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Common Threads

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc. Incoproated August 1980



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February 11th Guild Meeting

9:00 am - Doors Open 10:00 am - General Business Meeting at:

Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, 8231 Callaghan Rd, San Antonio, TX 78230

Mini Demos

Alicia Santiago piecing string block
Mary McCarthy continous prairie points
Cathy Wallace making a walker pocket
DeaJea Shore ruler work

Remember to bring to the meeting

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

President's Letter

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How wonderful to see so many smiling faces at our January meeting! Thank you for being so good natured with our attempt to shorten the business meeting. Several members assured me "we'll get there". We'll keep trying.

Our Hospitality Committee is off to a fabulous start. Thank you to Cindy Shutt and Jean Hardies for organizing that effort and preparing welcome packets. Eileen Lenaris graciously volunteered to be our greeter. She welcomed three visitors, two of whom joined the Guild after the meeting. Eileen gave them their new member packets and will formally introduce them in February. Although our third guest isn't a quilter, she enjoyed the meeting and appreciated the friendliness of the members who spoke with her about repairing her quilt. Wouldn't it be great to see this formalized as a standing committee to help ensure it's continuation?

Sometimes we don't think to offer help to our experienced board members because they make their jobs look easy. Dea Jae Shore said she would welcome a member who wanted to shadow her in her duties. Sandra Lowell mentioned that she could use help with the toting and heavy lifting in her job. I learned after the meeting that volunteers had offered to assist both women. What a way to start 2023!

Remember that our Guild's quilt show is scheduled for September 22 and 23 at the Alzafar Shrine Auditorium. Look for quilt entry forms on our website in February. Never had a quilt judged? Don't be afraid! Your name will be covered during the judging, and the judges write helpful comments. Contact show chair Sandy Doyle at gsaqgquiltshow@gmail.com with questions.

Go to the programs tab on our website for instructions on scrap bin stars. Swap scraps with friends to make your stars even more fun. Sounds like a great way to make quilts or tops for Bright Hopes Committee. Stitch up a storm and stay warm.

Elaine

Congtratulations Winners!

Door Prize & Golden Carrot Winners:

Jay Beatty;

Laurel Spencer;

Irene Moffit;



2023 Programs

February 11 - Mini demos for program!

Alicia Santiago will show her method for piecing string blocks

Cathy Wallace will show and give pattern for walker pocket

Mary McCarthy will show continuous prairie points

DeaJae will show ruler work

March

Friday 10 - Nova Montgomery will teach Featherweight Spa Day class. This class is 8 hours, NOT 6!. Be prepared

April

April 8 - Joint meeting with African American Quilt Circle of San Antonio. This should be exciting! I am hoping this will be a mutual bring and brag. Their style of quilting is so different from ours!

Sandra

2023 Summer Retreat - Christmas in July!

It's that time again ladies! Registration for summer retreat will begin at the February guild meeting.

Dates: Wed July 19- Sun July 23, 2023

Location: John Newcombe Tennis Ranch, New

Braunfels, TX

Cost: \$395/person

Info form and your minimum \$100 deposit is due at signup. Payment in full is due no later than May Guild meeting. If you have any questions, please contact:

Linda Casias email: lindacasias2021@gmail.com cell: 210-381-3519

Linda Maldonado email: jmaldonado125@att.net cell: 210-716-1407

BUSY FINGERS WORKSHOP



JEANNETTE JAY - BAGINEER BAG MAKING CLASSES IN MY HOME STUDIO

> SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 210-219-8880 busyfingerssa@sbcglobal.net

instagram.com/mamajay55 etsy.com/shop/busyfingersworkshop

WALKER RANCH BEE

We have a NEW quilting bee at Walker Ranch senior center on 835 W. Rhapsody off West Ave. It will be the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1 pm. The center is open late on Wednesday so we can sew as long as we want. It will be open to anyone belonging to the senior system.

You MUST be a member. But it is free to join. Sign up online or at any senior center. When you go into the center you will need to check in at the desk. They even serve free meals beginning at 11 am.

For more info call Shirley Carter at 210-452-3801 or email Shirley.carter9243@gmail.com.

NEWSLETTER INPUT

DEADLINE is Midnight the Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail:

quiltnews@sanantonioquilt.org

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

Monthly Yearly \$60.00 \$660 \$30.00 \$330

(horizontal - 7 x 4 3/4

vertical - 3 3/8 x 9 1/2)

Full page ad \$6
1/2 page ad
(horizontal - 7 x 4
vertical - 3 3/8 x
1/4 page ad
Business card (2 x 3.5) \$15.00 \$165 \$10.00 \$110

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

GSAQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 2, 2023

President Elaine Staller called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Present: Sandy Doyle, Sandra Lowell, Dea Jae Shore, Elaine Staller, Cindy Shutt, Gail Clover, Jean Hardies, Melissa Allo. Not present: Ina Ramirez

President – Elaine Staller

- 1. The December Board Meeting Minutes were approved as revised.
- 2. Reviewed storage access codes.
- 3. January general meeting items to review with guild members: Permissible use of the Guild Directory; Survey topics to share suggestion box, new member folders; Room set up diagram has been posted in main room.
- 4. Saint Andrews contract for 2023 is being reviewed.

President Pro Tem – Dea Jae Shore ~ Current membership at 99

Secretary – Melissa Allo – Nothing to report

Treasurer – Cindy Shutt ~ The current total balance is \$60,965.44.

1st VP for Special Events – Sandra Doyle

- 1. Winter retreat at 40 people with waitlist.
- 2. Secret Pals have been assigned. Participants were emailed a copy of the form.
- 3. Mini Retreat is scheduled for 3/31 4/1. Linda Kirk is working on details.
- 4. Summer retreat date is July $19^{th} 23^{rd}$, 2023. Sign-ups will begin in February.
- 5. Corporate sponsorships are being looked into for the Quilt Show.
- 6. End of year reports of special events:
 - 2022 Winter Retreat had 22 members attend
 - Spring Mini Retreat did not occur since we were not meeting in person
 - Summer Retreat had 31 members attend
 - Auction sales \$18,405.50, boutique sales \$1816.00, expenses \$4,089. Grant received from Leon Valley for cost to rent facility. Auction raised \$14,315.60 for the guild.
 - Fall Mini Retreat was filled with happy guilters.

2nd VP for Information – Ina Ramirez – No report.

3rd VP for Special Programs – Sandra Lowell

- 1. 2023 programs have been scheduled except for September.
- 2. March class sign ups begin in January.

4th VP for Services – Jean Hardies ~ New Bee Keeper needed.

5th VP for Community Outreach – Mary McCarthy

- 1. Bright Hopes, Linda Nash reported RMYA received 149 quilts, 91 totes and 5 comfort quilts have been donated through the 3rd quarter with a total of 6,492 volunteer hours. 4th Quarter information: RMYA received 150 quilts, 30 totes with 1,758 volunteer hours..
- 2. Community Education, Oralia Aves reports members participated in career day in Edgewood ISD, members cleaned sewing machines at Villa de San Antonio.
- 3. Storybook Quilts, Viki Ash reports the following activities for the year:
 - 61 kits circulated, 8 participating institutions, 10,451 views, 4 new kits added, quilt inventory has been updated, collection notebooks have been updated.
 - Quiltfolk featured Storybooks and Quilts to Go in Spring Edition.
 - Items purchased included totes and books; \$62.09.
 - Volunteer hours; 142
 - Mileage; 624

Board Meeting Minutes (continued)

- 4. Community Quilt Angels, Janet Miller reports
 - Members started to meet in person in August. There are 10 members, with 5-6 members attending each month.
 - Have not been allowed to visit the Audie Murphy VA Long Term Care Facility due to COVID restrictions.
 - Finished 3 Veteran quilts and have 6 in various stages of completion.
 - 2 Veterans guilts were presented in November.
 - 118 volunteer hours for the year.
 - 2023 goal is 8 10 completed quilts turned in
- 5. ITC Bee, Cathy Wallace reports bee has been closed due to The Institute of Texan Cultures making repairs. No indication the facility will reopen to quilters in the future.

Parliamentarian – Gail Clover – Nothing to report.

Old Business: None

New Business: Bylaws will be updated in 2023, Library status, Guest sign in info sheets.

Meeting adjourned: 8:11 p.m. Minutes submitted by: Melissa Allo, Secretary

GSAQG General Meeting Minutes January 14, 2023

President - Elaine Staller

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church.
- 2. The November general meeting, the November board meeting and the December board meeting minutes stand approved as published in the newsletter.
- 3. Survey responses were discussed shorter business meeting / faster chair talks, suggestion box, hospitality program, more social time wanted.
- 4. Notice the Bylaws would be updated. Any suggestions, please contact appropriate position.
- 5. Facility contract update.
- 6. The Ethel Howey grant will be accepting submissions this year.
- 7. Door prizes Irene Moffit, Laurel Spencer, Jay Beatty

Secretary – Melissa Allo

1. 5 phone calls received. 3 events discussed. 2 phone calls were follow-ups.

Treasurer - Cindy Shutt ~ Cash on hand \$60,695.44.

President Pro-Tem – Dea Jae Shore

- 1. Membership dues are being collected.
- 2. Reminder to look at the website for information
- 3. Guild directory is meant for membership access only and not meant to be shared outside of guild.
- 4. Call for help with technology items. Will train person.

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- 1. Melissa Allo reported Winter Retreat is full with a waitlist.
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- 3. Summer Retreat will be 7/19 7/23 at John Newcomb Tennis Ranch in New Braunfels. Sign ups begin in February. \$100 deposit, total cost \$395
- 4. The 2023 Quilt Show needs volunteers. A handout was given at the check in table providing information on each committee's duties. The guild website will be updated as new information is gathered. Please check

General Meeting Minutes (continued)

back often.

5. Contact Janet Miller to schedule raffle quilt traveling information and ticket sales.

2nd VP for Information – Ina Ramirez ~ Quilt related articles for the newsletter are requested.

3rd VP for Programs - Sandra Lowell

- 1. February Mini demos: Alicia Santiago Foundation string blocks; Cathy Wallace wheelchair pockets; Dea Jae Shore ruler work & Mary McCarthy continuous prairie points.
- 2. March Nova Montgomery Friday class Featherweight Spa Day. Saturday class Quilt As You Go Posies
- 3. April Combined meeting with the African American Quilt Circle of San Antonio
- 4. May Guild work day
- 5. June Linda Kirk will be presenting on her usage of the Ethel Howey grant.
- 6. Sandra has asked for help with lifting and toting items each month.

4th VP for Services – Jean Hardies

- 1. President's Quilt will be presented in February.
- 2. New Beekeeper requested.
- 3. QPC and QPFC have merged into 1 committee. They meet the 4th Thursday of the month at Jean Hardies house at 11 am.

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General Announcements:

Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church will hold a workday for Days for Girls items. January 28th 8am – 4pm at the church. Bring own lunch. Contact Lani Nunley for fabric type needed.

New business – None Old business – None Member attendance - 66 Guests – 3

New members – None Name tag fine collection - \$2.30

Meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Melissa Allo

Boutique news....

The 2023 show will be here before you know it!!! So exciting!!! I am accepting items to be sold in the boutique at every meeting up to the show. For newer members, the Guild has a boutique at the show where your items can be sold. Items must be sewing or quilting related. The guild will collect a 20% commission off the sales price. The sales price placed on the item must include this 20% as well as about 8% for retail sales tax. Keep your prices in increments of .25¢ so I don't have to have so much change on hand. One-dollar increments are even better!!!

I will be setting up the boutique the Wednesday and Thursday before the show and can accept items at the hall. An inventory sheet <u>must be filled out</u> and <u>every item must be on the sheet</u>. Every item <u>must be tagged</u> with the price and your unique inventory code. I prefer to NOT accept items once the show starts.

I have inventory sheets you can fill out, or you can turn in your own. If you do your own, it must include your contact info (name, address, email, phone number), a unique inventory control number, and the item number, description and price of each item. By submitting either form, you are agreeing to work one 2-hour session in the boutique and myself, the guild, or the Shriners Hall cannot be held liable for any loss or damage to your items. Your items must be self-insured. Your unique inventory code can be your initials, a series of 3-4 numbers or a combination of both. That is how we will identify you when an item is sold to be sure you get paid! Doing your own spreadsheet and creating your tags with mail merge is the way to go!!!

I will accept one or one hundred items. For the 2023 show you CANNOT sell kits, fabric, books or magazines. This is due to space limitations and to not compete with the vendors. Every item you want in the boutique must be on an inventory sheet and <u>must be tagged</u>. I will have inventory forms at any meeting or email me to send you an excel spreadsheet. The tags can be of any form or fashion. Each tag must have your unique inventory code, name of the item, item number and the sales price. If you have room on the tag, put your name on it, just as an extra way to give you credit! Remember, the sales price will have about 28% taken out. Inventory forms are on the website as well.

We cannot take any items that are not tagged. It is the only way we can control the inventory and give you credit when something is sold. You are responsible for picking up any unsold items at the end of the show.

Jeannette Jay 210-219-8880 jayjay@sbcglobal.net

Books and Magazines Table Update

Last year, 2022, a total of \$82.00 was collected from the Book and Magazine sales (see the Treasurer/ Income & Expense report in the January 2023 newsletter).

This doesn't seem to sound like much but think about it. At ten cents each, one dime, a little over 800, yes, eight hundred books and magazines were taken home. Yet, the table always seems to be full!

Even in this electronic age of computers, smart phones, Pinterest etc., there is still a need that books and magazines be an important and vital item for a quilter to have. It enhances our ability to encourage, nourish, and develop our creative ideas and processes.

Please continue to drop off/donate these items as an important way to recycle, reuse, and share with your fellow members. Also, come by to check out and browse what is available. New books and magazines are available every month. Even at ten cents, that one must have pattern is worth this price!

Keep those ideas flowing and create!

Rebecca Zoellich, Books and Magazines Table

Community Quilt Angels Update

Remember all the red, white, and blue adult bibs you made in 2019? Well, 34 of those bibs finally were delivered to Audie Murphy VA Hospital.

The bibs will be used on their spinal unit and long-term care unit. Community Quilt Angels had planned to deliver the bibs in early 2020, then COVID hit, and the VA hospital closed. We can only drop off the bibs, still no contact with the residents on the long-term unit.

There is still a large bin of finished bibs in our storage unit. Will wait to put out a call to Guild members when that supply dwindles.

Angels also delivered 4 wheelchair quilts. We'll wait to deliver the lap quilts till we can meet with the residents.

2.2023 Pieces of the Past, 154: Red Dao Embroidery, by Ellen Hernandez



The Red Dao people are part of the ancestral Yao ethnic group from China that inhabit the fertile SaPa mountainous areas of

northern Vietnam. They have long been associated with beautiful embroideries on their clothing, a craft passed down from mother to daughter. There are variations in the dress of the



Dao, depending on their province.
Those from the SaPa province wear red (for good luck) triangular turbans, often decorated with tassels and coins.
Aprons and long blouses are worn over trousers of blue or black, all adorned with embroidery. A square of fabric on their backs signifies that they are children of

God. As a traditional sign of beauty, most





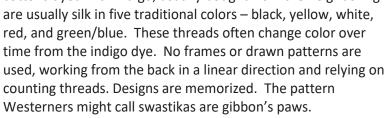






Girls and women carry their embroidery projects with them out in the fields or to market, working whenever they can. Every year a wife is responsible to make a new set of clothes for each family member before the Tet January celebration. It may take the whole year to complete an outfit using traditional designs and colors that represent mountains, wildlife, and nature. The women embroider small

sections of clothing separately and later assemble the completed project. Additional pieces are made, such as a belt, necklace, and head dress. Fabrics are hand woven cottons dyed with indigo, usually bought from the neighboring Hmong tribe. Threads







Tourists have discovered the Red Dao villages and often travel the trecherous routes to observe the women's clothing, embroidering, and even take embroidery workshops. The Dao have adapted to tourists by making marketable embroidered items such as bracelets, purses, hats, and bags.







March 22 - April 1, 2023

Visit Every Shop & You Can Win!

GRAND PRIZE:



2 Night Quilt Retreat for Up to 8 People!

GIFT CERTIFICATES TO EACH STORE

FIRST PLACE \$900 Total Value!

SECOND PLACE \$450 Total Value! | THIRD PLACE \$180 Total Value!

& PRIZE BASKETS!

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San Antonio, TX

See full details on www.BluebonnetShopHop.net



Guild Veterans

Guild member: Are you a veteran who served honorably in any of the five branches of the US military or US Coast Guard? You have not received a Veteran's Honor Quilt or Quilt of Valor but you would like to receive a quilt. If you answer yes, please complete this form.

Name			
Phone			
Email			

The Guild will honor veteran members at the November meeting.

Return to: Janet Miller or Barbara Sumlin or Mary McCarthy or mail to GSAQG, PO Box 380522, San Antonio, TX 78268

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Greater San Ar	ntonio Quilt Gui	ild		YTD Actual	2023 Budget
Treasurer's Report			Postage		50.00
For the One month e	nding January	31, 2023	Zoom Subscription	\$160.02	160.00
	YTD Actual	2023 Budget	Webpage		280.00
REVENUES			Quilt Show	\$56.24	41,970.00
Ordinary Income:			Challenge Quilt Contest Prizes		
Interest	\$0.02	200.00	Auction		
CD Interest	\$19.56		Community Activities:		
Other income			Bright Hopes		800.00
Garage Sale			Storybook Quilts		250.00
Magazine Sales			Community Education		150.00
Nametage Fines	\$3.30		Quilt Angels		500.00
Newsletter Postage			Membership Svcs & Activities:		
Dues - Membership	\$2,891.00	3,000.00	Ethel Howey Grant		\$1,000.00
Newsletter / Directory Ads	\$45.00	250.00	Library		\$150.00
Workshops	\$925.00	1,100.00	QPC		\$150.00
Fund Raising:			QPFC		\$150.00
Quilt Show	\$2,985.00	51,480.00	Video Library		
Raffle Quilt	\$65.00	5,500.00	Programs		\$2,500.00
Challenge Quilt Contest		590.00	Workshops	\$426.91	\$1,000.00
Auction			Self-Sustaining Activities:		
Self-Sustaining:			Mini-Retreats		\$1,000.00
Retreat - Summer		\$12,000.00	Retreat - Summer		\$12,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$13,235.00	\$12,000.00	Retreat - Winter		\$12,000.00
Mini-Retreats		\$1,000.00	Houston Bus Trip	4	\$3,000.00
Houston Bus Trip		\$3,000.00	Total Expenses	\$1,182.04	\$90,120.00
One Time Donation	\$1.00		Net	\$18,987.84	
Total Revenues	\$20,169.88	\$90,120.00	Ending Frost Operating	\$41,325.94	
EXPENSES			Ending Frost Savings	\$1,114.54	
Administration:			SSFCU CD's & Savings	\$22,760.82	
Administration		400.00	SSFCU Wright Class CD	\$12,736.58	
Bank & CC	\$25.22	500.00	Liabilities	12 225 00\	
Insurance	\$161.60	2,000.00	Winter Retreat	13,235.00)	
Office Supplies & Postage		200.00	Total Guild Funds	\$64,702.88	
CPA / Tax Return		600.00	Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer		
Door Prizes					
Telephone	\$10.05	250.00			
Storage facility	\$342.00	4,000.00			
Rent (Meetings)		3,360.00	•••••••	• • • • • • •	• • • • • •
Rent (Workshops)		500.00	•		
Janitorial		600.00	Last Month's Mystery Brin	g and Rrag was	on our
Membership expenses:			January 2013 Bring & Brag		•
Membership Supplies		50.00	enjoy the other wonderful		•
Membership Drive (Ads)		350.00	•		•

200.00

Newsletter / Directory Printing

2023 Quilt Show Update

The 2023 Quilt Show will be here sooner than you think! "Weathering the Storms Together" is the theme. Reflecting on the last few years struggle made me appreciate and recognize how important relationships are in our lives. I think that the theme "Weathering the Storms Together" perfectly depicts our comradery and bond with each other.

Challenge fabric (including rules) are still available; buy a fat quarter or two for \$5 each from Linda Kirk at Guild meetings. A copy of the rules is also posted on the guild website.

The raffle quilt was unveiled at the November Guild meeting and its picture can be viewed on the guild website. https://www.sanantonioquilt.org

So - How can I help with the 2023 quilt show now? Right now we need help with selling tickets for the raffle quilt. Please stop by the show table to pick up tickets and a flyer to sell to family and friends!

If you have a club, group or job that will allow the raffle quilt to be displayed PLEASE let Janet Miller know, so she can add to the schedule.

Help us to pay for the cost of the show by using your ingenuity and/or connections. Linda Casias is Vendor chair and has been working diligently on finding vendors, prize sponsors and advertisers. Linda welcomes any ideas or help that you can provide.

Please consider volunteering to help with one of the show committees! Let me take the fear away \sim working on a committee does not mean you are committing or expected to head the committee or become the next show chair. I remind you of this very wise and true proverb: Many hands make light work. The success of the show is in all of our hands.

Many of you already realize that the show is more than just a fundraiser for the guild. The show gives quilters like ourselves an opportunity to share, inspire and educate the community about our craft and its rich history. The GSAQG show provides an opportunity for personal growth via feedback from professional judges and the joy of accomplishment when you enter a quilt. (Hint Hint – are you working on an entry?) Quilt entries are open to non-guild members. Our guild is recognized by extending this opportunity to non-members.

Committee information and guilt entry information will be updated on the website soon.

Thank you for all you do and your kind support,

Sandy Doyle 2023 Quilt Show Chair gsaqgquiltshow@gmail.com

GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC ETHEL Y. HOWEY GRANT PROGRAM

MISSION

The Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild (GSAQG) has established a grant program in honor of a loved and esteemed founding member, Ethel Y. Howey, whose accomplishments, and influence extended into the international quilt world. The grant is to encourage the pursuit of education in the study of quilt making and to recognize the importance of quilting in today's society as an art form, as an instrument of healing, as part of our legacy, and as a common thread which binds all in friendship.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the grant program is to fund projects that will have long term impact on preserving the heritage and further the art of quilt making. The grant may be used to cover expenses such as fees (including conferences, workshops, etc.), travel, lodging, meals, materials, and books. The grant(s) will be awarded annually, not to exceed \$1,000. The Grant Committee may divide the monies between more than one recipient. The GSAQG is not obligated to award the entire \$1,000 or any part thereof, if the quality of the proposals does not merit it.

ELIBILITY

- Applicant must be an active GSAQG member in good standing for the previous **two (2) years** immediately preceding the grant deadline.
- An applicant must show evidence of an interest in continuing to improve and innovate in the field of quilt design, construction, history, or technique.
- Financial need will NOT be a criterion for selection.
- Grant recipients are ineligible to reapply for grants for three years. Grant committee members are ineligible for grants while serving on the committee.

PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES

- Applications must be submitted **on or before August 1** (current year), and the grant will be awarded at the following January Guild meeting.
- If the recipient fails to fulfill the requirements or is unable to attend the proposed project or program, the grant money must be returned within **three (3) months** of the cancellation, or on a time-line agreed to by the committee and the applicant. If an alternate applicant is available, the money may be transferred to the alternate with approval of the committee.
- Recipients must be willing and able to share with GSAQG the new skills, techniques, or information gained. This may be in the form of a presentation, a workshop, or other process that disseminates the information to the members in **the year following receipt of the grant.** Scheduling must be coordinated with the 1st Vice President for Programs.
- If a workshop or program is being presented, at a minimum of three (3) months before the scheduled Guild workshop or program, a lesson plan and class sample will be presented to the Ethel Y. Howey Chairperson, the 1st Vice President for Programs, and one Guild member-at-large.
- Recipient must submit, in writing, a final report of the project and expenses by March 1 of the year following receipt of the grant.

GSAQG ETHEL Y. HOWEY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS

Following the stated timeline, submit a typed or handwritten application, not to exceed two (2) pages. Include the date, your name, address, phone numbers, email, number of years a GSAQG member, and explain:

- 1. Why you would like to receive this grant.
- 2. How you will use the grant funds, including a specific budget.
- 3. How you will share your new skills, techniques, and information with the membership.

Feel free to provide any additional information that will help the selection committee.

Mail to:

Mary McCarthy GSAQG Foundation Grant Program 1123 Creek Cabin San Antonio, TX. 78253-5835

Timeline Example

1 August 2020- Application due
1 January 2021- Grant awarded
2021 – Grant used/classes attended
March 2022- Written final report due
August 2022- Presentation to Review Committee
November 2022- Workshop/Presentation to Guild Membership

2023 Quilt Show



More Space

◆ More Quilts ◆ More Vendors

Traditional ◆ Modern

Fiber Art

May 5-6

Fri. 10AM to 7PM — Sat. 10AM to 5PM Admission: \$10 (Children under 12 Free)

Williamson County Expo Center 5350 Bill Pickett Trail Taylor, TX 76574

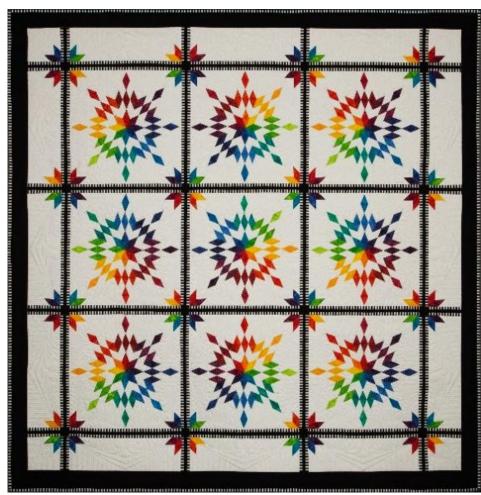
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- Vendors
- Boutique
- Silent Auction
- Granny's Attic
- Free Parking



Luminosity 76" × 76"

Drawing May 6. Need not be present to win!

Days for Girls Workday January 28, 2023

The day started gray, chilly, drizzly and stayed that way. However, one by one, two by two, women began arriving to work on our Days for Girls project. Some came early, others came later, but everyone who showed up had a job: tracing, cutting, matching fabrics, sewing, serging, ironing, or helping in general.

We all made a few new friends and many personal feminine hygiene kits were created between 8 and 4 today.

A total of 39 women participated, one in 7th grade, others well into our "golden" years. Ten participants were from Saint Andrew PC, fifteen from the Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, six from the New Braunfels Area Quilt Guild, some were friends of quilters, and some came with Amy Richardson, the Days for Girls representative, who demonstrated all the different jobs needed for a successful workday.

The day was so successful that the NBAQG will hold a half-day workshop on Saturday, March 18.

A huge "Thank you" to those who helped with set up and especially with clean up.

Sincerely, Lani Nunely

Mystery Bring & Brag!

Just for fun, can you name the month & year this appears in our Bring & Brag?



Here are some numbers from the Days for Girls Workday

Completed transport bags: 90 partially completed:21

Completed Drawstring bags: 6 partially completed: 106

Completed shields: 70 Partially completed 32

Completed Liners: 15 Partially completed: hard to counts but I would say at least 100

Thank you for all the help and I would love to do it again sometime.

Amy

Do you get a thrill out of watching competition and the agony of defeat ??

Then the AUCTION committee is for you!!

See Sandy Doyle for more information. :

How To Do Quilted Lettering

The popularity of WORD QUILTS continues to flourish. Usually, words in quilts arrive as text on fabric or as applique letters. There are a handful of books on piecing alphabets: Stitch Your Story by Sarah Fielke; Quilt Talk by Sam Hunter; Text It! by Sherri Noel; Word Play Quilts by Tonya Ricucci; Alphabet Soup by Tammy Johnson (folk art); Alphabet Soup by Jaybird Quilts (using the Hex-N-More ruler); Alphabet Adventures by Marianne Jeffrey. PDF alphabets of all kinds (pieced, applique, and foundation paper piecing) are available on Etsy. The applique alphabets are too numerous to name, but here is a listing of Etsy designers offering traditional pieced or foundation alphabets: Kelby Sews, Right Patterns, Patch and Dot, Sew Fresh Quilts, From Blank Pages, Lori Kleiner Eckert, Daniela Patchwork, Art East Quilting Co., Ellis and Higgs.



How about words **IN** quilting? Of course, with practice and good penmanship, you can free-motion stitch words into quilts. But sometimes you need a larger presence for your quilted lettering than script can provide. Wouldn't it be nice to use all the keyboard fonts in your quilting? Here is a new technique for embellishing fonts with free-motion shading.



STEP 1

Select any font you like, print the letters in the size you need, and use your favorite method to transfer the design to your quilt. Outline the letter with free motion quilting.



STEP 2Outline again, 1/4" inside original quilting.



STEP 3Scribble (long and short up-and-down free-motions quilting) to fill in the 1/4" gap between outlines.



STEP 4

This step is extra fun.

Turn the tension on your sewing machine all the way up. Slowly, zig-zag back and forth, "filling" in the central area of the letter remaining inside the 1/4" border. The bobbin thread will create a lattice/lace filling in the font!



Free Article found on QuiltingHub.com.

SPRING MINI RETREAT

Spring mini retreat will be held

March 31 - April 1.

Sign-ups start at February meeting.

Cost \$35 for 3 meals:

Friday - lunch and dinner

Saturday - lunch only

Hours are:

Friday - 9 am until 8pm

Saturday - 9 am until 4 pm

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February Schedule

February 6 Board Meeting 7:00 PM on Zoom

February 11 General Meeting 10:00 AM Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church AND on Zoom

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

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

REGULAR DUES \$ 28 SENIOR (65+) \$ 21 YOUTH (6-18) \$ 7

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