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Common Threads

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Next Guild Mtg May 10, 2025

9am Doors Open
9:30am Guild
Services Open
10am Program &
Gen Bus Mtg

Meeting Location:

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

Mailing address:

Greater San Antonio
Quilt Guild, Inc
P.O. Box 380522
San Antonio, TX
78268

**May 10
PROGRAM:
Guild
Birthday
&
Workday**

President's Letter

LET'S CELEBRATE!!

It's Birthday Time and that means it's time to celebrate the history of our guild. It's a time to reflect on how we started. Do you know how many members started the Guild? Do you know the names of these ladies? Do you know when it was officially a Guild? Do you know how many President's there has been? Let's have a little trivia this month and learn about our history.

In May, we have our workday, a day to help our committees, share stories, and have a day of great fellowship. I hope you are able to come and share this wonderful time with us.

Time to go sew!

Melissa



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS & VISITORS!!!



Congratulations
Block of the Month
Winner
Kevin W.



Congratulations
Door Prize
Winner
Candy R.



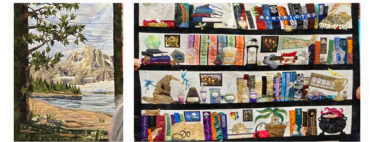
Congratulations
Golden Carrot
Winner
Cindy K.

Lots of fun and sewing going on at the Spring Mini Retreat!



If you missed Spring Mini Retreat,
don't miss the sign up for Fall Mini Retreat October 24 & 25, 2025.

For the April program, Cynthia England led a great lecture and taught two workshops. Workshops are an excellent resource to enhance your quilting skills.



Congratulations to Julie Melchor, Scholarship Recipient for the Cynthia England "Dragonflies" workshop!

MAY PROGRAM GUILD BIRTHDAY & WORKDAY



May is the guild's birthday. It is a day of work for guild members. Everyone is encouraged to volunteer at one of the stations to help our services - Roy Maas, Veterans, Auction, etc.

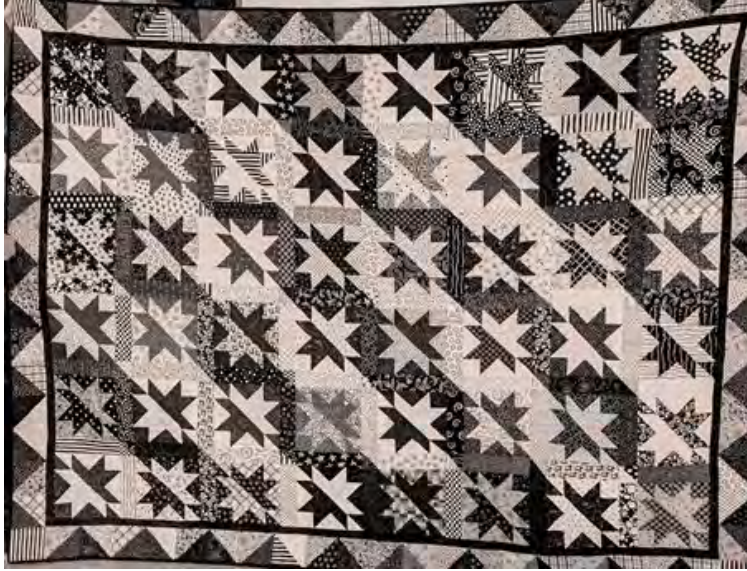
Bring your machine if it is easy to transport, or bring a hand sewing kit. There will be something for all skill levels. This is a great time for new members to get to know the workings of the guild and the people responsible for various committees.

And there are cupcakes! And a free lunch! If you did not sign up at the April meeting, come anyway. Let one of the board members know you'll be there so lunch will be ordered for you.

Happy MAY Birthdays!

ANAVEL GONZALES	24-May	LINDA MALDONADO	24-May
BARB SHROUT	31-May	LYNN BLANKE	16-May
DONNA TAJVAR	15-May	MEL DUGOSH	7-May
DONNA FORREST	6-May	PAT GULLETT	7-May
FRANCES CONTRERAS	9-May	PEGGY THACKSTON	25-May
JANICE FRANKENBERGER	1-May	RACHEL DE LA GARZA	3-May
KEVIN WESTMARK	16-May	TRISH NICHOLSON	3-May





**It's almost time for the 2025 Online Auction!!
Saturday April 26 - Sunday, May 4 2025**

Please be sure to register on Auctria as a bidder before the auction begins on April 26th. Auctria does *not* save your information from event to event, so if you registered for the last auction you will still need to register for the upcoming one.

Ways to spread the word:

- Share on social media (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, etc.)
- Share flyers at places you go to regularly such as restaurants, cafes, coffee shops, stores, church, etc.
- Tell three friends about it and ask them to share.
- Email to all your email contacts the flyer with QR code and quilt photos.
- Save your \$\$ so you can bid on special quilts you love.
- Think about your gift plans that might be filled with quilts.
- Tell all your friends and business friends. Invite them.

Quilt pickup dates: May 10 or June 14 between 11am-2pm

Auction Chairs - Ruth Felty , Ida Kujawski, & Dee LeClair

2025 Programs

June 13 Jean Impey Workshop (6 hrs): “Reckless & Raw Edge Applique”

This workshop is FULL. Visit www.SewJean.com to get the needs list and see her work.

This workshop will be covered by our Eleanor Wright grant so all paid attendees will have their \$35 refunded.

June 14 Jean Impey Lecture: “An Insider’s Look at the Textile Industry”

July 12 Beth Helfter Lecture: “Consistency in the Chaos” & Workshop (3 hrs): “Now You Give It A Scrap Slap Sewing”

Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Quilts will present a trunk show titled “Consistency In the Chaos” followed by a tie-in three hour workshop, “Now You Give It a Scrap Slap”. There are seven spaces available. A sewing machine is required for this class. Her website is evapaigequilts.com.

See the following pages for more information on Beth Helfter and the complete needs list for this workshop.

August 8 Cheryl Matson Workshop (6 hrs): “Butterfly Bouquet”

Cheryl Matzen of Quilt N A Flash will teach her Butterfly Bouquet. *Sign ups will begin in June.*

August 9 Cheryl Matson Lecture: “911 for Quilters”

Visit Cheryl’s website quiltnaflash.com for more information.

September 12 Dana Jones Workshop (6 hrs): “Foundation Paper Piecing 101”

September 13 Dana Jones Lecture: “Around the Block: Creating Quilts from Traditional to Contemporary”

Visit Dana’s website www.danajonesquilts.com for more information.

October 10 Melissa Allo Ethel Howey Grant Recipient will give a 6 hour workshop.

October 11 Melissa Allo Ethel Howey Grant Recipient will present her program.

November 8 Veterans’ Quilts Presentation is the month we remember our veterans. The Community Quilt Angels will be presenting a short program.

December 13 Holiday Party where everyone can visit with one another and spread the joy of the season.

\$35 for 6-hour Friday Workshops; \$25 for 3-hour Saturday Workshops
Scholarship Applications (pg 25) are available for every workshop in 2025.

- - Mary McCarthy, 3rd VP for Programs



MAY Block of the Month - Pinwheel Block

Bring your BOM blocks to the May meeting for a chance to win them all. Make as many blocks as you like. For every block you submit, you get a chance to win ALL the blocks turned in. No restrictions apply to what you do with the blocks – use them for a your own quilt, create a charity quilt, let them sit in their UFO box waiting for inspiration to strike.

If you didn’t get a copy of the instruction sheet, no worries. You can find the BOM instructions on the home page under the “Project Instructions” link. Good luck!



Why Take the “Now YOU Give it a Scrap Slap” workshop with Beth Helfter? And wait...Who the Heck is Beth Helfter?

To answer the second question first – that’s me right there. I’m a quilt designer and instructor from Massachusetts who’s been quilting for twenty years and has been building a business since 2005, when I had twin two year olds and a need to create to stay sane. Many years later I have three adult daughters and lots more time to be with quilters – inspiring, motivating, learning, and sharing my designs and ideas!

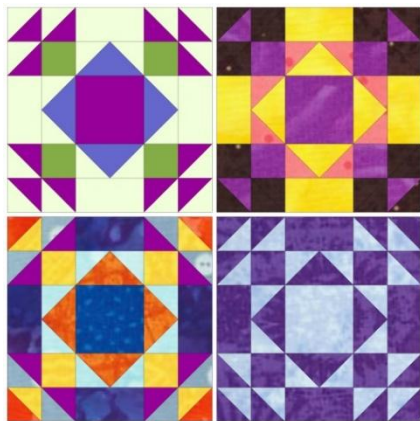
My work has been featured in several magazines, and I was a member of the 2014 Quiltmaker “Scrap Squad.” My style tends toward the scrappy and my designs mirror my company tagline: “Inspired Designs, Relaxed Attitude.” I’m also the creator of the “Accordion Sewn HSTs” method, and am the author of “Oompah! Jazz Up Your Scrap Quilts With the Accordion Sewn HSTs™ Method” and its companion “Another Round of Oompah.”

Quilting is supposed to be fun, and with every pattern and technique I strive to keep you as far away from your seam ripper as possible, with every lecture I work to keep quilting light, fun, and motivating, and with every workshop I try to create a relaxed atmosphere of learning with class that doesn’t aim for perfection, but rather enrichment and joy.

Lecturing and teaching nationally is my very favorite part of this career and I’m thrilled to share EPQD with Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild in September!



But really, why take the Now YOU Give it a Scrap Slap workshop?



How many times do you as a quilter see a pattern and know exactly how to change up the color and fabrics to make it sing YOUR song? Or are you more apt to stay safe and recreate the quilt just as you see it? As a member of Quiltmaker’s “Scrap Squad,” I loved being able to turn featured designs shown in the magazine from quilts from one fabric line into scrappy wonders and upping the wow factors simply with a little recolorization and addition of scraps to the basic blocks. Using creativity, tone, value, and color are all things we as quilters love to do, but sometimes it’s hard to know where to start, and we end up making the

blocks just like we saw them to make it easy.

In this workshop, we work to break out of the “line fabric” look to discover how recoloring not only gives blocks a pop, but depending on value placement can change the entire look and feel of a block. It’s a quick class and a romp through other people’s fabric, too! You’ll never look at a block the same way again!

Now YOU Give it a Scrap Slap! Workshop

Beth Helfter, EvaPaige Quilt Designs



Class Description: In this three hour hands on workshop, we put the concepts discussed in the “Give it a Scrap Slap” lecture to the test by reworking a given block entirely in scraps. While all class members will work with the same block design, each person will be given different directions on color, value, contrast, and fabric placement to be used in their block as they sew. All fabrics are brought to the class as 3” squares and are put into a “scrap pool,” upping the scrappy fun of the completed blocks immensely! Participants will be taught the importance of value and creativity when choosing block fabrics, and in the end will be amazed by how one block can be transformed into so many different looks simply with fabric choices and placements. If time permits, participants will make a second scrappy block with no given “map” of color, value, contrast, etc – just their own scrap interpretations!

SUPPLY LIST

Note: This is a fabric sharing class. You are asked to cut the following amounts of 3” squares and bring them to class to put into a pool for everyone to draw from. You will NOT be using all of the fabrics you bring just yourself. Trust me, it makes it way more fun. Please use good quality quilting fabrics only, and remember the golden rule of fabric sharing: If you wouldn’t want to use it, others won’t either. With that said, scraps from the last 15 years are cool.

When cutting your squares, all nine 3” squares for each bullet point below should be FROM THE SAME FABRIC. The best way to do this is cut a 9” square from each of the colors listed, then cut that 9” square into nine 3” squares. You will bring to class a total of 81 3” squares which have been cut from nine different fabrics. Please do not bring more than 100 3” squares to class – if you find yourself cutting more than 100 squares, please contact me to confirm you understand the directions and are only cutting extras because you are doing the OPTIONAL line.

- Nine 3” light neutral squares (grey, beige, or white)
- Nine 3” dark neutral squares (dark grey, black)
- Nine 3” light squares of any color
- Nine 3” light squares of a second color
- Nine 3” medium squares of any color
- Nine 3” medium squares of a second color
- Nine 3” dark squares of any color
- Nine 3” dark squares of a second color
- Nine 3” focus print squares (focus prints are those with lots of colors or busy patterns that don’t really fall into one color family)
- OPTIONAL –if you’d like to bring in more of the colored light, medium, or dark squares, please do!

Other items to bring:

- Sewing machine in good working order
- Piecing thread
- Full bobbins
- Cutting mat and Small ruler or HST trimming tool
- Rotary cutter
- Basic sewing supplies (snips, scissors, pins, extra machine needles,.... you know the drill)

Any questions? Don’t be shy! Contact me at evapaigequilts@charter.net I look forward to giving it a scrap slap with you!



GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD

**Join us on April 26th - May 4th
for our online auction.**

**We have a plethora of quilted
treasures waiting for you!**



QR Code for Auctria.
Our online auction platform.





A Walk In The Park
Show week Tues 9/23 to 9/26
Alzafar Shrine Auditorium
Volunteer Opportunities and Needs



Melissa Allo - Quilt Show Chair 2025

Emily Naasz - Co-Chair

The show is getting closer!! Have you entered your quilts? Have you thought about where your talents could be used to help make the show a success? Take a look at the list of the volunteer opportunities available and let us know where you would like to help.

Budget Committee - Cindy Shutt & Melissa Allo. Cindy will also manage the entry fees at the show. Volunteers will be needed to help with supporting entry ticket sales and putting on wrist bracelets.

Raffle Sales - Janet Miller. Janet is responsible for scheduling the raffle quilt at various guilds and locations. Volunteers needed to help transport the quilt to various guilds.

Vendor Committee - Linda Casias. Linda is working with vendor contracts, sponsorship, and program advertisements. Volunteers are needed to help with the many tasks needed to take care of the vendors during the show and preparation. All guild members need to help with selling program advertisements. The ads in the program help to pay for the printing costs of the program.

Entry/Judge Committee - Diane (Dee) LeClair. Dee is responsible for contracting judges and helping with their needs during the show. She is also responsible for the ribbons awarded. She will need volunteers to be scribes and other various tasks that support the judges. She will also need volunteers to help with tasks handling the ribbons.

Database/Program Committee - Open. Entry forms and Spreadsheet are currently being created with various helpers. If you feel that this area could be in your wheelhouse, your help would be appreciated!

Wearable Awards - Melissa Allo. Volunteers are needed to help make the wearable awards for the winning quilters.

Boutique Committee - Jeanette Jay. Jeanette will need help with boutique sales at the show. Members selling wares at the boutique are required to work a shift. Boutique entry rules will be posted soon.

Silent Auction Committee - Sandra Lowell and Jean Hardies. Volunteers to help run the silent auction are needed. Please consider volunteering help with shifts at the show.

Volunteer Committee - Patrick Shell. Patrick needs many, many volunteers to help work at the show and pre-show days.

Check In / Check Out - David dela Garza. David needs volunteers to help with quilt check in. He also needs help with hanging and managing the hanging of the quilts. Dea Jae is mentoring.

Hospitality & Reception - Linda Maldonado and TJ Wolff. Volunteers needed to help with food for the awards ceremony (reception program) and other hospitality needs.

Reception Program Committee - Open. A few volunteers to help with the ceremony program and tasks are needed.

Food Truck Committee - Ina Ramirez. Ina will appreciate a few volunteers to help with the various tasks during the show.

QUILT SHOW - SILENT AUCTION UPDATE!!!

Today, Jean Hardies and I inventoried items that had been donated the last two months. We now have 42 items. This is great news and not so great news. Last show, we had 4 different sessions of the auction, each with 25 items. We need 58 more items to meet our goal of 100 items to sell in the auction.

If you're currently working on a project for us, wonderful! Please complete and turn it in by the July guild meeting. We need August to assign values, and organize the silent auction.

We will need volunteers to help on the Thursday before the show opens to set up for the first session. We will need volunteers for the two days of the show to man the silent auction. Our volunteers at the last show were invaluable.

So, finish your quilts for the show, and finish your silent auction items!

Much thanks,
Sandra Lowell

Lois Beauchamp's Celebration of Life

The family of Lois Beauchamp would like to share details of the interment and casual celebration to be held in Lois' honor. There will be a small ceremony at Fort Sam Houston on Friday morning, May 9. Then, from 2-4 pm, the family is hosting a celebration reception at a private home near Wurzbach and Vance Jackson.

The family welcomes your help in spreading the word. Details can be found at loisbeauchamp.com, including an **RSVP form** to help the family gauge interest.



2025 Summer Retreat

Dates: June 8-12, 2025

Location:

Valley Ranch Retreat & Event Center

Camp Wood, TX 78833

Pricing:

\$440 6/8 Sunday - 6/12 Thursday

\$330 6/9 Monday - 6/12 Thursday



\$100 Deposit due at sign-up.

Final Payment due at the May guild meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the Co-Chairs:

Linda Casias 210-381-3519 or Linda Maldonado 210-716-1407

Did you read the article in this newsletter on
Ida B.'s Quilting Guild Enrichment
SCHOLARSHIP Fund?



Recipients awarded a scholarship
can have a retreat paid for!

Find the *Application for Scholarship* form
at the end of this newsletter -or- see your respective Retreat Chair.

SAVE THE DATE!

2025 Fall Mini Retreat

Friday 10/24/25 - Saturday 10/25/25

Come sew with other quilters & make new friends!

Friday times: 8am - 8pm
Saturday times: 8am - 4pm

More details coming soon!
Mini-Retreat Chair: Deborah Woodward



SAVE THE DATE!

2026 Winter Retreat

Thursday 1/22/26 - Sunday 1/25/26

Location: John Newcombe Ranch,
New Braunfels, TX

More details coming soon!
Retreat Chair: Melissa Allo

Monthly Spotlight Welcoming Committee



Jackie Randall (left) and Carol McCarthy (right) makeup our guild's Welcoming Committee. These two ladies have a very important job. They greet every single member and visitor that walk into our guild meeting. As an ambassador for the guild, they give a warm welcome to our guests, some of which have never attended a guild meeting. They *are* the first impression of the spirit of our guild. Making our guests feel welcome is directly related to the growth our membership is experiencing over this last year. They capture our visitor's names and email addresses which allows us to send a special "welcome" message from our Guild President along with the latest newsletter encouraging them to become a member.

For new members, they may answer questions about the Guild and share information about the various services and activities currently going on. This committee is also responsible for maintaining the membership attendance roster, supplies our guests with name tags, and collects name tag "donations" from members who may have forgotten or misplaced their name tag.

A huge "THANKS" to Jackie and Carol for the job you do for our guild!

If you would like to be a part of this committee, reach out to Jackie or Carol to ask how you can help.

5.2025 Pieces of the Past, 180: **The Repair Shop**, by Ellen Hernandez

There are few shows I enjoy on tv, standard or streamed. Growing up with *I Love Lucy*, *The Andy Griffith Show*, *Bonanza*, and Perry Como has set a certain standard I suppose:) When all else fails, I turn to a British reality/documentary program called *The Repair Shop*. I am captivated by the history, craftsmanship, kindness, and human-interest stories. Episodes may be viewed on YouTube and BritBox. The setting is the beautiful Weald and Downland Living Museum in Singleton, West Sussex.

The forty acre Living Museum began in 1970 to rescue and conserve historic buildings and teach traditional trades and crafts. Visitors enjoy the walking trails to cottages, farms, public buildings, and trades shops for interactive experiences of life through the ages. This location was the perfect setting for Katy Thorogood's 2017 idea of a televised show featuring craftsmen repairing treasured household items. She had recently had her late mother's armchair refurbished and was surprised how emotional she was when she collected it. Thorogood imagined many people would have similar moving reactions to family heirlooms and the show quickly became a success.



The premise of each show is that three items are brought into the vintage barn for repair, including clocks, furniture, leather goods, musical instruments, stuffed animals, toys, ceramics, paintings, and textiles. The participants are pre-selected to share the background story of their family heirlooms and do not have to pay for the repairs. Jay Blades, who ran a charity to teach teenagers furniture restoration as an alternative to crime, became the show's host. Over time a



team of craft specialists have joined the show, demonstrating their expertise in a variety of areas. Regular members include: Brenton West as silversmith, Dominic Chinae with metal, Suzie Fletcher with leather and her brother Steve Fletcher with clocks, Will Kirk with furniture, Kirsten Ramsay with ceramics, Julie Tatchell and Amanda Middleditch with dolls and stuffed animals, and Rebecca Bissonnet with textiles.



Bissonnet apprenticed at the Royal School of Needlework and received a Masters of Art in Textile Conservation. As a skilled conservator she worked on Kate Middleton's wedding dress as well as a variety of items at Hampton Court and Kensington Palace. For the last several years she has been in charge of cleaning and restoring the altar frontals and other textiles at Salisbury Cathedral. The family of Bryan

Richards was speechless with Bissonnet's restoration of a rugby jersey, a retired #6 Welsh shirt that had been damaged in the laundry.



There are several textile related episodes including cleaning techniques for stuffed animals and vintage fabrics, lace and fabric repair, antique linen scales from Belfast, Pearly King and Queen jackets, upholstery, sewing machines, and sewing boxes. The excitement and joy of bringing dated and damaged cherished possessions back to life is an amazing gift. Over 370 episodes have been made to date and about 270 are currently available in the US. They may be watched in any order.

UPDATE: MOVING SALE!!!

Dates: Friday May 16 & Saturday May 17, 2025
Time: Begins at 9AM
Location: 2727 Whispler Path, San Antonio, TX
 Right off of Wurzbach and Lockhill Selma

There will be fabric, kits, patterns, etc.

Please call **Shirley Carter** at 210.452.3801 if you have questions or would like to come on Thursday while Shirley is setting up.

BARN QUILT CLASS

Hosted by: CenTex Barn Quilts

When: 06/14/2025

Time: 10am to 4pm

Where: Tripoint

3233 North St. Mary's Street
 San Antonio, TX 78212

\$150
 per person



All materials are included to paint your very own barn quilt:
 2x2' ACM board, pattern of your choice, brushes and paint.
 You will need to bring snacks for the day and a roll of .94
 in Frog tape

Registration cut off: 05/16/2025



CONTACT INFO:

Melissa Pierce @ centexbarnquilts@gmail.com or Facebook
 messenger Centex Barn Quilts or (254)855-2880

What Makes a Quilt So Special?

by Debbie Anderson Searles

Surely, when the final stitch is entered and the needle laid to rest, only a quilter can know the feeling of pride soaring within her soul. She has the contentment of knowing that a long, hard journey has come to an end. She has conquered a challenge, and through her own patience and endurance, has created a loving work of art. It may well live on long after she has finished her walk upon this earth.

Perhaps what makes a quilt so special, is that pride a quilter knows — that deep in her heart she knows — some distant future generation might gaze upon her quilt, or touch its fragile threads, and still feel the love and care that she has sewn in every stitch.

GSAQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES APRIL 7, 2025

President Melissa Allo called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

Present : Melissa Allo, Linda Maldonado, Judy Hood, Mary McCarthy, Cindy Shutt, Dea Jae Shore, Kami Ricks, David de la Garza; **Not Present:** Linda Casias

President – Melissa Allo

1. Approval of March Board Meeting minutes as written.
2. Calico Rose/ Buds - Rose - Deborah Woodward. Buds - Vicki Ash, Cyd Hughes, Janet Miller, Janet Frankenberger, Melissa Allo, Kami Ricks, Alicia Santiago, David de la Garza, Cindy King, Cathy Wallace, Patrick Shell.
3. 100 Day Project information.

Marketing Chair Report - Linda Casias (not present)

1. Facebook 1699 followers, 574 post engagements, 34.3% are from San Antonio, New Braunfels, Austin and Houston, 65.7% are from other cities, 97% are women, 76% are 55+ age group, 10.5% are younger than 45, 500 - 1000 views on posts with pictures.
2. Instagram - 31 followers.
3. FB and Instagram posts about the Auction Quilts opens April 26.
4. Blingfest is coming up on April 19th and 20th.

President Pro Tem - Dea Jae Shore

1. Will we not have bring and brag due to Saturday class.

Secretary - Linda Maldonado

1. No phone calls,
2. List of requests came in through FB.

Treasurer - Cindy Shutt

1. We received a \$2500.00 donation in loving memory of Lois Baucamp from Broadway Cares (Lane Baucamp's employer). The board decided to put this money in the Scholarship Fund.
2. 2024 Tax reports are being completed.
3. Balance \$84,495.30.
4. The President will be reviewed and signed off on the monthly bank statements.

1st VP for Special Events - Kami Ricks

1. We have 35 quilts for Auction, 14 are from the finishing committee. 11 people registered. You must re-register for each auction event. The information is not carried over. FB advertising is helping with promoting it. The event is also posted on Quilting Hub.
2. Mini Retreat – Deborah Woodward - events went well. Deborah will continue to lead the Fall Mini Retreat.
3. Summer Retreat has 2 openings, wait list will be started.
4. Quilt Show raffle tickets sales were \$1017.00 during Shop Hop. Vendors: 22 vendors signed up. 22 booths still available. Income from booths \$18,100, ads \$980, sponsorships \$650 (1 silver, 1 bronze, 3 blue ribbons). Waiting on Security quote.

2nd VP for Information - Linda Casias (not present)

1. Committee spotlights have started in the newsletters.
2. Need to sell ads for the show program.
3. Webpage has been updated with the emails and pictures of the board members.
4. We have 179 members. 2024 we had 29 new members. 2025 new members Jan - March 24 new members.

3rd VP for Programs - Mary McCarthy

1. Cynthia England class is full, with 1 opening for her Saturday class.
2. May - Guild birthday and work day.

4th VP for Services - Judy Hood

1. Library - 563 books. Final sales of books happened in January mtg. Book checkout resumed in February.
2. QPC / QPFC - 25 kits ready to quilts, 20 kits ready. Expenses \$103 for backing for Auction quilts. 14 quilts donated for the auction.
3. Bees - no new activity.

5th VP for Community Outreach- Elaine Staller

1. Bright Hopes - monthly delivery 10 quilts and 15 totes. In reserves: 107 large quilts, 9 small quilts, 8 large comfort quilts, 38 totes, 5 holiday quilts and 4 holiday totes.
2. Community Education - monthly class for homeschool students will begin in April at Cody Library.
3. Quilt Angels - 45 hours of work. 14 quilts in progress. Received 2 quilt tops from Judie Zedeck and 1 from Cindy Shutt. May workday will be making kits for aprons.
4. Storybooks - 40 kits delivered to 9 locations. 8552 viewers year to date. Quilt maintenance status: 1 returned to quilt maker, 2 given to Bright Hopes, 3 for consideration for online auction, 9 for consideration to silent auction, items not used for auctions will be donated to a charity determined by the board.

Parliamentarian - David de la Garza

1. No report.

Unfinished Business -

1. Finishing email set up.

New Business -

1. Quilt Angels - proposed to start giving quilts / wall hangings to service members' spouses / partner and then children. Motion made by Elaine, 2nd by Cindy. Motion approved.
2. Discussion of shared use of the facility with the classes held at the church.

Announcements:

1. Members Carol Wood and Cheryl Martin passed away.
2. Grounds committee will be working on the grounds this month.

Meeting adjourned: 8:11 pm. Minutes submitted by: Melissa Allo, President

GSAQG General Meeting Minutes April 12, 2025**President - Melissa Allo (present on Zoom)****President Pro Tem - Dea Jae Shore**

1. Meeting called to order at Saint Andrews Presbyterian Church.
2. March General Meeting Minutes were approved as written.
3. Calico Rose to Deborah Woodward. Buds to Vicki Ash, Cyd Hughes, Janet Miller, Janet Frankenberger, Melissa Allo, Kami Ricks, Alicia Santiago, David de la Garza, Cindy King, Cathy Wallace, Patrick Shell. These will be given at the May meeting.
4. Ethel Howel grant application is available on the website.

Marketing Chair Report - Linda Casias (not present)

1. Bling Fest at the San Antonio Garden Center, across the street for the Botanical Gardens, April 19th , from 9-4pm.

Secretary - Linda Maldonado

1. No calls received.

Treasurer - Cindy Shutt

1. We received a \$2500.00 donation in loving memory of Lois Baucamp from Broadway Cares (Lane Baucamp's employer). The board decided to put this money in the Scholarship Fund.
2. Balance as of March 31st is \$84,495.30.

1st VP for Special Events - Kami Ricks (not present)

1. Spring Mini Retreat - Deborah Woodward: Mini Retreat went well. Deborah will continue with Fall Mini Retreat. Oct 24 - 25th.
2. Online Auction - Ida Kujawski: Auction registration does not carry over. Please register for the current auction. Please share the event on your social media accounts (FB and Instagram) and with flyers to physical locations.
3. Summer Retreat - Linda Casias: Summer Retreat is full, with a wait list.
4. Quilt Show - Melissa Allo: 22 vendors so far. Over \$1,000 in raffle ticket sales from shop hop.

2nd VP for Information - Linda Casias (not present)

1. Encourages everyone to bring friends and family to the meetings.
2. If you have a quilting business, please fill out form.

3rd VP for Programs - Mary McCarthy

1. May workday signups available.
2. June - Jean Impey - Reckless Raw Edge Applique. This will be the Eleanor Wright Grant class.
3. July - Beth Helfter - Scrap Slap class.

4th VP for Services - Judy Hood

1. Door Prizes - Candy Reinhard.
2. Golden Carrot - Cindy King.
3. BOM - April - 108 blocks were won by Kevin Westmark. The May block is a pinwheel, the pattern is on the website.
4. Requested members to start a committee to help setup for classes and meetings.

5TH VP for Community Outreach – Elaine Staller

1. Bright Hopes - monthly delivery 10 quilts and 15 totes. In reserves: 107 large quilts, 9 small quilts, 8 large comfort quilts, 38 totes, 5 holiday quilts and 4 holiday totes.
2. Community Education - monthly class for homeschool students will begin in April at Cody Library.
3. Quilt Angels - 45 hours of work. 14 quilts in progress. Received 2 quilt tops from Judie Zedeck and 1 from Cindy Shutt. May workday will be making kits for aprons.
4. Storybooks - 40 kits delivered to 9 locations. 8552 viewers year to date. Quilt maintenance status: 1 returned to quilt maker, 2 given to Bright Hopes, 3 for consideration for online auction, 9 for consideration to silent auction, items not used for auctions will be donated to a charity determined by the board.

Parliamentarian - David de la Garza

1. Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business - None; New Business - None.

Announcements - Please pick up your secret pal bags.

These requests came through the guild email and Facebook. Contact Linda Casias on the following:

1. Gazelle at Creative Sewing has 1944 Featherweight for \$350.
2. Appraiser wanted.
3. Long arm quilter to quilt and bind a quilt with minky on the back.
4. Quilt repair needed for a quilt made in 1989.
5. Quilter needed to quilt 3 tops from their great aunt.
6. Satin material to donate.
7. Wooden quilt frame to donate.
8. Antique fabrics - would like 2 twin quilts made.

Members: 83; Guests: 2; Zoom: 5; Name Tag Donations: \$2.00

Meeting adjourned.

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild					
Treasurer's Report					
For the Three Months ending March 31, 2025					
	YTD Actual	2025 Budget		YTD Actual	2025 Budget
REVENUES			Membership expenses:		
Ordinary Income:			Door Prizes		\$200.00
Interest	\$66.23	\$1,000.00	Membership Supplies	\$116.05	\$100.00
CD Interest	\$260.14		Scholarships Paid	\$350.00	
Other income			Newsletter / Directory Printing	\$318.75	\$200.00
Donations	\$2,503.00		Postage		\$50.00
Library Book Sales	\$80.00		Zoom Subscription	\$170.70	\$175.00
Stationery Sales			Webpage		\$180.00
Magazine Sales			Quilt Show	\$1,367.97	\$50,480.00
Nametag Fines	\$3.25		Auction	\$41.34	
Dues - Membership	\$4,142.00	\$4,280.00	Community Activities:		
Newsletter / Directory Ads	\$60.00	\$250.00	Bright Hopes	\$203.26	\$1,500.00
Workshops	\$1,635.00	\$3,300.00	Storybook Quilts		\$250.00
Fund Raising:			Community Education		\$150.00
Quilt Show	\$10,385.00	\$68,370.00	Quilt Angels		\$500.00
Auction			Membership Services & Activities:		
Self-Sustaining:			Ethel Howey Grant		\$0.00
Retreat - Summer	\$5,790.00	\$10,000.00	QPC		\$150.00
Retreat - Winter	\$11,710.00	\$12,500.00	QPFC		\$300.00
Mini-Retreats	\$1,435.00	\$2,000.00	Programs	\$724.97	\$3,075.00
Total Revenues	\$38,069.62	\$101,700.00	Workshops	\$700.00	\$3,900.00
EXPENSES			Teacher Travel	\$844.57	\$3,000.00
Administration:			Self-Sustaining Activities:		
General Administration		\$500.00	Mini-Retreats	\$1,165.93	\$2,000.00
Bank & CC	\$134.36	\$500.00	Retreat - Summer		\$10,000.00
Church Rental	\$750.00	\$3,500.00	Retreat - Winter	\$11,710.00	\$12,500.00
Computer Equipment			Total Expenses	\$20,761.74	\$101,700.00
CPA / Tax Return		\$600.00	Net	\$17,307.88	\$0.00
Insurance	\$161.59	\$2,000.00	Ending Frost Operating	\$22,654.79	
Janitorial	\$60.00	\$500.00	Ending Frost Savings	\$5,067.09	
Marketing	\$540.00	\$500.00	SSFCU CD's & Savings	\$48,398.16	
Office Supplies & Postage	\$216.65	\$200.00	SSFCU Wright Class CD	\$8,375.26	
Storage facility	\$1,119.00	\$4,476.00	Total Guild Funds	\$84,495.30	
Telephone	\$66.60	\$214.00			
Janitorial	\$370.00	\$500.00			
Marketing	\$540.00	\$500.00			
Office Supplies & Postage	\$74.94	\$200.00			
Storage facility	\$373.00	\$4,476.00			
Telephone	\$22.20	\$214.00	Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer		

NOTE: Due to the revised distribution schedule of the Newsletter, the Treasurer's report published will be from a prior month.

2025

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild

2025

Bees: groups of friends who share their love and quilting

Contact each for more details.

Contact **Ida Kujawski, Beekeeper**, if you would like help to start a new BEE.

ibkbbk@yahoo.com

Morning Bees

Bee	Day	Time	Location	Contact
Great NW Library Bee	3rd Saturday	10 am – 1pm	SA Library 9050 Wellwood St. SA, TX 78250 Grissom//Culebra	Alicia Santiago 2109138508@spectrum.net
Villa Bees	2 nd & 4th Monday	1-3pm	Villa de San Antonio Retirement Home	Linda Nash 1014lindanash@gmail.com
Queen Bees <i>closed</i>	Every Friday	9:30 a.m. - 12:30	Members take turns hosting	Elaine Staller restaller@aol.com
Piecemakers (charity quilts)	2 nd & 4 th Fridays	9am-1pm	St.Andrew Presbyterian Church	Lani Nunley booandpiesmom@yahoo.com
Crazy...Bee	1 st & 3 rd Fridays	9am-1pm Low Bldg Fee	St.Andrew Presbyterian Church	Lani Nunley booandpiesmom@yahoo.com
Finishing Bee	4 th Friday	11am-1pm	Members' home	Jean Hardies ljhardies@gmail.com

Afternoon and Evening Bees

Bee	Day	Time	Location	Contact
QPC Bee	1 st Monday	1-4 pm	Western Hills Christian Church 8535 Huebner	Mary-Ruth Flores mrlf357@gmail.com
Hand Bee	Every Wednesday	12:30 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.	Encino Branch Library on Evans Road	Beverly Uhl mikebevu@gmail.com Naimah Ahmad naimah_k@yahoo.com
Landa Bee	1 st Sunday	2-5pm	233 Bushnell	Viki Ash vikiparis13@gmail.com
Shavano Bee	2 nd Monday	2-4pm	Member's home	Ida Kujawski ibkbbk@yahoo.com

Mark Your Calendars For These Upcoming Texas Quilt Shows

April 25-26, 2025	Highland Lakes Quilt Festival, 401 East Jackson St, Burnet
April 25-26, 2025	Brownwood Quilt Show, Brownwood Coliseum, 500 East Baker Street, Brownwood
May 2-3, 2025	Reflections, Chisholm Trail Quilt Guild Quilt Show, Williamson County Expo Ctr, Taylor
May 23-24, 2025	Stars Are The Journey, Hill Country Quilt Guild Quilt Festival, 3685 Hwy 27, Kerrville
June 6-7, 2025	Stars Over Abilene, 4857 Buffalo Gap Road, Abilene
July 11-12, 2025	All Roads Lead to Texas, Frank W Mayborn Covention Center, 3033 North 3rd Street, Temple
July 18-19, 2025	Winter Wonderland, Wildflower Quilt Guild, 3303 North 3rd Street, Temple
Aug 8, 2025	Quilt Plano 2025, Plano Event Center, 2000 East Spring Creek Parkway, Plano
Sept 19-20, 2025	Autumn Splendor, Happy Stitchers Quilt Show, American Legion Post 276, 1502 U.S. 77, Giddings

2025 Quilt Show

Reflections

Traditional ♦ Modern ♦ Fiber Art



May 2-3

Fri. 10AM to 5PM — Sat. 10AM to 5PM

Admission: \$10 (Children under 12 Free)

Williamson County Expo Center

5350 Bill Pickett Trail

Taylor, TX 76574

Chisholm Trail Quilt Guild

www.ctquiltguild.org

CTQG



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Rainbow Reflections 79" × 79"

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Have You Used Our Thread in a Project? - We love seeing the artistry of quilters like you! Share your stunning quilt creations with us, and we may feature them in our Customer Project Gallery. [Click here to submit your photos!](#)

Ethel Howey Grant

The two-year \$2000.00 grant has a deadline for application of August 1, 2025. Now is the time to begin thinking of classes that might be available to further your quilting skills. A browse of the web will yield many teachers forming their workshop schedules a year or two ahead. Please consider this wonderful opportunity.

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 in even numbered years, not to exceed \$2,000. The Grant Committee may divide the monies between more than one recipient. The GSAQG is not obligated to award the entire \$2,000 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 four 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 timeline 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

Time Line Example

1 August 2025- Application due
1 January 2026- Grant awarded
2026 – Grant used/classes attended
March 2027- Written final report due
August 2027- Proposal Presentation to Review Committee
November 2027- Workshop/Presentation to Guild Membership

Ida B.'s Quilting Guild Enrichment SCHOLARSHIP Fund



One MISSION of GSAQG

- To stimulate an interest in quilts and to advance the art of quiltmaking.

Recognizing the importance of active participation in quilt guild events and activities, Ida Blankenship Kujawski has provided funds to establish a Scholarship Account. This scholarship fund will enable guild members to apply for financial assistance to cover fees for workshops and retreats, further encouraging engagement and skill development within our community.

PURPOSE

- Enhance Guild Membership Experience: Foster greater enjoyment of guild membership by promoting skill development and friendships through active participation in guild activities.
- Encourage Participation: Motivate members to attend workshops and retreats, enhancing their skills and connections within the guild.
- Financial Support: Provide financial assistance to members who may be on a tight budget, helping to alleviate the costs associated with workshops and retreats.
- Establish a Donation Fund: Create a Scholarship Fund that can receive additional donations in the future. These donations can come from anyone for various reasons, further supporting the guild's activities and members.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be active member of GSAQG for the (1) year preceding the date of the event.
- Special consideration to "First-time attendee"
- Scholarships for guild workshops and retreats are available each year. Workshop required kit fee provided by instructor could be included in Scholarship amount.
- Guild Workshops offered as 2 sessions (Friday/Saturday) would qualify for two scholarships, to help two members.
- One scholarship per member in a calendar year.
- Scholarship recipients are ineligible to reapply for:
 - 3 years for Winter or Summer Retreat
 - 2 years for Mini-Retreats
 - 2 years for Guild Speakers' workshops

Paper copy of Applications available by chair at onset of enrollment.

Applications must be submitted to the individual retreat chair, or guild program chair, who will present to the guild board for final approval. Each chair should have committee of 2-3 to help evaluate applications.

Applications should be submitted at beginning of enrollment for each event. Awards can then be announced early enough to allow recipients and chair to plan accordingly.

GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC.

APPLICATION for SCHOLARSHIP

Today's Date_____

Applicant must submit all requested information as needed and stated by the chair.

Application available as digital document on website : copy and print.

Application presented in guild newsletter; paper copy available from event chair at onset of event.

Present paper copy application to specific chair.

NAME of Workshop or Retreat_____

DATE of Workshop or Retreat _____

\$\$ amount Requested _____

Name _____

Address_____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ email_____

Number of years as a member of the GSAQG _____

-----FOLD HERE by committee to enable anonymity-----

Have you attended workshops?_____ retreats?_____ How many?_____

Tell us what you'd like to accomplish at Retreat or Workshop.

GREATER SAN ANTONIO QUILT GUILD, INC.
Members Who Provide Quilting Services
Information Form

Information provided below will be shared on the GSAQG website sanantonioquilt.org – Quilting Services Listing page. The GSAQG does not sponsor or assume responsibility for any services provided by those listed on our website. Businesses listed are fully responsible for their own goods and services and do not in any way represent the GSAQG organization.

Your Name	
Business Name	
Business Address	
Business Email address	
Business Phone Number(s)	
Business Website	
<p>Quilting Related Services Provided</p> <p>Quilting services: Such as longarm E2E, custom, FMQ, computerized, binding, personalized quilt labels, longarm rentals, quilt repairs, hand quilting, etc.</p> <p>Other: Experience level, lectures and/or workshops offered, judging, appraisal services, embroidery, fabric photo printing, etc.</p>	
<p>Online Shop: Etsy, Shopify, Squarespace, etc.</p>	

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May Meeting Schedule

May 5 Board Meeting 7:00 PM on Zoom
May 10 General Meeting 10:00 AM
 Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church
Zoom starts at 9:30am: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88054868999?pwd=RHU1d3BMMzNlOC9VRkhpS2VlaHJHdz09>
Meeting ID: 880 5486 8999

See the guild Calendar on our web page for Bee meetings and other guild related events.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP INFO

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

Sign-up at: <https://www.sanantonioquilt.org/pages/Membership.html>

Pay Online -OR- Send Check to:
 GSAQG
 PO Box 380522
 San Antonio, TX 78268



JUNE Newsletter Submissions

Deadline: **May 17, 2025**
GSAQGInformation@gmail.com

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	Monthly	Yearly
Full page ad	\$60	\$660
1/2 page ad	\$30	\$330
1/4 page ad	\$15	\$165
Business card (2 x 3.5)	\$10	\$110

Guild members may run a business card sized AD for one month free each year.

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