

NEWSLETTER

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild Inc.



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February 10 Guild Meeting

Meeting called to order	10:00
Business Meeting	
Adjourn	10:40
Announcements	10:40
Door Prizes	
Bring and Brag	10:50
QPC Presentation	11:10
Guild Services	11:15
PROGRAM	11:45
Dr. Susan Delaney Mech	

Upcoming Programs

- * MARCH
Mama J's
- * APRIL
Shelley Pace
(Saturday workshop)
- * MAY
Darlene Christopherson
(Friday and Saturday workshops)

President's Corner

Lots of Changes – Lots of the Same

As some of you have probably heard, my husband passed away on January 13 th. David had been in bad health for several years but he had continued to work. Then in the middle of December he started to deteriorate for other reasons. The end came relatively quickly and with little pain for which I am grateful. When I took on the responsibility of President of the Guild I knew some time during my presidency I would have to face this; I just did not know it would be this soon. I want everyone to know I need and appreciate your fellowship to help me through this difficult time.

From the January Newsletter and General Meeting you will notice the Guild has started a Block Party. I hope everyone will take part and make a block or two. It can be a fun part of the meeting. Please see Ida Tyson Blankenship, who is organizing this effort, for the details. Ida needs the help of the Guild membership to make this a success.

Again from the January Newsletter, Cathy Wallace told us about four new bees. Two Quilting Bees, one Round Robin Vest Bee, and a Saturday morning get together were listed. (If you went to the Style Show in September you saw that Ida Tyson Blankenship excels in vests.) Being in a bee myself I can say it is really good to bond with a group of people. Here is a chance for people who have not been able to find a bee. And if these do not meet your fancy you can form a bee yourself and invite others to join.

Now is the time to be thinking about the Auction that will be held on Saturday, June 30, 2001 at the Leon Valley Community Center. Jean Powell is the Chair and Renee Bradley is the Co-Chair. Jean and Renee need the support of the membership to make items that can be either finished or unfinished, and from a wall hanging to a bed quilt. The Auction is held each year as the main fund-raiser for Guild expenses. We have had items that have brought in a sizable amount of money. It is fun to go to the Auction and see what some items will sell for and it gives you a good feeling that you have contributed something to the Guild. And then Joe the auctioneer is just fantastic. Let's have a fun and successful Auction.

Put a smile on your face.
Life is too short for anything less than a smile.

Betty Opiela

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come.**

**For further details contact Trina Horvath
or Sherry Allred.**



BRIGHT HOPES

This is a three in one report

First - I did miss one person who made more than 10 comforters - what's more, they were all donated - Our thanks to Monte Leeper

Second - a yearly report - The Guild donated 425 comforters, 123 tote bags and one soft book. Isn't that great!!! All that came to 1,186 hours of time. WOW!!!!!!

Third - as we start a new year - for January, we had 22 checked out and 45 came in. To meet the goal of 40 a month, we need 48 to come in each month (that's because we don't "meet" in June and December). Still - good work and thanks folks.

Kitty Janiga

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(you must have your member card)**

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Don't forget to ask for your free gift

call to sign up: 684-0376

MEMBERSHIP

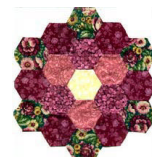
Now is the time to renew your membership for 2001. If you joined prior to May 1, 2000 your renewal date was January 1. Those that joined after May 1 come due on the anniversary of their membership.

Remember that dues are still \$20 per year (\$15 for Seniors 65+). If you mail your renewal please include a self-addressed, stamped (34¢) envelope so we can return your membership card to you. Send to: Gloria S. Hammond, 12226 Lone Shadow Trail, San Antonio, TX 78233-2802.

If you want to be in the 2001 Directory GET YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN. Cut-off for the Directory is the February 10 meeting!

SPECIAL NOTE: If you paid in cash at the November meeting, please contact Gloria at 210-590-6406.

AUCTION BOUTIQUE



As of this writing, I'm still trying to find a place to meet. By the next meeting, we should have a place. Until then, please keep working on your own projects. We will have a Christmas tree (or two) - I've heard that was a big draw in years past. You may donate items to the guild or put them up for sale yourself. Items that you want to sell for yourself should be under \$50 and 20% will go to the Guild. In March, I will have inventory sheets so you can get started. Kitty Janiga — 622-9522 or kjaniga@accd.edu



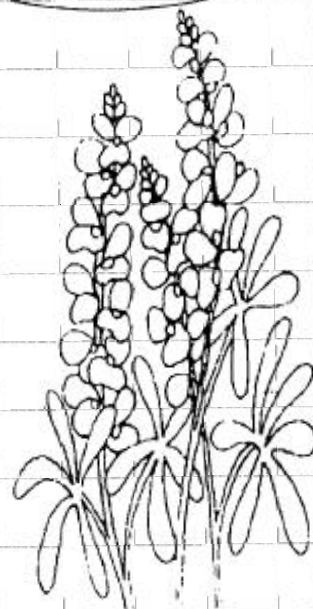
Third Annual Bluebonnet Patchwork Trail

GRAND PRIZE Vendor Bag of Gifts & \$900 in gift certificates

Call Martha at 1-800-224-3629 for tour bus seats! Contact her before January 31!

Bring your quilting friends along for a weekend of fun and prizes! Visit all nine shops and register for drawings at each store - 1 gift bag worth over \$200 plus 10 \$25 gift certificates at each store. Pick up your "Trail Ticket" at the first shop, have it stamped at each stop, and pick up your pattern piece and instructions for a portion of the Bluebonnet Patchwork quilt for the year 2001 at each shop. At the end of the weekend all completed tickets will be entered in the Grand Prize Drawing worth over \$1,200! Each shop will also be giving participants a free fat quarter and a selected pattern! Shop Friday & Saturday 9-9; Sunday 12-6.

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The Quilt Store	2700 W. Anderson Ln. #301, Austin, 78757	512-453-1145



Shop Hop - April 6-8, 2001



To Bee or Not to Bee!

Please forgive me if I am creating an “oops!” here, because I haven’t yet talked to the contact for each bee, but according to the records available to me, the following bees are open to new members who would like to join a bee:

DAYTIME BEES:

Scraps for Life meets on Mondays at the Lackland Baptist Church. Contact person is Lari Jensen, 684-2740.

S & B meets on Mondays at the Blue Room of the Clubhouse of the San Pedro North Mobile Home Park. Contact person is Charlotte Keener, 490-2312.

Bits and Pieces meets in members’ homes on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Contact to call: Jill Fritz, 680-4333.

Dyeing to Quilt meets at Hancock Fabrics on Bandera Rd. on the 1st Wednesday of each month. Contact to call is Betty Opiela, 684-4730.

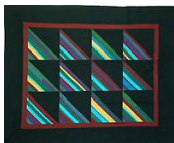
Hand-Quilting Daytime Bee meets at Creative Sewing Center on West Avenue on every other Wednesday. This bee is limited to hand work only. Contact persons are Nadine Darby, 674-7639, or Charlotte Keener, 490-2312.

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COMMITTEES

ADVERTISING	Barbara Wofford	736-0810	RETREAT-JULY 2001	
ARCHIVIST	Sherry Allred	656-0237	Trina Horvath	494-0844
AUCTION 2001	Jean Powell	684-6425	RETREAT-JANUARY 2002	
BEE KEEPER	Renee Bradley	647-7818	SECRET PAL Elaine Staller	822-8338
BRIGHT HOPES	Cathy Wallace	698-0269	STYLE SHOW 2002	
BRING & BRAG	Kitty Janiga	622-9522	SUNSHINE & SHADOWS	
COMMUNITY ED	Nancy Klaerner	655-6184	Valerie Arcement	349-4456
DIRECTORY	Betty Tope	696-4138	VIDEOS Donna Christophel	690-9030
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ITC	Janet Rutherford	490-2237	WEBMISTRESS	
LIBRARY-BOOKS	Lucille Shean	696-1879	Diane Leclair	680-3020
MAGAZINES	Mary Ruth Flores	694-6059	WEARABLE ARTS	
MEMBERSHIP	Carol Rouse	699-9363	Kay Allison	733-1744
MEMBER SVC.	Gloria Hammond	590-6406	WELCOMING	
NEWSLETTER	Liz Hooge	342-5976	Doris Patterson	656-0334
PATTERNS	Larry Beauchamp	561-0719	Carrie Lyons	497-3832
PHOTO	Jan Mueller	622-3945	Ellie Williams	492-3164
PUBLICITY	Rosa Lee Clary	824-2707	YOUTH ALTERNATIVES	
QPC-AM	Carol Bryant	479-8611	Jean Powell	684-3425
QPC-PM	Loveta Fowler	945-8230		
QUILT SHOW 2001	Carol Rouse	699-9363		
	Loveta Fowler	945-8230		





SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Valerie Arcement

Our sympathy and prayers go to Betty Opiela whose husband died rather suddenly in January.

Our sympathies and prayers to Kris Thompson whose Mother died in December.

We hope by the time you read this Betty Tope will be well on the road to recovery from hip surgery suffered in January.

Candace Tull would appreciate our prayers as she had been battling breast cancer with complications since December.

Congratulations to Susan Bradley whose award winning quilt has been featured and published on the front cover of Great American Quilts. Her quilt won Best of Show at our 1999 Show. You might also want to check out the 2001 IQA Calendar: her quilt graces the month of October!

If you want to order the calendar on-line (and sneak a peek at her quilt and the others) go to www.lang.com and select calendars/wall calendars/quilt calendars and then click October.



(To Bee or Not to Bee - continued)



Zion Bee meets every other Friday in members' homes. Contact person in Ruth Felty, 695-8332.

(As of yet unnamed) **Saturday Bee** meets at members' homes on the 4th Saturday of each month. Contact person in Ann Parker, 762-0953.

EVENING BEES:

Hand-Quilting Evening Bee meets at Creative Sewing Center on West Avenue on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. Contact person is Delores Valdez, 434-7411.

The **Round Robin Vest Bee** will meet on the 4th Tuesday evenings at Creative Sewing Center on West Avenue. Contact person is Ida Tyson Blankenship, 698-0828.

There are other VERY active bees in the guild who are not presently accepting new members, but whom you may hear of quite often because they are so prolific and contribute so much! **Hoop & Holler, Needle Benders, Novel Stitches, Pin Droppers, Snappy Scrappers, and Stitchin' Round the Bend** are also active bees.

Please call me if I've missed anyone! I want to keep everyone up to date so we all know where and when we can find a quilting buddy when the need arises!

Cathy Wallace, 698-0269
GSAQG Bee Coordinator

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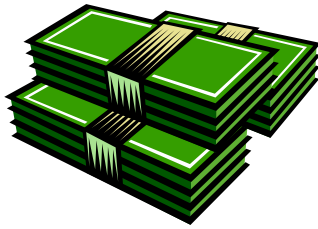
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Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.

Treasurer's Report
December 31, 2000



Beginning Jefferson Operating	\$2,332.88
Beginning Balance (Jefferson Reserve)	\$24,824.28
Beginning Balance (Total Guild Funds)	\$26,617.16

INCOME

Dues - Membership	745.00
Interest	61.87
Newsletter/Directory Ads	620.00
Other	57.00
QPC Raffle	300.00

Total Income **\$1,783.87**

EXPENSES

Administration	76.40
Bright Hopes	97.99
Facility	125.00
Magazines	38.95
Newsletter/Directory	194.90
Other	22.57
Photography	31.76
Postage, Bulk	300.00
QPM	80.60
Rent (Meetings)	105.00
Telephone	48.03

Total Expenses **\$1,119.20**

Net Income **\$664.67**

Ending Jefferson Operating	\$2,935.66
Ending Jefferson Reserve Balance	\$24,346.15
Ending Total Guild Funds	\$27,281.83

Garnette Hanson
Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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NEWSLETTER INPUT

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GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD BOARD MEETING

December 4, 2000

The Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild Board met at Ryan's Steak House on Bandera Rd. on December 4, 2000. Board members present; Cathy Baisley, Nadine Darby, Garnette Hanson, Renee Bradley,

Charlotte Keener, Ida T. Blankenship, Kay Allison, Roberta Haby, Kris Thomson, Larry Beauchamp, Betty Opiela, Sylvia Jolet, Lois Beauchamp, and Marilyn Bellows.

President Cathy Baisley opened the meeting at 7:15p.m. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed in the Newsletter. Treasurer, Garnette Hanson gave her report as follows: Jefferson Bank operating fund \$2,332.68 and savings account, \$24,284.28.

Cathy wished the new board good luck and said a few words to the extent of her past office and her new job working nights.

Kay Allison asked about the stamps to make labels and a discussion followed.

Garnette spoke on the budget and noted some questions that had been asked about it.

Nadine reported on the Secret Sister Breakfast before the next meeting.

Larry needs the correct names and phone numbers of the new board members.

The Budget will be presented for approval at the December meeting, which is also our Christmas Buffet.

Cathy dismissed the 2000 board and said there would be a 15 minute recess.

2001 President Betty Opiela opened the meeting with the new board members present. She reported the Fiber Arts group had contacted Ruth Felty and would like to exchange event information for the newsletters.

Betty asked everyone to set goals for the coming year. A discussion and many suggestions followed. Charlotte Keener volunteered to assist on the welcoming Committee and to make some signs for the services tables. Betty stated she would like to see an OP's center for the future. A discussion followed on that.

Cathy Wallace will be the new Bee Keeper.

Meeting Adjourned

Charlotte Keener—2000 Secretary

ATTENTION

As we prepare for the 2001 directory we need to update some information. Anyone who **performs quilt services for the public** should contact Lois Beauchamp at 561-0719 or leb@satx.rr.com. If you don't contact us...**you won't be in!**



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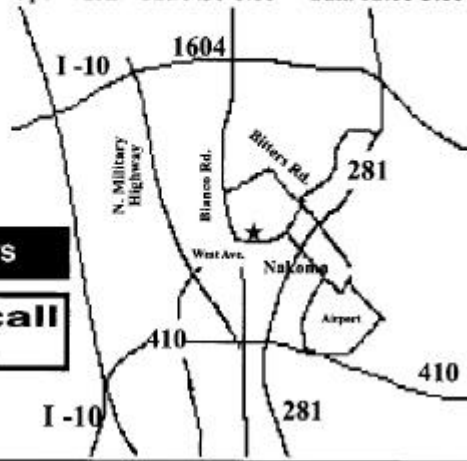
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GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD**BOARD MEETING**

January 9, 2001

Board members present: Larry and Lois Beauchamp, Marilyn Bellows, Ida Tyson Blankenship, Renee Bradley, Roberta Haby, Garnette Hanson, Sylvia Jolet, Betty Opiela, Kris Thomson.

President Betty Opiela called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. Approval of the December Board minutes are pending.

Treasurer Garnette Hanson gave the Treasurers report as follows: Jefferson Operating Fund \$2,935.68; Jefferson Reserve Balance \$24,346.15; Total \$27,281.83

REPORTS

-Kris Thomson, Services Chairperson, resigned stating she needed time after the death of her mother for family affairs.

-Renee Bradley, co-chair of the Auction, reported on the wonderful facilities at Leon Valley Community Center where the auction is to be held.

-Ida Tyson Blankenship reported on a proposal from the San Antonio Live Stock Show to sponsor a booth to educate people about quilting. Kitty Janiga is willing to chair this committee. Larry Beauchamp moved we approve the proposal. Kris Thomson seconded. Motion passed.

Ida also reported the first block of the month appeared in the January Newsletter. She will form a committee to determine how the blocks will be distributed each month. This segment of the meeting will be known as THE BLOCK PARTY.

Ida complimented Larry on the fine presentation of new bees and Round Robin Vest Bee in the newsletter.

-Larry Beauchamp reported on the schedule of programs for 2001. He reported Jane Dunnewald, scheduled for January, cancelled. The program will be 20 years of quilting, a computer generated program.

There was a discussion on collaboration with Alamo Heritage Guild to sponsor joint classes. Betty and Larry will pursue this suggestion.

-Lois Beauchamp reported receiving a call from Uvalde Quilt Guild. They are interested in (1) advertising in our newsletter and (2) selling raffle tickets on their Raffle quilt at our February meeting.

Lois moved we allow Uvalde Quilt Guild to sell raffle tickets on their raffle quilt at the February meeting. Ida Seconded. Motion passed.

Discussion followed on the deadline for the directory.

Lois Beauchamp moved the deadline for the 2001 directory by the February meeting and thereafter the January Meeting. Kris seconded. Motion passed.

Directory will also contain present set of by-laws and committee assignments and Board Members responsible for these committees.


There was discussion regarding a "Memory Quilt" to remember deceased members of the guild. Renee Bradley reported that at the present time books are placed in the library in memory of deceased members.

Announcements:

1. Charlotte Keener has completed signs and an information sheet to help new members become acquainted with the guild.
2. The President urged board members to up date their Board Book.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Sr. Roberta Haby, Secretary

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GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING

January 13, 2001

Board Members present: Larry and Lois Beauchainp, Ida Tyson Blankensihp, Renee Bradley, Roberta Haby, Garnette Hanson, and Sylvia Jolet.

President Pro-Tempore, Renee Bradley called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. She welcomed all guests and members and read a note from President Betty Opiela explaining her absence due to her husbands extremely serious illness. The minutes of the December General meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

-Garnette Hanson, Treasurcr, gavn the Treasurers report as follows: Jefferson operating fund \$2,935.68; Jefferson Reserve Fund \$24,345.15. Total \$27,281.83.

-Jeannette Jay, chairperson for patterns and miniature quilts resigned, Doris Patterson volunteered to fill this vacancy.

-Lani Ward is willing to gather recipes from the quilters and develop a cookbook. Profits would go the the quilt guild.

-Lois Beauchamp announced the Board decision that the deadline for getting your name in the 2001 directory will be the February meeting. Thereafter, 2002. ..the deadline will be the January meeting.

-Larry Bcanchamp announced that Jane Dunnewald, scheduled for the January program, cancelled. In place .of this program Twenty Years of Quilting will be shown.

-Loveta Fowler, Quilt Show chairperson, showed the raffle quilt. Carol Rouse will coordinate quilting process. Persons able to help should contact her. Raffle tickets will be ready next month. Co-chair Melissa Allo has resigned. Anyone interested in filling this position is asked to contact Loveta Fowler. Theme fabric for the challenge quilt may still be purchased, Applications for entering the quilt show will be in the February newsletter and on the web site. Loveta asked for a volunteer to create a Kid's corner at the quilt show.

-Kitty Janiga, Boutique chairperson, encouraged members to make items for the boutique, Workshops for making items for the boutique will be announced in the newsletter

-Jean Powell, Auction chairperson, asked for donations for the auction reminding members that the profits from the auction support guild activities.

-Garnet Szurek, reported on the Winter retreat scheduled for January 2001.

-Trina Horvath, reported on the Summer Retreat scheduled for July 8-13.2001 at Lonc Star Camp near La Grange, Texas. Cost \$265.00. There is "Hot Tamales". Sherry Allred is Co-chair.

-Diane Leclair, webmaster, requested information from chairs on projects to put on the web page.

-Kris Thomson, Service chairperson, has resigned, Rebecca Cook volunteered to fill this vacancy.

Ida Tyson Blankenship called on Kitty Janiga for infomation regarding South Side Rodeo Event to be held at South Park Mall Saturday, January 20 from 8-12 noon. Kitty has reserved a space for the guild to demonstrate quilting. She asked for volunteers to join in the fun.

There were 106 member and 5 quests present. There being no unfinished business or new business the meeting was adjointed.

Roberta Haby, Secretary

AN INVITATION!

Caryl Gaubatz sends this invitation to guild members:

The Fiber Artists of San Antonio are having a Cobweb Sale (fabric, patterns, buttons, beads, books, trims, quilts, yarn, and other assorted treasures) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday March 24 at Northridge Park Baptist Church 2659 Eisenhower Road.

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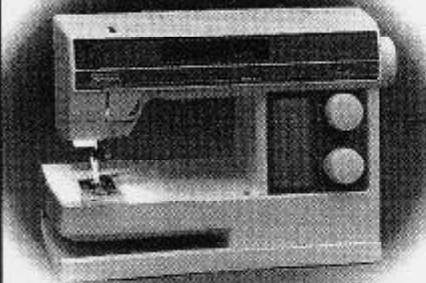
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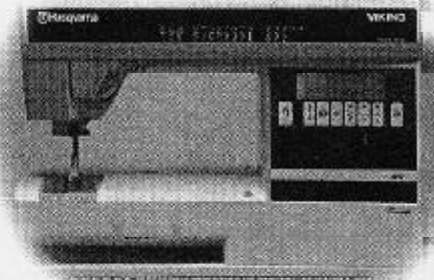
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March **BLOCK PARTY**

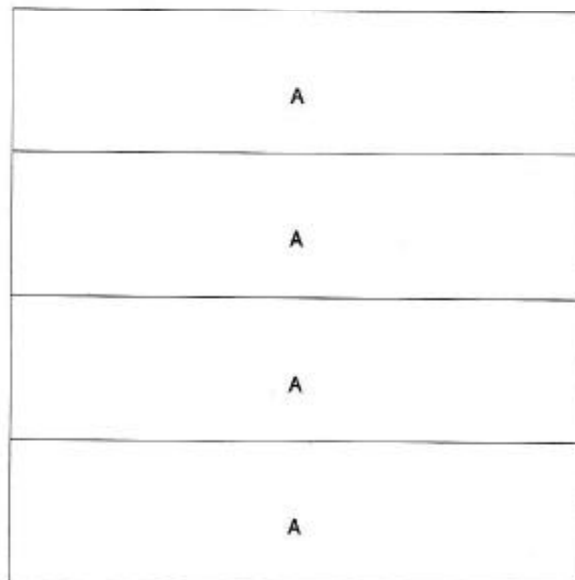
Here's an easy block! This is supposed to be fun!!!!

4-rails in a fence! Make the 1st one **dark green print or solid**
 2nd - med-dark green print
 3rd - med-light green print
 4th - light green print or white

Do strip piecing for several blocks. ---or paper piecing.

This would make a little quilt or a nice border. Enjoy!
 Bring your blocks to the March meeting with your name pinned to each.

Rail Fence II
 Templates for 6.00x6.00 block
 Key Block (1/2 actual size)



UFO Sightings

by Anonymous

I often take pride in not having very many UFOs sitting around. When I start a project I like to finish it so I can pat myself on the back and say, "Good girl!" Well, this self-deception came to a grinding halt last weekend.

Due to the departure of a grown child, we now have an extra bedroom in our house. This meant I could gather up all my quilting stuff from the dining room, living room, hall closet, garage, under my bed (you get the picture) and put everything in one place - neatly.

As I began to get organized, I discovered a few small things that weren't quite finished. That's a UFO, right? So I got a cardboard box and started putting anything that could be called a UFO in it. As I touched, sorted, and stored every piece of fabric, quilt book, pattern, and quilting gadget that I owned, the box began to fill up. I was shocked! This couldn't be happening.

So I started counting them - one...two...three...four...five...six...seven...eight... nine...ten...eleven...twelve! Twelve?!! How could I possibly have twelve unfinished projects?

That's when I decided that maybe my problem was in my definition. Just what exactly is a UFO? It is a project that has been started but not finished, right? Sounds good to me.

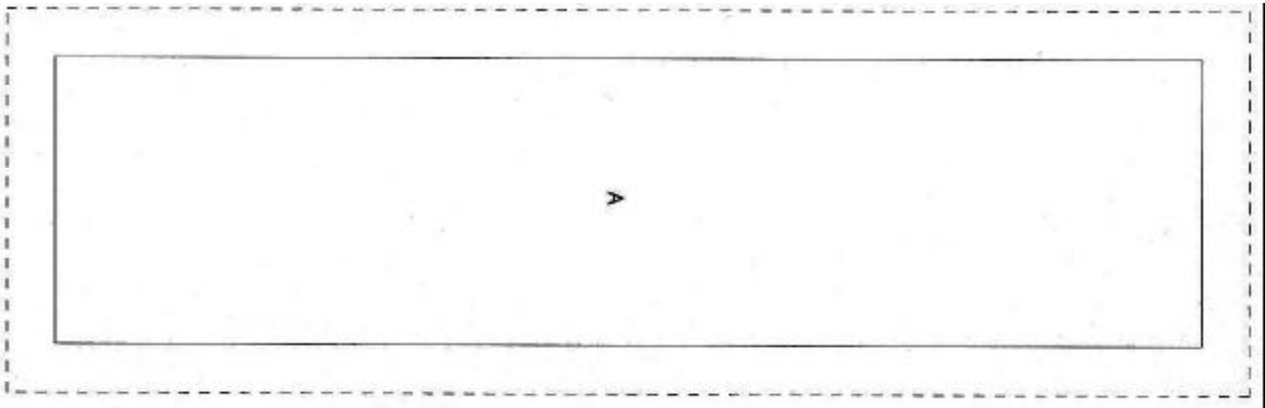
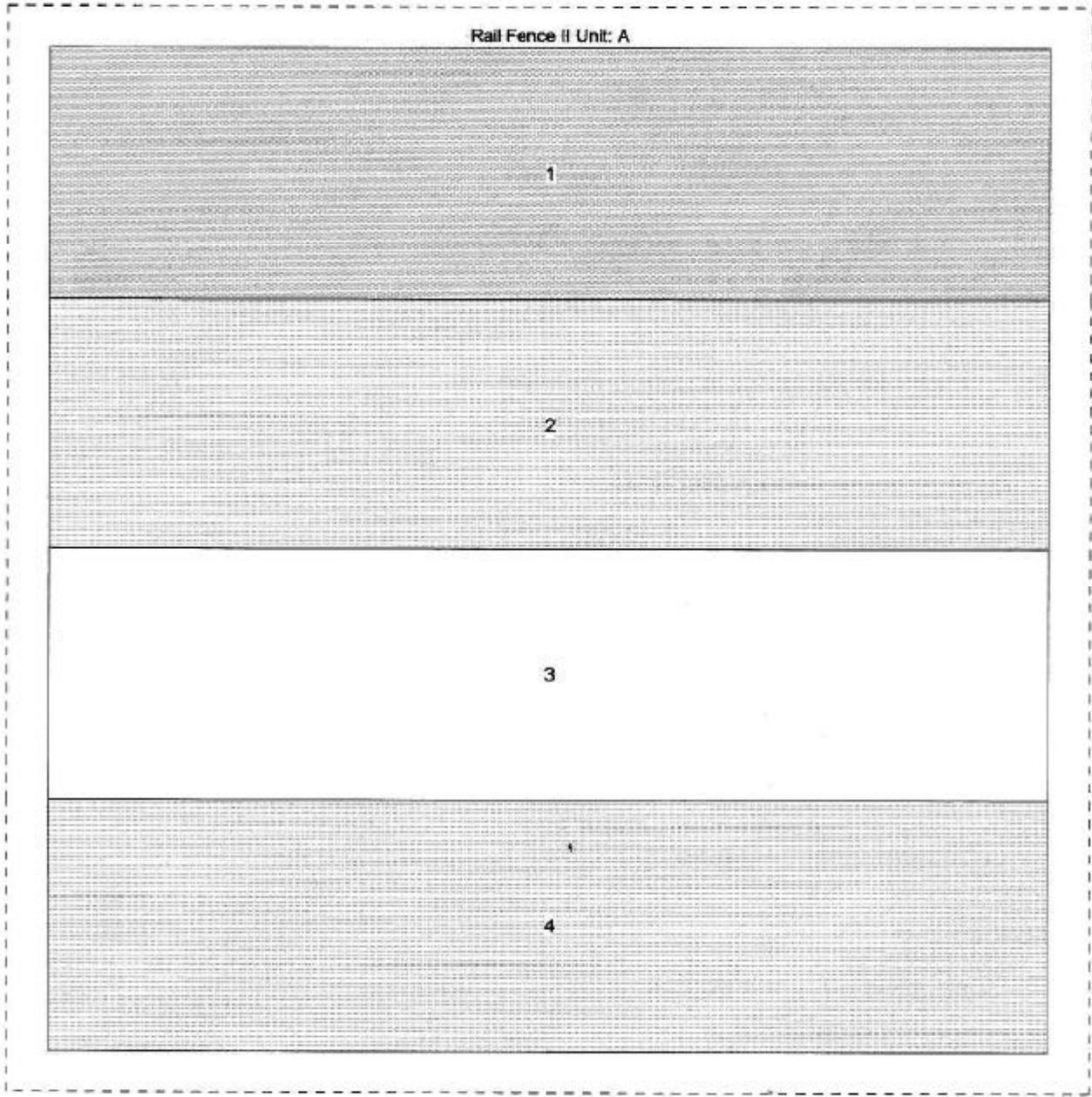
But, what about the projects for which I bought a pattern and special fabric, even though I haven't actually done anything on it yet? Is that a UFO?

And what about the projects where I made lots of blocks, put it on the design wall, and then decided to make it smaller or with sashing? I couldn't just throw the extra blocks away. They would make nice wall hangings for the Auction. Is that a UFO?

Finally, there are the assorted blocks I won as a door prize, in a raffle, etc. I didn't actually intend to win, but it would be nice to use them for something. We quilters don't like to waste things. Are they UFOs?

Two weeks ago, if I had been asked how many UFOs I had, I would have acknowledged the king-size quilt top that is only partially quilted and "a couple" of wall hangings. It's a good thing I didn't break my arm patting myself on the back because I am going to need it to get all of these finished.

How many UFOs do you admit to?



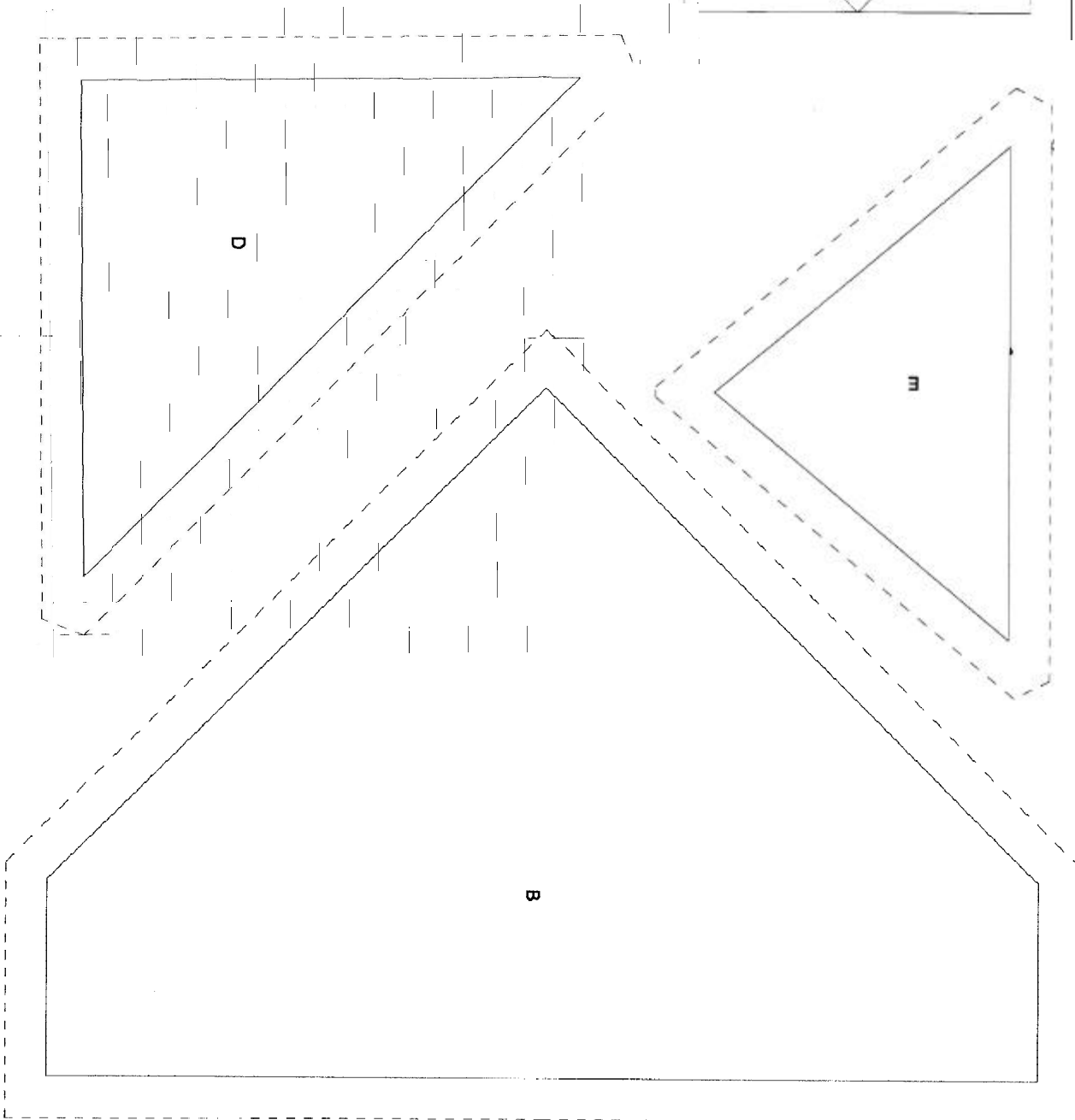
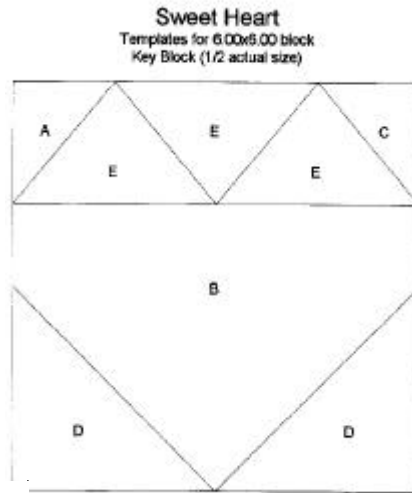
THE BLOCK PARTY FOR FEBRUARY!

Sweetheart - 6 inch

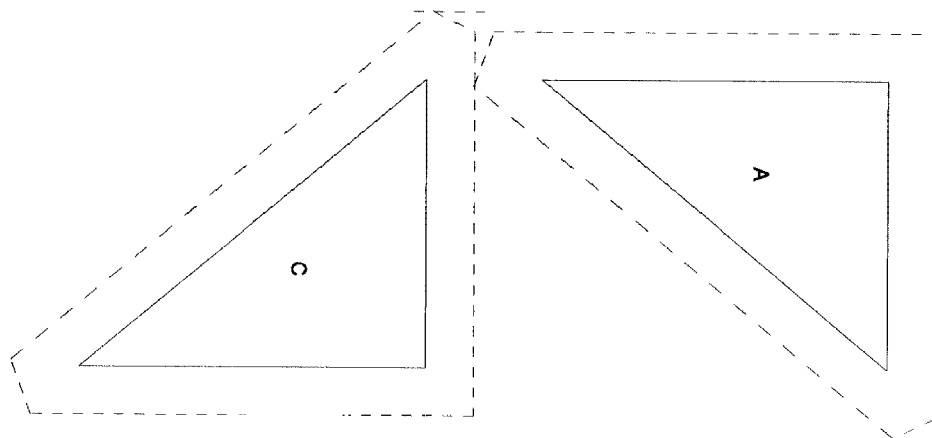
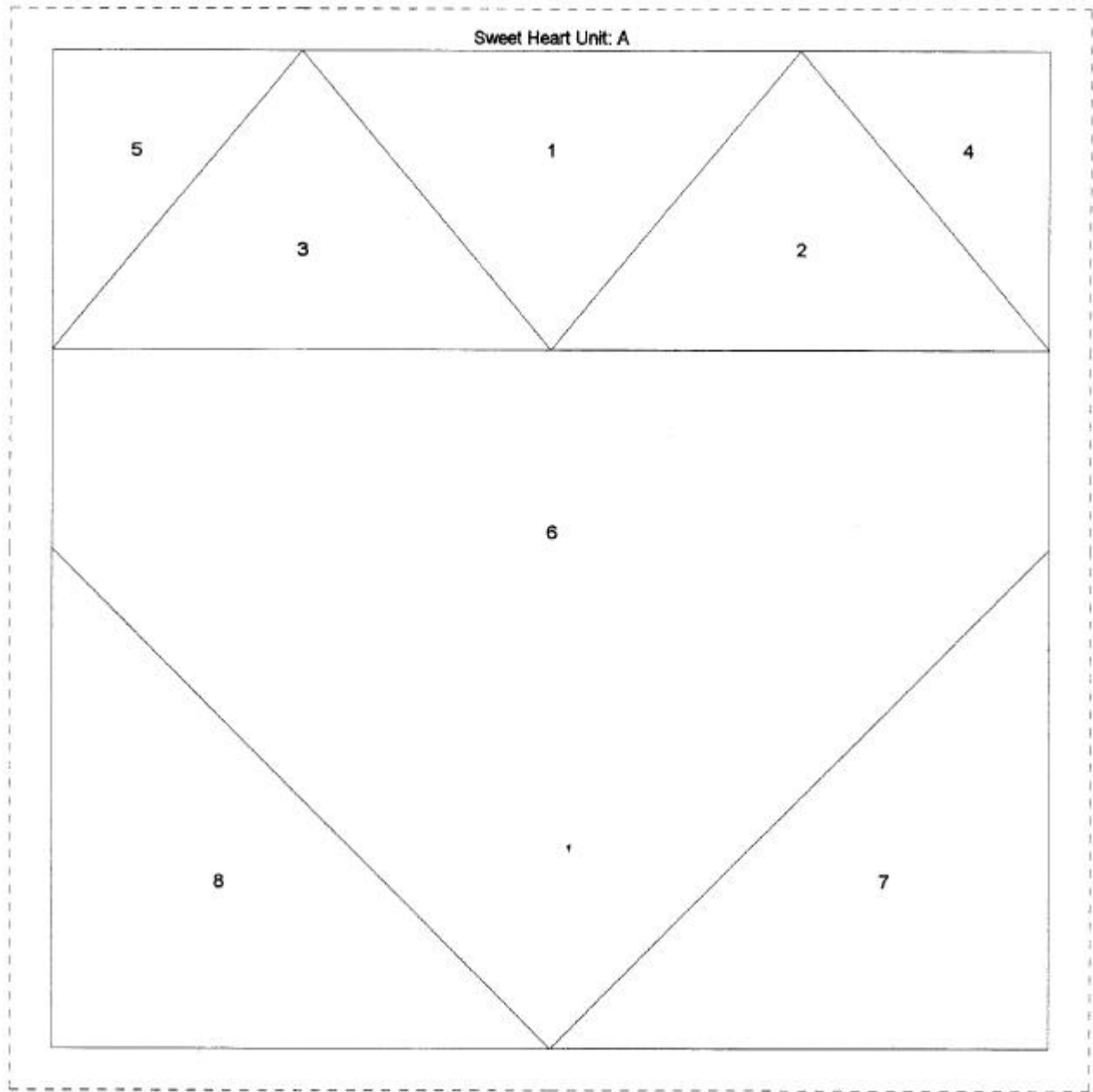
Paper piecing is the easiest, but templates are OK, too. Just be sure your block finishes at 62 inches.

Color: Red Heart (all hues)
White or Light Pink Background

Have fun - maybe you will win the blocks for a "Sweetheart" quilt.



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FEBRUARY 5 - BOARD MEETING
7:15pm, 3402 Clearfield

FEBRUARY 10 - GUILD MEETING
10:00am, Trinity United Methodist
Church, 6800 Wurzbach

QPC-AM
Following Guild meeting

FEBRUARY 19 - QPC-PM
7:00pm, 8732 Rochelle Road

FEBRUARY 22 - WEARABLE ARTS
7:00 pm, Ruble Center Room 100
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Vest. Bring your favorite pattern,
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