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Common Threads

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild, Inc.

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www.sanantonioquilt.org
210-984-6149

Next Guild Mtg May 9, 2026

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



Happy 46th Birthday
GSAQG
&
Annual
Work Day
for Charity

President's Letter

"Ask not what your guild can do for you, but what you can do for your guild"! A little different than the actual quote, but May is our birthday month and workday. I hope to see many busy hands there working on our wonderful projects for the community.

Here is a little history of our guild:

It was a wonderful November day when six women gathered to formulate a plan to create a quilt guild for San Antonio. Grace Richardson opened her home for the planning meeting on November 7, 1979. The first official meeting was held on a Saturday in February of 1980 from 2 to 4 P.M. at the Roadrunner Recreation Center, Fort Sam Houston and by April, 181 members had signed up.

On May 3, 1980 bylaws were approved, officers elected and the Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild was born. By the end of 1980 there were 253 members and by 1982 the group had the foresight to become incorporated.

Some firsts include: quilt show in 1981, auction in 1982 (Ethel Howey as the auctioneer), monthly newsletter and annual directory in 1983, retreat in 1988 and much more. To learn about our guild history and thank the founding members be sure to attend the next meeting and our birthday party on May 9th.

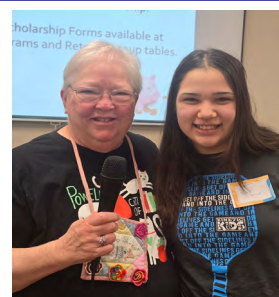
No presents please! Just come May 9th and bring a festive mood and ready to have a wonderful afternoon doing what we love!

See you at the party
Melissa

Welcome to our Guests & New Members



Ann, Lara, & Jean



Barb* & Saira**



Alicia* & Rita**



Eric**



Nancy* & Robyn



Zara** & Vickie*

*GSAQG Member, ** New Member

Congratulations Winners!



Carol
Door Prize



Nancy
Special Prize for Bringing a Guest



Congratulations
Block of the Month Winner
Ellen



Erin
Golden Carrot Winner

April Tote Challenge

Each willing participant received a canvas tote bag and the challenge to embellish their tote however they wished. Totes were judged and the winning tote was made by Gretchen E (photo below). Congratulations Gretchen and to all participants. You did a fabulous job meeting the challenge!



Upcoming Programs

May: Work Day and Guild Birthday

It's the Guild's Birthday and will be celebrated with cupcakes. A committee wide Workday will be held. This is a great way to meet new members and contribute to the organization.

Lunch will be provided for those that stay to work on guild charity quilts. Make sure you are accounted for in the headcount by contacting the guild service you will be working with.

June: Sew Kind of Wonderful

On the 12th and 13th, Sew Kind of Wonderful will be coming to San Antonio. They have a specific way of teaching how to sew curves in quilts. The workshop on June 12 is making a pattern called Posh Sunflower. They will be bringing curved rulers and patterns to sell. It will be a great learning experience and lots of fun. See pg 6 for kit, supply list, and discount information.

On Saturday, they will present a Trunk Show at the guild meeting on June 13.

July: Cindy McChesney

Cindy McChesney will present Panel Palooza. You can find the supply list for the workshop on pp 7-8.

August: TBD

September - Auction Quilts Preview

Online Quilt Auction - Quilts Preview by Patrick Shell

More info coming soon.

October: TBD

November: Veteran's Quilt Presentation

December: Guild Holiday Party

Kim Wilkerson, 3rd VP Programs



BRIGHT HOPES NEWS

The Bright Hopes Committee has been very busy preparing Christmas themed quilt top kits for the Roy Maas Youth Alternatives. Our delivery date will be early December. We have several quilt top kits available for check out. You could also make a quilt top using your own pattern and fabrics. We will need all tops returned as soon as possible so we can get them quilted, bound and sew the label by the November 14, 2026 quilt meeting. All Christmas and non-Christmas quilt sizes should be between 50" to 60" wide and 70" to 75" long and should not be religious.

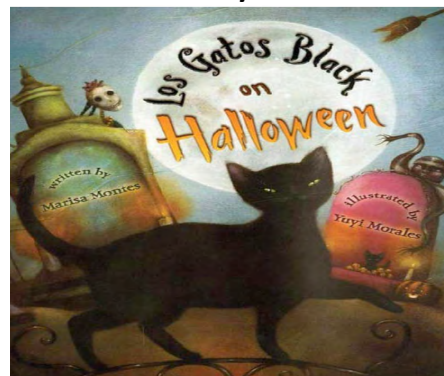
In May we will have our workday after the guild meeting. We will be sewing tote bags and sewing labels on quilts. Please remember to bring your sewing machines and sewing supplies if you can stay and help out.

Thank you for all you do for the Bright Hopes Committee and for the quilt guild.

Los Gatos Black

Interested in working on a group project during the Guild's Workday? The Storybook Quilt Committee (SBQ) is planning a quilt for the award-winning book ***Los Gatos Black on Halloween***. Bring your sewing machine and some dark-colored thread to complete one of the nine black cat blocks needed for the quilt. It is an easy block and all the pieces will be cut and ready to sew. Hope you'll join us for some spooky fun!

Viki & Becky
SBQ Co-chairs



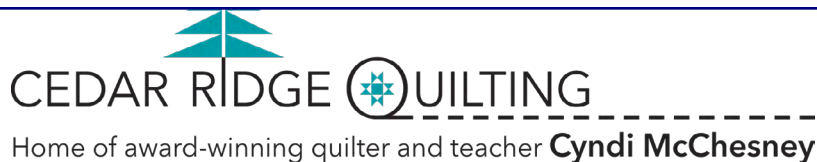
Friday, June 12 Workshop: Posh Sunflower by Sew Kind of Wonderful

Participants can get a 15% discount on the pattern and the mini curves ruler by purchasing at Sew It Fabulous Quilt Shop in Boerne. A kit will be available soon from Sew It Fabulous, if you want one, or you may bring your own fabric choices.



MATERIALS IF NOT PURCHASING A KIT:

- (1) 1/2 yard assorted yellow, 1 fabric
- (1) 1/4 yard assorted yellow, 2 fabrics
- (3) 1/8 yard cuts assorted purple or brown for center of sunflower
- (3) 1/8 yard cuts assorted green fabrics
- (8) 1/4 yard cuts assorted blue background fabrics
- 1 yard backing
- 1/3 yard binding
- batting
- QCR (Quick Curves Mini Ruler) required
- 4" squaring up ruler or SKOW Sew Square 4"



Panel Palooza Workshop
Supply List
Cyndi McChesney, NQA CT of the Year
cyndi@cedarridgequilting.com

Book – *Fun with Panels*, Cyndi McChesney, C&T Publishing 2022

Or

Playful Panel Quilts, Cyndi McChesney, C&T Publishing 2024

Panel – of course! Bring a panel you would like to work with – any style is great. Pre-washing is recommended.

Any style panel is great - single image, multiple same-size images or a panel with several different sized sections for a more challenging design process.

Calculator

Design surface or portable design wall (optional)

Camera or cell phone with camera feature

Books or magazines or other sources for lots of block ideas

iPad or laptop for design inspiration

Scrap paper for rough sketching of ideas as well as doing math and taking notes.

Mechanical pencil

Colored pencils

Coordinating fabrics - optional

Graph paper - 4 to the inch - I prefer Bienfang 11 x 17 or larger

School ruler - not a rotary cutting ruler

Rotary cutter, mat, square ruler larger than the frames in your panel (except single image panels)

Books:

Fun with Panels (2022)

Turn panels into one-of-a-kind quilts

Learn the process of making a panel quilt using three different types of panels (solo image, multiple image, and multi-frame) and how to work with each panel type. Quilters will explore how to square up selections, work with challenging measurements, and use different types of settings. Also learn clever design concepts that enhance your ability to create a unified and interesting project with samples of panel quilts that focus on those specific concepts. Quilters learn to study the panel itself to find design inspiration, themes, and motifs.

- Discover the three different types of panels (solo image, multiple image, and multi-frame) and how to work with each panel type •
- Make fun and functional projects such as table runners, placemats and bags, discovering that the sky's the limit when it comes to using a panel for a sewing project
- Learn to use basic math concepts to map out your design and use traditional quilt foundations, such as medallion quilts and row by row quilts

Publisher : C&T Publishing (October 15, 2022)



Playful Panel Quilts (2024)

Transform your treasured quilt panels into masterpieces with creative techniques!

Explore the possibilities of creating small freeform quilts using a montage technique that will help you unleash your artistic flair. Using coordinating blocks like barns and books, you'll discover how to integrate panels into traditional quilt settings like Log Cabin and Irish Chain quilts and make them shine in row-by-row quilts. With step-by-step instructions and practical exercises, you'll learn the concepts and techniques to bring your panel quilt designs to life. From graphing personalized quilt blocks to drawing paper-pieced patterns, you'll have all the tools to create a truly unique masterpiece.

- Learn how to create a montage with panels and identify styles that work with repeated block settings like the Irish Chain or Storm at Sea
- Gain practical skills through exercises by piecing together and assembling art quilts from a pre-determined grid to create a unique panel quilt
- Row by row, make panels the key feature of your new quilt masterpiece by finding your theme and drafting coordinating blocks



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 _____

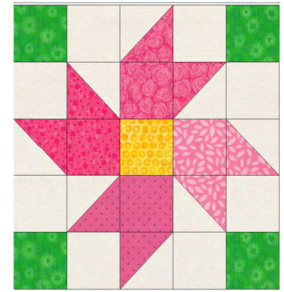
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Have you attended workshops?_____ retreats?_____ How many?_____

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

May Block of the Month - May Flowers

Bring your BOM blocks to the next 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.



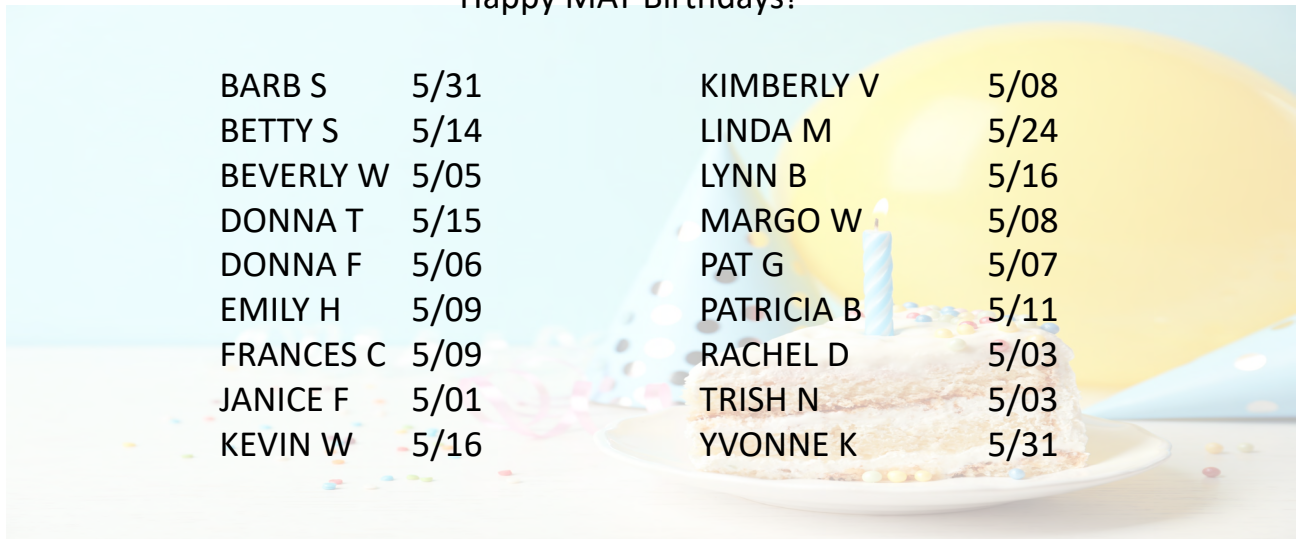
If you didn't get a copy of the instruction sheet, no worries. You can find the BOM instructions on the home page under the "Project Instructions" link.

Good luck!

Trixie Shell, Chairperson

Happy MAY Birthdays!

BARB S	5/31	KIMBERLY V	5/08
BETTY S	5/14	LINDA M	5/24
BEVERLY W	5/05	LYNN B	5/16
DONNA T	5/15	MARGO W	5/08
DONNA F	5/06	PAT G	5/07
EMILY H	5/09	PATRICIA B	5/11
FRANCES C	5/09	RACHEL D	5/03
JANICE F	5/01	TRISH N	5/03
KEVIN W	5/16	YVONNE K	5/31



2026 Online Quilt Auction

Please see Patrick Shell, Quilt Auction Chair, to donate your items for the auction. This year we will be auctioning quilts as well as smaller items! Let's get those table runners, placemats, napkins, tea towels, hand bags, tote bags, ornaments, etc. turned in so that we can make the most of this year's auction! AUCTION ITEMS ARE DUE BY END OF JULY!!!

Thank you all for your support of this fundraiser for our guild. You are appreciated!

Thank you.
Respectfully,
Deborah Woodward
1st VP Special Events

2027 Quilt Show "Breaking All The Rulers" 9/24/27 - 9/25/27

Save the date! And start working on those quilts you want to enter into the 2027 Quilt Show!

The Quilt Show steering committee has officially kicked off planning for the show. There is always room for people who would like to assist in a leadership role as the team works to make each show better than the last.

If you are interested in being part of the team, see Emily Naasz, 2027 Quilt Show Chair.



FUN FINDS

Melva Loves Scraps:

https://melvalovesscraps.blogspot.com/2026/04/little-house-sampler-quilt-sew-along_02013042122.html

Material Girlfriends Free sew along: Bona Fide

<https://materialgirlfriends.com/2026-sew-along-bona-fide/>

Make Your Own Charm Packs by Hailey Stitches at haileystitches.com

Precut fabrics save time, but sometimes it's more cost-effective (and stash-friendly!) to cut your own 5" squares instead of buying them.

Here are instructions and a little quilt math to help you figure out how to cut your own charm packs!

Instructions: Cut the yardage into 5" Width of Fabric strips. Subcut each strip into (8) 5" squares.

- To cut 1 charm pack (42 5" squares) you'll need 7/8 yard of fabric.
- To cut 2 charm packs (84 5" squares) you'll need 1 5/8 yards of fabric.
- To cut 3 charm packs (126 5" squares) you'll need 2 1/4 yards of fabric.
- To cut 4 charm packs (168 5" squares) you'll need 3 yards of fabric.
- To cut 5 charm packs (210 5" squares) you'll need 3 3/4 yards of fabric.

This is an easy way to save money while still enjoying the convenience of working with 5" squares.

It's also a great option if you're working with a lot of 5" squares of the same color, like for a background or border!

Manage Your Scraps Like a Pro

Scraps tend to pile up fast, but with a little organization, they can become your secret weapon for future quilts!

Instead of letting them take over your sewing space, here's how to turn your fabric leftovers into a neatly organized, ready-to-use stash:

Cut As You Go – After finishing a quilt, take a few minutes to trim your leftover fabric into usable sizes. My go-to cuts? 5" squares (charm size) and 2.5" strips (great for binding, sashing, or jelly roll quilts).

Sort By Size & Color – Store your pre-cut scraps in labeled containers, zip-top bags, or even repurposed shoeboxes. Keeping them sorted makes it so much easier to find what you need when inspiration strikes.

Use a Clear Storage System – I love using see-through containers to keep everything visible and accessible. Seeing your neatly organized scraps at a glance means you'll actually use them!

Create Your Own Precuts – If you love working with charm packs, why not make your own? Cutting 5" squares from leftover fabric is an easy way to build your own custom charm packs for scrappy quilts. Mix and match fabric lines to create your very own, unique charm pack!

Have a Scrap Busting Plan – Don't let your scraps just sit there! Some of my favorite ways to use them include:

- Charm square quilts (just like the ones I've been sharing this month!)
- Scrappy borders or binding for a fun, patchwork look
- String piecing for a scrappy aesthetic
- Improv blocks (tiny scraps are perfect for this!)

A little scrap management goes a long way in keeping your sewing room organized and making the most of every piece of fabric!

By The Seasoned Homemaker at seasonedhomemaker.com

Have you ever seen Julia Child's very first television episode?

It was a disaster. She stumbled. She fumbled. At one point she even dropped a piece of chicken on the floor. But she kept showing up, imperfect and determined. And because of this, she changed kitchens across America.

I think about that when it comes to quilting.

There are days when a block doesn't cooperate. When motivation feels thin. When you quietly wonder if what you're making really matters. Think about this: If you stop, there are quilts that won't exist.

There are stories that won't be told about a quilt. There are future hands that won't trace your binding and say, "She made this."

*She almost
quit before
she ever got
started!*



Photo Credit: Paul Child (WGBH)

THANK YOU Sandra L for always sharing fun and helpful articles.



Did you know about the
Ida B.'s Quilting Guild Enrichment
SCHOLARSHIP Fund?

Recipients awarded a scholarship
gets their retreat paid for!

Find the Application for Scholarship form
on pg 9 of this newsletter -or- see your respective Retreat Chair.

2026 SUMMER RETREAT JUNE 14 - 18, 2026

2 Options: 3 NIGHTS/4 DAYS @ \$363, 4 NIGHTS/5 DAYS @ \$484
(Price has been updated to include hotel tax)

FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE NO LATER THAN MAY 9 GUILD MEETING!

RETREAT IS FULL!

If you are still interested, add your name to our waitlist.

Valley Ranch Retreat & Event Center
Camp Wood, TX 78833
YES! There is a quilt shop onsite

Co-chairs: Linda Casias
& Linda Maldonado



2026 FALL Mini Retreat

October 23-24, 2026

Location: St Andrew

Presbyterian Church
8231 Callaghan Rd
San Antonio, TX 78230

Retreat Chair: Deborah Woodward

5.2026 Pieces of the Past, 192: **Hair**, by Ellen Hernandez

I remember visiting Fort Worden in Port Townsend, WA years ago when our girls were young. We were searching for a “beach” as newbies to the Pacific NW. We found a cold, windy, rocky stretch along the water but it was no match for our previous Hawaiian outings. We toured the Commandant’s Quarters Museum and I recall the guide pointing out a wall display of



jewelry made from human hair, a common Victorian era item usually made as a remembrance of a loved one. (See Archives April 2012 article.) Recently, strips of human hair made the runway at the Academy awards as a gown worn by Lisa Rinna. Hair has been used in many situations, including a special blanket from WWII.



Olga Rosenberger Horak, born 1926, lived in Czechoslovakia. When Hitler’s troops invaded, Olga and her Jewish family and friends were seized and sent to various camps. Her sister and father were killed right away in Auschwitz. Her aunt, uncle, grandmothers, and cousins were also killed. She and her mother survived several camps and three death marches and were liberated in 1945. Olga’s mother died the same day she received her survivor registration card. Olga was given a blanket discarded by a deserting Kapo and used it throughout her hospital recovery to keep her frail body warm. At this point she only weighed about 60 pounds and suffered from typhus and diphtheria. Later she learned that her blanket had been woven by prisoners in Auschwitz for the SS using the shorn hair of victims. Hair



was actually a source of income for the Third Reich. Large quantities of hair were sold and shipped to German factories throughout the War to be used for socks and blankets for the Army and Navy, ropes, carpets, mattress stuffing, and parts for bombs. At liberation in 1945, 9 tons of hair were found ready for shipment from Auschwitz. Some hair was saved and eventually sent to be displayed in museums.



Olga married an Auschwitz survivor and they moved to Australia. They established a clothing factory and Olga designed and stitched blouses. She also studied art and painted and sculpted. Olga had been a volunteer at the Sydney Jewish Museum for twenty years, sharing her Holocaust story with visitors. She donated her human hair blanket to the museum who tested the fabrics and determined it was made of human and animal hair. Her memoir *Auschwitz to Australia*, was published in 2000. It is available free online

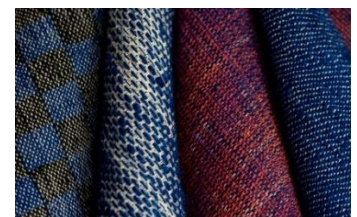


at [Internet Archive](https://www.archive.org/details/Auschwitz-to-Australia). Olga died August 2024 at age 98.



In 2021, a Dutch company, Human Material Loop, started re-using barbershop and salon hair discards to create fabric for clothing, curtains, and carpets.

Their aim is to reduce the pollution and excess use of oil in fabric production. The keratin hair fibers are flexible, strong, hypoallergenic, antibacterial, toxic free, and provide thermal insulation.



Other uses for hair: in the 1990s NASA started using hair to clean up oil spills; small mats of hair were woven and used to cover plant roots to protect them from insects and weather; hair care companies have used hair to test chemicals in early-stage development rather than human volunteers; hair as a fiberglass alternative for furniture and building construction; as a high nitrogen fertilizer; Dongtai embroidery in China using black hair on white silk.

GSAQG Board Meeting April 6, 2026

Present: Melissa Allo, Dae Jae Shore, Cindy Shutt, Lena Ariza, Elaine Staller, Kim Wilkerson, Linda Casias, Deborah Woodward, David de la Garza, Judy Hood

President - Melissa Allo

1. Call to order at 7:05 PM
2. March Board Meeting Minutes - approved as written.
3. Bud recommendations: Judy Hood (not eligible).

Marketing Chair Report - Linda Casias

1. There will be a prize this month for people who bring guests.
2. There will be an auction flyer distributed in gift bags at Blingfest.

President Pro Tem - Dae Jae Shore

1. Challenge totes will judged at 3 o'clock on Friday.
2. There will be bring and brag, a free table, and a UFO #1.

Secretary - Lena Ariza

1. 6 calls in March

Treasurer - Cindy Shutt

1. The balance as of March 31 was \$83,800.83

1st VP for Special Events - Deborah Woodward

1. Spring Mini Retreat went well.
2. Summer Retreat is full. Scholarship form due by May meeting.
3. Fall Mini Retreat - October 24-24, sign up will start in July - \$45.

2nd VP for Information - Linda Casias

1. Scholarship details will be included in the newsletter.

3rd VP for Programs - Kim Wilkerson

1. April - Quilt As You Go - Ann Moore - with a Friday workshop (\$35 class, \$35 kit) and a Saturday presentation (16 signed up)
2. May - Work Day
3. June - Sew Kind of Wonderful Friday Class & Saturday Trunk Show
4. July - Cindy McChesney's Panel Palooza
5. Carol Thelen - Making Your Rows & Columns
6. Auction Quilts Displayed

4th VP for Services - Judy Hood

1. QPC/QPFC - lots of kits are available to check out. They are currently transferring fabric/things into the Guild storage unit.

5th VP for Community Outreach - Elaine Staller

1. Bright Hopes - The committee delivered 30 large quilts and 45 totes to RMYA. They are requesting 50-100 Christmas Quilts.
2. Community Education - Vickie Gillespie will be the new chair and is interested in adding skill building classes.
3. Storybook Quilts - Viki Ash is back.
4. Community Quilt Angels - Applications for patriotic quilts will be available in April. They are working on updating their webpage.

Parliamentarian - David de la Garza

1. Nothing to report.

Unfinished business: Jotform money was returned.

New Business: Reorder Guild Cards

Announcements:

1. May/June/July meetings will all have raffle quilts from other guilds.
2. Be on the lookout for the non-member woman who takes from the free table and runs.

Adjournment: 8:06 PM. Minutes submitted by Lena Ariza, Secretary

GSAQG Guild Meeting April 11, 2026**Program: Ann Moore****President - Melissa Allo**

1. Call to order 10:52 a.m.
2. The March General Meeting Minutes as written were approved.
3. Welcome new members and guests.
4. UFO Challenge Project number is #6.

Marketing Chair - Linda Casias

1. Nancy Beasley wins the prize for bringing a guest!

President Pro Tem - Dea Jae Shore

1. Write the color of your quilt on your Bring & Brag slip.

Secretary - Lena Ariza

1. 6 calls in March.

Treasurer - Cindy Shutt

1. The balance as of March 31 is \$83,800.83

1st VP for Special Events - Deborah Woodward

1. Auction 2026 - over 30 items have been donated. All items due by the end of July.
2. Summer Retreat - June 14-18, there is a waiting list and payment is due in May.
3. The Quilt Show will be on September 25-26, 2027.
4. Fall Mini Retreat will be on October 23-24 for \$45. It will include two lunches and one dinner.

2nd VP for Information - Linda Casias

1. If you are not getting the newsletter see Emily to check your email. The deadline for interesting articles is one week after the monthly meeting.

3rd VP for Programs - Kim Wilkerson.

1. May - Work Day
2. June - Sew Kind of Wonderful Friday Class (\$35) & Saturday Trunk Show. Sewing Curves class on Friday June 12 already has 5/20 sign ups.
3. July - Cindy McChesney's Panel Palooza (Friday class is \$35 plus a book)..

4th VP for Services - Judy Hood

1. Door Prizes - Nancy Beasley, Carol McCarthy, Deborah Horn
2. Golden Carrot - Erin Hansen
3. Block of the Month - 27 blocks - Ellen Lanouette

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Parliamentarian - David de la Garza

1. Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: none

Announcements: none

Members present: 103; On Zoom: 3; Guests: 9; \$2.70 in name tag donations.

Adjournment 11:37 a.m. Minutes submitted by Lena Ariza, Secretary.

Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild					
Treasurer's Report					
For the Three Months ending March 31, 2026					
	YTD Actual	2026 Budget		YTD Actual	2026 Budget
REVENUES			Membership expenses:		
Ordinary Income:			Door Prizes	\$60.00	\$200.00
Interest	\$65.01	\$1,000.00	Membership Supplies	\$150.00	\$100.00
CD Interest	\$183.15		Scholarships Paid	\$45.00	
Other income			Newsletter / Directory Printing	\$212.50	\$350.00
Donations	\$6.00		Postage	\$28.82	\$50.00
Library Book Sales			Zoom Subscription	\$170.74	\$175.00
Garage Sales	\$80.00		Webpage	\$433.25	\$180.00
Magazine Sales	\$30.00		Quilt Show		
Nametag Fines	\$6.50		Auction		\$1,000.00
Dues - Membership	\$4,340.00	\$4,400.00	Community Activities:		
Newsletter / Directory Ads	\$115.00	\$200.00	Bright Hopes	\$171.53	\$800.00
Workshops	\$140.00	\$3,300.00	Storybook Quilts		\$250.00
Fund Raising:			Community Education		\$150.00
Quilt Show			Quilt Angels		\$500.00
Auction		\$6,000.00	Membership Services & Activities:		
Self-Sustaining:			Ethel Howey Grant	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Retreat - Summer	\$9,123.00	\$10,000.00	QPC		\$150.00
Retreat - Winter	\$12,250.00	\$12,500.00	QPFC	\$54.85	\$300.00
Mini-Retreats	\$1,260.00	\$2,500.00	Programs	\$64.82	\$3,100.00
Total Revenues	\$27,598.66	\$39,900.00	Workshops		\$3,500.00
EXPENSES			Teacher Travel		\$3,000.00
Administration:			Self-Sustaining Activities:		
General Administration	\$70.97	\$500.00	Mini-Retreats	\$1,578.55	\$2,500.00
Bank & CC	\$62.84	\$500.00	Retreat - Summer		\$10,000.00
Church Rental	\$750.00	\$3,500.00	Retreat - Winter	\$12,250.00	\$12,500.00
Computer Equipment		\$500.00	Total Expenses	\$19,486.56	\$53,931.00
CPA / Tax Return		\$600.00	Net	\$8,112.10	-\$14,031.00
Insurance		\$2,000.00	Ending Frost Operating	\$18,965.22	
Janitorial			Ending Frost Savings	\$5,076.70	
Marketing		\$600.00	SSFCU CD's & Savings	\$52,329.05	
Office Supplies & Postage	\$190.49	\$200.00	SSFCU Wright Class CD	\$7,429.86	
Storage facility	\$1,131.00	\$4,476.00	Total Guild Funds	\$83,800.83	
Telephone	\$61.20	\$250.00	Cynthia Shutt, Treasurer		

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

2026 QSAQG Bees

Bees: groups of friends who share their love and quilting

Contact each for more details.

Contact Ida Kujawski, Beekeeper, if you would like 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 & 4 th Monday	1-3pm	Villa de San Antonio Retirement Home	Linda Nash 1014lindanash@gmail.com
Queen Bees closed	Every Friday	9:30 a.m. -12:30	Members take turns hosting	Elaine Staller elaine.staller@gmail.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	Contact
Electric Quilt EQ Bee	2 nd Friday	1-2 pm	Dea Jae Shore wendyquilter9@gmail.com
Hand Bee	Every Wednesday	12:30 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.	Beverly Uhl mikebevu@gmail.com Naimah Ahmad naimah_k@yahoo.com
Landa Bee	1 st Sunday	2:30-5pm	Viki Ash vikiparis13@gmail.com
Shavano Bee	2 nd Monday	2-4pm	Ida Kujawski ibkbbk@yahoo.com

2026 Texas Quilt Shows

- May 1-2 Now and Then: 30 years of Quilt Shows, Lakeview Quilters Guild, Alvin
- Jun 5-6 Stars Over Abilene, Abilene Convention Center, Abilene
- Jul 24-25 Texas Our Texas, New Braunfels Area Quilt Guild, New Braunfels
- Jul 31-Aug 2 There Is No Place Like Home, North Texas Quilt & Sewing Expo, Multiple Guilds, Irving
- Aug 14-15 Quilt Plano 2026, Quilters Guild of Plano, Plano
- Aug 20-23 Quiltfest 2026, Austin Area Quilt Guild, Austin
- Sep 4-5 Stars, Stripes and Stitches, Vereins Guilt Guild of Fredericksburg, Fredericksburg

BUSY FINGERS WORKSHOP



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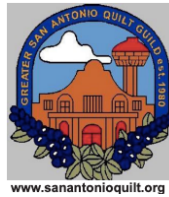
Memory Quilts

Memory Stuffies

Longarm Offerings

E2E and Custom





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The Greater San Antonio Quilt Guild sells space in the ***Common Threads*** monthly newsletter to any business or person wishing to place an advertisement. Your paid ad will be distributed in the monthly newsletter and sent electronically to the membership based on your selected ad option. Your ad will also be mentioned in the body of the newsletter email, it will be announced by the 2nd VP of Information at the guild meeting, and a slide will be dedicated to your ad in the slide presentation shown throughout the Guild monthly general meeting. Ads received and paid for by the 3rd Saturday of the month will be distributed in the next month's newsletter.

ONLY digital ad copy is accepted and must be in .png, .jpeg, or .pdf format. Ads can be in color or B&W.

Make Your AD Selection	Size	Ad Dimensions	Monthly Fee	Yearly Fee
	Full Page	7.5"W x 10"L	\$60	\$660
	½ Page Horizontal	7.5"W x 4.75"L	\$30	\$330
	½ Page Vertical	3.75"W x 10"L	\$30	\$330
	¼ Page	3.75"W x 4.75"L	\$15	\$165
	Business Card	3.75"W x 2"L	\$10	\$110

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Next Meeting Schedule

May 4 Board Meeting 7:00 PM on Zoom
 May 9 General Meeting 10:00 AM
 Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church
 Zoom starts at 9:30am: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88054868999?pwd=RHU1d3BMMzNIOC9VRkhpS2VlaHJHdz09>
 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

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Business card (2 x 3.5)	\$10	\$110

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