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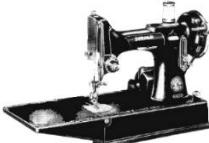
JOIN US ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH—WE MEET AT 7:00 P.M. AT ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (2738 MACARTHUR VIEW, BETWEEN BROADWAY AND NACOGDOCHES)



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Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and God's Blessings on us all.

Carole



NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Alamo Heritage Quilt guild board was called to order at 6PM on Monday, November 5th, 2012 by President Carole Van Buren. First Vice-President Vickie DuBose went over her plans for the Christmas party concerning food and games. There will be just one game played, with each member attending bringing 20 2 1/2 inch strips of fabric to participate, because time is needed for attendees that night to show their two-color quilts and to do the needlecase exchange. Jackie repeated the website url for needlecase ideas again for those who didn't have it.

Jackie, 2nd Vice-President, talked about her programming plans for 2013. She said she had done some research on-line about other quilt guilds, and discovered that our guild fee of \$35 for workshops was quite a bargain in comparison with other guilds in Texas. However, because there are so few members participating in our workshops, we almost always lose money. There will be a wool workshop given by Las Colchas in February, but otherwise she is trying to schedule Thursday night programs, sometimes with demonstrations of techniques or projects, but with no workshops two days later.

Susan, the librarian, said she has purchased a number of new fiction books with a quilting theme for the guild library, and has a notice in the November newsletter to let members know the books will be available for checkout at Thursday's meeting. Also, she gave an update on the post office box situation. She closed our post office box, which was costing us over \$50 a year for just a few pieces of relevant mail, and did a change of address to her own home address. She is happy to report that mail addressed to the guild at her home address is arriving, and also mail forwarded to her address from the old post office box address is being delivered.

At this point, Joyce, our treasurer, presented the monthly report and went over the expenditures and income. We then spent most of the meeting doing a line-by-line review of the budget, trying to trim as much as possible from our expenses. We weren't able to cut back on costs like insurance/bonding and rent fees, of course, but by eliminating the post office fee, reducing the amount of money spent on library materials, plus the additional savings from having an e-mailed newsletter for most members now, as just a few examples, we came to agreement on a workable budget. It will be presented at the general meeting for confirmation.

Joanne had some suggestions on some charity projects besides doing what we've been doing the past few years. She told us about pillows with pinto beans inside used by amputees who have phantom pain, and also said perhaps we could make the caps and other head care for those who have lost their hair to chemotherapy. Susan added that there are books in the library with projects for the chemo caps and turbans. Joanne also thought providing comfort quilts for policemen and firemen to have on hand for children in emergency situations is something we could do.

On Ruth's behalf it was suggested that the minutes of the board meeting be sent in an e-mail flash to our members, so that they would be more timely. Usually there is a lag time of a month or more before they are read in the next newsletter, which can be confusing. The general membership will be consulted at Thursday's meeting about this change.

Carole confirmed that our auction committee for next year will be Deborah Borzos, BeBe Ramos, Dea Heller, and Marie Emerson.

Vickie, Jackie, and Joanne all want to speak at the November meeting this Thursday.

Discussion followed on where we should hold our board meetings during 2013, because Seventh Heaven will close for good in just a few days and the classroom will no longer be available to us. It was gracious of Dixie to allow us to use that room for so long. We will meet at Joyce's for the next meeting.

The meeting was not adjourned until 7:32pm tonight.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan S. Feeley
Secretary



CHARITY

Happy Holidays! We had another good year for charity. I took approximately 200 pillows to the Cancer Society. They were so happy to receive them.

I have 22 charity quilts for the children's shelter. Hopefully I will have around 30 by the time we take them to the kids. Unfortunately, we only had 4 book challenge quilts. I will try to think of something new and challenging for next year. Any ideas you have for a challenge will be welcomed.

I will have the cancer "bonnet" patterns ready for next year. They seem to be easy. Famous last words!!!

Phyllis Shaw had a workshop in her home this month, and they finished quite a few of the bean pillows for the amputees in one afternoon. I am hopeful this will become a new charity for us to work on. These guys need all the support they can get.

I have not forgotten the yo yo dolls. I am still putting them together so your time and effort were not wasted. I will bring them in as soon as I have them done. They really are cute.

Joanne
656-2466 (Home)
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PRAYER LIST

The AHQG Board feels we can all benefit from prayer. If you would like to raise someone in prayer—for whatever reason—please contact one of the board members. No specific reason required.

Also pray for:

- Barbara Rudolph
 - Vickie DuBose
 - Beth Barron's 2 1/2 year old grandson, Keaton—struggling with chemo.
 - Dea and Ron Heller
 - Janet Daniel—recovering from car accident
 - Our military members as they work to keep our country free.
 - The guild members we haven't seen recently
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PROGRAMS



We had a wonderful time at the November meeting. The ladies who participated in the book challenge showed off their quilts. We placed the quilts on display for judging. We had a lot of fun quilts to judge and it was hard to decide which one was the best. Jo Reinschmidt who is a member at St. Mathew's and who will take the quilts to the Children's Shelter attended our meeting. Jo thanked the guild ladies for all of their hard work and dedication to making quilts for the children. These quilts will be donated to the Children's Shelter in December.

Last but not least December brings in our Christmas party and the needle case exchange. The December meeting is fun night. We will have quilts for show -n- tell and the needle change.



eat, drink and be merry. Don't forget your cases if you plan on participating in the exchange.



Just a quick note if any of the membership is interested. The church ladies will be collecting red dresses and red shirts for the boys and girls at the Children's Shelter. The shelter staff makes sure each child has a Christmas outfit on Christmas Day. This is a tradition as I understand it. So if you'd like to make a donation of clothing to the shelter just bring the items to the December meeting. Thanks!

Jackie



PARTY REMINDER

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Don't forget it's that time of year to consider renewing your membership. Hopefully, everyone will complete that process. If you have a friend or an acquaintance—someone you may have met in the grocery store parking lot—get them to come to a meeting and sign up too for all the fun. See Janet Rutherford at the sign in desk.

BITS-N-PIECES

Wannabees daytime quilting bee has openings. Come join us on 1st and 3rd Wed. at 10 am until 2 pm (ish) for quilting, showing off and gabbing (not necessarily in that order). call Karen Lambdin, 210-520-9876 or Nancy Troyer, 210-654-7835.

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BEEKEEPER

Linda Clark 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 Linda has information about it. And if you want to belong to a bee, contact Linda!



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Thank you for your support during 2012! susan.hall@cottonbollquilting.com

Susan

Merry Christmas

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Dea Heller -- 651-6700



December Birthdays

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| 6th | Michele Hanus |
| 13th | Garnet Szurek |
| 19th | Carole VanBuren |
| 30th | Ann Barnett |



2012 AHQG Board

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Quilt Angels



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 Vivian Taylor at the meeting.

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: December 13th

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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