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**NO MAY  
Guild  
Meeting  
Will Be  
Held**

**May Program**

**Stay Home!**

**COVID-19  
is not invited!**

**Remember to  
bring to the  
meeting**

- Name tag (wear it)
- Library books, & DVDs
- QPC projects
- Bright Hopes quilts
- Smiles for everyone

## *President's Letter*

Quilting in the time of Covid-19.... Will your sewing room be empty soon? All those UFOs finally finished? Every scrap of fabric used and spool of thread emptied? Magazines, books and patterns catalogued properly?

I hope everyone is keeping well until we can safely meet again, whenever that might be. The board has been convening online in an effort to keep things rolling. Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find information about workshops, retreats, and other guild activities.

If you are part of a bee, see if using an online service could keep you together and be sure to check in on each other regularly. Telephone and email fellow guild members to be sure they are safe and to break the monotony of quarantine. Share photos of all those quilts you've been working on for weeks.

Whenever a meeting can be held at Covenant Presbyterian again there will be an e-blast and a notice on our webpage. Until then –

Sew, sew, sew - - - Mary



## GSAQG Live Auction

**CANCELLED!**

Auction: Jean Hardies [lhardies@gmail.com](mailto:lhardies@gmail.com)  
phone 210-885-0015

Thank all of you who have made and are making quilts for this year's auction.

The 2020 Quilt Auction has been cancelled due to risk of exposure to the corona virus. Also, because we are not able to have meetings at this time, we are not able to hand out kits nor collect finished quilts. We plan to have a larger auction in 2022.

Jean Hardies, Ph.D.

## Programs

**June** - Speaker for June has been moved to March 2022 at our request.

**July** - Speaker Patricia Clark still planning, talking about Days for Girls

**August** - Speaker Vickie Owens. It's a 2 day class! Her Friday and Saturday classes must be the same people, max 25. She will be teaching how to prepare a Laura Heine quilt pattern on Friday, and on Saturday, walk you through putting the quilt top together. You must have your own Laura Heine pattern, because she cannot share one. (Copyright)

**September** - This will be our much delayed guild birthday and work day, since we are cancelling the auction.

**October** - Brita Nelson will be our speaker.

If you want to sign up for a class and can't make the meeting, contact Sandra Lowell, 3rd VP for Programs, 512-484-1307 or [sandra.lowell@att.net](mailto:sandra.lowell@att.net).

All guild members may advertise in the newsletter one free business card size each year. Must be quilt related.

**NEWSLETTER INPUT**

**DEADLINE** is Midnight the Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail: [quiltnews@sanantonioquilt.org](mailto:quiltnews@sanantonioquilt.org)

**NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING**

	Monthly	Yearly
Full page ad	\$60.00	\$660
1/2 page ad (horizontal - 7 x 4 3/4 vertical - 3 3/8 x 9 1/2)	\$30.00	\$330
1/4 page ad	\$15.00	\$165
Business card (2 x 3.5)	\$10.00	\$110



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*Now to Him Who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think...*

5.2020 Pieces of the Past, 121: **Liberation Skirts**, by Ellen Hernandez



*Bevrijdingsrok* (liberation skirt) or *levensrok* (skirt of life) were made popular in The Netherlands after WWII by Mies Boissevain-Van Lennep (1896-1965.) She had been in a concentration camp for her involvement with the Dutch Resistance rescuing Jewish children. While interned, she received a smuggled patchwork scarf made from the clothing of relatives, including her own children, and friends. The colorful patches brought a bit of joy to her fellow inmates, but the scarf was later confiscated.

The War deeply affected Mies as her husband died in a concentration camp and her two sons and a nephew were executed. After the War, Mies helped form the *Dutch Women's*



*Movement* and set out to celebrate the rebuilding of their homeland. As a means of healing and comfort, she transformed the scarf patchwork recycling idea into skirts. Her mottos were 'new from old', 'building from the broken', 'one garment makes unity' and 'unity in diversity.' The patched skirts were to follow strict rules: be



made of pieces of old clothing sewn onto an old skirt and the bottom was to have solid colored equal triangles with the date 5 May 1945, the day of Liberation, or other national holiday dates sewn in. Some skirts included orange fabric to honor the Dutch House of Orange - the royal family of Queen Wilhelmina and Princess Juliana. Over 4,000 liberation skirts were officially registered with Mies' group.

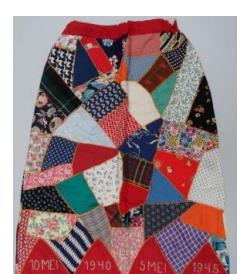


In September 1948 hundreds of women wore the skirts in an Amsterdam parade celebrating the Golden Jubilee of Queen Wilhelmina. The "National Skirt" song was composed to honor the idea of the skirts, 'Weave into your skirt your own life's design...may present and past, both cheerfully worn, fill family, skirt, and your life with their grace.'



Mies went on a US speaking tour in 1949, visiting 27 states. She promoted the idea of *Magic Skirts of Reconstruction* as an international symbol for female values. Mies compared the bright colors of the skirts to vitamins for the Liberation group, calling them a 'life necessity.'

These skirts continued to be worn annually into the 1980s on Liberation Day. Today several Liberation Skirts are in museum collections. Some skirts are still being found in antique shops.



2020 Summer Quilt Retreat **August 9-14**  
Valley Ranch Retreat  
Camp Wood, Texas

## We're Having a Beach Party!!!

I hope everyone is well and staying safe during these unprecedented times. I want to let you know that due to the current situation with Covid-19, we made a decision to postpone Summer Retreat. A June retreat is at risk if the stay at home/social distancing orders are extended. Even if orders are lifted by May, many might still be uncomfortable being away from home or attending retreat in June. Our revised summer retreat dates are Sun August 9- Fri Aug 14. I'll reach out to everyone who has signed up. *Those unable to attend on the new retreat dates will get a full refund.*

Those currently signed up should look for an email from me soon with more details. The cost is \$440.00. To register for summer retreat, a \$50 deposit AND your completed Information Sheet must be turned in to be entered on the Retreat Roster. The Information Sheet is posted on the Website: <http://www.sanantonioquilt.org/pages/SummerRetreat.html>

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Casias by email at [lcasias2000@satx.rr.com](mailto:lcasias2000@satx.rr.com) or by phone and text at 210-381-3519.

**GSAQG General Meetings was canceled due to COVID-19.**

**No minutes submitted.**

I finally received over 200 yards of 1/4 elastic. I bought it with the intention of donating it to people making face masks. If anyone or organization would like some, just email me at [ammatonak@gmail.com](mailto:ammatonak@gmail.com) or text 210-364-7825. I cannot deliver but I live off Wirzback and Evers. I have a small front gate which we have used to put items for pick up so no contact is necessary. If the masks are to be sold, I will have a donation jar and asking 30 cents a yard.

Ann Marie Matonak

New Braunfels Area Quilt Guild

## QUILTFEST 2020 "A Kaleidoscope of Color"

QuiltFest 2020 "A Kaleidoscope of Color" will be held Friday and Saturday, July 24 and 25, 2020 at the New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Admission is \$10 per day or \$15 for both days. Children age 10 and under are free. Judged quilt show, antique bed turning, quilts for sale, vendors, concessions available. For more information, go to [www.nbquiltfest.com](http://www.nbquiltfest.com).

Mary McCarthy, president, called the Zoom Virtual Board Meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. In attendance were board members Dea Jae Shore, Janice Schwab, Cindy Shutt, Sandy Doyle, Ina Ramirez, Sandra Lowell, Leti Zavala and Gail Clover.

**President** – Mary McCarthy

Guild meetings continue postponed until further word from Covenant Presbyterian Church.

**President Pro Tem** - Dea Jae Shore

Anyone wishing to make Covid 19 masks should consult the internet for a pattern. Suggestions for mask pocket materials include coffee filters, ac filters, and shop paper towels – any fabric that can contain droplets.

**Secretary** - Janice Schwab

A caller offered to donate a bag of semi-completed sweatshirts. Ina Ramirez suggested posting a notice in the newsletter asking for member interest in completing the shirts for a service project.

**Treasurer** – Cindy Shutt

Reported current total balance is \$67,618.65.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP for Special Events** – Sandy Doyle

1. The spring mini retreat was cancelled.
2. Quilt Show 2021 – Chair Jen Eskridge
  - a. Venue search is continuing. Venue managers' failure to return calls is delaying the process.
  - b. Karen Lambdin has asked that completed raffle quilt blocks be mailed to her or placed in a box on her front porch. Her address is 9402 Oakwood Garden 78254.
3. Summer Retreat – organizer Linda Casias reported the date has been moved to August 9-14. Any member who has signed up but cannot attend will receive a full refund.
4. Houston Quilt Show is scheduled for October 31. More information will be provided at a later date.
5. Quilt Auction 2020 organizer, Jean Hardies, asks that participants send a picture and dimensions of the quilt they will submit in August.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP for Information** – Ina Ramirez

Request for committee reports to be submitted to her for the newsletter publication.

**3<sup>rd</sup> VP for Programs** – Sandra Lowell

1. After investigation, Face Masks for SA is accepting virus masks. A pattern is available on Missouri Quilt Company tutorial.
2. July speaker is Vicki Owens. She will conduct a class Friday and Saturday. Participants must attend both classes and must have previously purchased a pattern by Laura Heine. Class is limited to 25.
3. October speaker is Britta Nelson. She will present a folded paper piecing activity.
4. November program will include veterans' quilts.
5. Gail Clover volunteered to coordinate the table decorations for December's luncheon.

**4<sup>th</sup> VP for Services** – Leti Zavala ~ Nothing to report.

**5<sup>th</sup> VP for Community Outreach** – Gail Clover

Bright Hopes – Linda Nash reports that 75 virus masks were donated to Roy Maas Youth Association.

**Parliamentarian** – Position open

New Business – None.

Old Business – None.

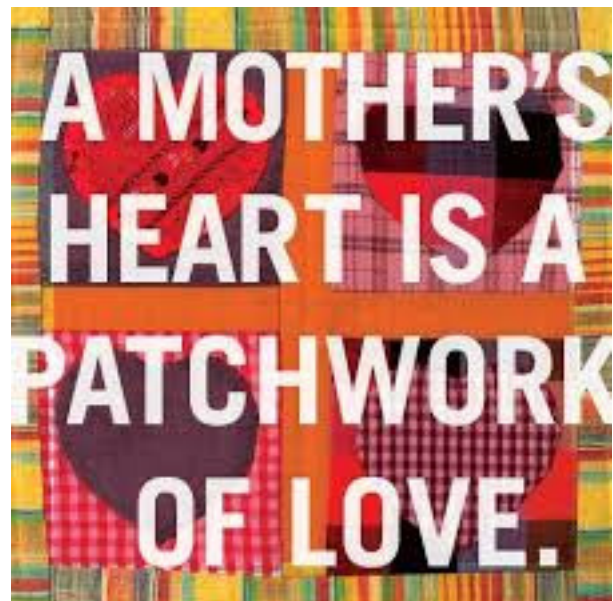
Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Janice Schwab, Secretary.

**Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild  
Treasurer's Report  
For the Four months ending April 30, 2020**

	YTD Actual	2020 Budget
<b>REVENUES</b>		
<b>Ordinary Income:</b>		
Interest	\$1.05	400.00
CD Interest	\$213.64	
Other income		
Garage Sale	\$180.00	
Magazine Sales		50.00
Nametag Fines	\$4.00	25.00
Newsletter Postage	\$30.00	
Dues - Membership	\$1,380.00	5,500.00
Newsletter / Directory Ads	\$135.00	1,400.00
Workshops	\$420.00	3,000.00
<b>Fund Raising:</b>		
Quilt Show		
Auction		16,500.00
<b>Self-Sustaining:</b>		
Retreat - Summer	\$3,260.00	\$13,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$1,200.00	\$12,000.00
Mini-Retreats	\$30.00	\$1,000.00
Houston Bus Trip		\$3,000.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$6,853.69</b>	<b>\$55,875.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>Administration:</b>		
Administration		500.00
Bank & CC	\$81.33	800.00
Insurance	\$1,602.00	3,100.00
Office Supplies & Postage		500.00
CPA / Tax Return		600.00
Permanent Quilt collection		25.00
Door Prizes		200.00
Telephone	\$19.99	120.00
Storage facility	\$876.00	4,900.00
Rent (Meetings)	\$535.00	3,600.00
Rent (Workshops)		1,400.00
Janitorial	\$200.00	
<b>Membership expenses:</b>		
Membership Supplies		50.00
Newsletter / Directory Printing	\$233.75	350.00
Postage		100.00
Webpage		400.00
<b>Quilt Show</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>

<b>Auction</b>	\$341.35	3,200.00
<b>Community Activities:</b>		
Bright Hopes	\$94.09	500.00
Storybook Quilts		250.00
Community Education		150.00
Quilt Angels		400.00
ITC		25.00
<b>Membership Services &amp; Activities:</b>		
Ethel Howey Grant		\$1,000.00
Library		\$200.00
QPC		\$275.00
QPFC	\$21.65	\$275.00
Video Library		\$150.00
Programs	\$1,193.82	\$5,000.00
Workshops	\$650.00	\$3,000.00
<b>Self-Sustaining Activities:</b>		
Mini-Retreats	\$140.00	\$1,000.00
Retreat - Summer		\$13,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$7,647.00	\$11,000.00
Houston Bus Trip		\$3,000.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$13,715.98</b>	<b>\$60,570.00</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$(6,862.29)</b>	<b>\$(4,695.00)</b>
Ending Jefferson Operating	\$22,359.12	
[2015 Technology Fund Inc]	\$(472.66)	
Ending Jefferson Savings	\$3,110.94	
SSFCU CD's & Savings	\$31,196.96	
SSFCU Wright Class CD	\$12,209.72	
<b>Total Guild Funds</b>	<b>\$68,404.08</b>	
Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer		



**Bless My Stitches Quilt Shop**

The Friday Night Bee is looking for new members.  
 We meet on Friday Nights 5:30ish- 8:30ish  
 With a potluck dinner, sewing and fun.  
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 Point of contact is: Andrea Brown,  
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 Thanks, Andrea E. Brown

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**May Schedule**

May 4 Board Meeting    7:00 PM  
on Zoom

May 10 Guild Meeting    CANCELED  
@ Covenant Presbyterian Church

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

***ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP  
INFORMATION***

**REGULAR DUES    \$ 24**  
**SENIOR (65+)     \$ 18**  
**YOUTH (6-18)    \$ 6**

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**?????**

**Term expires December 2020**