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# NEWSLETTER

## Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild Inc.



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### APRIL 14 Guild Meeting

Meeting called to order 10:00  
Business Meeting  
Adjourn 11:00  
Announcements 11:00  
Door Prizes 11:10  
Bring and Brag 11:20  
Guild Services 11:30  
PROGRAM 11:45  
"50 Things I Wish I Had  
Known When I Made  
My First Quilt"  
Shelley Pace

### Upcoming Programs

- \* MAY  
Darlene  
Christopherson  
(Friday and  
Saturday  
workshops)
- \* JUNE  
Auction
- \* JULY  
Quilt Judging  
Doris Patterson

## President's Corner

### *Spring has Sprung - I Hope*

It is hard to believe that I am already writing for the month of April. As I write this letter, the trees are beginning to bloom and it will soon be spring — my favorite time of the year.

One of the Guild's annual functions takes place this month at the Botanical Gardens on April 7th and 8th. This is a time when our hand quilters get a chance to show off their talents. If you have not signed up to spend some time quilting, this is a good opportunity to make your contribution to the guild. For information and details on Viva Botanica, you may contact either Charlotte Keener or Nadine Darby.

The next function will be Auction - 2001. Keep those items coming in to Jean Powell and Renee Bradley. Once again, remember that the success of the Auction comes from all the contributions of the Bee's and individuals. Keep those Auction items coming in!

Last month I wrote briefly about the Website update. Not having a computer myself, the information came to me from members. Since then I have been given a copy of the complete Website. WOW! What a job Diane Leclair has done. I can't praise Diane enough. If you haven't seen it go to your computer and check it out. Log on to [www.sanantonioquilt.org](http://www.sanantonioquilt.org).

I have been very pleased with the response of the members filling jobs and vacancies as they have come up. Each of us is capable of doing anything we set our minds to. We need to let everyone who has taken responsibility on our behalf for Guild activities that they are appreciated. A personal "thank you" is never out of order.

This naturally brings up the subject of the Calico Rose. It has been a while since there have been any nominations. Some of the requirements are (1) the recipient must be a member, (2) board members are not eligible while in office, (3) a written nomination letter has to be submitted to a board member, (4) only one Calico Rose per month (5) only one Calico Rose may be presented to any member in a given year. I sure know that there are members that deserve this honor. What we need to do is recognize them. Get to writing those nominations!

Many hands make light work,  
And add to the fun.

Betty Opiela



## BRIGHT HOPES

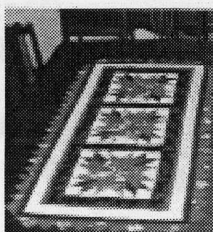
Things were even brighter than ever in March - 61 comforters turned in (including 16 from the Novel Stitchers) and 35 checked out. That's great everyone.

## APRIL PROGRAM

Our April program will feature Shelley Hilton Pace with a lecture and a workshop. Shelley is the creator of *Wild Prairie Patterns* and is a prolific quiltmaker and author. You may have seen her articles in *Quilting Today* or *Traditional Quiltworks*. She is a book reviewer for Unicorn Books and has taught throughout Texas.

Her lecture will be "50 Things I Wished I'd Known When I Made My First Quilt." This is a fun program to help bring everyone up to speed with basic techniques and plenty of pointers and tips for experienced quilters too.

Her three hour workshop will immediately follow the meeting. It is Quilting Quick Start. You'll get tips on rotary cutting, precision machine piecing, strip piecing and quick piecing techniques, matching points, borders and corner blocks...all in a single wallhanging/tabletopper. The piece you will be starting was



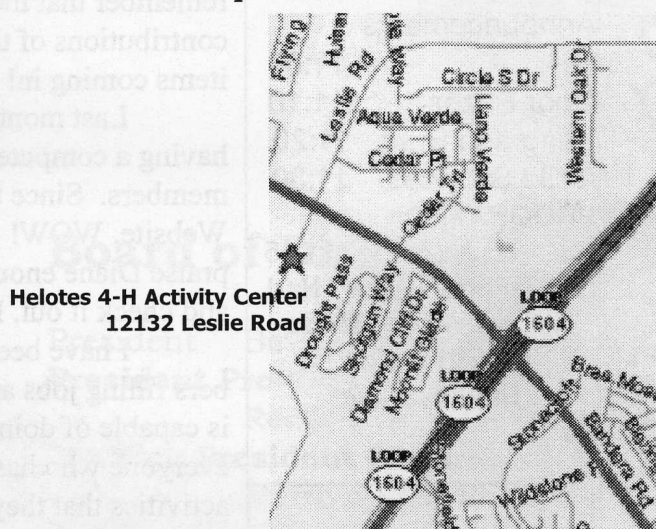
published last year in Quilter's Newsletter's *Quilts for Christmas* (but can be a non-holiday item as well!). The class is \$25 and you can call the Program Chairman to get on the list.

## OUR APRIL MEETING

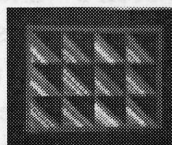
Because of conflicts at Trinity UMC on the weekend of our April meeting we have had to temporarily relocate our meeting location.

For one time only on April 14 we will meet at the Helotes 4-H Activity Center. Where is that you say? Check the map below for help. Go out Bandera past 1604 and just past the old Operations Center to the traffic light at Leslie Road. Turn left on Leslie and go a short distance past the High School and the 4-H center is on the left.

Check the map:



## SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS Valerie Arcement



Our sympathy and prayers go to Carol Bryant on the death of her Mother.

As we were going to press we received word that Kolodzie Harper's husband had passed away. She certainly has our thoughts and prayers also.

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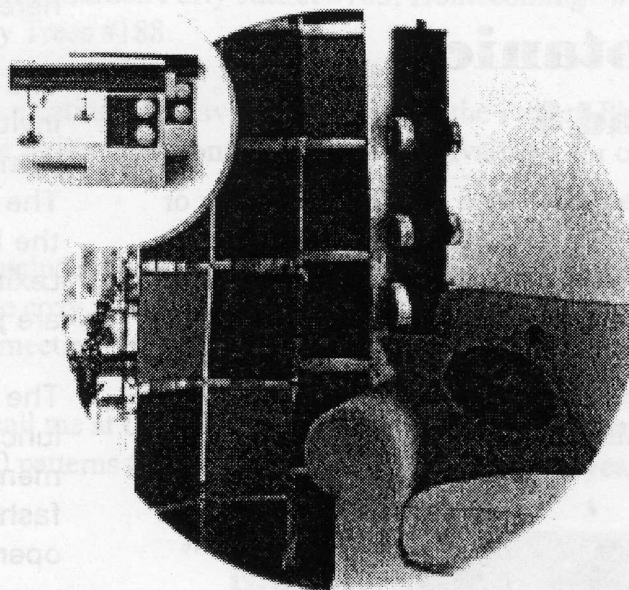
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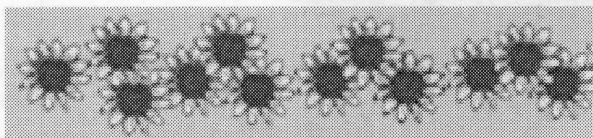
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## Viva Botanica!

**April 7 and 8**

Call us if you can come for a few hours Saturday or Sunday. Bring your own work or quilt on the frame. Also bring finished small items to display on the Log Cabin wall. You'll get in free and enjoy the gardens and displays. This is a fun time to be with fellow quilters and to enjoy being outdoors at the Botanical Gardens. Call Charlotte at 490-2312 or Nadine at 674-7639.



## 2001 A FIBER ODYSSEY

You enjoyed our Style Show last fall, now here's your chance for a 2001 fashion fix!

The Contemporary Handweavers of Texas invite you to join them for their 52nd biennial fashion show on June 2, 2001. The time is noon to 2 pm and the place is the Sheraton Four Points Hotel at 110 Lexington Avenue. And the cost? Tickets are just \$40 each.

The Ticket price includes the fashion show, lunch, admission to the vendor exhibit, members exhibit, and the exhibit of the fashion show pieces. The exhibits will be open until 6:30 pm

For tickets call Cat Brysch at 733-3708.

## COMMITTEES

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<b>QPC-PM</b>	Carol Rouse	699-9363		
<b>QUILT SHOW 2001</b>	Loveta Fowler	945-8230		



## PATTERNS REPORT

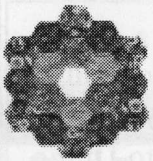
Thanks to Betty Opiela for donating patterns to our collection this month. They include: Pictorial Applique #138; Venetian Vest #141; Fearless Leader #178; Garden Party Jacket #183; Homecoming #184; Fat Cat #186; Things that Go #187; and Topsy-Turvey Trees #188.

Seven patterns were checked out at the March meeting. The available copies of the Pattern Photo CD's were also checked out for viewing. Those copies as well as additional copies will be available for check out at the April meeting.

Three new patterns were purchased and they include: Hearts all Around #70; Tea Bag & Dollies #72; and Tea Time Quilt and Cozy #127. (The cozy with coasters is one that was donated to the boutique.) All 3 of the new patterns were checked out at the meeting.

Four patterns for March are overdue. Please call me at 622-3945 if you need to make arrangements to keep them until the April meeting. We still have 10 patterns that were checked out more than 1 year ago, including 4 that are being used by the QPC-AM group.

Jan Mueller



## AUCTION BOUTIQUE

Reminder - keep working on things to sell yourself. Inventory sheets will be available at the next meeting. Please re-read last month's newsletter about turning in fat quarters and batting that you might normally discard after trimming, also keep checking the UFO table by Bright Hopes.

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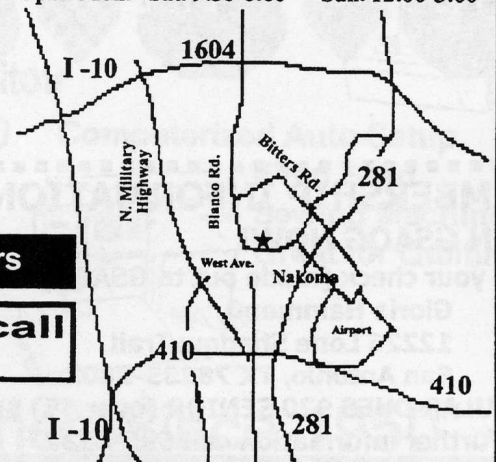
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Treasurer's Report      February 28, 2001

Beginning Jefferson Operating	\$7,755.52
Beginning Balance (Jefferson Reserve)	<u>\$24,401.31</u>
Beginning Balance (Total Guild Funds)	<b>\$31,956.83</b>

**INCOME**

Dues - Membership	671.00
Interest	46.86
Newsletter/Directory Ads	45.00
Other	91.75
Retreat-Summer	1,045.00

**Total Income      \$1,899.61****EXPENSES**

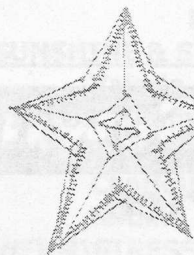
Administration	141.00
Facility	250.00
Newsletter/Directory	176.74
Photography	15.59
Postage, Bulk	125.00
Programs	383.50
QPC	44.76
Rent (Meetings)	105.00
Retreat-Winter	210.68
Telephone	51.81

**Total Expenses      \$1,379.08****Net Income      \$520.53**

Ending Jefferson Operating	\$8,029.19
Ending Jefferson Reserve Balance	\$24,448.17
Ending Total Guild Funds	<b>\$32,477.36</b>

**Garnette Hanson**  
**Treasurer****NEWSLETTER INPUT****DEADLINE: Midnight Monday, April 16**  
**(the Monday after Guild Meeting)****Send to Larry Beauchamp, 3402**  
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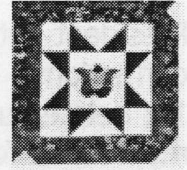


## MAY PROGRAM

In May we will welcome one of the most well known names of the quilt world to our Guild. Darlene Christopherson will be here for two workshops and a lecture.

On Friday, May 11 she will be offering a full day workshop called: "A PERFECT UNION, COMBINING PATCHWORK AND APPLIQUE." If you love the combination of patchwork and applique, this class gets those juices flowing.

Students will painlessly learn to piece by hand and applique effortlessly. Whatever your level of experience you will profit from this class. During the one day version of this class you can get your project started, or you may just experiment during class time. Cost is \$35.



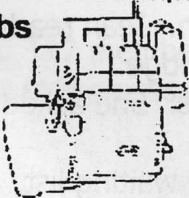
The lecture at Saturday's meeting will be: "FABRIC SELECTION-lessons I have learned." Darlene shares through slides and quilts experiences and lessons learned from years of quilt making. Scrap quilts, appliqued and pieced quilts, large and small have all contributed to this visual peek into her selection process.

Following the meeting is a half day class on "FUNDAMENTALS OF HAND APPLIQUE." Darlene says this class is for Beginners and the curious! I would add also those of us with fumble fingers that never can seem to quite get things the way we want them! There is no project, no pressure. Darlene shares an original and inspirational show and tell. Cost is \$25.

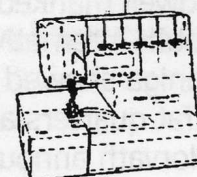
To reserve a place in either class you may call Larry Beauchamp at 561-0719 or e-mail to [jlarry@satx.rr.com](mailto:jlarry@satx.rr.com). We will also have signup sheets at the April meeting.

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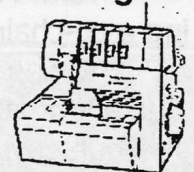


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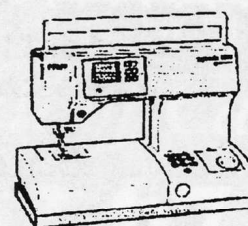
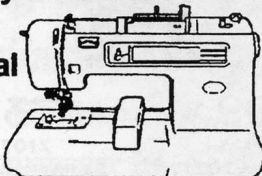
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## Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild

Minutes of the General meeting, March 10, 2001

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

President Betty Opiela called the meeting to order. Minutes were approved with the following corrections. Under Special Events, number four, quilt show dates are September 14, and 15 and 16; delete auction and insert quilt show; delete Glenda and insert Glenn Robb. Treasurer's report is as follows: Operating fund \$8,029.19; Reserve fund \$24,448.17; Total guild funds are \$32,477.36.

### Special Events

Marilyn Bellows facilitated a discussion with the membership regarding interest in a guild sponsored Houston bus trip. There seemed to be increased interest if a permanent chairperson would volunteer to get information and organize the event. The suggestion was made to allow the chairperson to go free as an incentive for becoming chair. The Board will discuss the pros and cons of this idea and make a decision. The bus trip will be on the April agenda of the general meeting.

Charlotte Keener urged members to sign up to quilt at Viva Botanica April 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2001. Participants receive free admission and it's a really fun day!

Loveta Fowler, quilt show chairperson, announced the rules and applications for entering the quilt show are ready. Loveta urged members to sell raffle tickets for the raffle quilt. The person selling the most tickets will receive hand dyed materials donated by Melissa Allo.

Quilters are needed to complete the raffle quilt. Members who can help should contact Carol Rouse.

The meeting for the quilt show chairpersons is Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2001 at 7pm at Dave and Busters.

Jean Powell thanked members who have donated items for the auction. Jean read a letter from Youth Alternatives thanking the Guild for donations sent to the Bridge.

Kitty Janiga showed items guild members would make for the boutique. She asked for donations of fat quarters and UFO's to sell in the boutique.

Trina Horvath announced that the summer retreat is full and there is a waiting list. Retreat money must be paid in full by the May meeting.

Ruth Felty has volunteered to be chairperson for the Style Show 2002. The Guild is seeking a co-chair to work with Ruth and then become chair for the Style show is 2004.

Renee Bradley and Judith Miller will attend a Media Workshop being held at Trinity University on Thursday, March 15, 2001.

### Guild Directory

Lois Beauchamp reported that the Guild Directory will go to the printers next week.

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MONDAY-FRIDAY 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.  
SATURDAY 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

(continued)

### Programs

Larry Beauchamp announced the following programs:

April—Shelly Pace will give a lecture "50 Things I wish I knew before I made my first quilt" and a workshop on quilting quick starts to be held at the Helotes 4-H Building.

May—Darlene Christopherson on applique on patchwork and Fundamentals of hand applique.

### Services

Rebecca Cook announced the April General Meeting of the guild will be at the Helotes 4-H building on Leslie Road.

Rebecca asked for several volunteers to come early to guild meetings to help set up chairs.

Donna Christopfel in charge of videos needs an assistant. Please Contact Donna or Rebecca if interested.

Jan Mueller in charge of patterns announced there are now three disks available to be checked out for viewing at home.

### Community Outreach

Ida Tyson Blankenship announced the Holocaust Exhibit would open in Houston from August through December. The sponsors of this program are asking for a donation of ten children's quilts. Joyce Efron and Kitty Janiga volunteered to chair this project. Joyce explained the exhibit will display quilts created by a Seattle artist to remember the French children who disappeared without being buried. The exhibit is called *Cover Them*. Quilters donating quilts may indicate how they are to be used: Given to the public, given to teachers to be used for instruction, or given to needy children in shelters in Houston. Contact Joyce Efron (695-5674) for details.

Two requests were received for speakers on quilting topics. Betty Tope volunteered to visit a kindergarten class studying pioneer life. A volunteer is still needed to speak to a group at the Health Science Center on Crazy quilts. This Program is for April or May. If able please contact Ida Tyson Blankenship.

There were 112 members and 6 guests present. \$3.75 was collected in no-name tag fines. There being no unfinished business or new business the meeting adjourned.

Roberta Haby, Secretary



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### **Boerne, Texas**

May 5, 2001

Boerne Hauptstrasse Quiltfest

Sponsored By: The Boerne Quiltfest

The Plaza on Main Street 210 Main Street

Show Times: 10am to 4pm

Admission Cost: n/a

For more Information: Judy Rackley PO Box 1463

Boerne, Texas 78006

E-mail: [jacrac99@yahoo.com](mailto:jacrac99@yahoo.com)

### **Ft. Worth, Texas**

May 18th, 19th & 20th, 2001

Once Upon A Cotton Seed

Sponsored By: Trinity Valley Quilters' Guild

Will Rogers Convention Center, Amon Carter

Exhibit Hall, West Texas Room 3400 Burnett-Tandy  
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Show Times: 18th & 19th 10:00am to 5:00pm 20th

12:00pm tp 5:00pm

Featured Artist & Lecturer

Bettina Havig

Lecture on Sat., May 19th

Times 11:00am or 3:00pm

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## Cover Them: A Quilt Installation

Holocaust Museum Houston will present a quilt exhibit from August through December entitled, *Cover Them*. The exhibit features 10 remarkable art quilts by Seattle artist Rachel Brumer. Brumer created the quilts in remembrance of children who perished in the Holocaust in France.

The Museum hopes to end the exhibition with a stack of "Children's Quilts" intended to provide the children of today with comfort and joy. Visitors will have the opportunity to pass on a quilt to a child in need or to teachers for use in the classroom.

Your Guild has agreed to be among the volunteers needed to produce these "Children's Quilts" to accompany the exhibition. Quilt size can range from 35" x 50" (the smallest) to 40" x 60" (the largest). They can be of simple designs and must be safe for small children. The design of the top can be anything that would make a child happy.

If you would like to participate, call Joyce Efron at 695-5674. Call afternoon or evening. Deadline for quilts is August 1, 2001.

## SHOWS

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### Ft. Worth, Texas (cont.)

For more Information: jkirk P.O. Box 122658

E-mail: jkirk@flash.net

For more information, please visit:

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### Abilene, Texas

June 1 - August 25, 2001

A Stitch in Time

The Grace Museum 102 Cypress Street

Show Times: T-F; 10-5pm; Th; 5-8:30 p.m.

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### Abilene, Texas

June 2 and 3, 2001

Stars Over Texas Quilt Show

Sponsored By: Abilene Quilters Guild

Abilene Civic Center 1100 North 6th Street

Show Times: Sat. 10-6; Sun 11-5

For more Information: Angela Blahak, Chair

336 Foothill Rd., Abilene, Texas 79602

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Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.  
Board Meeting, March 5, 2001

Board Members Present: Larry and Lois Beauchamp, Marilyn Bellows, Renee Bradley, Rebecca Cook, Roberta Haby, Sylvia Jolet, and Betty Opiela.

President Betty Opiela called the meeting to order. Minutes were approved as printed. There was no Treasurer's report.

### Community Outreach

Betty reported on a Holocaust Exhibit to open in Houston on August 16, 2001 and run through December. The sponsors of this program are asking for a donation of ten children's quilts, which are to be given to needy children. Joyce Efron and Kitty Janiga are willing to chair this project. Lois moved the Board approve this project. Marilyn Bellows seconded. Motion passed.

Lois Beauchamp will ask Charlotte Keener to work with her to put the *Welcome Leaflet* in more legible form to be distributed to new members.

The list of recipients of the Calico Rose is being updated.

Carol Byrant, publicity, will be asked to update guild information in the events calendar in S A Life.

### Special Events

Marilyn Bellows reported a chairperson for the style show is needed.

The Board discussed the annual bus trip to the Houston Quilt Show and will seek further information from the membership at the March meeting regarding this event.

### Directory

The Board reviewed committee assignments for the Guild Directory. The final draft of the directory is almost complete and will go to the printer next week.

### Programs

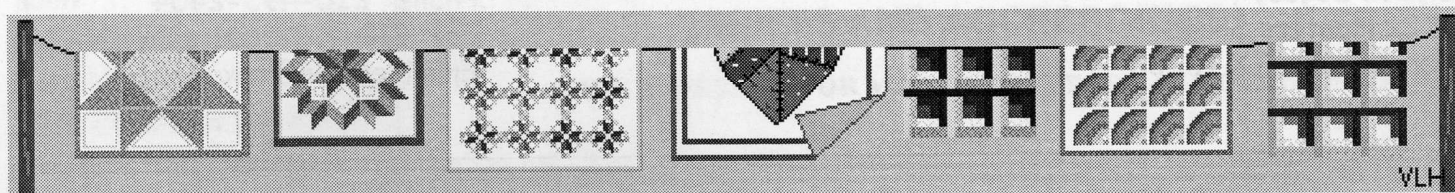
Larry Beauchamp encouraged participation in programs being sponsored by the guild. He announced that in September, Cynthia England would present a workshop on Landscape quilts.

### Services

Rebecca Cook reported that the Helotes 4-H Building is available for the April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting from 8:30am to 4:30pm. Cost \$300.00. Larry Beauchamp moved the Board reserve this facility for our April meeting. Renee Bradley seconded. Motion passed. The Board approved the expenditure of \$100.00 to purchase frames for signs on tables indicating various guild services at our regular meetings.

There being no unfinished or new business, the meeting was adjourned.

Roberta Haby, Secretary



The following article is reprinted from "Shelter Update", the quarterly publication of the Children's Shelter of San Antonio. Our thanks to them for recognizing our folks.

## *A Salute to Friends of the Shelter: Greater San Antonio Quilters Guild*

For more than 12 years, bright and beautiful handmade quilts have warmed the bodies and hearts of the many infants and children who have found shelter at the Children's Shelter. Every child, age newborn through six, is given a quilt to keep. The quilts bring them comfort while they are at the Shelter, and go with them when they leave. Like a beloved stuffed animal, the quilts offer visual and tactile assurance that they are safe, cocooned in their very own quilts.

It's an amazing love story. Members of the Greater San Antonio Quilters Guild lovingly sew, fill and quilt or hand-tie up to 40 quilts per month and donate them to the children. They do not meet the children or know their names. They don't even know their stories. They only know that these children – abandoned, hurt, alone, frightened – need the comfort that a handmade quilt can bring.

Kitty Janiga heads the children's quilt project called Bright Hopes, and pours her energy into seeing that the Guild makes its monthly goal. Calling herself a "fabric-aholic," she haunts the stores for on-sale fabrics, filling giant barrels with fabric and batting. Operating with a budget of only \$900 annually, plus donated goods, Janiga maximizes her buying potential to purchase supplies.

After shopping, she organizes a group of volunteers who put together kits that contain enough fabric for a quilt front, back, batting, label and crochet thread for tying. That's when she puts her marketing strategy into play, recruiting members of the Quilters Guild to turn the materials in the kits into quilts for the children.

"You have to refine your begging techniques," she laughs. For instance, when she finds out a member has invested in a new quilting machine, she encourages the quilter to take a stack of kits and "practice" before they take on a big, expensive

project. "If someone wants to practice hand-quilting, this is also a good place to do that – and the end product has a practical use," she says, using her best salesperson voice. Members check out the kits at the guild's monthly meeting and return the completed quilts at the next meeting.

On a recent visit to the Bright Futures Child Development Center at the Children's Shelter on South St. Mary's, Janiga and members of the Pin Droppers quilting bee were delighted to find the babies and toddlers curled up with their quilts for a warm winter nap. Their labor of love and skill and thoughtfulness makes a difference every day. And these big-hearted quilters must dream happy dreams, knowing that in homes throughout the city, hundreds of little ones curl up with their bright, beautiful quilts every night, assured that someone out there loves them.



*Kitty Janiga, Janet Sutton and Doris Patterson display a few of the colorful quilts made by the Greater San Antonio Quilters Guild for the Children's Shelter.*

## HOSTESS NEEDED!!!!

DARLENE CHRISTOPHERSON WILL BE OUR GUEST ON MAY 11 AND 12, SHE IS WILLING TO STAY IN A NON-SMOKING PRIVATE HOME WITH A PRIVATE BATH NEAR THE BEDROOM. DO WE HAVE ANYONE WILLING TO BE HOSTESS TO DARLENE THE NIGHTS OF MAY 10 AND 11? IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR VP FOR PROGRAMS, LARRY BEAUCHAMP AT 561-0719 OR AT JLARRY·SATX.RR.COM.

# BLOCK PARTY

May 2001 -

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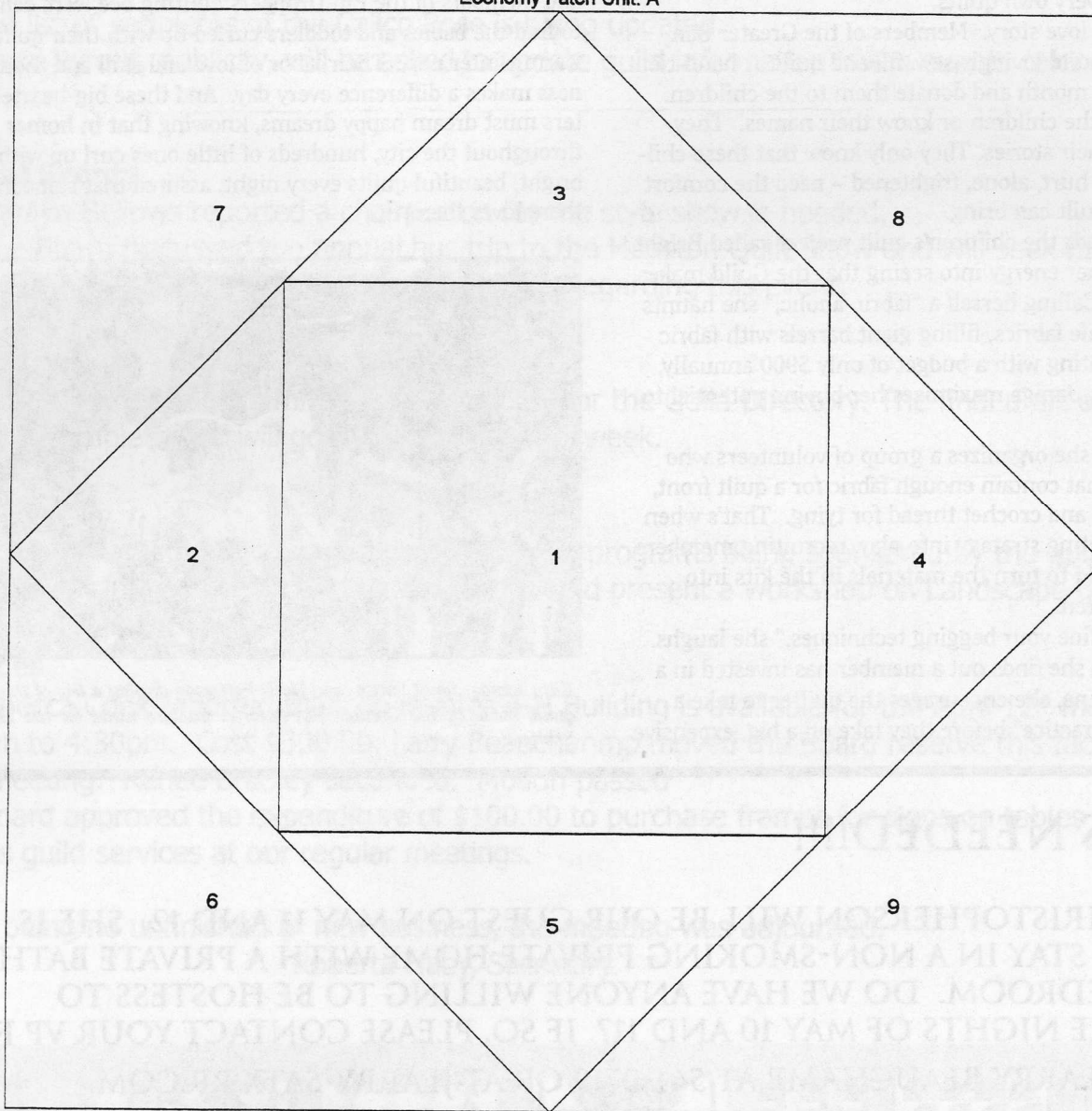
**Bkgrd. TRIANGLES 6,7,8,9** - LIGHT solid or tone-on-tone in a yellow or cream,

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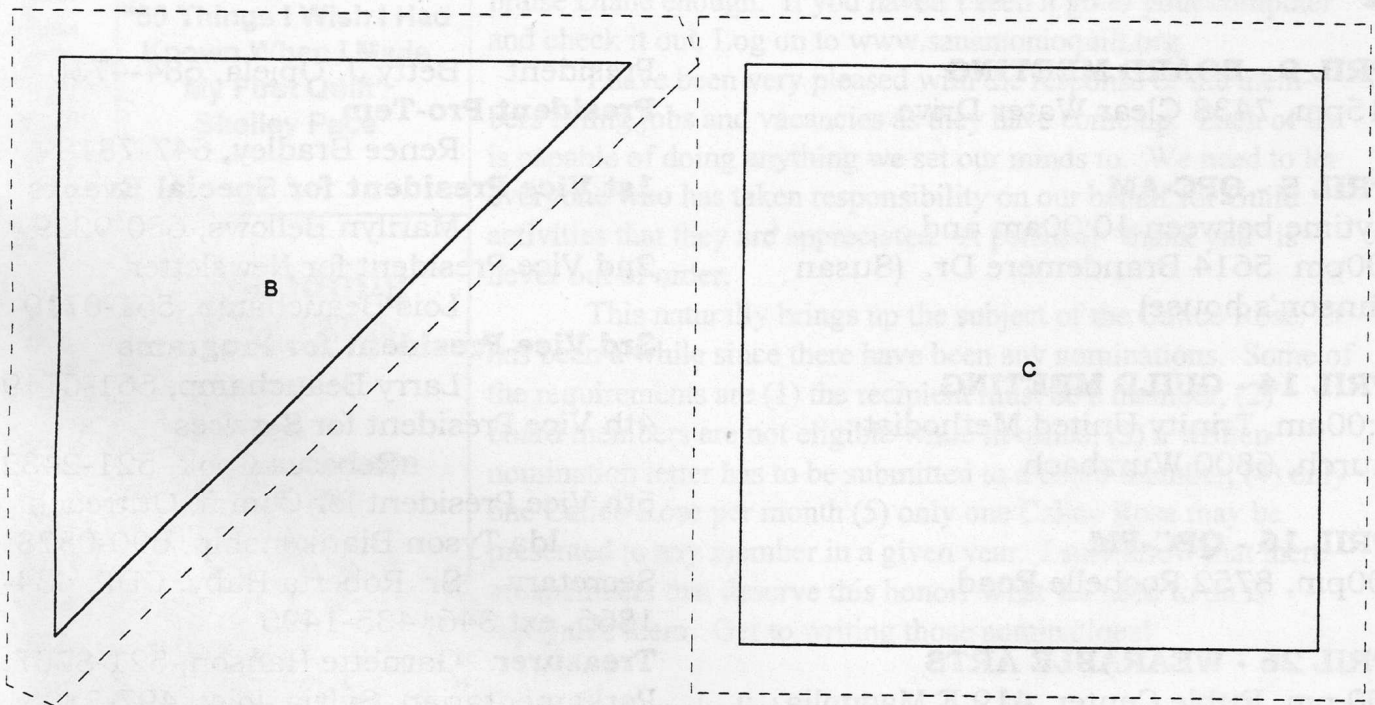
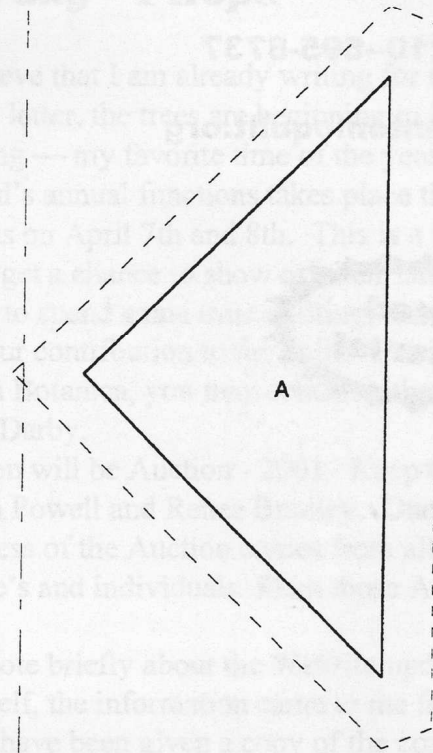
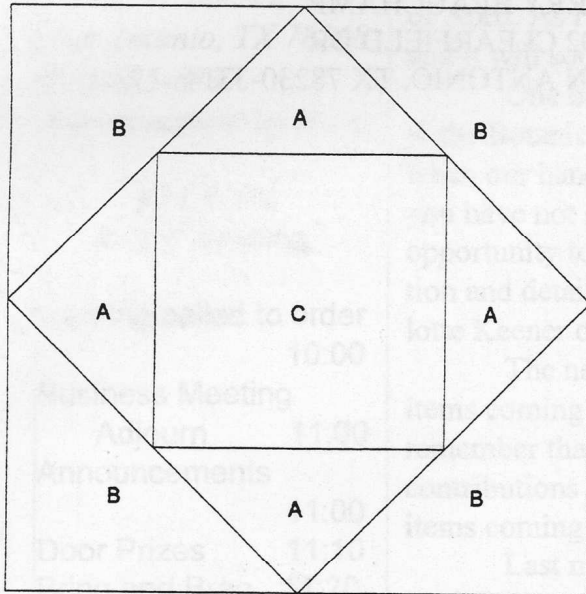
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## April Schedule

### APRIL 9 - BOARD MEETING

7:15pm, 7438 Clear Water Drive

### APRIL 5 - QPC-AM

Anytime between 10:00am and  
4:00pm 5614 Brandemere Dr. (Susan  
Johnson's house)

### APRIL 14 - GUILD MEETING

10:00am, Trinity United Methodist  
Church, 6800 Wurzbach

### APRIL 16 - QPC-PM

7:00pm, 8752 Rochelle Road

### APRIL 26 - WEARABLE ARTS

7:00 pm, Ruble Center, 419 E Magnolia,  
Room 100. **Program** - Make a beaded  
scissors tassel.

Kit provided - small fee

Kay Allison - 733-8578

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