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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
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NACOGDOCHES)

KEEPING YOU IN STITCHES.....

This is my first time at following a block of the month on line. It started in January and I have been looking forward to the first of the month to receive the tutorial. This month is block two of the Mystery quilt, The Secret Garden, with Pat Sloan. Each block represents the many gardens she has visited or heard about, the second block is the Killarney National Park in Ireland. The patterns are free, the instructions are easy and the fabric is great!

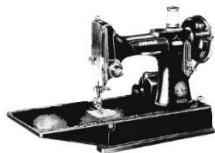
I continue with my quilt making for my son's wedding. About two weeks ago I was at a day long sew-in, where I was able to make four quilt tops! A day to sew without interruption was awesome. My goal is to finish the quilt tops by Spring Break. Thank you all for your encouragement on this goal.

We look forward this month to a mini trunk show and presentation with Joan Wallace. Joan has had many quilts over the years in show and tell, and I am really excited to see more of her work. Happy Valentine's Day and see you soon.

Keep Calm and Quilt On-

Janet Ann

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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.

Geri Collins—health issues

Phyllis Shaw and family—her parents are elderly and suffering from poor health

Sally Gay—broken hip

Cyndie Salomon—health issues.

Pat Tollette—She's feeling better, so say those prayers of thanks.

It was so good to see her at the December general meeting.

Keaton Barron rang the bell—he's finished with chemo. What a blessing!

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.



MEMBERSHIP

Hello everyone, I'll miss being at the February meeting but it will be great to visit my girlfriend in Virginia.

At our January meeting we had 58 members present and 2 visitors; that's a total of 60 which includes 4 new members.

Please welcome:

Claudette Booker Joyce Warrington Michael Young Terry Bourland

Please be prepared to pay your membership dues at the February meeting if you haven't already. I hope to have the new roster ready in March.

Thank you,

Marie

CHARITY

Ladies,

Hope everyone had a good month. I am hoping we have another good year for charity. I am not having any type of challenge this year (I think we all need a breather). Let's just see how many quilts and pillowcases we can finish. I will have all the kits in the back as usual so just come and get some.

There will be a Charity Bee this month at my home. Please come join us. As you know, all of you are invited for a short period or the whole day (10 to 3). We have lunch around noon, so if you just want to stop by please do. ;-)

Thanks for all your help

Joanne

Charity Chair



NAMETAGS

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

UFO Program

Hello, Ladies,

The UFO Program has been suspended for 2016. We hope to reinstate the program sometime in the future.



February Birthdays

Mildred Moczygemba	4th
Mary Jo Baker	5th
Janet Daniel	8th
Sally Gay	12th
Marky McKay	13th
Karen Brasswell	16th
Leonora Daly	22nd

Quilters' Blogs and Other Resources

Beth Baron was kind enough to share the following info about a free online BOM starting February 14. She hopes you are interested and have some fun with it.

Over the next year 82 designers will present 100 6.5" blocks in all genres...pieced, appliqued, paper pieced, embroidered, English paper piecing. There's been a couple posts already mainly about fabric selection...it will take 30-35 fat quarters so a good stash buster too.

At the end of the year the patterns will be published in a book and won't be free anymore.

www.thesplendidsampler.com

For Local Quilt Shows Check out — www.quiltersresources.net

[Tips, Tricks, and Tuts Tuesday - Round Robin Quilts by Margie](#) Posted: 26 Jan 2016 07:07 PM PST

AHQG Annual Retreat Info

Retreat is coming. Sampler is the block of the retreat this year.

Ladies, the retreat is coming, you may still owe for it, please bring your balance to the February meeting. Days are going by way too quickly and it has come upon all of us. Sampler with a beige background is the block of the retreat this year. The blocks will go into a quilt that will be auctioned off at our next auction. So please be part of it and bring your block to retreat. Just think we could have a queen size or even a king. Would that not be just great!!!!

So bring your block to the retreat, and bring your check to the next meeting. If you do not remember how much you owe just give me a call at 210-651-6700.

Thanks,
Dea

PROGRAMS

Hello Everyone! If you were not able to join us for Margie Lawrence's Round Robin program in January you really missed a fun evening. Margie, from "RR Retreats by Margie" in La Grange, TX, shared several lovely quilts with us that were made as part of round robin challenges and provided a wealth of tips and pointers from her many years of organizing and participating in round robins. Her thought provoking suggestions and personalized journals for each of her quilts has us rethinking our plans to launch our own round robin challenge. I think the tweaks we will make because of them will make our challenge more enjoyable for everyone. So start thinking about your round robin challenge and what panel or center block you would like to have your team build on to create your unique quilt. Consider what the finished project will be used for: table topper, wall hanging, or quilt and what size would you like it to be? Will your quilt have a seasonal theme or color scheme? Will you provide all of the fabrics to be used or can team members use their own high quality quilt fabric? Will all of the fabric used be pre-washed or not? As I mentioned at our January meeting you can sign up with four of your quilting buddies to form a group or you can just sign up and be assigned to a group. Based on Margie's suggestions we will let the individual groups establish their own timelines for when the round is due and where they will meet to exchange the round robin. I will start taking signups at our next meeting. It sounded like Margie had a lot of fun with her round robins and I think we can have a lot of fun with ours too!

You will not want to miss this month's program on Thursday, February 11th at 7:00 p.m. as we are finally able to have one of our "snow birds," the very talented Joan Wallace, do a mini trunk show and presentation entitled "Every Quilter is an Artist." In addition to showing us some of her lovely quilts Joan will share her philosophy and how to make your quilts "Art Quilts." I can hardly wait until the meeting to see what Joan has in store for us since all of the items she has previously shared with us during "Show and Tell" were absolutely beautiful and so very creative. Are you ready to be inspired?

And then in March, mark your calendars and plan to join us as Karen Lambdin will be presenting her Portrait Quilt program and workshop. I have Karen's sample portrait quilt so you can see the techniques she will teach us during the workshop (Saturday, the 12th of March). It is not too late to sign up for the workshop and select the photo you want to use. You will need to email your photo to Karen by the 1st week in March so she can have time to get it prepared prior to the workshop.

It is also not too early to sign up for Cathy Kropp's Paper Piecing Workshop, "A Wreath for All Seasons" to be held on May 14th.

At our meeting last month Dea Heller and Janet Daniel showed us two examples of table runners they had made for Valentine's Day and shared some pointers with us on how we could create our own. This year, in addition to our round robin challenge, Dea and Janet will share some other seasonal table toppers or table runners which might interest you. We would love to see your interpretation of your Valentine table topper or runner at our February meeting. I wonder what theme Dea and Janet will share with us next time as we work thru the holidays on the calendar.

And be sure to check out our Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild 2016 calendar to see what else we have planned for this year. I hope you are able to join us for some of those events. Also please send me any suggestions for next year's programs and workshops since often speaker's calendars are booked well in advance. 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 February 11th, you won't want to miss it, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Kathy

2016 AHQG CALENDAR

January	14	Program: Margie Lawrence, RR Retreats by Margie, La Grange, TX, Trunk Show - Round Robin Quilts
	16	Workshop: N/A
February	11	Program: Joan Wallace, SATX, Trunk Show/Program "Every Quilter is an Artist"
	13	Workshop: N/A
March	10	Program: Karen Lambdin, SATX, Trunk Show/Program Re: Portrait Quilt Journey
	12	Workshop: Karen Lambdin, Portrait Quilt Workshop
April	14	Program: Charity Night. Note this is the Bluebonnet Shop Hop Weekend so no Workshop will be scheduled
May	12	Program: Cathy Kropp, SATX, Trunk Show and Demo on Paper Piecing
	14	Workshop: Cathy Kropp, Paper Piecing Workshop, "A Wreath for Every Season"
June	9	Program: Kimberly Jolly, Fat Quarter Shop, Manchaca, TX, Trunk Show - "It's Sew Emma"
	11	Workshop: N/A
July	14	Program: Marcia Henry, Dickinson, TX, Modern Quilt Trunk Show and Demo of ruler used to make some of these quilts
	16	Workshop: Marcia Henry, Modern Quilt Workshop; "Metro Twist" Quilt
August	11	Program: Potluck Summer Salad Dinner Note: Holy Trinity Church not available for workshop this month.
September	8	Program: Linda Winters, B. Bumble & Co, Kerrville, TX, Trunk Show of Patterns and Quilts and Demo of unusual freezer paper method of applique
	10	Workshop: N/A
October	13	Program: Sue Garman, Houston, TX, "Creativity and the Design Process" with Trunk Show
	15	Workshop: Sue Garman - "Feathered Star" Workshop
November	10	Program: Cynthia LeBlanc Regone, Cajun Classics Quilts, Katy, TX, "Scrappy Quilts" with Trunk Show
	12	Workshop: Cynthia LeBlanc Regone Workshop - "Homespun Hearts & Baskets" Quilt
December	8	Program: Christmas Party / <u> TBD </u> Exchange

TABLE RUNNER PROGRAM

Charm Pack Table Runner

(Provided at January General Meeting)

1 Charm Pack

3 Strips of fabric cut 1 inch wide

strips of fabric cut 3 h inches wide

1/3 yard of fabric for back

pieces of fabric cut 2 1/4 inches wide for binding

Select 24 of the charm pack for your center of your table runner. Sew them together in rows of 3.

Then you place Wonder Under on the back of each square you are going to cut for hearts. I used another 6 of the charm pack for hearts. After you have the hearts sewn on you will take the strip of fabric you cut 1 inch wide, you will place it on the ironing board and press it in half length wise. You may baste it on the top and pin in place from edge to edge. You will cut them to fit the top. Then you may take the strips of fabric for the border, you may place them on the edge starting with the long side first, then sew on the ends. When finished you have a Table Runner



PARLIAMENTARIAN MESSAGE

The Guild's By-Laws need to be reviewed. I would like to meet with a group of members to go over them. If you are interested in being a part of this group please let me know or contact Janet Daniel so we can determine the best date and time.

Thanks,

Mildred Moczygemba

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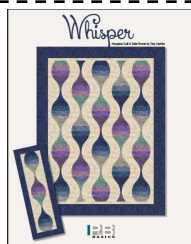
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Feb 9th from 6 - 8:30 pm is open sew or cut. I will have my AccuQuilt in the classroom available to cut shapes you need. Send me an email if you want to cut a specific size shape and I can let you know if I have that die. Great opportunity to work on a BOM or UFO or just a special project you want to sew with friends. Please let me know if you are coming. First to sign up get the seats!

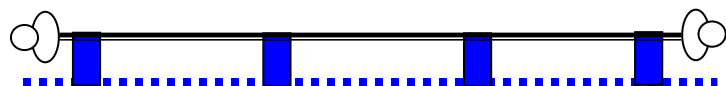
BOM: Pat Sloan's Mystery Quilt for 2016 is off to an exciting start. She released the second block of her My Secret Garden Mystery Quilt. I have 2 more original Colorway 1 fabric kits. Let me know if you want me to bring one to the meeting. Colorway 2 will be Hometown Girl by Pat Sloan. That fabric ships in late Feb! I have a layer cake of these fabrics and raided a FQ pack to make the first block! Participation in the Mystery quilt is free and the monthly patterns are available by downloading them from http://blog.patsloan.com/2016/02/pat-sloan-my-secret-garden-free-mystery-block-2.html?utm_source=MadMimi&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Splendid+Freebie+and+my+FREE+Mystery+Block+2+is+here&utm_campaign=20160201_m129596193_Splendid+Freebie+and+my+FREE+Mystery+Block+2+is+here&utm_term=read+about+it+HERE+with+download+link+at+the+end.

The River Rock 9 month BOM also started in January. But don't fret, you are on your own time line! The Registration pattern is \$30.00. Each month, you will receive a pack of 10 inch squares to make that month's block. The monthly cost of the BOM is \$24.00. Only 6 slots left in this BOM!!

Cotton Boll Quilting will be closed Feb 19-22, 2016 in order to vend at the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show at the South Padre Island Convention Center. If you are down there for the long weekend, come see our booth!

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Dea Heller -- 651-6700



You or you and a group of members are needed to help with refreshments. Talk to Janet Daniel if you want to fill this position. The meetings just won't be the same without you.

Do not have to attend board meetings.
Thanks!

2016 AHQG Board

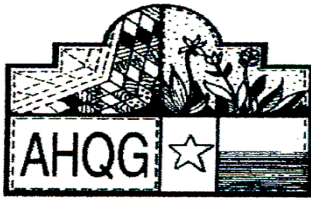
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ATTENTION:

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: **February 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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