

Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild



ESTABLISHED 1995

JOIN US ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH—WE MEET AT 7:00 P.M. AT ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (2738 BITTERS ROAD, BETWEEN BROADWAY AND NACOGDOCHES)

Successful Events, Budget Review, and More

Special points of interest:

- *Panel Round Robin*
- *Proposed 2009 Budget*
- *Results of Charity Night*

November 2008

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You all know this already: Our first-ever quilt show was a tremendous success! I hope everyone made it out to Bracken Village to see the gorgeous examples of skill and talent. Other than a few sprinkles, the rain held off and the quilts looked amazing hanging under trees, around the gazebo, against the weathered walls. ...

A huge THANK YOU goes out to **Denice Brockmeyer**, who championed the idea of a quilt show and who made it happen. Denice worked all year long to make this event a success. As the show neared, she and her husband Bill installed all the line we used for hanging the quilts. Then there are the dozens of guild members who got to Bracken Village early in the morning and hung all the quilts; the members who took down the quilts at the end of the day, and the members who spent the day watching over the quilts and answering questions. And of course, thanks to all the members who entrusted us with your quilts.

Also in October we held our Charity Night. We had a great time tying quilts (see the article on page 7). We also unveiled our Charity Challenge quilts. If you'll recall, each participant chose a children's book and made a quilt based on that book. We're donating the quilts and the books. First place went to **Karon O'Ferrall** for her quilt *I Dreamt I Was a Dinosaur*. The second-place winner was **Joyce Boyd** (*Home Sweet Home*) and third place went to **Kris Gross** (*My Chicky Activity*). Congratulations to all our winners, and thank you to **Karen Lambdin** for the beautiful ribbons we awarded to them.

Now for a few announcements: On page 4 you will find the proposed budget for 2009. We'll be voting on this budget at the November meeting, so please review it. We'll also be voting on our application fee for federal tax-exempt status, an important consideration for the guild.

We also have two opportunities for you to participate in Round Robins next year. Coincidentally, two different proposals were submitted to the Board. Rather than choose one, we've decided to offer both, so you will have your choice! You can read about the Panel Round Robin this newsletter. To learn about the Mystery Round Robin, don't miss the November meeting!

Finally, don't forget about our December holiday party. It's a pleasant way to end the year, so I hope you'll all make a point of attending.

Allison

PS—If you didn't get your Charity Challenge book quilt done, there's still time! I'll be making one more trip to the Battered Women's and Children's Shelter this year. Wouldn't that make a great holiday gift?

Minutes of 9 October 2008 Business Meeting

President Allison Brown-Cestero called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. She welcomed the visitors and new members.

Tonight is Charity night - Allison thanked members for working already. Prizes will be given throughout the night to those tying quilts. There is also a door prize.

The charity challenge quilts are displayed tonight. Please vote during the break. Ribbons will be given for 2nd and 3rd place. A ribbon as well as a \$25 gift certificate will be given to the 1st place winner.

There will be a quilt show in Bandera October 18 and 19.

There is a lady selling her quilting stash due to medical reasons. See the flyers at the membership table.

The by-laws require yearly amendments. If you have any amendments to the by-laws, e-mail them to the board before the November 3rd meeting for consideration and presentation to the membership in November.

Pat Tollette asked for the name of a seamstress to sew cassocks for seminarians. Tell Allison if you know the name of seamstress.

Marque McKay showed the next bird block and said that the block of the month pattern was available tonight.

Quilt Show - Denice Brockmeyer said the guild's first quilt show is this Saturday. If you forgot to turn in your quilts, please bring them Saturday morning at 7 am. The ropes for hanging are all up (thanks to Denice and her husband for doing this themselves). We need everyone possible to monitor the quilts during the show. Sign up sheet is on the membership table. Bring a ladder or step stool to help hang/take down the quilts. Bring a chair if you are monitoring quilts. There will be viewer's choice ribbons awarded - all those voting for viewer's choice will be entered into a drawing

for a lovely fall quilt made and donated by Karla Henry-Reid and Pam Grunwald.

Dea Heller announced that \$3,683.56 was raised from the auction. Thank you to everyone for their donation of time and goods to make the auction a success.

November's speaker is Sue Bailey. She will be teaching a 3 hour workshop on landscape quilts. Cost of the class is \$25 and a kit is \$8. There will be a potluck lunch and attendees can stay after and continue working on their landscapes. November is also the mystery quilt reveal - there are good prizes for completed quilts.

Linda Clark left the meeting as she received word that her mother-in-law passed away. Please keep her and her family in your prayers as this is the 3rd parent in several months to die.

Members may now sign up for retreat - so far 23 have signed the list.

Janice Cutrer showed a hand pieced and quilted quilt that her church is raffling for missions. See her at break to buy your tickets.

Vote for charity challenge quilt during break. Members can also purchase door prize tickets during break.

-BREAK-

5 members brought show and tell.

Door Prize winner - Elizabeth Bradley

Charity drawing winner of a table mat donated by Jeanne Stephens - Carole Van Buren

Charity Challenge Quilt winners: 3rd place: Kris Gross; 2nd place: Joyce Boyd; 1st place: Karon O'Ferrall

Charity drawing winner of a pattern donated by Blue Bamboo Studio (Allison Brown-Cestero) - Garnet Szurek

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Barrón

Round Robin / Panel Quilt

Several years ago we had lots of fun making Round Robin quilts. Round Robins are a great way to play with colors we don't ordinarily choose, use our stashes creatively, hone our problem solving skills, give up control over every detail of our quilts, gain pieces of our friends' work to keep forever. Don't feel overwhelmed or intimidated—all skill levels are welcomed and we have experienced quilters available to advise you if a problem crops up.



Here's how to play:

1. Sign up at the November or December Guild meeting. This is a 6 month commitment, but you work on one border per month. We will be doing the Medallion format. The originator supplies a panel. Each successive quilter sews on a border and passes it on to the next person on their team.
2. Create a kit for your project. Your kit must include:
 - A container big enough for your growing quilt top and supplies. It should be labeled with your name, email address and phone number.
 - A panel.
 - A label and permanent pen so your team can sign it.
 - Your kit *may* contain:
 - Extra fabric. Participants are free to use their own fabric, too.
 - Instructions to your quilters in your group. Do you have a finished size in mind? Color scheme? Theme? Mood? Colors you hate? Do you want all fabrics prewashed?
3. Bring your kit to the January 2009 meeting.
4. At each guild meeting, you will pass the kit to someone else in your team after completing one border around it. At the end of the Round Robin you will have a completed a quilt top. You are not to see your quilt until the end—that's the fun of it all!
5. A note about feelings. If the quilt you receive has serious problems, please discuss them with the previous sewer, not with the quilt's owner. Explain what needs to be done to make the last contribution workable. This can be a moment for teaching and skill building. The previous sewer can rework their contribution and we can arrange a new timetable for this quilt. Please do your best work and leave time to plan and sew your contribution. You want nothing less from the other participants.

You must bring your kit to the January 2009 Guild meeting. You will be assigned a team and number.

You can call or email Karla Henry-Reid 826-4148 khreid@grandecom.net or Pam Grunwald 341-6655 pgrunwald@sbcglobal.net with questions or help.

At the June meeting we will unveil the quilt tops and give them to their owners.

Karla Henry-Reid & Pam Grunwald

Proposed 2009 Budget

At right is AHQG's proposed budget for 2009. It has been approved by the Board and is now presented to the membership. Please review it before the November 13 business meeting, when we will ask you to approve it.



BEEKEEPER

Many members indicated in their survey responses that they would like to be part of a Bee.

Karla Henry-Reid has volunteered to be AHQG's Beekeeper. She'll keep up with news about Bees (open or closed) connected to AHQG, help members find bees that suit their needs, and facilitate the formation of new Bees.

If you're in a bee, please make sure that Karla has information about it. And if you want to belong to a bee, don't be shy! Karla has great ideas and energy, so take advantage of her enthusiasm!

Door Prize Drawing

Elizabeth Bradley was the winner of the October Door Prize drawing!

ALAMO HERITAGE QUILT GUILD

Proposed Budget -- 2009

	2009 <u>Budget</u> Income	2009 <u>Budget</u> Expenses
Advertising	250	
Charity		350
Charity Donation		300
Classes	2,500	2,500
First VP		
Fundraising/ Raffle		
Holiday Party		250
Hospitality		350
Insurance		650
Interest on CD's	250	
Interest/Bank Charges	25	25
Library		350
Live Auction	3,000	200
Membership/ Dues	1,700	100
Miscellaneous	450	300
Newsletter		700
Parliamentarian		
President		
President's Quilt Top		150
Professional Fees		
Programs		7,000
Publicity/Cards		150
Quilt Show		
Rent		900
Retreat	7,500	7,500
Sales Tax		
Secretary		
Treasurer		100
Undefined Project	250	
Website		450
Website Training		100
Total	15,925	22,425
Net Total	-\$6,500	

Annual Holiday Party and Installation of Officers

The Annual Holiday Party is just around the corner and the Quilting Elves are busy getting prepared for the party. There will be fun, food and games, mark your calendar for December 11. Please bring your choice of a salad, covered dish or dessert. Meat will be provided.

As always, we will be installing our new officers at the event.

And in keeping with the spirit of the season, please bring an unwrapped gift to be delivered to the Battered Women's and Children's Shelter. Remember that the Shelter houses teens and adults as well as children.

Memories by the Yard

221 Featherweight Workshop

If you are fortunate enough to own one of these wonderful machines, you will want to be able to maintain it and care for it so that it will last for many more years.

Learn about the parts and accessories

You will take your Singer 221 apart and put it back together

You will clean your 221 before re-assembling.

Learn how to best care for your 221 to keep it in top sewing condition

Class offered at 2 separate times:

Saturday, November 15 or November 22

10am – 4pm (bring a lunch)

Register now – space is limited!

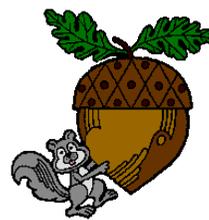
8015 Mainland Dr. , San Antonio, TX

210-520-4833

Memoriesbytheyard.com

Store hours: Monday thru Friday, 10-7

Saturday, 10-4



Fall Harvest of Quilts

I want to thank everyone who helped in making our first quilt show a success. The quilts were beautiful, the day turned out lovely and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. Ron and Trish Travis were thrilled with the turnout and want us back again. The quilts looked great hanging from the trees and buildings, and all of this could not have happened without the support from our members. The quilts displayed the outstanding talent of our guild and introduced the art of quilting to the general public.

Once again, many thanks for all your support in making this a successful quilt show. Please check our website for pictures of all the quilts. ~Denice Brockmeyer

**Coming in January:
"Round Robin Mystery Quilt"
6 Months with Reveal in
November 2009**

- 6 Jackie Ledford**
- 11 Janice Cutrer**
- 12 Karen Delaney**
- 18 Karen Lambdin**
- 20 Betty Grossmann**
- 20 Jacqueline Prather**
- 20 Kathy Smith**
- 29 Kris Gross**



**November
Happy Birthdays!**

Custom Quilts



***Machine Quilting
Edge to edge or custom
Discount to AHQG members.***

Special Occasion Quilts

- ***T-shirt Quilts***
- ***Wall Hangings***
- ***Memory Quilts***
- ***Classes for all ages***
- ***Lecturers & Presentations***

Dea Heller -- 651-6700

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November Program - Sue Bailey

Sue will be our guest speaker November 13. Her program is "Sue Visits the Countryside."

Sue will do a workshop on landscaping using only three fabrics, Saturday November 15th 9:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church on Nacogdoches Road just south of loop 1604. This one is a morning workshop. This workshop is only \$25.00. A kit for the workshop is only \$8.00. Come and join in on the fun. We can stay and sew as we have the room all day. Please sign up at the November meeting for this fun day of stitching together. Lunch will be pot luck.

Sue will guide you using some of the beautiful landscape fabrics on the market today. Using only three different fabrics, we will create a small wall hanging.

A variety of kits will be available at the time of workshop (Cost \$8.00 includes fabrics & Steam a Seam II)

SUPPLIES NEEDED IN CLASS (*Others will be discussed for finishing at home*):

- Good sharp scissors (Fiskars spring loaded grip is great!)
- Large white or beige bath towel



Charity Night Results

What an amazing October meeting! Our annual Charity Night filled up my car with quilts.

First, many guild members had been preparing quilts for tying for several months. Then Joyce Boyd, Ruth Willey and Mildred Moczygemba got together and made 21 more quilts for the effort. And finally, a whole crowd of quilters showed up for Charity Night and spent the evening tying quilts. There were even members who took home a few leftover quilts.

Net result? We tied 51 quilts! All in all, I delivered 71 quilts to the Battered Women's and Children's Shelter—the 51 tied quilts plus another 20 quilted ones.

We also donated packages of socks, school supplies, and toiletries.

We still haven't delivered the Charity Challenge quilts with their books, so if you wanted to take part and didn't finish your quilt, you still have time for it! I'll collect them at the December meeting.

Thank you to every member who contributed to this effort. It couldn't have happened without you.

~Allison Brown-Cestero

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November - Mystery Quilt Showing

Your Mystery Quilt must be finished for the viewers to choose their favorite. There will be prizes and even some wonderful ribbons that have been made especially for it.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

Rates

- ▶ Business card size \$5.00
- ▶ Quarter page \$10.00
- ▶ Half page \$20.00
- ▶ Full page \$40.00

Deadline

15th of each month for next month's issue

Contact

Newsletter Editor at alamoquilters@yahoo.com

Membership updates

Be sure to let Janet Rutherford know if your information changes for the roster.

And remember to pick up the roster updates when you check in for the monthly meeting. Janet issues these updates once each quarter.

Janet can be reached by phone at 210-490-2237.

Quilt Angels

Our Hospitality Chair, Carole Van Buren, has offered to coordinate the Quilt Angels as well.

Quilt Angels are AHQG members who greet visitors at our monthly meetings and answer questions about the guild. They also mentor new guild members.

Please take visitors and new members "under your wing" by volunteering to be a Quilt Angel. See Carole at meetings, or call her at 210-822-4486.

Next meeting November 13

Remember to bring your...

- Name tag
- Show and Tell items
- Library books
- Charity items - Kid's Small Toys



Please don't forget that Newsletter articles are due the Monday after Guild Meeting!

Thank You!

Newsletter Editor—*Elizabeth Bradley*