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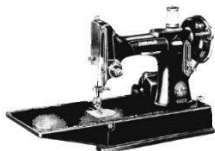
KEEPING YOU IN STITCHES.....

Whew! What a ride! I have absolutely loved my first year as your AHQG president! Thanks for giving me a chance to talk and write about my favorite subject - quilting.

Have a great Christmas. Get out your Christmas quilts and snuggle in them with your hot chocolate. Enjoy family and friends during the holidays, and I hope Santa Claus stops at your house with new fabric, scissors and patterns for your 2015 quilting adventures.

Happy New Year and see you in January, it looks to be another exciting year! Many blessings-

Keep calm and quilt on!
Janet Ann Daniel



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.

- Eileen Pape, - Was at the November meeting and feeling so much better. She wants to thank everyone for the prayers and kind thoughts.
- Beth Barron's niece, Christina- — she needs a kidney.
- Beth Barron's grandson, Keaton. He has reached the maintenance phase of treatment and will remain there until he is 6. Although he's doing well he can still use those prayers.
- Our military members as they work to keep our country free.
- The guild members we haven't seen recently or those who just need a little more encouragement with whatever is going on in their lives.

MEMBERSHIP

Thank you to everyone who brought their membership money. We'll collect the membership through January.

Each of you are a special part of the Guild, thanks for your faithfulness.

Thank you,

Marie



FARMER'S MARKET

Anything that goes along with the farm is the theme of this year's retreat. You may make a 12 ½ inch block of any animal, sunflower, or anything that shows farm life. They will then be given to the auction, so this is one way for you to participate in this coming year's Auction. So let's all participate in the fun.

Any questions—contact Dea Heller

CHARITY

Ladies, I can not tell you how happy I am about the challenge. We had a great turnout and one really happy winner. Wish there could have been more winners, but maybe next year. I am already working on the challenge for next year and hope it is as well received.

Maggie Oswald went with me to deliver the quilts to the hospital. We took 114 quilts, 25 yo yo dolls. and 35 stuffed animals. We also had 25 pillowcases Yes the largest amount of quilts was from the challenge, but many thanks to all of you who could not do the challenge and therefore gave your time by doing pillowcases and a few quilts. As you can see everyone counts.

Laura needed help getting the quilts from my van into the hospital, and had to call for help. She contacted the nurse who did the dialyses with the children. She could not wait "to get her hands on some of the quilts". She said the kids get cold when doing dialyses, and the quilts are really appreciated. They sometimes keep them in their assigned locker so they can use them each time. They both stated the pillowcases brightened up a very steril invironment and they were very gratefull for all we do.

Again we were complimented on our workmanship. Laura was "petting" the quilts and playing with the yo yo dolls. They really do express their appreciation.

I wish to give a special thanks to all the ladies who come to the "Charity Bee" each month. I really could not do this without you.

Thanks and Happy Holidays,
Joanne



A Wonderful "Thank You" for Sharing Your Christmas Stockings

I received an email from Lockport NY last week. It was a thank you very much the lady was so surprised you all had filled the stockings. The ladies were so surprised and very thankful for all your work. I also thank you all very much, we sent 39 filled stockings.

PROGRAMS

Hello Everyone! As I write this on Thanksgiving Eve I am reflecting on all I have to be thankful for as your Program Chair this past year. My sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who made suggestions for our speakers and workshops. Thanks to those who helped set up and put away, helped hold and fold quilts, came and supported the speakers and who were able to join us for workshops – thanks so much. Thanks also to the “Tres Amigas” and their Row Quilt Project which added to our programs and appealed to all of our members. And not to forget our charity projects and other challenges that added to our Guild’s activities – thank you for supporting those. You helped me pull off a successful 2014 program of activities – I could not have done it without you. We have one last event for 2014 – our December Christmas Party which will be held on Thursday, December 11th at 7 p.m. We will have a potluck – so please bring you favorite side, salad or dessert to share with all. Dea Heller, our 1st Vice President, will bring the main meat dish and all of the paper goods and dinnerware. We would also like to ask that you bring 2 canned goods to donate to the church’s food bank as a small token of our appreciation for being able to use the facilities there to hold our Guild meetings. In addition, do not forget your Row Quilt as we will have our Row Quilt Show and you get to vote for the “Viewer’s Choice.” One lucky winner will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate for Cotton Boll Quilting. Susan and Carla have some spectacular fabric to select from.

I am still recalling all of the beautiful quilts that our November speaker, Debbie Maddy, Quilter ~ Designer ~ Teacher, from Calico Carriage Quilt Designs in Graham, Texas shared with us. It was amazing to see all of her different patterns made up in different sizes and fabrics and how different they looked. Debbie has truly mastered the technique to create – as her program was titled “No Diamonds/No “Y” Seams, Old Quilts—New Methods.” At Saturday’s workshop Debbie shared her tips so we could create our own beautiful quilts. I enjoyed learning more about color choices and placement as I watched Debbie help each of us in the layout of the fabrics used in our very own quilts. Debbie demonstrated her technique for pressing the pieced blocks and how to assemble our rows so we did not lose the points on our “diamonds.” I look forward to seeing some beautiful quilts that were being created during the workshop and at some future date being able to show you my finished Carpenter’s Star quilt!

I am busy finalizing our program and workshop schedule for 2015. I will share our draft 2015 program with you at our December meeting. As always, I welcome your ideas and suggestions as I am already starting to pencil in some things for 2016!

You will not want to miss our December program! We hope you are able to join us on December 11th – we look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Kathy

CHRISTMAS PARTY IS COMING

At our December meeting there will be a dinner which you can be part of. Please bring a covered dish, salad, appetizer or desert to our annual dinner, a ham will be furnished along with plates, silverware & napkins. It will be an enjoyable evening. You will install your officer’s, have a wonderful show and tell and enjoy the company of all your friends.

All Thursday evening programs held at St. Matthew's UMC.

All Saturday workshops held at Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, 16245 Nacogdoches Rd. SAT.

January	9	Program: Sharon Young: "Quilt?? What???" Denice Brockmeyer, Beth Barron & Janet Rutherford (a.k.a. "Tres Amigas"): Kickoff "Row Quilt" This year Denice, Beth and Janet will guide us thru making our own row quilt. Each month they will give us instructions to create our row of blocks. Marie Emerson: UFO Challenge (need to bring 3 fat quarters and a list of 6 UFOs items to participate) 1 st UFO number drawn due in 2 months (#6 was drawn at Jan meeting.) Joanne Krepps: Charity Challenge Introduced
February	13	Program: Dixie Bradbury: "Template Techniques, CATS - Cut Accurate Triangle Squares!" "Tres Amigas": "Row Quilt" progress check and instructions for our next row
March	13	Program: Sue Garman, Houston TX: "Creativity and the Design Process" Sue's presentation tries to answer the question of where do her ideas come from, how does she develop them further... and what can everyone do to make their own quilts look great! It's part education, part inspiration, and also has a dash of humor in it! "Tres Amigas": "Row Quilt" progress check and instructions for our next row Marie Emerson: UFO Challenge - #6 Due or Pay Fine of 1 Fat Quarter and a New UFO # Drawn
April	10	Program: Charity Night. Note this is the Bluebonnet Shop Hop weekend Apr 10-13 "Tres Amigas": "Row Quilt" progress check and instructions for our next row
May	8	Program: Fran Snay, Burleson TX: Trunk Show "Using Color and Fabric Play" "Tres Amigas": "Row Quilt" progress check and instructions for our next row Marie Emerson: UFO Challenge - New UFO # Drawn
	10	Workshop: Fran Snay's Scrappy String Quilt
June	12	Program: Angela McCorkle, Priddy TX: Trunk Show and Demo "Tres Amigas": "Row Quilt" progress check and instructions for our next row
	14	Workshop: Angela McCorkle's 10 Minute Block Rail Fence Quilt
July	10	Program: Cheri Leffler: Presentation/Demonstration on Needle-Turn Applique "Tres Amigas": "Row Quilt" progress check and instructions for our next row Marie Emerson: UFO Challenge - New UFO # Drawn (#4 was drawn at the meeting)
	12	Workshop: Cheri Leffler's Needle-Turn Applique Dragonfly Table Runner
August	14	Program: Potluck Salad Dinner (bring your favorite salad/summer dish) to share "Tres Amigas": "Row Quilt" progress check and instructions for how to complete our quilts Tony Hansen's Mobile Sharpening Unit – Bring your dull scissors, knives, etc. to be sharpened
September	11	Program: Dea Heller, Trunk show focusing on "Sashings, Settings and Borders" "Tres Amigas": "Row Quilt" progress check on completing our quilts Marie Emerson: UFO Challenge - New UFO # Drawn
	13	Workshop: Dea Heller's Bargello Quilt
October	9	Program: Chinese Auction – St. Matthew's UMC
November	13	Program: Debbie Maddy, Graham TX: "No Diamonds/No "Y" Seams, Old Quilts – New Methods" Marie Emerson: UFO Challenge - New UFO # Drawn
	15	Workshop: Debbie Maddy's Carpenter's Star Quilt
December	11	Program: Christmas Party / <u>TBD</u> Exchange

DECEMBER OBSERVANCES & FUN FACTS**December 2014 is observed as:**

There are too many “Months” to list here. To see them all—Visit <http://nationaldaycalendar.com/calendar-at-a-glance/december>

Some “National” Notable December Dates & Events:

1st: Pie Day; Eat a Red Apple Day; Bifocals at the monitor Liberation Day; Day With(out) Art Day; Rosa Parks Day; World Aids Day; Cyber Monday (Monday after Thanksgiving)

2nd: Fritters Day; Mutt Day; Special Education Day; Day of Giving

3rd: Roof Over Your Head Day; Rockefeller Center Tree Lighting; International Day of Persons with Disabilities

4th: Cookie Day; Dice Day

5th: Sacher Torte Day; AFL-CIO Day; Bathtub Party Day; Faux Fur Friday; International Ninja Day

6th: Pawnbrokers Day; Microwave Oven Day; Gazpacho Day; Rhubarb Vodka day; St Nicholas Day; Skywarn Recognition Day; Miners’ Day

7th: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day; Cotton Candy Day; International Civil Aviation Day

8th: Brownie Day; Pretend to be a Time traveler Day

9th: Pastry Day; Weary Willie Day; International Anti-corruption Day

10th: Dewey Decimal System Day; Human Rights Day; Nobel Prize Day

11th: Noodle Ring Day; UNICEF Birthday; International Mountain Day

12th: Ambrosia Day; Ding-a-Ling Day; Gingerbread House Day; Poinsettia Day

13th: Cocoa Day; Violin Day; Wreaths for America Day; Pick a Pathologist Pay Day; Day of the Horse

14th: Bouillabaisse Day; Monkey Day; Worldwide Candle Lighting Day; World Choral Day

15th: Cupcake/Lemon Cupcake Day; Bill of Rights Day; Cat Herders Day

16th: Chocolate-covered Anything day; Barbie & Barney Backlash Day; Chanukah

17th: Maple Syrup Day; Wright Brothers Day

18th: Roast Suckling Pig Day; Free Shipping Day; Re-gifting Day; Answer the Telephone Like Buddy the Elf Day; International Migrants Day

19th: Hard Candy Day; Oatmeal Muffin Day; Underdog Day

20th: Sangria Day; International Human Solidarity Day; Mudd Day

21th: Flashlight Day; Homeless Persons’ Remembrance Day; Crossword Puzzle Day; Forefathers Day; Humbug Day; Winter Solstice; World Peace Day; Yalda; Yule

22nd: Date Nut Bread Day; Ann & Samantha Day

23rd: Pfeffernusse Day; Roots Day; Fesivus

24th: Eggnog Day; Christmas Eve

25h: Pumpkin Pie Day; A’Phabet Day or No “L” Day; Christmas

26th; Candy Cane Day; Thank-you Note Day; Whiner’s Day; Boxing Day

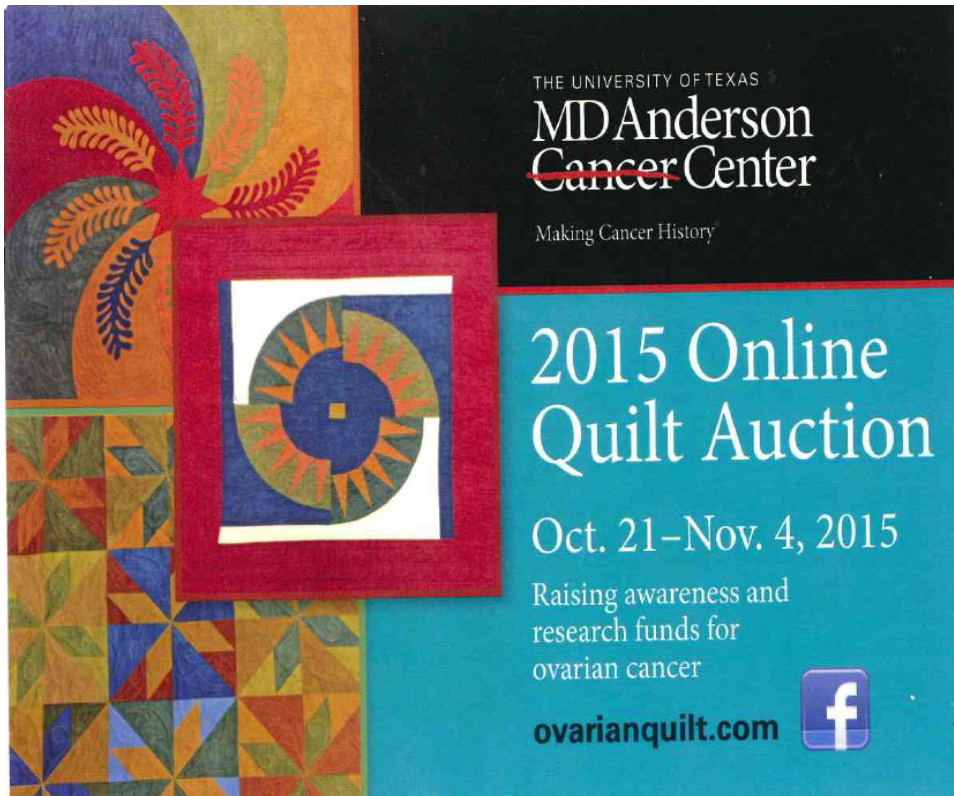
27th: Fruitcake Day

28th: Chocolate Candy Day; Card Playing Day; Holy Innocents Day; Pledge of Allegiance Day

29th: Pepper Pot Day; Tick Tock Day

30th: Bicarbonate of Soda Day; Bacon Day; Falling Needles Family Fest Day

31st: Champagne Day; Make Up Your Mind Day; New Years eve; No Interruptions Day; World Peace Meditation Day
Visit <http://nationaldaycalendar.com/calendar-at-a-glance/december> for additional “days”




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While walking through the quilts at the Houston International Quilt Show, some pretty teal colored quilts caught our attention. Amanda Dove and Geri Collins were admiring them when I noticed the reason for the booth. I thought it was shame that it was back in the back corner instead of more visible to the huge numbers of attendees.

I'm providing a copy of the cards that were being handed out should anyone have an interest in supporting this cause.



Ovarian Cancer

- Bloating
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NEW BEE

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Texas Art Quilts and Modern Masterpieces

Institute of Texan Cultures puts classic and contemporary artisanship on display

SAN ANTONIO – For generations, quilts have brought warmth and comfort to Texans. From a matter of necessity to treasured family heirloom, to modern work of art, quilting traditions run strong in Texas.

From Sept. 5 through Jan. 11, the Institute of Texan Cultures will present "Texas Art Quilts and Modern Masterpieces," two traveling exhibits from the Texas Quilt Museum, featuring more than 40 contemporary, artistic quilts.

"Modern Masterpieces by Texas Quilters, 1989-2010" showcases 20 works by Texas quilters, completed between 1989 and 2010. These talented makers present a variety of themes, including gardens, fishing, and heavenly stars. With bold new interpretations of old favorites, the quilters in this exhibition have pushed the boundaries of Texas quilt making

"Texas Art Quilts, 1993-2011" presents 26 works by Texas artists, completed between 1993 and 2011. Embracing both abstract and representational modes, these makers celebrate a variety of themes, including science, fantasy, political causes, and natural beauty. Employing color and pattern in painterly fashion, the artists in this exhibition demonstrate that contemporary quilt art in the Lone Star state represents a vital aspect of visual culture.

"Texas quilts embody the spirit of enterprise and innovation of pioneer women in the Lone Star State," said exhibit curator Sandra Sider, curator for the Texas Quilt Museum in La Grange.

Sider is scheduled to visit the ITC on Oct. 3 for a presentation. From 7 to 8:30 p.m., she will discuss the process of evaluation and selection of quilts for the exhibit, as well as tips and tricks for beginner and long-time quilters alike.

"Contemporary quilts interpret that rich legacy for today's world, with superb artistry and imaginative compositions," said Sider.

This project is funded in part by a grant from the Quilters Guild of Dallas, Helena Hibbs Endowment Fund.

The Institute of Texan Cultures is located on the UTSA HemisFair Park Campus, 801 E. César E. Chávez Blvd., a short distance from the Alamo and the River Walk. Regular hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Saturday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$8 for adults (ages 12-64); \$7 for seniors (ages 65+); \$6 for children (ages 3-11); free with membership, UTSA or Alamo Colleges identification. For more information, call 210-458-2300 or visit TexanCultures.com.

Thanks to Maggie Oswald for sharing this article.

UFO Program

Hello, Ladies,

We have over 100 fat quarters for the prizes. Hope everyone is able to finish #5 for the January meeting.

Starting in January Geri Collins will be taking over the UFO Challenge. Thank you Geri for being willing to help in this area.

Marie



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(s) receive **ALL** the fat quarters accumulated.

Look forward to seeing the UFOs completed.

FOR LOCAL QUILT SHOWS CHECK



NAME TAGS

One good way for everyone to get to know each other is to wear our name tags. Joyce Boyd was kind enough to make several and all they need is your name. If you don't have an AHQG name tag ask for one when you sign in.

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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Tranquility Place is an upcoming Block of the Month that can be completed in 5 simple steps. This beautiful 81" by 93" quilt is made with Tonga Zen Batiks from Timeless Treasures. The kit includes Daniela Stout's newest book, *Tranquility Place*, which also includes 5 bonus quilt patterns!

New BOMs at Cotton Boll Quilting: Austin Bluebird Sampler, Catalina Feathered Star and Tranquility Place

We now carry Moda Fabrics and this beautiful Austin Bluebird Sampler by Minick and Simpson will be arriving very soon. The quilt measures 75" x 87". You will receive this packaged into 12 segments (either appliqué and piecing - or just piecing) with easy to understand directions and all the fabric to complete the quilt top. The Block of the Month starts in January 2015. Total price of the kit is \$260 if you want it all at once or as a BOM \$21.36 per month after a \$25 reservation fee.

For those who have been looking for the perfect Feathered Star, look no further! Marti Michell and Maywood Studios have teamed up to create a beautiful feathered star using her new Catalina fabric line. We are carrying this 6 month Not so BOM program in both the Black and White colorways. The kit includes pattern, fabrics and binding to make the Queen size 85" by 105" quilt top. Carla has finished the Black sample and wait till you see it! Beautiful.

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December Birthdays

Michell Hanus	6th
Garnet Szurek	13th
Esther Johanningsmeier	14th
Carole Van Buren	19th
Ann Barnett	30th

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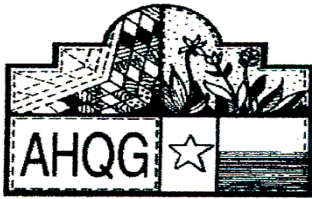
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ATTENTION:

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.

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.

Next Meeting: December 11th

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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