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



Happy St Patrick's Day



Looking through old issues of Quilter's Newsletter Magazine, a subscription in 1985 was only \$5.50, and in 1986 it was \$6.50. A set of Mettler quilting thread was only \$22.95 for 32 spools along with 5 booklets of sewing tips. Looking further through my stack of magazines was an article on quilter's studios, they were nicely set up with large stashes, and I promptly showed their stash to my husband who always asks me when and for what I am going to use a certain piece of fabric I purchased some time back. My stock answer usually is when I find the right pattern and finish some of my current projects, he understood. How times have changed, and then again there are things that never change.

After that I decided to go work on a scrap quilt. I could remember my Grandmother telling me not to throw that perfectly good piece of fabric away it will be good for quilting. This is probably why I keep so many scraps. New fabrics were scarce when I quilted with my grandmother, scrap quilts were a way of "making do" quilters salvaged anything still serviceable from old clothes, scraps of fabric left from a new dress or shirt, or anything that had sections not worn out. Seems like now quilters make scrap quilts not for their economy so much as for their beauty, casual complexity, old-fashioned charm, and sentiment. Many of us make scrap quilts from all new yardage or from fabric stockpiled over the years. Certainly there is nothing wrong with incorporating remnants from other sewing projects into your scrap quilts; this can only add to their charm and sentimental value. Fabric exchanges is another way of enlarging your stockpile of scraps. It is fun to exchange charm squares with your friends. This certainly gives you a more diverse variety. Recently I received some charm squares from a friend of mine who just loves bright fabrics. These very bright fabrics are going into my scrap quilt, and I will have wonderful memories of her every time I look at it. Make a scrap quilt and enjoy the memories of where the scraps came from.

Wow, what a great presentation from Carol Morrissey. Her workshop was enjoyed by everyone who attended. I have done some thread play before but this was a lot of fun, maybe you'll see some of them at show & tell.

In March we will work on stuffing and closing pillows for breast cancer patients. Bring your thread, needles, thimble and thread snipping scissors. This is a time to talk all you want to and visit without being asked to be quiet. This year our charity quilts will be given to the Methodist Children's Home, so be sure to see Joanne for a pattern or a kit to make a quilt. The children's home has children from infants to 14 years old.

Beverly (Beebe) Ramos has volunteered to be our Fund Raiser Chairman. She will have our newest items for sale at the next meeting, a key chain with the guild logo on it; see drawing at the top of the page. She also has our tote bags and pins.

Happy Quilting! See all of you at our March meeting.

Dea

PS: Keep our members who have had surgery or are under the weather in your thoughts and prayers. If you can, send a card or a message via email. Just to let them know you are thinking about them. If you or you know of a member who is under the weather or needs assistance please let Garnet or I know.

February Board Meeting Minutes

The monthly board meeting of the Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild was called to order by President Dea Heller at 6:01pm on Monday, February 7th, 2011. Present were 2nd Vice-Presidents Jackie Ledford and Joyce Boyd, Treasurer Karon O'Ferrall, Secretary/Librarian Susan Feeley, Membership Chair Janet Rutherford, Newsletter Editor Ruth Willey, Charity Chair Joanne Krepps, Parliamentary Kathryn Slater, Publicity Chair Michele Hanus, and Refreshments Chair Carole Van Buren. Absent was 1st Vice-President Vickie Dubose.

Jackie & Joyce reported that Denice has three people lined up already to present mini-demos at the April meeting. The upcoming workshop has 8 people signed up, but more are expected at our general meeting on Thursday. They expect to open sign-up for Susan Cranshaw's workshop that evening as well.

Karon has no treasurer's report as she just received the books back from auditing this evening. The books were found to be in good order. She intends on having a budget report at Thursday's meeting if anyone is interested in seeing it.

Joanne has some quality charitable donations from a lady whose mother was a quilter. She brought pieces of fabric and some photos with her to show us samples of what the donation entailed. Discussion followed on how best to use these kits and fabrics in the guild. Joanne also passed around a selection of printed out quilt patterns to get feedback from the board members on which ones they felt would work well with charity fabrics.

Janet reported that to date we have 63 members signed up as AHQG members in 2011.

Michele will check into upcoming quilting events and e-mail Ruth with them, so the dates can be published in the newsletter.

Carol reported that the January birthday ladies brought along goodies to that month's meeting. She'd like e-mails sent out to the February birthday ladies as a reminder to bring goodies to share with us at the meeting on Thursday.

Dea reminded us of UUMC's quilt show coming up on Friday, February 25th from 9-4, entrance fee \$6. La-Grange is having their quilt show that weekend as well. Dea showed us sample keychains that she had made up with our guild's logo on it, as a possible fundraiser for us. After discussion, it was decided to have some made up to sell to guild members. Beverly let Dea know that she has arranged to have a bee meet at a church on 1604 the 1st and 3rd Monday evenings of each month. More info will be forthcoming about the details. The rest of the meeting was spent discussing changes to the by-laws to help better reflect the duties of AHQG board and chair members. Several ideas were discussed, moved, seconded, and approved. Janet has the by-laws on disk, and she and Kathryn, our parliamentarian, will work together to make the necessary changes. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,
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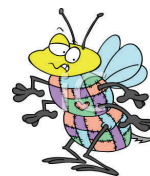
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BEEKEEPER

Linda Clark has volunteered to be AHQG's Bee-keeper. 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 Linda has information about it. And if you want to belong to a bee, contact Linda!



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CHARITY

It's Charity Night at AHQG March Meeting!

Remember to bring your needle and thread to the meeting of the Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild, March 10th. We will be working on charity projects and need your help!

This month's workshop (mini retreat) will be held at Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church on Nacogdoches Rd. That day everyone will be working on any charity project they like. Plan to attend and bring your choice of project(s) along with something for the Pot Luck lunch.

ATTENTION—ATTENTION—ATTENTION

Ladies, please clean out your stashes. We really need help with fabrics for our charity items. If you have anything cheerful, calming, or just plain pretty, we'll be happy to use it for kits. If you would like - feel free to make a quilt on your own for charity --- all is welcome

April Program

Mini Demo

The April Mini Demo Program will feature 3 outstanding quilters. Two demonstrations will be with members from our Guild and the third comes from Memories by the Yard.

Karen Lambdin will demonstrate **Machine Quilting**. We have all seen Karen's expertise quilting and observed her at retreat quilting feathers and other designs with proficiency. Karen will be demonstrating how to prepare and quilt a feather design.

Sharry Provines will demonstrate **Needle Turn Appliqué**. Sharry's appliqué quilts are heart stoppers. Sharry's demonstration will make you want to incorporate the dreaded "A" word in your quilts. You may find that it is not as hard as you think.

Cheri Leffler will demonstrate **Ribbon Embellishment**. We have all wanted to add finishing touches to our quilts but needed training on how to make those little rose buds and leaves. Cheryl will give you the skills to add those fun embellishments.

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*

Dea Heller -- 651-6700

2011 AHQG Board

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MARCH 2011

Special wishes to our only March Birthday Girl!

Amanda Dove - March 6th

Sub-Committee Chairs

Hospitality/ Quilt Angels	Carole Van Buren / Beverly Romo
Door Prizes	Jan Owen & Julie Olson
Beekeeper	Linda Clark
Publicity	Michele Hanus
Sunshine & Shadows	Garnet Szurek

E-mail your board at
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AHQG website:
www.alamoheritagequiltguild.com

Texas Quilt Shows and Related Events

The following information is provided as a service. Please confirm it before you set out on your trip

'Dallas Quilt Celebration'

Quilter's Guild of Dallas March 11-13, 2011 Dallas Market Hall Dallas, Texas

For more information: Visit <http://www.quiltersguildofdallas.org/quiltcelebration2011/default.htm>

'Spring into Quilting'

Shiner Heritage Quilters Guild March 18-19, 2011 First United Methodist Church Activity Center

102 W Church St. Shiner, TX 77984

For more information: Visit <http://www.shinerheritagequilters.org>

'30th Annual Azalea Quilt Show'

Quilters' Guild of East Texas March 25-26, 2011 Harvey Convention Center

2000 W. Front St Tyler, TX Theme--"Spring--A Time for New Beginnings"

For more information: Visit <http://www.QGETX.org> Email tylerquiltshow2011@yahoo.com

'Georgetown Quilt and Stitchery Show'

Handcrafts Unlimited April 1-2, 2011, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Community Center in San Gabriel Par Georgetown, Texas

For more information: Visit <http://www.georgetownquiltshow.org>

'In a Quilter's Garden'

West Houston Quilter's Guild April 8 - 9, 2011

Leonard E. Merrell Facility 6301 South Stadium Lane Katy, Texas

For more information: Visit <http://www.whqg.org/show/>

'A Day on the Coast'

Bay Area Quilt Guild April 15-16, 2011

Knights of Columbus Hall 2320 Hatfield Rd Pearland, TX

For more information: Visit <http://www.bayareaquiltguild.org/baqq/quiltshows.html>

'Quilt Round-Up - "Texas Style"'

Kingwood Area Quilt Guild April 15-16, 2011 Humble Civic Center

8233 Will Clayton Parkway Humble, Texas For more information: Visit <http://www.kingwoodareaquiltguild.com/id114.html>

'Quilt Plano 2011'

Quilters Guild of Plano August 12 & 13, 2011 Plano Center Plano, TX

For more information Visit <http://www.quiltersguildofplano.org/quiltplano/quiltplano.shtml>

'Threads of our Past - Celebrating 30 Years'

Midland Quilter's Guild October 8, 2011 Midland Center 105 N. Main St Midland, TX

For more information Visit <http://midlandquiltersguild.com/quiltshow.htm>

'International Quilt Festival'

November 3 - 6, 2011 George R. Brown Convention Center Houston, TX

For more information: Visit <http://www.quilts.com?>

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE AHQG BYLAWS

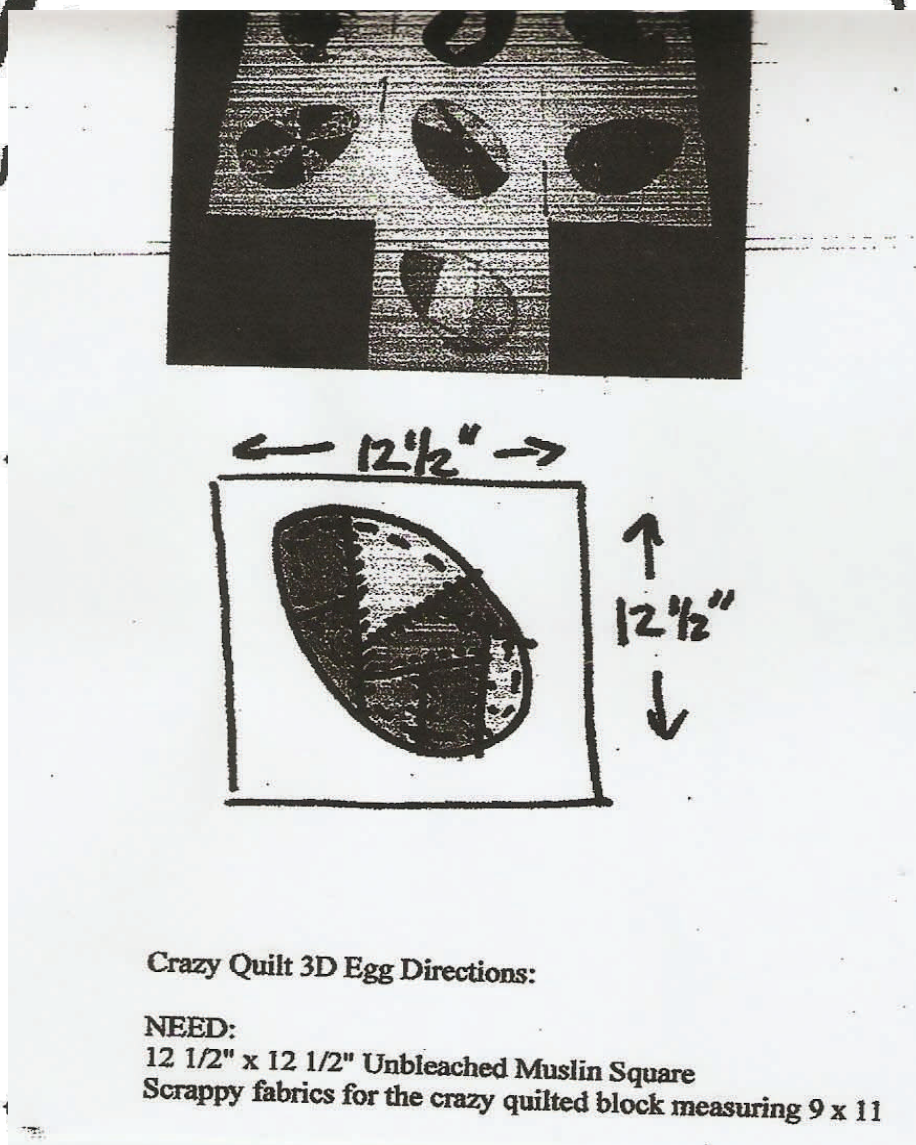
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EGG
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BLOCK OF THE MONTH—APRIL

CRAZY QUILT 3D EGG DIRECTIONS

A Crazy Quilted block is easy to make...just machine piece using a foundation or just by adding strips of fabric and cutting even and adding another strip of fabric, etc. Create a 9 X 11 crazy quilt block.

Next-trace pattern to freezer paper or use whatever method you like for transferring a pattern. Place it on the crazy quilt block and cut out the egg shape. Do any decorative stitching along the seams as desired. Cut right to the line- do not worry about turning edges or 1/4" seams or anything.

Next – cut the egg shape out of a piece of batting - you may want this slightly smaller than the block

Now take your background square 12 1/2" X 12 1/2" unbleached muslin and lay it flat on the table. Layer your batting and egg piece together with the egg on top. Lay it in the center of the background fabric and pin towards the center a little so that you can sew around the inner edge about 1/4" and not hit any pins.

Next – Top Stitch 1/8" to 1/4" in from the edge all the way around the egg. The top stitching can be done in raw edge fashion or you can use a decorative stitching (satin, blanket, or whatever.)

Agape List (Grocery Basket)

March	Household cleaning item (cleansers, laundry soap etc)
April	Canned fruits (pull tops wk the best) Bottled/canned juice
May	Canned meats (pull tops)
June	Paper products (paper towel, toilet paper etc)
July	Bread, peanut butter, jelly, individual pkgs chips
August	School supplies (list will be provided at that time)



“Dog Gone Quiltin”

Retreat is open for sign ups, or mail form to me ASAP!!!

This event fills up quickly, deposit is required with signup.

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

COST FOR THIS FUN WEEKEND:

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

Choice 1: Friday, Saturday & Sunday

April 29, 30, & May 1, 2011 - cost is: \$210.00

Choice 2: Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday

April 28, 29, 30, & May 1, 2011 - cost is: \$275.00

ACCOMMODATIONS

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, coffee and water 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.

PLUS:

Fun activities planned by Joyce Boyd and her sisters.

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

Check out time is 2:00 PM on Sunday from your condo, but we may stay in the sewing room until 3:00 PM.

“Dog Gone Quiltin !”

Make a 12 inch finished (12.5inch unfinished) block with the theme of “Dog Gone Quiltin!” The blocks will be voted on at retreat and the winner will have a surprise. And like this year’s blocks, you may keep yours or you may donate it to be put into a quilt for next auction. **Fill out form below and bring to the next meeting or mail it to me.**

Please give to Program Chairperson

2011 AHQG Retreat Sign Up

Name: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Sharing condo with _____, _____, &

Please check one:

Choice1 _____\$210.00

(Friday, Saturday & Sunday)

April 29, 30, & May 1, 2011

Choice2 _____\$275.00 (Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday)

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Signed: _____

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Quilt Angels



Beverly Ramos, 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.

ATTENTION:

If you have anything of interest to share with the guild members please be sure to let the newsletter editor know. There's always room for sharing in the newsletter.

Next Meeting: March 10th

Remember to bring your...

Name Tag

Show and Tell Items

Library Books

Charity Items

Please don't forget that Newsletter articles are due the 15th of every month!

Thank You!

Ruth Ann Willey

Newsletter Editor



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