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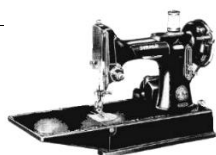
FROM THE PREZ ...



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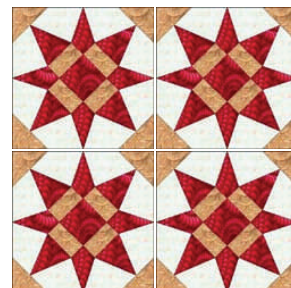
If January is any example, we are off to a good start in 2013. I am happy to announce that we had six new members sign up at the January meeting. Also, Jackie presented a number of projects beginning with the popular "Round Robin" and an interesting Wool workshop both either beginning or taking place in February.

The Charity Bee is back in business for the year. This Bee is on the Third Wednesday of the month at JoAnne Krepps' Home from 10a to 3p. Come if other Bees want to send me a schedule, I will be happy to promote them as well. I believe our meeting is on Valentine's Day this month, so bring your Valentine goodies for refreshments and lots of quilts for Show and Tell. Bring along some more friends and we will continue to see our membership grow.

Love and Kind regards to all of you and thank you so much for your loyalty to the guild. See on the 14th of February.

Carole

Note: the wool workshop Carole mentioned has been canceled.



IN MEMORY



Lenice Josephine Larkin went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, January 29, 2013 after a long life filled with adventure, service to others and love she shared with her extended family and many friends. She was born August 10, 1922 in San Antonio, Texas. She graduated from Jefferson High School in 1940 then attended Sophie Newcomb College before graduating from the [University of Texas](#) where she was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society. She went on to obtain her Masters of Arts in [Counseling](#) and Guidance from Columbia University. She commenced her career as Assistant Dean of Women for Southern Methodist University before joining the YWCA where she spent decades serving others across the nation in many cities including Dallas, Chicago, Summit NJ, and Danville Va. She also served as YWCA Executive Director in San Antonio. Lenice loved to travel and visited countries across the world including China, India, Japan, Russia, Israel, Guatemala, Mexico and several European nations. Service to others was an integral part of her life that she continued late into her life despite declining mobility. She was an active long-time member of Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, former President of United Methodist Women, she was an active volunteer at Wesley Community Center and a Docent at the Institute of Texan Cultures. An avid quilter, she was a member of the Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild and gifted her family and friends with beautiful [handmade quilts](#) and children's clothes. She also enjoyed photography, knitting, swimming at the YMCA and reading to young school children. She will be remembered for her great sense of humor, her ready smile, strong faith, continual service, and her motto "it's a great life if we don't weaken". She is preceded in death by her parents: James Earl and Ruby Onion Larkin, her sister Lucille Mendelson, and cousin Judge James Onion and wife Isabelle. Lenice is survived by her nephews Lt. Col. James Mendelson and his wife Theresa of Newport Beach, California and his four children and Dr. Michael Mendelson and wife Gale of Allentown, PA, her cousin Judge John F. Onion, Jr. and wife Nancy of Austin, TX as well as many loving family members and dear friends.

The Memorial Service for Lenice was held Saturday, February 2, 2013. A donation in her name will be made by AHQG to the Methodist Wesley Community Center, San Antonio TX.

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—a real trooper with his 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

REMEMBER! We always have room on the Prayer List for someone you know or know of. Just contact one of the board members or the newsletter editor.

CHARITY

Ladies,

Thank you for taking the orphan blocks to make something for the auction. Thirteen of you were very brave, and took the blocks. Please remember they need to be back by May. I will be turning everything concerning the auctions over to Dea Heller and Marie Emmerson, so you should get with one of them if you have any questions. Of course all of us are always willing to help if we can.

The response to the cancer "Bonnetts" was very good. Hope you enjoy making them. I will be bringing them every month along with the pillows. Thank you so much for the beans. We collected around 100 lbs for the amputee bags.

I have received the following letter thanking us for the Charity Quilts and books from the Children's Shelter. They are always so nice and thankful for them.

We had our Charity Bee on the 16th. We ate some homemade vegetable soup, and Linda Clark brought a pastry from Panera --- SOOO good. We had a great time playing with pinto beans --- filling and closing bags.

We also worked on some of the dolls we discussed at the meeting. I will bring some to show at the next guild meeting. If any of you have some and would like to donate them bring them with you in February.

Linda Clark, Carole VanBuren and I took the amputee "bean" bags to the hospital today.

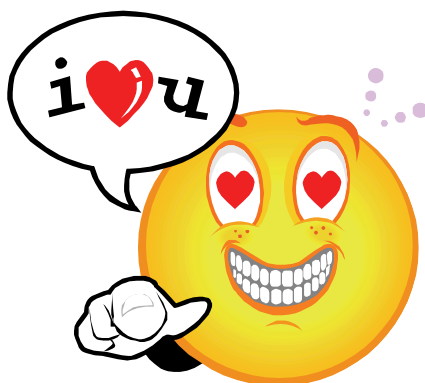
Ladies, they were so exited. We had 55 finished bags. Our contact told us that the bags are shared among different stations of the hospital including the burn unit. They can store 100 bags at a time but it can get crowded.

Due to lack of space I informed them I would bring 50 at a time, and that they could call at any time for more. I would like to try to keep 50 finished bags on hand so we could deliver them as needed. I hope you feel as proud of our doing this as I do. These men and women need all the support they can get even if it is a "small" thing.

I've had several questions about the charity projects recently. I've provided a Q&A in this newsletter.

Thanks to all,

Joanne





January 13, 2013

Mrs. Joanne Krepps
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Dear Mrs. Krepps:

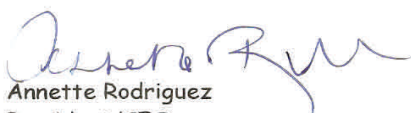
Over 110 years ago, a small group of individuals created an organization dedicated to improving the lives of children and families. Today, The Children's Shelter and our supporters continue this important work. We appreciate your donation and support of our mission to provide safety and well-being to children and their families through leadership and innovation.

Recently, a staff member shared the experience of one happy child. A six-year old boy approached the Supervisor's Desk in the Zachry Cottage Emergency Shelter. "My tooth fell out," he told the supervisor. Knowingly, he asked her if he could put the tooth under his pillow. The little boy informed her that he was asking for \$12 for his tooth, but he would take \$10. The supervisor explained that the tooth fairy stopped by the desk for any teeth that she might use to help repair another child's teeth. "Ok." He said, "I'll check with you tomorrow." With that, he scurried off. Although he did not receive \$10 or \$12, he did receive a small toy in exchange for his tooth.

When children arrive at The Children's Shelter, we strive to provide the highest quality programs and services. These children rely on us for compassionate care and their basic needs, which means that in addition to changing nearly 40,000 diapers each year, we create childhood memories like a visit from the tooth fairy.

Through your in-kind gift (received in December 2012) of books and 32 quilts, you help us create happy children, nurturing families, and a strong community. On behalf of the 3,000 children and families we serve each year, thank you for your donation.

With sincere appreciation,


Annette Rodriguez
President/CEO

Thank You!

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A FEW FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR CHARITY QUILTS... AND OTHER PROJECTS

1. How long do I have to finish a quilt?

As soon as you can. If it takes you a few months to finish, that is fine. Just bring it back when you finish. If you find that you cannot finish the quilt just bring it back. Everyone has things that come up, and makes it difficult to do extra projects.

2. How much of the quilt do I have to do?

As much as you can. If you can only do the top, do the top and return. Someone else will do quilting.

If you only like to do quilting or would like to just do the quilting (great way to practice for your own projects) I have some for you.

You can also just do binding.

As I said as much as you can or want to do. All charity work is wanted and helpful. You DO NOT have to participate. No one knows who does or doesn't work on the charity. There is a variety of things to do and try so we have something everyone might enjoy doing.

3. Can I change the quilt kit?

Sure, if you feel you would like to make it larger and have material to match or need material to match, go ahead. Again, a great way to practice. You can always add a border, ect.

At present our charity quilts are going to The Children's Shelter on Woodlawn.

4. What type of things can charity use?

Almost any type of material.. Large pieces (by the yard) or small pieces 2 1.2" strips, squares, ect.

We can also always use batting for our quilts, and stuffing our cancer pillows.

5. Can I use my own pattern and material?

YES YES YES !!!!! This is the best type of charity work. Feel free to let your imagination and stash run free.

6. Our cancer pillows are approximately 8" X 11". I have some in the back or feel free to cut your own. Sew them together leaving an opening for us to stuff. You may stuff and close on your own if you wish., or wait for one of our "Charity" nights. The pillows go to "The American Cancer Society".

7. We are now making "Chemo Bonnets" The kit has everything included. You just need to sew. (these also go to the cancer society).

In advance, Thank you for supporting our guild and it's charities. (If you have more questions just ask)

The Charity Chair

PROGRAMS



Well I don't know about the rest of the guild membership but I certainly loved the trunk show of all of those old quilts. The quilt designs and fabrics were just lovely. The workmanship in the quilts was one of pure love. Barbara and her mother Peggy have a treasure chest of wonderful memories. It's a shame that the grandmother didn't write the history down for each of those beautiful quilts. Ladies this is why it's so important for your finished quilts to be labeled. Even if all you do is list the quilt pattern/design, your name, the quilters name and city and state where the quilt was made.

Our February meeting will have the membership discussing the Round Robin and sharing ideas about the borders. I will make sure there are several Round Robins at the meeting for everyone to look at and ask questions. If you are new to doing a Round Robin please write down your questions and bring them to the meeting. I will have several members who have done Round Robins on hand to help answer the questions and talk about how to make sure you measure correctly. Measuring is very important in this project. This will be a fun guild project with lots of surprise in the end. I will try to set some time aside at a future meeting for additional Round Robin questions. If you didn't sign up at the meeting and want to participate in the Round Robin call me at 496-0442. I need to know if you will be participating so I can organize the groups. I think my last count was 11 members. This would give us two groups of RR.



The guild is also hosting the wool purse workshop on February 16th, and this will be another fun time. Don't forget to sign up for the workshop at the meeting. The workshop cost is \$35.00 and the kit fee is \$25.00. Everything you need to complete the purse will be provided in the kit. The kits will be purchased from Las Colchas. I need a final count of attendees at our meeting. I want to make sure there will be kits for everyone who wants to participate in this workshop. Tom should have posted photos of the wool purse on our website. (Las Colchas Wool purse workshop, \$35.00 workshop fee and \$25.00 kit fee, 9:00-3:00 @ dBorsos Quilt Studio, 13491 Wetmore Rd).

At March meeting we will be hosting Vannetta Chapman who is an author and has done research on Amish quilts. Please make plans to attend this meeting as I believe she will have some very interesting things to share with us about the Amish way of life. Vannetta has posted her book visit with the guild on one of her sites. <http://www.goodreads.com/event/show/871499-alamo-heritage-quilt-guild>

Jackie

PROGRAMS (Cont'd)

Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild
Round Robin - February 2013
Contact: Jackie Ledford, 496-0442

Traditional Round Robin: Make the first (center) block 12 to 18", and the next quilter will add a 2.5-6" border each go-round.

You'll need a bag big enough to hold your growing quilt top and supplies. The bag should be labeled with your name, e-mail and phone number. You might want to put your fabrics and center block/panel in a plastic container with a tight fitting lid, to protect the contents from rain (HA,HA) or something being spilled on it.

Instructions/Guidelines to your RR quilting friends. (You can write this info in the journal you add to the bag or on a separated sheet of paper). What's your color scheme? Can they add their own fabric staying within the theme? What is the finished sized of the quilt top? This is totally your option, you can also choose to not lay out any suggestions, or just let it be "*free choice*".

Remember, once you sign up for this exchange, you are committed to meeting the deadlines and finishing the project. Other people are depending on you.

Trust your friends to use just the right design and additional fabrics. You will not see your block again until the quilt top is completed.

Keeping this a secret is part of the fun. Please do not share your work with anyone, especially not the maker of the center block/panel or any other group members.

Appliqué on previous borders is expectable.

Always measure your addition to be sure your border is accurate before adding it to the last border.

Look for or develop your own interesting design ideas. Talk to people *outside* your group for tips. Get inspired by what was done before the quilt came to you.

A small notebook or journal for each quilter (opt) to record their thoughts, their vision, personal information about them if they wish.

A label and permanent pen so your team can sign it.

Your inspiration: A photo, a poem, a recipe, or a personal note.

Bring your RR kit to the February 2013 meeting. I will tag the bags with a number and place you in your groups. You can call me with questions, help or needed details. We'll keep passing the kits, quilter to quilter, for 6 months with a plan to reveal the final quilt at the August 2012 meeting.

2013 UFO Program

Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate in the AHQG 2013 UFO program. The rules are provided below along with a list to fill out for your convenience.

RULES:

Participation requires you provide a list of 6 UFOs to Marie Emerson ALONG with 3 fat quarters at the January meeting. (If 15 people sign up, the starting prize will be 45 fat quarters!).

Beginning at the January, general meeting and then again in March, May, July, September, and November, Marie (or another designee) will draw a number from 1-6. For example, if number 3 is drawn, everyone will work on their number 3 UFO for 2 months.

At the next UFO meeting show your completed UFO to get credit. If you have NOT finished the designated UFO you MUST pay a fat quarter as a fine. However, at the end of the year, you will still be eligible to have your name entered in the drawing if you have all 6 UFOs completed and any necessary fines paid. The winner receives ALL the fat quarters accumulated.

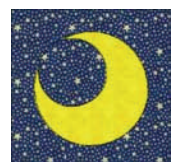
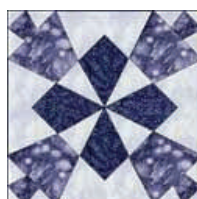
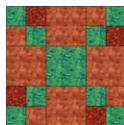
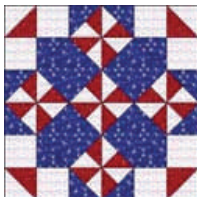
Look forward to seeing the UFOs completed.

Thank you,

Marie

ATTENTION

The first project selected for completion and reveal at the March meeting is UFO Project #6. If you are unable to complete your project you can still participate by paying the fine of one fat quarter.



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Just a friendly reminder! It's that time of year to consider renewing your membership. Currently the annual roster is being prepared. If you have not renewed your membership by February 14th, your name may not appear in the roster. Please contact Membership Chair, Janet Rutherford to make sure you are not left out.

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### BITS-N-PIECES

Don't forget the theme for this year's Quilt Retreat is "Cow Went A Quilting" - First weekend in May. See Dea Heller for more information.

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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!

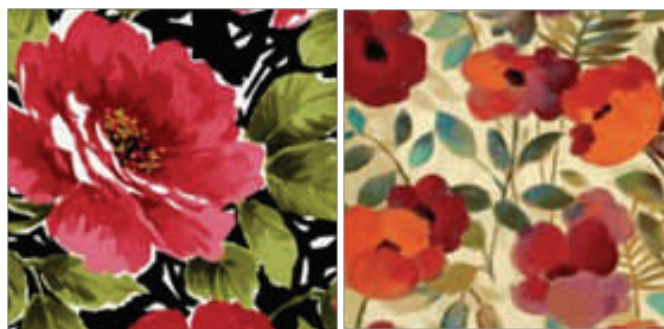


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We have been cutting fat quarters from over 200 bolts of batiks and found some hidden gems. You can find many retired Hoffman batiks for that UFO you have been putting off. Also perfect for that fat quarter quilt like Yellow Brick Road! Stock up on kits before Retreat. Bringing 3 new samples to show at the meeting: Sylvia's garden, Magnolia Trellis, and a surprise made from fabrics that just arrived yesterday!

Several new Kits now available for those samples and Woodland Trees using the Stonehenge Woodland Spring fabrics. Go to <http://www.cottonbollquilting.com/shop/New-Arrivals.htm> to check out our new arrivals!

Thank you!
Susan

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February Birthdays

4th Mildred Moczygemba
 8th Janet Daniel
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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: February 14th

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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