

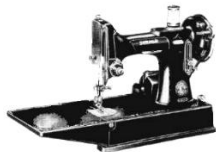
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JOIN US ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH—
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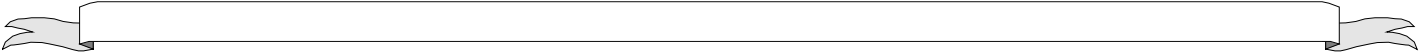
Our AHQG auction was a smashing success, surpassing all expectations by raising over twelve thousand dollars. A well planned event that went together like a large pieced quilt as members of your auction team took orphan blocks and random quilt tops and measured, sewed and quilted them into beautiful and desirable works of art, complete with binding and the AHQG label on all the quilts.

Like all of our quilts, our auction takes a great deal of time and effort from a large number of people. At the November meeting of your Board, it was decided to start our preparations earlier in the year. It is never too early to plan and begin our work on this project. I hope all of you will seriously consider making a quilt for our next auction.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at our November meeting where we will enjoy a presentation by Holly Nelson that will include her beautiful appliqué work.

Keep calm and quilt on!

Janet A. 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.

- Cyndie Salomon — health issues
- Pat Tollette—She's feeling better, so say those prayers of thanks, but keep up the prayers and keep her in your thoughts until we see her at the general meeting again.prayers.
- Joann's nephews—in law enforcement. And all other law enforcement personnel.
- 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.
- The leaders of our country —that they make the right decisions to keep our country great.
- Ava Wohltman, Maggie Oswald's 10 month old great niece—health issues
- 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.



MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2015

Hello Everyone,

I understand that our October Meeting was wonderful, so glad you could all attend.

There were 50 members present. We welcomed two news members and had 1 visitor.

Be sure to welcome the new members: Joyce Howison and Katherine Slater.

See you at the November meeting.

Marie

SPECIAL THANKS

A very huge thank you to all of you for your enormous support of this year's auction!! We did fabulous!

While we all worked our fanny's off, some gave more!! So a special thank you to Dea Heller for her outstanding expertise arranging all the details for the auction...(like location and the auctioneer!!) as well as her donations of fabric, batting and completed quilts/gift certificates for the auction!. Another special thanks goes out to Joyce Boyd, JoAnn Krepps and Vivian Taylor for storing all the Auction stuff in their homes and Joyce again for allowing us to meet and plan auction details in her home.

Linda Clark and Maggi Oswald and the Food/Refreshment Committee for arranging such a nice layout of food and drink for our guests! And particularly the worker's lunch after setup!

To all the Bees and individuals who made quilts and other items donated

The crew that met and prep'd donations for Auction: sorting, packaging, binding, labeling and all the work that goes into making this event happen.

Quilting provided by guild members and others who generously donated their skill, thread, fabric and batting!

Boutique Subcommittee: Vivian Taylor, Mona Jones and Josie Anderson

Live and Silent Auction Subcommittee: Dea Heller, Joyce Boyd, Linda Clark, Michelle Hanus, Phyllis Shaw, Millie Mocz, Kathy Smith, Marie Emerson, JoAnne Krepps, Vivian Taylor

Setup and Teardown in addition to the usual suspects, thank you Jan Owen for bringing your tall husband!! Dea arranged for us to get in to set up the quilt racks and chairs the night before. What a relief that was. It also allowed us to follow Joyce to her house and load up the auction items the night before. Very helpful the next Am people just had to drive to the church and unload. Joyce got to sleep on her whole bed and not trip on the way to the bathroom!!

Thank you to all the attendees who were drafted on site to fill the roles of runner, ticket writers, quilt holders and announcers.

Michelle Hanus and MaryAnn running the pickup station; Joyce, Dea and Millie cashiers.

Program preparation Ruth Willey made it through a tight deadline and handled printing to boot!

Website: thank you Tom Dickens for making our website able to do some advertising for us. I overheard a couple customers say that they looked at the auction quilts on line and decided to come to the Auction. I think one of them was our big spender.

Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church for allowing us to block their schedule for the church and providing such a lovely location for our auction!

Lastly, thank you to Stan Gross who refurbished the 2 antique sewing machines for the Silent Auction and built the wooden box for the larger one

We done good!!

Susan

Free BOM for 2015

Beth Baron was kind enough to share the following link with us. It's from a blog she reads and thought everyone would enjoy the list.

<http://blog.ajpadilla.com/free-boms-2015/>

2015 CHARITY CHALLENGE

RULES

The member donating the prize money totaling **\$500.00** wishes to remain anonymous. This challenge is not costing the guild any money. We are using charity material, but would be making quilts from it anyway, just giving you an incentive.

Drawing will be held at the December 10th 2015 guild meeting.

You do not have to be present to win.

There will be no exceptions ALL items must be turned in before or at this meeting.

All materials will be supplied, you only have to use your thread, machine, and time.

Of course you can always use your own materials.

The kits must be made using the quilt instructions given. You may tweak any pattern by changing materials or rearranging the material, but the overall design must be the same.

(ie. You can't take a kit and just sew into squares or strips)

If you use your own materials for a quilt, the quilt should be approximately 40 X 40.

There is no strict size requirement this time, we just don't want a lot of 36 X 36 or less quilts.

You will be given a ticket to place into the appropriate box. These boxes are what we will draw from.

Here is what you need to do to get ONE ticket.

\$200.00 1 Quilt completed from start to end, including binding.

\$150.00 you may do any of the following:

3 quilt tops pieced

3 quilt binding

3 quilts quilted

\$75.00 2 yo yo dolls (only the yo-yo's)

\$50.00 5 completed pillow cases

\$25.00 10 Cancer pillows

PROGRAMS

Hello Everyone! Wow October was a spectacular month for our Guild! We had an outstanding program and trunk show by Rosie de Léon-McCrady from Austin. Rosie's program, "Redwork through the Years" gave everyone an appreciation of the handwork and lovely craftsmanship in this art. Several of our Guild members have shared with me how much they enjoyed Rosie's program. I wish I could have been there too but I was off getting my creative inspirations elsewhere and that is a tale for another time! Then we had our Guild's Auction on Saturday – what an exceptional event. Just let me add my sincere appreciation to all who helped make this such an outstanding fund raiser for our Guild. Thanks for all of your support -- it was truly spectacular!

Mark your calendar and be sure to attend our November 12th program when Holly Nelson, an award winning "local" quilter from Comfort, Texas will be our guest. She will do a trunk show interwoven with stories of her quilts and the trials and tribulations she encountered while making them. I am also taking sign-ups for her Applique 101 workshop which will be held on Saturday, November 14th. Holly has designed applique blocks and routinely taught applique throughout the south Texas area. During our workshop Holly will teach us how to make an applique flower with the six basic shapes used in applique. We will be using the liquid starch applique technique to create our flower. Holly is making it easy for us to gather our workshop supplies. She will have \$5.00 kits for us to purchase so we only need to bring pencil, scissors (fabric & paper), iron (full size or travel), a ¼" Clover bias tape maker and a nail file! Holly will bring everything else we need for the workshop. I am thinking some hand appliqued vines and flowers would be just the thing to finish the border on one of my quilts. I hope you are able to join me for our last workshop in 2015.

Have you been working on your "Tres Amigas" Block of the Month (BOM) houses? Have you made your favorite 6-inch side yet or figured out how you will use all of the houses? Our big reveal will be at our December meeting. I encourage and challenge you all to get some houses built! Remember this is your project and it can be as large or as small as you would like it to be! We did not place any size restrictions on you, the builder!

I am already busy finalizing our programs, workshops and other activities for next year's Guild's calendar. I am anxious to get this all finalized so I can share it with you. But it's not too late to make suggestions as I am also penciling in your ideas for 2017! The schedules for phenomenal speakers fill very quickly so we have to get on their calendars early. Again, thanks as I could not pull this all together without your support and suggestions – please keep them coming!

We hope you are able to join us at the Guild meeting on November 12th and at our workshop on Saturday, November 14th!

Kathy

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

January	8	Program: Sharon Young, Universal City, Texas, "Lottery Block Sizing- What to do - What to Do?" and "All About Batting"
		No Workshop Scheduled this month to enable members of the Guild who choose to do so to attend Ricky Tims' Super Quilt Seminars – The Ultimate Learning Experience for Quilters, Jan 8-10, 2015, Pedrotti's North Wind Ranch, Helotes TX
February	12	Program: Brenda Asmus, New Braunfels, Texas, Trunk Show and Demo of Marti Michell's Templates to Include the Feathered Star
	14	Workshop: Karen Lambdin, Quilted Feathers Workshop
March	12	Program: Skill Building Demos by AHQG Members: Marie Emerson – Quilt Binding; Cathy Kropp – Paper Piecing; Karen Lambdin – Machine Trapunto; Denice Brockmeyer – Invisible Machine Applique
	14	Workshop: Mona Jones, Quilt Retreat Seat Workshop
April	9	Program: Charity Night. Note this is the Bluebonnet Shop Hop Weekend so no Workshop will be scheduled
May	14	Program: Patti Hempen, End of the Rainbow Quilts, Canyon Lake, Texas. Trunk Show
	16	Workshop: Patti Hempen, "Free-Form Symmetry" (Note: Ability to draw is not a requirement.)
June	11	Program: Lynn Roddy Brown, Houston, Texas, "Strategies for Scrap Quilts" Trunk Show
	13	Workshop: Lynn Roddy Brown, Texas Two-Step Quilt Workshop
July	9	Program: Winnie Fleming, Houston, Texas, "Borders Bonanza Show and Tell"
	11	Workshop: Winnie Fleming, Borders Galore Workshop
August	13	Program: Potluck Summer Salad Dinner and 20-year birthday celebration Mobile Sharpening Unit will be set up in the parking lot – bring you items to sharpen.
September	10	Program: Natalie Calvet, Alamo Quilt Shop, San Antonio, Texas with Demo of Hexactagon Templates
October	8	Program: Rosie DeLeon-McCrady, Austin, Texas, "Redwork Through the Years" with Redwork Trunk Show
	10	Auction
November	12	Program: Holly Nelson, Comfort, Texas, Trunk Show with "Interwoven Stories of the Quilts with Their Trials and Tribulations"
	14	Workshop: Holly Nelson, Applique 101 Workshop
December	10	Program: Christmas Party / Please see Dea Heller to pick up a Christmas Wish List for a Resident at an area Nursing Home. Gift to be wrapped and brought to our meeting.

Our Annual RETREAT is Fast Approaching

This years AHQG Retreat will be celebrated from April 28 through May 1, 2016. Registration will open at the October 8 meeting and continue until all available spaces are filled. Each participant will be required to submit a completed registration form which is included with this months newsletter, along with a \$50.00 deposit which is non-refundable but is used toward your registration fee. Space is limited and will be accommodated on a first come first served basis. You are encouraged to register early to insure your participation and to help us avoid the problems that inevitably arise if everyone waits until the last minute to do so. After available spaces are filled a waiting list will be maintained and will be used to fill spaces that become available due to cancellation. For several years we have enjoyed the same price for participation, however this year our hosts have determined that a slight increase in the fees is necessary. Friday through Sunday will be \$280.00. Thursday through Sunday will be \$315.00. Don't be left out of this year's fun. If you have any doubt about whether you will have a great time, just take a look at the photos from previous years that you can find on the

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TRES AMIGAS 2015 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Are you ready to make some houses?! Last month you received the directions for the house frame and now we begin to make the body of the houses. Each month we will present two 6" blocks - these will be a little more advanced than last year but we know you can do it!

There has been much discussion in quilt world about copyright infringement even on free patterns. The consensus seems to be that we can give you the link to go get the pattern but we can't publish the pattern in the newsletter for you. So here are the steps to get the patterns....it's very simple so don't be intimidated. You can do this!

We will be using one website www.patchworksquare.com It's a neat site with lots of blocks in all different sizes so be sure to look around the site and see what is there. Here are the steps to access the patterns we are using.

Go to www.patchworksquare.com (Copy and past the link into your internet explorer)

In the far left column you will see a green box titled "Quilt Block Style" and under that box is "block sizes" Select "block sizes"

In the center of the page select "6" quilt blocks"

Select the name of the block

On the next page in the center in small blue letters you will see the block name (pdf). Click on the blue words

You are at the pattern! There are several block sizes with each pattern - the 6" blocks are usually pages 5 and 6. Be sure to select those pages on your printer if that's all you want to print out.

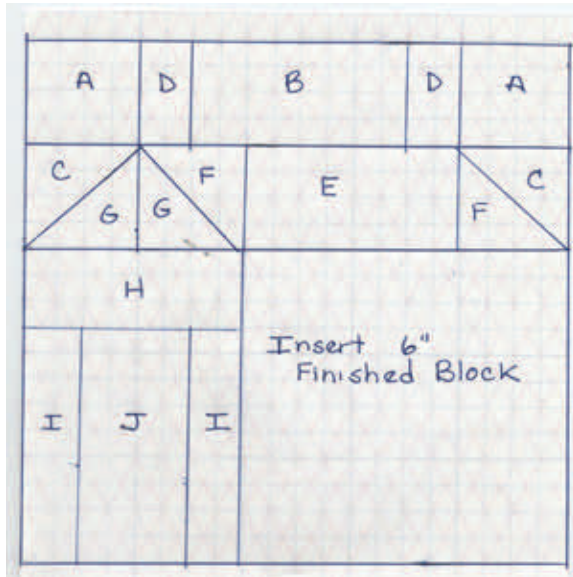
There are a lot of 6" blocks - perhaps your quilt needs more than 12 houses so have fun selecting more blocks. Happy sewing!!!

BLOCK ORDER FOR TRES AMIGAS 2015 BOM

MARCH	Old Maid's Puzzle and Balkan Puzzle
APRIL	Free Trade and Star on Star
MAY	Old Fan and Weathervane
JUNE	Swamp Patch and Arrows
JULY	Aunt Dinah and Millstone
AUGUST	Depression Block and Hands of Friendship

The directions for cutting the house square handed out at the February meeting are on the next page.

Welcome to our BOM for 2015. This year's blocks finish at 10" and will feature the same house block with a different 6" finished block inserted as the house body. In February you will receive the pattern for the house block and March through August you will receive patterns for two 6" blocks. And then the fun begins...you get to design a set for your blocks and show the guild your finished quilt or top at the December meeting. Without further ado, here is the pattern for the house block!



Cutting directions:

Background:

- Cut two $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
- Cut one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle
- Cut one $2\frac{7}{8}$ " square, cut in half diagonally once

Chimneys:

- Cut two $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles

Roof:

- Cut one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle
- Cut one $2\frac{7}{8}$ " square, cut in half diagonally once

House:

- Cut one $2\frac{7}{8}$ " square, cut in half diagonally once
- Cut one 2 " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle
- Cut two $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 5 " rectangle

Door:

- Cut one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 5 " rectangle

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NEW BEE

Shirley Carter and Laura Reilly have started a new bee. If you would like more information please contact Laura or Shirley, 210-452-3801.



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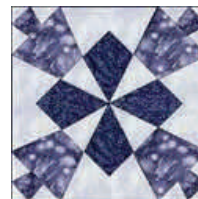
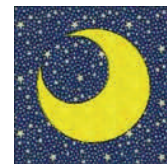
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UFO Program

UFO's: Gear It Up! Get it in gear! UFO #2 is due at the November meeting:) If your gears are slipping and Project #2 is not completed just donate a fat quarter to the basket:) Project #3 the only remaining project will be due in January:) Keep stitchin' and smilin' and movin' on:)

Geri



RULES:

Participation requires you provide a list of 6 UFOs to Geri Collins 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, Geri (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



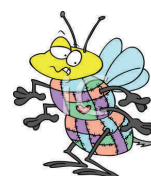
NAME TAGS

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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Cotton Boll Quilting Classroom had a great initiation! Cathy Kropp's Paper Piecing 101 was totally fun and everyone finished their Mariner's Compass Blocks (except me!). Then Robin Snyder led us through making a Spicy Spiral Table Runner using the 10 degree Wedge ruler. We all got finished with the top in class!!

Upcoming events:

- Nov 7th: 9:30 to 1pm Robin Snyder teaching the Spicy Spiral Table Runner Class.
- Dec 5th: time TBA Cathy Kropp teaching a Tree Skirt Class using the 10 degree wedge ruler
- Jan 9th: 09 AM - 3:30 Marci Henry teaching Urban Abacus using the Quick Curve Ruler! This class will make you an expert at piecing the blocks and gets you ready for Metro Rings, Whisper and any other challenges we can come up with using the QCR and the new small version of the QCR!
- Jan 2016: Pat Sloan's Mystery Block of the Month: Online Mystery--free participation...Hometown Girl (Moda) Fabric kits available in print or batik
- River Rock 9 Month BOM Starts Jan. Kits consist of a package of 10 inch squares each month. Will vary from 24 to 26 squares each month.

Talk to me about signing up!

First Saturday Mystery Block of the Month Coming in May. 12 Month mystery. Reservation fee: \$40.00 includes pattern cost and your first month fabric kit. Must show up on 1st Saturday or Following Monday and have completed block with you to show me. If you do that, the next month kit is free. If you miss a date or do not complete the block (or leave it at home), next month's kit is \$5.00.

Talk to me about joining us at either of these classes or BOM adventures! Class fees vary depending on the length of the class. A supply list and additional information will be sent out to those who register. Bring a sack lunch and go home with a finished project!

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November Birthdays

Jennifer Snellgrove	1st
Mona Jones	10th
Margaret Malaer	16th
Maggie Oswald	17th
Karen Lamdin	18th
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Kathy Smith	20th
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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: **November 8th**

Remember to bring your...

Name Tag

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Thank You!

Ruth Ann Willey

Newsletter Editor



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