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September Volume 32 Common Threads

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.



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September 11 **Guild Meeting**

9:30 Services 10:00 Guild meeting followed by Bring & Brag and the program open to

> St. Andrew's Church 8231 Callaghan

Alice Kolb

Remember to bring to the meeting

- Nametag (wear it)
- · Library books, DVD's and patterns
- QPC projects
- Bright Hopes quilts
- Smiles for your friends

President's Notes

Don't know about you but with the high temperature and humidity we have been having I do not want to go outside unless absolutely necessary. With the a/c cranked up and the ceiling fan on high I've been hibernating in my guilt studio.

In 2004 started collecting purple and black fat quarters, have made the first cut and started sewing. May take me another six years to finish but at least I have started.

Also working on the Carol Doak state stars using the state flower fabric. At this year's Winter Retreat so proud of myself when I finished the Colorado block then someone commented, "Isn't that block bigger than the other five blocks you have

done." When you only work on the project at retreat and you haven't made a BIG note to yourself to reduce the size to 92%, mistakes are made. Have redone the Colorado block but had to be inventive because had very little fabric left and could not find any still available for sale. Let's see 50 states, started in 2007, have six blocks done, at this rate I'll be done by 2040.

Next year at this time the start of the guilt show, Call to Colors, will be a week away. The challenge fabric is hanging on the design wall waiting for the lighting bolt of inspiration to hit, sure hope it hits before 16 July 2011.

May your bobbin never run out of thread.

Rosebuds to Holly Nelson and Margie Swaney for their work with Storybooks and Quilts to Go.



Calico Roses go to Stephanie Martin for her work with the magazine library and to Kitty Janiga for her work as chair of the Style Show.





Program Notes 2010 Program Schedule

September - Alice Kolb www.alicekolb.com/ Friday's Workshop - The Perfect Simple Vest

Take the most practical of garments and

personalize it. We'll connect favorite stitch techniques to the vest and personalize for you. Let threads and squiggled stitches speak for you... and themselves



Saturday's Workshop - A La Crazy Quilt

about crazy.

Take a modern sewing machine down the traditional crazy path, but with INNOVATIVE uses of machine stitches, borders, bold patterns, etc. Stitch threads and fabrics with a difference, starting with simple foundation piecing to develop a personalized, custom piece. Remember, it's all

October -- Guild Garage Sale
November -- Keepsakes Trunk Show

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION
REGULAR DUES \$20 SENIOR (65+) \$15
Send your check with SASE to Gloria Hammond

NEWSLETTER INPUT

DEADLINE: Midnight Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail to quiltnews@satx.rr.com is preferred. or mail to Dea Jae Shore.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

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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

GSAQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES August 2, 2010

Meeting was called to order by President Janet Miller at 2 PM at St. Andrew's Church. Members present were: Janet Miller, Sandra Bloom, Dea Jae Shore, Mary McCarthy, Linda Ethridge, Barbara Sumlin, Carolyn Hammond, Cindy Shutt, and Larry Beauchamp. Absent: Charlotte Keener.

President: Janet Miller

July board minutes approved as published. Calico Rose/bud – Charlotte Keener and Melissa Allo were nominated for 5 years of chairing the Secret Pal Committee. Youth Alternatives has requested an auction donation for their November 6th Gala. Tabled for consideration at September Board meeting.

<u>President Pro-Tem:</u> Charlotte Keener Absent – No report.

1st Vice President - Special Events: Sandra Bloom

Auction – Discussed contracts. Houston Quilt Show Bus Trip – Need 45 signed up – list will be opened to other guilds after our August Guild Meeting. Quilt Show 2011 - Committees are meeting.

2nd Vice President - Newsletter/Directory: Dea Jae Shore

Laptop computer and appropriate software for GSAQG has been purchased. Reviewed and discussed Trifold Handout.

3rd Vice President – Programs: Mary McCarthy August – "How the Guild Works"

September – Alice Kolb

October – Guild Garage Sale – Tables available at \$5. each

4th Vice President – Services: Linda Ethridge List of missing books discussed – will be printed in newsletter.

5th Vice President - Community Outreach: Barbara Sumlin

No report.

Secretary: Carolyn Hammond

Phone report.

Treasurer: Cindy Shutt

June Financial Statement was reviewed and approved.

Guild balances as of July 31 – unreconciled: Jefferson Operating Account: \$1552.83; Jefferson Savings: \$10,480.82; SSFCU CDs & Savings: \$35753.64;

Wright Class CD: \$10,000. Total Guild funds: \$57,787.29

Parliamentarian: Larry Beauchamp

Nominating committee is currently working to find nominees for upcoming vacant guild offices.

Unfinished Business:

Welcome Packets for new guild members were discussed.

New Business:

Mid-Year Budget Review – line items were reviewed.

All committee budget requests for next year should be turned into respective VPs by Sept. Board Meeting (Sept. 6th).

Meeting was adjourned by President Janet Miller at 3:40 PM.

Carolyn Hammond, Secretary

GSAQG MEETING MINUTES August 14, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 10 AM by President Janet Miller at St. Andrew's Church. 121 members and 4 guests were present. Name tag fines totaled \$5.50.

- President: Janet Miller
- July minutes were approved as published.
- Calico Rose Buds were presented to Holly Nelson for completing a quilt for Storybooks and Quilts to Go and to Margie Swaney for introducing SB & QTG to the Helotes UMC Preschool.
- Calico Roses were presented to Stephanie Martin for organizing and running magazine sales for 4 years and to Kitty Janiga for chairmanship of the recent Guild Style Show.

Ellen Hernandez reported that Marcia and Corey Stanley are now in their new home in Hawaii (address is forthcoming).

President Pro-Tem: Charlotte Keener

No report.

Secretary: Carolyn Hammond

No report.

Treasurer: Cindy Shutt

Jefferson operating: \$1552.83; Jefferson Savings:

\$10,482.50;

SSFCU Savings & CDs: \$35,733.64; SSFCU Wright

Class CD: \$10,000.00; Total guild funds: \$57,788.97

• 1st Vice President - Special Events: Sandra Bloom

Auction – Lori Branson reported that there will be a GSAQG Auction Mini-trunk Show at San Antonio Women's Connection luncheon on Sept. 8th. Auction advertisements will be published in September issues of the following magazines: <u>Tea for Texas</u> and <u>San Antonio Woman</u>. Tickets are now on sale: \$25. for luncheon and auction, Oct. 2nd at Oak Hills Country Club. Attendance to the auction only is free. Last day for ticket sales is Sept. 30. Auction posters are available. Any auction quilts still out

- must be in by the Sept. 11th guild meeting. Several auction quilts were displayed.
- Houston Quilt Show Bus Trip Melanie McInnis stated that 14 spots are left for the bus trip. Price is \$50. Please pay ASAP if you have signed up. After today, other quilt guilds will be invited.
- Winter Retreat Dorothy Reischman reported that 22 have signed up and it will be full at 36. Register today! Winter retreat is held Jan. 21 – 23/24, 2011, at John Newcombe's Ranch in New Braunfels. Price is \$185. for 3 days and \$255. for 4 days (includes meals.)

2011 Quilt Show – Judy Miller and Holly Nelson revealed the fabric for the quilt show Challenge. To participate in the Challenge category, buy a \$5. fat quarter from Holly and receive the rules.

2nd **Vice President – Newsletter/Directory:** Dea Jae Shore

New Quilt Guild computer is in use today for our power point presentations.

- <u>3rd Vice President Programs:</u> Mary McCarthy
- September Alice Kolb Friday all day –
 Embellishing an Easy Vest; Sat. half day Crazy
 Quilting with Machine
- October Guild Garage Sale sewing related items only - \$5. per table.
- November Keepsake Quilting Trunk Show
- December Holiday Party
- January Susan Cleveland Piping Hot Bindings
- February Brook Courchaine Quilt Project for Newborn Babies in El Salvador

March - Karen Stone

4th Vice President – Services: Linda Ethridge Carol Rouse – QPC chairman announced the Golden Carrot Winner this month: LaDonna Knaus.

5th vice President – Community Outreach: Barbara Sumlin

Sherry Duringer, chairman of Storybooks and Quilts to Go reported that completed quilts and alphabet blocks have been turned in today. Several books are available for checkout.

Grandmother Kits are also available for check out.

Parliamentarian: Larry Beauchamp

Dea Jae Shore reported that the nominating committee is contacting members. We need people to step up and volunteer for an office!! See Larry Beauchamp, Dea Jae Shore, Bernie Farris, or Sylvia Jolet to volunteer or to nominate. The five offices available are: President, VP Newsletter, VP Services, VP Community Outreach and Secretary. Job descriptions are listed in the member directory.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

None

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM by President Janet Miller.

Carolyn Hammond, Secretary

Treasurer's Report For the 7 months ending 7/31/10

	YTD Actual	2010 Budget
REVENUES		
Interest		\$ 800.00
Savings	17.96	,
CD Interest		
Other income	6.00	500.00
Garage Sale		000.00
Eleanor Wright Memorial Gift	10,000.00	
M. Parsons Estate Sale		
Magazine Sales		
Nametage fines		
Library Sale		
Pin Sale		
Dues - Membership	2,135.00	4,200.00
Newsletter/Directory Ads	395.00	500.00
Quilt Show	393.00	500.00
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Workshops Retreat - Summer	1,575.00 11,200.00	
		7,500.00
Retreat - Winter	7,130.00	8,000.00
Houston Bus trip		2,400.00
Auction	0.04.444.45	12,000.00
Total Revenues	\$ 34,411.15	\$ 39,400.00
EXPENSES		
Administration:		
Administration	\$ 1,811.11	\$ 3,450.00
Door Prizes	144.75	110.00
Telephone	344.77	600.00
Storage facility	2,986.00	5,200.00
Rent (Meetings)	785.00	1,650.00
Membership expenses:		
Membership supplies		50.00
Newsletter/Directory printing	1,799.95	3,400.00
Postage, Bulk	485.00	800.00
Webpage	251.35	270.00
Quilt Show	271.32	1,500.00
Community activities:		
Bright Hopes	175.13	800.00
Community Response		0.00
Storybook Quilts		400.00
Community Outreach	13.25	350.00
Membership services &	activities:	
Sherry Allred Grant	325.00	300.00
Ethel Howey Grant	1,000.00	1,000.00
Library	210.03	300.00
Patterns		50.00
QPC	254.76	500.00
Video Library		250.00
Programs	2,973.79	8,000.00
Workshops	3,100.00	4,000.00
Self-sustaining activities:		
Retreat - Summer	10,846.50	7,500.00
Retreat - Winter	8,209.47	8,000.00
Houston bus trip		2,400.00
Auction	1,027.11	6,000.00
Total Expenses		56,880.00
Net	\$ (2,603.14)	\$ (17,480.00)
Ending Jefferson Operating	\$ 1,552.83	. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Ending Jefferson Savings	10,482.50	
SSFCU CD's & savings	35,753.64	
SSFCU Wright Class CD	10,000.00	
Total Guild Funds	\$ 57,788.97	
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Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer		

Pieces of the Past: Log Cabin by Ellen Hernandez

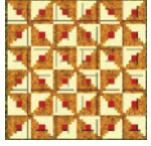
Would you believe...one of the oldest examples of the log cabin pattern was found on cat mummies from Egypt? Other examples of this light and dark purposeful layering can be seen in ancient Roman tile works and 17th Century perfume bags. How this pattern made it to quilts is anyone's guess. One theory is that the unearthed Egyptian cat mummies were so plentiful they were given to English farmers to scatter in their fields as fertilizer. The farmers' wives, cloth artists at the ready, copied the



interesting pattern for their next quilt project.

What's in a name? Known as the English Roof Pattern, Egyptian, and Mummy Pattern in England, when taken to Canada the name became Canadian Logwork. Quilters in Gee's Bend, Alabama called it Housetop. Regardless of the block name,

the design was most popular during the mid to late 1800s. During the Civil War, many log cabin style raffle quilts were made to raise funds for the Union Army. It has been suggested that the Log Cabin square was a tribute to former log cabin resident.



Abraham Lincoln. His supporters' work had been nicknamed The Log Cabin Campaign. Also during this time, the Homestead Act spurred the migration westward where people were actually building lots of log cabins. The layout of the log cabin squares for quilts took on the names of things common to real life, such as Barn Raising, Straight Furrows, Courthouse Steps, Chimneys and Cornerstones, Broken Dishes, Streak of Lightening, and Sunshine & Shadows.

Early log cabin quilts were made of fabric scraps, often wools in random colors. Usually pieced onto foundation fabric, the quilts were thick and difficult to hand quilt. Most were tied. When cotton production increased in the late 1800s, it was more commonly used to make quilts. This made them easier to hand quilt and colors could be more planned. As quilts in general became more ornamental rather than utilitarian, silks were used. A popular variation of the Log Cabin became the

chevron shape called Pineapple.

The center square of a log cabin block was often red. Working from the theme of a real log cabin, the red-hot hearth was the center of the home, surrounded by daylight and night, good times and bad. Quilts with yellow centers may have symbolized a light in the window for a lost or travelling family member. Black centers could have indicated a mourning or memory quilt of a deceased person, and was significant in the debated Underground Railroad quilt lore.

During the more recent quilt revival, the Log Cabin pattern emerged as Eleanor Burns' first *Quilt in a Day* project. Other authors jumped on board, creating slanted cabins, half-square cabins, cabins with a twist, cabin stars, folded cabins, miniatures, and watercolor cabins. Currently the selvage log cabin is popular. However you arrange your fabrics, the log cabin pattern remains a favorite for a simple or challenging project.

WINTER RETREAT

There are only 3 spaces left! The dates are January 21-24, 2011. The rates are \$185 for Friday through Sunday and \$255 for Friday through Monday. It will be at John Newcombe Tennis Ranch in New Braunfels. A \$50 non-refundable deposit will hold your space. If you like, you may make payments each month towards the total. The balance will be due at the November meeting.

Don't forget to see all the Bring and Brag quilts in color at our Web Site www.sanantonioquilt.org

Golden Carrot winner was LaDonna Knaus. You get a chance to win for every Bright Hopes quilt or Tote bag or QPC block you bring to the guild meeting.

GSAQG Sunshine & Shadows Ellen Hernandez ellenhernandez@hotmail.com 210.520.1335

July was dry - no news from yous! Don't forget to tell, phone, or email Ellen with your news to share. Many would like to hear what's happening in your world.

Stephanie Martin's daughter (and former Guild member) 1LT Emily Martin, is back safely from the Gulf - HOOAH! - and is now stationed at Ft. Bragg. Stephanie's step-aunt, Mary, and brother-in-law are slowly improving and adjusting to their new living situations.

Aloha to Marcia and Corey Stanley who transferred to Hickam AF Base. They have a lovely home overlooking Pearl Harbor, and have already been to a shop hop. To get their new address, please contact Dea Jae or Ellen.

Our member photographer, Pamela Hoelscher, will have a front page article in *Notions* magazine (ASG) in the Fall issue. Congratulations, Pamela!

Betty Tope has made a remarkable recovery after a lumpectomy and 33 treatments. How will she celebrate? Disney World, of course!

Be well! ~ ellen

I Want to Serve

The Nominating committee is looking for volunteers to fill the open board positions. This year we will need to fill President, 2nd Vice President, 4th Vice President, 5th Vice President and Secretary. Look in your directory on page 4 for the list of committees that serve under each position. Plus you can see the job descriptions on pages 36-38. Remember that you personally are not doing all the jobs of the committees but instead you are overseeing these committees. There are plenty of hard workers that help with these jobs. In addition to the guild meeting each month, there is a board meeting once a month also. Please think about volunteering for one of these positions. Call Sylvia Jolet at 497-3383 or Dea Jae Shore at 590-3013 or Bernie Farris at 695-4323.

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A two day hands on class on September 24 & 25 (Friday & Saturday) \$250.00 (Thursday) \$20.00 RNK, Distributing will host:

A trunk show, demo/lecture on September

We are pleased to announce that Debbie

COMING EVENTS:

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October 2010 Block Party

Block party is 8"x8" finished. Look on our web site for a link to a color picture of the block and how it can look in a quilt on point. It is a 5" log cabin surrounded by 2" and 1" half square triangles. Be sure to square up your blocks as you go.

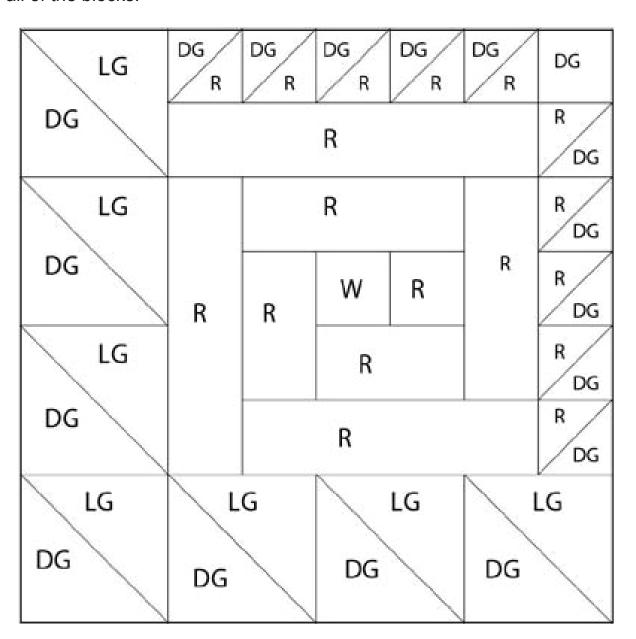
DG - Dark Green

LG - Light Green

R - Various shades of Red

W - White

Bring as many as you like with your name attached to each one to the October Guild meeting. All names go in the basket and the lucky winner in the drawing gets all of the blocks.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

September Schedule

September 6 BOARD MEETING 2:00 PM St. Andrew's Church

September 11 Guild Meeting 10:00 AM St. Andrew's Church

September 15 Wearable Arts 6:30 PM
Creative Sewing Center
117777 West Av.
Hostess - Ida Blankenship

September 22 Quilt In 10:00 AM Memories by the Yard Hostess - Shirley Carter

Board of Directors

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Bold offices expire December 2010