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Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.



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November 10 **Guild Meeting**

NO Services 10:00 Secret Sister Reveal 11.00 Guild Holiday Party @Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church 8231 Callaghan Rd.



Remember to bring to the meeting

- Name tag (wear it)
- Library books, & DVD's
- QPC projects
- Bright Hopes quilts
- Smiles for your friends

President's Letter

Give thanks for all that we have and for our wonderful quilt quild, and all the opportunities we have herein!!

Welcome and give thanks to the new officers: Mary McCarthy, President; 2nd VP, Ina Ramirez; 4th VP, Leticia Zavala; 5th VP Patricia Alva; Secretary, Lyn Komada. We thank them for saying "Yes," and wish every success for their leadership.

Sandra Lowell was presented a Calico Rose for her guidance for the bus trip to Houston; she wants to share the award with Lisetta Ennis.

Linda Kirk presented us an inspiring look at our own Storybook Quilts committee. With it we reach out to many young people in our schools - they really learn lots about guilts. And so do the teachers and others these quilts touch. Thanks to all who help Linda with this guild project.

It is bittersweet for me to say "Thanks" to you, the membership, as I step away from this leadership position. Four years of your generosity and support to our guild and our community have enriched my life. I have tried to give you words of inspiration and encouragement in each letter.

So now I hope for each of you to experience the joys of creativity with your quilting projects; please continue to say "YES" when opportunities come. Our participation together will make our guild ever better. I'll work with you again soon.

We had 122 members present; we welcomed new members Elizabeth Rodriquez and Jacqueline Hager.

Plan to be with us on the 10th for the December Christmas **Party**. It's always lots of fun and good food. Bring a Christmas quilt to show us. We want all our members to come to the party. See you there!! ©

Ida Sincerely,



Calico Rose



2016 Program Notes

December. It's Party Time! Secret Sisters will meet at 10:00. Guild members can start arriving at 11 and a pot luck lunch will be served at 1130. Ham and shrimp will be provided. We'll do a Show and Tell of your favorite Christmas quilt, one quilt per person.

January. Kathy Kansier national teacher, appraiser, and judge from Missouri will be our quest teacher. Friday's class will be Quilts with Great Edges, learn a multitude of techniques for finishing the edge of your guilt. Sewing machine with walking foot if available. Class \$35. plus kit fee of \$50. payable to the teacher. In Saturday's class, Simply Crazy, you will use cotton fabrics, fused raw edge, and hand stitched decorative stitches to embellish. Class \$25. plus kit fee of \$20. payable to the teacher. Kathy has been designated the Guild's Eleanor Wright Grant teacher, each attendee will receive a partial refund of class registration fees. Please note I screwed up the description of the Saturday class, it is hand stitches NOT machine stitches. If hand stitching is not your thing please call/email to get a refund

NEWSLETTER INPUT

DEADLINE is Midnight the Monday after Guild meeting.

E-mail <u>quiltnews@sanantonioquilt.org</u>

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)	
1/4 page ad	\$15.00	\$165
Business card (2 x 3.5)	\$10	\$110
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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

REGULAR DUES \$24
SENIOR (65+) \$18
YOUTH (6-18) \$6
Send your check to:
GSAQG
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San Antonio, TX 78268

February. Guild Garage Sale. A table will cost \$10.00. ONLY sewing/thread craft items NOT your kitchen cupboard stuff.

March. Maggie Ball, Dragonfly Quilts. Friday's class Template-free Op-Art Kaleidoscope Quilt. Pattern fee \$5.00. Make a four block top with no special rulers. Saturday's class is a UFO Clinic, bring those blocks or problem quilt. Suggestions/ solustions will be offered.

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.

GSAQG Board Meeting Minutes November 17, 2016

Ida Blankenship, **President**, called the meeting to order at 2:57 pm. Others attending were Karen Lambdin, Linda Ethridge, Cindy Shutt, Elaine Staller, Sherry Duringer, Janet Miller, Dea Jae Shore, and Jeana Kubik.

The October board meeting minutes stand approved as presented in the newsletter.

A decision was made to clear up confusion of a committee name in the budget. The committee will be called the Community Quilt Angels in future.

Sandra Lowell was nominated for a Calico Rose for organizing the bus trip.

The December board meeting will be at the County Line at 6:30 pm where the transfer of officers will occur. A motion that all board members and new board members pay for their own meal at this board meeting was voted on and approved.

President Pro Tem – Virginia Oehlke was not in attendance. Janet Miller reported that the storage units are almost cleared to one unit.

Treasurer – Cindy Shutt reported a balance of \$58,725.56 and the September financials have been checked and approved.

1st VP for Special Events – Elaine Staller. Ida (as Quilt show vendor chair) has 10 paid vendors so far. Dea Jae is updating the webpage for the show.

Linda Kirk has opened up 2 more spaces at the Winter Retreat.

2nd **VP for Information** – Dea Jae Shore has been working with her replacement for the newsletter. She shared web page information for board members to access.

3rd **VP for Programs** – Janet Miller. Linda Kirk, Storybooks, will be presenting in November. A jellyroll cutting session is planned after the meeting. Dea Jae will remind members in an eblast.

There will be gifts and door prizes at the Christmas party in December.

Signups for the January speaker are ongoing. Janet will also begin garage sale table sales at \$10/table.

4th **VP for Services** – Jeana Kubik has not purchased the table signs yet, but will soon.

5th **VP for Community Education** – Sherry Duringer was excited to report that a new Bright Hopes Chairperson and assistant have been found.

New Business – Ida handed out memory stick information for board members to include in their notebooks. There will be some new files forthcoming for the sticks.

Ida would like to include a statement about guild contracts in the Guild General Policy.

It was decided to leave the bylaws and policies out of the directory in 2017 as there have been no changes since the last publication.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Lambdin, Secretary

GSAQG Guild Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2016

Ida Blankenship, President, called the meeting to order at 10:05 am with a greeting for members and guests.

The October minutes were approved as presented in the newsletter.

Election – five 2017 officers were elected by acclamation: Mary McCarthy, President; Ina Ramirez, 2nd VP for Information; Letty Zavala, 4th VP for Services; Patricia Alva, 5th VP for Community Outreach; and Carolyn Komada, Secretary.

2017 Budget – a motion to approve the proposed budget was seconded and passed.

An Opportunity questionnaire was passed around to all members to fill out during the meeting.

The Calico Rose was awarded to Sandra

Lowell for her coordination of the bus trip. Sandra thanked Lisetta Ennis for her help and nominated her for a Calico Rose also.

Barbara Sumlin explained the work done by the Quilt Angel Committee.

A chairperson is still needed for the 2018 Quilt Auction. An online auction has been suggested.

Treasurer – Cindy Shutt reported a cash and savings balance of \$58,725.56.

1st VP for Special Events – Elaine Staller thanked the cookie bringers and asked for a new group to prepare coffee in 2017.

The Quilt Show raffle tickets are ready to be picked up. Carol Bryant announced that there will be sponsors at the Quilt Show who will donate cash prizes for the Best of Show quilt and Viewer's Choice. Ida has 10 paid vendors for the show already.

Winter Retreat – Linda Kirk has a waiting list and is taking names for Secret Sis, tables and roommates. Payment is due now.

2nd VP for Information – Dea Jae Shore will have the newsletter ready by next Saturday. There are 708 Likes on our Facebook page.

3rd VP for Programs – Janet Miller reported that the storage units will be reduced to one after the Feb. garage sale.

December Christmas Party – begins at 11 am and members are asked NOT to arrive early because the Secret Sisters will be having their party at 10am. Janet is taking sign-ups for food and clean-up.

January – The Eleanor Wright program will be Kathy Kansier with two workshops.

February – Guild garage sale for fiber craft items only. Sign up for your table now.

The Spring Retreat will be March 24 and 25.

4th VP for Services- DVDs - Jackie Randall will not have service next month, so bring DVD's back in January.

The Golden Carrot was awarded to Alicia Santiago.

QPC has a new block and 2 special hand projects.

5th **VP for Community Outreach** – Sherry Duringer. QSOS will start up again in September. Storybooks – Linda Kirk showed off a new quilt

donation.

Bright Hopes – Carol Steeley introduced the new committee chairs for 2017. She has some tops that need quilting, and she will be taking in quilts in December.

ITC – Donnis Todd showed off some hand quilting finished at the ITC. She has signup information for anyone interested in joining the group.

Secret Sisters - Sandra Doyle (standing in for Melissa Allo) asked sisters to bring a gift for the person who has been giving to you all year as well as for your secret sis. Melissa will be bringing unclaimed gifts in December. A leader of the Secret Sisters is needed for next year.

New Members – Ida welcomed two new members with a guild pin.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Lambdin, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

For ten months ending October 31, 2016

	YTD Actual	2016 Budget
REVENUES		
Ordinary Income:		
Interest		\$ 500.00
Savings	10.21	
CD Interest	320.77	
Other income	319.17	1,500.00
Magazine Sales	446.25	450.00
Nametage fines	24.05	30.00
Newsletter Postage	76.00	300.00
Dues - Membership	5,847.00	5,300.00
Pins	129.00	
Newsletter/Directory Ads	1,410.00	1,500.00
Workshops	4,065.00	6,000.00
Fund Raising:		
Quilt Show	1,670.00	0.00
Auction	14,842.00	20,000.00
Self-Sustaining:		
Retreat - Summer	10,780.00	13,088.00
Retreat - Winter	8,265.00	8,500.00
Mini-Retreats	1,740.29	0.00
Houston Bus trip	2,795.00	3,000.00
Total Revenues	\$ 52,739.74	\$ 60,168.00







EXPENSES		100000 12
Administration:	•	
Administration Bank & CC	\$ 567.14	5,000.00
Insurance		
Coffee Fund		
Ofc Supplies & Postage		
CPA/tax return		
Other	·	
Equipment Purchase	\$ 127.90 \$	250.00
Charitable Contributions		
Janitorial	\$ 125.00 \$	175.00
Sunshine & Shadows	\$	25.00
Memorial Quilt & Bios	*	25.00
Permanent Quilt collectiion	\$	25.00
Door Prizes	444.04	220.00
Telephone Storage facility	111.94 5,326.00	150.00 6,000.00
Rent (Meetings)	2,030.00	2,100.00
Rent (Workshops)	420.00	700.00
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Membership expenses:		
Membership supplies	103.85	200.00
Newsletter/Directory printing	629.11	600.00
Postage	178.18	300.00
Webpage	304.45	400.00
Quilt Show	1,172.28	1,000.00
Auction	6,779.55	10,000.00
Community activities:		
Bright Hopes	1,079.93	1,200.00
Storybook Quilts	212.62	400.00
Community Outreach		
Community Education		300.00
Community Response		50.00
Save Our Stories		300.00
ITC		25.00
Membership services &		
activities.		
Ethel Howey Grant	40.77	1,000.00
Library	40.75	300.00
QPC QPFC	347.07	350.00
Video Library	32.45 23.99	350.00 250.00
Programs	5,608.27	4,725.00
Workshops	5,701.19	6,675.00
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Self-sustaining activities:		
Mini-Retreats	1,740.29	0.00
Retreat - Summer	10,766.95	13,088.00
Retreat - Winter	8,265.00	8,500.00
Houston bus trip Total Expenses	2,809.03 58,899.21	3,000.00 67,683.00
Net	\$ (6,159.47)	\$
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Ending Jefferson Operating	\$ 16,824.29	
[2015 Technology Fund Inc]	\$ (2,767.73)	
Ending Jefferson Savings	11,236.80	
SSFCU CD's & savings	20,965.37	
SSFCU Wright Class CD	12,466.83	
Total Guild Funds	\$ 58,725.56	

Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer

12.16 Pieces of the Past, 80: Seersucker by Ellen Hernandez



The puckered, striped cotton fabric so popular in warm climates known as seersucker was first popular in colonial British India. The name comes from the Hindi word *sirsakar* meaning milk and sugar. Special weaving of the cotton threads makes seersucker 'breathable.' The group of colored warp threads are held at a regular tension. Putting the next set of white warp threads at a higher tension makes the crinkle.

Cargo ships from India to London in 1694 list many kinds of fabric, including seersuckers. Early shipments of 'sea sucker' to the US are recorded in 1722 and 'seesucker' in 1736. The first production of seersucker in the US was the blue and white version and was used for workmen's clothing and hats. Later, the fabric was available in a variety of colors, including plaids and checks.



In the days before air conditioning, Joseph Haspel introduced seersucker as a coverall for factory workers in Louisiana. In 1904 he marketed the seersucker suit. He had first-hand knowledge of the fabric's adaptability after he wore a suit swimming in the ocean, hung it up to dry, and later that night was able to wear it to a dinner banquet. Students at Princeton after WWI helped make the suit popular as a fashion statement for upper classes, rather than a cheap material for laborers. Movie stars, male and female, and presidents were seen in the striped

fabric, usually between Memorial Day and Labor Day. It's always been a great fabric for travelling as it doesn't need ironing. Besides men's suits common items made from seersucker were shorts, shirts, bathrobes, and



children's rompers. The first female US Marines had seersucker summer uniforms and a 'peanut suit' for exercise named for its beige seersucker fabric and bloomer legs. For a time, the WAVES had gray and white seersucker uniforms and the WACS wore brown and white.





In 1996 US Senator Trent Lott started a tradition of Seersucker Thursday which continued until 2012. The Rolling Stones mention a seersucker suit in 'West Coast Promo Man' as does Tom Petty in 'Down South.' In the 2016 Summer Olympics, the Australian Team donned light green seersucker blazers. Seersucker suits are still popular with Brooks Brothers and other clothing lines. The fabric now comes in many colors and prints, and quilters are

finding it to be a colorful, textural option for quilts.

















New Bright Hopes Committee Chairs

Carol Steely welcomes Joan Parro and Yaya Walrafen



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520-1335

Congratulations to all our members who had quilts at Houston this year...Vickie Owen, Karen Lambdin (she had 2), Deborah France, and Ellen Hernandez. Ellen's quilt for the *Quilt Alliance* will be auctioned along with 68 others beginning with group 1 November 14 – 21 and group 2 November 28 – December 5: http://www.BenefitBidding.com/quiltalliance.

Door Prize winners



New Members



New Officers



Library News

The International Quilt Festival in Houston allow quite a grand scope of selection for books to add to the Library.

First in a class that I attended for More EQ our instructor, Mary Ellen Kranz, graciously donated a book "Blending Photos with Fabric 2". We have her first book "Blending Photos with Fabric" in our library, also. Now you can expand on your projects in EQ. She was sent a thank you note for her kind donation.

The additions for our Library include but are not limited to:

"A Passion for Piecing" by Claudia Clark Myers
"The Quilter's Practical Guide to Color" by Becky
Goldsmith

"Mixing Quilt Elements" by Kathy Doughty

"Fun Sized Quilts – 17 popular designers play with fat quarters" by Burns

"Beginner's Guide to Free-Motion Quilting" by Natalia Bonner

"French Braid Quilts with a Twist" by Jane Hardy Miller

"The Photo Transfer Handbook" by Jean Ray Laury

"100 Modern Quilt Blocks" by Tula Pink

Quite a range and certainly something for everyone to try something that they have not attempted yet in the New Year. More to come from the Library...

Please remember that the Quilting Fiction (Mysteries) being pulled from the collection will be sold in February at the fund raiser.

Remember that you can see details of the Library at the Guild's page at http://www.sanantonioquilt.org/pages/books.html

There is a link in the Services tab of our website.

You can e-mail me at <u>incraig@airmail.net</u> for suggestions on book purchases or requests to bring specific books to meetings. My thanks for your support.

Happy reading,

Janet N. Craig

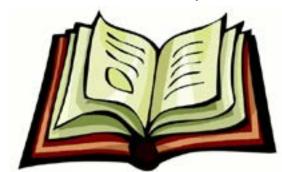
Golden Carrot Winner: Alicia Santiago



Thanks to all of you that turned in blocks this month. We are thrilled to see several "final" blocks come in, that will allow us to move more projects along to their next stage. There will be no Services at the Holiday Potluck, so please plan to bring your completed blocks in Jan. If you need an extra piece of fabric, just call us. Thanks to everyone that helped to cut floral fabrics into strips, Thank you so much!

Each time you turn in a project to Bright Hopes, Storybook Quilts, Auction, Quilt Projects Committee or complete any other service to the guild, you are given chances to win this prize. (Note: be sure to sign your name on the white side of each ticket you receive! I'd hate to draw a blank ticket or one

that I can't read the name. If they are stapled together, remove the staple and sign each one.)



Reminders and Requests

For the Party in December, please bring your own marked serving pieces. Also bring Ziplock Bags if you plan to take home leftovers.

If you were one of the four people who said they were interested in buying a shelving unit, please email Dea Jae (deajae47@gmail.com) and let her know when you plan to pick them up.

Possible Classes

Dea Jae Shore would like to know if anyone is interested in computer classes. Possible subjects would be Getting more out of my Tablet, How smart is my Smart phone, Electric Quilt, and What can Windows 10 do. I would also be able to give individual help with your desktop. I do not work with Apple products.

****** Secret Pals 2017 ******

Are you ready for a brand new year? And a brand new secret pal? We are glad you will be joining us for a year of fun and excitement! Let get started with a few things to know:

- 1. You must be a paid member for 2017.
- Please try to remember your pal every month. This will make them feel appreciated and bring out the child in each of us when we receive a surprise.
- 3. If you decide to bring a perishable gift (food, plant, etc) please be sure the recipient will be attending that month have a sneaky friend confirm it for you.
- Please arrange for someone to pick up your gift if you will not make a meeting. I do not intend to keep the packages from month to month.
- 5. If you have not received a gift for 2 months in a row, please let me know. I want to make sure everything is ok with your secret pal. We understand that things come up, but we want to make sure that all participants enjoy the activity.



Design Wearables Crazy Embellishment Other

Is there anything you would like to learn about this year?

What other crafts do you do?

Would you like items for this craft? Where do you shop for supplies for this craft?

Would you like gift certificates for stores? If so, which ones?



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December Schedule December 5 Board Meeting 6:00 PM @ County Line December 10 Guild meeting 11:00 AM @ St. Andrew Church

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

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