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# **Common Threads**

# Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc. Incoproated August 1980

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### April 8th **Guild Meeting**

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

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

Joint meeting with African **American Quilt** Circle of San **Antonio** 

### Remember to bring to the meeting

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

# President's Letter

We're delighted to welcome members of the African American Quilt Circle of San Antonio to our April meeting. Thank you Sandra Lowell, 3rd VP for Programs, for arranging this special event. Sandra is inviting our visitors to bring items for Bring and Brag and encouraging our members to do so as

It was great to welcome both new and returning members in March. And what an amazing program by Ruth Felty on Hawaiian quilting! I have always been in awe of those quilts. They seem so intimidating, but I bought a wall hanging kit at the 2019 Houston show. It's still unopened, of course, but Ruth's talk inspired me to pull out the kit and get to work. I'm proud to have completed step one, "locate the kit".

The Welcome Committee is really taking shape as more volunteers come forward to assist chairperson Sylvia Jolet. We now have a roster of members to help on a rotating basis. Of course, we can all help by visiting with newcomers and showing them around. Second VP for Information Ina Ramirez is requesting volunteers to serve as photographer on a rotating basis. Please contact Ina if you can help with either welcoming or photography. Don't hesitate to volunteer due to fear of being put in charge of a project or committee. We welcome help but won't pressure you to do more than you are comfortable with.

The Board has reviewed our bylaws, which were last revised in 2017. We have proposed edits to amplify, clarify, and simplify. Hopefully we have succeeded. Please read the proposed changes in the March and April newsletters so we can vote on the revisions in May. Email any comments or proposed edits to Secretary Melissa Allo.

I will miss the April meeting but look forward to seeing you in May for our business meeting, Guild birthday party and work day.

Elaine

### **Congtratulations Winners!** Door Prize Winner - Gail Dickman & Golden Carrot Winner - Francis Contreras



### 2023 Programs

### 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!

### May

May 13 - Guild Work Day! Stay and work on projects for Bright Hopes, QPC, Show, or Community Quilt Angels. Lunch will be provided for those who stay.

### June

June 10 - Linda Kirk will be speaker.

### July

July 9 - Guild garage sale! Only quilt related items can be sold. This year, please comport yourselves with well-mannered frivolity (to quote Professor MacGonagal from Hogwarts) instead of Filene's basement madness. I will label the tables with the person's name so that organizing tables will be orderly.

Sandra

### 2023 Summer Retreat - Winter 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

### **NEWSLETTER INPUT**

DEADLINE is Midnight the Monday after Guild meeting. E-mail: quiltnews@sanantonioquilt.org

### **NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING**

Monthly Yearly
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) \$10.00 \$110

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

### **GSAQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES MARCH 6, 2023**

President Elaine Staller called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Present: Elaine Staller, Dea Jae Shore, Melissa Allo, Cindy Shutt, Sandra Lowell, Jean Hardies, Mary McCarthy, Gail Clover.

Not present: Sandy Doyle (written report submitted), Ina Ramirez (written report submitted)

### President – Elaine Staller

- 1. The February Board Meeting Minutes were approved as written.
- 2. Saint Andrew's contract signed for 2023.
- 3. Sound system to be stored at church.

### President Pro Tem - Dea Jae Shore

- 1. Directory will be ready for pickup at March meeting.
- 2. Eblast items included discussed: program change, quilt show entry help available, bring and brag
- 3. Guild stationary has been requested and will be ordered by Cindy Shutt.

### Secretary - Melissa Allo -

1. Two phone calls received since last meeting.

### Treasurer – Cindy Shutt

- 1. The current total balance is \$61,959.91
- 2. Banking and insurance papers have been updated to reflect new President.
- 3. Tax return has been completed.

### 1st VP for Special Events – Sandra Doyle

- 1. Mini Retreat is scheduled for 3/31 4/1. 2 spaces remain. Volunteers needed to help with setup, serve, and clean up. See Linda Kirk.
- 2. Summer retreat date is July  $19^{th} 23^{rd}$ , 2023. 9 spaces remain. See Linda Casias and Linda Maldonado
- 3. Show Entry rules and the Jotform for quilt entry is available on website, rack cards have designed and printed, publicity for the show has started, wearable ribbons have started. Members who are interested in helping with the silent auction will be meeting after guild at the back water fountain.

### **2nd VP for Information – Ina Ramirez** – Nothing to report

### 3rd VP for Special Programs – Sandra Lowell

- 1. The March program changed to Hawaiian quilts by Ruth Felty.
- 2. Guild supplies will be checked for working order and reorganized after the March program.
- 3. The next block challenge will be revealed in June.
- 4. 2024 programs ideas have been started.

### 4th VP for Services – Jean Hardies

- 1. Librarian has requested a helper.
- 2. DVD and Library survey is being put together for member input.

### 5th VP for Community Outreach – Mary McCarthy

- Bright Hopes, Linda Nash reports 15 quilts and 10 totes delivered to Roy Maas Youth Alternatives.
- Community Education, Oralia Aves- reports they will participate in the San Antonio Central Library's celebration
  of Women's History Month on March 29<sup>th</sup>, the Texas Parks and Wildlife event on Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup>, and will participate at Roosevelt Academy Career Day in May.
- Storybook Quilts, Viki Ash reports there are 8 locations displaying quilts in March for Women's History Month.
   The Landa Bee has finished a quilt top to compliment The Day the Crayons Quit. They are looking for a volunteer to finish the quilt.
- 4. Community Quilt Angels, Janet Miller reports they met in February and set 2023 calendar, and continue to make quilts for veterans.

### **Parliamentarian – Gail Clover** – Nothing to report

Unfinished Business: Bylaws will be presented in March newsletter for member input.

Plan is under way to facilitate volunteer participation in Welcoming Committee.

**New Business:** General information, policies and standing committees will be updated in 2023. Survey on DVD and Library books being organized.

Meeting adjourned: 8:14 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Allo, Secretary

### GSAQG General Meeting Minutes March 11, 2023

### **President – Elaine Staller**

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church.
- 2. The February general meeting minutes stand approved as published in the newsletter.
- 3. Contract has been signed with the church for 2023. Please refer to March 2023 newsletter for church expectations for using the facilities.
- Applications will be accepted for the Ethel Howey Grant in 2023.
- 5. Door prize winner: Gail Dickman
- 6. Golden carrot award: Frances Contreras.

### Secretary - Melissa Allo

2 phone calls received.

### **Treasurer – Cindy Shutt**

Cash on hand \$61,959.91.

### President Pro-Tem – Dea Jae Shore

- 1. Pick up directory.
- 2. Asked for a social media person to help with facebook, instagram, twitter, etc.
- 3. Quilt entry form on website was walked through and explained.

### 1st VP for Special Programs - Sandy Doyle

- Spring Mini retreat will be 3/31 4/1 at Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church. Linda Kirk will lead. Full – waitlist has been started.
- Summer Retreat will be 7/19 7/23 at John Newcomb Tennis Ranch in New Braunfels. \$100 deposit, total cost \$395. Must be paid in full by May meeting, 6 spots remain.
- 3. Quilt Show -
  - The raffle quilt will be at Sew Special during the Blue Bonnet Shop Hop (March 22 April 1). Volunteers are needed to sell tickets. Contact Janet Miller to schedule raffle quilt traveling information and ticket sales.
  - Challenge fabric still available. \$5. per fat quarter.
  - Sign out rack cards for shops you will be visiting.
  - Volunteers needed for: Silent Auction chair, Publicity and a Database person

### 2nd VP for Information - Ina Ramirez

Announced she needs help with taking pictures at the meetings. Library needs a few assistants.

### 3rd VP for Programs - Sandra Lowell

- Boot Scootin' Block challenge reviewed. Block pattern on the website. Blocks are due at the May meeting. Door prizes for the top 5 blocks.
- March Nova Montgomery class was cancelled due to illness – looking to reshedule. Ruth Felty jumped in and presented on Hawaiian Quilts.
- 3. April Combined meeting with the African American Quilt Circle of San Antonio
- May Guild work day. Please sign up with a committee at the April meeting. Boot Scootin' Boogie blocks due back.

- June Linda Kirk will be presenting on her usage of the Ethel Howey Grant. Sharon Kelly will be teaching a strip rug class Saturday afternoon.
- July Garage sale day. Tables are \$10 each. Can have 1 or 2 tables. No kitchen stuff!
- 7. August everything show!
- 8. New supplies new ironing boards, new power strips purchased.
- 9. Sandra will not run for reelection. If interested in her board position, please reach out to Sandra Lowell to start learning the ropes of the job.

### 4th VP for Services - Jean Hardies

- 1. Presented Mary McCarthy with president guilt,
- Mary-Ruth Flores is the new chair for QPC. First
  meeting will be 4/3 at 1pm at Western Hills Christian
  Church. Please contact Mary-Ruth for more
  information.

### 5th VP for Community Outreach - Mary McCarthy

- Bright Hopes Chair: Linda Nash: Delivered 15 quilts
   4 10 totes to Roy Maas Youth Alternatives
- Community Education Chair: Oralia Aves Scheduled participation at Llano River State Park on Saturday, April 15. Scheduled participation at San Antonio Central Library on March 29 in celebration of Women's History Month, Agreed participation at Roosevelt Academy, Edgewood ISD for Career Day in May (date unannounced as yet)
- Community Quilt Angels Chair: Janet Miller Held February meeting to set 2023 calendar.
- 4. Storybooks & Quilts to Go Chair: Viki Ash The following eight locations of the San Antonio Public Library will have quilts on display in March celebrating Women's History Month: Central, Cody, Igo, Landa, Mission, Pruitt, Schafer, Semmes, The Landa Bee has finished a quilt top to compliment The Day the Crayons Quit. A volunteer to finish this will be sought at the March guild meeting

Parliamentarian – Gail Clover – Nothing to report.

### **General Announcements:**

**Unfinised Business:** Recommendations for the bylaws, please send to Melissa Allo

If you are participating in Secret Pals this year, please make sure to bring your gifts each month. Also please check table to make sure the gift you brought has been picked up.

New business: None Member attendance: 75

Guests: 3

New members: 2

Name tag fine collection: \$2.00 Meeting adjourned: 11:21 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Melissa Allo, Secretary

### 4.2023 Pieces of the Past, 156: **Sequins,** by Ellen Hernandez

Sikka, the Arabic word meaning coin became the Venetian word zecchino from which we get the French word sequin. Serving as a display of wealth, some cultures thought sequins also provided protection from evil spirits. One of the oldest samples of sequins dates to the 1300s B.C., the time of King Tutankhamun. When his tomb



was discovered one hundred years ago in 1922 by archeologist Howard Carter, one of the young kings 12 tunics was covered with gold sequins. (You can view replicas of the tomb rooms as Carter found them at the Houston Museum of Natural Sciences special exhibit through 30 May.) Most of the textiles found in 1922 were placed in boxes, undisturbed until re-discovered in the Cairo Museum by textile archeologist Dr. Vogelsang-Eastwood in the 1990s. Using a high-powered camera, she was able to determine the original colors and patterns of the deteriorated items. Thirty-six items, including the sequined tunic, were traditionally recreated by special artisans from the Weaving School in Boras, Sweden and the Stitching Textile Research Centre in Leiden, Netherlands.

Would you believe...in 1480 DaVinci imagined and sketched a pulleyed, levered sequin machine that would punch small disks from sheets of metal. It's unclear if this machine was ever actually created at the time.

In the 1600s-1800s sequins were primarily worn by nobility and the wealthy. After the King Tut sequin tunic discovery, sequins became vastly popular in the fashion world. Flapper style dresses and evening gowns shimmered with sequins. One disadvantage of



metal sequin gowns was the heavy weight. In the 1930s a lighter weight electroplated gelatin disk dyed with lead paint was created. But these disks would melt if they got wet or too hot, leaving many a damsel in distress.







Finding a solution to the gelatin disk, Herbert Lieberman applied Kodak technology to design an acetate sequin that was more durable, but still fragile. In the 1950s Lieberman used the new DuPont transparent polyester Mylar to make sequins. The more durable and cost-effective vinyl plastic replaced Mylar.

Sequined clothing has never really gone out of style. *Dorothy* wore red sequin shoes in *The Wizard of Oz* in 1939. The 1960s had glittering stars like *The Supremes*. Disco fashion screamed sequins, including









Charlie's Angels. Then in the 1980s Michael Jackson appeared at the White House in a sequin coat and one glove, a fad that caught on worldwide. In 2023 the sequin trend continues and isn't just for party wear, but in day wear skirts, tops, and dresses in pinks a

continues and isn't just for party wear, but in day wear skirts, tops, and dresses in pinks and neutrals.



In 2011 flip or mermaid sequined fabric was patented in China. More than fabric, mermaid sequins are like an addictive toy enjoyed by all ages on items of clothing and personal goods.

Sequins have holes in the center and are sewn flat. Paillettes may look like sequins but have holes near the edge and can move. They can be round, oval, or square. Sequin fabric comes in several types - glued, sewn



with spaces, or sewn with overlaps. Sewn fabric is made by computer programmed machines. Very few artisans remain who sew sequins on by hand. Need help to sew sequin fabric? Some tips can be found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jp72VKSF3QA and

https://www.threadsmagazine.com/membership/pdf/71930/Sequin Smarts.pdf

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild			
Treasurer's Report			
For the Three Months ending March 31, 2023			
	YTD Actual	2023 Budget	
REVENUES			
Ordinary Income:			
Interest	\$2.27	\$200.00	
CD Interest	\$24.49		
Other income			
Garage Sale			
Magazine Sales			
Nametage Fines	\$5.55		
Newsletter Postage	\$30.00		
Dues - Membership	\$3,360.00	\$3,000.00	
Newsletter / Directory Ads	\$165.00	\$250.00	
Warkshaps	\$150.00	\$1,100.00	
Fund Raising:			
Quilt Show	\$8,925.00	\$51,480.00	
Raffle Quilt	\$706.00	\$5,500.00	
Challenge Quilt Contest	\$170.00	\$590.00	
Auction			
Self-Sustaining:			
Retreat - Summer	\$6,985.00	\$12,000.00	
Retreat - Winter	\$13,235.00	\$12,000.00	
Mini-Retreats	\$1,015.00	\$1,000.00	
Houston Bus Trip		\$3,000.00	
One Time Donation	\$2.00		
Total Revenues	\$34,775.31	\$90,120.00	
EXPENSES			
Administration:			
Administration	\$108.24	\$400.00	
Bank & CC	\$194.87	\$500.00	
Insurance	\$161.60	\$2,000.00	
Office Supplies & Postage		\$200.00	
CPA / Tax Return	\$600.00	\$600.00	
Door Prizes			
Telephone	\$30.15	\$250.00	
Storage facility	\$1,026.00	\$4,000.00	
Rent (Meetings)	\$810.00	\$3,360.00	
Rent (Warkshaps)		\$500.00	
Janitorial	\$50.00	\$600.00	
Membership expenses:			

Membership Supplies		\$50.00
Membership Drive (Ads)		\$350.00
Newsletter / Directory Printing	\$170.00	\$200.00
Postage	\$23.37	\$50.00
Zoom Subscription	\$160.02	\$160.00
Webpage		\$280.00
Quilt Show	\$101.72	\$41,970.00
Challenge Quilt Contest Prizes		
Auction		
Community Activities:		
Bright Hopes	\$64.94	\$800.00
Storybook Quilts		\$250.00
Community Education		\$150.00
Quilt Angels		\$500.00
Membership Services & Activities:		
Ethel Howey Grant		\$1,000.00
Library		\$150.00
QPC		\$150.00
QPFC		\$150.00
Video Library		
Programs		\$2,500.00
Workshops	\$725.00	\$1,000.00
Self-Sustaining Activities:		
Mini-Retreats	\$250.00	\$1,000.00
Retreat - Summer		\$12,000.00
Retreat - Winter	\$13,235.00	\$12,000.00
Houston Bus Trip		\$3,000.00
Total Expenses	\$17,710.91	\$90,120.00
Net	\$17,064.40	
Ending Frost Operating	\$47,587.48	
Ending Frost Savings	\$1,116.79	
SSFCU CD's & Savings	\$13,645.17	
SSFCU Wright Class CD	\$12,736.58	
Liabilities		
Fenced for new CD	\$(10,000.00)	
Total Guild Funds	\$65,086.02	
Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer		

Last Month's Mystery Bring and Brag was on our March 2013 Bring & Brag link. Go browse and enjoy the other wonderful items shown!

### 2023 Quilt Show Update

(September 22nd & 23rd, 2023) --- Sandy Doyle & Gail Clover

The quilt online entry process is going very well. We have 48 quilts entered; many entries are from non-members. The word of our show is getting around!!! Be sure to get your quilt entered, so you don't miss out on this opportunity. The first 200 paid entries will be accepted.

Advertisement information has been sent to Texas quilt guilds, public information magazines, via delivery of rack cards to shops, and on the guild Facebook. Thank you to everyone who has helped spread the word!! Advertising will be a continuing process up until the show.

Sew Special was gracious enough to let us sell raffle tickets during the shop hop. The raffle quilt earned \$803. Thank you to Janet Miller for organizing the volunteers. Thank you to all the volunteers for signing up and working a two-hour shift. Many of you worked more than one shift. We have sold a total of 1200 tickets thanks to the shop hop and the many members who have sold tickets. Please see Sandy at guild for your packets of tickets to sell!!! Only 3800 to Go. We can do it!!

Guild members have stepped up to volunteer to help with the silent auction. The volunteers are meeting by the back water fountain after the April guild meeting. Any other volunteers are welcome. The show is slowly starting to come together!! Please continue to sign up and volunteer to help with the show. Everyone's participation is essential for a successful show. Only 5 months and 18 days until the FUNDRAISER

Thank you again for all you do and for your support,

Sandy Doyle 2023 Quilt Show Chair gsaqgquiltshow@gmail.com

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### Donations needed for Silent Auction

We need items to sell in the silent auction at our show. The items can be quilts, any size, tote bags, and other items quilty folk will be interested in purchasing. You can turn them into the show table at our guild meetings through August. In the past we have also sold an antique sewing machine and a collection of thimbles. The guild already a cabinet machine to sell. We won't be selling fabric or kits so that we do not compete with our vendors. Help us out!

Thanks, Sandra Lowell

### CONGRATULATIONS TO KAREN LAMBDIN FOR YOUR DALLAS QUILT SHOW 2023 OPEN DIVISION BLUE RIBBON!



### 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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)

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Luminosity 76" × 76"

Drawing May 6. Need not be present to win!

# BYLAWS OF THE GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC AS ADOPTED MAY 13, 2000 AND AMENDED November 11, 2017 AMENDED FEBRUARY 16, 2023, AND ADOPTED MAY 13, 2023

### **ARTICLE I NAME**

The name of the organization shall be the Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "the Guild."

### ARTICLE II OBJECT

The Guild is organized for charitable and educational purposes as a nonprofit corporation to stimulate an interest in quilts and advance the art of quilt making within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended. The Guild believes that embracing diversity, equity, and inclusion as organizational values is a way to intentionally make space for positive outcomes to flourish, therefore the Guild does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex, religion or age for membership or as a board member of the Guild.

### **ARTICLE III MEMBERS**

**Section 1. Classification.** There shall be <u>five</u> four classes of members.

- A. Regular. To qualify for Regular membership any Any person between 18 and 64 years of age by paying the required dues. shall be eligible for Regular membership and Regular members are entitled to one vote. Upon attaining the age of 65, Regular members shall be reclassified as Senior members.
- **B.** Senior. To qualify for Senior membership any Any person having attained at least the age of 65 by paying the required dues. shall be eligible for Senior membership and Senior members are entitled to one vote.
- C. Youth. To qualify for Youth membership any Any person between 6 and 18 years of age and paying the required dues. Youth members shall not be entitled to vote. Upon attaining the age of 18, Youth members shall be reclassified as Regular members and shall pay the difference in dues. Youth members are not entitled to vote.
- D. Charter. To qualify for Charter membership any person must have been a Guild member at the end of its first year of operation (May 1980-May 1981).
- **E.** Lifetime. To qualify for Lifetime membership a person must have been a co-founder of the Guild or other individual be nominated in writing by a member in good standing and be approved by the Executive Board.

### Section 2. Dues.

- **A.** Regular Members. Dues shall remain at their current level unless a change is recommended by the Executive Board. Upon the recommendation of the Executive Board, the amount of dues for Regular members for the second calendar year following approval shall be determined by a majority vote of the members present at the November meeting
- **B.** Senior Members. The amount of dues for Senior members shall be discounted 25 percent of the amount of Regular members' dues.
- **C.** Youth Members. The amount of dues for Youth members shall be discounted 75 percent of the amount of Regular members' dues.
- D. Charter. The amount of dues for Charter members shall be the same as described in A, B, or C above.
- **E.** D. Lifetime. Lifetime members are exempt from paying dues.
- **F.** E. All dues are on a calendar basis and are payable on or before the January guild meeting. New members joining after June 30 will have their first year's dues reduced by 50%.
- **G.** F. Dues are considered delinquent as of February 1 at the end of the February guild meeting and the member shall be dropped from membership as of that date.

### Section 3. Expectations of Members.

- **A.** Shall represent the Guild in a positive manner in the community.
- **B.** Shall further the Guild's mission by supporting its committees and activities.
- **C.** Shall take questions regarding Guild operations to the appropriate committee chair or board member.
- **D.** Shall promote civility and cohesion in Guild activities.

### Section 3 4. Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of the Guild shall be from January 1 through December 31.

### Section 45. Good Standing.

A member in good standing shall be one whose current dues have been paid in accordance with the provisions of these

Bylaws and who is not under disciplinary action. Possible disciplinary actions include, in no particular order: verbal reprimand, written reprimand, suspension, and expulsion.

### Section 5 6. Transfer.

Membership in the Guild is not transferable or assignable.

### Section 67. Suspension and Expulsion

The Executive Board, with two-thirds of the voting members board voting in the affirmative, may recommend to the membership, suspension or expulsion of any member for cause after an appropriate hearing. Suspension or expulsion shall occur with two thirds of the members present and voting in the affirmative at a business meeting. suspend or expel any member for cause after an appropriate hearing.

### **ARTICLE IV OFFICERS**

### Section 1. Elected Officers.

The elected officers of the Guild shall be President, President Pro Tempore, First Vice President for Special Events, Second Vice President for Information, Third Vice President for Programs, Fourth Vice President for Services, Fifth Vice President for Community Outreach, Secretary and Treasurer. Officers shall be members of the Guild in good standing.

### Section 2. Appointed Officer.

The appointed officer of the Guild shall be a parliamentarian and shall be approved by the Executive Board.

### Section 3. Compensation for Officers.

Officers shall not receive any compensation for the performance of their duties, except the outgoing President who shall receive a quilt top in recognition of her/his service to the Guild. Officers may serve the Guild in any other capacity and receive compensation.

### Section 4. Term of Office.

- A. The two year term for elected officers shall begin in January of the year following their election.
- **B.** The Parliamentarian shall serve for a term of one year.
- **C.** The President, Second Vice President for Information, Fourth Vice President for Services, Fifth Vice President for Community Outreach and Secretary shall be elected in even number years.
- **D.** The President Pro Tempore, First Vice President for Special Events, Third Vice President for Programs and Treasurer shall be elected in odd-number years.
- E. A current Executive Board member shall not be eligible for another office until the current term of office is completed.
- **F.** A member shall not hold more than one elected or appointed office at the same time. Other positions in the Guild may be filled by Executive Board members.

### Section 5. Vacancy.

A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the President Pro Tempore; a vacancy in any other elected office shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Executive Board. In the event vacancies occur at the same time in the offices of both the President and President Pro Tempore, the First Vice President for Special Events shall immediately notify all members of the Executive Board and, within five (5) days, call a meeting for the purpose of selecting a new President.

### **Section 6. Duties of Officers**

### A. The President shall:

- preside at all business meetings of the Guild and all business and special meetings of the Executive Board.
- ii. be bonded and be a secondary authorized signatory on all accounts and take care of other financial matters in cooperation with the Treasurer.
- iii. be authorized to sign any deeds, mortgages, bonds contracts, or instruments that the Executive Board has authorized to be executed.
- iv. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

### B. The President Pro Tempore shall:

- i. serve as the presiding officer in the absence of the President.
- ii. in the event of disability or resignation of the President, serve as President for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- iii. be bonded and be a secondary authorized signatory on all accounts and take care of other financial matters in cooperation with the Treasurer in the absence of the President.
- iv. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

### C. The First Vice President for Special Events shall:

- i. coordinate special events.
- ii. obtain the chairman's final report of all special events sponsored by the Guild, in a timely manner.
- iii. be authorized to sign contracts pertaining to special events.
- iv. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

### D. The Second Vice President for Information shall:

- i. be Editor-in-Chief of the newsletter.
- ii. publish the list of candidates for vacant offices and the ballot in the November newsletter.
- iii. publish the Executive Board approved budget in the November newsletter.
- iv. publish the chairman's final report for all special events as provided by the Vice President for Special Events, in a timely manner.
- v. maintain a current membership mailing list.
- vi. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board or as may be incident to this office.

### E. The Third Vice President for Programs shall:

- provide programs for each business meeting.
- ii. Schedule and coordinate periodic workshops.
- iii. be authorized to sign contracts pertaining to programs and workshops.
- iv. Perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

### F. The Fourth Vice President for Services shall:

- be responsible for all membership services and the property they utilize.
- ii. ensure the collection and preservation of accounts of guild activities, including appropriate memorabilia, photographs and newsletters.
- iii. Perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board or as may be incident to this office.

### G. The Fifth Vice President for Community Outreach shall:

- i. coordinate all public service activities that involve Guild participation in community education and charitable activities:
- ii. perform other duties as directed by the Executive Board, or as may be incident to this office.

### H. The Secretary shall:

- i. record the proceedings of all business meetings of the Guild and the Executive Board.
- ii. provide a copy of the Executive Board's minutes.

### I. The Treasurer shall:

- i. have custody of all Guild funds.
- ii. be bonded and be the primary authorized signatory on all Guild accounts.
- iii. deposit in the general fund all monies received from all committee activities.
- iv. keep an accurate account of all monies received and disbursed.

### J. The Parliamentarian:

Shall advise the Executive Board and members on the proper parliamentary procedure according to the Guild's adopted parliamentary authority.

### **ARTICLE V NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

### Section 1. Nominations.

- **A.** Composition. A Nominating Committee composed of three (3) members and the Parliamentarian shall be selected at the July business meeting. If there are vacancies in the Nominating Committee, the Executive Board, at the next Executive Board meeting, shall select the members to complete the Nominating Committee.
- **B.** Duties. The Nominating Committee shall:
  - i. publish a request for volunteers for the vacant offices in the Guild newsletter.
  - ii. obtain at least one nominee for each vacant office.
  - iii. obtain the consent of willingness to serve, if elected, from each nominee.
  - iv. present the Nominating Committee report at the October business meeting.
  - v. provide the Editor-in-Chief the list of nominees for publication in the November newsletter.
- **C.** Floor Nominations. Nominations by members for any vacant elected office is permitted, providing that consent of the nominee has been given. The nominations for the offices shall be closed by the President at the October business meeting.

### Section 2. Elections.

Officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting unless a mail ballot is ordered by the Executive Board. A majority vote shall elect. If there is but one nominee for any office, the vote may be taken by voice vote.

### Section 3. Voting by Mail.

Election may be conducted by mail in a manner to be determined by the Executive Board.

### Section 4. Proxy

Voting. Proxy voting is permitted whenever the member provides written documentation authorizing the other member to vote in her/his stead, unless otherwise stated in these Bylaws.

### Section 4 - Virtual Attendees

Virtual attendees' votes will count the same as in person attendees.

### **ARTICLE VI MEETINGS**

### Section 1. Business Meetings.

The business meetings of the Guild, held to further the object of the Guild and act upon any business matters that may be brought before the membership, shall be held on the second Saturday of each month, except December, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Board providing that all members are notified.

### Section 2. Annual Meeting.

The November business meeting shall be known as the annual meeting for the purpose of:

- A. Election of officers.
- **B.** Approval of the budget.
- C. Other pertinent business.

### Section 3. Quorum.

The quorum shall be one-tenth of the members of the Guild in good standing. The program can be presented without a quorum.

### Section 4 3. Notification

Notice constitutes p Publication in the monthly newsletter constitutes notification.

### ARTICLE VII EXECUTIVE BOARD

### Section 1. Composition.

The Executive Board shall be composed of the elected and appointed officers.

### Section 2. Duties and Powers.

In accordance with these Bylaws and subject to the orders of the membership, the Executive Board shall have authority to administer the affairs of, and act on behalf of, the Guild between business meetings. Duties and powers of the Executive Board shall include, but not necessarily be limited to the following:

- A. Appoint the Parliamentarian.
- **B.** Appoint ad hoc committees, as necessary.
- **C.** Approve the chairmen of all committees, except the Nominating Committee.
- **D.** Select, if necessary, the members of the Nominating Committee.
- **E.** Prepare and approve the annual budget and ensure its publication prior to the November meeting at which the membership shall approve the budget.
- **F.** Present to the membership for approval all expenditures which are not in the approved budget and exceed \$400.00 \$600.00.
- G. Ensure that the final reports of all special events sponsored by the Guild are published in a timely manner.
- **H.** Invite the newly elected Executive Board members to the December Executive Board meeting for transition of instructions, files, ideas, and all pertinent records.
- I. Review member dues and submit recommendations to the membership, if necessary, in November.
- J. Recommend the suspension and/or expulsion of any member to the membership, reprimand members verbally or in writing and vote for the suspension and/or expulsion of any member if necessary and after a hearing.
- K. Order and establish a method for the execution of a mail ballot.
- L. Accept, if desired, any contributions, gifts, or bequests on behalf of the Guild.
- M. Present all activities that involve participation of the members to the membership for approval.
- N. Authorize designate any member signatory power on contracts that the Executive Board has authorized to be executed.
- O. Prior to publication, the Executive Board minutes shall be approved by any three (3) of its members.

### Section 3. Meetings.

The Executive Board shall meet every month and such other times as deemed necessary by the Executive Board. Regular monthly meetings are open for observation to any member in good standing.

Any two (2) officers may order special meetings providing all members are notified of the time, place, and nature of business. Notification time is dependent upon the urgency of the business.

### Section 4. Quorum.

A majority of the voting members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

### **ARTICLE VIII COMMITTEES**

### **Section 1. Standing Committees.**

Standing committees of the Guild shall be established by the Executive Board and these are announced in the January Newsletter for the current year. Once established a standing committee shall continue until removed by the Executive

Board.

### Section 2. Composition.

Members of all committees shall be members in good standing of the Guild.

### **Section 3. Duties of Standing Committees.**

The duties of the standing committees are enumerated in General Information as published in the Guild Directory.

### Section 4. Ad Hoc Committees.

There shall be such ad hoc committees as may be deemed necessary by the Executive Board or the membership.

### Section 5. General Information.

- **A.** All monies collected as a result of standing and ad hoc committee activities, including, but not limited to fines, service fees, sale of items, etc., shall be submitted to the Treasurer no later than the next business meeting. All monies are deposited in the Guild's general fund.
- **B.** Receipts are required for reimbursement of all expenditures.
- C. All committee chairmen shall prepare and submit a report of their activities as determined by the Executive Board.
- **D.** The chairmen for self-supporting activities shall submit their budgets for approval as determined by the Executive Board.

### **ARTICLE IX PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the proceedings of the Guild in all cases in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws or Special Rules of Order that may be adopted.

### **ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS**

Section 1. Amendment(s) to the Bylaws may be proposed by the Executive Board or any two (2) members.

**Section 2.** These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members at any business meeting provided that the proposed amendments have been published in the newsletter prior to the business meeting.

### ARTICLE XI DISSOLUTION

In the event of a dissolution of this corporation, the net assets of the corporation shall be applied and distributed as follows: **Section 1**. All liabilities and obligations shall be paid, satisfied and discharged or adequate provision shall be made, therefore.

**Section 2**. Assets held by the corporation upon condition requiring return, transfer, or conveyance, which condition occurs by reason of the dissolution, shall be returned, transferred, or conveyed in accordance with such requirements. **Section 3**. Assets held for charitable, religious, benevolent, educational or similar use, but not held upon a condition requiring return, transfer or conveyance by reason of the dissolution, shall be transferred or conveyed to one or more domestic or foreign corporations, trusts, societies or other organizations engaged in charitable, religious, benevolent,

educational or similar activities pursuant to a plan of distribution as provided by law provided, however, said organization shall qualify under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

### LADIES CAN YOU NAME EACH DOOR PRIZE / GOLDEN CARROT WINNER?

Well I had not a single response to the challenge... <sigh> so sad!



Check out our member's wonderful Bring & Brag items!

# From the Certified Judges' Desk – Part II Piecing and Applique

Why does one quilt win a ribbon and another does not? Wouldn't it be nice to know what quilt judges are really looking for? With over 20 plus years of judging and making quilts I have come to experience and appreciate the details of construction at much a deeper level. When a judge views a quilt they should be drawn in for a closer look. The piecing is important and should be as accurate as possible, with the visual impact driven by the color choices and enhanced by the quilting. This blog describes the technical details a quilt judge is looking for in piecing and appliqué. The critique comments are meant to help you build your skills for future projects; they let you know what you did well and what skills need improvement.

### Pieced:

For pieced quilts, judges are looking for these technical details:

- Piecing intersections meet perfectly.
- Sashing strips should align and be uniform in width.
- Cornerstones are square.
- Points are crisp and sharp and not blunted or cut off in the seamline.
- Seam thread should match or blend with the piecing.
- Piecing stitches are small enough to secure all of the piecing.
- No shadowing of dark fabrics through light fabrics. Pro Tip- be sure to decrease your stitch length and then trim the darker fabric so it won't show through to the quilt top.
- Long lines throughout the quilt should be straight. This keeps the visual line consistent.
- Blocks or units are the same size and aligned precisely.
- Miters are accurate.

### Applique:

When viewing applique quilts, the applique is the star of the show! Every decision made in the construction process should enhance the applique. The method of applique should complement the intended style of the quilt. Fabric

choices and quilting should unify the quilt style and design statement. Judges are looking for these qualities:

- Smooth and flowing curves.
- Circles are round and consistent. Ovals are ovals.
- Concave and convex curves should be smoothly rounded and well executed without bumps or ripples. V-Clefts are crisp and secure.
- Stem work should be consistent with smooth curves.
- Pieces should lie flat.
- Stitches are tight, secure, and invisible.
- Sharp points.
- Thread should match unless the design dictates different.
- No shadowing of dark fabrics through light fabrics
- Repeated motifs are identical in shape and placement.
- Quilting should not run over the edges of the applique unless it is decorative and intended to
- Embellishments are secure and appropriate to the piece.
- Glue and fusible residue should be removed.
- Blanket stitches should be consistent in size, maintain a consistent angle, be evenly spaced, align to applique edge and pivot perpendicularly.
- Satin stitch should be consistent density and smooth.

Yes, Judges DO look at all of these details in the short 3-4 minutes we spend with your quilt. A seasoned Judge is able to capture these perspectives quickly and efficiently. Construction excellence captures our attention along with the areas that need for improvement, but we also marvel at the beauty and admire your talents. Use your critique comments to strengthen your skills, and enjoy the process of making your quilt!

Thank you for sharing your work for others to enjoy.

De Leclair, NACQJ

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### **RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

### **April Schedule**

April 3 Board Meeting 7:00 PM on Zoom

April 8 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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