

Meeting Location

7:00 p.m., 2nd Thursday of the Month at **St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 2738 Bitters Road**
(between Broadway & Nacogdoches Road)

Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild

<http://www.alamoheritagequiltguild.com/>



February 2007

Established 1995

The Quilting Den

February is here and hearts, chocolate, and valentine cards are everywhere. This brings back memories of elementary school when I spent hours signing the backs of paper valentine cards to place in everyone's decorated brown paper bag that hung from our school desk. At home, I would take my bag of valentines and spread them out on my bed to determine which paper figures could be cut out and used with my existing paper dolls that were stored in an old shoebox. The shoebox held my world of imagination. From my valentines, I would cut out dogs, cats and flowers to use when I played with my paper dolls. Valentine cutouts enabled me to expand my world of dreams and color.

As quilters, we still stare into our shoebox to look for our dreams. Our shoebox is filled with fabric, magazines, and books. With our rotary cutter and sewing machine we create quilts that give pleasure to us and others and that fill hearts with joy and comfort. When we give a quilt to charity, friend or family members, our hearts pound with same happiness as when we received valentine cards and candy. Our quilts are our valentines and give joy to all on this special day. Keep creating quilts from your own shoebox. Our quilts are a reflection our imagination and creativity and will be carried on from family and friends.

On another note, the January program was very informative giving us a better perspective on the judging process for quilt shows. The little things make all the difference when striving for quality. I hope you left the meeting with a greater appreciation of what makes a show winning ribbon bearing quilt.

A cheer of thanks to Kay Perez for her perseverance in getting us into the San Antonio Livestock & Rodeo Show to display and sell raffle tickets. Please sign up to work the event, we need everyone's support.

Denice

UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH QUILT MARKET

PIECE, LOVE, and JOY
February 23, 2007
9 AM--4 PM

Guest Lecturer-Debbie Bowles at 9:30 "It Doesn't Always Have To Match"
She is the author of 4 books and a well known quilter of Maple Island
Quilts.

Program is in the sanctuary of UUMC, 5084 De Zavala Road, San Antonio.
Admission is \$6.00 and includes the program, visits to the 200 quilts
displayed, the Boutique, and Quilt Shop Vendors.

For further information, call 830-981-9449 (local S.A. number) or
E-Mail: samarket@satx.rr.com

Thank you.
Lorrie Hengel
Publicity UUMC Quilt Guild

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Special Greetings to:

Maxine Sabol	11th
Kay Rosene	12th
Marque McKay	13th
Lenora Daly	22nd

CHARITY

In January, we were excited to received eight finished quilts from members and as many donated quilts that just need binding. We have quilts in all stages for you to share your talents with the needy; pick up a few blocks to piece, or quilt/ tie a top, or bind a quilt to help a woman or child at the Battered Women's Shelter. In February, we are asking for toothbrushes and toothpaste to donate along with the quilts. Thanks for all of your hard work, now and in the coming year. Check out the website for photos of some of the beautiful charity quilts that our group has made throughout the year.

Karen Lambdin and Paulette Nash

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It's Just a Quilt.... Why should I have it appraised?

Many people wonder why they should have their antique and modern quilts appraised. "It's just a quilt that I made for my bed" or, "It's just that old thing from Great-aunt Hattie. What could it possibly be worth?"

Unfortunately, many times, the quilt owner finds out too late that their quilts had more value than a blanket purchased from a local store when the quilts are damaged, destroyed, or stolen.

Just imagine this: You are shipping a quilt to a quilt show in another area or are sending a newly completed quilt to your grandbaby. The quilt is on the seat of your car in a box. You stop for just a moment at the store, return and find that your car has been broken into and the box with your quilt is gone. Or you return home to find that your house has been burglarized and the thieves have used the quilt from your bed to carry off the silver!

Everyone knows how quickly weather can change. In an instant, a tornado or a flood can rip through your home, leaving the contents destroyed, and your family heirloom quilts ruined before your eyes.

When you call the insurance agent to report the theft or damage, he will ask what the items were and what their worth was. He or she will also ask, "Can you prove it?"

You must have a written appraisal by a qualified appraiser in the area of quilts and quilted textiles, or the replacement value of your precious items will be the same as bedding or blankets from the local chain store!

Why do you need to have a quilt appraised?

- ❖ To establish a replacement value for insurance purposes
- ❖ To provide protection when the quilt is shipped to quilt shows or individuals
- ❖ To provide value to a quilt show that requires insurance or an appraisal for their insurance coverage
- ❖ To determine the value for a donation, gift or estate purposes for the IRS
- ❖ To purchase a "fine arts floater" insurance endorsement to your Homeowner's Policy
- ❖ A thoughtful addition to a quilt given as a gift
- ❖ To inform your family that Grandmother's quilt is indeed a family heirloom and a thing of value

Is there more than one type of appraisal?

Yes, there are three basic types of appraisals:

Insurance Replacement Value: is the determination of what the replacement value of your quilt is, in other words, what would it take to replace your quilt with another "of like and kind"? The insurance replacement appraisal you receive will be a short form briefly describing the quilt and will serve to place a value in the insurance adjuster's mind for the lost or damaged quilt. With this type of appraisal, the quilt can be covered under a Fine Arts Floater on your homeowner policy. Always check with your insurer about this floater.

Fair Market Appraisals: are for the market value of a quilt, which is the amount agreed on between a will and knowledgeable buyer and willing and knowledgeable seller under normal conditions. Fair market appraisal is an opinion of the appraiser based on what she knows to the value of a quilt to be. She may obtain her values from a number of sources including but not limited to new and antique items, galleries, auctions and private sales. This is not a guarantee of a sales price. If you are considering selling a quilt, than this is the type of appraisal you want.

Tax Donation Appraisal: this type of appraisal is used to meet the requirements of the IRS as to the value of a quilt that is being donated for any reason, or to establish a value for a family estate, very often after a death.

For whatever reason you are seeking an appraisal, it is important to know that quilts can become the targets of theft or casualties of natural disasters. Many quilts and garments that are quilted have disappeared en route to quilt shows in other parts of the country. Many carriers, including UPS, now require a written appraisal for justify coverage while your item is in their care, and many shows are now required to have appraisals for the items they display in order to meet the insurance requirements of the venue.

Your quilts are valuable pieces of your family's history and should be protected by a written appraisal in case of loss, theft or damage.

NEWS FROM DEA HELLER

February 8th will Feature JoAnn Belling

It has been several years since we have hosted this wonderful quilter. JoAnn has enjoyed the sewing machine since she began producing her own clothes at age 12. In 1965 she began quilting with heavy polyester fabrics and no formal instruction. Encouraged by a friend she enrolled in classes in 1977 and has designed numerous quilts and wall hangings. She has taught a variety of classes in United States and Japan. Her influence in quilting has been felt from coast to coast. The Belling household has hosted a number of quilt groups for lectures and tours. Her finest work has been reproduced in national publications.



February 10th Workshop with JoAnn Belling “Whimsical Triangles”

We have 14 already signed up, if you want to come, please call me at 651-6700.

Block of the Month “Mystery Quilt”

Several of our guild members have suggested a “Mystery Quilt” for 2007. I have chosen one of them. You may pick up your instructions each month at the sign up table. Call me if you missed the meeting and want to participate, 651-6700. If you have signed up, each month your new set of instructions will be ready with your name on it. If you miss the meeting I will either e-mail or mail them to you. Everyone's quilts will be displayed in October. The instructions are given out for 6 months you will then have time to finish it in time for the showing.

AHQG 2007 QUILTING RETREAT

If you are interested please call me at 651-6700!

Location: John Newcombe Tennis Ranch just off Hwy. 46 in New Braunfels

Choice 1: Friday, Saturday & Sunday - April 27 – 28 – 29, 2007

Choice 2: Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday - April 26 – 27 – 28 – 29, 2007

ACCOMODATIONS

We have 2 bedroom condos as our accommodations; there will be 4 people to a condo. 1 bedroom has 2 queen beds and the other bedroom has 2 twin beds. Car parking is close to each condo, and most things are handicap accessible. They have a lovely pool and tennis courts if you want to relax and play.

MEALS

Hearty meals will be served in the dining room starting with dinner at 6:00 PM. Thursday or Friday evening. Three meals will be served on Friday (if you are going up on Thursday), and Saturday. Sunday -Breakfast & Lunch will be served

Besides the meals, morning and afternoon snacks will be served. Tea and coffee will be available all of the time. You may bring your personal choice of drinks, sodas are available at the bar or soda machines. A table will be set up for the fabulous snacks everyone seems to bring to share.

Joyce Boyd and her sisters are planning some fun activities..

Check in time is 3:00 PM on either Thursday or Friday.

Check out time is 1:00 PM on Sunday from your condo, but we may stay in the sewing room until 3:00 PM.

COST FOR THIS FUN WEEKEND:

The following prices are based on per person and will include all taxes and gratuities.

Friday, Saturday & Sunday cost is: \$180.00

Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday cost is: \$245.00

Rosie and Ralph have adopted a pair of kittens. Here is their family picture. I'm sure you will see them at retreat!!



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