrigued by the folded stars Barbara had incorporated on the vest front. A Christmas vest featuring a large star and an embellished evergreen tree also fascinated the young students. Even the zippered garment bag made to carry the vests was well received. The children learned the difference between a vest and a jacket, recognized simple geometric shapes and identified colors. Barbara informed the students that a vest takes her about 20 hours to design and sew and that the materials cost about $75.

As the children left, Mrs. Watts took the quilters on a tour of her classroom. Imagine their delight when they saw two quilts hanging on the back wall. The older quilt was made with fabric drawings by members of the class of 1995-1996. The newer quilt was made last year- tiny handprints stamped on fabric and framed in blue. When Barbara Wofford retired from teaching, friends encouraged her to join the quilt guild. She took classes with Judy Murrah and fell in love with patchwork jackets. She couldn’t resist making the coat of many colors and so by serendipity was reunited with a former pupil. Isn’t life wonderful?
BRINGERS ‘N BRAGGERS FOR OCTOBER 2004
compiled by Sherry Allred

Melissa Allo  Black and Brights; never-ending $5.00 quilt, 100” x 100”.
            Blue and Embroidery done in truck over summer vacation, 48” x 48”.

Marlene Azzuolo  White; queen size.
            Bright colors, $5.00 quilt, twin size.

Beth Brecheisen  “Daily Grind,” muted coffee colors, original composition, 48” x 54”.
            “In the Garden,” stack-and-whack pinwheel, dark green/beige/red, 60” x 58”.
            “Vice President’s Quilt,” turquoise and tan, paper pieced, 48” x 54”.

Charlotte Keener  Brown Bag Exchange, fall colors, appliqued cats, 24” x 24”.

Sharan McCall  “Loving Hearts,” baby quilt for girl, white/Various colors, 40” x 50”.
            Baby quilt for boy, mixed colors, 60” x 60”.

Joanne Rich  “Spanish Tile,” from Nashville class, cream/pink/blue, 30” x 20”.

Alma “Dusty” Sherrill  “Starring Angels,” blues, 60” x 90”.

Dea Jae Shore  “Calendar Critters,” multi pieces.

Sherry Sorbera  Original string quilt, tan background, strip piecing , machine quilted by Mona Stewart, 67” x 84”.
            “Under the Influence of Fabric,” brights, pieced and quilted by mother, Mona Stewart, 60” x 70”.

Mona Stewart  “Square Illusions” from McCall’s Quick Quilts, brights, assorted prints and plaids, machine quilted, 60” x 84”.
            “Under the Influence of Fabric,” a quilter’s travel quilt, 65” x 75”.

Computer Quilt Designing Bee

By the time you read this update, Amy Cottrell will have strutted her stuff at the October gathering of the CQDBee on October 17th at Memories by the Yard. When you see her at the next guild meeting ask her about what she demonstrated. And since the November 14th meeting follows on the heels of the International Quilt Festival, we’re planning on sharing whatever computer-aided quilt designing ideas we discovered in Houston. In addition, Barbara will demonstrate how she used EQ5 software to design a photo transfer pillow. We’d love to have you join us. Just let us know in advance that you plan to attend by either calling Alice at Memories by the Yard (210—520-4833) or emailing Barbara (gilstad@texas.net). Meanwhile, happy quilt designing!
**Treasurer’s Report**

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QPC - PM $103.19 $103.19 $250.00
Rent (meetings) $100.00 $900.00 $1,500.00
Retreat - Summer $ - $7,543.00 $10,800.00
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Quilt Show $ - $750.00 $1,000.00
Telephone $157.18 $516.57 $600.00
Video Library $ - $ - $25
Welcoming $ - $ - $1
Workshops $ - $ - $350
Webpage $ - $251.35 $40

Total Expenses $2,387.11 $34,283.48 $48,340.00

Ending Jefferson Operating $13,78
Ending Jefferson Reserve Balance $46,04
Ending Total Guild Funds $59,82

Sylvia Jolet, Treasurer
Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.
Minutes of General Meeting
October 9, 2004

The meeting was called to order by the President Pro-Tem, Patti Centeno. The minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer’s Report: Sylvia Jolet
Operating Fund: $13,781.52 Reserve Fund: $46,043.13 Total: $59,824.65
Sylvia announced that its budget preparation time so get in your requests to her.

Patti announced that a Calico Rose will be presented to Carol Rouse for her many contributions to the guild. Carol has been involved with QPC PM for several years. She was not at the meeting.

Old Business:
Patti stated that she would like to form a committee to improve our monthly meetings and make them more enjoyable and interesting. Please contact Patti if you would like to participate or contribute in any way.

New Business:
It was announced that Larry Beauchamp will do the next newsletter so please send items for the newsletter to Larry.

Parliamentarian: Candace Tull announced the slate for the next term and asked for nominations. Candace also thanked the members of the committee. Nominees are: President: Ruth Felty; 2nd VP (Newsletter): DeaJaé Shore; 4th VP (Services): Judith Miller; 5th VP (Outreach): Barbara Gilstad; Secretary: Teresa Tijerina. The ballot will be in the newsletter.

Programs:
Kitty told us that Judy Bobbitt will do the program next month. The workshop after the meeting will be to help with the Bright Hopes Quilts and/or make yo yo’s for the holiday party.

Special Events: Winter Retreat: Kris Thomson announced that the Winter Quilt Retreat will be held January 14th, 15th, and 16th. Houston Bus Trip: Mary Storey said there are only a few spaces left for the bus trip to Houston. Please contact Mary if you are interested in going. Quilt Show Challenge: Holly Nelson said she has more challenge fabric for $5.00 per fat quarter.

Last month’s Block Party blocks were won by Mary McCarthy (14).
This month’s pumpkin blocks were won by Joyce Efron (11).

There were 103 members and 7 guests.

Sharan E. McCall, Secretary
REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

Transcending 9/11: Quilters' Reflections (initially referred to as the "Reflections on 9/11" collaborative quilt collection) will be exhibited at the Institute of Texan Cultures from January 20 through May 8, 2005. To ensure the exhibit's success, we invite you to participate in the preparations for and implementation of this exciting adventure. Please indicate your willingness to assist with:

- Quilt preparation (adding sleeves and labels to completed quilts)
- Friendship Quilt for the Japanese quilters (making blocks, etc.)
- Publicity
- Fund Raising
- On Site Exhibit Guides
- Exhibit-related Activities for Children
- Other___________________

I have the following expertise that may be helpful in planning for the success of the exhibit:

- Media Relations
- Audio/Visual Media
- Sales/Marketing
- Desktop Publishing
- Management
- Web Design
- Education
- Accounting
- Project Documentation
- Other: _____________________

Name: _______________________________________________________
Address: _____________________________________________________
City: _________________________ State: ________ Zip: ______________
Home Phone: ___________________ Work Phone: ____________________
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Thank you for your interest and support!

Barbara Gilstad  gilstad@texas.net  210-493-2404
Ruth Felty  ruth_felty@msn.com  210-688-2288
January Schedule

**NOVEMBER 8 - BOARD MEETING**
Home of Larry Beauchamp
3402 Clearfield 561-0719

**NOVEMBER 13 - GUILD MEETING**
10:00am Horizon Church, 6800 Evers Road.

**NOVEMBER 16 - Quilt-In 9am to Noon**
Cavender Buick, IH-10 West
Contact Jean Powell - 684-6425

**NOVEMBER 16 - RR Vest Bee**
Wearable Art Group 6:30 pm
Creative Sewing Center
Ida Blankenship - 690-0828

**NOVEMBER 18 - QPC-AM**
10 am to 4 pm
Alamo Stitchin Post
Loveta Fowler - 656-6700

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**Bold** offices expire December 2004